

SCHEME OF IRRIGATION GE AREAS IN ASIA MINOR TO BE CULTIVATED

William Willcocks, Who Has charge of Work, Confident of Success

Herbert A. White, Berlin Correspondent of the United Press, Sept. 17.—The celebrated English engineer, Sir William Willcocks, is engaged in a gigantic scheme of irrigation for transforming large areas of Asia Minor, situated between the Tigris and Euphrates, from barren soil into land productive in the best degree.

When the work is completed in about ten years' time there will be almost unlimited opportunity for agricultural and commercial enterprise in those parts of Asia Minor which are now practically closed to settlers from the outside world.

Mr. Willcocks, who has gained fame as the originator and director of that vast scheme of irrigation which, under the auspices of the English government, so augmented the prosperity of Egypt, has made the following statement on his new task in Asia Minor:

"As an irrigation engineer, interested in reclaiming the country, I have been abroad all my life. I have replied to a question whether or not I am personally confident of the success of the new enterprise Sir William Willcocks answered:

"Irrigation is an exact science, and one who knows most are justified in their most confident opinion. I have some authority for my opinion as I have been engaged in irrigation and agriculture for over thirty years in Egypt and India, on either side of Mesopotamia, and almost in the same latitude. I consider that Mesopotamia will be the most successful field of irrigation. The agricultural wealth of that country will be one of the facts of the twentieth century, and agricultural wealth on a gold mine in being inexhaustible. Mesopotamia is one of the richest of the future. It is one huge opportunity."

TRADES AND LABOR CONGRESS. Twenty-Sixth Annual Meeting Is Brought to a Close. Fort Arthur, Sept. 17.—The twenty-sixth annual convention of the Trades and Labor Congress was closed this morning after a session at which the principal subject of the discussion was the appointment of permanent officers. The matter was referred to the executive. At noon many delegates here on the train en route home.

SUIT AGAINST SUGAR TRUST. Action Will Shortly Be Taken by the United States Government.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 17.—A suit seeking the dissolution of the Sugar Trust has been prepared by the department of justice and will be filed in New York.

The suit is similar to that brought against the Standard Oil Company and its subsidiaries and which was decided in favor of the government by the district court sitting in St. Louis. The charges against the sugar trust will be similar to those preferred in the government's cases against the oil company. It is understood the government will not prosecute the case, however, until the Supreme Court takes over, until the latter cases. The final action in the sugar case, it is reported, will be much stronger than that in either of the two cited.

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GIRL PERISHES IN FIRE IN HOTEL

SEVERAL OTHERS SUSTAIN INJURIES

Guests Escape in Night Clothes—Two Burned to Death in California

(Special to the Times.) San Diego, Cal., Sept. 22.—The King Edward hotel was completely destroyed by fire yesterday morning which started about four o'clock. The fire started in the domestic quarters. A young girl named Patmi was burned to death in her bed. Miss Moore, a dining room girl, had a narrow escape from being caught in the flames, having to escape in her night robes.

Two Burned to Death. Hollywood, Cal., Sept. 22.—J. J. Moran and his wife, Anna, were burned to death in a fire that started in their home near the Los Angeles-Hollywood boulevard early today.

WILL SURPRISE ALL PATRONS GENUINE EXHIBITION COMMENCES NEXT WEEK

Provincial Fair Will Surpass All Held Hitherto—Entries Numerous

(From Thursday's Daily.) With fine weather and bumper crowds the jubilee exhibition of the B. C. Agricultural Association, to be held this week, commencing Tuesday, and continuing until the end of the week, will go down in the annals of that organization as the greatest and most successful ever held since the inauguration of the provincial fair in 1908.

"UNCLE JOE" WILL NOT GO INTO VAUDEVILLE Speaker Cannon Declines to Consider Offer of \$3,000 a Week

(Times Leased Wire.) Danville, Ill., Sept. 22.—"I'll not go into vaudeville for \$3,000 a week nor for three times that amount," declared "Uncle" Joe Cannon when asked if he would accept the offer of a Toledo theatrical manager who had offered him \$3,000 a week to appear in vaudeville.

REMANDED FOR WEEK. Brandon, Man., Sept. 22.—James Carson, Johnson and Dan Welsh, the alleged robbers arrested at Oak Lake, appeared in the police court yesterday and were remanded for a week.

HOSPITAL SUPERINTENDENT. Winnipeg, Sept. 22.—Dr. F. C. Bell has been appointed superintendent of the Winnipeg general hospital, succeeding Dr. Gunn, retired. He was senior intern.

TWO SCORE KILLED IN WRECK

OFFICIALS INVESTIGATING COLLISION IN INDIANA

Superintendent of Traction Company Blames Motorman for Accident

(Times Leased Wire.) Fort Wayne, Ind., Sept. 22.—Both the traction company authorities and the officials of the Wabash Valley Traction Company are investigating to-day the wreck of two electric cars near Kingsland yesterday in which 40 persons were killed and eight severely injured. The investigation, conducted by the Indiana railway commission, will be held to determine responsibility for the accident.

THIRD ATTEMPT TO FLY OVER ALPS FAILS Aviators Are Driven Back by a Snowstorm—Suffer Terribly From the Cold

(Times Leased Wire.) Brig, Switzerland, Sept. 22.—Aviators George Gnosse and Weyman today made their third attempt to cross the Alps from Brig to Milan in an airship, but a blinding snow storm drove them back.

ASSESSOR FOUND MURDERED IN HOME Oregon Man Shot to Death While Alone in Residence at Union

(Times Leased Wire.) Union, Ore., Sept. 22.—Following the discovery of the body of Deputy Assessor Wade Perry, lying in a pool of blood at his home, the victim of a shooting, every official of the sheriff's office was put to work to-day to find out clues that might lead to the identity of the murderer.

CAN ADIAN PEACHES FOR THE KING. London, Sept. 22.—Lieut. Cecil, of the Queen's Own Rifles, who is doing with the peach, is not so well and his father has been called for.

KINGSTON BARRISTER DEAD. Kingston, Ont., Sept. 22.—Mr. George Smith, a wealthy barrister, died this morning of peritonitis after a brief illness. He leaves a considerable fortune in the gold fields of California.

DENY PLOT AGAINST EMPEROR OF JAPAN

Authorities Declare Men Under Arrest Have Been in Prison for Months

(Times Leased Wire.) Tokyo, Sept. 22.—That the details of a plot to assassinate the Mikado were exaggerated in an article appearing in the Tokio Hochi Shimbun and that there was in reality no known plot against his life, is the assertion of authorities here to-day.

ANNUAL FALL FAIR AT DUNCAN COWICHAN SHOW WILL BE OPENED TO-MORROW Large List of Entries—Many Special Prizes Offered in Various Classes

(Special to the Times.) Duncan, Sept. 22.—What promises to be a very successful fall show will be held under the auspices of the Cowichan Agricultural Association on Friday and Saturday next.

ESTIMATES OF WORLD'S YIELD OF WHEAT Show Increase of Over Hundred Million Bushels Compared With Last Year

(Special to the Times.) Ottawa, Sept. 22.—The Canadian commission on asking for a repetition of the cablegram received from the International Agricultural Institute on September 17th today, there was a transmission an error of 300,000 quintals.

WILL ADVERTISE RESOURCES OF CANADA English Member of Parliament to Advocate Formation of Imperial League

(Special to the Times.) Bristol, Sept. 22.—Norton Griffiths, M. P., who arrived here to-day, Mr. Edward, said: "To the idea that there is an important section in Canada pressing for free trade, I can give the lie direct. Canada would laugh such a notion to scorn."

HERMIT FOUND DEAD. St. John, N. B., Sept. 22.—A hermit known as John Simms, the trapper, was yesterday found dead in his hut near Lepreux with both feet almost shot off.

KILLED BY TRAIN. Chahals, Wash., Sept. 22.—Miss Cornelia Callison was killed almost instantly by the Shasta Limited, northbound. In company with her brother, J. F. Callison, of Aberdeen, she was en route to board the depot to board the evening train for Gray's Harbor.

TRIPLE ALLIANCE RENEWED. Rome, Sept. 22.—Several correspondents have been informed on good authority that the triple alliance of Italy, Austria-Hungary and Germany has been renewed for another period of six years, ending in 1920, and that the protocol will be signed at Raconnet on October 1st.

FLOODS IN SPAIN. Madrid, Sept. 22.—Storms, accompanied by deluges of rain, have done incalculable damage to the vineyards and olive orchards in Southern Spain. Eight villages, including Lorca and Cieza, are under water from three to six feet deep. The lower section of Barcelona is also flooded.

SAYS UNIVERSITY SITE ALREADY SELECTED

Semi-Official Announcement That Government Has Accepted Offer of Lord Strathcona on Admiral's and Craigflower Roads

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