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BENEFITS THAT ARE TO BE HAD.

Over in Harney county the experimental farm is one of the principal features. Farmers, old and new, are taking advantage of the knowledge gained by the farm and are profiting by it. Here in Union county we have one of the best experimental farms in the world, and it is so recognized. It was the largest barley breeding plant in the whole world a year ago and many other things of as great importance as barley are being developed. Yet there is little said about the station in this county. Comparatively few people take advantage of what can be derived from the more asking. It is a fixture and people have ceased to think of it as anything else. This is wrong for Robert Withycombe, the man in charge, is always anxious to give out anything he can and he is one of the best men in his line in the northwest.

From a paper at Corvallis we quote something about Harney county and her experiment farm:

At the request of Director Brethaupt, of the Harney county experimental station, a large crowd of Harney county farmers met at Burns for the purpose of organizing a Farmers' Co-operative league, the object of which, according to Mr. Brethaupt's statement, is to keep the farmers and the experimental station constantly in touch with one another, so that they may work for mutual help and benefit.

Mr. Brethaupt wishes the farmers all over the county to report to him what they are accomplishing; the methods pursued, their success or failure, the character of the soil operated on and the varieties of produce cultivated, in order that he may know and demonstrate.

Dr. L. E. Hibbard was elected president and Professor R. H. Harris secretary of the league and the roll was opened at once, being signed by practically all who were present, men and women.

BUT HE LIKES OREGON, ANYWAY.

David Manlove, an old pioneer of Kansas, removed to this state last spring and located in the Grande Ronde valley. While a pioneer and full of steel he had reached the age, as all men do, when moving was not in his line. As a result he pined for his old Kansas friends; he wanted to see the old school house, to hear the old preacher as of old. Western ways were all right to be viewed from a distant point but the old gentleman preferred the even tenor of former life. Finally he decided to move back to Kansas and he did so. He took with him some fruit and potatoes grown in this valley and here is what the local paper published in his town said regarding Mr. Manlove and the Oregon potatoes:

David Manlove, who has just re-

turned from Oregon, brought back with him about 150 bushels of Irish potatoes. He was exhibiting a sample at the Record office the other day that was some "taters" and don't you forget it. The mother potato was a whopper. She weighed two pounds and 19 ounces, including four ordinary sized offsprings attached to her body. Mr. Manlove says she originally had six of these offsprings but two had been broken off in handling. He also stated that he had dug as many as 30 and 40 potatoes that would weigh from one-half to one pound, from one hill. He raised over 200 bushels on three acres of ground, and yet he came back to Linn county because Oregon is not a poor man's country.

BRANCH ENGINE HAS TROUBLE

STRIKERS ISSUE LENGTHY STATEMENT REGARDING SITUATION.

Say Incompetent Men Are Hired Locally and Conditions Misstated.

A lengthy and somewhat vitriolic statement was issued from the strikers' headquarters here today, reading: "All trains late from one half to five hours. Freight traffic is badly demoralized. A freight engineer left La Grande this morning for Huntington with a freight and he will be lucky if he reaches his destination by the 27th."

Say Men Misled.

"Unskilled men who were hired to come to La Grande from outside points to work in the shops, claim they are told that there is no strike here—just a few men have become dissatisfied and quit the company's service. So say the officials who hire the men. The company hires carpenters, farmers, sheep herders and fishermen but can get no mechanics; if they do these few are of the shiftless type who don't want a job longer than a few days. But even this class or any class, or men of no particular class, are hired at wages that the Harriman system would consider robbery if demanded by the union and the company is so anxious to get labor of some kind that their agents even resort to coercing traveling union men who are told either to go to work for the railroad company or get out of town. But sometimes these men have money enough and nerve enough to ignore both of these alternatives and stay in town a few days to report these occurrences to the shop federation in La Grande."

Trouble on Branch Line.

"Engine No. 172, running between La Grande and Joseph blew her pop or safety valve off the boiler yesterday and after considerable time the valve was found and replaced but when steam was again gotten up it was discovered that the throttle rod was disconnected inside the boiler and engine 172 was dispatched to bring in the dead engine and her train to La Grande. This kind of an accident might easily be the cause of a very serious road accident as there is no means of shutting off or turning on the steam and if the brakes fail to hold any one can readily imagine what

the consequence would be.

"Train No. 10 east bound, due at 5:30 a. m., arrived at 8:30 and engine 250 went out on No. 10, her piston blowing badly and engineer could hardly keep sight of the right of way."

District Organizer Here.

"District Organizer W. J. McKimble for the A. F. of L. was in La Grande yesterday doing some work in his line and incidentally gave out some very encouraging information for the strikers here."

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SUMMONS.

In the circuit court of the state of Oregon, for the county of Union.

Mary Hug, plaintiff, vs. Louisa H. Becker and J. J. Becker, also all other persons and parties unknown claiming any right, title, estate, lien or interest in the real estate described in the complaint herein, defendants.

To Louisa H. Becker, and J. J. Becker, also all other persons and parties unknown claiming any right, title, estate, lien or interest in, or to or upon the real estate described in the complaint herein, the above named de-

endants: You and each of you are hereby notified by me to be and appear in the above entitled court and answer the complaint therein filed against you in the above entitled suit within six weeks from the first publication of this summons, and defendants and each of you, will take notice that if you fail so to appear and answer, the plaintiff will, for want thereof, apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint in said cause, to wit: That plaintiff be decreed to be the owner in fee and entitled to the possession of all the real estate described in the complaint, to wit: the east half of northeast quarter of section thirty-three (33), and southwest quarter of northwest quarter and northwest quarter of southwest quarter of section thirty-four (34), and north half of southwest quarter of section twenty-nine (29), and east half of northwest quarter and east half of southeast quarter of section thirty-two (32), in township one, north of range thirty-nine, and north half of northwest quarter of section

ve. (5), in township one, south of range thirty-nine (39), east of Williamette meridian, in Union county, Oregon, excepting a tract of about fifteen acres heretofore by Rudolph Hug in his lifetime conveyed, and that plaintiff's title thereto be quieted and for such other relief as to the court shall seem just.

This summons is published by virtue of an order of the Hon. J. W. Knowles, judge of the circuit court of

the state of Oregon for the county of Union, bearing date September 13th, A. D. 1911, directing publication of such summons in the La Grande Evening Observer, once each week for six consecutive weeks and the first publication of this summons is on the 13th day of September, A. D., 1911.

J. D. SLATER,
 Attorney for Plaintiff.
 D 9-13, 20, 27; 10-4, 11, 18, 25

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