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PORTLAND AUTO ROAD URGED

BARLOW ROAD SOLVES THE SITUATION

Comparatively Good Roads Into Portland a Possibility

To buy the old Barlow road through the Cascade mountains near Mt. Hood, improve the same at once and with that and some other work provide a road whereby people may travel by auto from Portland into any Eastern Oregon town and vice versa is the object of a move that is now being launched and has some very enthusiastic backers.

Dan P. Smythe, a Pendleton lawyer and sheepman who has been enlisted in the plan, discussed it yesterday for publication as follows:

"The Barlow road was built in early days and is yet a toll road. It extends through the mountains and is in very good condition as far as Mt. Hood. The eastern end of the road, however, has been neglected for years. Some Portland people of influence, among them Mrs. D. P. Thompson, Walter Burrell, H. Wempe and other members of the Portland auto club desire to see the toll road purchased and a public highway provided at once to Eastern Oregon. It is represented the Barlow road may be had very cheaply."

The plan is to have the Portland people take care of the road through the Cascade and to the Wasco county line. Then for each county in Eastern Oregon to look after that portion of the road within its boundaries. It will not be necessary to establish any new roads or to do any expensive work anywhere. Malcolm Moody says that the road through Wasco county can be maintained very easily and the work will be done. The route to Pendleton will be via Olex, Heppner and Pilot Rock. By taking this course the sand will be avoided and a hard highway may be used. From Pendleton to La Grande the road now in use may be utilized and it will only be necessary to see that it is kept in shape. The same will be true of the

road over from Heppner. Through very little expense on the part of the county courts or through use of money raised by subscription the roads can be kept in good shape for auto travel during the fair weather season.

A Boon to Roundup.

"Portland people want to see this road arranged for this summer if possible so that this fall they can make the run to Pendleton by auto and attend the Roundup. Last fall a number of Portlanders came by auto, shipping their machines by boat to The Dalles. But they had much trouble coming over sandy roads and it is desired to get a highway farther back from the river. The Portland motorists would like to see a road provided that will permit of a trip to Eastern Oregon as easily as the run to Southern Oregon may be made. Many would like to go by auto as far as Baker and back via Burns and the Interior. The highway from Portland to Pendleton would be very convenient for Umatilla county folk who like to go to the coast by auto and cannot well do so at present."

According to Mr. Smythe, he will lay the highway plan before the local auto clubs shortly in hopes that some action may be taken towards assuring the promoters of the plans that Eastern Oregon people will do their part in the event the scheme is taken up.

SUN WINS NEWSPAPER CONTEST

Wallowa Sun and Enterprise Chieftain Battle for Subscribers.

The end of a heavy contest between the Wallowa Sun and the Enterprise Chieftain came yesterday when the county court of Wallowa county in awarding the county printing gave it to the Sun on the ground that its circulation was the larger. The state law provides that official papers shall be named by the court according to the circulation. On this ground the two Wallowa county papers have been having a red hot circulation contest. The city of Wallowa held a celebration last evening over the success of their newspaper and Editor Marsh was made the center-piece during congratulations.

THE EMPIRE HARP ORCHESTRA AT SHERRY'S TONIGHT. 1-16-13

GRANT RANKS 'AS A "MOOSE"'

REHREE IN COMING BOUT SPLENDID ATHLETE.

Jackson Pupil Expected to Give Warner Great Run.

As third man in the squared arena, Ralph Grant, the huge bulk of wrestling muscle, will referee the go between Ed Warner and McFarland here January 17. McFarland is a pupil of Ben Jackson the Pomeroy heavyweight who takes on Zbysco the Pole in Portland. He also refereed the O'Connell-Warner bout here recently. Grant is pretty well known to local wrestling fans and as he is to challenge the winner next Friday night here is hoping he gets a chance to come here in wrestling togs.

Warner has resumed active training for his bout with McFarland. The visitor is an unknown quantity, but that he is shifty and heavy are two facts well established. He is considerably heavier than Warner the popular La Grander, and the local adept must make stellar showing to even break even.

EXCHANGE OF PROPERTIES.

J. W. Bush Exchanges Resident for Chandler Fruit Farm in Fruitdale.

The George H. Currey Real Estate agency yesterday consummated an exchange of properties consisting of the fine brick residence walled J. W. Bush recently purchased of J. H. Stringham, on North Asn for the choice fruit tract in Fruitdale owned and so successfully operated for the past nine years by J. A. Chandler, known as the strawberry king of the Grande Ronde.

Mr. Bush bought the property as an investment and Mr. Chandler is coming to town to live in order to devote his entire time in selling the acre fence for which he has been agent for several years. Mr. Chandler will move into his modern home within a very few days, which is one of the best in the city.

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