

**STATE HAS NO POWER TO STOP LAND LOTTERY**

SALEM, Or., Aug. 31.—“Since the transaction between the Booth-Kelly Lumber company and the Oregon Military road grant was purely a government transaction, I cannot see wherein the state has any right of interference in the lottery proposition of the Oregon Valley Land company, wherein there is to be a drawing upon approximately 300,000 acres of agricultural lands in Lake and Malheur counties,” said Treasurer Steel, the only member of the state land board in the city this afternoon. It appears that the Oregon Valley Land company purchased 500,000 acres of land in Lake and Malheur counties from the Booth-Kelly Lumber company and segregated 300,000 acres of the tract as agricultural and is attempting to place it on the market under the lottery system at an average of \$200 per tract of from 10 to 1000 acres. E. T. Hehfield of Guthrie, Okla., says the majority of the land is practically worthless, and proposes to appeal to the state land board to block the deal.

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**NORTHWEST WHEAT CROP NOT BUMPER, SAYS HILL**

ST. PAUL, Aug. 31.—A note of warning to crop statisticians who are predicting a bumper crop of wheat in the Northwest was sounded by James J. Hill in an interview yesterday. Much harm will be done to the business of the country in encouraging overspeculation by the statements sent broadcast that the Northwest will harvest a bumper crop, according to the railroad magnate. “I believe that the Northwest will harvest a crop that will be about 50,000,000 bushels larger than some previous years,” said Mr. Hill today, but the statement that a bumper crop is expected is far from true.”

**Prepaid Railroad Orders.** “Something which is of considerable interest to the public generally and which is perhaps not generally known is the system of prepaid railroad orders now in effect between stations of the Southern Pacific company and all points in the United States. By means of this system tickets may be purchased at Medford from any place in the United States and mailed or telegraphed direct to the party wishing to come here. Sleeper accommodations and small amounts of cash in connection with these tickets may also be forwarded at the same time.”

**FILES TINY CLAIM AGAINST BIG ROADS**

WASHINGTON, Aug. 31.—The smallest claim for reparation ever filed with the interstate commerce commission has been presented by Tyson and Jones Buggy company of Carthage, N. C. The amount involved is 20 cents. The brief consists of six pages of legal cap, in which all the facts are set forth. In December, 1907, the complaint

avers, the firm ordered iron wagon axles from Wilkesbarre, Pa. The rate charged was 54 cents a hundred pounds. The complaint alleges that the proper rate should have been 52 cents per hundred. The shipment weighed about 1000 pounds. Six railroads were made defendants—the Central of Georgia, the Philadelphia and Reading, the Cumberland Valley, the Norfolk and Western, the Southern and the Aberdeen and Asheboro.

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