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PORTLAND LETTER

Eastern Capital Invests Heavily in Oregon Property -- Portland's New Packing Plant.

Portland, Ore., March 15—Special Large sums of Eastern capital have been invested in this state during the last week in the purchase of the Northwest Corporation, which controls numerous gas, water and electric light and power plants in Oregon and Washington. H. M. Byllesby & Co., of Chicago, a large promotion concern, are understood to have taken over the properties. The firm will establish an office in Portland by the first of next month and direct operations from here.

The properties bought extend from Walla Walla, Washington, to Southern Oregon, ambitious projects yet to be completed are included in the company's holdings. Various electric lines in the two states are planned, and the development of big water powers has been outlined.

This transaction, which carries with it a very large sum of Eastern capital shows the confidence outside investors have in the future development of this section of the United States.

Total deposits in Oregon banks, both national and state, at the close of business January 31, totaled 91,314,138, an increase of \$1,441,249. On the last day of January there was due Oregon banks from approved reserve agents outside of the state, a total of \$10,239,853. These figures are given in a statement just issued by State Bank Examiner Steel.

Portland's big new packing plant, just completed by the Swift interests began killing livestock yesterday. From now on, it will enlarge its operations until all the departments and allied industries are under way. It is expected to be two or three months before the big \$2,000,000 plant is in full operation. The completion of this big packing house is a boost for the producers of live stock not only in this state but throughout the northwest. The killing department is prepared to handle about 500 cattle a day as a starter and has a capacity of 1000 hogs and sheep. The interest shown in live stock production throughout the big territory tributary to this market will largely determine the magnitude of operations by the new plant. Hogs reached \$11.10 during the past week.

With Judge Lionel R. Webster in charge, headquarters have been opened in Portland by the Oregon Good Roads Association and it is planned to wage

an active campaign constantly for good roads throughout the state. Funds to carry on the work have been subscribed and not only will good roads legislation be fathered but demonstrations of approved road making will be carried on and it is hoped to secure the appointment of a highway commission. Much good is expected to result from the campaign.

Following a conference between officials of Oregon and Washington held during the past week in Portland, an agreement was reached as to the disputed state boundary at the mouth of the Columbia River. An arbitrary line was agreed upon which will be used in enforcing the fish laws and levying taxes until the vexed question is settled finally.

Washington boosters will reach Portland on the afternoon of March 19 on their way to California. The visitors will represent cities in Western Washington and while in Portland will be entertained by the Commercial Club.

Saved a Soldier's Life.

Facing death from shot and shell in the civil war was more agreeable to J. A. Stone, Kemp, Tex., than facing it from what doctors said was consumption. "I contracted a stubborn cold," he writes, "that developed a cough, that stuck to me in spite of all remedies for years. My weight ran down to 130 pounds. Then I began to use Dr. King's New Discovery, which completely cured me. I now weigh 178 pounds." For Coughs, lung trouble, its supreme. 50c. 1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by City Drug Store.

Watkins Items.

Correspondence to The Post.

We are having regular spring weather at this writing.

James Terry made a business trip to Wm. Dorns Monday.

Wm. Loudon and Anthony Watkins were up to Pursell's mill on business Sunday.

The school house near Watkins is being improved and the children are looking forward to the 28th of March the first day of this term of school. Miss Emma Wendt of Jacksonville will teach.

Mrs. Kate Stephenson called on friends near Watkins recently, the guest of Mrs. Raymond Phillips.

The surprise party given at Deb. McKee's Tuesday March 15th was a grand success and a very enjoyable time was had by the many that attended. A fine supper was served at twelve o'clock.

J. Byrne went to Ruch recently to meet his sister Katie who has been visiting in Jacksonville for some time.

WILL MAKE SURVEY

Engineer of State Board Will Measure Water of Local Streams.

Engineer Donnelly of the state board of water control, is expected this week with a crew of men, to measure the waters of the Althouse creek, the Rogue river and various tributaries and to determine the quantity of irrigable land that may be reclaimed by the waters of those streams. Filings have been made on these streams and before the board can arrive at an equitable adjudication of the rights of users, thorough and complete surveys must be made. The work will consume about three months' time.

A short time ago the superintendent of this district, spent some time in southern Oregon taking preliminary steps and holding hearings regarding the adjudication of water rights on certain streams.

Stiff Neck.

Stiff neck is caused by rheumatism of the muscles of the neck. It is usually confined to one side, or to the back of the neck and one side. While it is often quite painful, quick relief may be had by applying Chamberlain's Liniment. Not one case of rheumatism in ten requires internal treatment. When there is no fever and no swelling as in muscular and chronic rheumatism, Chamberlain's Liniment will accomplish more than any internal treatment. For sale by City Drug Store.

REV. ENNIS RETAINED.

Presbyterian Congregation in Favor of Present Pastor.

A congregational meeting was held at the Presbyterian church Wednesday evening at which various matters of interest, to the church and its members were discussed.

A very able and interesting address was delivered by Rev. Shields of Medford, followed by remarks by different members of the congregation.

Upon the question of a pastor for the ensuing year the congregation were unanimous in expressing their opinion and desire that the present pastor, Rev. Robert Ennis, who has faithfully ministered to the church for seventeen years, be requested to continue in charge for the ensuing year. Rev. Ennis being present and consenting thereto, the matter was so arranged.

TWO PHONE SYSTEMS

Two Lines Will Double the Cost but not Improve the Service.

The people of Jacksonville generally and every patron of the present telephone system should constitute himself or herself a committee of one to assist in guarding against an unnecessary evil that threatens to be forced upon the people in the form of another telephone system, which if consummated will increase the expense of business subscribers over 100% for the additional telephone service, which must be added to the cost of living. Opposition service in the way of water, electric lights, railroad, etc., does not add to cost of living for the reason that you can patronize either, but a dual telephone system works on different lines. If there are two telephone companies in a city, the doctor, dentist, lawyer, grocer, butcher and in fact all places of commerce must patronize each system and the added expense to the merchant must necessarily be paid by their patrons, as it is an established fact that the consumer has to pay higher prices whenever the cost of doing business increases.—Adv.

Buncom Reports.

Correspondence to The Post.

We are having fine weather, neighbors are all busy putting in their gardens.

Ansel Gilson and wife was in town Wednesday.

George Inks and family have gone to Murphy, Oregon.

Byron Johnston was in Jacksonville this week.

Frank Stephenson and Bert McKee was visiting relatives near Buncom Sunday.

Mrs. M. Buck and son Otis were up Little Applegate Monday.

Mr. Robinson who has been spending the winter here at Buncom is expected to start soon for the Willamette Valley.

Any one who would like a good neat hair cut or shave call at Reines Combe's.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Silva were in Medford last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Hamilton will leave for Washington soon.

J. Goldsby and family accompanied by Mr. Daly spent several hours listening to the graphophone at Mr. J. Parkes last Saturday night.

Mrs. Eliza Johnson and Mrs. Hettie Inks were visiting friends near Buncom last week.

Miss Tillie Payne of Woodville, Ore., will commence a three month term of school here at the Union school house Monday March 21.

Mrs. Cora Crump was visiting at Buncom Sunday.

Charlie, Beulah and Jessie Garrett accompanied by Mr. Farmer were visiting Mr. Goldsby and family recently.

Stubborn As Mules

are liver and bowels sometimes; seem to balk without cause. Then there's trouble—Loss of Appetite—Indigestion Nervousness, Despondency, Headache. But such troubles fly before Dr. King's New Life Pills, the world's best Stomach and Liver remedy. So easy. 25c at the City Drug Store.

Populating Rural Oregon.

A way to populate rural Oregon is to provide facility of locomotion. What is the facility for going to and from the farm and market is the question of all questions to the prospective buyer. It is discouraging to the buyer if the route is through a sea of mud or wilderness of mire. It is encouraging if instead of mud and mire there is a hard macadam road to the nearest town and county seat. If the road is bad, the fertility of the soil counts for less, the land itself is less valuable, and the products from the land less remunerative. Distance is not miles but time.

The cost of movement to and from the farm is not fixed in furlongs, but in the hours and minutes required for the trip. Twenty miles over a hard macadam is a shorter distance to the market than five over a chuck-holed and muddriven road. On the one it is the matter of an hour for the farmer's auto; on the other with the struggling term it may be a matter of two.

The roads, more than any other influence, fix the price of the land, and largely settle the question of whether the stranger will buy, or where he will locate. It is an almost certain fact that Oregon's recent increase in population is largely confined to the towns and cities and their suburbs. Many Oregon towns have doubled in population in the past few years, but no such increase is manifest in the rural communities; The meaning of it is that the farms must have civilized roads to market or civilized men will not buy and occupy them. Men nowadays are traveling through life on a twentieth century basis. They want a few comforts a few conveniences and some of the accessories of real living here below, and these the unimproved road forbids. There must be easy means of coming and going from farm to farm and from country to town or the homeseekers will seek and settle spots where these can be found. It is idle to advertise for people to come if they are not satisfied when they arrive. If the merchants, the bankers, the insurance men, the doctors the lawyers, the mechanics and every other profession and vocation in the cities and towns want new customers, clients and patients in the country, they can get them by helping to make Oregon roads such that rural Oregon will be attractive. Building civilized roads for civilized men is one of the surest, most effective and easiest ways of peopling Oregon, and of making it a headquarters for wealth, happiness and good living. Is there one man in all the state who objects to good roads?—Journal.

Granulated Eye Lids

Do not need to be cauterized or scarified by a physician. Sutherland's Eagle Eye Salve is guaranteed to cure them without pain. It is harmless and a sure cure for granulated lids. 25c tubes at all dealers. For sale by City Drug Store.

THE STRIKE.

Foolish Tactics Alienates Support of the Public.

The tactics of the Central Labor Union in Philadelphia, in furtherance of the sympathetic strike, goes far to alienate whatever support the general public may have been disposed to give the striking carmen at the outset of the present trouble.

There is neither justification nor reasonable excuse for the order directing all milkmen, bakers, grocery clerks, and other makers and handlers of food supplies to stop work until the grievances of the car men are adjusted. And supremely foolish was the decision of the same Union that its members should withdraw their money from the banks, and their sympathizers should do the same. Such action might possibly add to the general disturbance of business, but the chief sufferers would be the depositors themselves.

By the actions referred to the strikers have not only failed to secure sympathy and support from the people at large, but have placed themselves in a position closely resembling rebellion against the constituted authorities, threatening to tie up the trade and commerce of the entire country unless their demands are granted.

The sympathy of the public is, as it should be, with the working man in all proper and legitimate efforts to better his condition, but the tactics used in the present strike merit condemnation rather than sympathy.

The Cold that Hangs on

Are readily cured by Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey. It relieves the cold and stops the coughs. There is only one genuine. For sale by City Drug Store.

A Woman Associate Judge.

The mayor of Denver makes the following novel recommendation:

I believe that justice can best be served in Denver by two sessions of police court each day, the first, where all old offenders are to be tried; and the second session, where first offenders and women shall be tried, and that a woman associate judge be appointed to sit with the police magistrate at the second session of the court. Her recommendations would only be advisory under our present law, but they would have much influence in all decisions. The presence of a woman as an officer of the court would soften the proceedings, temper justice with mercy, and inspire courage as only a woman can. She could do a good work by investigating, outside the court, the causes and conditions leading to a woman's arrest, and help untangle domestic or moral wrongs. I recommend that we try the experiment, and believe good results will follow.—Woman's Journal

COMMERCIAL CLUB

Meeting for Organization to be Held Soon--Petition Circulated

A petition calling a meeting in the City Hall for the purpose of organizing a commercial club is being circulated and at the time of our going to press contains the following names; Jacksonville Post D. W. Bagshaw T. W. Fulton Farmers & Fruitgrowers Bank Benj. M. Collins P. Donegan Jr. F. M. Roundtree Luke Ryan Emil Britt Union Livery Stable W. P. Bailey E. Thompson O. K. Barber Shop Frank Robinson Central Meat Market B. A. Bradburn M. M. Taylor Jacksonville Real Estate Co. Adolf Shulz U. S. Hotel L. I. Brown Chas. F. Dunford E. W. Wilson W. T. Grieve H. K. Hanna Jr. Deneff's Confectionery Wm. C. Deneff T. T. Shaw T. W. Hester Harry Luy Jno. R. Norris Geo. E. Neuber Oscar Lewis Jacksonville Bakery B. Wetzel Chris Keegan J. B. Wetterer A. Learned M. D. Jones S. P. DeRoboam Henry G. Dox John H. Huffer City Meat Market John Dunnington.

An Ideal Cough Medicine.

"As an ideal cough medicine I regard Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in a class by itself," says Dr. R. A. Wiltshire, of Gwynneville, Ind. "I take great pleasure in testifying to the results of Chamberlain's Cough Medicine. In fact, I know of no other preparation that meets so fully the expectations of the most exacting in cases of croup and coughs of children. As it contains no chloroform or morphine it certainly makes a most safe, pleasant and efficacious remedy for the ill it is intended." For sale at the City Drug Store.

The new Oliver Typewriter, latest improved can be seen at this office. We have secured the agency for Jacksonville and surrounding country and would be pleased to receive your order. Jacksonville Post

ONE WEAK SPOT

Most Jacksonville People Have a Weak Part and Too Often It's the Back.

Everyone has a weak spot. Too often it's a bad back. Twinges follow every sudden twist. Dull aching keeps up, day and night. Tell you the kidneys need help—For backache is really kidney ache. A kidney cure is what you need. Doan's Kidney Pills cure sick kidneys. Cure back ache and urinary ills. Jacksonville people recommend the remedy.

A. Z. Sears, living on 5th and H.Sts., Medford, Ore., says: "I have used Doan's Kidney Pills and am glad to say that, the results were most gratifying. I suffered for a long time from pains in my back and I found it difficult to stoop. My kidneys were too free in action. Doan's Kidney Pills were so highly recommended to me that I procured a box. I had only taken them a short time when I found that they were the remedy I required. I continued using them, my general health improved and I felt better in every way. I take pleasure in recommending Doan's Kidney Pills, to other sufferers."

Plenty more proof like this from Jacksonville people. Call at The City drug store and ask what customers report.

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