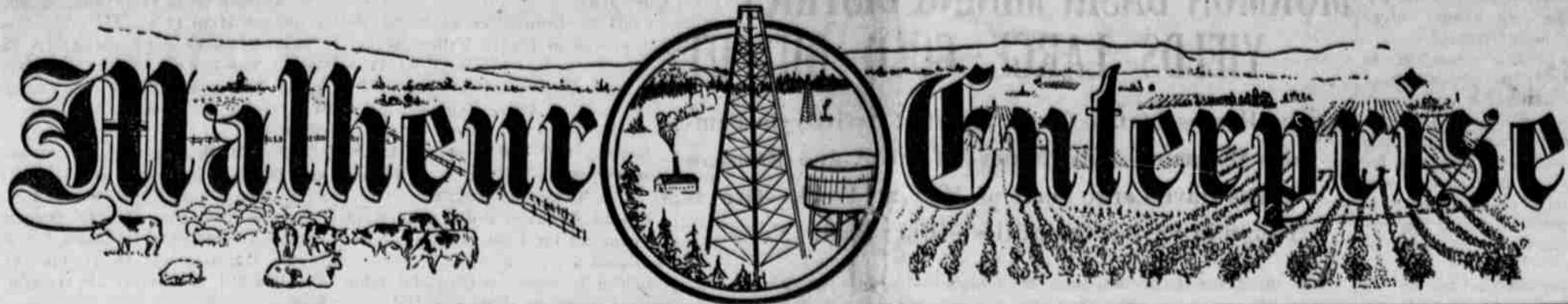


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RAILROAD CHIEFS TO RUSH WORK AT ONCE

WORK PLACED IN HANDS OF PORTLAND MEN

Maps, Titles and Right-of-Ways Are Now Being Completed

ON TRANS-OREGON LINE

Surveyor at Burns Getting Out Data to Be Handed Over to Railroad Contractors--Hill and Harriman People Combine in Malheur Gap--Work in Spring

Permanent location survey maps for the trans-Oregon Hill railroad are being rushed to completion in the surveyor's office in Burns according to reports from Portland railroad headquarters.

It is well known that the Oregon Trunk people have run several preliminary surveys across the state to connect their Deschutes line at or near Bend. One of the last of these surveys connected with the Boise & Western survey at the Malheur Gap, running westward through the Harney valley to a point north of Harney Lake then northwesterly up Silver Creek for a distance of about thirty miles, leaving the valley through Wagontire Gap and Glass Butte, thence in a direct line across the High Desert to Bend.

A preliminary survey was run on this route early in the Summer. The surveyors returned this Fall and made a permanent location, since which time, it is learned, a number of railroad contractors have been out over parts of the line. This is the route referred to by locating Engineer Kuney in his recent interview in Bend, which was printed a few weeks ago in the Enterprise, and in which he pronounced the route economical in both construction and operation.

Since the trip of President Lovett and his party through Eastern Oregon, the Harriman and Oregon Trunk people have evidently joined hands, as was reported, and gotten together on an agreement as to the location of their respective East and West line through the state as well as the time when construction work shall be commenced. The Enterprise has it on good authority that these matters have been turned over and are now in the hands of President Stevens of the Oregon Trunk and Gen. Manager O'Brien of the Harriman system, and that all matters pertaining to completion of maps, titles and right-of-way are being rushed as fast as possible.

STOCK YARDS MOVED TO NEW LOCATION NORTH OF TOWN

The railroad stock yards are being moved today from their present location to the new site on the Brogan railroad, a quarter of a mile north of the Malheur Valley and Short Line Y in the local yards.

FINEST NATURAL HOT WATER SAYS VALE VISITORS

"It is the finest natural hot water on earth" said Prof. Shaw and W. P. Davidson on last Saturday returning from the bath house across the river. Mr. Davidson, president of the Oregon & Western Colonization Co., who lives in St. Paul, could not help but boast those hot springs after that bath. Prof. Shaw, the soil expert from Montana sent here by James J. Hill, was equally enthusiastic. "I have bathed in many waters of this kind but I would not have missed this chance for anything. The medicinal properties are certainly great. It's the real fountain of youth" said Prof. Shaw. A. J. Stowall, of Portland, an oil promoter who is in town this week, has been running over to the bath house nearly every day. "There's nothing like it. I had a touch of rheumatism when I came and that natural hot water has certainly made me feel like a new man."

PROF. SHAW, SOIL EXPERT, SAYS VALE SOIL RICHEST IN COUNTRY

Dry Farming Expert Sent Through Oregon by Hill Railroad Interests Says Non-Irrigated Bench Lands Would Yield Immense Crops Under Dry-Farming Methods--Explains the Storing of Moisture.

Of interest to the ranchers, and every resident of Malheur county and adjoining counties in Eastern Oregon, is the lecture on Dry Farming given by Prof. Thos. Shaw at the Chamber of Commerce on last Saturday evening in this city. Prof. Shaw, a soil expert of Montana and North Dakota, has been commissioned by the Hill railroad interests to tour Eastern and Central Oregon in order to become acquainted with the conditions of the country to be traversed by the Hill railroads as well as to tell the people in the principal towns what can be accomplished by dry farming methods.

An Expert in His Line Professor Shaw for 12 years was head of the Department of Animal Husbandry of the Agricultural College of Minnesota. Prior to that service he was a practical farmer for 25 years, near Hamilton, Ontario. In recent years he has been employed by James J. Hill, for the Great Northern Railroad, working out problems of dry farming in the Middle Northwest. He is highly regarded by Mr. Hill and by the people of this part of the country.

Mr. Hill is desirous of bringing the dry districts of interior Oregon into successful agriculture, just as he has helped to do elsewhere along his railroads. With this end in mind he is sending Professor Shaw into Oregon, to give the people there useful information.

Davidson in Vale W. P. Davidson, president of the Oregon & Western Colonization Co., which purchased the 800,000 acre land grant of the Willamette Valley and Cascade Mountain Military road, is accompanying Prof. Shaw on this trip which will take them from this city to Burns, Prineville and other interior towns.

BIG INCREASE IN CLERKS OFFICE

Fees More Than Doubled During Past Four Years--Shows County's Growth

Few counties in the state of Oregon have experienced such a tremendous growth as Malheur county during the last four years. Figures coming from the county clerk's office show actual facts and are most reliable indications of the business increase during that time.

The figures compiled by County Clerk Mulkey, who has held the office during that period, show that the fees for six months ending September 30, 1906, amounted to \$1474.47 and those for the six months ending September 30, 1910, are \$3840.45, an increase in fees of \$2365.98. The figures, in six month periods ending on the dates given below, are as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Date and Amount. Rows show fees for periods ending 9/30/1906, 3/31/1907, 9/30/1907, 3/31/1908, 9/30/1908, 3/31/1909, 9/30/1909, 3/31/1910, and 9/30/1910.

CAPITAL STOCK OF O. S. L. INCREASED

The capital stock of the Oregon Short Line was increased on Wednesday from \$27,420,000 to \$100,000,000, at the annual meeting of the stockholders held in Salt Lake City.

FOR SALE Full blooded Clyde Stallion, "Scotty Goldsmith" for sale or trade for land or horses. Also one black Jack, 15 hands high, weight 1600 pounds, sure foal getter. J. W. Davies, Box 291, Vale, Oregon.

CARTER TRIES TO EVADE THE REAL FIGURES

Would Secure Pumping Contract Without Getting Down to Facts

GRAVITY ONLY SYSTEM

Manager of Electric Light Company Gives Vague and Unsatisfactory Report--Figures on 100-Foot Lift after Engineer Gives Correct Elevation.

On next Wednesday will be held the special election for the bonding of this city for an additional sum of \$30,000 for the building of a flow line and gravity water system. As this is of much importance to the residents of this city, the Enterprise has secured a number of reports on this subject for their information. As usual the report of Manager Carter is vague, misleading and not to the point.

Carter has figured on only 27,000 gallons per twenty-four hours to be pumped 100 feet high. Although informed by Engineer Root that the water would have to be pumped 200 feet, he gives no figures for that particular elevation, perhaps thinking his price would be far too high. He also has seen fit to figure that 27,000 gallons would supply the present population.

Carter's report to the Council printed below is like all his promises--vague, misleading, uncertain, and not figured (Continued on page 8)

LAFFERTY WILL SPEAK IN VALE

Congressional Candidate Will Address Voters on Next Wednesday Afternoon at 2:30

A. W. Lafferty, republican nominee for Congress, will be in Vale on next Wednesday, October 19th, and will address the voters at 2:30 in the afternoon. He will speak in Ontario at 8 o'clock the same evening. Mr. Lafferty is starting out on a tour of the 17 counties in the district. He will advocate "progressive" Republicanism. He also promises to urge laws for the following purposes:

Returning \$5,360,000 due the state for irrigation. Creating a land court for each Western state, to the end that greater liberality and fairness may be shown homesteaders.

FINEST DRUG STORE IN INTER-MOUNTAIN COUNTRY

Vale's big new drug store, owned by B. R. Frick, now located in the Nelson building is the pride of Vale. No better, more conveniently arranged store can be found anywhere in the interior country. Mr. Frick has also added extensive show cases and other fixtures which are now filled with new lines he is introducing in this city. Typewriter's supplies, stationery, loose leaf books, and other office necessities can now be found at Frick's drug store. The display of Libby cut glass is simply elegant. The ladies will find the best perfumes and everything in toilet articles. Then, there is the famous Rub Dry Bath towels--have you seen them?

MALHEUR COUNTY ASSESSMENT WILL TOTAL ABOUT \$8,000,000

County Assessor Payne states the tax list for 1910 is nearly completed and that the total assessment roll will amount to about \$8,000,000. In 1909 it was only \$1,500,000 on the valuation of property in Malheur county. In Harney county the assessment just completed for 1910 shows a total of \$6,963,705.



Opening to settlement the 8,000,000 acres of agricultural land in Oregon now withdrawn from entry.

Guaranteeing the sale of the Oregon & California Railroad lands to actual settlers, according to the terms of the grant.

Opening the Columbia River as far north as Nelson B. C., and building the north jetty at Astoria.

Preserving forever the 15,000,000 acres of forest reserves in Oregon, which, by the way, constitute one-fourth of the state's area, but providing that the profits arising from the sale of ripe timber and grazing privileges shall go into the state treasury, and providing for local management of these lands by a state board of forestry under a trust arrangement with the Nation, not giving the state any power to ever sell an acre of the lands.

HEAVIER BLACK OIL, PETROLEUM ODOR AND GAS IN VALE OIL FIELD

Authority on Oil Fields Gives Strongest Report Ever Made on Vale Field--Confident that Wells Will Make Good--Petroleum Odor Now Noticed--Best Evidence Drills Are in Close Proximity to Oil Sand.

As oil men all over this country are watching closely through the Enterprise the movements and actual drilling operations carried on in the Vale oil fields, the Enterprise publishes the following report from R. W. Eames, one of the best known and well posted oil men in the country, who has just returned from a trip which took him to all wells. Mr. Eames, who is considered a noted authority on geological formation and who has studied many oil fields in this country, says:

"Never before in the history of the Malheur oil field has the oil showing been so great or so promising. Three wells have reached the point where there seems to be no question about their being able to make good. From the numerous inquiries I have received within a short time regarding the Malheur oil field I take it for granted that an article upon this subject would be appreciated. In order to get the latest and correct knowledge from the various sources, I have recently visited most of the wells now drilling and will vouch to the correctness for what I am about to write."

"I first dropped in at the Ontario well without an invitation, caught the head driller Mr. Kelley hoisting the tools. The bailer was then lowered and when hoisted to the surface the expanded gas threw the hot mud several feet above the walking beam. A lighted match was then ignited with a report and a flame that was truly inspiring. This continued for some time until all the escaping gas had been consumed. The bailer was discharged and the quantity of oil available was surprising. Not only the quantity of oil but the strong petroleum odor was very pronounced,

indicating that in the last 100 feet drilled, since I last visited the well, a most wonderful improvement had taken place, which practically settled the question in my mind regarding the discovery of oil in commercial quantities in this well.

"This well is now over 4000 feet and is full of water, which means over 1700 pounds of pressure per square inch at the bottom and it is my guess that if this water was pumped out a flow of oil would be the result. Mr. Kelley also states that this is his opinion, but the management wishes to continue the well through the present shale capping to reach the oil sand that presumably lies underneath.

"I next visited the Malheur well, found the Miles Bros. with a smile on that indicated that they had something good in store. I was invited to witness the operation of bailing and to my great surprise and delight saw more oil in the first bailerful than I had ever seen at this well before. As the bailer was discharged the oil flowed from the well in one continuous sheet, covering not only the water that was brought up in the bailer but all the artesian water that was flowing from the well. I caught a pail full of this water, skimming the oil as much as I could and made some tests. I found that the oil had a very pronounced petroleum odor and was much heavier and darker than anything ever seen in this part of the field. The gas accompanying this oil, flow is also highly petroleumous, all indicating that the drill is rapidly approaching oil sand. From the samples of the sand they are now passing through I pronounce this well in what would be termed the top stratum or dead oil sand. The drill (Continued on page 5)

WEST WINS MANY VOTES IN VALE

Candidate for Governor Shows Voters Where He Stands--Cheered Everywhere He Speaks

After being heartily received by large crowds in Burns, Harney City and Drewsey, Oswald West, democratic candidate for governor, the most popular man in Oregon today, rushed in to Vale late Monday afternoon after a hard and adventurous automobile trip through Central Oregon. Being just about four hours late on account of accidents, Mr. West upon arriving in Vale stopped his machine in front of the Drexel Hotel and addressed a large crowd of admirers who had been anxiously awaiting his arrival.

West, who is regarded by all as the people's candidate, won many friends while in this city. He did not hesitate to ask his listeners for their votes. Mr. West stated that the people all through the country were with him, in fact he looks to the ranchers of Oregon for his election as Bowerman is supported by all the corporations. Mr. West went on to tell how Bowerman was posing as a friend of the direct primary and statement No. 1, while in fact in the last legislature he had refused to stand by them. Mr. West told how the assembly bunch was paying Bowerman's campaign expenses. He also told how Bowerman had fought every bill representing the people's interest in the last two legislatures.

Mr. West was greatly handicapped as his voice was in bad shape after the 132 mile automobile trip through the dust. While in town, however, he showed the people that he was going in to win. West is a man of great executive ability and has always made good.

From this city, Mr. West went on to Ontario where he made another campaign speech which won many new votes.

Notice To Voters.

Swearing in your vote at the primary is not a registration. If you have not registered since and do not register it will be necessary for you to again swear in your vote on election day. The books are now open and will remain open until October 17th, at 5 p. m.

HOPE BROS. GET CONTROL U. S. NATIONAL

Deal Closed Yesterday at Stockholders' Special Meeting

BANK TO BE STRONGER

No Change in Officers to Take Place for Some Time--Hope Bros. Joined by Prominent Capitalists of this State in Securing Controlling Interests.

M. G. Hope and I. W. Hope, of the firm of Hope Bros. of this city, with outside capitalists yesterday closed a deal through which they secured the controlling interest of the U. S. National Bank of Vale. M. G. Hope, who had been in Portland to confer with prominent capitalists, returned to Vale yesterday afternoon. After a meeting of the stockholders held yesterday when the deal was closed at this end, Mr. Hope returned to Portland to complete affairs with the other parties.

The securing of the controlling interests of this banking institution by the Hope Bros. and their friends will make the United States National bank the strongest in this section of Eastern Oregon, even much stronger than ever before, as the new people will run the institution on a conservative basis. No changes will be made at the present time in the officers and board of directors, and the capital stock will remain at \$75,000.

There is no truth in the report that the U. S. National and the First National banks of this city would consolidate.

Vale Light & Water Co. office removed to Nelson Bldg.

BIG BEND MAN DOES NOT WANT OFFICE

County Clerk Mulkey during last week received notices of acceptance from a number of successful candidates of the primary election, whose names had been written in on the ballots.

J. F. Miller has accepted the Republican nomination as county surveyor. M. Mathieson reports that he will take the nomination for justice of the peace from the Owyhee precinct. Z. G. Wilson, who won the Republican nomination for justice of the peace of the Vale precinct, has also accepted the Democratic nomination.

A. L. Tate writes to the county clerk that his name was placed on the primary ballot for the Big Bend precinct constable against his wishes and that if elected he cannot serve. Mr. Tate does not want his name to appear on the general ballot.

WIRES FRIEND TO COME AND SEE VALE

"Come out to Vale and look over the country and see it as I see it" was the text of a telegram sent away a few days ago from this city to one of the best known bankers in North Dakota by O. Young, a capitalist of that state who has been here only a week. Mr. Young came to Vale to look over the country and he thinks well enough of this section to wire back such news. While in town he is the guest of his old friend, H. N. Ford.

Mr. O. Young is owner of the Grand Fork Times in North Dakota; he is also a member of the firm of Young & Chafey, furniture manufacturers of Grand Rapids, Michigan. He also owns a big furniture store at Grand Forks, North Dakota, and is a large real estate dealer for Canada lands, besides being interested in several banks throughout North Dakota.

The sending of such a telegram to a capitalist of his state shows the great faith Mr. Young has in this section of the country and especially Vale.

SOCIALISTS FILE NOMINATION PAPERS

John E. Johnson as president of the Socialist county convention of Malheur county, which was held in this city on Friday of last week, has filed in the county clerk's office the certificates of nomination of the following candidates: Chas. E. Nelson, sheriff; C. E. Hammond, county clerk; E. B. Nelson, county commissioner; J. P. Dube, county treasurer; J. Edwin Johnson, representative.

SKATING RINK WILL OPEN ON OCTOBER 1ST IN COLE BUILDING

A. S. Hunt will open a skating rink on the first of the month in the new brick building on East A street, recently erected for a garage. A hard wood maple floor will be put in, making one of the best rinks in the country. The floor will be 50x81 feet.