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COUNTY SEAT WANTS BRANCH

Want Harriman or Hill to Build a Road

CROOK COUNTY PEOPLE TO LEND AID

Prineville Citizens Feel Confident They Will Secure Road

A delegation of citizens from Prineville, headed by C. Sam Smith, cattle king and ex-sheriff, was in Portland last Thursday pursuing an effort to induce either the Hill or Harriman systems to build a branch road into that city from some advantageous junction point with the two roads now being constructed into the interior.

The committee is confident that a favorable answer will be given to its appeal by one or the other systems within a short time, and the confidence of the committee-

men that a road will be constructed into Prineville within the next year or 18 months is equally strong.

It was stated by members of the delegation that the full amount of \$350,000 needed to build the 35 miles of road is available from Crook county people alone, but they would much prefer to have some of the trunk line roads build the new branch rather than to finance the project as an independent proposition.

Up to the present no definite assurance has been had from either of the two big systems but an effort is being made to secure the construction of the line through a syndicate of capitalists who are closely identified with the Hill interests.

President John F. Stevens, of the Hill Oregon lines, said that the matter had not been considered in an official or formal way by the interests he represents and said the proposition was still very much up in the air. He is, however, impressed with the activity and enterprise the Prineville people are showing, but expressed regret that he can give no definite encouragement at this time.

When he made his recent trip into Madras, he was met by a delegation from Prineville and he gave them a lengthy hearing, but he takes the position that there are so many other projects which demand more immediate attention that he cannot consider the Prineville branch as a feeder for the Hill system at this time.

COLONISTS ON EXTRA TRAINS

Union Pacific and G. N. to Run Specials

EXPECTED OTHER LINES DO SAME

Influx of Settlers to Central Oregon Unprecedented

Special trains on many lines will carry colonists from the east to Portland on several days within the low fare period which the railroads have announced from March 10 to April 10.

The Great Northern and Union Pacific roads have announced their intention of operating extra trains from eastern points and it is likely that other roads entering the northwest will do likewise. Because the exact volume of business cannot be forecasted, the number of special trains cannot be arranged at this time.

Announcement has gone forth from the office of the Great Northern at St. Paul that a specially conducted excursion will be organized in the Mississippi Valley and that a special train will be operated through to the coast.

The Union Pacific has arranged to operate special trains out of Omaha on the first and last days of the colonist period. These trains will consist of tourist sleeping cars entirely and will operate through to California and north Pacific Coast points. On account of the greater interest in Oregon it is likely that most of them will have their destination in this state.

The first special will leave Omaha on Saturday, March 11. Others will follow on March 12 and 13. April 8, 9, 10 and 11 also have been selected as dates upon which specials will leave Omaha. The trains are scheduled to start from the Nebraska city at 5 p. m. and will arrive in Portland at 11 a. m. on the third day following their departure.

They will carry all the tourist cars delivered to the Union Pacific at Omaha by eastern roads, excepting those cars that are taken on the regular trains. A fast schedule will be maintained, as the trains will not stop to take on passengers west of Omaha. They will operate on the Union Pacific, Oregon Short Line and O.-W. R. & N. line into Portland. A feature of this special service will be the meals which will be served on the diner carried with each train. Regular a la carte meals will be offered the tourists at greatly reduced prices, and virtually the service as that on the regular trains.

TOWN OF BEND BEEN BOUGHT

Syndicate Buys All Land and Betterments

PRICE SAID TO BE CLOSE TO \$500,000

Purchasers Represent Dayton, Ohio, and Oregon Capital

Sale of the entire townsite of Bend, Crook county, together with the affiliated properties at that place, to a syndicate composed of eastern capitalists and Oregon men, for a consideration reported to be about \$500,000, is about to be closed, says the Oregonian of the 4th. Agreements for the sale were completed and signed in Portland yesterday, and it is expected that the details of the transfer can be completed and the actual conveyance made in less than 30 days.

The properties affiliated with the Bend townsite are varied and extensive, including a sawmill, some 3000 acres of timber land, 2000 of agricultural land, 1400 acres adjacent to the town, 1300 platted lots, and the water, power, and lighting plant situated at the town. Valuable water power sites on the Deschutes river are included in the sale, together with some water rights for irrigation.

These properties are now held by the Pilot Butte Development Co., the Bend Townsite Co., and the Bend Water, Light & Power Company. A. M. Drake of Bend, holds the greater part of these. Frank Robertson, of Portland, having an interest in the last two.

The Bend Company is the name of the purchasing corporation. Eastern lumbermen having large interests in Deschutes timber lands are furnishing about half the capital for the purchase, and the remainder is supplied by Dayton, Ohio, and Oregon capitalists.

The only municipal water service on the Deschutes river also is at Bend—as good as Portland has. The sawmill has a capacity of 35,000 feet a day, and there is 30,000,000 of yellow pine stumpage going with it. A flouring mill is under contract to be completed within 60 days after trains run to Bend. A woolen mill and an ice plant are negotiating for sites and power there.

The contracts that have been executed are between A. M. Drake and J. M. Lawrence for the Drake properties, and between Frank Robertson and A. O. Hunter for the Robertson interests. Neither Drake nor Robertson will have any share in the new concern—it will be an entirely new deal.

Meeting of M. E. Ladies' Aid

The Ladies Aid of the M. E. church met March 1st at the home of Mrs. Geo. Farris for an all day meeting. Forty ladies were present and much good was accomplished at the meeting. The next meeting will be held at the residence of Mrs. E. T. Sherwood on March 15th. This will be an afternoon meeting, and a full attendance is desired. The Ladies Aid is planning a box social for the evening of March 24.

Jas. Dougherty left last week for Newport, Wn., on a business trip in connection with some property interests he has there.

Mrs. J. W. Baker and daughter Melba went to Laidlaw last week Friday to attend a mask ball at that place.

SPECIAL Reduced Prices



\$30.00 Suits cut to \$22.00
27.50 Suits cut to 20.00
25.00 Suits cut to 18.00
22.50 Suits cut to 16.00
18.00 Suits cut to 13.50
17.50 Suits cut to 13.00
12.50 Suits cut to 10.00

Boys Knee Pants 90 c and up
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Special \$2.00

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DESIRE OF FIVE YEARS AT LAST IS REALIZED

Early Pioneer Rides Into His Country On First Train

Col. W. A. Belcher came in on the first train into Central Oregon last Thursday, along with about 150 passengers who arrived at Madras on the same train.

The colonel has seen his dream realized—a railroad into Central Oregon. For the past five years Mr. Belcher, who was one of the first settlers in this section, has pinned his faith to Redmond and the Redmond District, always holding that this part of Central Oregon would see the first era of development.

And the colonel's predictions have come to pass. From a sage brush waste the colonel has seen this part of the county blossom forth into the most productive section of the Inland Empire.

Certainly, patience wins its own reward, and Colonel Belcher's many friends in this section join with The Spokesman in congratulating him on seeing his faith in Redmond realized.

J. H. Mendenhall now gets the Oregonians by express from Madras. This brings them into Redmond a few hours earlier than the mail. It is the purpose, Mr. Mendenhall states, to have the papers come in on an early auto in the morning so they will be distributed before noon.

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"Deestrick Skule" on March 28th

Division No. 1 of the Presbyterian Ladies Society have made arrangements to present to the public "The Deestrick Skule" on the evening of March 28th. This promises to be one of the best attractions presented this season. The cast of characters will be published next week.

Election Judges and Clerks

At a recent meeting of the city council the following election officers were appointed for the special election called for March 14th, to vote on the proposed new city charter:

Judges—G. E. Dobson, H. C. Methie, C. N. Ehret.
Clerks—Dave Miller and J. H. Mendenhall.

Moving Pictures at the Rink

W. B. Cameron and Charles Barnes, both of this city, have formed a partnership for the purpose of putting on a moving picture entertainment four nights during the week at the skating rink. The other week day nights will be devoted to dancing. Two moving picture shows a night will be given.

B. E. Gregory, who has leased the building on the corner of 6th and E streets for a dry goods and notions store, expects his stock of goods to arrive here from New York City about the first of April. Mr. Gregory is looking for his family to arrive in Redmond this week.

At the Commercial Club meeting last night it was decided to designate next Monday as general "Clean-up Day" for the city.

The date of the Owls dance—the costume ball—is March 17th. Preparations have been made to make this a gala event. An augmented orchestra has been engaged for the occasion.

Big Clean-Up of Men's Underwear For all of Next Week

A lot of odd and end garments, 50c to \$1.25 values

Your Choice 70c

FOR SATURDAY ONLY

Fine Stock Dry Peaches, 10c lb.

Clear Glass Sugar and Creamer, pair 15c

Tillamook Cheese, the BEST
25c per pound

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