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Timber Land Act, June 2, 1903.
NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Lead Office at The Dalles, Oregon, February 19, 1903.

Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 2, 1903, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the State of California, Oregon, Nevada and Washington Territory," as amended by the public Land States act of August 9, 1902, the following named persons have on this day, filed in this office their sworn statements, to-wit:

James Madriligan of Tacoma, county of Pierce, state of Washington, sworn statement No. 104, for the purchase of the 1/4 sec 36 and 1/2 sec 37 of sec 3, T. 12 S., R. 12 E., W. 4 N.

John M. Gould of Rockford, county of Spokane, state of Washington, sworn statement No. 105, for the purchase of the 1/4 sec 36 and 1/2 sec 37 of sec 3, T. 12 S., R. 12 E., W. 4 N.

Thomas F. Bell of Rockford, county of Spokane, state of Washington, sworn statement No. 106, for the purchase of the 1/4 sec 36 and 1/2 sec 37 of sec 3, T. 12 S., R. 12 E., W. 4 N.

Joseph Johnson of Rockford, county of Spokane, state of Washington, sworn statement No. 107, for the purchase of the 1/4 sec 36 and 1/2 sec 37 of sec 3, T. 12 S., R. 12 E., W. 4 N.

That they will offer said land before the Register and Receiver at The Dalles, Oregon, on Saturday, the 23rd day of June, 1903.

They make as witnesses: Michael Lippage, M. J. McHugh, John Smith, Thomas Lewis, of The Dalles, Oregon; Thorne Dahl, Jacob Johnson, J. M. Gould of Rockford, Wash.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before the said day of June, 1903.

W. A. BELL, Register.

Notice.

Those wishing to enter the spring horse ride will please meet at the Willow creek basin corral on May 16, 1903.

By order of the committee.

THE PORTAGE ROAD

Cowgill Works Against Interest of Eastern Oregon

GOVERNOR'S OPINION

The Road a Great Benefit to this Section and Will Reduce Freight Rates

Cowgill, the man from Baker City who has been traveling through the Willamette Valley trying to induce the people to sign petitions demanding the referendum upon the portage road, says in his latest communications that the bill was the result of an "iniquitous trade" in the last legislature, and that the members who voted for that bill were compelled to do so by political pressure.

Great man this Cowgill is and wise deductions come from his weighty brain. Cowgill would make the people believe he was one of nature's greatest producers in the philanthropic world, and that he has the dear people's interests at heart and would do all in his power to advance their interests, and because certain papers have insinuated that he is working as a tool and at the behest of a certain corporation, it hurts these fine feelings of his.

This man Cowgill is a very busy man these days traveling hither and thither, which all costs money and time and if successful to his attempts would it benefit Cowgill or would it benefit some one else that has great financial interests at stake and could by that defeat have a monopoly of the transportation business without any competition for many years to come?

Cowgill may be so philanthropic that he would spend his own time and money to see a great corporation control for the future all of Eastern Oregon's transportation, but we would sooner believe he was in somebody's employ and was used as the cat's paw to pull the chestnuts out of the fire and for his services was drawing a royal salary. When the portage bill was passed the vote in the house stood, ayes 47; noes 8; absent 5. In the senate it stood, ayes 25; noes 4; absent 4.

Every senator and representative of Eastern Oregon voted and worked for the bill, and even Gov. Chamberlain in his inaugural address to the members of the legislature spoke in the following strong and unmistakable language in regard to a portage road:

"The Columbia River and its tributaries ought to be kept open for navigation. The bar at the mouth of the Columbia is in such condition that it threatens injury to the commerce of the whole Northwest, and it is important that the attention of Congress be called to our present needs."

"Eastern Oregon is an empire in itself. It is being developed by the enterprise of its citizens with startling rapidity. Its resources are unlimited, and it is destined soon to be the greatest cereal producing section in the world. The time is not far distant when lines of railroad will penetrate into every part of it, and the natural direction for the shipment of all the products of the country is toward the Columbia River basin and thence to the Pacific."

"In order to cheapen transportation and enhance the value of every commodity to the producer, all obstructions in the Columbia above the Cascade Locks should be removed. Where that is not possible locks or portage roads should be constructed around them by the Federal Government, and that failing, the state itself should take some action in the premises. This was done at the Cascades and there is no question but that the course of the state hastened Federal action, with the result that the locks there have been completed."

"The money expended by the state in the portage road at the latter place was well spent, and has been returned a thousand fold to the producers of Eastern Oregon in the way of reduction of freights and consequent enhancement of prices."

Is it possible that this great philanthropist, Cowgill is greater and has more wisdom than the governor of our state and the entire legislature? The fact of the whole matter is Cowgill is in the employ of some one whose interests would be greatly enhanced if the portage road could be defeated and is working directly against the interests of Eastern Oregon and should be shown up in his

true colors by every paper in the state. Already some criticisms have been indulged in by some of the papers of the state, by his unwarranted course, as well as the Portland board of trade which makes the gentleman squirm and twist in no small degree and his hitherto serenity is becoming ruffled.

Did Cowgill think when he started out that his actions would go unnoticed and the disguise he was working in could not be detected? Does Cowgill think he can be used to dictate to the people of Oregon what they should do, and in that doing work against their own interests?

Cowgill knows he is working against the expressed wish and desire of the people of Eastern Oregon as they demand and by right expect that something should be done by the state to overcome these obstructions to navigation in the Columbia river until the government takes the matter up and completes the work.

PECULIAR AND PERTINENT

Five years' abstinence is said to be required if the inebriate's cure is to be absolutely permanent.

The natives of India never allow a fakir, of whom there are 3,000,000 who live by begging, to starve.

A German mathematician estimates a man who lives to be 70 years old consumes \$10,000 worth of food in his life.

An obdurate screw nail may be drawn if a piece of red-hot iron is put on the head for a moment or so and the screwdriver immediately applied to draw it out.

The estimates of the treasury department, based on the return for nine months of the fiscal year, are that the excess of receipts over expenditures will be for the complete year in the neighborhood of \$50,000,000.

The Italian population of New York, which must now be toward 250,000, is increasing by immigration at so rapid a rate that it is likely to be somewhere about a half million in 1910, for its natural increase is also large.

A strange punishment is endured by Armenian maidens when they attain their seventeenth year and are not engaged to be married. They are forced to fast three days; then for 24 hours their food is salt fish, and they are not permitted to quench their thirst.

The Italian government has just erected a fortress on the great Chaberton summit, opposite Brice, for the defense of Simpson tunnel. This fort is 10,600 feet high and is believed to be the most elevated fortified point in the world.

A remarkable monkey has just died in Paris at the age of 20. It was formerly in a zoo in one of the French colonies, and showed an ardent desire for liberty. A savant, to test his abilities, placed it on a islet, on the shore of which was a small boat roped to the mainland. The monkey quickly embarked, hauled at the rope like a sailor, and was quickly across the water. The monkey also understood how to light candles and wipe himself with a towel.

Idaho Woman Skinned Alive

To be literally skinned alive was the fate of Mrs. Julia Kahlert, of Kootenai, Idaho. Mrs. Kahlert died at a Spokane hospital Saturday afternoon of Phempiguis. Phempiguis is a peculiar disease and literally skins the patient alive. It is rare and none of the physicians had ever seen a case before. The disease originates in a large blister. Other blisters form and expanding take the skin off the patient. It is always fatal, as there is no known means to stop its dread march.

Mrs. Kahlert placed herself under the care of Dr. E. D. Olmstead of Spokane in the latter part of March. The case puzzled Dr. Olmstead and he called in other physicians. Mrs. Kahlert was taken to the hospital and everything done to alleviate the intense suffering of the unfortunate woman. Mrs. Kahlert lived longer than the physicians believed was possible, and when she died there was hardly a bit of skin left on her.

Dr. Olmstead said: "The case is a very rare one. The medical authorities give little information on the subject. I called a great many doctors into consultation on the subject, some of whom had been in the hospitals of New York and Chicago and other large places. They declared that this was the first case of its kind they had ever seen. The medical authorities pronounced the case fatal and there was no way of checking its ravages."—Dalles Chronicle.

SCIENTIFIC NEWS

Placer Mining Without Water—The Helm Wind

AIR RESISTANCE TESTS

A Unique Lake—Another Cancer Theory—Wind Shaped Trees

Victims of biting manias are more numerous than is generally supposed. A Peres mentions investigations tending to prove that about 25 per cent of the children in French schools are nail-biters, and that these children often suffer from intestinal troubles. Gnawers of penholders seem to be even more plentiful, with special liability to appendicitis. Gnawing hair is mostly confined to the lower animals, but many tumors in human beings have consisted entirely of hair and wood, a hairy ball weighing about a pound having been taken from the stomach of a young girl of eleven. Thread-eating, to which little attention has been given, has been noticed in a girl of eighteen to the extent of eating a third of a woolen sash in four or five days, while she had previously eaten a whole one in a month. These habits are regarded as nervous disorders, and they may even be hereditary and contagious by example.

Great quantities of gold exist in the desert sands of the southwestern United States. In the new process of Thomas A. Edison, the air blast is used for separating the gold, the heavy metal falling almost vertically, while the sand and gravel are blown away. The material is handled at a cost of about eight cents per ton. The apparatus of Prof. Elmer E. Gates includes a dynamo on a truck, and as this is drawn along scoops raise the sand, pass it in a stream through a magnetic field, and dump it, the gold receiving a static charge that causes it to fly to a metal knob of opposite polarity. Samples from an 80-mile stretch of desert yielded 12 to 18 cents of gold per ton.

Lake Chad, in Africa, is reported by two French explorers to be 185 miles long and 89 miles wide, yet only 25 feet deep in its deepest part and 5 feet in its eastern side. It has 83 islands, some barren, others only pasture-land, and some covered with forests and millet plantations and having a total population of about 50,000.

The influence of the wind on vegetation has been the subject of a report by Prof. J. Friih to Swiss geographers. The effect is a powerful one, especially on trees, and even the presence or absence of forests may be determined by the character of the prevailing wind or the conditions that modify its action. The wind acts especially as a drying agent, in this way giving a special aspect to many plants. When the wind is almost always from the same quarter, the plants usually show greater development upon one side, trees are smaller on the windward edges of forests, and trunks and branches are permanently bent to the leeward. The deformations are most marked near the sea or in flat regions. The cherry, the plum, the walnut, the black poplar, the ash and certain pines are very sensitive to the wind, but mountain pines and certain firs offer great powers of resistance, and these are recommended for reforesting wind-swept lands.

Recent investigations have shown that the perfume of flowers is often increased by growing under colored glass, that some plants are fragrant only at night and others only in hot sunshine, that the seasons affect the odors, and that temperate climates are more favorable than tropical ones. These perfumes powerfully affect the human organism, often producing a kind of intoxication, and sometimes even giving rise to serious nervous troubles. The vapors of most essences—such as cinnamon, lavender and eucalyptus—have proven powerful antiseptics, and flowers of delicate perfumes quiet the nerves of invalids. Flowers harmful to the sick, on the other hand, are the violet, lily of the valley, and carnation.

Alloys of aluminum and magnesium are known to be superior to pure aluminum in strength, but they are less malleable and ductile. A more satisfactory metal is obtained by the Dutch Aluminum Company. A mixture of aluminum with 2 to 10 per cent of magnesium gives a metal that can hardly be distinguished from aluminum, and the qualities of this

alloy are modified by passing several times through a rolling mill while heated to 400 degrees to 500 degrees C. The treated alloy can be easily cut and filed, while it has much of the ductility and malleability of pure aluminum.

The invention of important improvements in the ordinary microscope, giving enlarged field of view and increased power, is credited Prince Augustin Iturbide, heir of two Mexican emperors. It is made possible to observe the whole of a small part, and better illumination is effected by a new method of projecting daylight upon the object.

In a long study of malignant cancers, Capt. Rost, a young medical officer in India, has found that the bacteria attending the disease develop only when the natural chlorine of the body falls below the normal. Adding to the chlorine of the food, especially by greatly increasing the common salt, he claims to have cured one patient in the eight treated, and to have benefited the others.

Warm Spring Warblings.

Farming and gardening are about over and now providence has full way to bring prosperous crops.

A bridge or no bridge across the Deschutes has been the talk lately, and one Indian who talked against it has been up before the Trees Indian court of would-be jurisdiction.

A railroad up the Deschutes is now the talk as a whole team is better than one "hoss" at the head of a railroad enterprise and this line would tap both sides of the river.

Mrs. J. E. Campbell has at last inherited her share of an almost lawed-away estate, and now Ed is very kind to his wife in hopes he can borrow a nickel—but nit.

Glad to hear that M. R. Biggs was selected for county judge as Mr. Booth's successor, as a better man for the place would have been hard to find.

County roads for the agency plains people will be the next move, while agreeable roads on section lines can be had we feel satisfied the new county judge and his fellow-workers will grant every such legitimate appeal.

A long expected sawmill on the Deschutes near here seems to be forgotten at present, but another sawmill just off the north boundary of the reservation is now helping to supply the lumber shortage at \$6 per thousand feet.

Forbearance it is said sometimes ceases to be a virtue, but harsh language never converted even a preacher especially in a time when the common people are considered not competent to manage their own affairs. When class legislation is enacted by that class to the greatest financial benefit of themselves then it is time for the common people to grin and bear it and let brethren dwell together in unity looking looking forward to a better time.

Killed her Rival.

The supreme court of Kansas affirmed the decision of the lower court in the case of the lower court in the case of the state vs Jessie Morrison who will now serve a twenty years' sentence in the penitentiary for the killing of her rival, Mrs. Olive Castle, with a razor in Eldorado, Kansas, some three years ago.

Following is a portion of the opinion of the supreme court in this case:

"Upon the theory of the tragedy as maintained by the state the murder was a butchery of such savage and vicious nature as is rarely equaled, never excelled, in the criminal history of a civilized world. Search for a parallel so shocking must be instituted among the traditions of the aborigines. It was, indeed, a brutal deed, utterly lacking in mitigating or extenuating circumstances, alike appalling to the mind and shocking to the sensibilities."

Notice.

The Crook county stock growers' association will meet in Prineville on Saturday, the 6th day of June, 1903, at 2 o'clock p. m.

Business of importance to the stockmen of Crook county will come before the meeting and every one should be present. The committee appointed by this association to meet a like one from the cattle growers' association and make their report at this meeting

T. H. LAPOLETTE,
President.