

Thunder Mountain is a Fake.

H. H. Selfridge, a mining man of Spokane, has just returned from an extended trip to Thunder Mountain. In an interview with a Spokesman-Review reporter he says:

"Altogether it is the biggest fake that was ever sprung. It will be impossible to get results from the ore, as it is not gold bearing, and even if it was, the cost of getting a stamp mill in would be more than the whole country is worth. The excitement was started by the business men of the towns through which the trade would come and they are the only ones who will reap any benefit from it. A man going in can get no unstacked ground, he can get no work and if he has no money will starve to death. I did not find a bona fide prospector in the district who was not disgusted with the results gained."

The Best Liniment for strains.

Mr. F. H. Wells the merchant at Deer Park, Long Island, N. Y., says: "I always recommend Chamberlain's Pain Balm as the best liniment for strains. I used it last winter for a severe lameness in the side resulting from a strain, and was greatly pleased with the quick relief and cure it effected." For sale by all druggists.

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RUSH FOR TIMBER.

Forests of Crook County Pretty Well Taken Up.

Arthur Petrie, a citizen of Portland, who has spent several weeks in the southwestern part of Crook County this summer, says the rush for timber lands has been unprecedented and that the available timber is now all taken up.

With a party of timber-claim hunters, Mr. Petrie started from Shaniko by team in the latter part of May. He followed up the Des Chutes River as far as Bend and then entered the yellow pine forests on the eastern border of the Cascades Reserve. He found claim-hunters everywhere, and cruisers were making money locating entry-men at \$100 apiece. One man had located as many as 200 claims at this figure and so cleaned up quite a good sum.

Men were in the woods from all directions and some old citizens of Linn County had come around by Portland and Shaniko in a body to take up what was left of the scrubby firs in the foothills, after seeing the grand forests of the western slope of the Cascade taken up under their very noses by people from distant states. These old Oregonians were made the butt of many jokes, but they said they had no idea the timber lands of Linn County would ever be worth anything and now they were resolved to get hold of what was left in Crook County.

Shaniko, the terminus of the Columbia Southern, Mr. Petrie says, is booming as a result of the swarms of timber-claim hunters. Hotels are all full and passengers by stage from the south cannot even secure quarters by telegraph.

The railroad has been surveyed and staked as far as Bend, where a big town is expected to arise. Logs can be floated down the Des Chutes to a point near Bend, and then taken by rail to market.

Irrigation and the logging industry will bring that country to the front, after the railroad has been put through, he thinks, and it will finally become a thickly populated portion of Oregon. The

altitude however, will prevent its becoming much of a farming or fruit country, and agricultural efforts will have to be confined to the raising of hay for live stock. The elevation is between 3000 and 4000 feet and frosts are likely to occur at any time of the year. Mr. Petrie got him a choice claim before he returned home, and besides he directed some Eastern parties to good locations. He thinks the rush is now pretty well over.

Eastern timber speculators are in the field to purchase quarters which have been proved up on, and one man, a Mr. Blodgett, of Grand Rapids, Mich., has already secured several thousand acres in a body. The land offices at The Dalles and at Lakeview are kept busy recording locations in that region, and Uncle Sam's coffers will soon be full to overflowing as a result of the sale of these hitherto neglected forests at \$2.50 an acre.

The country all along the line of travel has been "sheeped off" by roaming bands, and his party found it difficult to obtain grass enough to keep their horses in food while in the woods.—Telegram.

Washington.—The indications are that by next Spring the Secretary of the Interior will, through the Geological Survey, begin the construction of the first irrigation system to be built under the recently enacted law. Where the start will be made has not yet been determined, but in all probability it will be a project of modest proportions, costing \$500,000 or \$1,000,000, and one of which the success is reasonably certain. The Secretary is now planning field examinations, with a view to selecting those sites which give the promise of success, and from which earliest returns may be had. He believes in getting back into the irrigation fund as rapidly as possible all money that is to be expended in constructing reservoirs and canals.

It is very apparent that neither the Milk River project in Montana nor the Gila River or Truckee Canyon projects in Arizona, is to be among the first chosen, because of the enormous cost involved. Moreover, the Secretary wants to know more about these projects from the money standpoint before he orders their building. The numerous reports that these systems will cost very dearly in proportion to the amount of land reclaimed have somewhat alarmed him, and resulted in his deciding on making haste slowly. This course, moreover, was recommended by many Western Senators and Representatives before they left for home.

In deciding to begin with small projects the Department has made it possible to undertake the building of a number of systems simultaneously, and to distribute the work into several states, as, at the time field operations are commenced there will be an available sum of \$6,000,000 to \$8,000,000 for carrying on the work.

Star Route Box Delivery.

Notice is hereby given to the public that the contracts in effect July 1, 1902, for the performance of mail service on the star routes in the States and Territories herein-after named provide that, in addition to carrying the mails to the various post offices, the carrier will be required to deliver mail into all boxes and hang small bags or satchels containing mail on cranes or posts that may be erected along the line of the route, under the following regulations of the Department:

Any person living on or near the route and not within the corporate limits of any town or within 80

rods of any post office, who desires his mail deposited at a given point on the line of the route by the carrier may provide and erect a suitable box or crane on the roadside, located in such manner as to be reached as conveniently as practicable by the carrier without dismounting from the vehicle or horse, and such person shall file with the postmaster at the post office to which to mail is addressed (which shall be one of the two post offices on the route on either side of and next to the box or crane) a request in writing for the delivery of his mail to the carrier for deposit at the designated point, at the risk of the addressee. The small bag or satchel above described, as well as the box or crane, must be provided by the person for whose use it is intended without expense to the Department.

It shall be the duty of the postmaster at every such post office, upon a written order from any person living on or near the route, to deliver to the mail carrier for that route any mail matter—placing in the respective satchels, where such are used, the mail for the persons to whom such satchel belong—with instructions as to the proper mail box or crane at which said mail matter shall be deposited; but registered mail shall not be so delivered unless expressly requested by the addressee in his written order. No mail matter so delivered to the carrier shall be carried past another post office on the route before being deposited into a mail box or hung on a crane or post.

The carrier on the route will be required to receive from any postmaster on the route any mail matter or private mail satchel that may be entrusted to him outside of the usual mail bag, and shall carry such mail matter or private mail satchel to and deposit it into the proper mail box or hang it on the proper mail crane placed on the line of the route for this purpose; such service by the carrier to be without charge to the addressee.

The mail carriers must be of good character and of sufficient intelligence to properly handle and deposit the mail along the route.

The Department does not prescribe any particular design of box or satchel to be used for this service, but the person providing either should see that it is of such character as to afford ample protection to his mail. If there is a lock attached to the box, a key is not to be held by the carrier, as he is expected to deposit the mail without the necessity of unlocking the box. The box or crane should be so located on the roadside that the carrier can deposit the mail without leaving his vehicle or horse, and yet not where it will obstruct public travel.

The carrier is not required to collect mail from the boxes, but there is no objection to his doing so if it does not interfere with his making the schedule time. The law provides that every carrier of the mail shall receive any mail matter presented to him if properly prepaid by stamps, and deliver the same for mailing at the next post office at which he arrives, but that no fees shall be allowed him therefor.

The box delivery above described is required by the contracts effective July 1, 1902, on all the star routes (with but few exceptions) in Arkansas, Louisiana, Texas, Indian Territory, Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska, South Dakota, Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona, Utah, Idaho, Washington, Oregon, Nevada, California, Alaska and Hawaii.

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