

Investigating Timber Frauds.

A dispatch from Ashland says: Special Agent Grygla, of the United States Land Office, who is at Lakeview, investigating the timber and other land entries in that district, has over 500 claims to look into and in every case where there is evidence of irregularity the claimants will be summoned to show cause why their titles should not be cancelled.

Two years ago, when the timber land excitement was rather acute, a number of men went from this valley into the Lakeview district to take up timber claims and as to a good proportion of them it was understood that they were acting for Eastern capitalists, who supplied the money for expenses and the purchase price of the timber land.

The travel into that country for a time was crowded and pressed the transportation facilities here to get the people over the Ashland-Klamath Falls road. Some of them, it is charged, never reached the lands, but made the necessary oath nevertheless, and proved up claims.

The expense of a trip to Lakeview is considerable and will work a hardship to legitimate claimants in a few instances, but the greater number have someone with money behind them. In fact, in many instances the lands have already passed from the original purchasers who simply acted as claimants under an agreement to sell to another party.

Linn Wants Special Law.

The attention of the citizens of Linn County is being called to the petitions in circulation throughout the county, which are to be presented at the next session of the State Legislature, asking that a special law be enacted for the better protection of Linn County game.

indiscriminately. As a natural result, a great deal of the meat gathered during the warm weather spoils, and is consequently wasted. And the pitiful part of it is that when the does are killed before the fawns are able to take care of themselves (about the first of October) they either perish from starvation of fall prey to wild animals. It is no uncommon sight during the trailing season to see several of the little creatures, motherless and hungry, crying around over the hills in the course of a day's travel in the mountains.

As the law now stands, the Warm Springs Indians are allowed to come into the mountains from the eastern side and hunt within the forest reserve, and it is known that they have killed more than 1000 deer in one season, of which a large number comprised fawns and does.

A Good Measure.

Representative Burleigh, of Wallowa county, will introduce a bill at the coming session of the legislature to give the state county attorneys instead of district attorneys. This certainly would be an improvement on the present system and is the plan now in force in most of the states.

This is a good measure and should be put into effect by our legislature. Having seen this kind of law in active operation in Idaho we are prepared to speak advisedly on the matter and can say that under such a law the expenses in the county would be much less than at present, in most cases. While there may be exceptions we are certain that in the more sparsely settled counties and those remote from railroads that it would be much the cheaper method of administering the law.

size of the counties for anything like a uniform salary system to prevail. By all means let us have a law creating the office of County Attorney passed at this session of the legislature.

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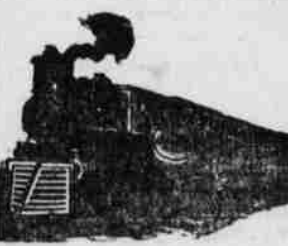
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