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HARRIMAN AGAIN THREATENING Rumored That Corvallis & Eastern Is Ready to Build Across Central Oregon

Coincident with the activity marking the promotion of the Central Oregon Railroad project, in which Prineville, Bend and Madras capital is primarily interested, comes authentic tidings of intention on the part of the Harriman interests to extend the Corvallis & Eastern Railroad across the Cascade range from Albany and Detroit into the heart of Crook county and across the central area of the state clear to the Idaho line.

The survey for this transcontinental route was made a number of years ago and right of way secured. Cut ties, rails and everything necessary for the construction of the proposed line has also been stored near Albany, on the west side of the mountains, for several years, so that the only thing needed to begin operations is the word to go ahead from the powers that be in Portland and

New York. This seems now to have been given, and work bids fair to commence next spring.

For nearly a month now government engineers and woodsmen have been checking and measuring up the amount of timber standing on the right of way, and it is said by persons living in the Sisters country that no other timber than that on the Corvallis & Eastern route has been cruised. The route of the railroad runs eastward from Detroit, the present terminal, across the main range north of the Three Sisters mountains to the town of Sisters; thence, southeast to a point one-half mile north of Laidlaw, where the railroad will cross the Deschutes river on a cantilever bridge 125 feet high; thence in the same general direction just to the east of Bend, and on across the state through Burns and Vale to Ontario.

Sheriff Elkins Gets Package C. O. D. Woman Charged With Larceny of a Horse and Saddle in Crook County Arrested in Grant County on Warrant from Harney County

Sheriff Elkins was handed a C. O. D. package last Saturday night that nearly took his breath away. He was notified by telephone that it was coming and to be in readiness to receive it. Always prompt to the call of duty the custodian of the law was on hand to see what was coming to him. While waiting for the Paulina stage to come in the sheriff had visions of lemons and other nice things that are sometimes handed to a man, but was not prepared to receive a young woman on the C. O. D. basis.

"No, her fare hasn't been paid," said the stage office man.

"Well, what have I to do with that," said the sheriff, blushing slightly. You know I am a married man and if my wife ever found out that I put up for a

young woman's stage fare there would be no end of—

"Yes, yes, I know," broke in the stage man, "but this woman is a prisoner, and her fare hasn't been paid."

"Who's with her," demanded the sheriff. "What is she charged with? Where is the warrant?"

"Search me," said Mr. Reams. "She was put on the stage C. O. D. and my responsibility ends when I deliver the goods."

"You can't deliver to me," replied the sheriff. "There must be something to show that this young woman has committed a crime before I can take her in charge."

"Well, what will I do with her?" asked the stage man.

"Dunno," was the laconic answer. "She cannot be legally de-

tained as matters now stand."

"Well, if this wouldn't jar you," soliloquized the stage agent. "I am a man with a family and am trying to lead a straightforward life when along comes a 20-year-old woman C. O. D. for a \$10 fare. I can't take her home. My wife would simply kick the roof off. If I take her to a hotel my reputation is ruined. Yet, I must have that \$10."

The upshot of the matter was that the woman was sent to a hotel for the night and next day J. H. Beckley arrived and swore out a formal complaint. Mr. Beckley explained that he had the woman arrested on a warrant sworn out in Harney county. She was given the option of coming here by stage alone or in the company of an officer. She chose the former. The complaint sworn to by Mr. Beckley charged the woman with larceny of a horse and saddle.

SURVEYING CREW NOW AT WORK Locating Railroad Line Between O'Neil and Madras for Central Oregon Company

Led by Surveyor Robert Rea, who mapped out the route for the Deschutes Valley line down that river to the Columbia, the party of civil engineers in the employ of the Deschutes Irrigation & Power Company of Bend, began work this week at O'Neil. They will survey northward to Madras, and then return to Bend, from which point they are to transit a feasible route through Redmond to O'Neil, and later the auxiliary line to Prineville. H. M. Gault and Frank May are in the surveying outfit.

U. A. Wynn, the right of way man, stated to the field, correspondent of the Journal, Monday, that he had been uniformly successful in obtaining the necessary sanction of the farmers in and about Redmond for the route of the Central Oregon railroad. He is now at Bend from where he will go to O'Neil to follow in the wake of the surveyors to Madras next week. Mr. Wynn says he has the

right of way practically secured from O'Neil to Madras, but that he has some work still to do there. He is very enthusiastic about the outlook, and predicts the early construction of the grade from Bend to Madras.

When asked what would ensue after this initial piece of work was done, Mr. Wynn referred his interrogator to Roscoe Howard, manager of the D. I. & P. Co., and Mr. Howard's attitude in the premises is well known—Shaniko as the terminal if all other plans fail, but Shaniko as a possibility rather than a probability. The alternatives are a line up the Deschutes River to Madras, an extension of the Mt. Hood road from the neighborhood of Mt. Hood, or the extension across the Cascades of the Corvallis & Eastern.

At any rate, the Central Oregon railroad project can report progress, both as to survey and subscriptions.

BIG DRILL FOR THE OIL COMPANY Determined to Solve Oil Prospecting Problem in Spite of Many Difficulties

Undeterred by difficulties encountered in drilling, the company which has commenced the exploration of the oil possibilities of the Willow Creek Basin, has taken a firmer grip on the problems confronting it, and made an outlay of several thousand dollars in the purchase of a heavy drilling machine, which will stand the strain of steady and heavy work such as the company has before it.

Frank Forest, president of the Madras Oil Company, has returned home from a trip to Portland, where he placed an order for a heavy drilling outfit for use by the company in its prospecting operations in this county. Mr. Forest intended making a trip to Southern California to inspect drilling outfits, but on reaching Portland, concluded that this long trip was not necessary. The new outfit will be shipped direct from the factory in the East and is expected to arrive within six weeks, at which time drilling in the hole that has already been put down

150 feet on the west slope of Grizzly Mountain, will be resumed.

The new machinery will comprise an outfit such as is used in drilling oil wells in the old oil districts of the East. The boiler and engine will be 30 horse-power, and the drill will be heavy enough to sink a hole to a depth of 3000 feet. While in Portland Mr. Forest purchased casing for the drill hole. The casing will be installed so that all will be in readiness for work upon the arrival of the heavier drilling machinery. The principal difficulty encountered in the first attempt to put the hole down was that, without casing, the rock kept caving in and interfering with the cutting of the bit in the bottom of the drill hole.

The company is equipping itself to prospect to its entire satisfaction as to the possibility of striking oil in the Willow Creek Basin, and Mr. Forest says that they do not intend to be deterred by any difficulties that can be overcome by reasonable expense and persistent effort.

FIREBUG AT WORK IN BEND Stock of "Wet Goods" Owned by A. B. Estebenet Drank Up by Thirsty Flames

Two fires within four days last week nearly wiped out the stock of wet goods of A. B. Estebenet of Bend, who since the prohibition edict went forth has kept the residue of his vinous and malt liquors stored beneath sheds in the yard to the rear of his former saloon building, opposite the Bend Hotel. The origin of both fires is at present a mystery, but coming so closely together in the same place, and almost simultaneously with the destruction by fire of the Linster sawmill just north of Bend, it is believed, with some ground,

that an incendiary is responsible. The authorities are conducting a quiet investigation.

The first Estebenet fire occurred early Wednesday morning of last week, just before daybreak, and the second at about the same hour last Saturday. Both were extinguished before much damage had been done, except to the stored liquors, by quick responses on the part of the Bend fire department and citizens in the immediate vicinity. In all, the stock was valued at about \$4,000, with \$2,500 insurance.

DEPUTY U. S. MARSHAL WANTED L. T. Terry, "Wife-Beater," Now in Hiding On Upper Deschutes, Is Sought by Sheriff

Special Deputy United States Marshal L. T. Terry, who has made several trips to Crook county for the U. S. marshal's office at Portland, two of which were made during the past three months, is in hiding somewhere in the Upper Deschutes country, while Crook county deputy sheriffs are seeking him armed with a warrant demanding his appearance in the municipal court of Portland on a charge of wife-beating.

Shortly after his return from this county to his home city about a month ago, the Daily Journal gave a detailed account of his brutal treatment of his wife and stated that Terry could not be found but was sought after by the Portland police. A few days later Sheriff Elkins located Terry and another man, with two women, camping peacefully at the fish trap at Pringle Falls. He notified Portland and got warrant immediately.

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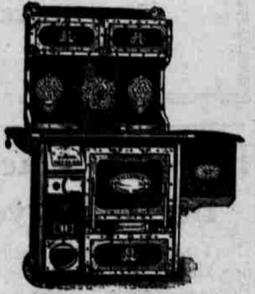
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Good Crops About Powell Buttes

The stands of grain in and about the Powell Buttes farming districts are exceptionally fine and heavy this year, and all land owners are happy in consequence.

Wheat and rye are doing particularly well, and oats form a collateral almost as good. There has been little need of irrigation—the natural rainfall being ample for profitable agriculture with the exception of a few days here and there between showers. However, the seasonal rains have made it possible for farmers to use irrigation water in such parts of their fields needing more water than others in the lower levels not as favorably situated.

At Bend, in the Laidlaw segregation and between Sisters and Cline Falls, all crops are likewise doing well, though quite backward on account of the late spring and summer.

Foresters Building Good Trail.

C. S. Congleton with his trail-building crew of eight men came into town Saturday evening for supplies and left Monday morning for their work at the summit of the Blue Mountains. Many of the men under Congleton are those who took Civil Service examinations before Forest Supervisor Ireland last Spring. Among the number are T. B. Zell, F. K. Whelpley, Bert Barnes and others. They are doing a lot of substantial work on the trail that is said to be a credit to the Forest Service.

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