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JAMES J. HILL BEHIND PORTERS

No More Guess Work About It.

STEVENS MAKES FACT KNOWN

One Thing Certain—Road will be Pushed as Fast as Men and Money can do it.

All guess work as to the power behind the construction of the Porter Bros. railroad up the Deschutes was definitely removed this week by the announcement in Portland by John F. Stevens that he owned a controlling interest in the project, and that the money for the construction of the railroad was to be furnished by James J. Hill, personally, and not as head of the great railroad systems known as the Hill lines.

"On being asked several days ago if I had any interest in the Oregon Trunk, or if I represented any railroads that were interested, I said no, and the latter statement still holds good," said Mr. Stevens.

"Since then, however, I have acquired a controlling interest in the project, have all necessary financial arrangements completed, and the road will be built as fast as it can be reasonably done with men and money. The matter is a personal one, and I have no objection to saying that J. J. Hill, as an individual, is financially interested to any extent necessary to carry the road through to successful completion.

"Plans in detail are not fully developed, but will become apparent from time to time, as conditions may seem to require. It may be said however, that the Oregon Trunk proposes to provide as quickly as practicable a northern outlet for Central Oregon, regardless of the designs of any other transportation company."

Having made this announcement, Mr. Stevens refused to budge an inch, explaining that he was not in a position to disclose further information as to the plans of himself and his associates. Efforts to make him talk further were unavailing.

The Oregon Trunk, through its purchase by Stevens, backed by Hill, admittedly has gained a more substantial identity than the road has enjoyed since it was incorporated, in the Spring of 1906. The transaction is believed to indicate a firm determination on the part of Hill to build a railroad into California through Central Oregon.

Deering Binder for Sale.

A 6-foot Deering Binder for sale cheap at the Geo. Rodman ranch, near Culver.

FINE CROPS AT POWELL BUTTES

Grain Fields Astonish Journal Man.

HARVESTING NOW UNDER WAY

Pleasant Homes Dot the Land- scape Once Given Up to Sagebrush and Juniper.

The grain crops on the irrigated lands in the Powell Butte section are wonderfully fine this year, and in almost every instance where the rancher has put in earnest effort in the seeding, planting and watering of his fields the returns have been abundant. One traveling the Bend road is amazed at the transformation that has taken place in that section within the past four years, when the lands that are now waving with heavy fields of grain, were a primeval waste of sage brush and juniper.

Many homes now dot the pleasant slopes, fences and barns testify to the industry of the population, and the water which has made all the development possible flows through the canals

OUTING ON THE UPPER DESCHUTES

Lots of Fish and Scenery but Few Deer

PRINEVILLE MEN TAKE TRIP

Mystery of Monster in Crescent Lake—Deer Hunting Near Diamond Peak.

Omer Claypool, Prof. E. L. Ashby, Earl Wurzweiler and C. A. Riddle returned home Tuesday from a 16-day trip in the country about the headwaters of the Deschutes, where they went for a vacation. While the party failed to bag any big game they enjoyed some fine trout fishing in both lake and stream and saw most all of the points of interest in that district. The plan for the trip miscarried to some extent. Arrangements were made to camp at Crescent Lake for the fishing and then move to the west side of Diamond Peak for the deer hunting, but the guide who was to pilot the party into the happy hunting grounds did not put in an appearance, so the hunting part of the program went glimmering. To those who do not know the country Diamond Peak and vicinity seems to be a vast area of brush and mosquitoes, with but very little game, but to the initiated it is said to be a fine hunting region.

Crescent lake proved to be a very pleasant recreation point. The lake is a beautiful body of clear, pure water, about 7 miles long and 2 wide and lies just east of Diamond Peak. The majestic snow-capped mountain rising above the timber opposite the camp and sometimes reflected on the surface of the lake made a grand and restful picture. The fishing here was fine. A boat or raft is necessary to success and the best bait at this season is a whole crayfish impaled upon a snell hook, and sunk to the bottom in water 30 to 40 feet deep. Many of the trout captured here were over 18 inches in length.

Crescent lake has become famous as the reputed home of a sea serpent or monster of some sort, many people who have been there, attesting to its presence. Some say it is 100 feet long, others that it is 20 feet long, some say that it has hair on its head and others that it has three murderous-looking heads on necks 30 feet long, which from time to time it stretches up above the water in an effort to spy out something which it may devour. Other people strange to the locality have gone out on the lake in boats and seen what they thought to be an island, and with the intention of anchoring their boats have approached it, only to have it disappear. These are the stories that haunt the place. Ashby and Riddle constructed a raft and went out on the high seas looking for the monster but were unable to see him. None of the Prineville party caught sight of the monster.

At the ranger station at Davis lake Forest Ranger Curran told about the sea serpent:

"Yes, there is something in the lake," said he. "I have seen it at least eight times, once or twice only 40 yards distant. Sometimes it looks to be 100 feet long and sometimes not more than 20 feet. Its motions resemble those of a serpent very much, and it does look like it had hair on it. It is a great school of small fish swimming near the surface and crowding each other out of the water, and those who have seen it at a distance are excusable for thinking it a monster of some kind."

From Crescent lake the party went to Odell lake. This is the finest body of water seen on the trip, and the attractions offered here for a mixed party of men, women and children far surpass those of other points visited. There are plenty of boats on the lake for hire at reasonable rates. These are owned by Thomas McCord who is there in charge of them. He has several sail boats, and when the waves are running from 4 to 6 feet high with a stiff breeze, the lake furnishes fine sport for those who like it. A sail on the lake was an exhilarating pleasure for the land lubbers from Crook county. The fishing is good at Odell and there are also some deer in the neighborhood. Another feature in connection with camping at Odell is that horses can be taken to pasture a few miles distant and left there until ready to move camp, thus relieving a party of their care and considerably lessening the expense on the item of horsefeed. The matter of grass or hay for horses is a determining factor in camping out in that section.

The party came home by way of Davis Lake and Crane Prairie. Davis

ALL LITIGATION IN FEDERAL COURT

Issues Lifted from State Tribunals.

DEFILE LAW IN CONTROVERSY

Both Companies May Have to Use Same Track at Dis- puted Points.

The Deschutes railway controversy went bag and baggage into the Federal courts, with the filing by Carey & Kerr of a complaint in Judge Wolverson's tribunal, asking for adjudication of issues along the entire right-of-way from Madras to the mouth of the Deschutes river says the Telegram.

Last week a restraining order was issued by the same court, in behalf of the Oregon Trunk, for the south half of the right-of-way, hearing on which will be had here Tuesday morning. The new suit instituted covers the north half of the line, and apparently lifts all phases of the controversy from the state tribunals, where injunctions have been and are yet pending.

It has been the avowed purpose of the Oregon Trunk attorneys and interested parties to get the whole case before the Federal judges. This centralizing policy may have been inspired by the readiness of the state courts to grant injunctions at very critical moments to the Harriman forces, or it may have been solely due to the great distance of Sherman and Wasco counties, where attorneys must often travel 100 miles for a hearing, and the court is put to almost as great inconvenience when compelled to adjudicate quickly injunction contests. With all issues before one judge and in one court, and that tribunal so situated that a hearing may be had whenever an emergency arises, the United States court in Portland is proving the most acceptable medium of justice in the circumstances.

The theory of the complaint filed is based on the defile or canyon law, enacted by Congress in 1875. This law provides that when two surveys pass through a defile having room for only one, the court shall adjudicate the case, determine what is the best grade, to what extent the two interests can be made to work in harmony and then give the rival claimants opportunity to get together on some common plan of action. In the event no mutual agreement is reached, the court will arbitrate the question more fully, and decree who shall build the road, how it shall be built, and what traffic arrangements must be conceded by the builder to the other line.

The Secretary of the Interior, in approving the maps of both the Oregon Trunk and the Deschutes Railway Companies, declared the Horseshoe Bend district a defile within the purview of the law, the effect of this approval being to give both companies a right-of-way through the canyon. Despite the Interior Department's franchise, the Harriman forces persuaded the state court to throw the Porter construction crew out of the canyon. As the law contemplates that two or more roads occupying such a pass have equal rights there, which the court will determine if not delineated by private agreement, the extraordinary injunction of the state circuit court against the Oregon Trunk left no other course open but an appeal to the Federal tribunal, which is the proper one for determining all matters pertaining to the defile law.

The complaint filed asks the court to arbitrate the matters in dispute over the Horseshoe Bend canyon. The Oregon Trunk wants the court to determine the methods of building where but one line can be built, establish the grades and curvatures, and also say how the expense shall be shared between the two companies insisting upon occupying the same ground. The complaint also asks that where it is not necessary for both lines to occupy the same track in the defile, but yet are so close that there is more or less interference with work as a result of the two lines of survey running very close together, that the court will adjust the relations between the two tracks so that both may be successfully built and operated.

Instead of enjoining with the purpose of checking construction work, the prayer of the Oregon Trunk is that difficulties be cleared away, so that both companies can build. Harriman workmen are to be restrained only insofar as it is necessary to get a proper and full use of

Church Services.

Presbyterian Church: Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preaching service 11 a. m.; theme, "Law vs. Grace." Union evening service will be held at the Methodist church at 8 p. m. Rev. C. C. Babbidge pastor of the Presbyterian church will deliver the discourse. Subject, "Pentecostal Power." Union youngpeople's meeting in the same church at 7 p. m. You are cordially invited. These services deserve your patronage because they solve the problem of church unity allowing all to hold their individuality and coming together on the common ground of christian fellowship.

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C. W. ELKINS, Prineville, Oregon

No Failures in Teachers' Exam.

There was not a failure in the teachers' examinations which were held in Prineville from August 11 to 14. Fifteen passed the Prineville board and two more will probably pass—i. e., Lewis Arensmeier and Miss Magness. Mr. Arensmeier took the examination in Marion county and Miss Magness in Lane but their papers have been sent here to be passed upon. County Superintendent Ford was busy looking them over when the reporter called. He did not think there would be any doubt about either of them passing, judging by the papers he had corrected. He thought they could safely be placed in the list of those who were successful, although he had not examined all of their papers. The best grades were made by Thursday Kent of Culver, and Laurel Schultz of Rosland. Miss Kent got an average of 98.3-11 and Miss Schultz 93.3-13. "That's good work," said the county superintendent, "and it always gives me pleasure to examine such good papers."

Five wrote for first grade papers; ten for second grade, and two for third. The names of those who passed are: Myrtle Scoggin, Tumalo. Mrs. Della Nichols, Ladlaw. Laurel Schultz, Rosland. Bertha Horner, Madras. Z. T. Gideon, Powell Buttes. Kathryn Lowther, Madras. Christina Gibson, Post. Hazel Caldwell, Bend. Nellie W. Reynolds, Powell Butte. Florence Young, Bend. Thursday Kent, Culver. Edna Moree, Prineville. Edna R. Pyatt, Bend. Verna Howard, Prineville. Mamie B. Howell, Sisters. Lewis Arensmeier, Madras. Miss Magness.

Dairying Looking Up.

The first of the week was pay day at the Pioneer Cream Company. Between \$900 and \$1000 was distributed among sixty-five customers. This pay check every month looms up big as a factor in meeting running expenses on the farm. Some of our ranchers realize this more than others.

John Kemmling is a firm believer in the cow on the farm and this spring bought twenty head of good Jersey stock in the Willamette valley. He is milking nine or ten head at present and his check for July was \$68. We mention this fact merely to show what can be done. Mr. Kemmling was thought to be "plunging" by some of his neighbors because he bought so much milk stock, but his judgment is working out all right. June 22 was his first milking and his check for July shows what can be done for a starter. The Pioneer Cream Company can use double the butter fat it now receives and then some. Get your dairy herd in shape. No danger of over supplying the market.