

BURNS HAS MADE GREAT PROGRESS

Addison Bennett Finds Big Change in Harney City in Two Years.

AUTOMOBILES ARE MANY

Good Roads From Surrounding Country Make Communication Easy and Permit Portland Men to Reach People.

BY ADDISON BENNETT. BURNS, Or., May 2.—(Staff correspondence.)—Leaving Hardisty's ranch on Trout Creek, for Burns, 24 miles away, the road leads nearly to the south up a hill, and soon winds in and out among the pines. The snows were not entirely melted, and in places there was some mud, but as a rule the going was good, though a considerable distance there was more or less loose rock. But I met a road gang and they had made a great improvement by not only removing the loose, but digging out many of the firmly set boulders, and filling up the holes in good shape. Perhaps I had driven 10 miles, without any marked difference in the lay of the land and without passing a house, when off to the left a short distance in the timber I observed a flag sticking over a schoolhouse, and only one other building in sight. But I suppose the pupils came from a small settlement over to the west, and down the road towards the Silvies, I discerned a sawmill. After leaving the spring and ascending a short hill I came to a village of the lower Silvies valley, and for the rest of the way into Burns was either in sight of or in this valley. I had never had as good a view of it before, and was surprised not only at its extent, but its apparent fertility and adaptability to farming purposes. Its foothills to the west stretched very far away among the Junipers, and the valley proper must be 10 or 15 miles wide, and from the farthest point north to the Harney Valley it is fully 10 miles. That this valley had never attracted my particular attention before goes to show how little one can learn about the great Harney country in a study of a couple of months, for I have spent more time than that in the county, have made a study of its geography, have driven hundreds of miles up and down, and over and across it; only to find that I had practically overlooked a small patch of 100 or 150 square miles.

View of Valley Missed. When I got fully out on the ridge, along which the road winds on its way south, called Devine ridge, I was disappointed to find that I had missed the valley, and I failed to get the beautiful view I had counted upon. Stein's mountain, the lakes and the valley proper, all were hidden. I was very sorry for this, on a clear day, is one of the greatest treats one gets in the Harney country. I might describe it from memory, for I have written of it several times, but I will pass it up for the present, hoping to take in the picture at some future date.

After one gets the first view of Burns, and thinks he is almost there, it takes a steady drive of over an hour to reach the town, which lies just under the foothills, beyond the valley, and to the west of Devine ridge. But you cross the Silvies valley and go through many fertile fields on the way to the town.

There have been here many times and have a pretty good knowledge of the place and its people, but I found great changes had taken place since my last visit, two years ago. Several of the large buildings have been erected in the interval, and Main street looks like a different thoroughfare. The new structures of stone, have a more modern and they add greatly to the appearance of the town. But what shows the growth and prosperity of the place still more, is the improvement in the residence district, for several very fine buildings have been erected, and the streets much improved. New streets are also being laid out, and more buildings will be put up this spring.

Yes, Burns is improving rapidly, very rapidly, considering there has been no railroad here. The people seem to have the steady progress of the people, there has been no railroad excitement, no rumors of the Hill or Hartman interests invading the valley, and the only one of the general feeling that each day draws railway communication a day nearer, and that the days of inactive narrow gauge have passed, and the great field for profitable transportation investment to be much longer neglected.

Autos No Longer Scarce. When I was here last, there were two automobiles in the Harney country. Sheriff Richardson had one, and Dr. Bennett owned the other. As only two of the above owners keep their cars for hire, it will be seen that the ownership of machines is getting to be fashionable among the well-fixed class of the Harney country.

There is said to be much travel from the Portland territory to this section this spring, there now being a good road from the Bend, to the Harney country, via Vale and Boise. Some of the Portland business houses have machines which come through every 40 days during the season of good roads. The snows coming on, for within a week or 10 days the snows will all be melted, and the mountain mud holes dried up. It was pleased to meet my arrival here W. G. Howell, of Portland, who has large interests in connection with Judge Jones. They own a fine body of land about 25 miles south of here, not far from the Narrows, and I hope to get down and see what they are doing before I leave the valley. Mr. Howell has with him on the trip two Portland men, J. C. Bracher and Grant Thomas. Mr. Howell is a good booster for Harney, for he seldom comes in without bringing two or three people who, like the above-named gentlemen, have money to invest. The Howell car

PRINTERS CAN'T BE OBLIVIOUS

Bill Hanley Was Not There. I met with a disappointment upon my arrival, for I at once learned that Mr. Hanley was absent, and will be for several days, being over in Lake County. Of course, he is not so very far away when you consider that he is in his Cadillac car, but when he gets away from the P ranch, over into Lake County, and then away to lower lake, his side trips are mighty uncertain, his interests being so varied and the territory occupied by his ranches so very large. He practically rules over a range as large as the state of Connecticut, and so happily and successfully does he conduct affairs that he never has any friction with anybody, the small stockmen being all on friendly terms with him. When one remembers the troubles of

RESIDENT OF DOUGLAS COUNTY FOR HALF CENTURY DIES.

Mrs. M. J. Jackson. Mrs. M. J. Jackson, pioneer of Douglas County and known to residents of Drain and surrounding country as "Grandma Jackson," died at the home of her granddaughter, Mrs. E. L. Friley, in this city, Tuesday, May 2, aged 78. Mrs. Jackson was born in Indianapolis in 1832 and crossed the plains to Oregon in the '50's, settling in what is now the City of Drain. She was related to most of the pioneer families of that section and held in high esteem by all classes in the community. Mrs. Jackson is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Maud Estes, and granddaughter, Mrs. E. L. Friley, of this city. The funeral was held at Drain, Oregon, on Wednesday, and was largely attended.

TEST CASE ABANDONED. ATTACK ON RECLAMATION ACT IS GIVEN UP. D. E. Burley, of Oregon Short Line, Accepts \$5240 for Land and Drops Appeal.

BOISE, Idaho, May 8.—(Special.)—D. E. Burley, general passenger agent of the Oregon Short Line, will not test the constitutionality of the reclamation act. He abandoned his fight against it today by effecting settlement with the District Attorney's office here in the condemnation case involving his farm, which he carried to the Circuit Court of Appeals.

The case became famous in the Northwest through the contention of Mr. Burley that the act was unconstitutional, if it permitted the Reclamation Service to confiscate private lands, or engaged in a private enterprise to irrigate public lands.

Mr. Burley owned a 160-acre farm in the bottom of what is now the Deer Flat reservoir of the Payette-Boise project. The government started condemnation proceedings against him and secured a verdict of \$20 an acre for the land. Mr. Burley valued it at \$100. The appeal from the verdict given in the Idaho Federal Court here was made to the Circuit Court of Appeals. That court sustained the verdict, holding it is within the right of the Reclamation Service to condemn private lands within or adjacent to public lands the Government seeks to irrigate.

Mr. Burley then filed an appeal to the Supreme Court. It was this appeal that was abandoned by accepting judgment of \$240.

"CANADA NOT SO GOOD"

Ex-Oregonian for Second Time Takes Out Naturalization Papers. BEND, Or., May 8.—(Special.)—The much-heralded Canadian homesteaders have no attraction for W. J. McGillivray, of Bend, who last week at a session of the Circuit Court held at Prineville, for the second time in his life secured naturalization papers.

The duplication of the experience of becoming an upholder of Uncle Sam's Constitution was necessary in Mr. McGillivray's case because a number of years ago he left the United States, going from South Dakota to Alberta, where he found it necessary to swear allegiance to the crown before he could take up a homestead. "The States are good enough for me," said the ex-Canadian homesteader, after he had been naturalized for the second time, "and Central Oregon has just as good lands as any to be found in all Western Canada. You bet I wouldn't give my papers for all the homesteads in the Dominion."

Clackamas Recall Lags. CANBY, Or., May 8.—(Special.)—The proposed recall of the Clackamas County Board by dissatisfied residents in the north end of the county, is not meeting with any support in the south end of Clackamas County. Judge Sam's Commissioner Blair is the officials the recall of whom is sought.

PRINTER CAN'T BE OBLIVIOUS

Attorney-General Holds That Secretary's Control of Capitol Is Limited. VACATION ORDER ILLEGAL. Crawford Contends, in the Absence of Specific Law, Official Is Authorized Only to Assign Space in Building.

SALEM, Or., May 8.—(Special.)—Secretary of State Ocott tonight, following an opinion by Attorney-General Crawford to the effect that the Secretary of State has no right to compel a state official to vacate rooms used in the State Capitol, refused to make any statement whatsoever as to his future attitude.

Although the Attorney-General failed to mention it in his opinion, local attorneys declare that a resolution adopted in Frank Baker's term in office as State Printer is a legislative enactment which is binding on the Secretary of State. The resolution is that the action of the Secretary of State as custodian of the State Capitol in providing rooms and lights, fuel and water for the state printing plant is hereby approved, and the Secretary of State is instructed to continue the same. They declare that this resolution is in itself a binding act, and that until repealed, and that the Secretary of State cannot go beyond it. There seems to be no cessation of the Secretary's attack on the office of the State Printer. State Printer Dunlavy will return home next Friday, when it is probable his position will be more fully outlined, but from present indications the printer will stand firmly against removal of his plant from the Capitol.

Vacation Order Illegal. In his opinion Attorney-General Crawford holds that the Secretary of State cannot require any one to vacate, but can say what room an official shall occupy in the State Capitol. The Attorney-General enters into a discussion of the powers of the Secretary in reference to the distribution of officers among the various rooms in the building, and as to who are specifically entitled to remain where they are by respective acts.

The opinion in part is: There is a remarkable absence of legislation in this state upon the subject of the various rooms in the State Capitol to be put, and hence my conclusions in this matter must be based on a large extent, indirectly and by inference. Article XII of the constitution of this state does not, either in its original form or as amended in 1904, provide whether or not the office of the State Printer shall be maintained, or whether the printer shall be kept open a printing office at the seat of government, but in the light of other provisions of the constitution, the location of a seat of government, it is evident that the term seat of government did not necessarily mean the Capitol, when the constitution was adopted, and for some time thereafter, there was no Capitol, and the acts which provided for the erection of a Capitol building, and for the location of the seat of government, were not passed until after the constitution was adopted.

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Hankins employed counsel today and will fight extradition. Mrs. Hankins' parents, at Spokane, have been requested to assist her in reaching that city.

ALBANY EGG BIGGEST YET

Hen Fruit 8 Inches in Circumference, Weighs 7 Ounces. ALBANY, Or., May 8.—(Special.)—An Albany hen has broken all the records for big eggs boasted of in various parts of Oregon and Washington in the last two weeks. A hen belonging to A. S. Hart, of this city, yesterday laid an egg which measures 10 inches around one way and is eight inches in circumference. It weighs seven ounces. The egg has a soft shell with an unusually large hard-shelled egg inside of it.

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SPECIAL CAR

For Presbyterian General Assembly. A special car will run to Chicago for the accommodation of delegates and their families who desire to attend the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, to be held at Atlantic City, N. J., and will be attached to Train 18 of the O-W. R. & N., leaving Portland at 10 A. M., May 13, 1911. Delegates to the convention should call at City Ticket Office, Third and Washington streets for reservations.

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CELL MATES CHEER

Much-Sought Prisoner at Roseburg Weeps for Wife.

FAMILY IS DESTITUTE

Deibert Hawkins Wanted in Several Cities on Charges of Working Various Confidence and Check Games.

ROSEBURG, Or., May 8.—(Special.)—That Deibert P. Hawkins, who was arrested at Oakland, Douglas County, Saturday, accused of having passed worthless checks aggregating \$10,000, is a much-sought man is evidenced by telegrams received by Sheriff Quine today.

A telegram from the chief of detectives at Chicago is to the effect that Hankins is wanted in that city on charge of operating a confidence game through which he got several thousand dollars.

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It is expected that after the road is in operation to Bend all the freight from Bend, which now is handled via Vale and Prineville City on the eastern border of the state, will be hauled to and from the railroad at Bend. Local merchants predict that this change will effect a saving in freight rates from Portland, of probably half a cent

SOUTH BEACH SITE LIKED

Washington Developers Favor Location for Soldiers' Home.

CHEHALIS, Wash., May 8.—(Special.)—The executive council of the Southwestern Washington Development Association has heartily endorsed the site at South Beach as a suitable location for the proposed National Soldiers' Home.

The commercial bodies of Portland, Tacoma, Seattle and elsewhere in the Northwest will be asked to join in the endorsement. The site is on the coast between Grays Harbor and Willapa harbor, and overlooks the Pacific ocean.

Senator Jones, of Washington, is back of the proposed measure.

Lane Buys Scarifier

EUGENE, Or., May 8.—(Special.)—The Lane County Court has just purchased a new type of machine for road repairing. It is known as a scarifier. The machine is designed for repairing ruts in gravel roads without the necessity of plowing the entire roadway to get a foundation for new gravel. It consists of two plow points mounted on a heavy frame, which dig up the old rut and prepare it for new gravel, without disturbing the rest of the road. The machine weighs more than three tons, and will be dragged either behind a road-roller or a traction engine.

NORTH BANK'S GAIN TOLD

Road's Profits Only 3 Percent, Say Officials. Auditor and Assistant Controller Testify That Rate Reductions Will Be Confiscatory.

TACOMA, Wash., May 8.—The entire cost, earnings and profits of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle Railway—the North Bank—were made public today in testimony before the State Railway Commission in its rate hearing here. Showing a percentage of only 3.23 in earnings on the valuation in Washington, the company's officials asserted that the effect of the freight rate reductions asked by the complaining cities would be confiscatory.

W. C. Johnson, assistant controller of the Northern Pacific, which, jointly with the Great Northern, built and owns the North Bank, and E. Askerqvist, auditor of the latter company, opened the books. Mr. Johnson testified that the total value of the road is \$51,305,726. The part of the system in Washington cost \$4,974,800 and the part in Oregon \$7,127,920.

Mr. Johnson said the Great Northern and the Northern Pacific own all the North Bank stock. Mr. Askerqvist testified that the North Bank's earnings on freight in this state for the year

ending December 31, last, were only 3.95 per cent on the investment. The percentage of passenger traffic earnings was only .001, making the average for both freight and passenger traffic in this state 3.23 per cent. The profit on the whole line in Oregon and Washington, he said, was only 3.06 per cent. For the 12 months the total operating expenses in Washington were \$2,335,913 and the total earnings \$4,282,275.

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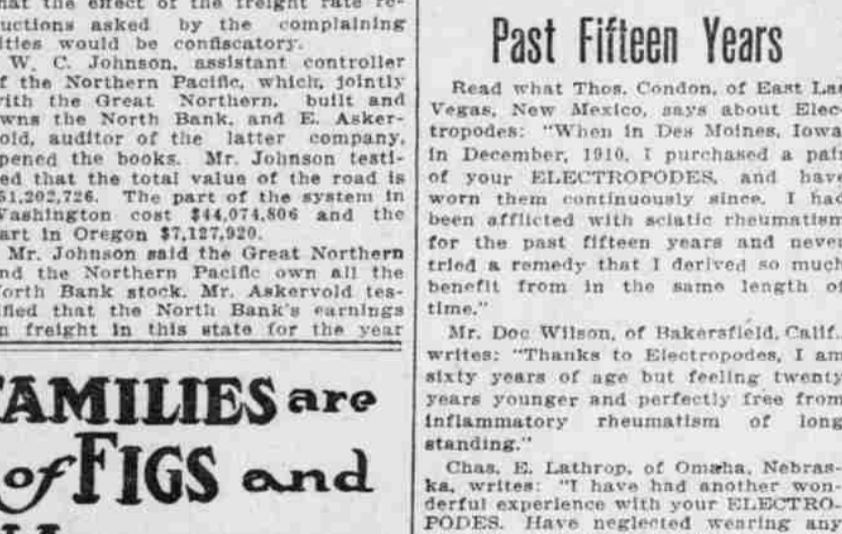
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