PHASES OF INDUSTRIAL GROWTH IN THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST

RICH STRIKE MADE

Vein With Free Gold Uncovered in Lucky Boy.

ACTIVITY TO BE RENEWED

Tane County Mine, That Hay Been Unproductive for Years, Promises Much Life During the Coming Year

EUGENE, Or., May IR-(Special.)-A restrike of recent years in Lane County, has been uncovered at the Lucky Bo mine, at Bime River, 39 miles east of Bugene. The rock is shot through with stive free gold, and is threaded wit wire gold. The lydge is a big one and is probably the main Lucky Boy lodge. which has been the goal of Slice River about two weeks ago by John Hawkinon, who is one of the oldest and most experienced prospectors of Southern

Orasion.

The Lucky Boy mine is owned by a syndicate of Purliand capitalists, among the heaviest stockholders being O. Alpman, general manager, and Mrs. Lyman. Mesers. Sengstake, Phesjey and Likkey. News of the strike was received in Portland by Manager Lyman last Friday, and accompanied by his wife, he came at once to Eugene and went to Hibs River Saturday merning, where men were at once set to work cross-cutting and exploring the ledge. Manager Lyman is now fully assured of its permanency, and is rushing preparations for working it to its full capacity.

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The story of the find is dramatic to he extreme. Over \$500,000 has been exthe extreme. Over E00000 has been expended on the development of the Locky Boy, saven tunnels in all being drives, and a se-stamp mill, logsther with a hydra-electric power plant, having been installed. The ledge upon which these expenditures were based, however, ran out, and for several years the Lucky Boy has been known as a "legsted mine."

Prospector Finds Lead.

About two weeks ago John Hawkinson, a old prespector of the Biue River dis-fer and at the time in the employ of he Locky Roy, took his pick and started at on a prospecting trip. He went up he road to the site of the old building and began prospecting along the billside to the east of the old workings. He soon struck into a cropping and, break-ing out a piece of quartz, he found it to be fairly sparkling with gold. He traced the outcropping for some dis-tance to assure himself of its size, and then returned to the camp with several hen returned to the camp with several unfuls of the ere. This ere was sent to

danger Lymon in Fortiand, with the small of bringing him to Huse River.

The new ledge was barely missed by me of the tunnels of the old workings that aiready been traced for some distance, and has been found to be extremerich. Miners who are familiar with a old workings are of the opinion that is the main Lucky Boy ledge, and it was just mined by a hair's earth by the old-lime miners who ran costs a very second by the cod-lime miners who ran costs a very second by the cod-lime miners who ran costs a very second by the cod-lime miners who ran costs a very second by the cod-lime miners who ran costs a very second by the cod-lime miners who ran costs a very second by the cod-lime miners who ran costs a very second by the cod-lime miners who ran code to the cod-lime miners who ran code to the cod-lime miners who can be coded to the breadth by the old-lime miners who ran

edge and some pockets. The discovery of the new ledge means resource activity at Blue Biver on the eld-time big scale. The big 40-stamp nell which was put in years ago, will be ready for operation as soon as it can be overhanded, and men are now at work repairing the flume and overhauling the machinery of the electric power plant. Tunnel No. 5, of the old work-ings, will tap the new ledge, witnout the secondary of doing any preliminary work.

LOGGED-OFF LAND SOUGHT

Timbermen Asked to List Them for Colonization Purposes.

CHERALIS. Wash, May 18.—(Special.)—Chairman(N. R. Coffman, of the executive committee of the Southwest Washington Development Association, has secured the services of A. J. Cole, of Scattle, to spend the next week visiting the millmen and leggers of this section of the state to interview them on the subject of listing their logged-off lands, either for individual settlement or for colonization purposes.

Mr. Cole began his work today. He will visit aberdeen, Hoquiam, Raymond,

will visit Aberdeen, Hoquiam, Raymond, Mouth Bend, Doty, Centralia, Winlock and other longing centers, and will endeavor to accure a tentative agreement from as many owners of longed-off lands as possible, so that the matter may be presented to the meeting of the Davalorment Association in Chemais sent Association in Chehalis

June 1, 2 and 3.
At the recent lumbermen's meeting in tion centralia the millmen expressed them-salves in favor of the project.

STREETS TO BE UNIFORM

Cettage Grove Adopts Ordinances for Civic Improvement.

COTTAGE GROVE Or. May 28— (Special.)—The City Council has decid-ed to adopt a uniform width for all attests, parkings, curbs and walks, and an ordinance embodying this plan has been prepared. An ordinance was also prepared providing that should a ma-jectly of the property holders of any block so petition, the Council will de-plare that block a cament sidewalk dis-trict, and require all new walks faild in it to be of council.

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The Council also authorized the purchase of a sprinkler wagon and a street sweeper at a cost not to exceed \$700.

Fig. W. W. Ogiesby was elected City
Ifealth Officer in place of Dr. Kims, who

NEW HOTEL AT NEWPORT REPLACES OLD ONE.



THE ABBEY HOUSE.

NEWFORT. Or. May 18.—(Special.)—The old Abbey Hotel, which has boused visitors to this Summer resort for 20 years or more, has been superseded by a modern hotel, which is now receiving the finishing touches. The formal opening of the new Abbey will be held next Saturday, and the event will mark an opoch in the history of this resert. Several hundred invitations have been issued and an elaborate dinner will be served at \$2.50 a plate.

The new Abbey, which is owned by P. M. Abbey & Co., is built on the site of the old Abbey, which everlooks Yaquina Bay. It is built of concrete blocks, three stories in height, and has 100 bedrooms. On the first floor is a large lobby, from the broad windows of which the guests have a fine view of the bay. On the right is a large dining-room with seats for 100 dinera. This is connected by a roomy kitchen squipped with the latest improved devices for speeding. Throughout the hotel is handsemely furnished in mission style. Every room is supplied with hot and cold water and half of them have private baths. plied with hot and cold water and half of them have private baths

WALLOWA CLUB ARISES

COMMERCIAL ORGANIZATION IS FORMED AGAIN.

Body Is Revived After Visit of J. J. Sayer, of Development League. Officers Chosen.

WALLOWA, Or., May 28 .- (Special.) Permanent organization of the Wallowa Commercial Club, the third grof the town, was accomplished at a meeting of the business men in the banquet hall of the Oddfellows Hall, Wednesday night, following the visit of J. J. Sayer, field secretary of the Oregon Development League, to this

Officers elected were: H. E. Driver, president; C. T. McDaniel, vice-presipresident; C. T. McDaniel, vice-president; R. H. Jonas, secretary-treasurer. A second meeting will be held June 7.

The report of the committee on constitution and bylaws was adopted as presented and a membership committee, consisting et C. T. McDaniel, E. A. Holmes and R. H. Jonas, was instructed to solicit membership among the business men of the city and report at the next meeting with not less than 20 business men signed up as members.

The purpose of the organization is to

The purpose of the organization is to The purpose of the organization as infurther the development of Wallowa and surrounding country. The duties of the executive committee are general supervision of the club. The membership committee will aim to increase and committee will aim to increase and
maintain the membership. The committee on location of industries is to
obtain now industries for the town and
surrounding country, provide inducements for their location and increase
the payrolf of established industries whenever possible. The committee on roads, traffic and improvement of trade is appointed to obtain the establishment of roads tributary to the town, the im-provement of established roads, im-provement of transportation facilities, which has been dead ever since the old ledge ran out, is wildly excited over the big find, and the prospect of the image diate return of the old boom times. Already all the life men have been put to work, and others, hearing of the strike, are hurrying back.

LOGGED OF the intervent of the strike, are hurrying back. the regulation of freight rates and schedules and all benefits tending to improve trade conditions in the town. The committee on immigration and

vision of all community advertises publicity.

The president and vice-president serve without pay, as do all members of committees, but the secretary-treasurer, who has charge of the correspondence of the club, is exempt from dues and receives a salary of \$5 a month. Regular meetings are to be held the first Wednesday of every month, and special meetings will be month, and special meetings will be month, and special meetings will be month. As a special meeting of the correspondence of the club, is exempt from the sprague and Williamson River Valleys will aggregate 100,000 acres more. These marsh lands can be reclaimed and the entire 200,000 acres irrigated at a cost of less than \$30 an acre, or not to exceed \$6,000,000 for the entire work.

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THE DALLES WHEAT BIG are 30 cents a month and the member-ship fee is 11. The organization is a member of the Oregon Development League and is open to affiliation with League and is open to aronation with any organization the purpose of which is the development of the Northwest or any portion thereof. Any person is eligible to membership who is in har-mony with the principles of the or-

COW TESTS SHOW PROFIT

Banks Gains Largely by Use of Pasturage.

FOREST GROVE, Or. May 18.—(Special.)—E. Ellerson, official tester for the Washington County Cow Testing Association, has just closed inspecting and testing the cows in the Banks section. One herd in that locality, consisting of 18 cows, shows that in April the dairymen obtained 414 cents a pound for butter fat, costing but 25 cents for producing it. The average cost per cow was \$7.76, and the average monthly returns per cow was \$12.28, leaving a profit of \$4.68 per age monthly returns per cow was \$12.24, leaving a profit of \$4.68 per

Interest the price of butter fat was only 25 cents and the average return per cow was \$10.61. The herd in this mouth was fed only with pasturage and the cost for producing a pound of butter fat was only 25 cents, instead of 25 cents in April, when bran, oats, timothy hay, straw, and other feeds were required.

The work of the Cow Testing Assowand the end he advocates would be ward the end he advocates would be ward the end he advocates would be taken without unnecessary delay.

The work of the Cow Testing Asso-ciation is proving of benefit to the dateymen, as it shows the production of each cow. The poor cows or "star beariess," as they are called, are be-ing eliminated from the herds and milk-producing cows substituted.

shortly to the corner of Main and Pir streets, where Mr. Flags has purchased a building from S. M. Slough, publicity manager of the La Grande Commercial that the grain yield of the state will be manager of the La Grande Commercial Chin. The deal was made through the Crims Resity Company, of Eighn.

Pendleton to Pave More Streets.

PENDLETON, Or. May 18.—(Special.)

—Pendleton is to have 17 more blooks of the dry-land experts in charge of the dry-land experts in charge of the dry-land experts ton, a former engineer with the Burrence of the dry-land experts in charge of the dry-land experts of Date of the Summer. Vests if precipitation in June is up to normal. A soaking shower in June will mature the Winter wheat In only a few sections is the Winter wheat crop

deficient and in these regions the Spring wheat is 'oing well.

Bumper crops are promised in Gelfatin County and Eastern Montana. Soaking rains which visited the section the last few days came just at the right time. Peter B rgland, a prominent grain dealer, says: "For the crops now sown, prospects were never brighter in the Gallatin Valley. Spring sowing is 50 per cent completed and in five or six days will be entirely through. Winter wheat went into a perfect seed bed last Fall and passed through the Winter almost without loss. What little sowing was necessary was put into ter almost without loss. What little sowing was necessary was put into Spring fife wheat. The acreage of Winter wheat has been increased by 20 per cent ever last year and with favorable condition from now on the valley can look forward to a hard wheat production of about 2,500,000 humbels.

bushels.

'The development in dry farming is almost beyond belief. It is no exaggeration to say that fully 20,000 acres of virgin soil will be turned this year in Gallatin County. All of this will be sown to turkey-red wheat in the Fall."

In the Judith basin, the banner wheat section of the state, a 20 per cent increase in the oats yield is predicted and a largely increased flax acreage is reported.

TIMBER SALE IS URGED

KLAMATH RESERVATION HAS MUCH RIPE GROWTH.

President of Water-Users' Association Says Government Should Put Area on Market.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., May 28 --That the Klamath Chamber of Commerce, Portland commercial bodies and every publicity organization in Oregon having influence with the Oregon dele-gation in Congress should start a con-

Indian reservation are \$10,000,200 worth of timber, much of which is ripe. This ripe timber should be sold at stumpage to the highest bidder, to erporations or individuals, and give

corporations or individuals, and give them practically their own time in which to remove the timber, the land being reserved for the Indians and the young timber preserved for coming generations.

The 100,000 acres of Indian land reciaimed and irrigated would support the Indians now on the Klamath reservation and at least 2000 families of whites, either as purchasers or renters.
On top of this the products which these reclaimed and irrigated acres would produce would easily support double the present population of Klamath Falls, were there no other resource from which to draw.

signing more than four inches long and kasnels well filled, was brought in yesterday from a field sown on Three-Mile Creek last November.

It has been asserted that fall-sown bluestem will not grow here, and this was shown to deny that report. The grain was grown by Arthur Harriman, a farmer having charge of the ranch of Edward Sharpe, a surveyor, living in The Dalles.

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"Instead of the Klamath Chamber of Commerce and the people of this part of the state clamoring to have the Oregon, delegation in Congress introduce bills for throwing open the excess lands left after all alloiments have been thrown open to settlement, they should take a new tack and have their Representatives work for the sale of this timber and the reclamation of this big area of land therefrom.

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COLLEGE MEN WILL FARM

Arrow Rock Project Near Boise to Cost \$6,000,000.

WORK CAMP IS LIKE CITY

Plans for Its Biggest Enterprise. 300,000 Acres to Be Irriguted-Site Is Ready.

BOISE, Idaho, May 28 .- (Special.)-The task of building the highest dam in the world in the Boise River Canyon, at Arrow Rock, 22 miles northeast of Boise, has been begun, the Reclamation Service having made plans for the maintenance of a construction camp of between 600

of a construction camp of between 600 and 1000 workmen, who will be engaged between five and six years.

In that time it is estimated that \$1.000,000 will be expended annually, the dam to cost between \$5,000,000 and \$6,000,000. This fund was appropriated by the last Congress to carry on the work.

The engineering feat is one of the most siupendous ever attempted for irrigation purposes, the dam being used to impound flood waters that 300,000 acres of rich land in the Payette-Boise project may be irrigated.

F. E. Weymouth, supervising engineer, of the Reclamation Service with head-quarters in Holse, is in charge of the construction work. Among his iteutemants is C. H. Paul, an expert dam conants is C. H. Paul, an expert dam constructor. The camp that must be maintained for the construction work will be a temporary city, with hospital, hotels, atores and residences. The contract for the hospital has been let and general plans for laying out of the camp have been decided upon. The construction of a railroad up the canyon is under way that supplies and material may be carried to the dam eite with little inconvenience. Proceedings have been started in the Federal Court to condemn one ranch in the canyon over which the one ranch in the canyon over which the

one ranch in the canyon over which right of way of the road runs. Professor W. O. Crosby, formerl the Boston Institute of Technolog famous geologist, has investigated dam site for the Government and ported favorably on the solidity of the proposed foundation and abutments. Following is a comparison of the di-mensions of the big dams of the world:

Length Height Water (Feet) (Feet) Depth. . 5062 141 107 1080 284 242 175 326 204 90, 226 215 195 . 1025 350 200 masonry. Much of this will be hand-placed rocks weighing from 25 to 200 pounds each. A spillway is to be built just above the dam, but as yet it has not been determined on which side of the river it is to be placed. C. H. Paul, an engineer, who has been on the Minidoka project for some time and who has visited all of the big dams con-structed by the Beclamation Service, is

to superintend the building operations.
While the Arrow Rock dam will be the largest built by the Reclamation Service, the highest in the world, its storage capacity falls below other big dams. ment offer for sale the fimber on the Klamath reservation is the earnest desire of Abel Ady, president of the Klamath Water-Users' Association. Mr. Ady said:

"There are approximately \$0,000 acres in the Hig Klamath Marsh. Around the Upper Klamath Lake, on the reservation, there are 10,008 acres may be a constant of the proximately to be a constant of the proximity of the Portland market. We have the worst find of resource known within a few miles of Bend. The dry farming section is unequaled and the success of farming is remarkable.

"On the Poweil Butte farm there was raised last year 16 bushels of wheat to the acre. The farm was tributary to Boise on the upper beach. Installation of a number of a purples plant."

THE DALLES, Or., May 25.—(Special.)—A stool of bluestem wheat four four feet seven inches in length from roots to top of heads, with heads averaging more than four inches long and

(Special.)—There is considerable build-ing going on in Goldendale. K. C. Glanary is building two fine bunga-lows on his lot. Attorney Edward C. lows on his lot. Attorney Edward C. Ward has started an eight-room bungalow on the east side of town. The home of O. J. Nelson at Wahkiakos Heights will be completed in the near future. The McKensie bungalow will be started this week. Work at the new brick yard is being rushed so as to get a kiln of brick ready for the market. The Goldendale Dressed Meat Company has its foundation ready for a three-story brick which it will build a three-story brick which it will build this Spring. The Knights of Pythias and Masonic Hall, at the corner of Broadway and Columbus avenues, is to be two stories and basement Brooks is hauling material for a building on Main etreet just west of the Star Theater. He will build an opera-house and dance hall.

Ashland Improvements Many,

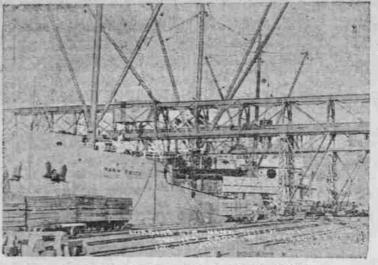
ASHLAND, Or., May 25.—(Special.)— ubstantial betterments are the order of the day here in every direction. The bituilithic paving is going steadily for-ward. Among public buildings either now going up or planned for the pres-Around Mosler.

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Mosler Section is a section in farm land per a section in showing great activity of late and many large transactions in farm lands near large transactions in farm large tran

cial.)—Banks, seven miles north of here, will celebrate independence day on Monday, July 2, and Attorney William Gilman Hare, of Hillsbore, will deliver the oration. The town of Buxton will join Banks in the celebration.

MARSHFIELD MILL'S NEW SYSTEM REVOLUTIONIZES LOAD-ING LUMBER ON BOATS ON PACIFIC.



LOADING LUMBER AT C. A. SMITH PLANT.

MARSHFIELD, Or., May 28.—(Special)—The C. A. Smith Lumber & Manufacturing Company of this city has put into use a new device for loading the big company vessel, Nann Smith, which is attracting a good deal of attention. The new loader is unique, and some of the experts say that it is a pian which will be followed out generally in the future in loading boats on this Coast.

An electric loading crans is used and the time required for loading the vessel is much shorter new than formerly. The new dovice is of the Gantry bridge type. There are two bridges extending over different parts of the vessel. Each is \$7 feet long and is carried on a transfer car for the purpose of transferring across the deck after the boat is docked. It is supported on an elevated track on the opposite side, and is released from the transfer car and ballist box during its operation and is applied back and forth on rails parallel with the ship. The Gantry has a movement across the bridge, taking a load of lumber from either side of the vessel.

This arrangement will enable the company to load the steamer Nann Smith with 1,500,000 feet of lumber in ten hours, which will require her to be in port less than half the time under the old system.

BEND DRAWS FARMERS the cash purchase at practically \$100,-

300,000 ACRES HOMESTEADED IN LAST FEW MONTHS.

Officer of Land Company in Central Oregon Tells of Rapid Develment Going On.

During the past few months 299,000 cres, of land near Bend have been omesteaded, mys A. O. Hunter, treassurer of the Bend Company, one of the largest corporations of Central and Eastern Oregon. The company is owner of the Bend Power, Water & Light Company, the Bend Townsite Company and the Pilot Butte Development Company.

The milling interests alone have a pay-roll of \$800 a month.

"The Bend country," said Mr. Hunter, 'is developing as fast as can be ex-pected previous to the advent of the pected previous to the advent of the railway, which we expect in September. When you consider that 2.0,000 acres have been homestended, as a consequence of the colonist travel, we have been doing very well. There is no country in my judgment with greater opportunities than that around Bend, and it is a reasonable conclusion that the Bend territory will advance faster than any other section in Oregon during the coming few years.

"The Eastern farmer has better opportunities to make money here than it canada. There is less expense at-

Canada. There is less expense at-tached to his work and the wheat yield is larger, while the price is from 15 to 20 cents better on account of the proxi-mity of the Portland market. We have

tributary to Boise on the upper beach.
Installation of a pumping plant will be necessary to raise water to the higher elevations.

THE DALLES WHEAT BIG opportunities in Bend for tarming, and our company, which is composed of Eastern men who have put their money in it and reside East, is working to secure the settler on the soil. We feel that in Bend, if we expect to succeed, we must have the settler."

AMITY BUILDING IS BRISK

Town Bids Fair to Exceed Last Year's Great Activity.

AMITY, Or., May 28.—(Special.)— The new residence for A. B. Watt, postmaster of Amity, will soon be ready for occupancy. It is a six-room one-story cottage that will cost in the neighborhood of \$2000 when com-John E. Convert, who recently came

here from Lafayette, is beginning the construction of a new five-room residence that will cost about \$1500, and H. C. Patty has under consideration plans for a new two-story, eight-room, \$2000 house on his farm four miles

Other buildings are under consider-Building activities bids fair to exceed last year which was the best year recorded in Amity, more than 25 buildings being constructed.

BAKER GETS CLAY PLANT

Company Formed for Manufacturing All Kinds of Pottery.

BAKER, Or., May 28.—(Special)—A new industry has been started in this city by the organization of a company, which will engage in the manufacture of pottery and clay products. Some of the prominent business men of the city are behind the scheme. They have a clay plt near this city, and models of all kinds of pottery, etc.,

made therefrom have proved satisfac-tory. The fire bricks made from the clay seem to be of especially good L. A. Gossott is at the head of the company, which, according to the present plans, soon will begin the erection of a plant in this city for the manufacture of all kinds of clay products.

SEATTLE FIRM BUYS RANCH

Woodburn nurseries and is a son of J. H. Settlemeler, one of the planeer residents of Woodburn. J. D. Higgs, the other member of the firm, resides east of town and they have set hundreds of acres to fruit trees in the vicinity of this land in the past few wars.

The tract just sold is known as the D. J. Cooper ranch and is an historic place, having been owned by Colonel James Fulton before coming into the possession of Mr. Cooper. It is a grain and cattle ranch at Fairbanks on the and cattle ranch at Fairbanks on the Great Southern Road, but the soil is peculiarly adapted to the culture of apricois, cherries and grapes, peaches and apples, and the new owners already have engineers on the ground to survey and plat it to place on the market in five, ten and 20-acre tracts. It will be soid strictly on its merits.

The firm taking over the property is one of the largest dealers in realty in the Pacific Northwest, having 11 branch offices insuiding London, New York, Chicago, Spokane, Portland, Victoria, B. C., besides the main office in Seattle and their coming means much

Scattle and their coming means much in the development of this section. They will establish an office here as apon as they can find proper quarters.

PROJECT IS A HUGE ONE

PLANS TO IRRIGATE 10,000 ACRES ARE MADE.

Water to Be Lifted More Than 100 Feet and Delivered Through Canals Many Miles,

closed this week, 10,000 acres being included. The water will be pumped from the Snake River 4½ miles above Nyssa. The result of the pumping on this proj-ect will be watched with interest over the Northwest generally, for it is the first large truct upon which an attempt has large tract upon which an attempt has been made to pump water for irrigation. Two ditches will lead from the pumping station to the project. One going north to Ontario will be five miles long. The other, leading towards Nyasa, will be 10 miles long. About 1800 horsepower will be required to lift the water from the

river to the bench level, 1915 feet.

The project has been financed by W.
P. Davidson, president of the Oregon &
Western Colonization Company, which
bought the \$90,000 acres of military road land in Oregon last year. As security, Davidson hus taken a 7 per cent first morigage, running 10 years, on all the land coming under the project. One thing remarkable about the deal is that it is the first irrigation project of any size in the Northwest that has not financed without the issuance of irri-gation bonds. Davidson's company owns 1500 acres under the project, and the Eastern Oregon Land Company owns 2000 acres of it. The remainder is held by individual property owners and entry-

Bids for the construction of the pump ing station, canals and other work will be called for, work to be completed by next October, so as to assure water for irrigation in the Spring of 1912. The price of water rights is fixed at \$15

BAKER LOOKS INTO FUTURE

Interurban Line Through Powder River Valley Seems Nigh.

BAKER, Or., May 28 .- (Special.)-Pros-BAKER, Or., May 28.—(Special.)—Prospects for as interurban line from this city through the Powder River Valley are looking brighter every day. The Commercial Club committee, which is working on the matter, held a conference yesterday with Ray Nye, president of the Eastern Oregon Light & 'ower Company, He told them that the plan looked very good to him and that if the data which the club is securing looked as good when considered fully as they do now, he would go into the matter personally and interest an Eastern capitalist, who was looking for just that kind of ist, who was looking for just that kind of

an investment.

The proposed interurban line without question would be the greatest thing that could be secured for the development of the city and surrounding country. Baker business men are more than willing to put up money to get it started.

\$40,000 Schoolhouse Voted.

The Dalles Firm Disposes of Place of 2000 Acres for \$100,000.

THE DALLES, Or., May 25.—(Special.)—Settlemeisr & Riggs this week completed the sale of a 2000-acre ranch ten miles east of The Dalles to the British American Land Company, of Seattle. While the price has not been made public, inside information makes

GOOD ROADS BUILT

Jackson County Improving Its Highways in Earnest.

BUYS COSTLY MACHINERY

More Than \$200,000 Will Be Expended This Year on Macadam Highways by Hustling Southern Oregon County.

MEDFORD, Or., May 18-(Special.) In spite of the fact that Governor West vetued the good roads bills as passed by the last Legislature, Jackson County has determined to build roads, and good ones, and toward this end

and good ones, and toward this end has entered upon the greatest road-building campaign in its history.

Machinery has been ordered to an amount of \$20,000 to supplement the equipment now on hand, an expert road engineer has been engaged and bids requested for the constructing of several miles of macadam roads, a part of which will be oil-macadam.

Over \$200,000 will be expended this season. Nothing but permanent roads will be constructed. The county will do much of the work itself but in addition to this several contracts are to

dition to this several contracts are to Last Fall the greatest issue figuring n the local campaign was good roads at that time the desirability of hav-ing passible roads throughout the county was augmented by the Fall rains, many of the roads becoming im-passable. The heavy vote cast for the officials who pledged the construction of new and better highways was a cri-terion of the state of the rubble mind erion of the state of the public mind. These officials having been elected, hey are setting about in earnest to make good their pre-election pledges.

The County Court has retained W. W.
Harmon, a highway expert, to supervise
the construction of new roads. No
sooner did the weather settle this Spring than he had crews of survey-ors at work in various sections of the county and as soon as specifications and data were compiled he began construction work. Calls for bids on vari struction work. Calls for bids on various sections of roads are now out and as soon as the bids are received construction work will start. One contract, that for the Derby road, covering a distance of 11 miles, has already been let and Maney Brothers, the contractors who got the work, are making the dirt fly. The next contract to be let will cover the highway between this

let will cover the highway between this city and Central Point, which is to be oll-macadam. oli-macadam.

The county in the meantime is doing a great deal of work with its own crews. The road between this city and Ashland is being rounded up into excellent shape and is being dressed with crushed rock. As this is one of the main highways of the county, nutomobilists are awaiting its completion. obilists are awaiting its completion

eagerly.

The campaign for good roads will be continued throughout the Summer without abatement, and by Fall Jackson County plans to have several miles of highway which will be open to auto-mobiles all Winter.

MOSIER SHOWS ACTIVITY

Good Rains Put Soil in Excellent Conditoin; Orchards Helped.

MOSIER, Or., May 28 .- (Special.)-BOISE, Idaho, May 28.—(Special)—
One of the most important irrigation deals assuring the irrigation of bench lands between Ontario and Nyssa was now. During the past six months many thousands of dollars have been expend-

ed in clearing land and in planting com-mercial orchards.

Probably twice as many trees have been planted this season as during any previous year, and the percentage of loss will be almost nothing. As a reestate and a greater number of in-quiries concerning apple land and com-mercial orchards than for many months. Bona fide homesseekers are numerous and a number of sales have been re-cently made, the purchasers being at-tracted by the communatively low prices centry made, the purchasers being at-tracted by the comparatively low price of the undeveloped fruit land. At pre-vailing prices it is possible for the pur-chaser to plant an orchard and bring it to bearing for one-third to one-half the cost of similar property in other sec-

tions already developed Willapa Valley Phones Planned.

RAYMOND, Wash., May 28,-(Special.)—Manager A. J. Pevestorff, of the Willapa Harbor Telephone Company, who has been interviewing farmers of the Willapa Valley, reports a strong sentiment among them in favor of orsentiment among them in favor of or-ganizing a rural telephone company which will furnish service to the resi-dents of the valley. Farmers and others interested will meet at Menlo next Thursday afternoon to discuss the subject and determine what steps should be taken. The local telephone company proposes to put in an ex-change at Frances should the farmers' plan be successful.

Klickitat Land Pleases.

HUSUM Wash., May 28 .- (Special.)-After traveling 3000 miles in search of a dairy ranch, J. E. Anderson and Ole Sorenson will settle in the Laurel sec-tion, 12 miles north of here. These landseckers assert that the day is past when dairy ranches can be picked up promiscuously at reasonable prices, and are satisfied with the inducements Klickitat County offers to homeseekers.

Hood River Improves Roads.

HOOD RIVER, Or., May 28.—(Special.)—For the purpose of hauling material from the rock quarry, located near here across the Hood River, W. G. Aldred & Company have put in co sion a powerful traction engine, which hnuls at each trip five dump wagons. The contracting company will build two miles of macadam road for the county this Summer on the east side. The

Peach Orchards Yield Heavy.

HOOD RIVER, Or., May 28.—(Special.)—Although most of the peach trees of the Hood River Valley have but little fruit on them this season, C. H. Stranshan reports that the trees of his orchard are overloaded and that he has found it necessary to thin away more than one-half of the fruit. On a twig less than five inches long there are 10 large, well-shaped young peaches.