DEAL UNDER WAY FOR BIG LAND TRACT.

Eastern Oregon to Be Colonized When 200,000-Acre Sale Is Closed.

ONTARIO MEN BACK PLAN

Belief Expressed That Harriman Line May Be Offering Assistance Looking Toward Adding to State's Growth on East Side.

ONTARIO, Or., Nov. 3.—(Special.)—A deal is now pending of gigantic importance to Eastern Oregon whereby a company of Ontario capitalists will purchase 200,000 acres of land from the Oregon & Western Colonization Company.

The land is located along and included in the old Willamette Valley and Cascade Mountain wagon road grant, which was purchased by Minnesota capitalists a little over a year ago, and includes every odd section of a strip of land two miles wide and about 140 miles in length extending west from Ontario to Burns.

Colonel E. R. Place, of Caldwell, Idaho, and H. W. Dorman, of Ontario, and others have taken an option on the 200,000 acres and have gone to Minneapolis, where they expect to close the deal for its purchase. Their purpose in acquiring it is colonization. They have had a great deal of experience in colonization enterprises, and it is given out on authority that their purpose is to furnish water for the land, cut up their holdings into small tracts, plant them to commercial orchards and then proceed to colonize.

Colonel Place for some time has been connected with the colonization department of the Union Pacific Railroad with headquarters at Omaha. It is not known whether the Harriman system is interested in the colonization scheme or not, but the fact that the land lies along the Oregon Short Line branch to Vale and the survey of the proposed extension of the Oregon & Eastern Railway from Ontario to Burns, a distance of 150 miles, gives color to the report that the railroad is interested in the proposition.

Colonel Place is authority for the statement that the Harriman people have signified their willingness to assist in the scheme and will do all they can to help boost the colonization.

Part of the land will be covered by the Ontario-Nyssa irrigation canal, which is now under course of construction and will be completed this Fall. Mr. Dorman is a director in the new irrigation enterprise, and the lands to be furnished with water are considered among the richest in the Snake River Valley. The reclamation and colonization of these tracts will add many thousands of people and much wealth to Malheur County and Ontario. Work on reclaiming the land in this immediate vicinity will not be delayed later than next Spring.

The Minneapolis and St. Paul capitalists who purchased the Willamette Valley and Cascade Mountain wagon road a year ago negotiated for it through a French syndicate, and the deal, amounting to several millions of dollars, was one of the largest that had been turned in the Intermountain country for many years. It was announced at the time the sale was made that the purchasers were backed by James J. Hill, the railroad king, and that the 800,000-odd acres included in the grant would be colonized within the next few years. From authoritative information received here a movement is now well under way to carry out the colonization plans, and hundreds of settlers will be brought West for that purpose.

Eastern Oregon is the scene of unusual activity due to the rapid development of irrigation projects, the railroad work on the Short Line extension from Vale to Brogan, and the work that is being done in the central part of this state on the Idaho Central, a subsidiary line of the Oregon Short Line which will be built through Boise to Payette, located in Western Idaho on the Idaho-Oregon boundary line, which is to be its western terminal, at least temporarily.

EVARS BLAMES OFFICIALS

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following this separation married the present Mrs. Evars. Shortly after settling at Philomath my signature one day was mistaken for Evars instead of Evans, and I decided to adopt the changed name in hopes of being able under the disguise in names to prevent my divorced wife from finding me and renewing her annoying persecution of me. Accordingly I adopted the abbreviated name 'James Evars,' and have since been known by that name.

Inheritance Key to Secret.

"Through the death of my mother several months ago I inherited some money. It was in establishing claim and collecting it that my ex-wife found me, and through her lawyers instituted an action to set aside my divorce decree obtained in Clackamas County four years ago. This move was blocked by Judge Campbell, but on appeal Justice Moore ordered the case returned for another trial.

"I now have pending in the Supreme Court a petition for a rehearing. But this status of my divorce suit does not invalidate my second marriage, nor does it have anything to do with my change of name.

"In the meantime my first wife filed suit for divorce in the State of Minnesota demanding a division of my property, alimony and counsel fees. But she will be disappointed, even should she eventually win her suit in view of the fact that I invested my entire inheritance in the Philomath bank to which I have given my time, day and night, to make it a successful business venture.

Feeling Is Pronounced.

"My present wife also worked as clerk in the bank for 18 months without compensation until failing eyesight compelled her to give up the work. In view of the conspiracy that has been formed against me and the extremely annoying tactics that are being directed against me, I feel that I am the most abused man in Oregon today."

Positive denial is made by President Williams and Director Wyatt and other officers of the suspended Philomath bank that any conspiracy exists with Evars as its subject. The business men and farmers of that prosperous town and agricultural community, however, do not hesitate to say that the feeling against Evars is pronounced. They liken him to the J. Rufus Wallingford type whose manipulation of bank records they affirm an investigation will show will make the transaction of W. Cooper Morris in high finance appear juvenile.

People Fooled, They Say.

The depositors are particularly enraged at Evars because of the deception he practiced on them and the officers of the bank. Before coming to Philomath, Evars is reported to have been salesman for a washing machine model in Portland. Arrived on the scene of his prospective operations Evars, by his suave manner, succeeded in convincing the substantial citizens of Philomath that they should have a bank of their own and not depend on the banks of Corvallis, seven miles away. At the same time, say Evars' victims, he was apparently an experienced banker.

Captivated by Evars' taking way the citizens subscribed for the necessary stock, not as an investment, as much as a sense of public spirit and the bank was established. The officers and directors that were serving when the bank closed admitted today that they were not familiar with the details of the banking business and for that reason had entrusted the general management of the business to Evars. Such a free rein, they declare, that Evars had virtually his own way, his mere assurance that any transaction was proper being adequate to win their official sanction.

Bad Loans Not Explained.

The loan to the Philomath Creamery, admitted by Evars to be bad, represents about $26,000. Evars was president of this concern, which was capitalized for only $10,000, and, with his wife, owned virtually all of the stock. Approximately $20,000 of the total loan was advanced to the company within the last year, assert disappointed depositors, who also make the charge that the assets of the company today do not exceed $8000.

The records of the bank are said to show that Evars drew $5000 in cash from the bank on the night before it was taken in charge by the Superintendent of Banks.

Stockholders in the suspended bank have come to its rescue and every depositor will be paid in full. All negotiable assets of the bank will be converted into cash and the subscriptions from the stockholders will be ample to meet all obligations.

Steps already have been taken to organize another bank to succeed the defunct institution. Citizens of Philomath last night held a mass meeting and received a proposal from Jesse R. Lasswell, of Portland, who contemplates a small bank with a capital stock of $15,000. He offers to take $10,000 of the capital stock. Glen Gibbons and S. T. Wyatt, the latter a director in the suspended bank, were appointed a committee to ascertain if the other $5000 of stock could be placed among the citizens of Philomath.

Evars will be given a preliminary hearing before Justice of the Peace Lane at 9 o'clock tomorrow morning. He will be represented by W. H. Fowler, of Portland. Arthur Clarke, Deputy District Attorney, will appear for the state.

THREE MAY ENTER RACE

CONTEST FOR REPRESENTATIVE NOMINATION PROBABLE.

Charles L. McNary, of Salem, and Walter L. Dimick, of Oregon City, May Oppose Hawley.

SALEM, Or., Nov. 3.—(Special.)—Indications of a three-cornered fight for the office of Representative in Congress in this district are becoming apparent. While no definite announcements are being made at this time, it seems certain that besides Representative Hawley running for re-election that Charles L. McNary, of this city, and Walter L. Dimick, of Oregon City, will be candidates against him.

Mr. McNary is a member of the law firm of McNary & McNary. He is also dean of the Willamette College of Law and has been active for years in the affairs of the city, as well as acting for some time as Deputy District Attorney in this district and appearing several times for the State Railroad Commission as special counsel.

Mr. Dimick has been a member of the Legislature for a number of terms and is a well-known lawyer of Oregon City. He has not definitely announced himself, nor has Mr. McNary, but friends of each of them say that there is a strong probability of their entering the race.

Mr. Hawley is certain to be a candidate for re-election. At present he is making a trip in the southern part of his district before returning to Washington. He has visited a number of other parts of the district since his return from the capital.

What issues will be drawn by the various candidates is a little difficult to determine just at this time. Mr. Hawley is known to be strong with the administration and is a personal friend of President Taft. It is probable, assert their friends, that Mr. McNary and Mr. Dimick will align themselves with the progressive element, providing they become candidates.

In addition to these three men probably there will be others in the race. The name of George F. Rodgers, of this city, has been mentioned, and it is understood there will be at least one or two candidates from the southern part of the district.

COLLEGE SEEKS $20,000

People of Dallas Will Give Toward Endowment Fund.

DALLAS, Or., Nov. 3.—(Special.)—Arrangements have been completed for the great "Dallas College Rally Day" tomorrow. Solicitors have been appointed and the entire city will be thoroughly canvassed. It is the aim to raise $20,000 tomorrow, as an endowment fund for the college located here. Present indications point to the fact that the contributions tomorrow will greatly exceed the amount desired.

CHEHALIS MOURNS TODAY

Mayor Asks Business Houses to Pay Honor to Dead.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Nov. 3.—(Special.)—Mayor Gingrich has issued a proclamation asking the Chehalis business houses to close during the funeral services at the Methodist Church tomorrow afternoon of five of the victims of the powder factory fire.

The five girls will be buried in one grave at the Masonic Cemetery, their names being Eva Gilmore, Vera Mulford, Bertha Crown, Sadie Westfall and Bertha Hagle.

Chinese Allowed to Stay.

Ng Foo, the Chinese, who was examined before United States Commissioner Marsh as to his right to be in this country, has been officially permitted to remain. The Immigration Inspection Department tried to prove that he had recently come across the Mexican line, but the Commissioner did not believe that it had made out a sufficiently strong case to have the man deported.

TRAIN PUFFS INTO LAND OF MARVELS

Culver and Metolius Extend Glad Hand to Agricultural Advisers.

WHEAT FIELDS AMAZING

Farmers Listen to Experts Talk on Methods and Visitors Are Entertained Royally at Both Stopping Points.

BY ADDISON BENNETT.

METOLIUS, Or., Nov. 3.—(Special.)—The demonstration train party has had in many ways an eventful day. In the first place the interest at Culver and Metolius has been phenomenal, something almost beyond description, for the "show-me" spirit has been ever prominent. Secondly, there were automobiles awaiting us at Culver to take those who could be spared to various points of interest, notably the celebrated Opal Springs, and those who availed themselves of the opportunity, who had never seen these marvelous works of nature, are filled with enthusiasm and loaded with opals.

Those who went out to see the wheat lands are just as much amazed, so it is a happy party tonight. Then, after the lectures, we had a famous dinner—one long to be remembered—at the Culver House. The dinner was given by the Culver Commercial Club. The thanks of the party are not only due to that organization, but to the hostess, Mrs. W. P. Myers. A vote of thanks was unanimously tendered Mrs. Meyers for the splendid way she served us. Surely there are 40 less chickens in the Culver neighborhood than there were this morning. Surely the Culver people are entitled to more than a vote of thanks for the way they treated us.

At Metolius we were also given a good reception by about every farmer within driving distance, and nearly all of the citizens of the town. In the depot building was a fine lunch, free to all, served by the Greater Metolius Club, and who, pray, are the members? Why, the splendid women of Metolius. Not to be outdone by the Commercial Club, they have a club of their own, and they served to all comers this splendid lunch.

But after all is said, the greatest feature of the meetings has been the interest shown by those whom the trip was planned to help. That is the main reason why Dr. Withycombe and his corps and R. B. Miller and his associates are now so jubilant.

A word about the towns we have visited yesterday and today. Bend, Redmond, Culver and Metolius. They are all doing splendidly. Since I was here last May they have all improved wonderfully. Many fine brick blocks have been built and business seems good in all of them. At Metolius a mile or more of cement sidewalks are being laid and the little town is taking on city airs. There is only one sulker in the party, D. O. Lively. He has a bet up that he will kiss 200 babies every day, but he has lost. He kissed 199 today and then attempted to osculate with a 16-year-old girl, when Mrs. Lively seized him by the off ear—and he lost, and there is trouble in the Lively family.

TEACHER FACES ARREST

MOTHER OF GRESHAM PUPIL OBJECTS TO SEVERITY.

Daughter, 15 Years Old, Comes Home With Marks of Beating Visible, Woman Charges.

Mabel Stevens, teacher in the public schools at Gresham, will be arrested by Constable Weinberger today, on a charge of assault and battery, preferred by the mother of one of her pupils.

Leading her daughter, Rose, 15 years old, Mrs. Minnie Tannler appeared at the office of the District Attorney yesterday and demanded a complaint against the teacher. She also conferred with Justice Olson, who endeavored to dissuade her from the action and suggested that the teacher must have had some reason for doing as she did, a thing Mrs. Tannler would not concede.

The story told by the irate mother and daughter was that Miss Stevens, without provocation, dragged Rose from her seat, seizing her by the throat, so that marks were left upon it, shook her severely and expelled her from the school. When the child arrived at home the marks were still visible, they said, and they decided to appeal to the law. They ascribe spite as the only motive, but Miss Stevens will have an opportunity to give her side of the case today.

WOULD-BE SUICIDE HOPES

"I'll Do Better Next Time," Says A. A. Fuller, Who Fails to Kill Self.

THE DALLES, Or., Nov. 3.—(Special.) "I'll do better next time," was the remark made at The Dalles hospital yesterday by A. A. Fuller, who attempted to commit suicide here this week, but failed. Fuller came to this city a week ago from Roseburg, where he resided during the past few years, and engaged a room at the Umatilla House. While sitting in the lobby of the hostelry Fuller quietly removed his hat, drew a revolver, placed it against his right temple and fired. The bullet, however, did not follow the course he intended it to take, merely tearing away his right eye. He will recover. Despondency is supposed to be the motive for the attempt to take his own life. Fuller, who is an Elk, is 86 years old. He was in the insurance business here about 15 years ago.

HIGH PRICE OF HAY HURTS

California Gets Oregon Stock to Feed; Beef Shipments Out Soon.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Nov. 3.—(Special.)—With hay being held at $10 a ton delivered at Midland and $8 per ton when fed in the stack, it is believed in some quarters that the high price of the feed is having a considerable influence toward causing cattle to be shipped out of the county and state for feeding. Yesterday 18 cars of stock cattle were shipped from Midland by J. C. Mitchell, who also sent out 25 cars of horses. About three weeks ago 3500 head of stock cattle were shipped to California points from Midland, which is the great stock-gathering point for shipment out of Klamath County by rail.

It is said that these 3500 would have been fed in Klamath County if hay could have been secured at lower prices than asked. Since then another shipment of 18 cars of cattle from the ZX ranch, Lake County, has been sent out of the state. This last mentioned consignment went to Bakersfield, to be fed for the market. Tomorrow 25 more cars of cattle will go from Midland. Shipments of beef cattle will not begin until about November 15.

FIGHT ON ENGINEER OPENS

Jackson County Taxpayers Object to Paying Man $5000 Salary.

MEDFORD, Or., Nov. 3.—(Special.)—As a side issue to the organized fight against the $1,500,000 bond issue for good roads in Jackson County, a petition was presented to the County Court today, asking that the office of County Engineer be vacated until Spring.

The petition is signed by about 200 taxpayers, most of them living in the country districts outside of Medford. In the recent campaign for the bond issue, County Engineer Harmon was one of the issues presented by the opponents of the measure, and also supported by some who favored good roads but were dissatisfied with his administration. In the petition it is maintained that his salary of $5000 a year is a needless expense for the county to bear during the months when active road work is impossible.

A counter petition is being circulated by the friends of the County Engineer, who believe that his services have been of value and that they are necessary during the Winter for the preparation of the good roads campaign in the Spring. An answer to the suit entered by Ed Andrews, praying for an injunction against the issuance of the $1,500,000 bonds, is expected to be filed by E. A. Reames, counsel for the County Court.

TEACHER FEARS ROBBERS

'Dangerous-Looking Butcher Knife' Carried by German Instructor.

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON, Seattle, Nov. 3.—(Special.)—Armed with a dangerous-looking butcher knife which he carries under his coat, Max Garrett, Ph. D., Munich, instructor in English at the university, is fully prepared to meet any one wishing to rob him as they did Dr. William H. Dehn, a chemistry professor.

Since Dr. Dehn had the unusual experience of being held up while trying to play the Good Samaritan to a man lying by the wayside, Professor Garrett has carried his scalping knife hugged close to his breast and ready for the heart of any one who might prove avaricious. Today a freshman saw the knife and immediately spread the news that the doctor was carrying concealed weapons.

The eccentric little German teacher of English was embarrassed at first, but soon naively confessed that he was afraid of robbers since Dr. Dehn had lost his $30 and gold watch, and that the knife was for the purpose of carving up any obstreperous thug who might size him up as a "good thing," professionally.

"U" CELEBRATION IS BEGUN

Golden Jubilee at Washington Institution Is on Now.

SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 3.—Celebration of the golden jubilee of the University of Washington was begun today with a rally of college alumni and a reception to the college women of the state. The university was founded in 1861, less than ten years after the settlement of the City of Seattle, and Arthur A. Denny, a highly-educated Tennesseean, who was afterward Washington's Delegate to Congress, was the founder of both city and university.

Mr. Denny gave a large part of his farm to the university, and a portion of this land, in the center of Seattle, is covered with 11-story buildings. The state also made liberal grants of land. When the old wooden university building was demolished last year, it was estimated that the land sold to raise money to erect that building was worth $2,000,000 in 1910. The university's land holdings are still valued at millions of dollars, and the institution is one of the largest, as well as one of the oldest and richest in the West.

APPLE PRIZES OFFERED

Hood River Association Stirs Up Competition for Fair.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Nov. 4.—(Special.)—Professor C. D. Thompson, secretary of the Hood River Apple Fair Association, has announced that special prizes, totaling $100, will be given at the annual show next week for the best 25-box exhibits of commercial varieties, composed of Spitzenbergs, Ortleys, Newtowns, Arkansas Blacks, Winter Bananas, Delicious, Northern Spy, Baldwins, Red Cheeked Pippins, Black Twigs, Hyde Kings, and Jonathans. The display may be made up of any one variety or all. The first prize will be $50, the second $30 and the third $20. The scoring will be 25 points each for color, pack, freedom from blemish and uniformity.

Competition will be warm among the Valley growers. The Mt. Hood Railroad, the lines of which penetrate the Valley, will haul free all exhibits sent over the road.

LEE HONORED BY GOVERNOR

Industrial Insurance Commission Chairman Gets Vacancy.

SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 3.—Governor Hay today announced the appointment of George A. Lee, chairman of the State Industrial Insurance Commission, to membership on the Public Service Commission to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Chairman Harry A. Fairchild. Hamilton Higday, of Seattle, Assistant Industrial Insurance Commissioner, was appointed a member of the Insurance Commission, vice Mr. Lee.

It is expected that J. C. Lawrence will be made chairman of the Public Service Commission and that Commissioner C. A. Pratt will be given the chairmanship of the Industrial Insurance Board.

Clark County Shows Progress.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Nov. 3.—(Special.)—The receipts of the County Clerk, W. S. T. Derr, for the month of October were $765.68, an increase of $430.43 over October, 1910. The business of the Superior Judge of this district became so great that the County of Clark was put in one district by itself with one judge to look after its business in the Superior Court.

PACT KEPT AT BIER

"Father" Flinn, 94, Says Last Rites Over Rev. Mr. Hosford.

OLD CONFRERE EULOGIZED

Aged Minister in Presiding at Obsequies Over Remains of City's First Preacher Fulfills Promise Made Decade Ago.

In fulfillment of a pledge between the two, both aged Methodist clergymen, made ten years ago on the deck of the river steamboat Ione, Rev. John Flinn, D. D., yesterday afternoon conducted the funeral services of Rev. Chauncey O. Hosford at Lone Fir Cemetery.

There was more than one break in the voice of "Father" Flinn, who is 94 years old, as he told of his lifelong friendship for his fellow minister, whom he had known from the time he took up a claim in Polk County in 1845, and throughout various vicissitudes of his life as farmer, traveling preacher and pastor.

Rev. Mr. Hosford, who was sent to Portland when there were exactly 14 wooden log cabins on the site of the present city, to report on the situation from the standpoint of a prospective Methodist mission, under orders of Superintendent of Missions Roberts, of California, and who visited and prayed at that time with every resident of the city, spent much of the later years of his life traveling up and down the Columbia. It was on one of these trips, on which he was accompanied by his friend, Rev. Mr. Flinn, that the subject of death was discussed.

Old Promise Kept.

"I don't know whether Mr. Hosford suggested it to me or I suggested it to him," said Rev. Mr. Flinn, discussing the pact between the men, "but one of us said to the other that when he died he wanted the survivor to read the last rites. So, when he died, I naturally conducted his services. It was the last and most solemn duty I could perform for the man who was my friend."

After Rev. C. C. Rarick had read from The Oregonian of yesterday the account of the life and death of Mr. Hosford, Mr. Flinn led the large number present in prayer. He then told of his knowledge of Rev. Mr. Hosford.

"I first met him," said "Father" Flinn, "at his claim on the other side of the river from Salem. There he and his wife had 640 acres. It was shortly thereafter that Elder Roberts wrote him to visit the settlers at Portland, and so impressed was he with the religious nature of the pioneers that he later built the first church and delivered the first sermon ever delivered in this city.

Departed Minister Eulogized.

"Before that time, in addition to working his claim, he was a traveling preacher and circuit rider. Eventually, he sold his land and traveled on many different circuits. I have known him as a God-fearing Christian man, as a farmer, as a husbandman, as a faithful husband and father and as a minister since 1850."

Mr. Flinn now is the sole survivor of the first Oregon Methodist conference, which was organized in Salem in the early '50s.

In the presence of a large number of friends the first services were read at the home of the departed clergyman's daughter, Drs. D. A. Grout, at East Main and Sixty-second streets. For the final rites in Lone Fir Cemetery, there was a great gathering of many of the most prominent Oregon pioneers in Oregon.

ARMY ROLL IS INCREASED

New Military Order Strengthens First Infantry.

VANCOUVER BARRACKS, Wash., Nov. 3.—(Special.)—President Taft, through the War Department, has issued a new order increasing the authorized strength of the different organizations in the United States Army. The order has just reached the post, and increases the authorized number of men in the First Infantry, while that organization is in the Philippines, to 971. The regiment will sail for Manila March 5. The strength of the regiment now, in the United States, is 887.

The order reads: "For infantry regiments—twelve companies of 65 men each, with an additional seven men for foreign service; regimental and battalion non-commissioned officers, 8; regimental band, 28; machine gun platoon, 21; mounted scouts, 15; headquarters detachment, 11."

The total number of enlisted men in the United States Army, from latest reports, is 66,698. Added to this are the staff departments, numbering 10,825 men, making a grand total of 77,523 men.

Lakeview to Vote on November 7.

LAKEVIEW, Or., Nov. 3.—(Special.)—The annual election here will be held November 7, at which time the voters will also exercise their ballots on the question of an issue of $20,000 additional bonds for the high school, which was not completed owing to the money furnished by the original bond issue not being sufficient to carry out the work. The school is on eight acres of ground and one of the finest "country town" schools in the West. At the election a Mayor, four Councilmen and Treasurer and Recorder will be chosen. Probably the question of a city sewerage system will be one of the problems to face the incoming administration.

Janitor Pleads Not Guilty.

SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 3.—Nathaniel C. Lewis, janitor of the Seattle Postoffice, who was arrested yesterday charged with rifling mail packages, was arraigned before a United States commissioner today and pleaded not guilty. His hearing was set for next Tuesday, and he was taken back to jail, being unable to furnish bail. Eighteen packages, some of them valuable, have disappeared from the postoffice during the past 12 months.

Paper Will Be Democratic.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Nov. 2.—(Special.)—The Vancouver Spokesman, established here in May by Eugene Lorton and acquired a month ago by H. W. Ross, yesterday announced that it would hereafter support Democratic principles. A meeting of the leading Democrats was held yesterday, at which time it was decided to call a mass meeting of Democrats November 25 to prepare for the campaign next Fall. At the meeting men were appointed from each precinct to prepare lists of Democrats so that literature can be sent to them.