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RAILROAD MEN HERE

Oregon Trunk Line Officials Are Making General Inspection

THINK COUNTRY IS READY FOR ROAD

Right of Way Matter Not Entirely Cleared Up—Road Will Be Built Independent of Other Lines

W. F. Nelson, president of the Oregon Trunk Line railroad, and L. I. Gregory, secretary of that company, were in Madras the first of the week, having come up the Deschutes River from its mouth as far as Sherar's Bridge, and from there to Shaniko and on here by stage. The trip was for the purpose of making a careful inspection of the proposed route from the mouth of the river to Sherar's Bridge, between which points the trouble over the right of way was had on account of conflicts with a government reclamation project, and which trouble has not yet been entirely disposed of. The trip most of the way between those points was made on foot.

While the main difficulty over the right of way for the Oregon Trunk Line has been disposed of by the abandonment of one of the proposed power dams, a stipulation is required of the railroad people covering the construction of one dam at a point a few miles below Sherar's Bridge, before the right of way will be granted. This stipulation, which carries with it the raising of their grade stakes for a distance of six miles, would mean an additional cost of several hundred thousand dollars to the railroad, and this upon the mere prospect of the future construction of the power dam, which in all probability never will be built, as the project is generally considered not feasible or practicable. This portion of the right of way was gone over carefully by the railroad men, in order that they may more intelligently deal with the question at issue.

During their stay in this locality Messrs. Nelson and Gregory made a trip out across Agency Plains, and next day went out through the Methodist Hill and Opal Prairie districts, and they were greatly pleased with what they saw. Mr. Nelson, who has been in this section several times before, expressed great satisfaction with the many evidences of growth and development, and with general crop conditions, which he said appeared to him as good as anyone could desire. This was Mr. Gregory's first trip into this section, but he saw a good deal of it during his short visit, and he was enthusiastic over the prospects for business for a railroad in this district. He was not slow in seeing the immense possibilities of development in this section, with its attendant tonnage and traffic for the railroad, and expressed the frank conviction that Central Oregon was ready for a railroad and amply able to support one even at this time. Mr. Nelson and Mr. Gregory spent Saturday and Sunday here, leaving Monday morning for Bend, where they expect to spend several days looking over the timber lands and the large irrigated tracts. From Bend they expect to go to Prineville, and back here by the end of this week for another day or so in this neighborhood.

When questioned regarding the prospects of immediate construction of the line up the Deschutes, both gentlemen stated that they were as anxious as they could be to get work under way, but that right of way difficulties and other matters which would first have to be arranged, had temporarily tied their hands. Both stated unequivocally, however, that the road would be built by their company, independently of either the Hill or Harri-man interests, and that work would be commenced just as soon as the present difficulties in the way of construction could be adjusted. The survey up the Deschutes to the mouth of Willow Creek

then on up the gorge of Willow Creek to Madras, will be followed when work is commenced. Further than that no information could be elicited.

May Extend to Bend

Although the present plans of the Oregon Trunk Line only include the construction of the line as far as Madras which is the terminus of their survey, it is the ultimate object of the company to extend the line on south, the next step from Madras to be as far as Bend, the object of the present trip of the officials being to see for themselves the possibilities of business in that district. Mr. Nelson stated while here that the company would probably put a party of surveyors on that route shortly after his return to Seattle. An easy grade could be secured for the line between this place and Bend, the most difficult piece of work on the line being at the point where Crooked River is crossed, and the territory to be invaded by that extension would be productive of a great amount of business for the road.

EPWORTH CONCERT

German M. E. Young People Will Present Program in Madras June 3

The Epworth League of the German M. E. Church will give a sacred concert in Sanford's Hall, Madras, Tuesday evening, June 4, 1907.

This is the first time any society has attempted to give a musical entertainment in this vicinity, and a large number of people will doubtless avail themselves of the opportunity of attending this concert. Admission will be free, but a silver collection will be taken, the proceeds going toward the purchase of a new organ for the German M. E. Church at Methodist Hill. The Program follows:

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- 1 Opening prayer and address, the Rev. I. D. Brown.
- 2 "In Time and Tune," (O. A. Miller), choir.
- 3 Clarinet solo, "Calvary," J. S. Moehring.
- 4 Essay, "Music: Its Power and Effect," J. A. Hoffman.
- 5 "The Risen Lord" (Towner), choir.
- 6 Duet, "Welcome Springtime," Marie and Anna Marnach.
- 7 Baritone solo, "The Gallant Ship," J. S. Moehring.
- 8 Reading, Mrs. J. A. Hoffman.
- 9 Vocal solo, "The Lord is My Light" (Marsh), Miss Anna C. Schrieber.
- 10 Male quartet, "The Riches of Love," Messrs. C. Schrieber, H. Degner, J. Hoffmann, J. S. Moehring.
- 11 Reading, "Music in the Home," J. S. Moehring.
- 12 "Sing, O Ye Heavens" (H. R. Palmer), choir.
- 13 Reading, "Beethoven's Moonlight Sonata," Miss Anna C. Schrieber.
- 14 Clarinet solo, "Medley of German Airs," J. S. Moehring.
- 15 Announcement, by the chairman.
- 16 "Praise Ye the Father," choir.

CATCHES LARGE STEELHEAD SALMON

Minnie Gomer, the twelve-year-old daughter of W. Gomer, caught an eight-pound steelhead salmon in the Deschutes River at the mouth of Crooked River one day last week. The day previous her brother Emanuel had hooked a large fish and had been unable to land it alone, the fish finally snapping the line and escaping. Next day the crowd was again fishing at the same place, and Minnie Gomer cast her line in at the spot where the big fish had been hooked the day before. In a very few minutes she had a strike and had hooked a large fish, and with the assistance of her brother she finally succeeded in landing it, when it was found to be a steelhead salmon, thirty inches long and weighing about eight pounds. It was the same fish which had been hooked the day before, the hook and line still being in its mouth. The steelhead was lured from the bottom of the Deschutes both days by a bait of leaping trout flies. Steelhead salmon are frequently caught in the Deschutes River below the Sherar Falls, but they have seldom been caught in the Deschutes above that point.

WHEAT PROSPECT BEST

Eastern and Central Oregon Has Promise of Big Crop

PLENTY OF RAIN AND NO FREEZE-OUTS

Reports from All Sections Say Conditions Are Best in Twenty Years—Farmers Rejoice at Outlook

Reports from all sections of Eastern and Central Oregon bring encouraging news concerning the crop prospect since the rain of last week. Below we publish some of these reports. Crook County crops are more promising than they have been in many years and farmers of this locality are jubilant over the prospects of a bumper crop.

WASCO, Oregon.—Prospects for the wheat crop in Sherman County are the best in its history. Farmers are through seeding and the growing grain is in fine condition.

PENDLETON, Oregon.—Crop prospects in Umatilla County are bright. Wheat is looking fine. A rain is falling which is needed at this time. There will be a slight fruit shortage, but there will be plenty of fruits of all kinds this season. The frosts it now seems, did no material damage. Wheat prospects were never better.

CONDOX, Oregon.—A hundred farmers interviewed say there is the best crop prospect now in twenty years, with a good stand of wheat and plenty of moisture. Springs and creeks which were dry at this time in the past few years are flowing freely now. There was no freezing out last Winter, and this, with the amount of moisture received then and since, makes an immense yield of fall wheat almost certain. From Rock Creek south the acreage of Fall wheat of the Forty-fold variety is very large. A nice soaking rain is now falling.

CAMPBELL SYSTEM WINS

Seeds Sprout Readily in Field Cultivated by Scientific Methods

Bend Bulletin: Last Fall two fields were plowed by the P. B. D. Co. and prepared to catch and absorb the Winter's moisture, one being cultivated according to the methods advocated by the noted expert in dry farming, H. W. Campbell, with the exception that no sub-surface packer was used; the other prepared in line with the old-time methods. The field under the Campbell system is the one lying to the south of the road as you drive to the company's mill from Bend; the other is the Taber field near Pilot Butte.

As soon as the last snow left the ground this Spring, the field next to the mill was thoroughly disked and the surface soil pulverized to a dust—the ideal condition to retain the moisture. The Taber field was left with a crust over the surface—likewise the ideal condition to lose the moisture by evaporation. Recently the Taber field was seeded to oats. Ten days later the mill field—or the Campbell system tract—was likewise seeded to oats taken from the same batch as those seeded on the Taber field. The oats on the Campbell tract have sprouted fine and the field is green, while those on the other field have not yet appeared above the ground. Irrigation water has not yet been applied to either field. Score No. 1 for the Campbell method.

The company's field on the west side of the river is, now being prepared in accordance with Campbell's methods. A few furrows are plowed around the field, the horses are then hitched onto a Campbell sub-surface packer and the soil firmly packed three or four inches below the surface. An Acme harrow is then used to thoroughly pulverize the surface soil. While it is of course too early to make any predictions regarding this field, good returns are expected from it.