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RUNNING LINE BY WAY OF TRAIL CROSSING

Harriman Surveyors Looking For New Route South.

The surveying party under Mr. Mills, which has been camped at Madras for the past two weeks, moved camp last Thursday morning and is now located at Rimrock Springs. They ran the line South from this place for some distance, following the survey made by the Oregon Eastern three years ago, and it is reported that from Rimrock Springs they will now run a line North, following the range of hills just East of Madras. This line is evidently being run for the purpose of ascertaining if a route can be found that way, avoiding the dip necessary to get across Willow creek flat on the line they have already run through Madras.

A second party of Harriman surveyors moved into Madras last Friday afternoon and are camped on the flat. This party is under H. J. Roberts, and is the same party which ran the line up Trout creek to Sagebrush flat. They have been camped at the mouth of Trout creek for the past month working along the Deschutes. This party is also headed South, but will follow the Juniper Butte route, crossing over Crooker river near Trail Crossing. This will be the first line the Harriman people have projected by that route, all their former surveys going by way of Lamontia and crossing Crooked river at Oneil. This line, by way of Trail Crossing, gets back to the old Oregon Eastern survey at a point near Redmond, and it is reported that the Oregon Eastern survey from that point will be followed very closely all the way through to Klamath Falls.

The recent survey by the Mills party crosses the flat near the head of Willow creek canyon, on the West side of the townsite, the line being very close to that of the Oregon Trunk Line where the latter leaves the flat on the South side of town.

Mr. Chase, who has general charge of all the Harriman surveying parties now working on this survey, was in Madras again the last of the week.

MADRAS FIRM TEMPORARILY EMBARRASSED

Because of their inability to meet an obligation to one of the wholesale houses with whom they deal, the firm of McTaggart & Bye of this place was served with an attachment Monday evening. The embarrassment of the firm is believed to be only temporary and was due to their inability to raise money on their outstanding accounts, which are sufficient in amount to practically cover all their indebtedness. Their assets are greatly in excess of their liabilities. Mr. McTaggart left for Portland Tuesday morning for the purpose of conferring with the creditors, and believes that a satisfactory adjustment of their affairs can be arranged, so that a general assignment will not be necessary.

McTaggart & Bye have been in business in Madras for the past four years, and during that time have made many friends here who will regret to learn of their business difficulties.

ELECTION PROVES A LANDSLIDE FOR TAFT

Carries North And West By Overwhelming Majorities

BRYAN STILL HOLDS THE "SOLID SOUTH"

New York Gives Taft 275,000 Plurality --Republican Congress Elected--Hughes Wins In New York.

The 1908 national election will go into history as a landslide for the Republicans, and William H. Taft of Ohio has been elected President by an overwhelming majority, having between 300 and 325 votes in the electoral college. Owing to poor telephone connections with the outside, it has been impossible up to time of going to press to get detailed returns of the election, but all of the news secured indicates that Taft and Sherman have swept the country, carrying practically everything except the solid South. New York, claimed up to the last moment as a doubtful state by the Democrats, has given Taft 275,000 plurality, while Ohio, also considered fighting ground by the Democrats, has given the Republican candidates fully 100,000 plurality. New York state has given Taft a greater plurality than it gave Roosevelt in 1904.

On the Pacific slope the Republican majorities exceed all expectations, Taft having carried California by 60,000, Oregon by 30,000 and Washington by 45,000. Idaho is also safely Republican. In this state Taft carried every county.

In New York state Governor Hughes has been re-elected by a majority of about 75,000. In the state election in New York more interest was centered than in any other contest in the country, outside the national election.

Both houses of Congress will be safely Republican, the Republicans having won in every district in which they had a right to hope for success, and the House of Representatives being overwhelmingly Republican. Speaker Cannon of Illinois was re-elected from his home district by the usual majority, the fight of the labor organizations seemingly having made little impression on his home people.

Indiana has gone for Taft by a small majority, estimated at between 15,000 and 18,000.

Missouri has returned to the Democratic fold on the Presidential ticket, and has elected Cowherd, Democrat, as its governor. The Republicans failed to break the "Solid South," although heavy gains were made in a number of states, notably in Virginia and North Carolina.

The Republican national ticket has carried all of the so called doubtful states, with the exception of Nebraska, which has apparently gone for Bryan by a small majority. A number of states which gave the national Republican ticket pluralities, however, have elected Democratic governors, notably Minnesota, where Governor Johnson has been elected for the third time, although that state gave Taft a plurality.

Crook Gives Taft 350 Majority

Crook county helped to swell the Republican majority in the state, having given Taft and Sherman a majority of 350 votes. The vote throughout the county was lighter than was expected, and the county did not roll up as big a majority for the Republican ticket as had been looked for. In this end of the county the vote was practically two to one for Taft and Sherman.

NEW COURT HOUSE IS A FINE BUILDING

Sheriff's And County Clerk's Offices Ready For Occupancy By February 1.

The county court, which met last Monday at Prineville, has inspected the work on the new court house building, which is said to be making most satisfactory progress towards completion. Contractor J. B. Shipp is considerably ahead of his contract. The tower is up to the base of the 6-foot clock dials; the rafters for the roof are being placed, and the cornice workers and material for the cornices have arrived, so that

the cornices will soon be in place. Owing to the extreme danger to county records in the old building, Contractor Shipp will complete the sheriff's and recorder's offices first, and will try to have them ready to move into by February 1, 1909.

The electrical wiring for the new building has been completed as far as possible. It is understood, however, that the county court will not order permanent electric fixtures, except for the court room, but will buy them later when the finances of the county will warrant it.

The plumbing and steam-fitting in the new building deserve especial mention. Bernardi & Dunsford of Salem have the contract, and Mr. Bernardi, the senior member of the firm, who is considered one of the best plumbers and steam-fitters in the Northwest, is giving the work his personal attention. One of the main objections to steam heating is that ordinarily one gets the same heat on warm days as in zero weather, but Mr. Bernardi has voluntarily offered, and without additional cost to the county, to cut each radiator into two sections. This will obviate all objections, as it will be possible to regulate the amount of heat turned on. To do this Mr. Bernardi had to supply an extra amount of piping and plumbing materials, and his labor was almost doubled but there was no additional cost to the county. Mr. Bernardi is also making a number of additions and improvements to the plumbing specifications, also without additional cost to the county.

The heating plant, a 40-hp. high pressure Tubular Steam boiler, has already arrived and is being put in place this week. The boiler burns four-foot cord wood and will supply ample heat for the building, even in the most severe weather.

Fire protection for the building will be afforded by two main taps on each floor, with 50 feet of hose and reel at each tap, making eight taps in all through the building, and from which any point of the building can be conveniently reached with the hose.

The Crook county court house when finished will be one of the most modern and complete buildings of its kind in the state.

TWO TO ONE--TAFT 108; BRYAN GETS 58

The election in this precinct was a very quiet affair, in spite of the fact that the vote cast was practically the same as that cast at the June election. There was a noticeable lack of the enthusiasm and feeling which characterized the county election in June, although the full vote which turned out indicated no lack of interest in the outcome of the national election. Another noticeable difference from the June election was the lack of "button-holing," but this was not due to the influence of the Corrupt Practices Act, but rather to the fatality of such effort. During the day, and after the polls were closed, frequent claims were made by the Democrats that the result would be close in this precinct, but it developed later that they meant close to two to one.

Ten votes were thrown out because improperly marked, in a majority of these cases the voter having voted direct for the presidential candidate instead of for the electors. This was due to the form of the ballot, which had on the left side a list of the electors of the different parties, while on the right side, under the caption, "Vote for Four," appeared a list of the presidential and vice-presidential candidates.

Counting the votes thrown out, 199 votes were cast in the precinct, with the following result: Taft 108, Bryan 58, Chafin 7, Debs 16. Higgen, the candidate of the Independent party, did not receive a vote in the precinct. In the June election, an even 200 votes were cast in this precinct.

WILD GESE HAVE WHISKERS

Oregonian

"A long and cold winter is in front of us," said A. B. Andrews yesterday. "I have been keeping cases on conditions for many years, and when you see geese coming in the latter part of October with feathers so thick that No. 2 shot will hardly penetrate and the 'honkers' sailing around with whiskers two inches long, it is a safe bet that we are going to have a cold winter."

RECORD PRICE FOR WHEAT LAND

A quarter section of wheat land in Umatilla county was sold last week for \$17,000, or nearly \$110 per acre. This is the record price for wheat land in Umatilla county, if not in the state. The land was located near Athena. The tract was short of a full quarter section, as the O. R. & N. railroad crosses it, taking about five acres for right-of-way.

COMPLETING LOCATION OF OREGON TRUNK

Survey Will Be Finished In Two Weeks --Complete From Madras To Mouth of Deschutes

F. Crane, who is in charge of the Oregon Trunk Line surveying party camped near the ferry, was in town last Saturday. Mr. Crane's party has completed the location of the line to a point opposite their camp. They are locating down the Deschutes to connect with the party under T. N. Hanford, and it will require about two weeks' more work to connect up the two ends of the line, which will complete the location of the Oregon Trunk Line all the way through from the mouth of the Deschutes to Madras.

The Oregon Trunk Line survey down the Deschutes, below the mouth of Willow creek, follows along the high bench several hundred feet above the river. The line crosses Nigger Brown canyon just below Ed Campbell's house, and from there follows along the sloping hillsides below the rimrock. It does not get down to the river level until several miles below the Cowles alfalfa ranch. The line is fully 250 feet above the river where it starts up Willow creek canyon, this being necessary in order to get an easy grade up that canyon.

ITEMS FROM OUR EXCHANGES

Condemning Land For Harriman Line

The Deschutes Railroad company, a corporation, filed five suits in circuit court yesterday against Mary F. U'Ren, Soren J. Farr, Mary E. Smith, William S. Dean and the State Land Board composed of Robert E. Donnell, George E. Chamberlain, Frank W. Benson and George A. Steel, condemning the right of way up the Deschutes river over land owned by the defendants, says The Dalles Chronicle.

The Deschutes Railroad company, represented by Attorney W. W. Cotton of Portland, alleges in its complaint "That the plaintiff is now and at all times hereinafter mentioned has been a corporation duly organized, existing and doing business under and by virtue of the laws of the state of Oregon and has both by the terms of its articles of incorporation and by virtue of its board of directors duly adopted to that end among other things, to construct, acquire and equip a line of railroads and telegraph from a point in connection with the constructed railroad of the Oregon Railroad and Navigation company at or near the Deschutes station, in the state of Oregon, and to operate the same as common carrier of freight and passengers for hire when contracted.

Plaintiff has paid to the state of Oregon its incorporation tax and its annual license fee for the year ending June 20, 1908."

The Deschutes Railroad company is contending for a right of way over a strip of land along and through defendants' property on the Deschutes river near the old Maupin ferry on that river and in the vicinity of Flanagan.

The Deschutes Railroad company in its complaint avers its intention to build and operate a railroad up the Deschutes river and was represented here yesterday by James G. Wilson, a notary public of Portland.

Central Oregon Line Not Sold

During the past week there has been a rumor to the effect that the Central Oregon Railroad Co. had sold out to the Harriman interests. When questioned as to the truth of this rumor, Mr. Rocco Howard, who has been the moving spirit behind the local railroad from its inception, replied "There is nothing to it. The Central Oregon has sold out to no one. We have not abandoned the project for a moment. However, if the Central Oregon Railroad had sold out to Harriman, the people could rest assured that the transaction included a guarantee that a railroad would be built."—Bend Bulletin.

George White Married

A quiet wedding was solemnized Wednesday afternoon at the Methodist parsonage when George White of Youngs, Crook county, and Miss Sophia Greiser, of Des Moines, Iowa, were united in marriage by Rev. M. T. Wire. The bride arrived yesterday morning from the East and met Mr. White here. They will make their future home in Crook county.—The Dalles Chronicle.

There are 11 cases of typhoid in the city and vicinity, some mild, others moderate and one or two bad ones. So far no deaths have occurred or are expected from this source.—Prineville Review.

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