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WORK FOR OUR LEGISLATORS

Before the legislature met two years ago, Professor Elwood Mead, who was then connected with the government reclamation service, offered to set aside \$10,000 out of the appropriation at his command, for the purpose of establishing a dry farming experiment station in Crook county, provided the state would appropriate an equal amount, \$5000 a year for two years, for that purpose.

This matter was discussed at some length at that time, but the discussion did not crystallize into any definite attempt to secure the state appropriation and no bill was presented.

The matter of a dry farming experiment station for this county is one which our representatives at the legislature should give some attention to. It would not only benefit this county greatly, but would be of great interest to dry land farmers throughout Eastern and Central Oregon. This county alone has more than a half million acres of land which will never be irrigated but which can be made very productive by the application of the scientific methods of dry land farming. The farmers of the semi-arid regions need instruction along these lines, and an experiment station would disseminate information which would result in doubling the grain crop of this county.

The state is spending a good deal of money in advancing the irrigation interests of the state, and very properly so, but it should not ignore the vast area of dry farming land, where some encouragement is needed in the effort to convert it into profitable and prosperous wheat districts. However, we will never get an appropriation for the purpose until our legislators make a strong demand for it.

DANGER SIGNAL OF THE WEST

Mr. H. W. Campbell, originator of the "Campbell" system of dry land farming, predicts many failures in farming the coming year as a result of the extreme drought throughout the West and Middle West this Fall. In his magazine, the Scientific Farmer, he says:

"Personal investigation and reports to this office show that not before for many years has there been such a general condition of extreme dryness as this Autumn. The drought extends through the Southern point of Texas into and through Alberta, covering practically all the semi-arid country. There has been practically no rain in any part of this country since midsummer and the prospect for rains before the Winter closes is remote.

"Let it be remembered, also, that the season of 1907 was very dry and in the Autumn of 1907 showed great deficiency in rainfall in most of the country. In some places there were rains in the early part of the growing season of 1908, but taking the season through it is notable as being one of the dullest on record.

"This drought is a danger signal for the semi-arid country. It is a warning to the farmers. Look out for disaster next year.

Invariably the seasons of poor crops in the dry country follow the drouthy Autumns. The soil is left in no condition for use after a very dry Fall and Winter. There is no chance for the moisture that is necessary to secure the right physical condition of the fields. The result is that when Spring comes the farmer is handicapped at the outset.

Do not be surprised, therefore, if the year 1909 is a year of many failures in farming. The need for study of scientific soil culture is all the greater. Get ready for a dry season and be prepared to make the most of it."

THE PROPER SPIRIT

The levy of a 15-mill tax by the Madras school district showed the proper spirit in the district towards our public school. It is a rather large school-tax and practically double the tax-levy of last year, but it was necessary in order to maintain the Madras school in its present state of efficiency, and the property owners in the district almost without exception favored keeping up the school. It requires some little sacrifice now to maintain a good school in the Madras district, owing to the small tax-roll in the district, but the school will be of inestimable benefit to the town and the surrounding territory. And, it was necessary to make a start in the right direction.

Secretary Garfield's recent ruling that timber lands will hereafter be sold to entrymen at their appraised value instead of at a flat price of \$250 an acre, is another case of locking the stable door after the horse is stolen, for there is very little good timber left open to entry. The ruling is a good one, however, and the pity is that it was not made years ago, before the large tracts of government timber lands were gobbled up at a tenth of their value.

[Not Coal Land]

HOMESTEAD. Notice for Publication. Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon, December 4, 1908.

Notice is hereby given that LINNA B. WOOD, of Madras, Oregon, who, on October 31, 1907, made Homestead Entry [Serial No. 01820] No. 15758, for w1/2 sec 2, n1/2 sec 3, tp 10 s, r 14 e, w m.

Has filed notice of intention to make final commutation proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Frank Osborn, U. S. Commissioner, at his office at Madras, Oregon, on the 20th day of January, 1909.

Claimant names as witnesses: Otto L. Hohlfeld, Fred Fisher, George H. White, John Thomas, all of Madras, Oregon. C. W. MOORE, Register.

CONTEST NOTICE.

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office, The Dalles, Oregon, November 18, 1908. A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by EDWARD E. ECHELBERGER, contestant, against homestead [Serial No. 01371] entry No. 15547, made June 19, 1907, for sec 2, w1/2 sec 3, n1/2 sec 2, tp 10 s, r 14 e, w m, by Clyde R. Anderson, Contestee. In which it is alleged that said Clyde R. Anderson has wholly abandoned said tract for more than six months last past and that said abandonment still exists; that said alleged absence was not due to his employment in the army, navy or marine corps of the United States in time of war.

Said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock a. m. on January 5, 1909, before Max Lueddemann, a notary public, at his office in Madras, Oregon, and that final hearing will be held at 10 o'clock a. m. on January 12, 1909, before the Register and Receiver at the United States Land Office in The Dalles, Oregon.

The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, filed November 16, 1908, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice can not be made. It is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication. C. W. MOORE, Register.

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HOMESTEAD. Notice for Publication. Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon, November 14, 1908. Notice is hereby given that

GEORGE M. GOULD, of Madras, Oregon, who, on March 4, 1902, made Homestead Entry [Serial No. 01376] No. 10443, for sw1/4 sec 2, t2 19 s, r 13 e, w m.

Has filed notice of intention to make final five-year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Frank Osborn, U. S. Commissioner, at his office at Madras, Oregon, on the 29th day of December, 1908.

Claimant names as witnesses: Walter Williams, William Harper, Miles Fox, Julius Larsen, all of Madras, Oregon. C. W. MOORE, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION—United States Land Office, The Dalles, Oregon, Nov. 20, 1908.

Notice is hereby given that State of Oregon has filed in this office its application, Serial No. 01166, to select under the provisions of the Act of Congress of August 14, 1848, and the acts supplementary thereto, the sec 2, tp 12 s, r 10 e, and sec 1, tp 12 s, r 10 e, w m.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the lands described or desiring to object because of the mineral character of the land, or for any other reason, to the disposal to applicant, should file their affidavits of protest in this office on or before the 9th day of January, 1909.

Claimant names as witnesses: C. W. MOORE, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. U. S. Land Office, The Dalles, Oregon, November 20, 1908.

Notice is hereby given that State of Oregon has filed in this office its application, Serial No. 01653, to select under the provisions of the Act of Congress of August 14, 1848, and the Acts supplementary thereto, the lot 1, (nw1/4) of sec 18, tp 10 s, r 14 e, w m.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the lands described, or desiring to object because of the mineral character of the land, or for any other reason, to the disposal to applicant, should file their affidavits of protest in this office on or before the 9th day of January, 1909.

Claimant names as witnesses: C. W. MOORE, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION—United States Land Office, The Dalles, Oregon, Nov 11, 1908. Serial No. 0475.

Notice is hereby given that Avery T. Holmes, by Judson P. VanHouten, attorney in fact has filed his application to select, under the provisions of the Act of June 4, 1897, (30 Stat., 36) the sw1/4 sec 15, tp 11 s, r 15 e, and nw1/4 sec 27, tp 11 s, r 15 e, w m.

Any and all persons claiming adversely to said selection, or desiring to protest against the same, on account of mineral character of the land, or for other reasons, should file their protests in this office not later than January 14, 1909.

Claimant names as witnesses: C. W. MOORE, Register.

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HOMESTEAD. Notice for Publication. Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon, November 18, 1908. Notice is hereby given that

GEORGE K. MOORHEAD, of Madras, Oregon, who, on February 1, 1902, made Homestead Entry [Serial No. 01624] No. 10355, for ne1/4 sec 34, tp 9 s, r 13 e, w m.

Has filed notice of intention to make final five-year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Frank Osborn, United States Commissioner, at his office at Madras, Oregon, on the 30th day of December, 1908.

Claimant names as witnesses: A. P. Clark, Harry W. Gard, Walter S. Williams, William Harper, all of Madras, Oregon. C. W. MOORE, Register.

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HOMESTEAD. Notice For Publication. Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon, November 25, 1908.

Notice is hereby given that JOSEPH H. RICH, of Madras, Oregon, who, on April 25, 1904, made Homestead Entry—Serial No. 0839 No. 1404, for e1/2 sec 29, w1/2 sec 28, tp 11 s, r 13 e, w m.

Has filed notice of intention to make final commutation proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Frank Osborn, U. S. Commissioner, at his office at Madras, Oregon, on the 6th day of January, 1909.

Claimant names as witnesses: Joseph March, Chris Hogauer, Robert Galloway, Frank Galloway, all of Madras, Oregon. C. W. MOORE, Register.

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HOMESTEAD. Notice for Publication. Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon, November 7, 1908.

Notice is hereby given that WALTER R. RUBLE, Guardian of Lucy V. Ruble, of Culver, Oregon, who, on June 21, 1902, made Homestead Entry [Serial No. 01804] No. 11137, for the w1/2 sec 14 and nw1/4 sec 23, tp 13 s, r 13 e, w m.

Has filed notice of intention to make final five-year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Warren Brown, County Clerk, at his office at Prineville, Oregon, on the 22nd day of December, 1908.

Claimant names as witnesses: Jesse L. Windom, James T. Robinson, George W. Dodson, Charles L. Lowther, all of Culver, Oregon. C. W. MOORE, Register.

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HOMESTEAD. Notice for Publication. Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon, November 11, 1908. Notice is hereby given that

WILLIAM O. RAESTON, of Culver, Oregon, who, on June 9, 1902, made Homestead Entry [Serial No. 01451] No. 11044, for the w1/2 sec 7, tp 13 s, r 13 e, w m.

Has filed notice of intention to make final five-year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Frank Osborn, U. S. Commissioner, at his office at Madras, Oregon, on the 22nd day of December, 1908.

Claimant names as witnesses: Robert C. Osborn, William Barber, Thomas Alderlyce, Joseph R. Mendenhall, all of Culver, Oregon. C. W. MOORE, Register.

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HOMESTEAD. Notice for Publication. Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon, November 28, 1908.

Notice is hereby given that HARVEY L. BELL, of Madras, Oregon, who, on February 1, 1902, made Homestead Entry—Serial No. 01728—No. 10356, for sec 34, tp 9 s, r 13 e, w m.

Has filed notice of intention to make final five-year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Frank Osborn, U. S. Commissioner, at his office at Madras, Oregon, on the 6th day of January, 1909.

Claimant names as witnesses: George M. Gould, A. P. Clark, C. F. Klamm, T. B. Tucker, all of Madras, Oregon. C. W. MOORE, Register.

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HOMESTEAD. Notice for Publication. Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon, November 28, 1908.

Notice is hereby given that ABETIE WOODARD, of Culver, Oregon, who, on January 16, 1905, made Homestead Entry—Serial No. 01756—No. 14138, for e1/2 sec 4 and e1/2 sec 2, tp 13 s, r 12 e, w m.

Has filed notice of intention to make final five-year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Frank Osborn, U. S. Commissioner, at his office at Madras, Oregon, on the 6th day of January, 1909.

Claimant names as witnesses: George H. Osborn, of Culver, Oregon; Daniel Swift, Jesse D. Starns, John C. Tucker, of Madras, Oregon. C. W. MOORE, Register.

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HOMESTEAD. Notice for Publication. Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon, November 12, 1908.

Notice is hereby given that CHARLES R. HAYS, of Madras, Oregon, who, on November 14, 1903, made Homestead Entry [Serial No. 01491] No. 13060, for w1/2 sec 13, tp 10 s, r 13 e, w m.

Has filed notice of intention to make final five-year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Frank Osborn, U. S. Commissioner, at his office at Madras, Oregon, on the 23rd day of December, 1908.

Claimant names as witnesses: Miles F. S., Sterling P. Loving, A. D. Anderson, William H. Cook, all of Madras, Oregon. C. W. MOORE, Register.

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