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HARRIMAN AGAIN BREAKS PROMISE

Central Oregon Project Is Cast Aside

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For Hundredth Time Bluffs Business Men Of Portland And Central Oregon Country

The Evening Telegram of Portland says that Edward H. Harriman, the prolific promoter of Pelican Lodge, railroad wizard, money king, captain of industry, etc., has experienced almost a complete change of front regarding his alleged plans for tapping the Central Oregon empire. His new cry is "Wait a while: its too soon." Last August he called Governor Chamberlain, General Manager O'Brien, Mr. Harriman's right-hand man in the Northwest, and Fred S. Stanley, secretary and general manager of the Deschutes Irrigation & Power Company, down to Pelican bay lodge for a conference relative to his prospective invasion of the vast and undeveloped region East of the Cascades. At that time the "Little Wizard of the Pacific" informed the Governor and Mr. Stanley, at least, that he would have the proposed extension under way before the close of the year. A few weeks later Mr. Harriman came to Portland, and at a reception given him at the Commercial Club, he reiterated the same statement in the hearing of half a dozen prominent business men, declaring that actual construction work would be under way not later than January 1.

In the halo of these glowing promises Portland business men forgot a lot of the mean things they had been thinking and saying about the man who has milked the state to succor starving roads in other parts and to fill plethoric purses in Wall street. They figured it out that these promises, given under the circumstances which they were, ought to assay about 99.9 per cent of reliability. They bade Mr. Harriman good-bye and wished him luck.

Then they waited, and waited some more. The end of the year came, and the same thing happened that has happened a dozen times before. Nothing was done, and not a syllable of public utterance has Mr. Harriman made on the subject since.

It is presumed that Mr. Harriman is too busy building a throne for the New York Central, which will just about fit him (with crown and scepter thrown in); or it may be that he is planning counter moves against Hill's invasion of the South, or some new stroke to tap the Flat Head river valley in the val-

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ble coal and timber belt of the Kootenays, to give poor, long-suffering Oregon even a thought.

That Mr. Harriman has changed front regarding Oregon's immediate chances of getting additional Harriman railroad mileage has come to light through an interesting story that is now going the rounds in local railroad circles. When General Manager J. P. O'Brien went to Chicago and New York in his private car just before the holidays, Fred Stanley accompanied him. While in the East Stanley also had the pleasure of another talk with the head of the Harriman system, and, much to his surprise, he was informed by Harriman that the Central Oregon proposition would have to wait a while, that the time was not yet ripe to build into that arid waste of unproductivity.

Just when Pharaoh Harriman experienced this "hardening of heart" toward the children of Oregon, who are crying to be led out of the wilderness, is not known, but that he is personally opposed to going ahead with the plans that he announced a few months ago is clear from the talk he made to Mr. Stanley less than three weeks ago, and it gives additional color to the item printed in the Telegram a couple of days since to the effect that Julius Kruttschnitt, director of maintenance and operation, had found some reason, at least satisfactory to himself, why the Harriman promises of last Summer could not be kept.

The hints that "unforeseen obstacles" to the carrying out of these intentions have arisen to cause delay cannot be taken seriously, for Harriman is too much of a genius of railroading to make unqualified public announcements on such important matters without knowing just about where he is going to "get off at." If he had had any serious intention of getting actual construction of a road into Central Oregon under way "before the end of the year," he would have known it when he called Mr. Stanley and Governor Chamberlain to Pelican bay, and when he was shaking hands with the business men and citizens of Portland at the subsequent reception here. It would not have taken him until the middle of January, 1909, to discover he had made a mistake.

So far as the people of Oregon have any knowledge or information, the only progress that has been made on the Central Oregon project is that three routes are under consideration, and that one of them will cost about \$4,500,000, another about \$2,000,000, and a third about \$900,000. "The end of the year" is one month past, and there are no ties and spikes on the ground. Central Oregon is still an unbroken wilderness; only another of Harriman's promises has been "broken."

ARE VIEWING OUT NEW COUNTY ROADS

County Surveyor Rice and Roadviewers Dick Vandever and Hub Kinder were in this end of the county the first of the week viewing out two of the roads which the county court at its last term acted upon favorably. The roads viewed were the Lyle Gap road and one near Culver. The Lyle Gap road runs from Youngs through Lyle Gap to an intersection with the main Prineville-Shaniko road, and between Youngs and the gap a new route will be followed which will be an improvement over the old road. This road was never a county highway further than the gap, although for a number of years there has been a traveled road through the Lyle & Brown pasture.

The road near Culver which was viewed out is known as the Harold Baldwin road, and runs between the Baldwin ranch and the property of Geo. Rosman. This road will give an outlet to the main road to a number of important ranches in that locality.

EDUCATIONAL MEETING AT MADRAS

An educational meeting will be held at Madras Friday and Saturday, February 19 and 20, for the purpose of discussing subjects that relate to the general welfare of the public schools. All teachers and school officers North of Crooked river and East of the Deschutes are requested to attend this meeting. Teachers are requested to take Friday as the holiday, instead of Monday, February 22. The joint meeting will be held on Saturday. Teachers from Prineville, Bend and LaGrange will also attend these meetings. County Superintendent Ford will discuss the conditions and needs of our schools. The people of Madras are noted for their school spirit and hospitality and will do all they can to make this meeting a success. All are cordially invited to attend.

FIRE DESTROYS HOUSE WITH ITS CONTENTS

The dwelling of Neal Milligan, who lives in the Culver district, was destroyed by fire Tuesday, house and contents being a total loss. There was no insurance. The roof of the house caught from a stovepipe which ran through it, and the strong wind which was blowing at the time soon fanned it into a flame. Mr. Milligan was away from home at the time, and his family was powerless to check the blaze.

Among the contents of the building was about \$100 in money, which was also destroyed. This is the second fire Mr. Milligan has suffered in the past two years, and the loss falls quite heavily upon him.

FROST ENDANGERS WHEAT AT DUFUR

Dufur, Oregon, Jan. 29.—Unless the weather should turn markedly warmer or a heavy blanket of snow should come soon it is predicted by farmers in the immediate vicinity of Dufur and throughout the wheat belt to the South and East that the crop of Fall wheat will be short in this section because of the damage being done by frost. Warm days and extremely cold nights have been the order for more than a week. In consequence the succession of freezing and thawing is damaging the green Fall wheat severely. As yet no sweeping injuries have been reported.

WHEAT \$1 AT WALLA WALLA

Walla Walla, Wash., Jan. 30.—For the first time in more than 20 years wheat today sold in Walla Walla for \$1 a bushel. The sale was made to the Jones-Scott Company, who said this evening the wheat was No. 1 milling bluestem, and the price was paid because it was worth the amount in the market. The lot consisted of 1000 sacks.

ITEMS FROM OUR EXCHANGES

Many Birds Frozen

Louis Fritz, game warden for this district, has just returned from a trip throughout the county and says that a great many robins, quail and other birds have perished because of the recent storm. They were not able to get food and have starved to death.

Leo Brune of Grand Dalles has urged farmers to place food where the quail could get it. That bird, the small variety, usually huddles together in flocks, being helpless, when a deep snow comes.

Prairie chickens have, also, suffered and many have died. If farmers had fed the game birds they would be doing much toward the protection and preservation of the birds that make a nice change, during the hunting season, in the table fare. There is no better game bird in Oregon, it is considered by many, than the native quail and prairie chickens and it would appear an oversight not to feed them during the few winters it would be necessary to do so.—The Dalles Chronicle.

Superintendent Covey of the Warm-spring reservation, says he believes that many quail on the reservation perished during the recent severe cold spell. Quail were getting quite numerous there and in a few years these fine game birds would have been plentiful but for the thinning out they have suffered this year.

Trapper Burns Out

Ralph Patterson met with quite a misfortune last Friday in the burning of the cabin where he made headquarters for his trapping operations. When he returned in the afternoon from making a round of his traps he found only a pile of smouldering ruins where the cabin had stood, and everything that he had inside was destroyed. The fire burned one otter and nine martin skins for him, besides an extra fine rifle. The building was the house on Neil Smith's homestead. It is supposed that a coal dropped out of the stove and started the fire.—Bend Bulletin.

Beef Cattle Held Up

Stroud Brothers managed to get their beef cattle shipped from Shaniko Monday, after having been held up there during the railroads troubles for 10 days. The enforced stay at Shaniko added a feed bill of \$300 to the expense of getting 103 head of cattle from Prineville to Portland.—Prineville Review.

Planning Wild Ride

The canoes ordered by Professor E. L. Ashby and Max Hofer in which they plan to ride the rapids of Crooked river and the Deschutes has arrived in Shaniko, and part of the outfit has reached Prineville.—Journal.