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THURSDAY - FEB. 4, 1909

HARRIMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are re-printing this week a very discouraging railroad story from the Portland Telegram, and while we do not fully agree with the conclusions set forth in that story, we believe that our readers will want all the information they can get on a subject so vitally important to Central Oregon. This we will say: You were skeptical when Mr. Harriman promised to build at once into Central Oregon; there is just as much reason for skepticism now, when it is reported that he has abandoned the project for the present. Mr. Harriman does not take anyone into his confidence regarding his plans, and there is just as much reason now to believe that he will build into Central Oregon, as there was three months ago. There is just as much danger to the Harriman interests, from an invasion of this territory by other interests, as there was at that time, and that has been the real reason why Mr. Harriman has hurried his surveys and made preparations to build the long promised Central Oregon road. If it was only a bluff, there is all the more reason to believe that he has not how made the announcement that he does not intend to build.

There is other news from Portland that encourages the belief that Mr. Harriman is going ahead with his preparations to build his line up the Deschutes, and very reliable information from Portland, more recent than the Telegram story, is to the effect that the Deschutes canyon will be filled with construction forces early in the Spring, and that the Harriman line will be built without delay. And, confidence in the wonderful possibilities of traffic development in this country of vast timber belts and agricultural lands, which after all is the basis of our belief that we will not much longer be without transportation facilities, makes it easy for us to take the more optimistic view of the situation.

CHECKING A BAD PRACTICE

Governor Chamberlain, in a message to the State Legislature, has notified it that he will hereafter veto any bill providing for an increase in the salary of an official during the official's term of office, and the message bids fair to put a check upon a bad practice which was increasing. At this session and the preceding session of the legislature, numerous bills have been introduced increasing the salaries of county officials during their term of office, and if not checked now each succeeding session will witness a growing tendency toward this form of graft.

Judging by the scramble there is for office at each election, the salaries are sufficiently large to tempt good men to come out for the various offices. The amount of the salary is known to the candidate at the time he enters the scramble, and if he is successful in the contest he should be satisfied with the salary. Nothing will tend to make him more dissatisfied than the present practice of getting the legislature to increase the sala-

ries of county officials during their term of office, for it holds out the hope of a similar increase in emoluments to all of them.

The practice is a bad one, except in cases where an increase in the duties of the office makes it proper, and except in such cases bills to increase salaries should become operative with the commencement of the next term of office.

TWO IMPORTANT MEETINGS

TO DISCUSS COW CANYON ROAD

H. C. Rooper of Antelope and D. A. Howell of Shaniko have been appointed a committee to visit Crook county and ascertain what amount will be contributed by the citizens of this county towards improving Cow Canyon road. They will be in Madras next Monday evening, February 8, to fully explain the plans for improving this important highway, and all who are interested in the matter should be here to meet them. The meeting will be held in Sanford's hall.

The situation with reference to the proposed improvement is this: Wasco county has agreed to give the Shaniko district for use in Cow Canyon, the amount raised by road tax in that district, about \$600. It will not, however, appropriate money raised in other districts for use on a road traveled chiefly by residents of another county. It is estimated that the road can be put in first class condition for about \$1200, and Wasco county is willing to take charge and put the road through, provided Crook county will raise by voluntary subscription about \$600 as their proportion.

Be sure to attend the meeting next Monday evening.

TO GET BETTER TELEPHONE SERVICE

Another meeting of importance will be held at Sanford's hall Saturday, Feb. 13, for the purpose of discussing the matter of securing better telephone service for this section, and to take preliminary steps toward the organization of a company to build a line to connect with the Warm Spring line, and one to connect with the long-distance line at Heisler. These lines can be built at a very small cost, and would greatly improve our telephone service. All persons interested should attend the meeting on the 13th, when ways and means will be discussed.

Public Sale

PUBLIC SALE—Having decided to quit farming, I will sell at public sale at my ranch 4 1/2 miles north of Madras, on Agency Plains, on

Wednesday, February 10, 1909,

commencing at 10 o'clock sharp, the following property, to-wit:

6 HEAD OF WORK HORSES—1 roan gelding, weight about 1300; 1 bay gelding, weight about 1400; 1 brown gelding, weight about 1300; 1 brown mare, weight about 1250; 1 grey mare, weight about 1200; 1 bay mare, weight about 1150.

60 HEAD OF HOGS—6 brood sows, 1 sow with pigs; 17 head of shoats (if not sold before day of sale), weight between 150 and 275 pounds; 16 head of shoats, weight between 75 and 125 lb; 13 head of Fall pigs; 2 fat sows; 1 full-blood Poland China boar, 1 year old.

2 DOZEN CHICKENS—

FARMING IMPLEMENTS—Consisting of 1 2-bottom 12-inch Syracuse gang plow; 1 14-inch Syracuse walking plow; 1 3-section, 90 tooth harrow; 1 rotary harrow attachment for gang plow; 1 16-inch 16-disc John Deere disc harrow; 1 3/4 Cooper wagon with 14-ft. stake rack bed; 1 iron farm truck with 10-ft. farm bed; 2 18-foot header beds; 1 John Deere top buggy; 8 sets work harness, one set only been used six months; 1 set buggy harness; 1 240-egg Cyphers incubator and brooder; grindstone, log-chains, cookstove, and other articles too numerous to mention.

TERMS OF SALE—A credit of 3 months will be given on all sums over \$50, purchaser giving note with approved security. All sums of \$10 and under, cash. Note to draw 5 per cent interest from date. A discount of 5 per cent will be given for cash on time sales.

No property to be removed until terms of sale are complied with.

Lunch will be served on the grounds.

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Closing Out Sale

Commencing at once I am going to make a

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And in fact everything, excepting my Hardware and Implements, which I shall continue to carry. My

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For all goods offered at a discount, this sale to continue until the stock is closed out. My list is too large to enumerate the price of each article or line, so I will only say that before you buy come in and tell me what you want and I will

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Children's Reg.	50c	Tam O'Shanter's	30c
" "	50c	Stocking Leg Caps	35c
" "	25c	" "	20c
" "	65c	Scotch Cap	45c
Ladies' and Misses' Reg.	\$1.25	Bear Skin Caps	1.05
Men's Regular	\$1.25	Fur Ear-band Caps	1.05
" Reg.	\$1	fur ear-band Corduroy	80c
Boys' "	75c	" "	60c
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