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## THE AWAKENING

Commenting editorially on the awakening at Klamath Falls since the advent of the railroad, the Oregonian says in part:

"Klamath Falls reports a building boom, with numerous two and three story brick structures going up to handle the business that has followed the coming of the railroad. Prior to the time when it became a certainty that the city was to be afforded railroad facilities, business in Klamath Falls remained stationary for years. All other cities and towns in that vast region, known as Central and Southeastern Oregon, were also dormant. They will remain so until they are afforded transportation facilities, with which, after long waiting, Klamath Falls has been provided.

"Klamath Falls has a favorable location in the heart of a rich region, but there are a dozen other towns and cities in that isolated region between the Klamath and the Columbia which are equally well located and which, like Klamath Falls, will begin building new brick business structures as soon as the railroad establishes communication with the outside world. There is not a single locality in the Pacific Northwest where a railroad has penetrated that has not begun growing and supplying traffic for the railroad as soon as the rails were laid. It is of course folly to assume that rich Central Oregon will prove any exception to this rule."

Residents of Central Oregon appreciate how fully the Oregonian's statement summarizes the situation in this railroadless region. Development is going ahead, but it is necessarily making progress slowly, the whole problem being one of transportation. As an instance, the wheat growers of this section have in the past two years paid out an average of one-third the value of their grain to get it hauled to the railroad, and with a handicap like that, it is a fine tribute to the country if the farmers can hold their own. With adequate transportation facilities, enabling them to market their products cheaply, there will be a great awakening throughout Central Oregon.

## WHAT IS PORTLAND DOING?

Bend Bulletin

Undoubtedly we shall have transportation. Timber and wheat conditions—vide Mr. Hill—alone insure that. But how, when and whence will it come? North, South or West? The generously distributed surveys make an unequalled picture puzzle—we want it solved. And, more important yet, are those who should be chiefly interested definitely aiding in the solving of the "puzzle"? It is to Portland that we venture to address this query.

The people of Central Oregon may well ask if the commercial organizations of Portland are doing their best to put pressure—that of dollars and cents—upon the "powers that be" in an effort to make them take action toward tapping this huge undeveloped area, and thus obtain for their city the enormous business that our resources will

ultimately afford. If Portland is too short-sighted to put her shoulder to the wheel in adequate fashion, it seems that there is a city in California whose business men are alive to the possibilities of the situation.

## THE DRY FARMING AGE

Frequent reference is made to this as the "irrigation age," but it is no less truly the age of dry farming. Some idea of the magnitude of the movement may be gained from the fact that within the past five years more than 10,000,000 acres of arid land in Colorado alone have been brought under dry farming, to the tremendous enrichment of that state. Wyoming, Montana and other states in the arid region are also witnessing the rapid conversion of the great "American Desert" into productive farms and prosperous homes through the agency of dry farming.

Dry farming, in its broadest application, means the science of farming with a minimum of moisture. It means the application of certain principles learned from years of experiments, by which in regions of deficient rainfall the moisture is stored in the soil instead of being allowed to run away or evaporate. It may be said to be the new science of agriculture, and that it is taking an important part in the development of the West is amply evidenced by the fact that as the result of dry farming thousands of happy and prosperous homes exist today upon land which a few years ago was considered absolutely worthless. One enthusiast says it will play an important part during the next 10 years in equalizing land conditions, for it will give poor people all over the land a chance to break through the world-wide land monopoly and become tillers of the soil as owners and not as serfs and tenants doomed to perpetual bondage.

## A NEW SUGGESTION

James J. Hill, while in Portland recently, said that sooner or later Central Oregon would have a railroad in order to transport its wheat supply to the markets outside the county; and that if Harriman did not build it somebody else would. Hill is a far-sighted man, and this paper thinks his words are prophetic. Even Harriman may be induced to build into this territory, but if he does he will never select the Deschutes canyon route of 110 miles to the wheat belt when it can be reached in a little more than 30 miles down the Matoles.—Prineville Review.

No one can hereafter question the originality of the Review editor. After all that has been said about railroads in Central Oregon, it remains for him to suggest an entirely new route. And the Matoles route possesses one feature none of the others can boast of. It is a water-level route standing on end.

## TIMELY SHOWERS

Several good showers of rain in the past two days have done much to improve the crop prospects in this end of the county. There had been extremely warm weather in the past 10 days or two weeks, and the drouth was beginning to punish the grain severely in some quarters. The rains yesterday and the day before were timely, and will save a large acreage that was beginning to show the effects of the long drouth.

The term "spotted" probably better than any other describes the condition of the crops in this district, for in some instances the prospects for a big crop were never better than they are now, while in others,

and in many instances on adjoining land, the prospects are not good. However, there is going to be a good deal of grain produced in the Madras country this year, and the present outlook is that the price will be the best ever paid for grain in this section.

## A SAFE AND SANE FOURTH

Madras will undoubtedly enjoy a quiet Fourth of July this year as no preparations are being made to celebrate the day at this place. For several years the community has donned its gala attire and celebrated the Nation's natal day, but the custom has defaulted this year, as no attempt has been made to arrange a celebration. Preparations are being made in one or two other towns in the county for big celebrations of Independence Day, with all its accompaniment of noise and strenuousness, and the residents of this section who desire to celebrate will doubtless find ample opportunity to do so in neighboring communities. Some may prefer to remain at home and for a change, enjoy a "safe and sane Fourth." To those of this mind Madras will doubtless afford a haven of quiet and rest.



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## SUMMONS

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Crook County. Fred W. Wilson, Plaintiff, vs. Albert A. Collom and Mary J. Collom, Defendants.

To Albert A. Collom and Mary J. Collom, defendants, and each of you: In the name of the State of Oregon you and each of you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled court and cause on or before the 18th day of October, 1909, and if you fail to so appear and answer or otherwise plead to said complaint on or before said date, the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief prayed for in said complaint, to-wit: For judgment against you and each of you for the sum of \$1800, together with interest thereon from December 23, 1902, at the rate of 8 per cent per annum, in U. S. Gold Coin of the present standard value; for the further sum of \$200 attorney fees and for plaintiff's costs and disbursements made and expended in this suit.

That a decree be made for the sale of the east half (½) of Section twenty-eight (28) in Township nineteen (19) south of Range ten (10) east of the Willamette Meridian in Crook County, Oregon, by the sheriff of this county, according to law and the practice of this court, and the proceeds of the sale of said premises be applied to the satisfaction of the above described defendant and that the defendants and each of them be forever barred and foreclosed from all right or equity of redemption in and to said premises, except as provided by statute; that execution issue herein and that the sheriff place the purchaser of said property at such sale in possession thereof and for such other and further relief as may to the court seem meet and equitable.

This summons is published by the order of the Hon. W. L. Braishaw, judge of the above named court, made and entered herein on May 11, 1909, which order prescribes that this summons be published for six consecutive weeks in the Madras Pioneer, a weekly newspaper of general circulation published in Crook County, Oregon.

Date of first publication May 20, 1909. Date of last publication July 17, 1909. MENEFEE & WILSON, Attorneys for Plaintiff.

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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 27th day of July, 1909.

Claimant names as witnesses: Homer Alexander, of Madras, Oregon; Glen Ridgeway, John A. Dobkins, Edmund Healy, of Culver, Oregon.  
C. W. MOORE, Register

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