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FIERCE COMPETITION

Portland Oregonian

The Spokane & Inland Electric line has a crew of surveyors laying out an extension from Colfax through Spring Flat, Union Flat and Alkali Flat to La Crosse, and thence to a connection with the Hill steam roads near Connell. This extension will reach some of the best wheat territory in the Inland Empire, and, as the traffic will be turned over to the North Bank line, it will all be brought down the river to Portland. Meanwhile the O. R. & N. Co. has numerous surveying parties in the Palouse country seeking shorter and better routes than those now used in reaching the wheat districts. Surveying for railroads in midwinter in the Palouse country is neither easy nor economical, but competition between the Hill and the Harriman lines has become so fierce that neither the weather nor the cost of the work is permitted to interfere with their work.

Oregon and other portions of the Pacific Northwest have waited long for this overdue competition, which is so much in evidence in the Pacific Northwest. It has reached a degree of intensity that prohibits any compromise that could become effective until a vast amount of work now under way is completed. The building of the North Bank road seems to have been the starting point of this competitive railroad building. It was in resentment of this invasion of what the late Mr. Harriman regarded as his special preserves that the Union Pacific magnate bidgeoned his way into the Puget Sound country over the tracks of his great rival. This was followed by the appearance of Mr. Hill in the Central Oregon field, and we are now to have two railroads where years of effort had previously failed to give us one. Even the Harriman line to Tillamook was progressing at a very leisurely pace until Hill surveyors became quite active running lines for an extension of the Astoria & Columbia River line, and also for a cross-country line.

The fact that so many of these rich districts were so long neglected by even one line does not, however, imply that there will be insufficient business for two roads. Quite the contrary will prove the case when the roads are in active operation. Every region in the Pacific Northwest for which new railroads are now heading will give a good account of itself as soon as the settlers can get in and out over the new lines. The first cost of some of the new roads will be enormous, but the promoters will not be obliged to wait long for remunerative returns.

The Reclamation Service reports show that the allotment of funds for the Oregon projects is \$1,500,000 less than the state is entitled to according to the sales of Oregon lands. In view of the generous manner in which the federal experts of the Pinchot school are inclined to treat Oregon, we are perhaps fortunate that we have secured anything from this fund. Oregon's and water resources are a

great asset, but there seems to be a difference of opinion as to who should handle them. Eventually we may secure that to which we are entitled, but just at present the efforts East is making great efforts to convince us that we do not know what is best for us.—Oregonian.

James J. Hill, the great railroad magnate, says the United States needs a system of farming which will greatly increase the productivity of the soil. Of course, such would be very desirable and it is the duty of the farmers to make a thorough study of the condition and do all they can to remove it. The soil is here and by a proper use it will return what is expected of it. Without large crops of grain the nation cannot prosper for all time.—Salem Statesman.

DRIVERS WANTED For sllp, wheel and Fresno scrapers at head of Porter Spring Canyon. Wages \$35 and \$40 per month.—Dwyer & Co.

MONEY TO LOAN ON FARMS. See Madras State Bank.

[Not Coal Land]
HOMESTEAD. Notice for Publication. Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon, December 24, 1909.

Notice is hereby given that **WILLIS C. PAXTON**, of Madras, Oregon, who, on November 1, 1904, made Homestead [Serial No. 03356] No. 13922, for Lots 3, 4, sec 18, Lots 1 and 2, sec 19, tp 10 n, r 14 e, w m. Has filed notice of intention to make final five-year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Howard W. Turner, U. S. Commissioner, at his office at Madras, Oregon, on the 6th day of February, 1910.

Claimant names as witnesses: Fred Fisher, William H. Stonehooker, S. P. Loving, George H. White, all of Madras, Oregon.
C. W. MOORE, Register
 d30-13

CONTEST NOTICE. Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office, The Dalles, Oregon, Dec. 18, 1909.

A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by **JOHN H. DOAN**, contestant, against homestead entry, No. 01499, made October 27, 1908, for ne 1/4 sec 31, tp 13 s, r 13 e, W M, by David Logan, contestee, in which it is alleged that said David Logan has wholly abandoned said tract of land for the six months last past; that such 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 February 18, 1910, before Howard W. Turner, a notary public at his office in Madras, Oregon, and that final hearing will be held at 10 o'clock a. m., on February 25, 1910, before the Register and Receiver at the United States Land Office in The Dalles, Oregon.

The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, filed December 18, 1909, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice cannot be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.
C. W. MOORE, Register.
 d13-117

CONTEST NOTICE. Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office, The Dalles, Oregon, December 18, 1909.

A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by **CHARLES W. BAKER**, contestant, against homestead entry, No. 14213, made February 21, 1905, for ne 1/4 sec 20, tp 10 n, r 13 e, W M, by Willis T. Barber, contestee, in which it is alleged that said entryman has wholly abandoned said tract of land for the six months last past; that such 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 February 18, 1910, before H. W. Turner, a notary public at his office in Madras, Oregon, and that final hearing will be held at 10 o'clock a. m. on February 25, 1910, before the Register and Receiver at the U. S. Land Office in The Dalles, Oregon.

The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit filed December 17, 1909, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice cannot be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.
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NEW QUARTERS—I will remove my harness stock and business to my new location opposite Gray & Son's blacksmith shop about the first of next week.—**B. S. LARKIN.**

COW LOST—Came to my barn about 8 days ago, red muley cow; brand unknown; has dangerous fresh cut on hind foot and needs care. Owner can have same by paying for this notice.—**G. R. MOORHEAD.**

The sale of Edison Phonographs is good all the year around, but much better in the winter. A. C. Sanford, agent at Madras, is just in receipt of a letter from the Portland transportation house in which they say they have only one on hand, but expect a shipment to arrive any day. Mr. Sanford's sales for December were 11 machines, and he expects to receive five more, shortly, which will be here in a few days.

ESTRAY NOTICE—Came to my place Oct 10, two cows branded 7 L on both 2 C on left side—Perry Read, Culver, Oregon. d23

FOR SALE—One team work horses, cheap. Inquire of Hood & Stanton.

LEAVE YOUR ORDERS for the New Year's Oregonian; "All About Central Oregon," and have them sent to your friends from the Portland office.—Fred Davis, Postmaster.

POTATOES WANTED.—Best price paid by Madras Trading Co. d2

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NOTICE—All accounts due me for professional services or otherwise, I have left with Howard W. Turner for collection. Please call and settle at earliest convenience.—**Dr. J. C. Bartlett.**

Warren Smith
 PROPRIETOR
Tonsorial Parlor
BATHS

STATE SELECTION. Notice for Publication, United States Land Office, The Dalles, Oregon, December 14, 1909.

Notice is hereby given that the State of Oregon has filed in this office its application, Serial No. 05936, to select under the provisions of the Act of Congress of August 14, 1848, and the Act supplementary and amendatory thereto, the ne 1/4 sec 13, sec 15, ne 1/4 sec 22 and w 1/4 sec 23, tp 11 s, r 15 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 of applicant, should file their affidavits of protest in this office on or before the 1st day of February, 1910.
C. W. MOORE, Register.
 d23-127

[Not Coal Land]

HOMESTEAD. Notice for Publication. Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon, December 8, 1909.

Notice is hereby given that **JAMES F. BLANCHARD**, of Madras, Oregon, who, on October 19, 1904, made Home-tead [Serial No. 03331] No. 13866, for sw 1/4 sec 25, 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 Howard W. Turner, U. S. Commissioner, at his office at Madras, Oregon, on the 19th day of January, 1910.

Claimant names as witnesses: Jesse Eades, B. Dombros, Chris Hegnauer, J. H. Horney, all of Madras, Oregon.
C. W. MOORE, Register
 d16-113

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

—Notice is hereby given that the undersigned Administrator of the Estate of Edward Kutcher, deceased, has filed his Final Account as such Administrator with the Clerk of the County Court of Crook County, State of Oregon, and the said County Court his fixed Monday, the 7th day of February, 1910, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the fore noon as the time for hearing said Final Account and making an order of Final Settlement herein, and of hearing any objections that may be made to said Final Account.
 Dated and published first time Dec. 16, 1909. **J. W. BONES,** Administrator of the Estate of Edward Kutcher, Deceased.
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