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Madras Will Have New Exchange

stock so as to build a through line to Madras from Prineville, they having already made arrangements with the independent lines operating around that place for connections at their exchange. After incorporating it is proposed to secure new subscribers in the vicinity of Madras at a cost of about \$50.00, which entitles the subscriber to own his instrument, and the only cost after this being for new batteries. The cost of subscribers to talk with Prineville will be only a switching charge of five cents, switch boards of the other companies will be included in this agreement. It is the intention of this company to install several rural lines out of Madras in different directions and to connect with the Government line at the Warm Springs ferry, which will give them connection with Columbia River points.

FOR SALE—Slightly sulky plow, 18 in. in good condition. Price, \$25. M. Braun, Madras.

NEW LINE COMING

A Company Will Build A Through Line From Prineville To Madras

A new rural telephone line is to be incorporated to this section in the future, is the statement of the secretary of the Telephone Co., which operating lines in the territory of eighteen miles south of Madras.

Meeting of the members of organization was held Saturday of last week and it was decided to incorporate and sell

Rains Cause Land Slides

MUCH DAMAGE DONE

Estimated That 20,000 Cubic Feet Of Railway Cut Is Filled By Debris

The recent rains in this section have caused slides over the grades of the Oregon Trunk near here that are very inconvenient, and are likely to prove very expensive. The slides of greatest magnitude occurred near camp 4, about five miles down Willow Creek canyon, in which it is estimated that at least 20,000 cubic yards of the cuts have been filled by the earth and rock which slid over the grade and into the canyon. It is said that with the present means of moving the debris it would take two months to repair the grade, but it is thought that this slide will not be touched until a steam shovel can be brought in by a locomotive, when it will be repaired in short order. It is reported that other slides have taken place on

the Oregon Trunk but that none of them would prove as expensive as the one at camp 4.

The big slide at camp 4 started near the camp itself. If the earth had loosened a few rods further up, a portion of the camp would have been taken into the canyon. More damage from the slides is yet imminent as in some places there are large masses of rock and earth just awaiting sufficient dampness to again start them down over the grades into the canyon. It is probable that the concussion from the blasting has considerable to do with starting the slides since the heavy rains as in some places there are immense cliffs above and often very near perpendicular to the grades apparently just ready to tumble down.

Precipitation Is 3.23 Inches

Central Oregon is being visited with a period of falling weather which is somewhat unusual. Between 5:00 p. m. Sunday evening and 8:00 a. m. Monday morning .75 of an inch of rain fell. The heaviest fall for the month was .85 on the eighth. On the 22nd, .13 fell, .37 on the 22nd, and other small showers have brought the total precipitation for the month up to 3.23 inches.

This is quite a lot of dampness for this section and a continuation of such weather would tend to cause the elimination of Central Oregon from the "dry farming" column.

Conditions are certainly starting very favorably for the grain crop, but much depends upon there being a plentiful supply of snow upon the ground when the freezing weather comes, otherwise the growing fall grain might be killed. A heavy fall of snow is quite the rule in this section during the winter so that there is little cause for alarm on that account.

The Pioneer Telephone company has just completed a phone line from Rosland to Crescent by way of the new town of LaPine. This line is 22 miles in length and will accommodate a rapidly growing community. This line will be extended to Silver Lake, a distance of 55 miles, in the spring.—Prineville Journal.

O. R. & N. Lines Are Merged

NEW CONSTRUCTION

New Name Is Oregon-Washington Railroad & Navigation Company

Ownership of the North Coast Railroad was formerly acknowledged and provisions for consolidation of the Oregon Railroad & Navigation Company, 10 of its subsidiary companies and the North Coast was made, in articles of incorporation filed yesterday by Harriman officials of a great new holding company to be known as the Oregon-Washington Railroad & Navigation Company.

The incorporators are R. B. Miller, traffic manager of the Harriman lines in the Northwest; M. J. Buckley, vice president of the O. R. & N. in charge of operation and R. Koehler. The capital stock is placed at \$50,000,000.

The consolidation takes in all the feeders of the O. R. & N. in Oregon, Washington and Idaho, in addition to the North Coast mileage, and O. R. & N. proper. It does not include the Southern Pacific.

It is authoritatively stated that the organization of the new holding company means a new bond issue, which will be devoted to improvement of existing lines and in the prosecution of further construction work.

While Harriman officials in Portland were not prepared to make a definite statement concerning construction work contemplated for next year by the reorganized railway system, it is believed the formation of the new company is a preliminary step toward extensive building in Central Oregon from Redmond southward and of the east and west lines across the interior.

"The Deschutes Railroad Company, which is included in the

merger, owns a line nearly completed running from the Columbia River along the Deschutes River to Redmond.

"The North Coast Railroad Company owns a line nearly completed from Atalia, near Wallula, Washington, to North Yakima, Washington, and has acquired terminals in Spokane and partially constructed some of the other lines mentioned in the articles as owned by it.

"The Oregon Eastern Railway Company is a company organized some years ago for the purpose of constructing lines in Central Oregon. This company has made surveys and acquired rights-of-way from Vale to Odell, Odell to Natron on the Southern Pacific, and from Bend to the California-Oregon state line.

"The company about to be organized, as shown by the articles proposes to take over that part of the line of the Eastern Oregon covering the territory from Vale to Odell and from Bend to the California-Oregon state line. The Oregon Eastern will for the present continue to construct the line across the Cascade Mountains from Natron to Klamath.

Sisters Man Is "Rolled"

Jack Kennedy, who has been held in quarantine several days past owing to Mrs. Kennedy having an attack of diphtheria, was this morning taken to Redmond, where, it is said he is wanted in connection with a hold-up affair, which took place Sunday, the 20th.

The man relieved of his belongings was from the Sisters country, by the name of John Scott, and was expecting to purchase some property the next day. As he was standing in one of the soft drink parlors, he accidentally showed a considerable amount of money, about \$250.00 as near as he could remember, when a scuffle was started and during the mix-up was relieved of his pocket book by some one in the place.

It is reported that Kennedy made a confession to some of his friends and implicated two other men, who have been apprehended and their hearings have been held, in consequence of which they have been bound over to the next grand jury.

It was known that Kennedy was in Madras by the authorities at Redmond and Prineville, who telephoned to Marshal Loveland Sunday evening to take him out of quarantine and send him to Redmond for a hearing, but this request was refused as he had not taken the proper steps to be let out, and the Madras officials did not care to take this responsibility. However under instructions from the County Health Board and Sheriff Elkins, Deputy Sheriff Robinson was instructed to take him to Redmond as soon as possible after having anti-toxin was administered and proper fumigation.

Train Ditched At DeMoss

A south bound freight train on the Columbia Southern was wrecked at Bridge 34 near DeMoss Springs last Friday causing the delay of the mail for the interior points several hours. The mail for Madras did not arrive until the early part of this week.

The almost impassible condition of the roads between here and Shaniko has nearly paralyzed traffic, those traveling over Shaniko flat say that it is something terrible, even with a light rig, while freighting is almost impossible. A common expression is that the railroad can't get into Madras too soon to suit them.

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Go-Carts	.50	to	1.50
Wooden Sleds	1.00	to	2.50

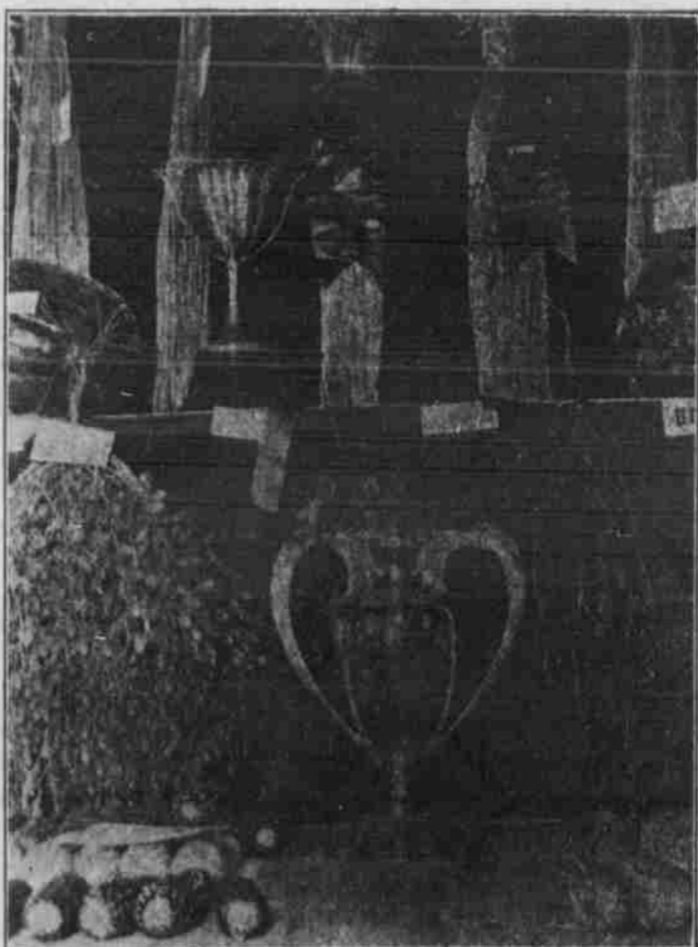
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The Colorado cup and Portland Commercial Club cup both of which were awarded Tilman Reuter at the International Dry Farming Congress held at Spokane, where he won five sweepstakes premiums, besides receiving many other prizes on his Dry Farming Exhibit.