

# The Madras Pioneer

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## Advanced Official Contests

### TEST IS SUSTAINED

#### Declares City Election And Void On Account Of Irregularities

Days since a contest was in- by Councilman W. R. Cook, defeated for re election at the city election. December 6 h, V. Stanton, the cand date received the highest number of and was declared elected by the board. Required ten days' notice was Mr. Stanton of the contest, the on the 20th, the council on call of the Mayor and con- an examination board, and ed to take testimony, and hear

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## Advanced To Third Class

Washington, Dec. 17.—On January 1, the following fourth-class postoffices will be advanced to the Presidential grade and the salary of postmasters fixed as indicated;

Oregon—Amity, \$1100; Beaverton, \$1100; Canby, \$1100; Dufur, \$1300; Jefferson, \$1000; Madras, \$1500; Mill City, \$1000.

The above shows that Madras has grown rapidly in commercial importance, as it is only a few years ago that the "job" of postmaster at this place was mostly an accommodation to the public with but slight compensation to the holder of the position. The Madras office being advanced to third class not only indicates healthy growth, but shows the stability of the surrounding country.

MOST COMPLETE LINE SAMPLES in the city at the Tailor Shop next to pool hall. a25

## J.J. Hill Visits Oregon Trunk

### PLEASED WITH NEW LINE

#### Hill Interests Plan Many Feeders In Development Of Central Oregon Country

Encouraged by the business conditions in Oregon, James J. Hill, the railroad builder, who arrived in Portland last Thursday, announced the eventual extension of the Oregon Trunk line from the present proposed terminus at Bend; the extension of the United Electric Railways from Portland to the coast; the probable erection of an independent passenger station in Portland and the ultimate consolidation of all the Hill roads radiating out of Portland into one large corporation similar to that formed by the Harriman lines a few weeks ago.

Mr. Hill arrived on a special train that operated through from St. Paul, starting there Monday afternoon. He is accompanied by George B. Harris, chairman of the board of directors of the Burlington system; W. H. Dinwoody and E. C. Cooke, capital-

ists of Minneapolis; Samuel Hill, his son-in-law and M. R. Browne, his private secretary.

"We will extend the line beyond Bend," said Mr. Hill, "as fast as the country develops and justifies us in the expenditure. Whether we will build directly south or whether we will strike out in another direction depends largely upon the future development of the state.

"It is certain that we will extend our lines and we hope to be able to do this within a very short time. We would not have gone to all the expense of pushing our road through the Deschutes Valley if we did not calculate to do considerable work in Central Oregon. It is difficult, though, to do a lot of work if there is no chance to see some business return from it.

"We are trying to call attention to Central Oregon and to help build up the country. We have brought in a great many people in the last few years and expect to bring in more. All of this will help the business of the railroads and will enable us to do the improvement work that we count upon doing. Thus far we have been encouraged with the success that has followed our efforts to exploit Oregon."

An idea of the engineering work required in constructing the Oregon Trunk line was gained by the members of the Hill party last Thursday when

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## Railway Line For Prineville

Rights of way have been secured and the final survey has been made for a railroad line which will connect Prineville, in Crook County, with the Oregon Trunk and Oregon Central lines now building through Central Oregon southward, says the Oregonian.

A. H. Young, of Spokane and Prineville, has been working on the project the past six months. He says that preliminary steps have been taken to assure the success of the undertaking.

H. A. Kelley, formerly connected with the engineering department of the Oregon Trunk, is in charge of the engineering work. Mr. Kelly has just completed the final survey. According to the survey the line will be 19 and 1-2 miles in length and will be less than 1 per cent grade. The proposed line will connect with the Oregon Trunk and Oregon Central roads at some point near Hillman. The exact connecting points, however, have not yet been determined.

"We have the project far enough along to justify our going ahead immediately with completing our plans to finance it," said Mr. Young at the Seward Hotel last night. "We have already awarded the contract for grading. Construction on the

roadbed will begin soon. Prominent citizens of Prineville and Portland will be associated with us. Negotiations to dispose of our bond issue are now well under way. The cost of the entire project, including equipment will be something over \$400,000."

Mr. Young said it is probable that a gasoline motor car will be used. A car of sufficient size is under contemplation that will handle both passenger and freight tariffs.

## Dufur Company Has Oil Well

The Dalles Chronicle There is much excitement in the vicinity of Dufur, for oil has been found in the well of the Beavis-May Oil company on Ramsey creek. In a message to the Chronicle today, George A. Beavis, manager of the company, said that they have from 10 to 15 feet of oil in the well, having enough oil to keep up steam. They have penetrated salt water and expect to have a gusher very soon.

The sand taken from the well shows oil even after the fifth and sixth washing with clear water. The drill is now down about 1200 feet. Many local people are eagerly awaiting the news of the discovery of oil in large quantities by the Beavis-May people. Several Dalles men hold stock in the concern.

## Madras State Bank

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# HEADQUARTERS

## HELLO! For SANTA CLAUS



Say, Central, I have arrived at the C. O. M. Store

Our store will be the headquarters for Santa Claus this season. We have now on display The Biggest and Best Assortment of Toys, Dolls, and Fancy Goods that has ever been brought to Madras.

All Europe as well as the United States has been drawn upon for the very newest creations in Toyland. We would suggest that you make your selections early; in this way you may secure the cream of our most magnificent stock. Every Department Is Overflowing with new and appropriate goods for Xmas gifts, and every article has been priced at the lowest margin possible—thus assuring you that by trading with us Christmas selections will be easy and you can save money.



SAVE YOUR TICKETS

LIFE-SIZE DOLL FREE

Every cash purchase in any department amounting to \$1 from now until Xmas eve entitles you to one chance on this beautiful

LIFE-SIZE DOLL, which will be given away FREE on Christmas Eve.

## Suggestions For Christmas Gifts

### For Ladies and Gents

Set Sets, with German and sterling mountings; Manicuring sets, to match. Jewelry Sets; Collar and Cuff Sets. Jewel Cases, silver and gold. Dresser's supplies. Necktie Holders. Sewing sets, (2 and 3 piece). Albums, Traveling sets, Purses, etc., etc.

### WEARING APPAREL

MEN'S Hand Tailored 2 or 3 piece Wool Suits, \$19 and up. Mens Dress Shoes latest styles, patent or plain leather, \$4 and up. Mens Wool hand-tailored Overcoats, \$10 and up. LADIES' Knit Scarfs, Sweaters, Coats, Neckwear, all kinds of handkerchiefs.

### SILVER WARE

Knives and Forks, Desert spoons, sugar shells, Butter knives, Carving sets, and a complete line of Community Silver, with or without case.

### For the Children

Dolls, Games (for boys and girls), Go-Carts, Wagons, Trains, Steam Engines, Horse and Cart, Automobiles, Banks, Pop-guns, Books, for boys and girls, Cloth Animals, Aeroplanes, Climbing Monkeys, Clowns, Slids, with wood and steel runners, Dynobiles, Rubber Balls, Toy Sewing Machines, Etc., Etc.



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