

# The Madras Pioneer

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## Fighter Has Bad Accident

Rogers of Culver, who returning from Shaniko with freight, fell off his wagon while he was coming over Canyon, and one of his legs was run over by the wagon which contained 7000 pounds of freight. He was badly crushed by the wheel. Other freighters who were with him in blankets, attendants immediately sent him to the hospital for surgical attention.

## Mail Service Very Poor

### TOO MANY DELAYS

Stage Remains At Madras All Day  
--Change Of Schedule Does Not Improve

The Madras out-going mail stage is anything but convenient when it comes to serving the public. The mail from Shaniko still arrives at Madras from 7 to 9 a. m., but the out-going stage, instead of leaving at 1:30 as formerly, remains here until 7 a. m. the next morning when it departs for Shaniko.

It seems that this change was made necessary in order for Madras stage to make connections with the Prineville mail which also leaves that city in the morning, the change from 1:30 p. m. to morning being made because of the bad roads between Prineville and Shaniko, at this season of the year, as the stage going over that road could not always make connections with the train at Shaniko.

If the postal authorities had seen fit to make the change of route suggested last Fall, which was for the Prineville-Shaniko mail stage to come by way of Madras, these bad roads would have been cut out and a better

mail service to all points in the interior would have resulted, but the postal department is like the old-fangled religious people a few years ago—"opposed to the organ in the church"—it is hard to pound an innovation into its cranium.

Now the mail for outside points lies in the office here all day and all night, and a letter put in the office here at 10 a. m. does not reach Shaniko until the morning of the third day after being dropped in the postoffice.

The old service was better than the present, and the change recommended above would be better than either.

## Portland Man Invests Here

A sale of lots in Madras of some importance just came to light was made by the Madras Townsite Co. recently to A. L. Carson of Portland, the consideration being \$1700. The property is situated near the Oregon Trunk Line station grounds. It is reported that Mr. Carson is interested in a firm handling building materials, consisting of lime, cement, brick, lath, etc., and there is a possibility that he will establish a wholesale and retail business for the sale of those commodities at this place. If the above rumor should prove true, this establishment will prove a valuable adjunct to Madras' business interests.

### THE PEERLESS CLIMATE

G. J. Weller, a former resident of this section who for the past year has resided in Oklahoma, returned to Madras Wednesday and will look after his farm property five miles east of this place. Mr. Weller liked Oklahoma quite well, but the extremes of climate there were so marked and often followed each other with such close proximity that he found it detrimental to his health, so that he concluded to return to Central Oregon, where, by the way, considering the latitude and elevation, the climate is without a peer.

## Warehouse Soon Completed

### MASSIVE STRUCTURE

Farmers Union Warehouse Built For Strength--Grain Being Stored

The work of rushing the new Farmers' Union Warehouse to completion proceeds as rapidly as Contractor Clover and his six helpers can handle the material. The entire building, roof and sides, will be covered with the corrugated iron sheeting, which will prove helpful in preventing fire from catching about that portion of the building.

This warehouse is one of the most substantial buildings thus far erected in this vicinity. The foundation, sills, joists, braces, and other auxiliaries of construction are all massive timbers, and that the structure will support the enormous weight expected of it already seems evident. The capacity of the warehouse will be about 250,000 bushels. Several thousand bushels of grain are stored in the building.

## Station Grounds Nicely Graded

The station grounds for the Oregon Trunk depot and siding switches are all nicely graded and a space about 45x75 feet leveled for the station house proper. The space graded for the sidings is about 200 feet wide by three-fourths of a mile long. These grounds will have plenty of room for the railroad's buildings and also plenty of area upon

which to place warehouses, stock-yards and the like.

The location of the railroad yards is about a quarter of a mile from the business portion of the city, and is very conveniently located with reference to the Madras townsite and also the several additions which have been platted the past year.

Industrial pursuits are already looking up in anticipation of the coming of the railroad, and Madras residents and the business interests expect as good if not better times than have prevailed here during the past 18 months.

## Doings Of Oregon Lawmakers

### Measures Which May Become Laws --San Francisco Indorsed For Panama Exposition

W. Lair Thompson, joint representative from Crook, Klamath, Lake and Harney counties, has made a close study of the intricacies and inconsistencies of the present law putting into effect the initiative and referendum powers of the people in the enactment of general, special and municipal laws, and he thinks he has arrived at a solution of the difficulties which have been experienced in the past in the preparation of such measures, and for their avoidance in the future.

Mr. Thompson's proposed solution of the problem is the creation of a state law board, to be appointed by the governor, the secretary of state and the state treasurer, to which all proposed initiative measures must be submitted for preparation and whose principal duties will be to prepare all such proposed laws into legal form before submission to the people.

Placing the State Printer on a flat salary of \$5000 a year, paying a printing expert \$2000 a year and buying the present plant for \$20,000, is the purpose of a bill Senator M. A. Miller has offered in the Senate. It is different in many respects from the one now in the House; which provides that it shall take effect immediately, whereas, the Miller measure does not change the existing conditions until a suitable term has elapsed. It is said by Mr. Miller that this plan would save \$100,000 in a few years.

Not dead but sleeping probably would be the verdict of a physician on House Bill No. 3, by Cole, of Multnomah, declaring Oct. 12 the day on which Columbus discovered America, to be a legal holiday, and naming it Columbus day.

Both houses of the Oregon legislature Monday adopted the resolution approving San Francisco as the place for holding the Panama exposition.

Telegrams were sent immediately to the house committee on expositions at the national capital asking that San Francisco be awarded the prize.

At its session last Friday afternoon the senate went on record in favor of the creation of the office of Lieutenant Governor. Senator Calkins' resolution providing for submission of the question to the people at the next election was adopted with no opposition voices.

A substitute free text book bill has been introduced by Clyde of Multnomah, supplanting the one he presented last week. Instead of compelling school district boards to provide free text books and supplies, it makes provisions for the submission of petitions by the legal voters. If a petition contains the signatures of three-fourths of the electorate, the district board must submit the question at the first election following the annual meeting.

A law which will make it a felony for a man to desert his wife, fixing the punishment from one to ten years in the penitentiary, three months to one year in jail, or fine from \$50 to \$1000 has been presented in the senate by Albee of Multnomah. The bill has the indorsement of all the judges of the circuit court of Multnomah county, of county Judge Cleeton, and of District Attorney Cameron.

Another resolution has been introduced in the Senate, this time by Senator Dimick, calling for an investigation of affairs at the Oregon insane asylum, this resolution dealing with a new phase of the situation and asking for a probe into the method of employing help there.

## Hill Agents Visit The Interior

### LIKE THIS SECTION

Central Oregon Farms Will Produce Immense Traffic For Railroads

On a tour of investigation of this section concerning the probability of freight tonnage, W. C. Wilkes, Assistant General Freight and Passenger Agent of the Hill lines, accompanied by R. H. Crosier, Advertising Agent of the Hill lines in the Pacific Northwest, spent a portion of two days in Madras and vicinity Saturday and Sunday. Both gentlemen were greatly surprised at the scope of the "Madras Country" both with regard to the farming lands under cultivation and the acreage capable of being tilled, and they were especially enthusiastic over the possibilities of production when these lands are subjected to scientific or intensified farming. Mr. Wilkes was outspoken in his praise as to the location of Madras as a distributing point.

In company with Mr. Sayre, of the Townsite Company, Messrs. Wilkes and Crosier looked over the Deschutes Railroad just north of the city and also visited the townsite of Metolius. They went to Culver Junction Sunday afternoon, and thence to Prineville and will continue their trip of investigation as far south as Bend.

## Masonic Lodge For Madras

The members of the Masonic order in Madras and vicinity have held two meetings within the past week upon the matter of establishing a Masonic lodge at this place, with the result that as soon as the preliminary arrangements can be made a lodge will be organized here. The Masons will organize with at least 10 members. There is quite a number of Masons in this section who will probably also have their membership transferred to the lodge here as soon as an organization is formed.

## Forests Need More Protection

Making a plea for better protection of Oregon forests, the State Board of Forestry again recommends to the Legislature bigger appropriations and a more adequate system in its report which has been placed in the hands of the State Printer.

It is shown that there are 350,000,000 feet of merchantable timber in the state, worth \$500,000,000 as it stands, and if made into lumber the Board declares its value would be \$5,000,000,000. Already 60,000,000 feet have been destroyed by fire, or a stumpage value worth \$60,000,000. It is shown that the last Legislature made total appropriations of over \$3,000,000, of which there was appropriated \$75,000 for protection and propagation of fish; \$34,000 for game protection and \$13,000 for horticulture, but only \$5,000 for forest protection, which the Board considers one of the most important things of all.

Dr. CLARK—the Dentist, will be in Madras, February 1, or 2, prepared to do all kinds of dental work. Those wishing work done please call early to give him time for treatment, as his visit will be short. j26 2t

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## Pre-Inventory Sale

Surplus stock must be closed out---odds and ends must go before we take our annual inventory and in order to make room for Spring Goods. Cost prices will be eliminated and former selling prices will be forgotten in this great PRE-INVENTORY SALE.

Do Not Overlook this Opportunity to SAVE MONEY

<b>Men's Work Shoes</b> High and low cuts included; \$4 and \$5 grades Sale price, - - \$2.50	<b>Ladies Dress Shoes</b> Assorted sizes, \$3 and \$4 grades Sale price - - \$2.00	<b>Mens Corduroy Coats</b> Blanket lined, extra heavy, assorted sizes, sale price \$3.49
<b>Wool Mackinaw</b> In blue, brown and gray colors, assorted sizes, \$5 grades Sale Price - - \$4.00	<b>Children's Dress Shoes</b> \$1.50 to \$2 grades Sale Price - - \$1.00	<b>Corduroy - Leather Coats</b> Reversible for rain or snow; \$8 to \$10 grades Sale \$7.00
<b>Mens Canvas Coats</b> Blanket lined, assorted sizes; \$3.50 grades Sale Price - - \$2.85	<b>Kimono Flannel</b> Extra heavy, assorted designs, 25c grade, Sale Price 15c	<b>Wool Blankets</b> Genuine Oregon made blankets, 4.50 grade Sale price = \$3.35
<b>Mens Mackinaw Coat</b> Assorted checks, \$4.50 grade Sale Price - - \$3.00	<b>Childrens Fleece Lined Hose</b> Assorted sizes, 20c grade; Sale price ' 12;c	<b>Comforts -</b> Full-size, heavy and light weights, 1.75 grade; Sale price, = \$1.23

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