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## Dry Farming Congress In October

REDUCED RATES OVER ALL RAILWAY LINES

Word was received recently by Tillman Reuter, dry farming expert of the "Madras Country," and a director of the International Dry Farming Congress, that the congress will be held this year at Colorado Springs, Colorado, during the week of October 16.

The communication of Secretary John F. Burns of the Dry Farming Congress to Mr. Reuter in part is as follows:

Some weeks ago requests were sent to members of the Board, urging them to vote upon the advisability of changing the proposed date for the Sixth Congress. This was on account of an urgent request from the principal railroad lines that the Congress be held during the last week of September in order to take advantage of the summer tourist rate. The matter having been voted upon by the majority of the executive committeemen, and the desire being that the date be held, as formerly announced, the week of October 16, or later in the year. Your secretary attended a session of the Transcontinental Passenger Association in Chicago, February 1st and 2nd, and there had the pleasure of meeting and addressing about thirty of the general passenger agents and traffic managers of the leading lines of the West. Business arguments were presented, letters from the executive committee read, and the secretary received assurances from the principal lines that the summer tourist rates, which normally close September 30th, will be extended to cover the Dry Farming Congress from points fifty miles West of the Missouri River North and South, and that a rate not to exceed two cents per mile should be granted from all territory not covered by the summer tourist rates. The date presented by the Board, that is, the week of October 16th, was acceptable.

### WATER AT 155 FEET

Water was found by the Central Oregon Well Co. at 155 feet near Youngs last week where they were drilling a well for P. N. Vibbert. Mr. Vibbert expects to put in a pumping plant and also construct a reservoir from which to irrigate several acres of his land in that vicinity.

The Central Oregon Well Co. have a contract for drilling a deep well for the Deschutes Railroad Company at their station grounds near Youngs. According to the Deschutes engineers the railroad track will be laid to this station by the latter part of March.

The regular equipment on the Oregon Trunk passenger train up the Deschutes will include a parlor car. There is something new on Oregon branch lines. It is a certainty, however, that when the scenic beauties of the new line receive the publicity they merit, the parlor cars on the run will carry tourists from all parts of the world. Neither the Grand Canyon of the Colorado, nor the

splendid scenery of the Columbia has any advantages over that which will greet the travelers over the new line to Central Oregon. This route will in time be known wherever tourists and globe trotters congregate, but the Pacific Northwest has in store an even more wonderful thrill for admirers of the grand in nature. The Salmon River Canyon, through which engineers are now locating a line, is more than a mile deep, and the light filtering down from the top of the gorge to the railroad tracks 5000 feet below will afford a spectacle that cannot be equaled on the American continent and perhaps not in all the world.—Oregonian.

One thousand copies of the Portland Oregonian of February 16, containing the views and write-up of the Railroad Day celebration at Madras, have been received by the Madras Commercial Club and are being sent to all parts of the United States to announce the advent of the railroad in Central Oregon.

### Hill and Harriman Lines Again Rivals

#### TWO LINES TO PRINEVILLE

(Portland Telegram)  
Corroboration of the item in the Telegram a couple of days ago that the Hill and Harriman forces are planning to make a spectacular race in getting right-of-way and building a branch railroad from Madras to Prineville came today, when it became known that F. S. Forrest and George Nelson, officials of the Inland Empire Development Co. began negotiations to incorporate a new line between those points. They have been closeted during the last few days with Carey & Kerr, general attorneys for the Hill lines in the North-east, preparing the articles of incorporation. These lines will start from some point between Madras and Metolius, the first division point of the Oregon Trunk, and will attempt to control two strategic passes on the rise out of the plains toward the metropolis of Crook County. One of these gaps is the favorable pass on the Hodson ranch, which will permit of a maximum grade of 1.4 per cent for the 35 miles of line. The line passes Rim Rock Springs in the rich Lamonta district and maintains an easy grade for the entire distance. While this reputed Hill subsidiary road is being projected the Harriman people have had their forces of engineers in the field running a line to form a junction with the main line on Big Agency Plains and will push ahead along the general route of the old Columbia Southern survey.

F. S. Forrest, one of the promoters of the Hill line was formerly chief engineer of the North Bank road and after severing his connections with that road joined forces with V. D. Williamson, one of the original promoters of the Oregon Trunk Line. They now control the townsite of Metolius and have under the title of the Inland Empire Development Company vast real estate holdings all through the country that is being tapped by the Oregon Trunk and which would be reached by a Prineville branch.

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