

ALLIANCE OF BOOTH AND WEYERHAEUSERS IS HINTED IN REPORT

Federal Office Says Facts May Indicate Purpose to Dominate Southern Oregon

RAMIFICATIONS DESCRIBED

Control of Vast Acreage of Valuable Timber Believed to Exist Through Interlocked Companies.

Hints of intimate business relationship between Robert A. Booth, Republican candidate for United States senator, and the Weyerhaeuser interests, with consequent ramifications through almost all the great timber holdings of the northwest, are conveyed in an official report made to President Wilson by Joseph E. Davies, commissioner of the bureau of corporations of the department of labor.

How this relationship has grown and continued is described in detail by the report, which declares that facts disclosed may "indicate a purpose on the part of the Weyerhaeusers and their associates to become dominant in the pine region of Southern Oregon, by the Booth-Kelly Lumber company, in which associates of Mr. Weyerhaeuser are stockholders, also has great timber holdings in this territory."

"Likelihood of such a purpose," the report continues, "is enhanced by the fact that the new Oregon Trunk railway (controlled jointly by the Northern Pacific and the Great Northern, in both of which the interests are important stockholders) is pushing from the Columbia river up the Deschutes valley to tap the country lying immediately east of the Cascades."

Land in Oregon Acquired.
The report had previously noted that the Weyerhaeuser policy in western Oregon had differed in a marked degree from its policy in other states, particularly in southwestern Washington.

"Instead of selling small accessible tracts as it has done in Washington," the report says, "the company has made practically no addition to its holdings since its early purchases from the Northern Pacific; but in Klamath and Lake counties its policy has been rapidly to increase its holdings by buying up lands from small holders."

It is apparently in connection with the building of the Oregon Trunk, the report continues, that the holding previously owned by Charles Altschul, trustee for Lazard Freres, was purchased in 1910 by the Oregon & Western Colonization company, the president of which is William H. Davidson, a director in one of the Hill banks.

Much is Valuable Timber.

"This holding, comprising over 700,000 acres of the grant for the Willamette Valley and Cascade Mountain wagon road, stretches from Albany on the Willamette river to the eastern boundary of the state," the report continues. "West of the Cascades this wagon road grant consists mainly of heavily timbered fir lands and the eastern part, though mostly non-timbered, has very considerable areas of pine lands."

"These facts, together with the apparent harmony between the Hill interests and the Weyerhaeuser interests, indicate a plan to secure a dominating position in this timber region. This part of Oregon is one of the last valuable timber regions of the country yet to be exploited in any extended way, and one where, on account of lack of railroads, the large timber shippers had scarcely been investing till the last seven or eight years."

Interlocked Companies Described.

"The Booth-Kelly Lumber company has two allied companies, the California & Oregon Land company and the Oregon Land & Livestock company. The timber holdings of these interests are based primarily on the federal grant for the Oregon Central Military Road. The grant was made to the state of Oregon, which in turn designated as its grantee the Oregon Central Military Road company, now owned by the California & Oregon Land company."

"The heavily timbered fir lands of the grant west of the Cascades were purchased and are now held by the Booth-Kelly Lumber company itself, and the pine lands east of the Cascades in Klamath and part of Lake counties by the Oregon Land & Livestock company, still further to the east, the open lands were disposed of to the Hunter Land company, which

CAMPAIGN FOR ENDOWMENT IS STARTED



Left to right—Dr. Leonard W. Riley, president of McMinnville college; Dr. Myron Haines, of the Northern Baptist convention.

To meet a pledge by James J. Hill, McMinnville college has undertaken a campaign for an endowment of \$300,000. Dr. Myron Haines, of the Northern Baptist convention, who will conduct the campaign, arrived in Portland Wednesday and was met here by Dr. Leonard W. Riley, president of McMinnville college. They left yesterday for McMinnville.

Although the campaign is for an endowment of \$300,000, Dr. Haines will have but \$200,000 to raise. Hill's pledge is for \$50,000 if the endowment is raised within two years. The Northern Baptist convention has also promised \$50,000 under the same conditions.

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Grand avenue and East Morrison street, next Tuesday night. Dr. Higgs and two or three others will speak. Arrangements have been made for overflow meetings in case the night is rainy.

Minister Goes to Jail.

San Francisco, Oct. 16.—The Rev. E. E. Robbins, formerly of the Methodist church at Salinas, was sentenced to three years in the McNeill's island federal prison for writing an improper letter to Miss Edna Rogers.

German Protest Prohibition.

Los Angeles, Oct. 15.—A resolution protesting against statewide prohibition was adopted by the directors of the Los Angeles Saengerfest, representing 80,000 German-American citizens.

Merry del Val Given Place.

Rome, Oct. 16.—The pope has appointed Cardinal Merry del Val secretary of the congregation of the holy office.

EFFORT TO BE MADE TO AVOID DOUBLE CENSUS NEXT YEAR

Cooperation With Government To Be Suggested at Meeting of Assessors.

FEDERAL COURT IS AID

State's Work Always Unsatisfactory Because It Is Impossible to Maintain Necessary Plant.

Cooperation between the United States government and the state of Oregon and its counties may be a means of avoiding duplication of work and saving of money. This cooperation will be suggested by the county assessors of the state who meet in Portland next month in their efforts to abolish the census taking portion of their work.

Taking of census by assessors began in 1865 and each 10 years thereafter all people in various classifications and all products, livestock and the like have been enumerated. Next year is census year for the assessors and unless some arrangement is made by which the taking of the census is abolished or shifted, officials must perform the work.

Several reasons are advanced why the assessors should not be made to do the work, the most important being that the federal government is to take an agricultural census of the country next fall or a few months after the local census would have to be taken. This federal census, it is pointed out, would be of far more value than the local census because it is to be taken after crops are harvested, while the local census could be only estimates. The only items lost by substituting the federal for the local by substituting the federal for the local census would be the facts about the people of the state, but it is believed that the state and counties, by paying a portion of the cost, could induce the federal government to take over that work in addition to its own census.

"Federal censuses are of real value," said Assessor Reed of this county yesterday, "but who would care to use a state census when one put out by the federal government is available? Our work has always been unsatisfactory as it is impossible to maintain a proper census taking plant and our men are not trained census takers. With all parts of the state growing, the cost is rapidly rising. In 1905 the census cost Multnomah county \$2694.65. It will cost much more next year."

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Now, Ladies and Gentlemen, Your Attention, Please

Chehalis, Wash., Oct. 16.—Dr. E. C. Truesdell, who is ranching near Silver Creek, in eastern Lewis county, reports what is probably the champion high diving pig record of the world. While driving a herd of hogs across the Cowitz river bridge at Mayfield, one lively fellow, three months old, either was pushed off the structure, fell off, or jumped off purposefully. At any rate, a splash of the water 95 feet below revealed the fact that the pig had cent. Instead of being carried down stream by the swift current, which at that point passes through a rocky gorge, the animal was rescued next morning from a rocky ledge onto which it had landed, some 300 feet from stream from where the plunge was made.

AMERICAN FARMER TO BE CHIEF GAINER IN DEMAND FOR CROPS

War Situation Looks Good So Far as Tiller of Soil Is Concerned.

The present European war has increased the total sum to be received for this year's crop by from \$200,000,000 to \$500,000,000 is a recent estimate made by experts for the M. Rumely company, manufacturers of power farming machinery, of La Porte, Ind., with a branch in Portland.

The American farmer, it is pointed out, is the most fortunate financially of all people on earth today, due to the surplus of grain in this country and the need for that surplus, due to the war in Europe.

Although part of this export advantage is offset by the lessened demand for cotton, say the Rumely people, steps are under way to utilize the crop in manufacturing at home.

"More strongly are we coming to believe," they assert, "that business depression is partly a state of mind, and that in the world wide upheaval the United States is on top, holding the pursestrings of the world. We know that the sea commerce of the world is not going to be wiped out and foodstuffs pile up at shipping ports of this country while people in Europe starve for want of bread and meat. An army fights on its stomach, and some of the European nations will see to it that they get

supplies. That is insurance of a market, and of stable prices for now and later. The export tonnage is growing weekly, and regardless of whether England or Germany controls the seas, the people of both nations must eat. England, France and Germany are not poor in credit."

That prices for horses and mules and cattle will also reach the top notch are also predicted. The situation is sized up as follows:

Returns Are Generalized.
First—A very large increase in crop returns from this year's product, due to higher prices and sure demand.

Second—A real need and safe delivery of practically all the surplus in livestock.

Third—Possible higher prices for work animals on the farm.

Fourth—Possible higher prices for farm labor, due to greater manufacturing activity in this country.

Fifth—More profit for the farmer who cuts his cost of production by insuring himself against drought, who uses ample power to plow deep at the right time, and who utilizes all his feed to turn out more meat animals at less cost.

Sixth—The best business tactics are in pressing hardest for volume where conditions are healthiest—this country can profitably use its capital at home.

Will Extend Service.
Chehalis, Wash., Oct. 16.—At the city commission meeting Mayor Coleman announced that it is proposed to spend an additional \$12,000 in extending the gravity water distributing service to every part of the city. The voters originally voted \$128,000 with which to build the pipeline from the intake into the city including the work at the intake, and to install the distributing system in town. Commissioner Brunawig took exception to the attitude of Mayor Coleman and insisted that the commission ought to stop when the \$128,000 is spent. It is proposed to continue the work with the monthly receipts from the plant.

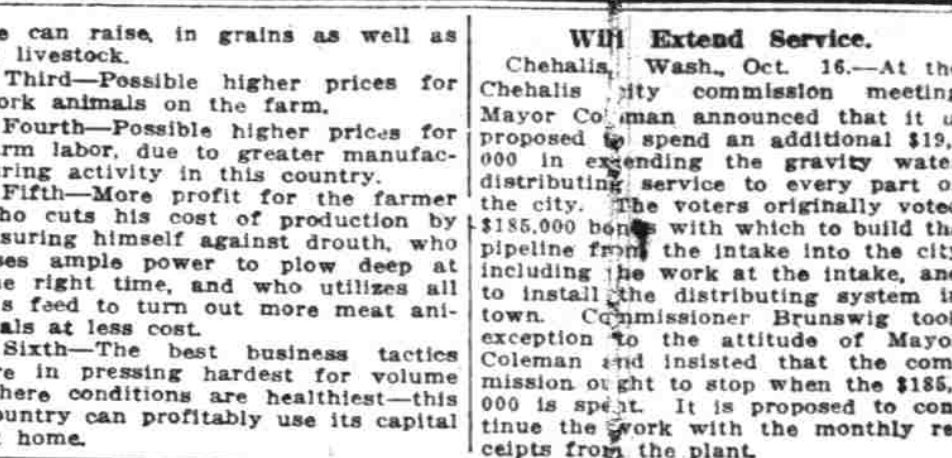
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Dr. Higgs Praised For Helping Others

Personal Letter Tells of Good Work of Democratic Candidate for County Representative.

Although he will have no vote for Dr. A. K. Higgs, Democratic candidate for county representative with the endorsement of the Prohibition party, D. Brooks Hogan of Surver, Or., has written to the Higgs Booster club conveying the earnest hope of his election.

"I wish you people to know," writes Mr. Hogan, "that it was through his instrumentality that it was possible for me to finish my four year course in agriculture at the U. S. A. C. I am now in charge of a large diversified dairy farm, where I have a chance to use my training which he made possible for me to attain."

It has come to light after the receipt of this letter that Dr. Higgs has assisted many young men to an education, the doctor being mindful of his own struggles after virtual impoverishment in a flood disaster. A rally in behalf of Dr. Higgs will be held at the Higgs headquarters.