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## This is Gold Hill's Destiny: Metropolis of Southern Oregon

### NOTES FROM THE NATION'S CAPITAL

Lorimer's Seat in Senate May Be Attacked by Resolution

### SUPREME COURT IN SESSION

Thirty Cases on Docket, Including Fifteen Relating to New Corporation Tax; Trusts Under Fire

Washington.—When Congress resumes its business after the holiday recess the expectation is that the real work of the session will be taken up and disposed of with all the rapidity that circumstances will permit. Evening sessions of the house are likely to be held, with a view to facilitating the administration's legislative program.

One of the most important pieces of legislation that is to be immediately started will be the ship subsidy bill. It is to have the right of way on the senate side of the capitol, and under an agreement made last spring it is expected that a vote will be taken before the end of January.

There is going to be a hard fight over the measure, notwithstanding that President Taft is with it and that a South American mail subsidy is one of the things he has upon his legislative program. Still, the leaders in the senate are hopeful of passing it.

"Resolved, That William Lorimer was not duly and legally elected as senator of the United States from the state of Illinois."

A resolution phrased as above will be presented to the senate within a few days. If a report accompanied by such a resolution is not submitted by Senator Beveridge, who has the natural right to take the initiative by reason of his place on the committee on privileges and election, the duty of formally challenging the title of Lorimer to his seat will be assumed by Senator William E. Borah of Idaho.

Borah, it was learned, has reached a conclusion on the Lorimer case and has determined upon his course of action.

The supreme court of the United States reconvened Tuesday for what promises to be one of the most important sessions in the entire history of that body.

There are about 30 important cases heard at the last term which are on the docket for reargument. Many of the cases will be heard at the same time. The 15 involving the constitutionality of the corporation tax were heard as one case and doubtless will be so presented at the next hearing.

These cases were brought to determine the legality of the new tax, which is bringing in revenue at the rate of \$25,000,000 a year. The law went into effect June 30 of this year. Should the supreme court after reargument declare the tax not constitutional, the money already collected must be refunded.

Of equal importance with the corporation tax cases are the suits brought by the government for the dissolution of the Standard Oil Company and the so-called tobacco trust.

Attorneys for the individuals indicted as members of the so-called "bathub trust" for alleged violation of the Sherman act came to the Department of Justice in the interest of their clients. These, in the event of conviction, are threatened with jail sentences.

It was held at the department that they had been given no reason to believe that the attorney-general would consent to the acceptance of a plea of guilty and the imposition of fines rather than imprisonment. They were given to understand, it was said, that jail sentences will be insisted upon and were informed that their clients will be expected in the United States court in Detroit on January 4 to give \$4,000 bail each. Attorneys for the indicted men indicated they would not make it necessary for the government to start 50 removal suits to get the 50 defendants together on that day.

According to the report of Chief Forester Graves about 62 per cent of the total estimated stand on the national forests, exclusive of Alaska, is in the three Pacific coast states, 21



EDWARD C. WHITE

Elevated to Chief Justiceship of Supreme Court by President Taft

per cent in Idaho and Montana and 12 per cent in Arizona, Colorado and New Mexico. This leaves only 5 per cent elsewhere. In the order of their importance the five states containing the bulk of national forest timber are Oregon, California, Washington, Idaho and Montana.

The total cut of timber last year was 484,412,000 feet, an increase over the previous year of 26,773,000 feet. Of the former 379,616,000 feet was cut under sale and 104,796,000 feet under free use. The amount of timber sold in the fiscal year 1910 was 574,555,000 feet, valued at \$1,400,992.

Members of a good roads legislative committee, in which each Oregon county will have two representatives, were appointed Monday by Dr. Andrew C. Smith, president, and Judge Lionel R. Webster, chairman of the executive committee, of the Oregon Good Roads association. One of the duties of the committee will be to win favor among legislators-elect for the five good roads bills which are to be submitted at the next session of the legislature.

### "Don't Marry a Girl Who Doesn't Dress In Style."

By the Rev. HERBERT S. JOHNSON of Boston.

HERE is no more potent influence for good in the modern community today than feminine fashion. Not only are the ever changing fashions of women ONE OF THE CHIEF DELIGHTS OF CIVILIZED COMMUNITIES, but it is a safe statement to make that we have today no more CONCLUSIVE KEY TO A WOMAN'S MENTAL AND MORAL DEVELOPMENT THAN THE CLOTHES SHE WEARS.

Much has been said of the high cost of living. The immense sums of money spent annually in this country on apparently useless articles of women's personal decoration are cited as arguments in favor of American extravagance, when as a matter of fact this ITEM IS ONE OF OUR SMALLEST NATIONAL EXTRAVAGANCES. A girl or woman who is self respecting WILL ALWAYS DRESS FASHIONABLY AND WELL. The hobble skirt, the peach basket hat, high heeled shoes and all the thousand and one foibles of the feminine sex are entertaining and products of good.

A GIRL WHO, ON THE OTHER HAND, DOES NOT CARE ABOUT DRESS AND LATEST FASHIONS IS NOT A NORMAL GIRL. THE YOUNG MAN WHO CONTEMPLATES MARRIAGE NOWADAYS MAY FIGHT SHY OF THE GIRL OF FASHION, BUT HE MAKES A MISTAKE. HE MAY BE A GAINER AT FIRST FINANCIALLY, BUT IN THE END HE PAYS A TERRIBLE PRICE FOR HIS SHORTSIGHTEDNESS. THE GIRL WHO IS LAX ABOUT HER PERSONAL APPEARANCE IS LAX MENTALLY AND MORALLY.

She is not made of the stuff that turns out self respecting children. She is either a visionary and as such an unreliable element in a community or she is downright LAX AND SHIFTLSS. In either case she is NOT A SAFE PROPOSITION FOR THE ORDINARY YOUNG MAN.

Aroused by mad coyotes that have bitten children, sheep, dogs and hogs, the men and boys of Wallowa county have organized into an army for the extermination of the beasts.

Senator Chamberlain has procured a favorable report from the committee on the \$15,000 appropriation for the Chemawa Indian school, for buildings and improvements.

Dividends amounting to \$5,445,649 were declared during the year by the O. R. & N., according to its report filed with the state railroad commis-

sion. This is the last report which that road will file because of its recent reorganization into the Oregon-Washington Railroad & Navigation Company.

At a special meeting of the varsity student body the students, by unanimous vote, pledged financial and moral support to an interscholastic track meet to be held in Eugene next spring. All of the prominent high schools and academies of the state will be invited to send four or more representatives.



JAMES E. MARTINE

Favored by Governor Woodrow Wilson for Senate from New Jersey

### THE MARKETS

#### Portland.

Wheat—Tack prices: Club, 81c; bluestem, 33c; red Russian, 80c. Barley—Feed, 23c; brewing, 24c. Oats—No. 1 White, 23c per ton. Hay—Timothy, Willamette Valley, \$19@20 per ton; Eastern Oregon, \$21@22; alfalfa, \$14. Butter—Creamery, 35c; ranch, 24c. Eggs—Ranch, candled, 28c. Hops—1910 crop, 16 1/2c; 1909, 10c. Wool—Eastern Oregon 13@17c lb.; Valley, 17@19c lb. Mohair—Choice, 32@33c.

#### Seattle.

Wheat—Bluestem, 33c; Club, 81c; red Russian, 79c. Barley—23c per ton. Oats—29c per ton. Hay—Timothy, \$26 per ton; alfalfa, \$19 per ton. Butter—Washington creamery, 35c; ranch, 22c. Eggs—Selected, local, 37c.

### MEXICAN REBELS ON THE INCREASE

Twenty-Seven Killed But Federal Troops Victorious

### OJINAGA EXPECTS ATTACK

Revolutionists Massing Around That City and Government Forces Anticipate Trouble

Mexico City.—Twenty-seven killed, three missing and 28 wounded is the official report of casualties during the fighting at Mal Paso when that strategic point of the revolutionists in the state of Chihuahua was taken by the Federals.

Of the dead, 13 were Federals and 14 revolutionists. The three unaccounted for were Federalists. Of the regulars 28 were wounded, including a lieutenant-colonel. The number of revolutionists injured is unknown, as they were carried away by their comrades.

A special to El Pais, from Marfa, Texas, says that revolutionists are increasing in numbers in the vicinity of Ojinaga and that already there have been four encounters between them and Federal troops, the most serious one having occurred at El Mulato, a nearby town on the Rio Grande, where there are said to be about 500 rebels, well provided with horses and provisions.

Ojinaga, garrisoned by some 200 men, is in daily expectation of an attack by revolutionists who have been encamped about the town for several days.

### Many Legislatures Meet

Chicago.—January will see the legislatures in 37 states starting into action. Thirty-three of the assemblies will elect or re-elect United States senators, and in some of the states spirited contests are on the schedule. Several Republican senators will relinquish their togas to Democrats as a result of the November landslide. In most of the states important legislative programs will come before the lawmakers, the most elaborate one, perhaps, being that of Oregon, where the electors polled on 32 initiative and referendum measures.

### Oregon News from Washington

Approximately 9,280 acres of land in Oregon recently have been designated by Secretary of the Interior Ballinger, under the provisions of the enlarged homestead act, as not being susceptible of successful irrigation.

Senator Chamberlain has appealed to President Taft to overrule Secretary Ballinger and permit A. C. Shaw, recently a law officer of the forest service but now a practicing attorney in Portland, to practice before the interior department. It was Shaw who, by direction of Pinchot, met Glavis in Chicago and aided him in preparation of the charges which Glavis filed with President Taft. For this offense Shaw was dismissed from the forest service and later when he located in Portland was denied the privilege of practicing before the interior department.

The senate has passed the Bourne senate joint resolution, amending the act for the improvement of the Siuslaw River, so that the secretary of war may contract for the work and material necessary to complete the project, and maintain the same during the time of construction, not exceeding \$165,000. It is provided further that the port of Siuslaw shall provide \$215,000 for the work before the contracts are let by the secretary of war, and that the port of Siuslaw may proceed with the construction of the south jetty, and the amount to be furnished by the port of Siuslaw may be reduced by the amount expended under this contract, not exceeding \$100,000.

Thomas O'Rourke, committed to state's prison from Multnomah county November 12, 1909, and serving three years for assault with a dangerous weapon, attacked E. Q. Simpson, a guard in the shops at the penitentiary, inflicting several wounds of serious nature, but probably not fatal.

## Newsy Paragraphs Gathered from All Sections of Oregon

Albany's \$40,000 armory was formally opened January 4. Albany is the first city in the state to secure an armory under the new plan by which they are erected.

R. L. Hunt, formerly of Condon, Oregon, has been appointed a member of the Oregon State Board of Pharmacy to succeed George C. Blakeley, of The Dalles, whose term has expired.

During the 21 months in which the water code has been in effect 1110 applications have been filed with the state engineer for permits to appropriate public waters, where the estimated cost of the proposed works will exceed \$5,000,000.

Asserting that one death in East Portland and three in Hillsboro within a month were due to diseased meats, the state authorities and some of the United States officials are becoming aroused by the lack of proper precautions.

The rumor in circulation at Eugene and thought to have spread over the state that the University of Oregon will close its doors for the balance of the present semester or until Eugene's water filters are completed, is unfounded.

The farmers' union of Wallowa has invited the business men of that city to meet with them and discuss the relation of the union to the business interests of the city. The matter of permanent roads in this county will also be considered.

The small epidemic of scarlet fever in Wallowa is now well under control. Despite rumors to the contrary, only 19 cases have actually occurred and only seven are now under quarantine, according to the statement of the city physician.

Opponents of capital punishment will make an effort to wipe the hanging law off the statute books of Oregon at the coming session of the legislature. A bill has been prepared,

which it is expected will be introduced in the senate by Hal D. Patton of Marion and in the house by G. W. Johnson of the same county.

Insurance Commissioner S. A. Koser announces that the license fees to be collected from the insurance companies doing business in Oregon for the year 1911 will be about \$23,000. The Oregon law provides that the fees for the ensuing year must be paid during December. All but a few companies have complied.

There was expended by the Hill system in Oregon in 1910 approximately \$14,000,000 in the construction of new lines and in improvement in the several properties throughout the state. Of this amount more than \$9,000,000 is represented in the Oregon Trunk line building from Clarke, on the Columbia River, south to Bend.

The grand jury brought in an indictment against Thomas O'Rourke, a convict at the penitentiary, who assaulted Guard Simpson a few weeks ago with a knife and stabbed the guard several times. Under a statutory provision O'Rourke must stand trial for his life, this being one of the three capital offenses in this state.

Last week marked a new era in the history of Baker. Mayor-elect C. L. Palmer and Commissioners Henry and Finley have taken their oath of office and for the next four years that city will try out the new plan of commission form of municipal government. This plan originated with the city of Galveston following the destruction of that city.

Immense increases are shown in various branches of banking, according to a statement just prepared by Bank Examiner Wright. What is considered as a splendid showing by the bank examiner is the total of individual deposits, which reaches to \$147,518,528.07, or the enormous increase of \$21,302,918.15. The cash reserve shown is 41.1 per cent of all of the individual deposits.

Lake county has the largest per capita wealth of any county in Oregon. There is more than \$1,000,000 on deposit in the banks of Lakeview and much more is banked throughout the country in the smaller towns. The estimated population is about 4,000. This makes a total of about \$2,500 for every man, woman and child in the county. There is no poorhouse and not a pauper in the county.

According to the nearest estimate that may now be made with several of the smaller public service corporations missing from the assessment reports received so far at the offices of the State Tax Commission, the total assessed taxable valuation of Oregon for 1910 will be \$825,000,000, an increase of more than \$130,000,000 over the assessed valuation of 1909, which was \$694,727,631.90.

Commander John McNulty, of the Oregon naval reserve, has received a letter from Commander C. C. Marsh, chief of naval reserve affairs in the navy department, stating that the department has practically decided to lend the cruiser Boston and the gunboat Concord to the Oregon and Washington naval reserves. From the text of the letter it is taken to mean that the Boston will be assigned to the Oregon reserve and that the Concord will go to the Washington organization.

A compilation of the membership of the coming legislature shows that the Republican members are evenly divided on the question of assembly and anti-assembly, there being 42 assembly Republicans and 42 anti-assembly Republicans, including in the anti-assembly list those hold-over senators who signed Statement No. 1 at the time of their election in June, 1908. There are four Democrats in the senate and two in the house, making a total Democratic representation in the two houses of 6, and consequently, leaving a Republican majority of 84 on joint ballot. There are