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THURSDAY,.....Feb. 12, 1903

The Long Creek Light is a new paper which has appeared in the journalistic field. The first issue presents a neat appearance, and is worthy of support.

The portage road at Celilo would be second in importance to Oregon, to the Lewis and Clark fair. It would furnish competition to the rail lines that now handle the traffic of Eastern Oregon and Washington, and would mean a saving of enough money in freight to pay the taxes of the country affected.—East Oregonian.

The prospects for the year 1903 are brighter than ever before known in Morrow county. The prospects for a big wool clip and good prices are encouraging. The good price for wheat has encouraged the farmers to put forth extra effort for another big acreage, and the building of the railroad from Heppner to the Morrow county coal fields, together with the development of the mines will make a good year for everybody.

STATE PORTAGE ROAD.

Portland is becoming aroused to the fact of the necessity of opening the Columbia river. Time is making great changes in Oregon. The Oregon of today is far different from the Western frontier state and the wilderness of years ago. We are today right in the march of progress with the progressive western states, and we must keep up or drop by the wayside. There is nothing strange about this. It is only a natural consequence. We cannot slumber and even hold our own, for the time has arrived when there are only two routes, forward or backward, and we have the choice of which one we shall take. The fact that a great range of mountains known as the Cascades is by force of habit called a dividing line between Eastern and Western Oregon, is no excuse for any prejudice of one section of the state against another. Eastern and Western Oregon's interests are now allied. Western Oregon should co-operate with the people of the great Inland Empire in opening up the Columbia. The question of what we have to offer for help from Western Oregon, is unnecessary. Our offerings are great. We have the products of a rich empire that will naturally float to the seaboard. Already we have millions of bushels of wheat, thousands of head of stock and a great quantity of wool, not to say anything about the richest mines in the west. An open river would increase our products ten fold.

Oregon's greatest drawback is her isolation from market. The opening of the Columbia would make the great Inland Empire tributary to Portland, and build a city that would make a market for the entire state. Why should we care how much Portland grows, the bigger the better, for we will grow with her.

A state portage road around the dalles is now advocated. The government is favorable to this project. This would do much for Oregon even if the relief is only temporary.

The legislature should make a suitable appropriation for the early completion of this work. The results would soon prove to the government the need of a canal

and locks which will be constructed in time.

Now is the time to act, do not let the chance slip.

OREGON CLIMATE.

According to a recent bulletin issued by the Government Weather Bureau Oregon has many different kinds of climate.

The mean temperature for the year 1902 over the whole state was 50.8 degrees, or 0.1 degrees above the normal. The highest mean was 54.9 degrees at Blalock, Gilliam county; lowest, 41.8 degrees, at Joseph, Wallowa county. The maximum temperature for the year was 107 degrees, at McKenzie Bridge, Lane county, and Buckhorn Farm Josephine county, on August 6th, and at Blalock, Gilliam county, August 7th. The minimum temperature for the year was 27 degrees below zero, at Pine, Baker county, on January 29th.

The average precipitation for the year was 49.05 inches, or 6.91 inches above the mean annual rainfall of the State. The greatest amount at any station for the year was 147.48 inches, at Glenora, Tillamook county, and the least was 8.63 inches, at Umatilla, amount county. The greatest in any one month was 31.54 inches, at Glenora, Tillamook county, in November, and the least was none at a number of stations in Willamette Valley, the Columbia River Valley, Southern Oregon, and the Plateau district during the months of June, July, August and September.

The last killing frost in Morrow county in the spring, was May 30. The fruit killing frosts in the fall was September 28.

The annual mean temperature was 50.6 degrees. Highest 103 degrees, on July 26. Lowest, 16 below zero on January 25.

The total precipitation for the year at Heppner was 16.17 inches. The total snowfall was 18.2. The number of rainy days 57.

ARBUCKLE MINES.

A Five Foot Vein of Fine Coal is Now in Sight.

V. Gentry and Geo. Whities returned yesterday from the Arbuckle coal mines.

They report that snow is now about five feet deep on top of the mountain.

At the mines, miners have completed the contract for a tunnel 100 feet in depth.

One tunnel has uncovered a five foot vein of very fine coal, and the members of the company feel very much encouraged over the prospects.

LOCAL NEWS NOTES.

W. B. McAlister of Lexington, was in the city yesterday.

Hon. J. W. Morrow came up from Portland, Tuesday.

Ed Mills, who fell from a building and was seriously injured is able to be out again.

Miss Bertha Adkins was a passenger on Wednesday morning for Milton, where she goes to visit her sisters.

The Mountain lodging house has been greatly improved of late under the management of John F. Stewart. The building has been repainted and renovated throughout, and new furniture and bedding have been added.

BORN.

DOHERTY—February 6, 1903, to Mr. Mrs. Dan P. Doherty, of Lexington, a ten pound daughter.

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HERMAN METZGER,

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For further information inquire of Frank Roberts or D. E. Gilman, Heppner.

PALACE SUNDAY DINNER.

February 15, 1903. Price 50 cents. Weekly boarders will not be charged extra.

BILL-OF-FARE

Soup.
Consomme Chifonade—Beef ala Ecosaise
Relishes.
Celery India Relish Chow Chow
Fish.
Boiled Salmon Hollandaise Sauce Potato au Gratin
Boiled.
Beef Tongue Cumberland Sauce
Entree.
Chicken Fried Vanderbilt Style
Sweetbread vol-au-vent Macedoine
Veal Paupiettes ala Colbert
Spanish Puff Fritters—Glaze au Rhum
Roasts.
Prime Ribs of Beef au Jus
Young Veal Sage Dressing
Loaf Pork Apple Sauce Leg of Lamb Jelly
Shrimps Salad Cream Dressing
Vegetables.
Cauliflower in Cream Sugar Corn
Boiled and Mashed Potatoes
Pastry.
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Dessert.
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