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THURSDAY,.....March 12, 1903

It is stated from good authority that work will be commenced upon the railroad from Heppner to the Willow creek coal fields within 60 days. Heppner will be a live town this summer.

The reappointment of Dr. B. F. Vaughan as postmaster for Heppner, is very satisfactory to the patrons of the Heppner office. Dr. Vaughan has been a careful and accommodating postmaster.

The Harriman immigration bureau is doing great work in bringing Eastern homeseekers to Oregon. About 300 people are now arriving daily and the movement is just getting fairly started.

As Heppner grows, the need of a commercial club or organization of business men to further the interests of the town becomes more apparent. Now would be a good time to organize. Heppner should not go to sleep.

If Morrow county fails to get her share of the immigrants that are coming West, it is the fault of the people here in not properly advertising the county. Morrow county has many advantages to offer to homeseekers, but this will not bring people here if they don't know anything about it.

The tide of aliens to the United States is steadily increasing. During the last six months of 1902, 372,933 entered the country. This was an increase 97,551 over the number entering in 1901. Last January 35,097 immigrants entered, against 26,459 in January, 1902, showing an increase in one month's record this year of 8638.

Already it is being predicted that Roosevelt will be renominated and reelected. It is almost safe to say that he will. With a few party leaders Roosevelt is not popular for the only reason that he is too aggressive and outspoken in his convictions. With the masses of his party and the people, Roosevelt is solid, and it will be the next thing to impossible to keep the nomination from him. While the democratic party has been in bad shape for a long time, it is even worse now than ever, and indications are that it will not be any better in the next presidential campaign. Bryan and Hill will fight it out and it makes but little difference which faction gets control. If Bryan is ousted then it will be a good chance for him to get even and he will do it. That Roosevelt will be our next president there is little doubt.

PROSPERITY OF THE RAILROADS.

Several of the recent railroad wrecks have been caused by congested traffic; congested traffic means increasing business; increasing business necessitates enlarged facilities for operation, and enlarging the facilities requires the expenditure of money which in the present condition of railroad traffic will amount to hundreds of millions annually.

The gross earnings of the railroads for 1901 surpassed those of the previous year by about \$110,000,000. The gross earnings for 1902 on 200,000 miles of road were about \$1,700,000, and exceeded the

gross earnings of 1901 by about \$105,000,000. These stupendous increases in receipts, which, 25 years ago, would have stupefied even the most optimistic of railroad men, represent a business that has far outgrown the facilities in use only a few years ago. What is more, it is constantly becoming greater, and the problem of nearly all railroads is how to manage to handle what offers.

There has never before been such an era of railroad betterment. It is estimated that more than \$200,000,000 were expended for improvements in 1902, and it is not improbable that nearly twice that amount will be expended for betterments and new equipment during the present year. It is not done so much because the railroads have the money with which to do it as it is because the traffic of today demands it, if it is to be properly handled. Systems which have been able heretofore to transport on a single track all traffic offering have been absolutely forced to double track, and orders for power given a year ago upon the theory that they would provide for future needs will have to be duplicated to meet the necessities of the present. Business has increased, lines have been extended, tracks have been improved, equipments have been enlarged, until now it is estimated that for a single year the expenditure for maintenance and betterments will aggregate between \$800,000,000 and \$1,000,000,000.

A large stockmen's convention was held in Medford an Saturday and Sunday.

The Great Northern is building a new cut-off from Great Falls to Jennings, Montana.

Contract has been let by the government to a New York firm to furnish about 1,100 miles of submarine cable to be laid between Puget Sound and Alaska.

Testimony before the grand jury shows that regular traffic exists in St. Louis in girls for immoral purposes. One hundred dollars is the price paid for good-looking girls.

Walter Green, a negro, 15 years of age, fired into a crowd of white boys at St. Joseph, Mo., with a shotgun, Saturday. The gun was loaded with buck shot and four of the boys were seriously wounded. The boys were jeering the negro.

The union boilermakers and iron-shipbuilders threaten a general strike in the yards in New York, Brooklyn and Jersey City unless the demands of the men who left the yards of Townsend & Dawney at Shooter Island, are complied with.

Cavalry Horses Wanted.

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