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REGULAR PORTLAND LETTER

Hill To Build Railroad Line Across Oregon

GREAT FLOURING MILL FOR PORTLAND

The Harriman Lines Introducing Interurban Service In Many Places

Portland, Oregon, March 29 — That James J. Hill will build an east and west line of railway across Central Oregon, from Ontario to Coos Bay, was stated on good authority during the past week. The projected line will connect with the Grand Trunk, the Hill road now being built up the Deschutes, and with the Oregon Electric in the Willamette Valley, believed to be another Hill property.

This will mean a gridiron of new railroads for Oregon during the coming few years that will bring about a development in this state never before approached. All Central Oregon needs is railroads; it has everything else but people and the railroads will bring them.

Portland will have another great flour mill soon. Balfour, Guthrie & Co., wheat and flour exporters, have completed plans for erecting a big mill at the foot of Tenth street on the Portland water front. It is expected to be ready for operations during the coming Fall and will cost about \$250,000. Plans provide for a combined mill, wharf and elevator. The contract for the wharf structure has already been let. The mill will be reached by ocean steamers and by railroad tracks as well. It will be operated by electric motors and will be one of the most modern flour milling plants in the country. Its daily capacity will be about 1000 barrels of flour.

An interurban service that is designed to meet the needs of the cities of the state has just been announced by the Harriman lines. Beginning this week, gasoline motor cars will be put in service on the main line of the Southern Pacific between Ashland and Grants Pass and another on the Springfield branch between Albany and Springfield. Another car of the same type will be put on between Pendleton and Umatilla on the O. R. & N. within the coming week. These motor cars are designed to handle local business in the territory they cover and serve the different communities much in the same way as interurban electric trains. They have been found very convenient wherever tried and will no doubt aid the development of the districts served to a great extent.

The Great Northern Railway plans to run its crack limited train into Portland by June 1, using the Union Pacific and Northern Pacific tracks by virtue of the traffic agreement existing between the Hill and Harriman lines in the Northwest. This will mean the inauguration of additional train service between Portland and Puget Sound points, as well as from this city to the East.

Cattle and hogs have made new

records in the Portland livestock market during the past week. Hogs sold at the remarkable price of \$11.50 per 100 pounds, live weight, and steers of the best grade brought \$6.75 per 100 pounds. Mutton also attained a record, a lot of good grade lambs going at \$12 a 100 pounds, an unusual price for any season.

A Visit to Newport.

Mr. F. Y. Mulkey returned on Saturday from a sojourn of some ten days at the bustling little city of Newport. Mr. Mulkey reports the city as evidencing a marked degree of prosperity. He says that the improvements about Nye Brook and Newport are such as warrant one in believing that the growth is of a most permanent nature.

The tourist travel has already assumed quite a volume, and Mr. Mulkey says that the accommodations, and general lines of entertainment, will be far superior this summer to those that have been offered here-to-fore.

Incidentally Mr. Mulkey took with him some petitions for the initiative on the State Normal, and met a most warm, hearty reception. The people signed willingly, and expressed themselves as most heartily in sympathy with the work. Mr. Mulkey says that he met no rebuffs of any kind, and that the people, as a whole, were a unit for advancing the interests of education.

Incidentally, it may be said, that the festive crab, and luscious clam were not greatly in evidence during Mr. Mulkey's sojourn there, for the reason that the recent high waters had driven them out.

Death of Mrs. W. T. Fogle

The many friends of Mrs. W. T. Fogle will be grieved to learn of that lady's demise, she having passed over the border-line some time during Wednesday night, at Portland where Mr. and Mrs. Fogle have been living since they left this place.

We received a phone from Mr. Fogle Wednesday morning announcing the near approach of Mrs. Fogle's death and then again yesterday morning stating that she was dead.

Mrs. F.'s maiden name was Etta Montgomery and she was born at Lewisville, Polk County, February 26, 1878, and was 32 years, 1 month and 2 days old. She and Mr. Fogle were married April 17, 1903 at Prineville, Ore.

Besides her husband, Mrs. Fogle leaves, a father and mother, several brothers and sisters, and many other relatives and friends to mourn their loss.

The funeral will probably take place on Saturday interment to be made in the Riverview Cemetery at Portland.

Mr. Fogle has the sympathy of many friends in this place in his hour of distress.

There were union services in the Christian Church last Sunday evening, members and attendants from all the churches being present. There was some excellent special music and a pleasant discourse, Rev. W. W. Davis being the speaker.

TEACHERS ENDORSE NORMALS

Inland Empire Teachers' Association and Eastern Division of Oregon State Teachers' Association Pass Resolutions Favoring Normal Schools in the State and Pledging Support.

Unqualified endorsement of the normal school system for the training of teachers and expressed regret at the present status of the normal schools in Oregon, is contained in resolutions adopted yesterday afternoon by both the eastern division of the Oregon State Teachers' association and by the Inland Empire Teachers' association in convention assembled.

A meeting of graduates of the Oregon State normal schools was called for 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Nearly 50 reported and investigation showed that 25 or 30 others were in attendance at the convention. Explanation was made of the plan of the alumni of the Weston and Monmouth schools to initiate bills for the maintenance of their respective institutions. It was shown that each of these bills could be voted on without prejudice to either. In other words, any mistaken friend of either school cannot help his own school by voting against the other, nor will his affirmative vote for the other school militate against his own. Each bill stands or falls on the result of its own vote; if it has more affirmative than negative votes, it carries. It is not a case of the one winning which receives the greater vote. One may win with a total of fifty thousand votes and another with twenty thousand, provided only that its affirmative vote is greater than its negative vote.

Strong resolutions were passed in both the eastern division of the Oregon State Teachers' association and in the Inland Empire association. The general purport of the resolutions was the endorsement of the principle of state training of teachers; of great regret at the present status in Oregon; and of strong sympathy with the efforts of the friends of normal training to re-establish on a dignified and permanent basis a system of state training of teachers in Oregon.

A Social Evening

A number of young people met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Huber Saturday night, Mar. 19th, for the purpose of organizing a club. The following officers were elected: Ray Chute, president; Loraine Johnson, vice president; Kathryn Hughes, secretary; Ranie Burkhead, treas. The name decided on was "Altum Buinque." After the business meeting the remainder of the evening was spent in candy making, music and games. At a late hour the guests departed all declaring the evening a success in every respect. Those present were Leto Wolverton, Loraine Johnson, Bessie Graham, Kathryn Hughes and Amy Chaney; Ranie Burkhead, Ray Chute, Artie Burkhead, Horace Chaney and Lloyd Waller.

NEWS FROM COUNTY SEAT

Court House Notes.

MARRIAGE LICENSE

Frank A. Horn and Barbara Deal; Theodore B. Walt and Marion M. Frakes; Charles O. Dickason and Hettie Kinsy; Yancie C. Bressie and Ada A. Grazier.

PROBATE

Estate of W C Brown, deceased—petition to pay taxes granted.

Estate of Ellinor Williams, deceased—inventory and appraisal approved.

Estate of Thomas Williams, deceased—inventory and appraisal approved.

Estate of Henry Flickinger, deceased—inventory and appraisal approved.

REAL ESTATE

Grave B Hampton to W C Slattery, 160 acres, t 9 s, r 8 w, \$3000.

R E Williams to Alice Odom, lots in Dallas, \$450.

W L Gilson et al to Arabella Pye, lot in Falls City, \$1.

John Shetterly et ux to Matilda L Oleson, 2 acres, t 7 s, r 7 w, \$220.

John Shetterly et ux to W L Harrington, 15.3 acres, t 6 s, r 7 w, \$926.

Olivia V Moore to Phillip Johnson, land in Monmouth, \$300.

Philip H Johnson to P E Chase, land in Monmouth, \$100.

David Nachtigall et ux to Henry Voth, 117.05 acres, t 7 s, r 5 w, \$10.

Austell V McCarter et ux to David D Peters, 51.19 acres, t 7 s, r 6 w, \$612.

W J Southwell et ux to Henry Otte et ux, 1 acre, t 8 s, r 6 w, \$800.

J M Dougan to A G Cutler, lot in Dallas, \$250.

H H Jasperson to Jennie Jasperson, 3 acres, t 8 s, r 4 w, \$1.

Moses Manston et al to S B Taylor, land in Dallas, \$250.

Moses Manston et al to James M Wilson, land in Dallas, \$1.

Charles Byxbee et ux to Melissa Long, lots in Independence Fruit Farms, \$1600.

Melissa Long to L D Compton, 4 acres of lots in Independence Fruit Farms, \$300.

Mary A Graves and hd to M E Graves, 58.25 acres, t 6 s, r 4 w, \$3900.

Joel Shaw et ux to Margaret Muscott, land in Dallas, \$1.

Broadmead Land Co to F B Ley et ux, 56.10 acres, t 6 s, r 5 w, and lot in Broadmead, \$10.

G A Conn et ux to Emmett W Staats, 140 acres, t 9 s, r 5 w, \$10.

Joseph Trueax et ux to J W Benson, 163 acres, t 8 s, r 6 w, \$1800.

George Muscott et al to J E Reynolds, 160 acres, t 8 s, r 5 w, \$10.

W C Slattery et ux to Merchants' Savings & Trust Bank, 160 acres, t 9 s, r 8 w, \$10.

Charles P Darling et al to Sophia L Gregory, 3-10 acres, t 8 s, r 6 w, \$500.

L. W. Waller has gone back to his claim west of Falls City having stopped in town for some time.

INDEPENDENCE NEWS BUDGET

From Our Regular Correspondent.

DAILY HAPPENINGS IN OUR SISTER CITY

Scan This Column For News on Importance From the Riverside.

Dr. Butler was a Portland visitor Saturday.

Mrs. J. Dornsife and Mrs. Dave Sears visited Salem Monday.

Mr. Stansbury has returned from Portland where he went for medical treatment.

Mr. Moot left Tuesday for Klamath Falls and other parts of southern Oregon.

The sewer question was settled Monday; a vote of 167 in favor, and 20 against it.

J. F. May and family left last Friday for Modesto, Calif., where they will make their future home.

Ed. and Grace Wallace, O. A. C. students, spent Sunday with their mother, Mrs. M. W. Wallace.

Nellie Kurre, who is attending the Sacred Heart Academy in Salem, spent Sunday with her parents at Talmage.

Mrs. S. J. Ward and her daughter, Mrs. Lehman, will leave this week for McMinnville, where they will make their future home.

K. C. Elridge will commence this week to repair the creamery by putting in a cement floor and making other repairs.

Here's to the Busy Hen

The hog has a high record but he is not in the same class with busy biddy. The total product for poultry and eggs in the United States last year is estimated at \$600,000,000; that of hogs \$186,000,000. This was double the amount of gold, sheep and wool combined, while the wheat crop was laid in the shade and the potato was set off in the ten to one column. Does poultry pay?

J. F. May and family departed from Independence this morning on their way to Modesto, California, to make their future home in that section. During their sojourn in and near Independence, the Mays have made many friends who regret their departure from this city. Mrs. May leaves a class of over forty pupils in piano, including Independence and Monmouth. She has been very successful and is a good teacher of piano.—Independence Enterprise.

Town Council Meet

The town council met last Monday evening, all members being present except T. A. Riggs. The following bills were allowed:

S. D. Coats, marshal \$15.00
L. Ground, recorder 6.00
Light Company, 20.75

Among other business transacted the council passed an ordinance to amend the town charter and set May 28, 1910, as the time to vote upon the proposition, and posters ordered put up calling a special election at that date.

Saturday, April 2, was designated as clean-up-day. The meeting then adjourned.