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REGULAR PORTLAND LETTER

Central Oregon Railway Development Redoubles.

SECRETARY OF INTERIOR PASSED THROUGH

President of Harriman Railway System Examines Central Oregon Country.

Portland, Oregon, August 23—Two announcements of the greatest moment to the state have come from the Hill railway interests the past week. One was the public statement of President John F. Stevens that the Oregon Trunk would commence work on a line between Medford, Josephine county, to connect with the Oregon Trunk east of that point beyond the Cascades. The other was contained in amendment to the Oregon Trunk articles of incorporation, filed at Olympia this week, giving the company the right to extend the Oregon Trunk from a point near Bend, Crook county, to the heart of Harney county, near Burns, a distance of about 155 miles. Simultaneously with revelation of those great plans, Mr. Stevens was elected president of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle Ry., better known as the North Bank, making him president of all the Hill systems in this state and the North Bank. With the work deemed consequent to announced construction projects, the Hill interests will have in Oregon from 800 to 900 miles of railway costing for road-bed and track upwards of \$40,000,000, perhaps more.

Judge Robert S. Lovett, head of all the Harriman railway systems, has just finished a thorough tour of examination through Central Oregon, starting at Ontario, and taking automobiles across country to Burns, Lakeview, Klamath, Bend, and across the Cascades from near Bend to Albany. Judge Lovett said this tour was made to give him personal, direct knowledge of conditions in the vast region, on which a multitude of reports had been made. When he finished his trip, he stated specifically that his company would build a trans-state line across Eastern Oregon, in an east-west direction but the time when it should be done, and the termini were not stated. He further said that all the available acreage of the region would have to be brought up to a high state of cultivation before one line would pay. This exhaustive inspection by the chief of the Harriman lines is believed to ante-date active construction by the great system on an extension of the line now joining the Oregon Short Line at Ontario, and intending to tap the Natron-Klamath line near Odell. A prominent official of this system recently announced that the Oregon appropriation for work this year \$26,000,000, which reveals the tremendous program outlined to offset rival Hill construction.

Judge R. A. Ballinger, Secretary of the Interior, passed through Oregon during the week, being entertained at Portland and Klamath Falls. At Klamath

Falls the Secretary declared that he favored extension of the existing project there, but said further that the Board of Regular Army engineers soon to come would have almost absolute say in regard to future work.

A real estate organization has been perfected in Medford, with the idea of giving out definite and authentic information of the price of lands thereabouts, and in a manner preventing undue inflation, if the tendency develops.

At North Powder, Baker county, a strong artesian well was opened in a bore of 225 feet depth, that being the second of the place.

U. S. Grant, of Dallas, has shipped eight angora goats to a Virginia breeder, all being exceptionally choice stock. Northwest breeders are reaching out for the best livestock markets.

Passenger agents of all railroads terminating here announce that an immigration of at least 100,000 people is expected in the Northwest this Fall, in the excursion period between September 15 and October 15. About 85,000 are estimated to have come last Spring.

Farewell Reception

The Ladies Aid Society of the Christian Church gave Mr. and Mrs. Belshe and their daughter a farewell reception in the church a few days ago.

The society busied themselves for an hour in quilting and social conversation, after which ice cream and cake were served. A social time was had nevertheless there were many expressions of regret at the prospect of losing Mr. Belshe and family, although it will be sometime before the family will move away.

Following is a list of those present: Mesdames Arant, Burt, Belshe, Burkhead, Cornwell, Dalton, Clary, Guthrie, Howell, Hawley, Hall, Grandma Lucas, Lucas, McRennolds, McCarthy, Mulkey, Moore, Powell, Percival, Shore, Smith, Whitney, Wood, Worth, Waller; Misses Arrant, Belshe, Foster, Shore; Messrs Belshe, Hawley, Moore, Wood and Ira Powell Jr.

Three In Linn County

At the present time there are only three government tax receipts out in Linn County, besides the regular tax account of the drug stores, two in Albany, one being on First street and one on Lyon street, and one at Scio.

All receipts terminate July 1st, when renewals are made if desired. Last year at this time there were over a dozen. This means that there has been a change in the business. If there are many blind pigs in Albany they are being run without a government tax, something few are willing to do. Most of the liquor used here is shipped in by express to individuals for personal consumption, and there is considerable of it, but not a fifth of what there is with the open saloon, and it is used under cover.

There may be some later, a fact that will be learned if it occurs, as the government book at Portland is open for inspection—Albany Democrat.

NEWS FROM COUNTY SEAT

Court House Notes.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Nelson Anderson and Lena Steele.

Dale D Bell and Anna Alice Bancroft; Guy T Seth and Emma Ridgeway.

PROBATE

Guardianship of Walter and Effie Easler, minors—final account filed.

Estate of Henry B Steffy, deceased—final account approved.

Estate of John Wolverton, deceased—final account set for hearing September 23, at 10 a m.

Estate of Mary J Wolverton, deceased—final account set for hearing September 23, at 10 a m.

Guardianship of Eugene Chandler, a minor—Samuel Phillips appointed guardian; bond fixed at \$500; A F Toner, J M Grant and Carl S Graves appointed appraisers; petition to sell real property set for hearing September 15, at 10 a m.

REAL ESTATE

A F Courter et al to J E Beezley et ux, 13.75 acres t 8 s, r 6 w, and lots in Falls City, \$1.

Estate of Catharina Murray to William Murray, land in t 8 s, r 6 w, \$500.

William Murray to L B Murray land in t 8 s, r 6 w, \$1.

Nora Mattison et al to Frank E Weissenfluh, lot in Independence \$800.

Eliza Emmons estate to Jennie M Cocper and Anna M Coad, land in Dallas, and 189.10 acres, t 7 s, r 5 w, \$13,375.

M Olive Smith to L B Frey, 75 acres, t 8 s, r 5 w, \$10.

B Wilson et ux to Mary J and A F Jones, lots in Independence, \$65.

George E Corson et ux to H M Abbott, land in t 8 s, r 6 w, \$2000.

Henry Christian to Enoch Chamberlain, lots in Suver, \$1.

R E Williams to J C Nendel, 189.69 acres, t 9 s, r 5 w.

Hattie I Tice and hd to George M Tice, lots in Falls City, \$1500.

Chris Vashaw et ux to Great Western Lumber Co, 40 acres, t 8 s, r 6 w, \$1.

L D Brown et ux to A J Barham, lot in Dallas, \$1300.

A J Barham et ux to L D Brown 13.11 acres, t 8 s, r 6 w, \$500.

Paul Fundman to Oscar Lierman, 38 acres, t 6 s, r 8 w, \$2500.

William Armitage et ux to George W Bibee and wf 133.89 acres, t 6 s, r 6 w, \$8700.

Storey-Bracher Lumber Company to A J Jarmuth, 160 acres, t 9 s, r 8 w, \$10.

A J Jarmuth et ux to W V Keeler, 160 acres, t 9 s, r 8 w, \$10.

Loser in Hotel Fire

W. H. Patterson, a former Polk County boy and a brother of D. P. Patterson, of this city, was one of the owners of the large hotel which burned at Green River Hot Springs, in Washington, Friday night. The loss is estimated at \$35,000, with insurance of approximately \$10,000. Many patients were at the resort, but no lives were lost.—Polk County Observer.

MEMORY OF Wm. N. BOOTS

William N. Boots was born in Miami Co., Indiana, September 24, 1840, and died at his home in Monmouth, Oregon, August 21, 1910, age 69 years, 10 months and 28 days.

He was married in Indiana to Sarah Smith in 1860.

In 1865 he enlisted as a volunteer in the civil war and remained until its close.

In the fall of 1865, he, with his wife, went to Iowa, where he engaged in the mercantile business for about ten years. His health failing him he, with his family, came to Oregon in 1875, and settled near Elkton, when in 1878 he moved to Drain, from which place he traveled throughout the states of Oregon and Washington, selling jewelry and optical goods, up to 1890, when he engaged in the hard-ware business, at Drain, Oregon, until 1892, when he moved to Monmouth and engaged in the local fire insurance business.

In 1898 he accepted the position as special agent for the Fire Association of Philadelphia in which capacity he served until the time of his death, traveling throughout Oregon, Washington and Idaho.

Besides his widow, he leaves to mourn their loss, three children and eight grand-children.

His children are: Mrs. William Hedrick, of Drain, V. O. Boots, of Monmouth and Mrs. A. P. Tupper, of Dilley, all in Oregon.

He united with the church at the very early age of 17 years, and grew stronger in the faith all through life.

His life was especially full of charity, as the many acts befriending the needy of which even his own family did not know, will testify.

The consistent Christian character of Mr. Boots and the good results of his faithful life will not be obliterated by time, and it is safe to say no personality in this community will be missed more than the one of our departed townsman.

Card of Thanks

We take this measure of expressing our sincere thanks to the many friends who showed their kindness to us in so many ways during the sickness and death of our beloved husband and father.

We also wish to thank them for the beautiful floral tributes given in memory of him whom we love so well.

MRS. S. BOOTS AND FAMILY.

Music And Art

Persons desiring to resume, or those desiring to pursue the study of Music or Art, or both, should confer with Rev. W. W. Davis at once, as he is ready to give instruction in these sciences.

Milch Cows Wanted

The Monmouth Creamery Company has a place for a half dozen fresh milch cows. Persons having cows to sell can apply at the creamery.

INDEPENDENCE NEWS BUDGET

From Our Regular Correspondent.

DAILY HAPPENINGS IN OUR SISTER CITY

Scan This Column For News of Importance From the Riverside.

Ben Huntley of Portland is in town.

Mrs. Van Dornsife left Monday for Portland.

Dr. Buttler was sick for a few days but has recovered.

Miss Hazel Bohannon returned from a ten weeks outing at Newport.

Charles Iliff and wife returned Wednesday from an outing at Newport.

Miss Dorothy Paddock is visiting at the home of N. F. Gillispie of Amity, Oregon.

Charles Brickley of Middleton spent Sunday with his brother, Rev. F. E. Brickley.

Miss Margaret Pomeroy spent last Sunday at the home of J. G. Van Orsdell, Dallas, Oregon.

Miss Bertha Bohannon left Monday for the Dalles where she will be employed in a millinery store.

Miss Leora Shank left Saturday for Weiser, Idaho, where she will have charge of a Milliner store.

A. Gross of Hillsboro is installing a new Gents furnishing store which will be conducted by his brother.

Rev. Thompson and family left Monday for Heppner, where Mr. Thompson will be pastor of the Christian church.

M. S. Goff and wife have returned from an extended trip to Tillamook, Netarts, Ocean Park; Slab Creek and Newport.

Mrs. L. L. Hewitt and their two children, Lavelle and Lois, are sojourning at the home of Guy Hewitt on the Luckiamute.

Wm. Barnett has resigned his position with the Home Telephone Co. and has accepted employment with the Light & Water Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Johnson left last Sunday morning for Waldport, where they will spend two weeks returning by the Yahates.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Hanna went to Portland to be in attendance at the Hospital where Mr. Ernest Irvine underwent an operation. We trust he may soon recover.

T. B. Huntley, a well known and honored citizen of Independence, was suddenly smitten with a stroke of Paralysis last Saturday morning. We trust he may soon recover.

Will Buy Wool.

I will pay the highest market price for wool. Get my prices before you sell. jne 3

ALLEN CLARK.

Cows For Sale

Two fine Jersey cows; fresh September, 1st; second calving; cheap if taken at once. J. M. MacDonald, Monmouth, Oregon.