

TO AID SILETZ ENTRYMEN

Relief to 70 Settlers Whose Entries Are Adversely Affected by Ruling of Assistant Secretary Pierce.

Portland—Representative Hawley's pending bill, drawn in behalf of bona fide settlers upon Siletz reservation lands, if passed by Congress, will direct the issuance of patents to about 110 settlers whose land would have long been held up in the Interior Department. This will include some 70 settlers whose entries were adversely affected by a recent ruling of Assistant Secretary Pierce.

Hawley's bill provides that all pending Siletz homestead entries heretofore made, upon which proofs were made prior to December 31, 1906, shall be passed to patent in all cases where it shall appear to the satisfaction of the Secretary of the Interior that entry was made for the exclusive use and benefit of the entryman and that the entryman built a house on the land entered and otherwise improved the same, and actually entered into occupation thereof and cultivated a portion

of said land for the period required by law, and that the land entered has not been sold, nor conveyed nor contracted to be sold or conveyed by the entryman, and where no contest or other adverse proceeding was commenced against the entry, and notice thereof served upon the entryman, prior to the date of submission of proof thereon, or within two years thereafter.

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Dallas Girl is Stage Struck.

C. F. Smith of Dallas has asked the police of Portland to apprehend his sixteen-year-old daughter who last week left her home to go on the stage with the Alba Merrill opera company which was in Dallas recently. The troupe was supposed to have spent Sunday in Portland. No trace of her could be found. The father says the girl became "stage struck" and joined the company with his consent. After she left her Dallas home the mother changed her mind and wanted her to stay at home and go to school. The girl is said to be a clever dancer.

Mr. Smith, father of the young lady is one of the officials of the Salem, Falls City & Western Ry.

Rhodes Scholarship Awarded.

The Rhodes scholarship from Oregon for the present year has been awarded to Cecil K. Lyans, a graduate of the University of Oregon in the class of 1909. The award was made by the State Rhodes Scholarship Committee, which met in Salem last Saturday. Lyans will enter Oxford next September, and his scholarship will be good for three years

thereafter, paying him an annual income of \$1500.

During his course at the University of Oregon, Lyans was an exceptional student and took a prominent part in debate. He earned his own way through the university, and is now teaching in the Coquille high school.

Rhodes scholarships will again be open in 1911, in 1913 and 1914. Scholarships from Oregon are now held by Edward Winans of Willamette University and Wistar Johnson of the University of Oregon.

Resigns from Legislature.

Governor Benson has received the resignation of B. F. Jones, joint representative in the lower house in the twelfth district for Lincoln and Polk counties. The resignation of Mr. Jones is on account of his appointment to the Roseburg land office, federal statutes providing that no

man can hold two federal offices at one time.

Mr. Jones did valuable work in the legislature during his several terms. His work during his public career in Independence has been one of considerable moment. The proceedings which he instituted against the Wells Fargo and Pacific express companies, through the railroad commission, resulted in securing to the people of Oregon greatly reduced rates, the reduction amounting to twenty-five per cent.

Mr. Jones does not give up his residence in Independence and will continue to exert his influence for the building up of Polk county and Independence.

Mrs. S. C. Baker and wife and Wm. Baker and family of Portland and Mr. Chamberlain and family of Corvallis attended the funeral in Independence of the late Mrs. Emily Christian.

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