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**4700 ACRES WITHDRAWN.**

Land Under Columbia Southern Project Acted On.

Salem—Withdrawal of 4,700 acres under the defunct Columbia Southern project was agreed to by the Desert Land board, expiration on this being due shortly.

The board took this step to protect the land against being thrown open for entry and to give the Oregon-Washington Finance company, which is attempting to place the old project on its feet, a better chance.

Representatives of the Oregon-Washington Finance company report that they are making excellent progress toward financing the plan, and while they may not complete their efforts successfully before the time limit expires, they believe they can do the work within a reasonable time and place the project on its feet.

This segregation embraces 27,000 acres in Crook county on the West side of the Deschutes river near Laidlaw. The segregation was originally made on behalf of the Three Sisters Irrigation company, which proposed to reclaim the lands from the regular flow of Tumalo creek.

This company subsequently assigned its interests to the Columbia Southern Irrigation company, which in turn transferred them to the Columbia Southern Irrigating company.

The company sold water rights for 17,929 acres inside the segregation and 1,360 acres outside. It was soon discovered, however, that the regular flow of Tumalo creek was sufficient for only about 2,000 acres, and as a result the board endeavored to have the company complete a storage plan for the reclamation of lands, but the company refused, a receiver was appointed and a suit was commenced to cancel the company's contract, but in this the state lost.

**OREGON HEN ENROUTE.**

Poultry Demonstration Car to Be Sent Out April 1.

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis—A new activity of the extension division of the Oregon Agricultural college is about to be launched, when a poultry demonstration car is sent out, to travel over the Southern Pacific lines.

In consultation with Assistant General Freight Agent Lounsbury, and State Superintendent of Schools Alderman, Prof. Hetzel, director of extension at the college will make out the itinerary of the car, and arrange to have the school children in each town where the car stops dismissed for that day, that they may attend the lectures and demonstrations.

The car will arrive in Corvallis about March 15, and Prof. James Dryden, of the college, will equip it, probably using much of the material shown in the egg production exhibit at the close of farmers' week. During the trip, C. C. Lamb, foreman of the college poultry plant, with an assistant, will be in charge, and will deliver the lectures. The Southern Pacific railroad has agreed to carry the car without expense to the college over all its lines, attaching it to regular trains, and leaving it at the stations scheduled.

**BREWERS REJECT PLAN.**

Doubt Practicability of Scheme to Grow Own Hops.

Portland—The brewers of the United States have decided not to go into the hop-growing business. The scheme fathered by E. Clemens Horst to unite the brewers and Pacific Coast hopmen into a great hop-producing monopoly has fallen by the wayside, like so many other schemes designed to put the humble hopgrower out of business.

At a meeting of the United States Brewers' association, held in New York City recently, the Horst project was turned down, as not practical from a brewer's standpoint. It is said there was much unfavorable comment at the meeting on the manner in which the names of leading brewers were used without authority in trying to further the movement.

**Road to Ashland to Be Built.**

Klamath Falls—It is expected that the much talked of and badly needed good road between Ashland and this city will become a reality next summer. Work on the Klamath portion of the road will be commenced as soon as the weather is favorable. Jackson county will improve the highway from the Klamath county line to Ashland. Much work was done last year on the road between Keno and the county line, and a wagon bridge has been built across the Klamath River near the old ford.

**Oil Company Will Search.**

Albany—Having leased 2,941 acres in Southern Linn county, the California Oil company will make extensive operations in searching for oil. The land is situated seven miles east of Harrisburg. The company in its leases agrees to pay the owners of the land a royalty of one-eighth of all oil or other mineral products discovered. The company also agrees to begin work within three years, and if it does not do so must pay rental.

**Single Tax is Big Loser.**

New Era—At one of the most enthusiastic meetings ever held by the Warner Grange, over 100 members present unanimously indicated their opposition to the single-tax idea.

**WOODRATS BLAMED.**

Porcupines Also Said to Be Damaging Valley Timber.

Cottage Grove—No positive clues have been obtained as yet as to what manner of animal is doing the mysterious damage to the timber on the Storey-Bracher tract, near here. The guesses vary from a woodpecker to a rakerbor, and include pine squirrels, wood beavers, woodrats, goats, pocket gophers, worms, sidehill augurs, flying squirrels, mountain beaver and porcupines. The majority of opinions seems to be that it is either woodrats or porcupines. A peculiar feature is that but few porcupines have ever been seen in this county.

Those who believe woodrats are doing the work say their nests will either be found in the tops of the trees or in mounds near the base of the trees. None of these indications have as yet been found in this instance.

Those who believe it is the work of porcupines say that the porcupines usually will be found in the tops of trees in which they are working and believe that the pests will be found hiding in some of the big trees which, on account of their great height and thick foliage, would afford ideal hiding places. Only one person has reported having seen any porcupine work in this country before, and he reports that he had some fruit trees destroyed.

**ASSISTING HORSE BREEDERS**

Animal Husbandry Department at College Listing Sale Animals.

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis—Prof. E. L. Potter, of the animal husbandry department of the Oregon Agricultural college, in his capacity of secretary of the State Stallion Registration board, has issued to all owners of stallions or jacks in the state a letter in which he offers to keep on file in the office of the board a list of all such animals as are for sale, provided that they are properly registered. The purpose of the board in establishing this list of registered animals for sale is to encourage still further the raising of well-bred horses. From time to time in the past there have been inquiries as to a place of purchase by men interested in breeding good animals. Already the board has a list of considerable size from which prospective purchasers may choose. The service to both buyer and seller is entirely without fee.

**NEW OFFICE FAVORED.**

Argument for Aid to Governor to Be Printed in Pamphlet.

Salem—Giving as the proposed order of succession under the prospective constitutional amendment creating the office of lieutenant governor as governor, lieutenant governor, president protem of the senate and then speaker of the house and urging that the amendment will prevent the secretary of state from holding two offices at the same time, the argument in favor of creating this office was filed with the secretary of state.

This argument will be printed in the initiative and referendum pamphlet to go before the people at the next general election.

**Steelhead Run Improving.**

Astoria—During the past few days the run of steelheads that had dropped down to almost nothing has increased materially and fairly good catches have been made, the best hauls being made in the bay almost opposite the city. On account of the water being muddy, the fish do not appear to go up the river as rapidly as usual, but are hanging about in the bay. A few Chinook salmon also are being taken, and they are not only of good size, but also of excellent color and flavor.

**Klamath Fisherman Not Worried.**

Klamath Falls—It is embarrassing to a fisherman who wishes to have his catch within the law to have his third bite make the string exceed the maximum allowance. James Stevens went fishing on Link River and caught two rainbow trout and one steelhead, which when weighed pulled the scale to 20½ pounds. The law limits the catch to 20 pounds. But as the third fish did not tell Stevens his weight before being pulled out, Stevens' friends hold that he should not be blamed for catching too large a fish.

**Cottage Grove Grange Now Leads.**

Cottage Grove—By the taking in of nearly 40 members recently, Cottage Grove Grange outdistanced Evening Star Grange at Portland, until then largest in the state, and the local grange now bears that proud distinction. There was a large attendance of Grangers from the surrounding country and an all-day session was held, with dinner at noon.

**Many Hunters' Licenses Issued.**

Pendleton—Over 250 hunting and fishing licenses have already been issued this year in Umatilla county. This is more than two and one-half times the number issued during the first two months of 1911. The greater number of licenses is attributed to the increased activity on the part of the deputy game wardens.

**Station at Fry to Have Shed.**

Salem—The State Railroad commission has been advised that the Southern Pacific has agreed to the construction of a shelter shed at Fry, a station near Albany.

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