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Hope For Burns.
Work of extending the Sumpter Valley railroad has begun. Just how far it will be extended this year is not stated, but it is known that the surveys have all been made to the south as far as Burns, and the work of construction will follow in that direction.

The Sumpter Valley road will open a vast lot of new territory when completed to Burns, which will soon be filled with settlers. The long distance to market is the one great hindrance to the occupation of the rich farming and grazing lands in that part of the state. There has been some doubt expressed as to the purpose of the owners of the Sumpter Valley to build through to Burns, but this doubt has recently been dispelled by the positive statement of Mr. David, one of the principal owners of the road, who said that it was the intention to extend the road through to the Harney country. Mr. Eccles did not say just when the Burns extension would be completed. The road was extended about ten miles last year from Whitney, all but a few finishing touches, which the contractor is now busily engaged in completing. A large force of men has been engaged and a call is out for more men to work as graders than is necessary to finish up last year's work, so that it is positively known that the work of extending the road is to be pushed this season.

It will require about two years to complete the extension to Burns, if the work is pushed as fast as possible this season.

Range Trouble Has Started.
The first depredation as a result of the conflicting territories occupied by the cattlemen and sheep owners in this county occurred last Monday when 65 sheep belonging to Allie Jones were shot and killed on Mill creek by masked men who threatened a greater slaughter if the band were not removed from that locality.

The killing happened on the west side of Mill creek, the herd of sheep being in charge of Tom Paine who was surprised and unable to offer any resistance when the attack occurred.

The first outbreak against the sheep marks the first step in the range difficulties which are likely to be encountered during the coming season. The scene of the killing is in the district in which an effort was made a short time ago to establish lines. The territory was visited by a party of sheep-owners from Antelope and it was believed that matters could be satisfactorily adjusted between them and the cattlemen in that part of the county. But nothing definite was decided upon and it is expected that the old lines will hold good this year.—Creek County Journal.

Special Excursion to the World's Fair.

The Denver & Rio Grande, in connection with the Missouri Pacific, will run a series of Personally Conducted Excursions to the World's Fair during June. These

excursions will run through to St. Louis without change of cars, making short stops at principal points enroute. The first of these excursions will leave Portland June 7th, and the second June 17th. The rate from Deschutes will be \$62.50 to St. Louis and return. Excursionists going via the Denver & Rio Grande have the privilege of returning via a different route. This is the most pleasant way, as well as the most delightful route, to cross the continent. The stops arranged give an opportunity of visiting the various points of interest in and about Salt Lake City, Denver and Kansas City. If you wish to accompany one of these excursions write at once to W. C. McBride, 124 Third street, Portland, for sleeping car reservations.

To Celebrate The Fourth.

A fund of several hundred dollars has been raised and will be expended in a Fourth of July celebration and it is believed that a large crowd will be present from all parts of the county. A nice time was had here last year, when fewer people lived on the river, and this year more money will be expended and a more extensive program given. W. E. Guerin, Jr., will deliver an address, and sports, a horse race, ball game, barbecue, dancing and fireworks will be some of the other events arranged for the day. The river country is very pleasant in July and all who intend a trip to the river should arrange to come over and help us celebrate the nation's birthday.

The Marnell Company.

The Marnell Theatrical Company, consisting of twelve persons, will give a number of plays at this place during the coming week. The company is playing at Prineville this week to a very satisfactory house and is receiving much praise for its work. The company is a large one for an overland trip and must be under considerable expense in making points off the railroad. They class very fair as a repertoire company and have a good line of plays. They deserve and will undoubtedly receive good patronage while in town.

Advertised Letter List.

The following letters remained uncalled for at the Deschutes post-office:

J. S. Mahr, Miss Grace Merrill, N. B. Reynolds, C. W. Richardson, John Raglin, Charles J. Wilson, Stephen Waite, John B. Gustafson, Earl Griggs, Wm. Clendenig, Mrs. M. O. Clingan, C. W. Egan, Albert I. Frye, C. C. Carr.

Parties calling for any of the above letters will please mention the fact that they are on the advertised list.

W. H. STAATS, Postmaster.

A Poor Second.

Our baseball team did not make a good showing in the game with Prineville Sunday. Its work in the field was very poor. The ball seemed to be very elusive that day. The Prineville team was beaten by Haystack last year and

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the same thing will probably occur again this year, so that Prineville is not such a strong team. Our team, however, seems to lack faithful practice. The score of the game with Prineville is too large to mention, but the one fault of our team is that it does not know how to field.

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News of the Week.

A forest fire is doing great damage to timber near Forest Grove, Oregon.

The democratic state convention, of Illinois, unseated Mayor Harrison, of Chicago, and he left the convention. Hearst was endorsed.

Arkansas democrats are likely to instruct for Parker of New York, although Hearst has a strong following.

The military forces of Colorado are deporting striking union miners from the state on account of the killing of 11 non-union men by dynamite. The business men and citizens have joined the crusade to drive out the strikers and peace will soon result.