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FRIDAY - SEPTEMBER 8, 1900

The Bend schools will open next Monday in the same rooms and with the same teachers as last year. And Tuesday at 4 p.m. there will be a meeting of voters in the schoolhouse to take action relative to the site for the new \$8,000 schoolhouse and for disposal of the present school property.

E. E. Lytle's retirement from the presidency of the Columbia Southern railway last week has given increased courage to Central Oregon. He sold that property to Harriman nearly a year ago. Now he is free for an independent move. The Goulds, Jim Hill, the Northwestern and the St. Paul, to say nothing of Harriman, were bound to open this country, but Lytle will beat them all, for he has the means and he knows the country like a book. Just what instrument he will use for getting to Bend is not yet determined. It may be the Great Southern, from The Dalles. It may be a totally new enterprise but the railroad is sure to come soon.

Is business dull in Bend? Where in Oregon, outside of Portland, will you find business relatively better? From all quarters come reports of dullness. A substantial citizen from Rogue Valley, in Western Oregon, was here this week and reported dullness there almost to the point of distress. Willamette Valley reports are similar. In Shaniko the warehouses are empty and practically the only freighters on the road are those pulling to Bend. Our own county seat is experiencing the same dullness and small towns do not escape. All Oregon is drawn very largely to a head at Portland this year. The benefits of the fair will sift out through the state later—not merely from immediate settlement but as well in investments which contact an acquaintance with the state will inspire. This is the dullest time of the dull season. But the basis of business is perfectly secure, there is plenty of money, development enterprises were never so thick in Oregon and if this dull season is not succeeded by great activity the signs of the times are very misleading. Our experience is the same as that of the middle west at times of the Chicago and St. Louis expositions.

BREAK UP LARGE HOLDINGS.

A great deal is said about the action that large holdings of land cannot be tolerated in districts where irrigation is to be effected by the government. The reclamation service insists that holders of large tracts in such districts must bind themselves to break up those tracts and submit them to sale on reasonable terms. Unless this is done the government will not take up the work. Against this the big landholders cry that it is an attempt to vitiate vested rights.

The question of vested rights, however, does not enter into this problem. There is no compulsion about it. The big landholders may sit on their vast expanse of wild acres till doomsday and the

government will not oust them, but they want their land reclaimed at government expense. At this point the government says they must comply with the required conditions or it will not operate there. If they do not choose to comply they are not obliged to do so. But neither is the government obliged to use the public money to reclaim those large private tracts.

But should the government insist in the breaking up of these large private holdings that have been legally obtained? Is it not the good fortune of these owners that they have acquired such property so situated that the efforts of others to develop the country and vastly enhance the wealth of the land barons without effort or risk of their own? They are undoubtedly within their legal rights, must be admitted. The government does not deny this. But the government does say: "If you choose to stand on your legal rights shall not use public funds for improvement of your property."

This irrigation problem presents one of the phases of the public school question. It is the state's duty to provide a common school education for every citizen. Similarly, it may be regarded as a nation's duty, under these circumstances, to provide homes for citizens. It is not the duty of the state or the general government to give every citizen a college education or make him a land baron. It is well, we believe, for the government to halt where the benefits could be special rather than general.

The government is interested in the quality of its citizenship. It is important that its citizens have homes of their own. The retention of large bodies of land susceptible of a high degree of cultivation in the hands of few people means there will be large numbers of tenants. This condition is not good for the country. It is in every way commendable that the government should, without visiting injustice upon anybody, try to have these large masses broken up, to provide comfortable homes for large numbers of people rather than large profits for a few.

Timber Land, Act June 3, 1898.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

U. S. Land Office, The Dalles, Oregon.

July 29, 1900.

Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1898, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the states of California, Oregon, Nevada and Washington Territory," as extended to all the public land states by act of August 4, 1898, the following named persons have filed in this office their sworn statements, to wit:

Mary F. Brown.

of Portland, county of Multnomah, state of Oregon, sworn statement No. 969, filed July 29, for the purchase of the several, separate, and unequal tract of land described in the affidavit of Mary F. Brown, filed in this office on the 29th day of July, 1900.

John P. Riley.

of Portland, county of Multnomah, state of Oregon, sworn statement No. 970, filed July 29, for the purchase of Lot 3 and the adjacent tract of land described in the affidavit of John P. Riley, filed in this office on the 29th day of July, 1900.

They name as witnesses: Michael O'Connor, William G. Mason, D. A. McDonald and Martin Cawood, all of The Dalles, Oregon, and John Brown, of Portland, Oregon.

Any and all persons claiming adversely to the above lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before the 30th day of November, 1900.

MICHAEL T. NOLAN, Register.

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Fred W. Allerton.

of Portland, county of Multnomah, state of Oregon, sworn statement No. 971, filed July 29, for the purchase of the several, separate, and unequal tract of land described in the affidavit of Fred W. Allerton, filed in this office on the 29th day of July, 1900.

They name as witnesses: J. F. Riley, J. E. Hunter, L. C. Johnson, John C. Petty of Portland, Oregon; Harry R. Rutherford and William Sage of Gresham, Oregon.

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Frederick M. Lobdell.

of Bend, county of Crook, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 968, for the purchase of the several and Lots 1 and 2 of section 4, town 8, range 2, m. m.

And will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before J. M. Lawrence, U. S. Commissioner at his office at Bend, Oregon, on Tuesday, the 14th day of November, 1900.

He names as witnesses: John H. Hunter, Frank Glass and John Steidl, all of Bend, Oregon.

Any and all persons claiming adversely to the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 14th day of November, 1900.

MICHAEL T. NOLAN, Register.

CONTEST NOTICE.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

U. S. Land Office, The Dalles, Oregon.

August 4, 1900.

A contest affidavit having been filed in this office by James Johnson, contestants in the case of Leland vs. U. S., No. 472, made returnable on the 1st day of October, 1900, before J. M. Lawrence, U. S. Commissioner at his office in Bend, Oregon, and that hearing will be held at 10 o'clock a.m. on October 1, 1900, before J. M. Lawrence, U. S. Commissioner at his office in Bend, Oregon.

The said contestants being in a proper and sufficient number to constitute a contest, this notice is given to make known to the contestants that they may file their answers to the affidavit of James Johnson, contestants in the case of Leland vs. U. S., No. 472, made returnable on the 1st day of October, 1900, before J. M. Lawrence, U. S. Commissioner at his office in Bend, Oregon.

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