

GOOD ROAD ENTHUSIAST SENDS LETTER TO CLUB

Col. C. W. Thatcher Urges Citizens to Write to California Commercial Bodies Enlisting Their Aid.

Col. C. W. Thatcher, the ardent worker for the Pacific Highway route through Central Oregon instead of through the Willamette valley, has written the Commercial Club urging Bend citizens to write California commercial bodies to enlist their aid. Col. Thatcher's letter, written from an engineer's camp en route, is as follows:

"I have discovered that Los Angeles favors the valley route bordering the mountains rather than the ocean route. This is distinctly in our favor. I have decided to go to Los Angeles to solicit their aid and in return to aid them in their demands before the Legislature. To follow the valley route to Sacramento and thence to Klamath Falls and Central Oregon it will bring Los Angeles 150 miles nearer Portland. It is very natural for them to favor our route when the matter is brought to their attention. In view of the change of the situation, you may kindly send letters to the addresses below instead of Chico, Oroville and Marysville:

Secretary Chamber of Commerce, Los Angeles, Fresno, Bakersfield, Cal. "If any have written to Chico, Oroville and Marysville, tell your people to write to Los Angeles, Fresno and Bakersfield. As I will travel an extra 1400 miles to fight the people's cause, I am sure you and your citizens will be glad to do this much for your city and country."

COMING BACK TO BEND.

A former resident here, who, thinking there was a better place, recently sold out and moved away, writes to a friend here as follows: "I am glad I can think of some dear friends to write to, especially that live at Bend, the dearest spot in the world. We are in California, but if all of California is like this, I don't want any more of it. Oh, if I was only back to Bend I would be happy. As soon as I can get my things straightened up here, I am coming back to buy me a little home."

ATTEND PRINEVILLE WEDDING.

Mr. and Mrs. John E. Ryan attended the wedding in Prineville on New Year's eve of R. S. Dixon and Miss Fay Baldwin. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Baldwin of Prineville and the groom is from Roseburg. After a wedding trip to California, Mr. and Mrs. Dixon will return to this county to live.

OREGON METAL PRODUCTION

Increased Output of Gold, Silver, Copper and Lead.

For several years there has been a decline in the metallic output of the state of Oregon, more especially in its gold and silver, but preliminary returns for 1912 show that this has now been checked, according to Charles G. Yale, of the United States Geological Survey. The mine report of the survey for 1911 showed an output of gold valued at \$633,467 and 45,221 ounces of silver. The preliminary returns for 1912 indicate that the Oregon yield was about \$657,000 in gold and 86,951 ounces of silver, a marked advance in the silver output. Moreover, the smelters received about 100,000 pounds of copper, compared with 93,196 pounds in 1911, and 38,000 pounds of lead whereas there was no yield of lead in 1911. More placers are being worked than formerly in Oregon, mainly by hydraulic methods. The grade of ore in the deep mines has been much lower than formerly, although more of it is treated. The lowering of the average tonnage value is due to the large quantities of old tailings handled, their average yield being taken with that of the new ore in making up the totals and average values.

The largest producer of gold in Oregon is Baker County, as has been the case for some years. Following in order of rank are Josephine, Jackson, Grant, Lane and Malheur counties. Eleven counties of the State are now producing gold, Josephine leading in the production of placer gold, and Baker in that from deep mines. In silver yield Baker county holds first rank. Most of the ore in Oregon is milled, very little of it being shipped to smelters for reduction. Neither the southwestern nor the northwestern counties of Oregon are producing as much gold as a few years ago, although the estimated figures for 1912 show that some little advancement is in progress. The state badly needs the advent of capital to open and develop its deep-mining properties, many of which are lying idle for want of means to place them on a productive standing.

LAUDS LOCAL SCENERY.

In the January issue of "Country Life in America," one of the country's largest and most beautiful magazines, is a picture showing automobilists in the Central Oregon pine timber. It is accompanied by the following text: "An experience never to be forgotten is a motor trip through the yellow pine foothills of the Cascade mountains near Bend, Oregon. There is no underbrush, hence no forest fires, and an auto can be driven anywhere, whether there is a road or not."

CITATION.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Crook County.

In the matter of the Estate of Paul O. Velstad, Deceased.

To Electa Olona Velstad, Irene Christine Velstad and Olaf Percy Velstad, the known heirs of Paul O. Velstad, deceased, and to all the unknown heirs if any, of Paul O. Velstad, deceased, Greeting:

In the name of the State of Oregon:

You and each of you are hereby cited and summoned to appear on Monday, the 3d day of February, 1913, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of said day, at the County Court room in Prineville, Oregon, and then and there show cause, if any there be, why an order for the sale of SW 1/4, Section (35), Township (18) S., Range (12) E., W. M., should not be made to John Steidl, administrator of said estate, as prayed for in the petition of said administrator filed herein.

Witness, the Honorable H. C. Ellis, Judge of the County Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Crook, with the seal of said Court affixed this 24th day of December, 1912.

Attest: Warren Brown, County Clerk. 42-45

RESTORATION TO ENTRY OF LANDS IN NATIONAL FOREST.

Notice is hereby given that the lands described below, embracing 393.86 acres, within the Deschutes National Forest, Oregon, will be subject to settlement and entry under the provisions of the homestead laws of the United States and the act of June 11, 1906 (34 Stat., 233), at the United States land office at Lakeview, Oregon, on March 4, 1913. Any settler who was actually and in good faith claiming any of said lands for agricultural purposes prior to January 1, 1906, and has not abandoned same, has a preference right to make a homestead entry for the lands actually occupied. Said lands were listed upon the applications of the persons mentioned below, who have a preference right subject to the prior right of any such settler, provided such settler or applicant is qualified to make homestead entry and the preference right is exercised prior to March 4, 1913, on which date the lands will be subject to settlement and entry by any qualified person. The lands are as follows: The NW 1/4 of NE 1/4, the SE 1/4 of NW 1/4, the SW 1/4 of NW 1/4, of NE 1/4 of NW 1/4.

the NE 1/4 of NW 1/4 of NE 1/4 of NW 1/4, the NE 1/4 of NE 1/4 of NW 1/4, Sec. 24, the SE 1/4 of SW 1/4 of SE 1/4, the SE 1/4 of NE 1/4 of SE 1/4, the W 1/2 of SE 1/4 of SE 1/4, the W 1/2 of E 1/2 of SE 1/4 of SE 1/4, the SE 1/4 of NE 1/4 of SE 1/4 of SE 1/4, the E 1/2 of SE 1/4 of SE 1/4, Sec. 13, T. 21 S., R. 9 E., W. M., 140 acres application of James L. Benson, of Prineville, Oregon; List 6-731. The SE 1/4 of NE 1/4 of SE 1/4, the SW 1/4 of NE 1/4 of SE 1/4, the SE 1/4 of NE 1/4 of SE 1/4 of SE 1/4, the SE 1/4 of NE 1/4 of SE 1/4 of SE 1/4, Sec. 11, T. 21 S., R. 10 E., 85 acres, application of Herbert J. Finley, of Dalhart, Texas; List 6-735. The NE 1/4 of NE 1/4 of SW 1/4 of NE 1/4, the W 1/2 of NE 1/4 of SW 1/4 of NE 1/4, the E 1/2 of NW 1/4 of SW 1/4 of NE 1/4, the NE 1/4 of NW 1/4 of SW 1/4 of NE 1/4, the NW 1/4 of NW 1/4 of SW 1/4 of NE 1/4, Sec. 3, T. 22 S., R. 10 E., 87.50 acres, except a strip 30 feet wide along the west side of the SW 1/4 of NE 1/4, and the NW 1/4 of NW 1/4 of SW 1/4 of NE 1/4, Sec. 3, the net area being 86.36 acres, application of Waldemar Christensen, of Lapine, Oregon; List 6-758. Approved December 9, 1912. R. V. Proudft, Assistant Commissioner of the General Land Office. 42-45

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