# **WORK TO START**

\* EMPLOYMENT FOR 50 **TO 100 MEN** 

Final Action on Character of Tumalo Reservoir Dam Not Yet Taken-Steel Flume Will Be Hung as Soon as Weather Permits.

Starting next week, from 50 to 100 men will be given employment on the Tumalo reservoir work. O. Laurgaard, the project engineer, re-Laurgaard, the project engineer, re-turned this morning from a meeting lodge that will be very attractive. of the Desert Land Board, held at Forrest's seven-piece orchestra has Balem yesterday, at which this was authorized. He stated over the telephone that the board had deferred final action on the recommendations of the board of consulting engineers until about February 10, at which time it is expected that the character of the dam to be built will be deter-mined. In the meantime preliminary construction will be carried on. This will be road building, excavation for will be road building, excavation for the foundation and cut off trench, etc. It will be mostly pick and shov-el labor. The crews will work eight hours a day, at \$7, or 20 cents an hour. Men desiring employment should apply at the project office in Laidiaw. As soon as the frost is out of the ground 70 or 80 teams will be of the ground 70 or 80 teams will be put on the works, Mr. Laurgaard

The board of engineers met in Portland last Saturday and completed its report to be submitted to the land board. Yesterday, however, Hency of the board wired from Umstilla, where he then was, that he had secured additional data of value in connection with the Tumalo project and asked that the board postpone final action until this new data could be put in shape to be submitted.

Steel Flume Arriving.

The first ablument of the steel flume has arrived at Deschutes and being hauled to the project by Aune Bros, of Rend, who have the contract. As soon as the ice is off the treaties from which the flume is to be hung the work of putting it up will be started. This will require the employment of about 25 men for a month, Mr. Laurgaard stated.

J. J. Adams is continuing work on his contract but will not have it com-pleted by the end of the month, ne-cessitating a further extension of time to him by the land board.

### SHEEPMEN ARE FINED

Vaughn and Morrow Convicted Of Damaging Irrigation Lateral.

busy all day Friday hearing a civil case brought by Ed White against Andrew Morrow and Sam Vaughn. White asked for \$250 on account of damages alleged to have been done by the sheep of the defendants, to his frigation ditch and reservoir south-east of town. The court awarded \$70.50 to the plaintiff and taxed the costs, amounting to \$23.10, against the defendants.

Morrow and Vaughn grazed sheep in Dec. in the vicinity of White's property and allowed them to cross

his ditch, a lateral of the Pine For-est system, and to damage his reserhis ditch, a lateral of the Pine For-est system, and to damage his reser-voir. Vaughn was fined some weeks ago, \$25 for allowing the sheep to pollute the Central Oregon canal, the

complaint in this action having been sworn to by J. H. Stanley.

The hearing of the action Friday lasted until 8 p. m. Ross Faruham appeared for the plaintiff and C. S. lienson for the defendant.

#### ARRANGING BIG DANCE

Tumalo Gun Club Will Be Host at Elaborate Affair Friday Night.

Arrangements are being made by the Tunnalo Gun Club for the most elaborate dance ever held in Laidlaw. It is scheduled for Friday evening of this week, The club secretary, A. J. Welton, was in Hend Monday in the interest of the affair.

The dance will be held in the large new hall, the floor of which is ample to accomodate 100 couples comfort-Elaborate decorations are be-

been engaged to furnish the music.
The officials of the club are sparing
no expense and pains to make this a
very delightful social function. It is
the first annual affair to be given by the club, and the intentions are to make it a record breaker. Everyone will be made to feel at home whether they dance or not. Dancing will be-

During the evening, presentation of the club cup and club and county medals will take place. T. G. Becker will be recipient of the cup: E. C. Landingham will get two medals, and C. P. Hecker, T. G. Becker, and F. J. Wilkey (Hend) one each. O. Laurgaard is booked for the presen-

tation speeches.

The Laidlaw ladies, whose reputation for delightful hospitulity is firmly established, will provide refreshments for the evening. Elabrate programs have been printed for dance. The floor manager will Mr. Welton, assisted by members the dance. of the club. As usual, Hend will send down a farge delegation.

The Tumalo club intends to put Laidlaw "on the map" in no uncer-tain terms. It has joined the state shooting league for the tournament to be held this spring and the members are primed for honors

### LIVESTOCK VALUE \$7,289,000

Department of Agriculture Gives Estimate For Oregon on January 1.

The bureau of statistics of the United States Department of Agriculture has issued a statement showing estimates of livestock in Oregon on

Number 301,000	292,000
Price \$96.00	\$99.00
Value . \$28,896,000	\$28,908,000
Mules:	
Number 10,000	10,000
Price \$107.00	\$107.00
Value \$1,070,000	\$1,070,000
Milch cows:	
Number 196,000	187,000
Price \$65,60	\$56,00
Value . \$12,740,000	\$10,472,000
Other cattle:	

Price .....\$38.00 Value .\$17,860,000 Number . . 2,670,000 Price ......\$2.90 Value .\$10,412,000 Swine:

Number ... 300,000 Price ....,\$11.00 Value ...3,300,000

# ON AT SAWMILL FOR THE VOTERS

**GETTING READY FOR PRIMARIES TO BE HELD** SPRING

Bend Company Running Planer in Meantime-Conditions in Market Improving-Miller Company also Finds Business is Botter.

The Bend Company is taking advantage of the winter shut-down of its sawmill, as in former years, to make various repairs and improve-ments looking toward increased efficiency and greater production. Re-pairs in the mill have been chiefly confined to the log carriage and the appliances used in connection with it, a new head block having been put in and new set works for the car-riage. These will serve to make posriage. These will serve to make possible more accurate sawing. Improvements are being made also to the kicker which throws the logs on to the carriage. In the last sawing season the daily cut was about 40,000 feet. The changes and improvements now being made will increase ments now being made will increase this capacity a little.

No changes are being made at this time in the planing department of mill. A new re-saw was put in last fall, as reported at the time, and this, with the planer installed a year ago, adequately cares for this end of the

In rebuilding the boiler house de-stroyed by the fire of December 9, various improvements were made, inluding heavier foundations for the botlers, better inside arrangements and better fireproofing.

Planer is in Operation,

Until repairs are all completed the mill will remain shut down but the laner will continue in operation to fill orders. In this connection, according to General Manager Keyes, conditions seem to be improving, reflecting the general improvement which is being observed throughout the country. Orders and inquiries are being received for grades of lumber for which there was no call for some weeks toward the close of the past year and an improvement in prices is looked for on shipments to the middle states which up to this time have given practically no orders. Shipments of common lumber have been fairly steady to Southern Idaho estimates of livestock in Oregon on January 1, 1914, as compared with 1915. The figures are as follows:

Farm Animals 1914 1913 with the number for the same month

Views of the general situation in accord with those of Mr. Keyes are taken by D. M. Davis of the Miller Lumber Company. His company, alt so, is making shipments into Utab, and feels an improvement in the middle Western market due to better business conditions and the fact that stocks in these states have been allowed to get rather low during the

REGISTRATION BOOKS OPEN.

The registration books for the 2,644,000 coming state primary and general the coast.
\$3.80 elections have been opened by H. C. Mr. Mr.
\$10,047,000 Ellis, who has been appointed rents—years ago \$2,546,000 Miss Grace Ratliffe.

MAY 15

State Officials, Members of Legislature and Others to Be Chosen-Nominations Must Be Filed by April 15-Books close May 1

This being election year, political matters are beginning to have a prominent place in the news of the The primary election will be held this spring and the general election this fall. Secretary of State Olcott is issuing a digest of the election laws in which every event of the election is fully set forta. The primary election will be held on May 15, and other dates of importance are April 10, April 15, May 1 and May 6.

April 10 is the last day for filing nomination petitions for any state or district office. These include mem-bers of the national committees of the three political parties subject to the primary laws, United States sencongressman in the first, sec ond and third districts; governor, state freasurer, justices of the supreme court, attorney general, state school superintendent, state engin-eer, labor commissioner, railroad commissioner at large, superintend-ents of water divisions one and Iwo; Judges of circuit courts, department four, Multnomah county, and in the Tenth and Twelfth judicial districts: district attorney in Union county; state senators in the First, second, third, fourth, sixth, ninth, tenth, twelfth, thirteenth, fourteenth, fifteenth, nineteenth, twentieth and twenty-third senatorial districts, and representatives in the legislative as-

sembly in all districts. This is also the last date on which candidates may file portraits and statements in their favor, or on which opposing arguments may be filed for publication in the campaign pumph

April 15 is the last day on which nominating petitions may be filed with the county clerk for county or

precinct offices.

May 1 is the day the registration books must close, according to an opinion of the attorney general.

May 6 is the last day on which the secretary of state shall forward cop-

les of the election pamphlet to reg-

# FIRST TRAIN RIDE IN 20 YEARS

David Hill, Pioneer of Central Oregon, Enjoys Pullman Trip.

tral Oregon, took his first ride on period of uncertainty that is now train, last Thursday night, in 29 years, and to make it more auspi-cious he enjoyed the luxury of a Pullman. Mr. Hill went to Portland, whence he expected to go to Salem and other places in the valley and on

Mr. Hill came to Crook county 14 years ago and took up a homestead trar for both Bend precincts. The south of Bend. His last ride on a 268,000 first person to register was Mrs. H. train was back in 1 tah. He left the 39.00 B. Ford and the second her sister, railroad at a little place named Kelton, taking the stage there westward.

He settled first in Eastern Oregon, in 1882, conducting a feed stable, Later he was engaged in sheep raising, gradually drifting westward until he reached here. Mr. Hill platted and owned the townsite of Harper, south of Bend, which he sold last year. He has also disposed of his homestead and will try life in the coast country for awhile, but some of his ferness procedure. his friends predict that he will be back in Bend within six months. Mr. Hill came originally from Iowa.

#### OPTIMISM IS RETURNING

Railroad Man Says Everywhere Better Feeling Prevails.

W. C. Wilkes, assistant general passenger agent of the S. P. & S. Raliway system spent yesterday in Bend calling on the business men and ascertaining the general business

conditions,
"There is a strong feeling of optimism everywhere now," he said,
"and everybody seems to feel that
the period of dulines which has prevalled for some time is about over. In Portland during the past ten days there hase been a very marked change in the conditions—a decided improvement in every line. Here to Bend, too, it seems that there is a similar reawakening, nearly all the business men with whom I have talked speaking very hopefully."
Mr. Wilkes returned to his head-

quarters in Portland last night.

## SPRING COLONIST RATES

Low Fare Period to Extend Fron March 15 to April 15.

Railroads in the Northwest are be ginning to advertise the spring col-onist rates which will be in effect for 30 days beginning with March 15. The rates will be the same as in former seasons-\$33 from Chicago, \$30 from Missouri river points and \$25 from the Colorado region. Although the reduced rates will be advertised to a considerable extent the roads state they will make no special effort to induce organized parties of home-seekers to come West.

They state that heretofore the low rates have been taken advantage of by wage-earners, principally, and that but few bona fide homeseekers are generally included in the large parties that come out each spring and fall. Genuine would-be settlers will come at any time of the year without waiting for special rates.

### WINTER CRUISING OF TIMBER

Deschutes Forest Service Men Will Work on Snowshoes.

Winter cruising of timber is to be tried, beginning this week, for the first time in the Deschutes National Forest. If the work can be carried on successfully it will be continued for about two months.

The timber to be cruised is in the

vicinity of Big River ranger station, and as there is much snow in that region the men will wear snow A crew of probably four men will be engaged in the work. In charge of Forest Assistant Will J. Sproat.

ASK RURAL DELIVERY CHANGES A petition is being circulated to be fully reclaimed.

presented to the postal authorities asking for changes and improvements in the rural delivery service out of flend. Instead of the present tri-weekly service the petition asks for a daily delivery on the present route, which runs out of town about eight miles, and a tri-weekly service from the end of this line out of Alfalfa. a delivery three times a week.

# LAND BOARD IS

BUT WEST WILL KEEP UP FIGHT

Board Passes Resolutions Opposing Further Carey Projects-Turns North Canal Proposition Down-Attorney General On "Facta."

Pursuing his announced intention of working for the consummation of the North canal proposition set forth here on the 17th Governor West, at a meeting of the Desert Land Board iast week, presented a resolution put-ting the board on record as favoring the reclamation of the unit through state and federal co-operation. Though the vote of the board was unfavorable the Governor announced that it was by no means final and that he would continue to push the matter

ne would continue to push the matter vigorously.

This action was taken after the passage of a resolution offered by the Governor providing that no further requests for temporary withdrawals be entertained and with other provisions as well which strictly limit the promotion of further Carey act projects in Oregon. The complete act projects in Oregon. The complete resolution was as follows:

The Resolution.

Whereas, it appears that since the first segregation list was filed with the State under the Carey Act in April, 1902, there have been filed from time to time about 30 similar segregation lists covering in the aggregate, round numbers, 750,000 acres, and

Whereas, it appears that but two concerns have during the 14 years time fully completed their projects. the same being:

Brownell Desert Reclamation

Association . . . . . . 24 Deschutes Reclamation & frri-240 scress gation Co., ...... 1280 acres

Whereas, the Columbia Southern

Project went on the rocks and had to be taken over by the State in order to protect its good name, and Whereas, others are experiencing financial difficulties which can only

lead to the State having to come to the rescue, and Whereas, as a rule the said Carey

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Act Projects in the State have not
proven a success, and
Whereas, the State is demonstrating upon the Tumalo Project that
these lands can be reclaimed by it
in less time and at less cost than by
private corporations, be it
Resolved, 1. That no further requests for temporary withdrawals be

quests for temporary withdrawals be entertained or preliminary contracts be entered into

2. That no further permanent contracts be entered into where the preclad guarantee is forthcoming that the lands will be speedily and

time be granted upon contracts un-less it can be shown that work is being carried on in a faithful, business like and satisfactory manner and as-surance can be given that the work will be fully completed at an early

4. That all such projects should be (Continued on last page.)

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