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# PORTLAND & SOUTHEASTERN TO BUILD FROM MT. ANGEL TO BEND, IS ANNOUNCEMENT

Surveys Are Now Being Rushed at Summit of Cascades, and Will Connect With Western Pacific

## BIG REDUCTION TO BE MADE IN DISTANCE TO THE COAST

New Company Ready to Start Work Any Time, But Construction Will Await Turning Back Railroads To Private Ownership—Terminals and Rights of Way Are Being Secured By Company.

With the filing of articles of incorporation in Salem, on June 7, by the Portland & Southeastern Railroad company, naming as incorporators Colonel C. S. Spencer, a well known Portland attorney, H. S. Huson, chief engineer for the Denver and Rio Grande, Northern Pacific and the Myler Construction company, of Portland, and J. W. Foster, of Portland, today comes the first announcement of railroad construction activity in Oregon.

According to J. W. Foster of the Myler Construction company, the P. & S. E. will build from Mt. Angel, on the west side of the Cascades, to Bend, via Sisters, then southeast to Nevada, where it will ultimately connect up with the Western Pacific, thereby gaining an outlet from Portland to San Francisco.

For the last several weeks, crews of engineers numbering upwards 35 men, have been under the direction of Mr. Foster, making preliminary surveys on the summit. These surveys are being rushed with all possible speed and will be completed within the next few weeks after which the crews will begin operations on the east slope of the divide into Sisters. It is expected that these preliminary operations will be completed within the next two months.

When asked this afternoon just what was contemplated in the way of future surveys and construction, Mr. Foster said:

"We propose to build from the summit southeast through Sisters and Bend and from Bend southeast to Nevada. The point at which the new line will connect up with the Western Pacific, is not fully determined, but likely will be in the vicinity of Winnemucca, Nevada, which will give a route to San Francisco 281 miles shorter than any other line south from Portland, and over a grade far more satisfactory from the engineering standpoint than any railroad line from Portland to San Francisco. So far as the distance will affect Bend, I might say that the line of the proposed P. & S. E. will be between 80 and 90 miles shorter than the present line of the Oregon Trunk and the O. W. R. & N.

When asked regarding the specific time when construction will begin Mr. Foster further stated:

"So far as the new company and the construction company is concerned we are all ready at this time to begin work. We believe fully that the railroads will be turned back from the government control to private ownership and our construction work will await this action by the government. I believe that we will be ready to begin work either in the vicinity of Mt. Angel for the first 40 or 50 miles by September 1, or west from the summit toward Mt. Angel. By this time it is expected that practically all of the difficult engineering work in the mountains will be complete into Sisters, and we will be able to devote the winter months to running the line south from Sisters to Bend and then on into the southern part of the state and Nevada.

"For several months right of way parties have been negotiating with owners on the west side of the mountains, getting leases for terminal sites, rights of way, etc. This work, I understand, is nearly complete. After this is done we shall be able to begin work on the east side of the mountains. It is a little premature, as yet, to say anything about our entrance into Bend, but we have tentatively decided upon this feature."

### Old C. & E. Line Guide.

In many respects the line of the Portland & Southeastern follows the general line of the old Corvallis & Eastern railroad with the exception that the western terminus is proposed to be at Mount Angel, the present terminus of the Willamette & Pacific electric line. The line strikes a general southeasterly direction through the Santiam forest and crosses the Cascades through the line of the Minto trail, and follows to Sisters and then the west side of the Deschutes, with the possible entrance into Bend in the vicinity of the holdings of the Pine Tree Lumber Co. Action with regard to entrance into Bend is later to be determined.

According to H. H. Huson, an eminent railroad builder, the engineering features connected with the construction of this line are simple, and the cost will not be excessive in crossing the mountains.

### Hill Connection Denied.

When asked regarding any affiliation with the Hill interests in this

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## TUMALO PLANS BIGGEST FAIR

WILL ADD LIVESTOCK DEPARTMENT.

Committee to Seek Appropriation from County Court, and Exhibits Will Be Asked from Every Rancher in District.

(From Friday's Daily.)

That the annual Tumalo fair will be bigger and better than ever in the history of the country was the determination expressed last night by a committee of the West Side Agricultural Fair association, meeting at Tumalo. Tentative arrangements were made for the exhibition of farm products, and it was decided that a committee should wait on the county court at the next session of the commissioners to ask for an appropriation to aid in staging the affair.

While an effort will be made to have even a better agricultural display than usual, a special feature of the fair will be the livestock section, which will appear for the first time. Tumalo is well qualified to introduce the new department, it was pointed out, as there are now no less than 50 registered Shorthorns owned by the farmers of the section. Particular attention will also be paid to the poultry department, and an excellent showing in this line is expected.

It is planned to have every farmer in the Tumalo district represented, and to accomplish this end a committee will be chosen to visit every family to solicit exhibits.

Following the fair association, a meeting of the Tumalo Bull association was held. Two pedigreed sires are now the property of this organization.

Members of the fair board who were in attendance last night were: J. W. Brown, president; C. P. Becker, secretary; F. N. Wallace, John Marsh, J. C. Fish, Olaf Anderson, Harry McGuire, A. J. Harter, Charles Spauld, James Griffin and E. M. Bayles.

## SNOW CREEK TO BE ADJUDICATED

SURVEYS IN PROPOSED IRRIGATION DISTRICT TO BEGIN SOON UNDER DIRECTION OF STATE ENGINEER'S OFFICE.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

Under the direction of State Engineer Percy Cupper, H. K. Donnelly of the state engineer's department with a crew of men will begin surveys within a week for the adjudication of the water rights on Snow creek, in this county. Suit was filed recently in the circuit court of this county and later referred to the state water board to determine the rights on this creek. The work will take about two weeks. After the surveys are completed the issue will be referred to State Water Superintendent George Cochrane.

## ROBERT K. INNES RETURNS TO BEND

Chief Yeoman on Board Ship for 74,400 Miles—Entered Service in First Part of the War

(From Monday's Daily.)

More than two years after he enlisted in the U. S. navy, Robert K. Innes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Innes of this city, returned to Bend today, having recently received his discharge from the service at Bremerton after he had attained the rating of chief yeoman. From April, 1918, to the early part of this month he was on board ship with but a few brief shore leaves, and estimates that in that time he covered 74,400 miles. This was done in 12 trips between the United States and Europe while in the transport service.

Mr. Innes will make his home in Bend with his parents.

## MOTHER TAKES LIFE TO JOIN HER DAUGHTER

MRS. WILLIAM INMAN  
DIES IN BEND.

NOTE EXPLAINS ACT

Husband Prostrated by Grief, but Had Been Led to Expect Tragedy by Wife's Conversation—Strychnine Is Used.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

After grieving for four months over the death of her 16-year-old daughter, Mrs. William Inman ended her own life at her ranch home in the Tumalo section yesterday afternoon by taking strychnine kept in the house for rabbit poison. "I am tired of living; I want to go where Orpha is," a letter which she had written a short time before explained. Mr. Inman is prostrated by grief, but states that his wife's conversation since the loss of her daughter had in a sense prepared him for the tragedy. Mrs. Inman was 41 years old, and was born in Buffalo, Missouri.

Mr. Inman had left for the Pine Tree mill for a load of lumber, and Mrs. J. O. Connarn, who had been calling at the ranch, had taken her departure, leaving her two children, Dick and Leora, playing in the Inman yard, when Mrs. Inman took a three-grain capsule, of poison, the amount being more than 100 times the dose commonly used for medicinal purposes. Shortly after 3:30 o'clock she called to the children, telling them that she was ill, and the youngsters immediately ran to the C. P. Becker ranch, returning with Mrs. Becker.

Antidotes Fail to Save.

At first Mrs. Inman would give no information as to the nature of her trouble, but after a severe convulsion admitted that she had taken strychnine. Mrs. Becker administered milk and eggs as an antidote, then called Dr. J. C. Vandeventer and a nurse from Bend. For a time it seemed that Mrs. Inman might have a chance for recovery, but she quickly lost strength and died just as she was brought into the Bend Surgical hospital at 5:30 o'clock.

The death of the daughter, which prompted yesterday's tragedy, took place in Bend on March 15 of the present year, resulting from complications following a severe attack of influenza. The mother had apparently carefully considered the step she was about to take, for the letter which was entrusted to Mrs. Becker was several pages in length, giving detailed directions as to the disposal of her personal effects and explaining the writer's reasons for ending her life.

Funeral services will be held at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning from the Niswonger chapel.

## HAYES RANCH BRINGS \$18,000

C. N. JONES, RECENTLY OF VIRGINIA, PURCHASES FARM AT TUMALO—WILL RAISE PURE-BRED LIVESTOCK.

The John Hayes ranch at Tumalo, formerly owned by Grover Gerking, was sold yesterday to C. N. Jones, a recent arrival in Deschutes county from Virginia. The ranch contains 200 acres with 177 irrigable and with water right. Of the total acreage, 100 acres is seeded to alfalfa. The consideration, according to J. B. Miner, who made the deal, was \$18,000.

The new owner is an experienced farmer and an irrigation specialist. It is Mr. Jones' intention to make the ranch a pure-bred livestock ranch. Mr. Hayes has other large interests in Lake county which he manages.

## SHOULD OBTAIN STATION HERE IN TWO YEARS

DEFINITE ASSURANCE  
GIVEN BY KERR.

NEED IS RECOGNIZED

Regents and President of O. A. C. Guests at Farm Bureau Banquet—Work on Ranches of County Related.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

Definite assurance that the Oregon Agricultural college will do its utmost to aid Central Oregon in securing an experiment station, and advice as to the best manner of procedure for Central Oregon counties in doing their part toward attaining this object, were given last night by Dr. J. W. Kerr, president of the state Agricultural college, when he spoke at a banquet given at the Pilot Butte Inn by the Deschutes County Farm bureau. Dr. Kerr's address followed a number of talks by farmers, bankers and business men, showing the country's needs and outlining the problems which have already been worked out by the men who gain a livelihood from the soil. County Agriculturist Koons presided as toast master at the banquet.

"You need an experiment station here just as soon as it can be obtained," was Dr. Kerr's declaration. "After carefully watching the growth and development of this section for a number of years, I have become fully convinced that the people of Central Oregon should have the results of scientific investigation to aid them in their work."

To Seek Federal Aid.

"This country has a new country's problems and they must be solved here. An experiment station which will make this possible can be secured by united effort. By beginning now, it should be possible to have such a station designated and the appropriation provided at the next session of the legislature. Take up the work at once. Gather all the information possible, and compile your data so that you will have an attractive paying proposition which will appeal to hard-headed business men. This fall we should find out what assistance can be given by the federal government in order to be able to present this phase of the matter also to the legislature."

Dr. Kerr emphasized the importance of co-operation, praising especially the program adopted by the State Bankers association for the co-operation of business and banking interests in advancing the interests of the farmer. "The farmer's interest is the interest of all," he asserted. "We all prosper, or we all fall together. The O. A. C. plan is the plan of cooperation and organization."

Story of Development Told.

John Marsh of the farm bureau, first speaker of the evening sketched the history of the development of Central Oregon, relating the work which has been accomplished in improving the quality of stock raised on Central Oregon ranches, and laying special emphasis on the co-operative methods of handling stock enabling the small rancher to obtain the same advantages of large scale production as the big stock grower.

The possibilities of the dual purpose cow and the advantages of sowing blue grass on subirrigated soil were developed by E. P. Mahaffey of the Central Oregon bank. Passing from this, he entered a plea for the establishment of an experiment station. "Give us a chance," he urged. "The people of the state don't know what we have here, but we know that this is the sort of assistance which would be most beneficial to us, and in consequence to the entire state."

Potato Grading Pays.

J. A. Melvin related his experience in the last three years in potato culture and mentioned that through the Deschutes County Potato Growers association, potatoes raised in this section bring 20 cents higher on the San Francisco market than tubers raised in any other lo-

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## REGENTS OF O. A. C. WILL EXTEND AID

EXPERIMENT STATION  
HERE FAVORED.

## MORE DATA NEEDED

President Kerr of State College Explains Steps Necessary in Bringing Matter to a Focus Before Legislature.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

Members of the board of regents of the Oregon Agricultural college, headed by Dr. W. J. Kerr, president of the state institution, visiting in Bend today while on a tour of the state, are favorably disposed toward the establishment of a farm experiment station near Bend, to serve all Central Oregon, they declared in individual statements and addresses at the Commercial club luncheon this noon. Before definite action can be taken, however, full data on the needs of the country, its problems and the particular lines on which such a station could most profitably specialize, will be required, Dr. Kerr stated, reflecting the sentiment of the entire board. Other members of the party who are in Bend, and who will be the guests of the Deschutes County Farm bureau at a banquet to be given at 7 o'clock tonight are: J. K. Weatherford of Albany, chairman of the board; Jefferson Meyers of Portland, secretary; H. von der Hellen of Medford, George Cornwall of Portland Oregon.

Study of Conditions Needed.

Introduced by C. S. Hudson, president of the State Bankers association, Dr. Kerr developed the topic outlined by Mr. Hudson, that of the need for an experiment station, or a branch of the Agricultural college.

"We are here to study conditions to find out what you need, and to devise further means of extending assistance to you," he said. "Central Oregon has developed rapidly but much of your great country is still undeveloped. There are great problems of improvement remaining to be solved. In this connection I wish to say that one of the most encouraging things I have noted here is the interest taken by the leading men of the community in developing and aiding in the solution of the country's problems."

Problems Are Great.

"I am much interested in Central Oregon. I realize that you on the farms are working under great difficulties. We want to help you. There are thousands of acres uncultivated, and there should be much of this which can be rendered productive."

"Before the matter of an experiment station can be brought to a focus, we must have all the facts connected with such a move collected and at our disposal. In this we need your cooperation. We must know the acreage of the country to be served, how much of it is irrigable, how much is already under irrigation, and definite data as to the prospects for getting water on the arid areas. Also we should be informed as to the lines of work which an experiment station could most profitably specialize on, the probable annual cost of maintenance, the availability of land and money for the erection of buildings, and the possibility of obtaining federal cooperation."

College Record Is Told.

"Such a station should serve a large area, and should have the cooperation of the business men, bankers, county agents, farmers and specialists sent out by the college. We would be especially interested in securing this information from you."

"I am for whatever will develop the state, and if an experiment station here will do that I am certainly for it," J. K. Weatherford, president of the board of regents, said in ex-

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