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## TEST COMMUNITY INTERESTS

### HARRIMAN AND GOULD INTERESTS ENGAGE IN TRAFFIC WAR.

No Promises Made of Stability of Rates in the West-Goulds Claim Through Traffic as Their Right.

The Chicago Record-Herald of recent date publishes the following: The Gould and Harriman interests are engaged in a struggle for transcontinental traffic which will test to its utmost the strength of the community of interests. The two interests have been unable to get together, although several attempts have been made recently. The executive officials of the Colorado and Utah lines were unable to settle their differences in meetings held here and adjourned from day to day during the present week.

As a result of the unsettled condition of traffic matters in Colorado and Utah, the officials of the lines east of the river were equally unable to make firm pledges that rates would be maintained for another month. The fight which the Goulds have begun for recognition as a transcontinental factor through the Ogden gateway is the explanation of the withdrawal of the Missouri Pacific from the Colorado and Utah association and the refusal of its officials up to date to re-enter.

The purpose of the acquisition of the Denver & Rio Grande and the Rio Grand Western by the Goulds has become plain now through the fight in progress. The situation is this: Through their possession of the Rio Grande roads the Goulds are laying claim to large percentage of the through traffic from the coast.

Should the Harriman people refuse to turn over to the Gould connections the amount of traffic the Goulds think they are entitled to, the result will be problematical. Should the Goulds decide to get the amount of traffic they are claiming their position entitles them to, rates would be undoubtedly cut as they were in December and the bulk of the traffic would go from Ogden by way of Grand Junction and Pueblo, where it would be delivered to the Missouri Pacific for St. Louis and the east.

It is also understood that a refusal on the part of the Harriman people to accede to demands of the Goulds would mean an alliance between the Goulds and Senator Clark who would be able to give the Goulds a Pacific coast outlet by way of the projected Los Angeles-Salt Lake line.

The situation is further complicated by the fact that the Northern Pacific has announced its intention to build a Portland cut-off from Missoula, Mont., through the Clearwater district, thereby tapping rich territory of the Oregon Railway & Navigation company and the Oregon Short line. A line from Ogden to a connection with the projected Clearwater branch of the Northern Pacific is among the possibilities of a failure of the Gould and Harriman people to agree.

The Missoula cut-off would shorten the Northern Pacific's St. Paul-Portland line by over 400 miles.

### Baker County in State Convention.

Baker City, Jan. 18.—Considerable interest centers in the number of delegates that Baker county will be entitled to in the republican state and congressional conventions next spring. On the old apportionment the county will have 14, and if there is a change in the apportionment as suggested by the chairman of the state committee the number will be still larger. The population of Baker county has been increased by some 3000 inhabitants by the annexation of the "Panhandle" district since the last election.

Baker county will have the largest delegation from Eastern Oregon in attendance at either convention, and is therefore destined to cut more of a figure in the makeup of the state and congressional tickets than it has ever done before.

The republican leaders of this

## country are trying to harmonize all the factions of the party, so that when they go to the state and congressional conventions they can exercise a potent influence and secure some concessions for Eastern Oregon in the way of places on one or the other of the tickets, besides having a hand in the selection of the men from the other sections of the state, who will form the personnel of the state and congressional tickets.

It is not such an easy task, with the conflicting interests of the various factions, to reach an agreement upon a plan of action which will insure absolute harmony. It is well known, even now, that Baker county is to be one of the principal battle grounds as between Mr. Moody and Mr. Williamson, for congress, and it is expected that the contest for the control of the Baker county delegation will determine the attitude of the delegates from the county to the state convention with regard to the selection of candidates for the state ticket.

### NEW TAX LAW.

The law enacted by the last legislature relative to the payment of taxes has some features of interest to heavy property-holders that may not be generally understood, and that will save a nice little percentage to those who have ready money.

The law provides that if the taxes are paid on or before the 15th day of March, a rebate of 3 per cent shall be allowed, while on the other hand, the results of delinquency are as severe as heretofore. Taxes will now become delinquent by operation of this law on the first Tuesday in April, if not sooner settled, and thereafter, besides the penalty, there will be interest charged at the rate of 12 per cent per annum from date of delinquency.

But the taxpayer can avoid this by the payment of one-half the taxes levied against him on or before the first Monday in April, and then he will have until the first Monday in October to pay the rest, but if he does not pay them by that time, then they shall become delinquent and shall bear interest from April at 12 per cent.

These provisions of the law will doubtless bring in a large portion of the taxes during the month of March, and will make that a busy month in the sheriff's office, because taxpayers, especially heavy ones, wait as long as they can without losing money, and make a grand rush at the last moment to escape penalties.

### BEEF CATTLE.

A. B. Thompson, one of the Butte creek men, who, with Robt. Stanfield and others, is figuring on shipping a train load consisting of 250 beef cattle, to Chicago during this month, says that they have concluded to abandon the project, for the present at least. This is because local and Sound buyers have come up on prices and are offering as much as could be secured in Chicago after the expense of shipping was taken out. The price offered now by local dealers is \$4.20 per 100 and raisers are holding for \$4.50 which they expect to get before buyers will see these cattle shipped out of the country.—Pendleton East Oregonian.

A young lady down at Enterprise Oregon, has joined the "Buffaloes," according to newspaper reports, says Joseph Herald. Sunday morning the young lady took a bath and the bathroom being too cold for the purpose, she took a position behind the kitchen stove and called her sister to give her a rubbing down with a towel. During the operation the young lady backed up against the stove directly where the name of the city in which it was manufactured occurred, and the word "Buffalo" was burned deeply into the flesh. The letters standing out in bold outlines on a very red "field." She refrained from making the customary exclamation on Sunday and put in the day holding down a pillow.

"Hick'ry Farm," February 7.

## THEIR INTERESTS MUTUAL

### PROSPECTS FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW CREAMERIES.

Railroads Will Assist the Farmer in the Upbuilding of the Dairy Industry in Willamette Valley.

Farmers and operators of the railroads having learned that their interests are mutual and having agreed upon working in harmony in the future, it may be put down as a foregone conclusion that Oregon, and particularly the Willamette valley, will rapidly come to the front as one of the leading dairying sections of the United States. The lively interest displayed in this branch of farming is becoming so plain that any one with ordinary power of conception cannot help but see that a great future lies before this industry, and that the time will come when Oregon's dairy products will be playing a prominent part in the world's market.

The Southern Pacific Company, says Freight and Passenger Agent R. B. Miller, stands ready to assist farmers wishing to reach out for progress, and will, by establishing low freight rates and other concessions that will tend to help along the work in its infancy. His opinion is that railroads and agriculture are so closely related, that neither could exist without the other, and as he recently expressed himself at the Farmers' congress in Salem, "regards the railroads as the channel through which the marketing of the fruits of the labor of the agriculturist is made possible, and without which the vast consuming classes could not be reached."

Assured of assistance from the transportation companies, farmers in places remote from trading centers do not hesitate to enter at least to some extent into this new industry, and it is a fact that this spring will see the old-crop system of farming to a great deal revolutionized. Prospects are for the establishment of a large number of new creameries and old ones will be enlarged and equipped with appliances that will insure best results. A scarcity of cows has held back the creamery industry for the year past, but most farmers have increased their herds of dairy cows and the shortage of milk will therefore be less during the coming summer.

There has been considerable talk about over production and a flooding of the markets with dairy products, but this fear no longer keeps the progressive farmer from continuing in the footsteps of the successful dairyman, for he has already been convinced that the middle man and the commission merchant will create a market.

A man named Shoiz in Tomah, Wis., recently caused the arrest of 11 young men, who, he claims, tendered a charivari with out his having been married, and that they also destroyed his property. The plaintiff claims that the men broke into his cellar and took some canned goods which they devoured, and into his summer kitchen and barn and took a blanket and tablecloth which they stuffed into his chimneys, smoking them out of the house. It is also claimed that they also destroyed parts of his fences and out buildings.

### ROOSEVELT ON RAILROADS.

According to recent advices from Washington, President Roosevelt is said to have emphatically declared himself as favoring legislation that will place railroads under the control of the government. The visit of Attorney-General Douglas of Minnesota to President Roosevelt and Attorney-General Knox in regard to the Northern Securities Company merger has developed the fact that both the President and the attorney-general are in favor of legislation which will place the railroads of this country under government control.

Attorney-General Knox talks

openly on the subject. He believes that unless there is some legislative action in this line the railroads will continue to combine and make financial deals which will prove disastrous to the business and financial interests of the country. President Roosevelt agrees with Mr. Knox. It was because of this firmly fixed conviction that Mr. Roosevelt in his message to congress made the strong recommendation that the powers of the Interstate Commerce Commission be enlarged.

The president believes that the Interstate commerce law should be changed so that the Commission will be answerable to the president direct for its acts. There are several bills in congress providing for the enlargement of the Commission's power, but none has been acted on so far.

### Only a Bluff.

The talk of Eastern Oregon seceding from the state for the purpose of forming a separate state, by reason of the alleged unequal division of state offices, is characterized as a bluff or hop dream by politicians who are conversant with the situation.

"State division is a favorite hobby with Eastern Oregon politicians whenever they want recognition in the state legislature or places on the state ticket. Just now there is a state campaign opening, and Eastern Oregon is due on a spree for secession or division, just because she has two or three candidates for governor. No sane republican will believe for a moment that the bluff will work or that any of the candidates inspiring this hop dream will make capital in consequence of it. Whenever the time comes for making two states out of Oregon it will be done in consequence of natural conditions and not for the purpose of furthering the interests of selfish office-seekers. Eastern Oregon is not ready for state division, and when she does get ready, if ever she does, hungry office-seekers will have no place in the movement."

This is the declaration of a Baker City mining man, who is in close touch with the political situation and knows whence the secession talk emanates.—Portland Telegram.

### New Diamond Field.

A special to the Independent from Lewiston, near the scene of the reported diamond discoveries, says that, according to Clifford Deo, the discoverer, the fields cover an area of 15 miles long and four miles wide. Deo brought in a large number of the stones, which he found on a hunting trip, on the side of ant hills. Some of the stones that were examined and thoroughly tested by a mineralogist, located at Spotted horse, were pronounced by him sapphires of an excellent quality, similar to the what sapphires found in the Congo district, which are now shipped to London, Deo insists that Taffany, of New York, rendered an opinion to the effect that the stones are diamonds. The general impression is that the discovery is a sapphire field richer than that of Yogo, which is the most noted in the United States. A telegram was received in Helena today by Governor S. T. Hauser, from ex-Senator Wolcott, of Colorado, inquiring as to the genuineness of the find, and saying if it was genuine, Morton O. Frowen, the English financier, would start for Lewiston immediately.

The Oregon Forwarding company the largest mercantile firm in Ontario, and one of the largest in Oregon, has changed hands. Mr. E. A. Rieger, the present manager, and Mr. Otto C. Backman of California, are the purchasers and will conduct the business in the future under the firm name of Rieger & Backman. The Oregon Forwarding company does a general wholesale and retail mercantile business, and this trade extends all over Malheur and Harney counties. Fred J. Kiesel of Ogden, Utah, was the principal stockholder in the old firm.—Boise Capital News.

## NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE.

Under and by virtue of an execution in Foreclosure and an Order of Sale, issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Harney, on the 14th day of January, 1902, and to me directed and delivered on said day, in a certain cause wherein The Citizens Bank, a Corporation, was Plaintiff and Frank C. Fister and J. H. Neal were Defendants, upon a judgment duly rendered and given in said Court and cause in favor of the said plaintiff and against the said defendant Frank C. Fister for the sum of One Thousand and Seventy-one and 60-100 Dollars, with 10 per cent interest from July 9th 1901, and One Thousand Dollars with 10 per cent interest from November 9, 1900, and the further sum of Two Hundred and Seven Dollars attorneys fee and Twenty Dollars cost of suit, which said judgment was enrolled and docketed in the Clerk's office of said County and State on the 7th day of Nov. 1901. I have this day duly levied upon the following description real estate, also described in said Order of Sale and therein ordered to be sold, that is to say: Lots 3 and 4, and the South-west quarter of the North-west quarter of Sec. 4, Tp. 26 S. R. 35 E. W. M. North half of the South-east quarter, South-east of the North-west quarter and the South-west of the North-east quarter of Sec. 4, Tp. 26, S. R. 35 E. W. M., in Harney County, Oregon.

And will on the 24th day of February, 1902, at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, at the front door of the Court House, in the City of Burns, Harney County, Oregon, sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder for U. S. Gold Coin in hand, all the right, title and interest of the said Frank C. Fister in and to the property above described or so much thereof as will satisfy said judgment as above set forth together with the accruing costs. Witness my hand this 15th day of January 1902.

GEORGE SHELLEY,  
Sheriff of Harney County, Ore.  
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GEORGE SHELLEY,  
Sheriff of Harney County, Ore.  
By SAM MOTHERSHEAD, Deputy.

## DESERT LAND, FINAL PROOF.

—NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.  
Land Office at Burns, Oregon, Jan. 4, 1902.  
Notice is hereby given that Mary E. Johnson, of Riley, Harney county, Oregon, has filed notice of intention to make proof on her desert-land claim No. 151, for the S24, S34, W1 E 23 1/2, sec. 28, Tp. 25, S. R. 35 E. W. M., before Register and Receiver at Burns, Oregon, on Saturday, the 8 day of February, 1902. She claims the following witnesses to prove the complete irrigation and reclamation of said land: E. J. Shields, W. B. Johnson, and J. L. Vandervoort, all of Riley, Oregon, and J. T. Garrett, of Burns, Oregon.  
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