

Portland has at least made a start toward helping to bring the great inland empire of Oregon into more prominence and development, as will be seen by a communication from the board of trade on the first page of this issue. But to merely extend transportation to Bend by the extension of the Columbia Southern will be only a step toward bringing development to Central Oregon and benefit Portland in a business way. While the settlement of that section would bring more trade to the Oregon metropolis it would not open up new fields. Possibly, the business men of that city think a railroad to Bend would divert all the trade of Eastern and Central Oregon to that place. In this they are much mistaken. They would simply be tapping a section that already belongs to them on account of its locality it has no other alternative whether it has transportation facilities or not.

If Portland is really sincere and desires to open its eyes to the possibilities of Southern and Central Oregon, she will do more than pass resolutions and make not only an effort to push transportation to Bend, but give the whole of the great isolated section a chance to connect with the outside world.

Portland's attention has been repeatedly called to the importance of doing something along this line. It has been shown to her interest to not allow a road from the south or east to tap this great section where hundreds of homes could be made and the state's population and taxable property could be doubled.

That city may be laboring under the delusion that it has the bulk of the trade of this section and can keep it by making a bluff toward doing what should have been done years ago. A railroad to Bend would not divert one cent of trade to Portland from this section more than it has today. The fact that Portland gets not to exceed 25 per cent of Harney county's trade at present may give an idea of what might be done. While it gets practically no benefit from our wool and stock shipments. Why should the business of this section go to Portland when our merchants can get better rates and more recognition elsewhere? The almost daily arrival and departure of traveling salesmen representing concerns in Omaha, Salt Lake, Kansas City, St. Louis, Chicago and San Francisco certainly means that merchants of this section are buying from those places in preference to Portland simply because better rates can be had.

Why should the people of central and southeastern Oregon discourage the building of transportation lines from the South, when they are coming without any effort or assistance upon our part, further than the natural resources and business of the country. It is simply a business proposition on their part. These people realize that to be first into this promising section means they will reap the benefit. They have investigated its possibilities and know its future. The development of these interior counties means much for the railroad that will tap it. Nothing else is required to make it the best part of Oregon today.

At the meeting of the irrigation association held last fall in Portland, it was conceded that Harney County had the most feasible irrigation project in the State; it is also perhaps the most isolated and remote from transportation lines. Yet had it been placed before the Interior Department at the date it should have been there is little doubt but that the government would have taken up the matter. The fact that the government has decided to place engineers in the field at an early date this season gives us courage,

and we are satisfied a selection for government irrigation work will be made before the close of the season. Such being the case a railroad will certainly follow. If Portland wants the trade of southeastern Oregon she must come and get it before some other more progressive and business spirited place heads her off. The people of the interior are ready to help along the line of developing this section, let it come from whatever source it may. They naturally would turn to Portland, but are not disposed to wait always on a city that seems so blind to its own interests, and whose business men seem to be superannuated fossils.

The Oregon legislature failed to pass one highly important measure, one which the people will sorely need before the full fruition of irrigation can come to the state. This was the bill to amend the present irrigation law of Oregon, regulating the irrigation of land, by contract, under the provisions of the Carey act. At present the contractor prevents settlement, by holding the entire tract set aside, for irrigation purposes. He holds the land and uses it until the entire cost of irrigating it shall have been paid to him and in many ways has arbitrary control of the tract and can use it to his own profit, indefinitely, to the exclusion of bona fide settlers.—East Oregonian.

In accordance with the law providing for a State Board of Health, which was passed at the recent session of the legislature, Governor Chamberlain has appointed the following well known doctors of the state as the members of this board:

- Dr. A. C. Smith, of Portland.
Dr. Harry Lane, of Portland.
Dr. C. J. Smith, of Pendleton.
Dr. A. C. Kenney, of Astoria.
Dr. E. B. Pickel, of Ashland.

NEW TAX LAW.

Taxpayers in Oregon will have to pay two years taxes in 1904. They will pay the taxes levied upon the tax roll of 1903 and also the taxes levied upon the roll of 1904. This is due to a change in the law by which taxes are to be paid in the fall of the same year in which the assessment is made. Under the present law the assessment is made after the first Monday in March, the assessment roll filed in September, the levy made the following January and the taxes become due the first of March. Thus the taxes on the assessment of 1902 are not paid until 1903. The new law provides that the Assessor shall on the first Monday in January proceed to make the assessment, and return the roll by the first Monday of July. The Board of Equalization will meet the first Monday in July and remain in session 20 days. The State Board makes its apportionment for state taxes in July, and the County Court makes its levy for county purposes in September. Cities and school districts must notify the County Clerks of their annual tax levies by the first of September. Taxes are delinquent after December 31; provided that if one-half of the taxes are paid on or before December 31 the other half will not be delinquent until the first Monday in April following. The rebate allowed for full payments is reduced from 3 to 2 per cent and the penalty on delinquent taxes is reduced from ten to five per cent.

A Remarkable Case.

One of the most remarkable cases of a cold, deep seated on the lungs, causing pneumonia, is that of Mrs. Gertrude E. Fenner, Marian Ind., who was entirely cured by the use of One Minute Cough Cure. She says: "The coughing and straining so weakened me that I ran down in weight from 145 to 92 pounds. I tried a number of remedies to no avail until I used One Minute Cough Cure. Four bottles of this wonderful remedy cured me entirely of the cough, strengthened my lungs and restored me to my normal weight, health and strength." - Burns' Druggists.

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WILL LOSE THEIR JOBS.

A Washington dispatch to the Oregonian says: The Oregon delegation now has under consideration the question of appointments of registers and receivers at five of the Oregon land offices to succeed the present incumbents, whose terms have long since expired.

Successors are being chosen for C. B. Moores, register at Oregon City; J. T. Bridges, register, and J. H. Booth, receiver, at Roseburg; E. W. Bartlett, register, and S. O. Swackhamer, receiver, at La Grande; E. M. Brattain, register, and Harry Bailey, receiver, at Lakeview, and Charles Newell, receiver at Burns. Last summer George W. Bibee was appointed receiver at Oregon City, and William Farre, register at Burns. These officers will not be disturbed.

Practically all of the present incumbents are candidates for reappointment, but it is believed that many changes will be made, particularly at La Grande, where the present officials have not rendered service satisfactory to the department. The delegation expects to agree on some of the new appointments within a few days, and, if so, nominations will at once be sent to the Senate and confirmed.

Fire Boys' "Smoker."

The volunteer fire department of Burns gave a smoker and luncheon at the city hall last Monday evening and invited the "city dads" and many of the business men to enjoy their hospitality. The real object of the meeting was to stir up more enthusiasm and give the property owners an idea of the importance of their co-operation with the fire department, and also to make a few suggestions as to some needed improvements in the fire apparatus. At present there is not sufficient hose to reach from the Main Street cisterns to the court house block. Should fire break out there or the public school building only the chemical engine would be available. The urgent necessity of securing 250 feet more hose was impressed upon those present. The city is not in a position at this time to make the necessary appropriation for such purpose and it was decided to give a ball some time next month to raise the necessary money. Business men who attended offered to contribute most liberally toward the affair and each boy a number of tickets. Almost everything in the way of expense of a dance was donated and the fire laddies were given much encouragement. The little social had the effect of bringing the business men in closer touch with the fire department and will be beneficial to all concerned. Further particulars of the proposed ball will be given later when definite arrangements have been made by the committee which has it in charge.

What's In a Name?

Everything is in the name when it comes to Witch Hazel Salve. E. C. DeWitt & Co. of Chicago, discovered, some years ago, how to make a salve from Witch Hazel that is a specific for Piles, for blind, bleeding, itching and protruding Piles, eczema, cuts, burns, bruises and all skin diseases. DeWitt's Salve has no equal. This has given rise to numerous worthless counterfeits. Ask for DeWitt's—the genuine—Burns' Druggists.

Decision Against Sheepmen.

A dispatch from San Francisco says sheepmen of seven states and two territories were affected by a decision handed down by Judge Hawley, sitting on the bench of the U. S. Court of Appeals. In effect, it perpetually enjoins them from pasturing flocks on the forest reserves. The decision is final. By its provisions no sheep can be pastured on reserves without permission from the Commissioner of the general land office, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

To Invoke Referendum.

The mining men of Eastern Oregon and Southern Oregon, believing that the Eddy bill passed at the recent legislature, which seems to be aimed at mining and oil companies, will work a hardship on the infant mineral interests of the State, and prevent the free development of the properties by foreign capital, have taken the necessary steps to invoke the referendum

power of the people at the next election to revoke the law as well as the law providing for a portage railroad, for which the mining interests were taxed, and both of which bills are believed to be mere political measures without real benefit to the people. The United States government is building a canal at the Celilo falls, and the appropriation for the portage road is not half enough to build, equip and operate the road, in the opinion of competent engineers, and by the time other legislatures can appropriate other money and make the road of active use there will be no need for it.

The Stomach Is The Man.

A weak stomach weakens the man, because it cannot transform the food he eats into nourishment. Health and strength cannot be restored to any sick man or weak woman without first restoring health and strength to the stomach. A weak stomach cannot digest enough food to feed the tissues and revive the tired and run down limbs and organs of the body. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure cleanses, purifies, sweetens and strengthens the glands and membranes of the stomach, and cures indigestion, dyspepsia and all stomach troubles.—Burns' Druggists.

Portland had three fires in one day this week the loss being about \$450,000. The most disastrous being the Victoria dock which was thought to have been set on fire by Frank McGuire who had been released a few months ago from the pen, where he served a ten year sentence for setting fire to three docks in Portland. At that time he declared he would be even with Portland.

SUMMONS.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Harney.

John W. Biggs and Dalton Biggs, composing the Co-partnership of Biggs and Biggs, Plaintiffs,

vs. C. W. Rann, Defendant.

To C. W. Rann, the the above named defendant: In the name of the State of Oregon: You are hereby required to appear and answer the above complaint filed against you in the above entitled action within six weeks from the date of the first publication of this summons; and if you fail to so answer or appear, for want thereof plaintiffs will take judgment against you for the sum of \$471.76 and interest thereon at the rate of ten per cent per annum from the 21st day of February, 1903, together with attorneys fees and costs and disbursements of this action, being the amount of the judgment, demanded in plaintiffs complaint herein.

This summons is published by order of Hon. H. C. Levens, judge of the County Court of Harney County, Oregon, dated the 27th day of February, 1903, which order requires this summons to be published in The Times Herald, a weekly newspaper published at Burns, Oregon, once a week, for a period of six weeks. The date of the first publication hereof is February 28, 1903. C. A. SWEET Attorney for Plaintiffs.

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, BURNS, Ore., February 26, 1903. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver at Burns, Oregon, on March 13, 1903, viz: H. E. No. 1247 of George W. Waters for the SW 1/4 Sec. 10 and W 1/2 NW 1/4 Sec. 15, T. 25 N., R. 22 E., W. M.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, BURNS, Ore., March 2, 1903. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver at Burns, Oregon, on April 20, 1903, viz: H. E. No. 1247 of Joseph Carey for the NW 1/4 and 2 and SW 1/4 Sec. 28, Lots 7, 8 and 9, sec. 27, T. 25 N., R. 22 E., W. M.

CONTEST NOTICE.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, BURNS, Ore., February 6, 1903. A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by Henry E. Felton, contestant, against Homestead entry No. 1207, made June 26, 1892, for SW 1/4 Section 10, Township 25 N., Range 22 E., by Leon Freeman Contestee, in which it is alleged that said Leon Freeman has removed from said land and abandoned the same. That he has not made any improvements on said land nor has he ever established residence upon said land, and that said alleged absence from the land was not due to his employment in the U. S. Navy or the Marine Corps of the United States, said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence in support of said allegations at 10 o'clock a.m. on March 15, 1903 before the Register and Receiver at the United States Land Office in Burns, Oregon.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, BURNS, Ore., March 6, 1903. Notice is hereby given that Mrs. Carrie Freeman of Riley, Oregon, has filed notice of intention to make final proof on her desert land claim No. 192, for the SW 1/4 Sec. 6, Lot 1, E 1/2 NW 1/4 Sec. 15, T. 25 N., R. 22 E., before the Register and Receiver at Burns, Oregon, on Friday, the 13th day of April, 1903.

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION.

The co-partnership heretofore existing between Lee Caldwell and A. M. Byrd, under the firm name of Caldwell & Byrd, has been dissolved by mutual consent, A. M. Byrd retiring from the business. Lee Caldwell assumes all indebtedness of the firm.

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