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OBJECTS TO ITS METHODS

SECRETARY HITCHCOCK COMES IN FOR A ROAST.

"Lone Pine" Agrees With Mr. Fitzgerald in Regard to Land Department—The Chewaucan Swamp Fire.

Silver Lake, Sept. 25.—(To the Editor)—A copy of your good paper has just been received on the first page of which is M. Fitzgerald's interview in a Portland paper regarding the Secretary of the Interior and the Land Department.

Forty thousand citizens and taxpayers will indorse every word he says in reference to the way and manner in which the Land Department has been conducted and the condition it places Eastern Oregon. Every move the President and Hitchcock have made have been against the interests of Eastern Oregon.

The old pioneer settlers have labored long and hard, passed thro' two Indian wars and now when light was about to dawn upon us, when we could have communication with the outside world and means of transportation for our stock and products and the early development of our country assured, we are completely inclosed in a reserve. There are hundreds of good ranches on the desert where water can be found at a depth of from 5 to 50 feet—all this land is withdrawn from settlement. We have no more rights than the Piute who is encircled by reservation boundaries.

The people of Oregon have greater cause to complain of the treatment of this great "Star Spangled-Banner" Republic than the colonies when they tossed the tea overboard in Boston harbor.

Something like a year ago many of the citizens of Silver Lake, Summer Lake and the Chewaucan Valley filed on timber land. As the time drew near to make final proof Hitchcock ruled the whole thing was illegal and we were "up against Bunker Hill." Immediately after people from all parts of the U. S. came by hundreds with government scrip and we had to take a back seat and see the grand resources of our country gobbled up by men and women who had no interest in us or the development of the country. Many of these people were foreigners who could speak hardly a word of English. It was all "ya ya" with them, but they had the scrip—finished, no doubt, by big lumber syndicates.

When Roosevelt first took the oath of office I thought he would fairly well, but I will vote for no man who will invite a negro to the White House to dine with his family. The negro is a lower order of man and whenever you bring yourself to a level with him you must move down the ladder a few rungs below the Caucasian, the highest type of man.

We will change the subject. The Chewaucan Valley has been on fire for three days. Men and women have been working day and night trying to check the flames but so far can do nothing. The made tule sod is burning. Many thousand tons of hay have been destroyed, the Hervford Bros., Brat-tain Bros., and the ZX Company being the heaviest losers. The loss of hay and pasture will be ruinous to the stock interests for hay is scarce and no feed on the desert. It will be hard even if it should be an easy or open winter.

A band of 700 head of Silver creek cattle in charge of Dibble and Johnson, passed through the valley a few days ago.

Felix Duncan has gone to Eugene with a bunch of horses to find a market if he can.

I will be out about the first of November.

From your well wishing friend
LONE PINE.

WHERE ALFALFA GROWS.

A. M. Moody was in the city yesterday from his alfalfa farm just above Ontario, and proceeded to

load this newspaper ranch with a spell that would make an oldtime farmer dream of gold bricks made of the pure stuff—the Grover Cleveland kind.

Mr. Moody's alfalfa land is so rich that the absorption through the hoofs of his horses, if not shod will keep them fat.

He has four acres of alfalfa fenced off for a hog pasture. He cut that once and got six tons to the acre, and then turned 57 hogs on the stubble. In the meantime the hogs hid in the field and Mr. Moody had to cut the alfalfa to find 'em. By this time the bunch of hogs had increased to 78, eating nothing but alfalfa and growing like 15 per cent interest compounded monthly—but he had to cut the alfalfa again.

Mr. Moody's experience goes to show that Malheur county still holds the championship of being the greatest alfalfa section on God's green earth—and everybody knows that Al only speaks the truth.—Argus.

VESTIBULED STOCK CAR.

The invention of a vestibuled stock car, reported last week, bids fair to revolutionize the methods of loading and unloading now in vogue and, if the innovation proves to be the success anticipated the time consumed in getting the animals in and out will be reduced to a minimum. By the construction of sliding doors at each end, it is proposed to convert an entire train into practically one car. It will be seen that by this arrangement it will be necessary to place the chute at only one point and that the consumption of time incident to moving the racks or the train will be entirely done away with. The sponsors for the new invention are Col. J. L. Penington, livestock agent of the Frisco railway, C. W. Preston, general freight agent of Frisco and C. W. Porter, a prominent cattleman, who have already applied for a patent. It will be readily seen that the work of unloading will be facilitated to an equal extent and congestion of cars at the stock yards in the several market centers avoided. It is strange indeed, that such a simple method of improving shipping facilities was never thought of before, but it must be remembered that such a simple device as the wheel remained undiscovered for centuries.—Texas Livestock Journal.

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Beef Will Advance.

"A month from now there will be very little beef to be had in this locality, and what there is will bring a better price than would be offered today." This is the opinion expressed yesterday by James Nelson, stockman of Butter creek, and is agreed with by not a few of the cattlemen who are awake to what is taking place says the Pendleton Tribune.

"Everything that is beef now," they argue, "is going out and no one seems to want to take the risk of wintering what they have, let alone keeping fat what is now ready for the block."

The few who take advantage of the abnormal condition of things, and hold on to what they have, keeping a percentage of their beef at home all the time, will be the ones to reap from the other man's lack of judgment.

Call and see the fall and winter samples and fashions for ladies suits, coats and jackets. At Mrs. Chas. Wilson's.

HIS FOREST RESERVE POLICY

HEAD OF BUREAU MAKES A CLEAN CUT STATEMENT.

Where Sheep Have Run in Reserves They Are Not to be Excluded But the Number Restricted.

Hon. Edgar Wilson, who enjoys a close acquaintance with Gifford Pinchot, forester of the bureau of agriculture, has received the following interesting letter from him showing what the attitude of the department is respecting use of the resources of forest reserve, says the Statesman.

Hon. Edgar Wilson, Boise, Idaho, Dear Mr. Wilson: Mr. E. T. Allen has just been telling me of the situation of the forest reserve matter in Idaho, and consequently I am anxious that you should know exactly what stand the bureau of forestry takes in these matters and how it will affect the interests of your state. I am writing you about this matter the more readily because of the pleasant associations I used to have with you in Washington and my knowledge of your interests in all these things.

The first thing to be said is that the bureau of forestry stands absolutely for the use of all the resources of the reserves. I hold that first consideration should be given to the dominant industry of any region, and then to the minor industries, giving each, whether dominant or minor, the fullest possible use of the resources of each reserve compatible with its permanent value. The application of this principle in Idaho necessarily means that where sheep have run in the reserve they should not be excluded, but that sheep grazing should be restricted to such a reasonable number as will prevent the destruction of the range and the ruin of the irrigation interests in the valleys below. It would likewise mean that if it were found necessary to exclude sheep from the timbered country on the lower mountains, provision would be made for their passage through the timbered area to the range above; and, in general, you may count upon it that the bureau will do its best to be reasonable wherever it has power. If the reserves are transferred to its care, as seems likely in the near future, it will do its best to give them their highest possible usefulness to the people who live in their neighborhood. This applies to water timber and grass. The mineral land laws, as you know, apply in the reserve as they do outside, and consequently the only effect upon the mining industry which the proclamation of a reserve can have is to perpetuate the supplies of timber upon whose continuance that industry depends.

With regard to boundaries of the reserves, I want to say first of all that the withdrawals which have already been made do not by any means represent the area which should finally be included. Mr. Allen tells me that these withdrawals cover large areas which should be restored to the public domain. While I cannot say anything definite now about the actual boundaries which I shall recommend, I want you to know that Mr. Allen's recommendations will practically settle the matter so far as I am concerned, and that I shall probably make either no change whatever or very slight changes in his proposals. You may therefore safely take his recommendations as being substantially what the bureau is likely to stand for.

If it would be of any assistance to the matter in hand, I shall be very glad indeed to have you make whatever use of this letter you may think wise. I am anxious that the attitude of the bureau should be understood in your state as thoroughly as possible.

One more point I want to make very strong. It is that faults in the management of the reserves should not be held to discredit the whole reserve system. I have found many places where public sentiment is strongly in favor of the maintenance of the reserve because

the people recognize the great benefits of the reserve policy, but where, on the other hand, they are strongly opposed to certain features of the administration of them. That there are faults we can none of us deny, but they should not be allowed to obscure the great value of the policy itself.

You will, I hope, excuse this long letter on the ground of my keen interest in the Idaho situation. Very sincerely yours,

GIFFORD PINCHOT,
Forester.

Will Commence Building.

At a recent school meeting held in this district, the directors were instructed to erect proposed new school building after the plans and specifications furnished the district regardless of previous restrictions as to the cost of the building. The bid of Joe Dixon has been accepted, and as soon as a contract is entered into with the district, the work on the building will commence.—Blue Mt. Eagle.

What She Called It.

Margaret is still a few months under three years of age, but she is old enough to be observant and to put two and two together. For a good part of her short life her father has been away from home, and she has more familiarity, therefore, with letters and letter writing, probably, than most little girls. She has never been permitted to use ink, but had often watched the older one's writing with it and using the blotter. The other day she was writing as usual with a pencil, or making the marks on the paper which she calls writing, when she saw a blotter lying on the desk out of her reach. Of course she wanted it, but she did not know the name of it. She thought about it a little while, and then said, "Daddy, give me that please." "Give you what?" asked her father.

She pointed a fat finger at the blotter and replied, "Give me that ink napkin."—Harper's Magazine.

ESTRAYED.

From J. H. Seaward's ranch in Barren Valley, one sorrel race mare white strip down nose, scar on nose, branded lazy 2 on left hip, also 7 with bar beneath on right hip and vented with same on right shoulder. I will pay a suitable reward for information as to her whereabouts. Sid A. Kertz, Curd, Oregon.

"I was strolling through an Oklahoma cemetery one Sunday afternoon with a native of this town," said the editor of the Ponca City, Okla., Courier, and we come across a new tombstone.

On top of the marble slab was a hand with the index finger pointing upward. My guide stopped and looked at the name on the face of the monument. "Well, Well," he declared, "if that isn't just like old Thompson. He never did order more than one beer at a time."

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ATTORNEY GENERAL OF OREGON.

Faces The Serious Charge of Perjury --Disbarment Proceedings.

A. M. Crawford, Attorney General of the state of Oregon, will be formally charged with the crime of perjury before the State Bar Association.

William R. Willis, one of the oldest practitioners of the state prefers the charge against Crawford. The Association will be asked to disbar Crawford from membership, which amounts to being kept from practicing as a lawyer.

The ground for the action is in a case where Crawford was defendant and he is alleged to have perjured himself while testifying in his own behalf.

There is a mass of documentary evidence in the case.

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STRADDLE

The custom for women riders to sit astride the horse in the ordinary men's saddle has become so well established it bids fair to entirely supersede the time honored side saddle habit.

It is a welcome change. The divided skirts worn by those who ride in the new fashion look thoroughly feminine and thus prevent suggestion of eccentricity or outlandishness that so often handicaps a new method. The custom adds a new charm to one of the best forms of outdoor exercise. A good looking young lady gains in attractiveness when she rides in this way. Firmly seated, she rides as if she belonged in her place. The side saddle practice has little to recommend it except its sanction by ancient custom. A young woman riding that way, attractive though her general appearance may be, has an insecure and even uncomfortable look that makes the method seem artificial. Health, grace and beauty, all turn the balance in favor of the innovation.—Caldwell News.

Mrs. Grace Lampshire, of Burns, Harney county, arrived in Eugene Saturday evening, coming overland alone save for her pet bird dog. She is visiting her mother, Mrs. E. B. Linton.—Eugene Guard.

We will not be under sold on quarters of beef.—Levens & Mace.

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