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If there is any lurking disability in the portage road programme, it has been most deftly concealed. So far, everything seems to be moving as smoothly as heart could wish.

In the meantime it is a pleasure to be assured that where there's a will there's a way. A few determined men, by a simple show of their determination and a willingness to back it up with funds, if necessary, have put the opposition to sleep and straightened out what seemed to be a hopeless tangle and interminable delay.

At this time, as at every fitting opportunity, we desire to remind the people of Portland and of Eastern Oregon of their pressing duty to uphold the Open River Commission in every necessary way.

Considerable attention is being drawn to the Harney Valley, Oregon country just at this time. The government project for irrigating the valley seems to have been abandoned, but this is not to be credited as all loss.

That the irrigation of Harney Valley is a feasible project there is no question but that personal greed and selfish political wire-work were also in evidence in just as unquestionable.

The people of Harney Valley, generally are a wide-awake people, and they are wisely making a strong pull for a railroad, but they must "drop" Portland herebefore it has been King Portland and his subjects.

San Francisco is the natural outlet for the Harney Valley country and there is nothing at the state line to in any way prevent the laying of steel rails.—Western Ways.

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There is no more demoralizing influence in modern life than the unnatural straining to seem other than we are. Nothing else so

quickly lowers self-respect, takes the fine edge off honor and blunts the conscience as the sense of being a sham, a glibbed fraud, or an unreality. It cheapens standards, lowers ideals, saps ambition, and takes the spring and joy out of living.

THE DAWN OF OREGON'S NEW ERA.

Oregon has an empire unknown to her people and the world. It is not the subject of discovery, inviting venturesome explorers, but lies beneath the feet of a multitude who have spurned it as waste for half a century.

What Oregon has been is nothing to what she will be. Virtues of her soil have been enjoyed only where nature gave the superficial blandishments of alternate rain and sunshine. Man has been the state's tenderest plant, flourishing in the balmy air, but shrinking away whenever the great mother asked a helping hand in bringing out abundant resources.

Great, broadening reaches of desert in the Deschutes basin; rolling foothills around the intrusive Blue mountains and Strawberry range; plateau, valley and ridge blending in expansive Malheur and Harney; secluded valleys of Wallowa and seemingly barren stretches of plain in Umatilla, awaited more strenuous hand.

A change has come, and with it Oregon's second empire. Rich as was the first, richer shall be the second. Areas now seemingly nothing shall "bloom as the rose."

The list could be multiplied. Irrigation by canal, storage reservoir or pumping is stupendous in its possibilities. Oregon has received relatively little of the great tide of immigration. When she begins to advertise the immense reclamation work under way here and awaiting further survey, the balance will be turned.

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A duty is apparent. Oregon's second empire must be made known.—Portland Journal.

SHEEP SUFFER IN MONTANA

An alarming scarcity of hay in the sheep district is reported, and unless the situation is relieved wholesale losses of cattle and sheep in Montana are feared before the winter sets in, says the Helena Independent.

It is estimated that there is not enough forage in sight to last for two months. This condition prevails through a wide territory bounded by Sweetgrass on the south and the Great Falls, Havre and Shelby sections on the north, west and east.

The hay crop has been a failure on account of lack of moisture and shepherds face the problem of allowing their herds to die and save the pelts, or driving them across the boundary into Canada, where the feed conditions are reported to be better.

Some sheepmen, not caring to risk feeding their herds through the winter, have disposed of large flocks at a sacrifice to Arizona and Utah stockmen. Cattlemen are making preparations to market everything but shippers, and most of these will be shipped to Canada.

Hay last year stood at \$23 per ton, and it is predicted that this year the price will go higher than ever before in the history of the state. In some sections of Montana hay is now calling for \$26 per ton.

Sumpter Valley Cars Burned.

The tooting of the Oregon Lumber Company's whistle at South Baker Saturday night informed the public that a fire was in progress there. And true it was for three of the Sumpter Valley Company's best coaches are a wreck as a result of the blaze.

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.

Try for Health
222 South Peoria St., Chicago, Ill., Oct. 7, 1902.
Eight months ago I was so ill that I was compelled to lie or sit down nearly all the time. My stomach was so weak and upset that I could keep nothing on it and I vomited frequently.

SEPTEMBER RACES.

First day, Sept 26—Race 1—1/4 mile and repeat 2 in 3, free for all, purse \$125.

Race 2—1/4 mile dash for Harney county saddle horses that never ran for public money, vaqueros to ride with vaquero saddles, purse, \$50.

Second day, Sept 27—Race 3—1/2 mile dash, free for all, purse \$125. Race 4—1/2 mile dash for Harney county maidens, purse \$75.

Third day, Sept 28—Race 5—1/2 mile dash free for all, purse \$150. Race 6—1/2 mile heats 2 in 3 pace or trot for horses raised in Harney county that never won a race, purse, \$100.

Fourth day, Sept 29—Race 7—1/2 mile dash, free for all, purse \$150. Race 8—1/2 mile dash for Harney county saddle horses that never won first money, purse \$50.

Fifth day Sept 30—Race 9—1/2 mile dash, free for all, purse \$175. Race 10—1/2 mile dash, free for all ponies not to weigh more than 850 lbs, boys to ride, purse \$25.

Sixth day, Oct 1—Race 11—1/2 mile and repeat 2 in 3, free for all, purse \$200.

Race 12—1/2 mile dash for Harney county saddle horses that never won first money, vaquero saddles, purse \$50.

Race 13—1/2 mile and reverse—Indian race. No entrance fee, purse \$15.

Race 14—consolation—distance and purse to be named by the board of directors later.

The races will be governed by the California Jockey Club rules and the usual conditions and entrance fees.

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REVISED TABLE OF INFORMATION.

The following table has been compiled after careful and thorough investigation of all records and statistics obtainable and gives actual resource of Harney county, every item of which can be proven:

Table with columns: Item, Number, Car, Wts. lbs.
Wool clip annually, Harney county 100,000 480 5,000,000
Sheep shorn annually 25,000 1000 25,000,000
Cattle shipped annually 4,000 100 3,900,000
Horses and mules shipped annually 100 2,500,000
Merchandise shipped into merchants 100 2,500,000
Merchandise shipped direct to ranchers 10 200,000
Stock salt and sulphur 6 120,000
Stage freight at 3 cents per pound

LOCAL HAUL
Lumber sold annually, feet 2,100,000
Fuel wood sold annual, cords 3,000
Fence posts sold annually 5,000

PASSENGERS AND MAIL
Passengers by stage annually, 600 at \$10 6,000
Passengers by private conveyances, 1,800 18,000
Mail contracts 10,000

LIVE STOCK
Number of sheep owned in Harney county 300,000
Number of sheep summered in Harney county 550,000
Number of cattle owned in Harney county 200,000
Tons of hay grown annually in Harney, over 150,000
Tons of hay grown annually, in a radius of 30 mile of Burns 60,000

AREA OF LAND IN HARNEY COUNTY
Area of land, acres 6,385,000
Surveyed 3,170,480
Unsurveyed 3,214,520
Of above amount 556,324 acres are in forest reserve and Carey selections.

APPROPRIATED
Appropriated 1,108,261
Tillable, assessed 71,101
Non-tillable, assessed 586,751
Improved, not patented 102,845
Susceptible to irrigation under U. S. Geological survey of Silver Creek reservoir 336,000
Carey selections, approved 9,400
Road Companies Land 44,000
Appropriated 95,000
Susceptible to irrigation 876,000
Tillable bench land above irrigated line, over 150,000
Amount now covered by Malheur Lake which would be drained and reclaimed by holding up water of Silver River in reservoir 35,000
Water Facilities—Silver River, Silver creek, McCoy creek, Blitzen River, and ten smaller streams.

Altitude—1,100 feet—same as Salt Lake Valley.
Mean Temperature—42.
Annual precipitation—12 inches.
Minerals—2,200 pounds of borax mined and hauled by team from Denton, Oregon, to Winnemucca, Nevada, daily, being all that is developed to speak of.
Crops—Wheat, oats, rye, barley, alfalfa, sugar beets, hops, potatoes and all kinds of hardy fruits and vegetables.

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