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## WANT TO ADVERTISE HARNEY

### THE OREGON DEVELOPMENT LEAGUE ANXIOUS TO HELP.

Letters From Vice President Aitkin and Secretary Richardson in Response Article in The Times-Herald.

The following letters are self-explanatory and show that the men who are at the head of the Oregon Development League are sincere in efforts and willing to assist in bringing Harney county's undeveloped resources to the attention of capital and prospective settlers:

Huntington, Ore., Sept. 8th 1904.  
Manager Times-Herald: I am in receipt of your issue of the 3rd inst. and beg to state that as soon as the writer was advised that the meetings would be held, the circular letter was issued, although I knew it would be impossible for the further points to have representation, however we had a splendid meeting, I enclose you a circular letter from the Portland office, which in part tell of our work, and I have written Mr. Richardson, to send you all possible data concerning the work, you can rest assured that it is for the purpose of building up the state, it is not confined to Portland only, but is a state movement, to thoroughly advertise the whole state, the \$5.00 membership fee is fully set out in the enclosed, and I feel that your section should be in the movement, have your Board of Trade write Mr. Richardson, and he will advise them thoroughly, or write him yourself, he prefers working with and through regular organizations, I trust your good people will take the matter up and thoroughly investigate the movement, and you are certain to be benefited.

The work of the various officers is gratuitous, other than that of Mr. Richardson, who is paid by Portland people and Portland organizations, we have accepted the positions, understanding that we have a good work to do, and are only glad to help the work along, and I am especially anxious for Harney County to get in line, we know her resources, but people of the Eastern States do not, and that is what we are after, take up this matter at once.

Yours truly,  
J. H. Aitkin.

Portland, Ore., Sept. 10, 1904.  
Manager Times-Herald: I have read with considerable interest your issue of September 3rd, and think you take the right stand, both in your answer to Vice-President J. H. Aitkin of the Oregon Development League and in your leading editorial.

I particularly want to congratulate you on the Times-Herald. If your issue of the 3rd was sent out broadcast over the country it would certainly attract attention to your section of the state. Especially good things are your reprinting of the Washington dispatch "Oregon leads all others," your compilation under the head of "Revised table of information," your discussion of range conditions with special reference to an interview with Congressman Williamson, and your local page which is a credit to a town much larger than Burns.

I note that your advertisers are up-to-date, and we would like very much for Burns to have a membership in the Oregon Development League. I enclose a circular of August 13th, and also list made up to date of the towns which already hold membership in this and you will see that we are growing. There are already more members than any other state organization in the Union embraces, and on the 1st we expect to give an extra 50,000 letterheads. You note that each body will have a thousand of these, and then some of that organization will be back of the whole 50,000. Railroads will be especially anxious to print the names of the organizations with their correspondents, because they desire to have people outside of Oregon an opportunity to correspond with one in the community who

can give the character of information desired.

You will understand that only commercial, industrial or similar bodies can hold a membership. Firms throughout the state as well as corporations have felt that they could hold memberships, but we have had to return their dues. Not later than yesterday we sent back \$5.00 to a flouring mill company in Corvallis, Oregon.

Burns has some very active citizens. I met representatives from your city at the Ontario meeting. Our next meeting of the Oregon Development League will be held in Grants Pass on the 23rd of this month. Later on we hope to get to all sections of the state, for next year there is going to be thousands of new citizens and millions of dollars invested in Oregon property. Enclose you clipping from the Oregonian of September 8th which I believe will interest you.

Very Truly Yours,  
Tom Richardson.  
Secretary Oregon Development League.

The circular letter referred to in the above follows:

As one of the delegates appointed to attend the convention held at the Marquam Grand Theatre August 2nd and 3rd, under the auspices of the Portland Commercial Club, you are naturally interested in the result of that convention and I am sure will take pleasure in personally doing your part towards making the Oregon Development League of practical benefit to every portion of this great state.

To make the Oregon Development League a thoroughly representative organization it is necessary that commercial and industrial organizations be perfected at once in every community in the state, and that each and all of these bodies use a uniform letterhead, which will be made local in every particular.

Only one organization receiving mail at the same postoffice can hold a membership. This rule is adopted because we want to make one organization and one secretary responsible for the correspondence.

It is unnecessary for the local organizations to have a long constitution and by-laws. All that is necessary is a President, two or three Vice Presidents, a Board of Directors and a secretary.

The total cost of membership in the Oregon Development League is \$5.00. For this organization holding membership will receive 1000 high class, photo engraved letterheads, and in addition have the name of the organization and its secretary or other officer who conducts the correspondence, appear on 40 to 60 thousand letterheads. This list of addresses will also appear in all the official reports and advertising of the Oregon Development League and on the printed matter issued by the railroads—or, to make it plain, will give to each organization advertising matter for \$5.00 that under ordinary circumstances could not be secured for \$1,000 in cash.

The envelopes used are not furnished by the Development League, for the reason that they should be used for local advertising. This is best illustrated by the envelope carrying this communication.

Every organization holding a membership in the Oregon Development League should, if possible, have a paid secretary, who is made responsible for carrying on not only the general work of the League but the affairs of the local body. His salary can be large or small, and must be based entirely upon the local conditions. However, don't wait on this account, organize immediately—and remit five dollars.

Every newspaper in the state is not only ready but anxious to help along this movement, and the patriotism of the newspapers is shared by every enterprising citizen in Oregon. The Oregon Development League is not an experiment—similar organizations have brought magnificent results.

The first work of an organized body should be the formation of a Correspondence Committee, made up chiefly of former residents of other states.

The duty of this Correspondence Committee is to write letters back to relatives and old friends, as well as to old home newspapers in other states, giving important facts relating to Oregon, and with special reference to the community in which they live. Oregon today has the call, and if the state does not increase marvelously in population, wealth and new industries, it is not the people's fault.

You were chosen as a delegate to this convention and owe an obligation to your community and your state, and it is not necessary that you should wait for anyone else to act. You have the right to call a meeting yourself unless you already have an organized body representing your community.

You should call and get prices at Miller and Thompson's—closing out prices that cannot be equalled elsewhere.

## COUNTY COURT PROCEEDINGS

### CONSIDERABLE IMPORTANT BUSINESS WAS TRANSACTED.

Contracts for Several Roads in Various Parts of the County—Much Road Improvement Planned.

In the matter of the settlement with Newt Hoover, Supervisor of Road District No. 2, it appearing to the court that said supervisor had received the following amounts: Poll taxes \$300; A Lundin, bal district 18, \$62.50; P. H. Gray, bal district 9, \$40.25. That he has disbursed the sum of \$399.22, leaving a balance of \$9.53. The report was accepted.

Augustine Gilbert was issued a liquor license for three months.

Petition of Wm. Hanley and 19 others for a bridge across Poison creek granted and the road supervisor ordered to put in said bridge.

Application of John Smyth for a license to sell liquor in Wild Horse precinct for a period of six months, it appeared that on account of the slow and irregularity of the mail service he was unable to fill his proof of publication. As the matter could not again be acted upon by the court until the November term, the County Judge was authorized and empowered to look after said petition and if it was regular and the bond considered good and sufficient, to act upon it during vacation. The clerk was also ordered to issue said license when proof of publication, etc had been filed with him and approved by the County Judge.

Sidney Comegys granted a license to sell liquor in Lake precinct for a period of three months.

The petition for a county road known as the Burns-Emigrant creek road was denied, the court considering that it was not of sufficient public utility to warrant its construction.

It appearing that there was not sufficient funds in the institute fund to carry out the program for the teachers' annual institute, the treasurer was directed to transfer \$50 from the general fund to the institute fund for that purpose.

In the matter of the contracts and bonds of Dan Varien to build the north and south ends of the Island road, it appearing that said contractor had been unable to present and sign said contracts and file his bonds, the County Judge was empowered to act for the court during vacation, to sign contracts and approve bonds.

Merand C. A. Haines to build Meander line road for \$1385 was considered too high and it was rejected. The road supervisor of District No. 2 was authorized to proceed with the improvement.

In the matter of funds for road purposes, it appearing that each of the supervisors would need more funds for the improvement of roads than was at that time to their credit in the treasury, the clerk was ordered to draw his warrant on the road fund in favor of said supervisors for \$1000 each.

The court being unable at this time to tell definitely what furniture would be required for the high school, the County Judge was given full power to purchase furniture on behalf of the court.

### FIND MARKS OF ANCIENT WORK.

A traveler returning from the John Day and passing through to Baker City on his way east tells a remarkable story of a discovery made in the Strawberry Butte region. His name is Christopher T. Veruelson, and he hails originally from Albany, New York. He has been looking after mining interests in the Quartzburg district. Relative to his discovery he says:

"In company with several mining men, friends and acquaintances of mine, I journeyed through the various ranges of mountains known by the general though somewhat indefinite name of Strawberry Butte. In one of the canyons cutting into the main opening, we discovered what we believed after mature observation to be a prehistoric

## FOR QUICKER MAIL SERVICE

### STAFF CORRESPONDENT TO BAKER DEMOCRAT RIGHT.

Harney County People Demand Speedier Service Between Tipton and Burns -- Day Saved by Way of S. V.

At the instigation of The Times-Herald J. W. Ellsworth, staff correspondent to the Baker City Democrat, sent the following which appeared in the issue of Sept. 13:

There is a present need of a daily stage mail service between Canyon City, Grant county, and this city, the capital of Harney county. The completion of the Sumpter Valley Railroad to Tipton, 53 miles from Baker City, and approximately 100 miles from Burns, with the apparent certainty of S. V. Ry. trains running into John Day valley in 1904, makes it plain that a daily, through stage line should be put into smooth action between Tipton and Burns within thirty days.

This would mean as much a benefit to Grant and Harney county points, to Baker City and Burns as indirectly to their rich state. In fact, public requirements of the present and future, demand a daily stage line, carrying U. S. mail, express and passengers between Tipton and Burns.

Tipton is 100 miles, the nearest railway point to Burns. United States mail cars operate between Baker City, on the Union Pacific Railroad system, and the S. V. Ry. terminus, Tipton.

There is now a three times a week stage service between Canyon City and Burns. It is good as far as it goes, rather as often as it operates. Harney, the greatest livestock county in Oregon, and rich in agricultural possibilities, should have the quickest mail service that Uncle Sam can furnish.

This subject is being closely investigated and it seems relief will be afforded soon.

Baker City will forever be capable of advancing the interests of this part of the state, a section which has the undeveloped wealth of an empire. The mentioned passenger and mail service will help vast Southeastern Oregon, help bring its value to the attention to able newcomers, and go a long way toward hastening the purpose and objects of the Oregon Development League.

Leading men of Baker City should consider this "a word to the wise man" and act accordingly, by using their influence for obtaining a quicker United States mail service for vast Southeastern Oregon in general and broad Harney county in particular.

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One of the most remarkable cases of a cold, deep-seated in the lungs, causing pneumonia, is that of Mrs. Gertrude E. Fenner, Marion, 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 148 to 92 pounds. 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." Sold by Burns Drug Stores.

Alfalfa at Geer & Cummins.

## dam dating back for probably hundreds of thousands of years.

### While digging on the mountain side looking for mineral bearing lodes, we came across some masonry, which had evidently been used for the purpose of damming the small water course which finds its way through the canyon, and furnishing power for some prehistoric machine. The antiquity of the work is evidenced in the fact that by natural wear water had cut through the solid masonry, and worn it down until only the abutments projecting from the mountain side were left, and these were so deeply covered by talus from the neighboring slopes as to render them invisible and unsuspected to casual observation. It was only the accidental prospecting which brought the old masonry up to light.

"I have only a general theory to offer," continued Mr. Veruelson. "The water power furnished must have been of enormous force, and the only conjecture I can frame is that it must have been used for the operation of some ancient mills or other works used in prehistoric times by some ancient inhabitants of the John Day valley. No trace of any machines, however; could be found, though we searched diligently."—Sumpter Miner.

Couldn't Corner The Ice Market.

The Minnesota Buffett this week attempted to corner the ice supply by buying all that was in the Bend market, leaving its competitor, The Office saloon, without facilities for cooling its drinks. "Dad" West, Bend's sole iceman, sold out completely. Hugh O'Kane of The Office, scratched his head and said: "Then he scratched his head again. Then he sent a team out to ice cave, a dozen miles southeast of Bend, and got a load of fine crystal ice from nature's storehouse. His team went out again yesterday for another supply. It is there in unlimited quantity and the novelty of the ice is quite an advertisement for The Office. This country is too resourceful for its products to be cornered by the time-honored methods of the wasteful man."—Bulletin.

## A WONDERFUL INVENTION.

It is interesting to note that fortunes are frequently made by the invention of articles of minor importance. Many of the more popular devices are those designed to benefit people and meet popular conditions, and one of the most interesting of these that has ever been invented is the Dr. White Electric Comb, patented Jan. 1, '99. These wonderful Combs positively cure dandruff, hair falling out, sick and nervous headaches, and when used with Dr. White's Electric Hair Brush are positively guaranteed to make straight hair curly in 25 days time. Thousands of these electric combs have been sold in the various cities of the Union, and the demand is constantly increasing. Our agents are rapidly becoming rich selling these combs. They positively sell on sight. Send for sample. Men's size 35c, ladies' 50c — (half price while we are introducing them.) The Dr. White The Dr. White Electric Comb Co., Decatur, Ill.

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