ACCOMMODATE 50,000 PEOPLE

FEDERATION CLOSES DEAL FOR THE ROAD LAND GRANT.

C. E. S. Wood Goes East to Complete The Arrangements for The Transfer of 80,000 Acres--Big Projects.

The Telegram says: Deal is practically closed whereby the Co-operative Christian Federation is to secure the old grants to the Willamette Valley and Cascade Wagon road, consisting of 800.000 acres of land, extending in a strip 12 miles wide from Albany, in the center of the Willamette Valley, across the Cascade Mountains, and thence by way of Prineville and Burns to Ontario, on the eastern border of state. C. E. S. Wood, attorney for the Federation, leaves for the East tonight to complete the details of the transfer. The enterprise of developing this land, which is the cheif project of the Federation, is one of great magnitude. The land consists of the odd sections for a distance of six miles on each side of the road, and includes 130,000 acres of the best timber land in the state. This land is all located in the eastern part of Linn County, and is considered among the most valuable property in that part of the state. Almost all of the grant in Linn County is timber land, and the remainder of the grant, which lies in Crook, Harney and Malheur Counties, is good stock land, and to be made into farming land will involve extensive irrigation projects, which the officers of the Federation are planning to undertake when the deal is consummated. Thirty thousand acres of the land is in the Government irrigation project now under way in Malheur County.

The Federation proposes to purchase all the even sections, which is needed land, intermixed with the odd sections, which they will secure. The greater part of the even sections is Government land, and of course cannot be secured.

The present owner of the W.V.& C.M. grants is Chas Altschul, of New York, and the title is perfect a dispute over the ownership having been carried into the Snpreme Court of the Uuited States twice. C. E. S. Wood is attorney for Alschul's Oregon interests,and being also the legal adviser of the Federation, there is no doubt but that the details of the transfer will be carried out as planned. Incident to arranging for this transfer, Mr. Wood will investigate while on this trip the water rights on the Malheur irrigation project, and how they may be utilized. In that connection he will probably visit Washington D. C; and consult the Secretary of the Interior with a view to securing priviliges to assist in the development of the land the Federation plans to secure.

Mr. Wood also takes with him the bond deed, which will be the basis for bond issue of the Federation, and while he is there the attorneys of the Eastern trust companies which are furnishing the financial backing for the Federation will investigate it and make their report.

Co-Operative Christian Federation plans to accommodate 50,000 people on the projects already under way in Oregon. On the French-Glenn ranch which the federation has secured, in Harney County, there is room for 10,000 people, and on the 800,000 acres of land which the federation expects to secure from the owners of the old grants to the Willamette Valley & Cascade Mountain Wagon Road, together with the factories and manufacturing establishments which it is planned to establish in the Willamette Valley, 40,000 more people will be accomodated.

Were the officers of the federation ready to begin the selection of people for these enterprises, the entire number could be secured in a few days, say the federation leaders. But the time when work on the projects will be actually begun is yet too indefinite, so no applications are beinig acted upon. A great many applications are being recieved however.

On the French-Glenn ranch a model colony will be establish. Most of the land will be used for for diversified farming purposes, but the necessary enterprises to support a farming district of that size will be established. There will be an opportunity for people of every profession and business to locate there, and the 160,000 acres will accommodate approximately 10,000 people.

The federation plans to establish the factories and manfacturing establishments to supply all its Oregon colonies at some point in the Willamette Valley. The officers of the company beleive the Valley is the best site for these industries,and they will be placed west of the mountains, notwithstanding that most of the residents of the colonies will live in the eastern part of the state. The location for these industries have not yet been determined, and probably will not be until railroad facilities of the federation are arranged. The industrial and manfacturing projects and the transportation facilities will nentrally go together.

Rev. David Leppert' D. D., vice-president of the federation arrived in Portland to-day and will make his home in this city. He has been living in Ontario. It was Dr. Leppert who made the investigations preparatory to the purchase of the French-Glenn ranch and he perfected the arrangments for the securing of this property.

Public Aroused.

The public is aroused a know of the curative merits of that great medical tonic, Electric Bitters, for sick stomach, liver and kidneys. Mary H. Walters, of 546 St. Clair Ave,. Columbus, O, writes:" For several months, I was given up to die. I had fever and ague, my nerves were wrecked; I could not sleep, and my stomach was so weak, from useless doctors, drugs, that I could not eat. Soon after beginning to take Electric Bitters, I obtained relief, and in a short time I was entirely cured." Guaranteed at City Drug store; price 50c,

Summer Resort Changes Hands.

The Blue Mountain Eagle is informed that the proper deeds have been executed which transfers the title of the famous Blue Mountain hot springs from Mrs M. V. Thompson and Walter Wilcox to W. W. Reese, of Prairie City, and R. E. Jacobs, of Baker City. The consideration was $20,000, of which $5,000 was paid in cash and the remainder to be paid on or before seven years at a low rate of interest.

This famous summer resort is located at the head of the John Day valley and on the line of the proposed extension of the Sumpter Valley railroad. It was purchased about twelve years ago by M. V. Thompson and Walter Wilcox, and since the death of Mr. Thompson two years ago, his widow has joined with Mr Wilcox in the management of the property.

The sale not only inclndes the springs property and all buildengs appurtenant thereto, but about one section of land, a band of 175 head of cattle and all personrl effects used in connection with the property.

The Blue Mountain hot springs has a wide reputation as a summer resort, and when the improvements proposed by the new management are installed, it will be fully equal to any resort on the pacific coast.

S. V. Reach Austin in Fall.

Work on the extension of the Sumpter Valley railway from Tipton to Austin station is progressing as rapidly as possible under conditions existing, says a Sumpter special to the Portland Telegram. Grading has reached a point five or six miles beyond Tipton, and it is expected to have the roadbed completed to the point mentioned before work is discontinued this fall. Considerable difficulty is experienced with the rock formation encountered by the graders. It is considerable harder than was anticipated, and for this reason progress is not so rapid as was expected at the commencement of work. Considerable speculation is rife as to what point in the John Day valley will be selected as a temporary terminus by the railroad company. Prairie City has long been pointed out as the place chosen, but now the impression is general that that city will be left off the line and another site for the terminus selected.

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STATE ROAD BOARD NAMED

GOVERNOR CHAMBERLAIN MAKES FIVE APPOINTMENTS.

Commission Will Report to Next Legislature Regarding Convict Labor on The Public Highways.

Gov. Chamberlain has appointed the members of the State Road Commission as provided for by a Senate concurrent resolution at the last session of the Legislature, R. A. Harris, of Portland; A. B. Cavender, of Brownsville, W. K Newell of Dilley; G. W. Jette, of Baker City, and J. W. Shattuch, of Gresham, have been named as those who are to compose the commission.

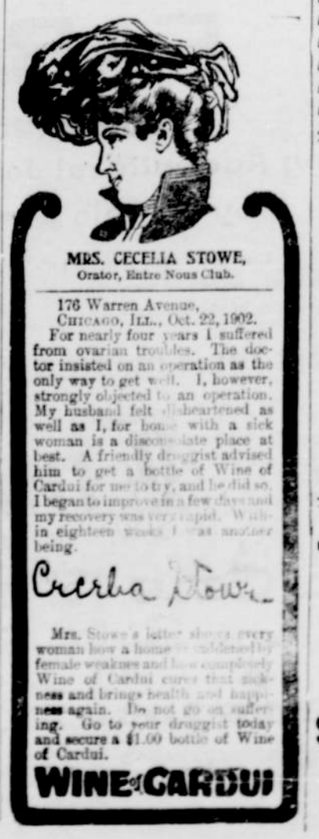
At the last session of the Legislature a resolution was introduced and passed authorizing the appointment of a commission of five members which should investigate the feasibility of constructing a macademized state road from Portland south to the California State line, employing convicts from the state penitentiary at Salem to do the work. After a thorough investigation of the proposition the commission is to report to the next session of the Legislature, and upon this decision will depend the action of the lawmaking body. If it is the opinion of the commission, after investigation, that the scheme is a practical one, a bill will be prepared by it for the consideration of the Legislature.

Mr. Harris, the Portland member of the commission, was at the Legislature during the discussion of the convict labor question, in the interests of the Federated Trades Council. In his opinion most of the work of the commission can be done by correspondence with occasional meetings. He is in favor of the utilization of convict labor in any manner that will prevent its coming into direct competition with free labor and, if it is possible to use the prisoners upon the construction of public roads, will favor the preparation of a bill towards that end for the consideration of the next Legislature.

A Touching Story.

is the saving from death, of the baby girl of Geo. A. Eyler, Cumberland, Md. He writes: "At the age of 11 months our little girl was in declining health, with serious Throat Trouble, and two physicians gave her up. We almost in despair, when we resolved to try Dr. King.s New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs, and Colds. The first bottle gave relief; after taking four bottles she was cured, and is now in perfect health,' never fails to relieve and cure a cough. At the City Drug Store; 50c and $1.00 guaranteed. Trial bottle free.

J. J. Johnson, of Westfall, was in town one day last week. Mr. Johnson is a brother of Frank and was fsrmerly a resident of Prineville. He remarked that the grass in this vicinity was not nearly as luxuriant as in former years. In Malheur county grass is disappearing in the same manner, though destruction was not so far advanced. —Prineville Review.



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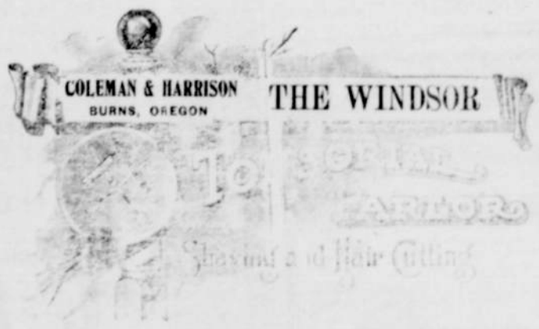

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