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THE CENTRAL OREGON ROAD

THE OREGONIAN NEW YEAR ISSUE GIVES TONNAGE.

Shows immense possibilities of the interior
When It Gives Transportation
Facilities—Big Business.

The New Year addition of the Oregonian is quite a disappointment to its readers in this city. While it is possibly up to former issues in some respects, it lacks particular and accurate news concerning the proposed railroad across the state from Natron to Ontario. The people expected something more definite. However, it does give some statistical facts which bear out the statement made by The Times-Herald last week—that it is after the business of Central Oregon, and there is sufficient tonnage to justify the building of the road. It will be built regardless of the movements of the hostile roads.

The map showing the location of east and west line is no doubt intended to show only the general direction, as it has the geography of this section so badly twisted that one can get no idea of it. Regarding the railroad building in Central Oregon it states in part:

James P. O'Brien, vice-president and general manager of the Southern Pacific Oregon lines and Oregon railroad and Navigation Company, recently announced officially that the sum of \$4,169,000 had been set aside to build the first 152 miles of this line to the point indicated, which is just at the northern edge of what is designated on the maps as "Klamath Marshes."

The ascent along the Willamette river and crossing to the Eastern plateau can be made it is stated, on gradients not exceeding 1 per cent, although the first line built will have a maximum of 3 per cent until such time as more expensive work that will require a longer period for accomplishment shall complete the perfected new line. The Oregon Eastern Company was formed a few months ago for the purpose of building a line from Natron across the divide, thence to Ontario, making an east and west railroad across the center of the state, from which branches are proposed to be built north to the irrigated section along the upper Deschutes River, south to Klamath Falls, and into other irrigation districts and developing agricultural sections of the state.

Having an altitude at the southern end of Walker's Range, but slightly varying from that of Klamath Falls, the engineering corps in the field has found that the elevation may be maintained with little change in extending southward to the great Government reclamation project that is within a few years to add 230,000 acres of irrigated lands to the productive area of Oregon and Northern California.

With easy gradients by the California Northwestern from Weed and by the Oregon Eastern from Natron, Klamath Falls may at no distant day become the important midway point on the through route between Portland and San Francisco. The present main line of the Southern Pacific would not be abandoned by any means, because the local traffic alone is so great for that, but it is altogether probable that through trains will operate over both routes after these new lines are linked in Southern Oregon east of the Cascades. Whether or not the line across the state, or either of the branches beyond Klamath Marshes, will be constructed at an early date remains to be seen. If authorized by the financial directors of the system, the fact has not yet been made public; but it is admittedly the purpose to hasten to completion the first section of 152 miles.

Advent of the representatives of strong rival railroads, financial and operating interests into Oregon on the north and south have made it imperative that the Harriman system safeguard the advantageous position they have heretofore occupied in the commonwealth, hence the construction movement that is to gel in its magnitude all similar activity in other states that have recently been among the foremost in railroad building in the United States.

While it is not usually estimated by railroad traffic officials that immediate tonnage may be developed

IN THE DAYS OF LONG AGO

HISTORY OF THE OLDEST EASTERN OREGON COUNTY.

Wasco County Formerly Comprised all of The State East of the Cascades--Interesting Election Returns.

The Dalles Chronicle prints the following entertaining review of Wasco county, the origin of its name, its history and settlement. The Chronicle says:

The oldest political division in this portion of Oregon is Wasco county. It was organized by the territorial years before the state was admitted to the Union.

The following were its boundaries: Commencing at the Cascades of the Columbia river; thence up said river to the point where the southern shore of said river is intersected by the southern boundary of Washington territory; thence east along said boundary to the eastern boundary of Oregon territory; thence along the eastern boundary of said territory to the southern boundary of the same; thence west along said southern boundary to the place of beginning Oregon then extended from the Pacific ocean to the Rocky Mountains, and Wasco county comprised the entire eastern part between the two ranges. Portions of what is now the states of Idaho, Wyoming and Montana were comprised within its boundaries.

To the antiquarian it is a matter of some interest to consult the records in the clerk's office in The Dalles, and find election returns from Walla Walla and other precincts in Washington, and even from some of Idaho and Montana. If our justice court records had been preserved, subpoenas would be on file served in civil action on witnesses at Fort Hall and other places hundreds of miles distant.

In 1859 the state was admitted into the Union, and a large portion of Wasco was placed in Washington and other territories. Then came political disintegration, and in 1862 Baker county was formed by the legislature, and also Umatilla. In 1864, Union county was set apart, Grand in 1870, Crook in 1882, and in the years following Sherman, Gilliam and Wheeler. The county now comprises about 2400 square miles, and extends on the northern boundary, from the Cascade Locks to the mouth of the Des Chutes, a distance of about 60 miles.

This is along the line of the Columbia river, and the O. R. & N. company's railroad follows the river from the western to the eastern boundary. Across the county from the eastern line to Buck Hollow, a little below Shear's bridge, is only 40 miles, and this is the narrowest part, while from the northwestern corner to the southeastern part—20 miles beyond Antelope on the John Day river—is a distance of 120 miles. From north to south the county is 60 miles in length.

The word Wasco was derived from a tribe of Indians who inhabited this portion of the northwest, and the name was given to them because they were adepts in making a basin which was hollowed out of the hard, basaltic rock abundant in that region. These basins were eagerly sought by the aborigines for pounding or grinding nuts and canna roots into a coarse meal, then extensively used as food by the natives.

Mark N. Headley, through his attorney, F. M. Saxton, has instituted a suit asking that the bonds of matrimony which have nominally existed heretofore between he and Mabel Headley, or more properly speaking, Mabel Rhodes, be formally and legally dissolved. In his complaint he recites that he espoused the defendant in Burns on December 24, 1903, under the impression that she was a widow. Since then he has become acquainted with the startling fact that she was the legal wife of one Amos Rhodes, who is very much alive, but not apparently anxious to claim that which he had accepted at the altar. There were no fruits of either union and the complainant does not know the present whereabouts of his erstwhile mate.—Baker City Democrat.

This is the woman who came here as the wife of Harry Egbert, the

murderer of John Saxton. While she appears to be a much married woman, it seems she is to be much divorced as well. If Mark would consult the circuit court journal of Malheur county, he would find that his former wife had saved him the trouble of getting a divorce by already securing one, and is now the wife of another man.

AND PLUG KNOWS

The new route under consideration—from Natron to Ontario—will cover a distance of approximately 450 miles, and will tap a greater territory than is to be found elsewhere in the United States today without railroad service, says the Ontario Argus. Its entire line will be through a country that will develop rapidly under the changed conditions that will strip the few of their power to "hold down" the advantages they inherited from nature by reason of having got there first. It will be a haven for the Johnny-come-lately, and not many years will pass until the characteristics of today will be the lones and the legend of a forgotten past.

From Ontario the railroad will follow the Malheur river, and cross into Harney valley through Crane Creek gap, after which its route is rather more difficult to determine from the end. It will cross the Silvies river at Burns, or a few miles below it, and then head almost directly west for the Cascades, where it will take a sharp bend to the northwest, running into Natron.

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of ague and malaria, can be relieved and cured with Electric Bitters. This is a pure, tonic medicine; of especial benefit in malaria, for it exerts a true curative influence on the disease, driving it entirely out of the system. It is much to be preferred to Quinine, having none of this drug's bad after-effects. E. S. Munday, of Henrietta Tex., writes: "My brother was very low with malarial fever and jaundice; he took Electric Bitters, which saved his life. At the City Drug store; price 50c, guaranteed."

Buys More Land.

In addition to ten acres of land which it purchased for terminal purposes at Ontario the Oregon Short Line has purchased a farm of 180 acres near the city from Thomas Barton, Frank Welch and A. C. Wright. The deal was made in the name of the O. S. L. and the purchase price was \$12,000. Lots in the neighborhood of these purchases of the railroad company, are selling for \$25 a frontage foot and the boom is going higher.

A unique dance is to be given in Athletic hall January 5. The event will be given in memory of Ugle Bobbie Dorsey, an old dancing master of Prineville, and is being arranged by Wm. Wigle, who will make it as near as possible like the old time dances given by his well remembered dancing teacher. The floor managers are C. Sam Smith, George Summers, P. B. Poindexter, P. B. Howard, M. Biggs.—Prineville Journal.

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FORMER GOVERNOR KILLED

A BOMB USED WITH DEADLY EFFECT AT HIS IDAHO HOME.

Frank Steunenberg Blows Up at His Own Gate—All the Powers Invoked in Run Down His Assassins.

Frank Steunenberg, former governor of Idaho, was killed at 6:40 o'clock last Saturday evening at his home in the suburbs of Caldwell. A bomb was placed in front of the gate with a contrivance by which it exploded when he entered. Both legs were blown off and he lived but 20 minutes. There is no known reason for the outrage but it is charged to some member of the famous inner circle of the Coeur d'Alene dynamiters whom he prosecuted so relentlessly in 1899 when he was governor. Governor Gooding is preparing to put the full support of the state behind the officials in running down the perpetrators of the crime. Rewards to the amount of \$18,000 have been offered for the murderer. It is thought probable the leading detective agency of the country will be asked to send some of its best men to the scene and the state will offer a reward as great as the governor can find he has power to offer. Steunenberg was governor in 1897-1901. He was 44 years old and left a wife and three children.

Governor to Dissolve 5,000 Companies.

A Salem dispatch to the Journal says: Five thousand Oregon corporations will be dissolved by Governor Chamberlain within a few days. In accordance with a law passed by the last session of the legislature, Frank Wrightman of the corporation department of the secretary of state's office has turned over to the governor a list of 5,000 corporations which have been delinquent for two years, and, in accordance with the same law, the governor must dissolve them some time during the month of January. They can be reinstated again by the payment of all back license fees.

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Robert Ferry died of heart failure last Tuesday morning at the C. T.

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