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CLARENCE BYRD - - - - - Manager

Harney County's fame for good roads is spreading. Every automobile that is driven in here adds to her glory and it is reputation to be proud of.

Rev Hicks, the long distance weather prophet, has been put out of business so far as this section is concerned. The predicted storms of the past month have failed to materialize; in fact he has failed utterly almost throughout the entire year.

From Portland papers it is learned that a rival packing plant will be established in Portland soon if arrangements can be satisfactorily made. This would be a boon to the stock interests of the state and open a market at home where local stock growers would not be at the mercy of the trust.

A test well for oil at Payette, Idaho, at a depth of 740 feet struck a vein of natural gas which exploded throwing sand and mud about 100 feet high last week. After the geyser had subsided it was found that crude petroleum had risen to within two feet of the surface. At least some claim it was oil while others differ. At any rate it has caused some excitement and the test will be thoroughly investigated.

I once asked a farm hand how his employer succeeded in doing so well when he only worked 10 hours a day. "It's all in the management. I think he is the best manager I ever saw. The work goes on as steady as a clock on this place. There seems to be no rush at any time, but I know that I am doing better work and more of it on this farm than I ever did in my life. He has every implement fixed to do the best work it can do, and I tell you it is a great satisfaction to work with them. Then he is the best stock feeder I know. He feeds just enough to keep them even. They are not as fat as butter in winter and as poor as crows in summer. When at work they have full feed, and when they stop they cut the food at once. He seems to have more sense about these things than anybody I ever met. The fact is, he is a real cracking good farmer." - Ex.

There is no use to argue now against the blessedness of forest reserves and of federal control of lands within the borders of the state of Idaho, not indeed for public buildings and immediate federal use. Some of the counties have been made so rich from the proceeds of this control and management of Idaho's affairs—that is, affairs that ought to be Idaho's and that were the affairs of all the other states up to these modern days when paternal government came to be the fad—that these will be little hope of convincing the residents of those counties that their business cannot be better attended to by cheap government employes than by persons elected by themselves.

Bannock county, for instance, receives for its public schools the coming year the munificent sum of 78 cents and for the building of public roads the still greater munificence of \$2.25. What roads and schools can be maintained by Bannock county hereafter!

The struggling new county of Bonner—away up north where forest reserves are so badly needed to conserve the waters for irrigation, gets for its public schools 56 cents and three times as much for its roads. The rich, grand, proud old Nez Perce fares better with the rich government endowment of a total of \$13.31, with which to maintain its schools and build new roads!

Other counties fare in much the same manner, though some got more. Ada county, along with a number of others, got nothing, but as they have no forest reserves they will gladly exchange their condition for those of other counties, like Lemhi, for instance, which is nearly reserved. Lemhi county, by the way, received but \$7.32, while Soshone county, which is nearly all reserve, got nothing along with Ada county.

Great is the forest reserve

doctrine, but still it is a wonder that some politicians and some papers of the state defend it.—Boise Capital News.

POST OFFICE BUSINESS

Post Master Welcome shows the following amount of business of the local office for the week commencing Oct. 13 and ending Oct. 19:

Letters, 2885; \$58.45; postal cards, 281; \$2.83; 250 pieces pound rate papers, 34 cents; 1531 pieces free papers in county delivery; 8 pieces second class local delivery, 10 cents; 19 pieces third class matter, 50 cents; 56 pieces fourth class matter, \$7.71; 11 pieces franked matter, 243 pieces penalty matter.

POSSIBLY SCARLET FEVER.

Pat Donegan, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. James Donegan, is confined to his bed suffering from what may be scarlet fever. The boy was in school up to the time of his sickness and some fear is expressed that should it prove scarlet fever it may spread. Every precaution has been taken to prevent such, however. The Donegan home has been quarantined and the school building thoroughly fumigated. It is not known where Pat was exposed and the physicians are not yet positive it is a case of scarlet fever.

PRaises THE HARNEY COUNTRY.

Joseph Barton has just returned from a trip into Harney county and interior territory. To a reporter for the Herald he stated that it is really wonderful how fast that great domain is settling with bona fide residents. He sees a remarkable future for Harney county, the richness of which is today hidden to the world by lack of transportation. "I believe, in fact I am certain," said Mr. Barton, "when a railroad enters that country it will be one of the choicest sections of the great northwest. They raise everything there. There is some irrigation but it would surprise anyone to see what enormous crops are raised without irrigation. I attended the Harney county fair while there and the display of products are marvelous. There is no doubt about a railroad being built through that portion of the state at an early date. Harri-man wants to extend his lines to get that business. Gould has heard of the Harney country and is, I am informed, figuring on getting in with a railroad, also, the Rock Island is investigating the possibilities of constructing a transportation line there. Some one of the three will make a move before long and then the great empire will be opened with such a rapidity as to startle the whole nation.

TIMBER SEEKERS STILL COME.

A crowd of timberland seekers arrived in Lakeview from the north end of the county Sunday and will await the time to make filing on their claims, which will be the 28th. Wm. Wagner is in the crowd. The line at the land office is growing longer every day, sometimes as many as 10 or 20 are added to the lineup in a day. Several hundred are yet to come in from the timber, and it is estimated that close to 1000 people will be on hand the 28th to file on land. Some of them of course, will be disappointed, as in several instances as many as six or eight parties are after the same claim. There has been no change in the system adopted in the lineup. Those in line register as they appear, and at 9 o'clock each morning and again at 4 o'clock in the evening they line up and answer to the roll call. They are released then and may go where they please.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Dean Horton is over from Diamond valley.

Roy Banyard and wife were down from the mill Monday.

School Supt. Hamilton was down from Harney the first of the week.

C. W. Lewis and wife came in from their Warm Springs home yesterday.

F. M. Jordan left for Portland the first of the week and may be absent all winter.

A. A. Brown yesterday sold 40 acres of raw sage brush land near this city to Chas. A. Adams, of Watson. The price paid was \$85 an acre. The deal was made by Burbridge & Dolittle. Mr. Adams will build on and improve the land.—Ontario Democrat.

Hon. A. J. Johnson, of Corvallis, has been in this city since last Saturday looking after business affairs and visiting his many friends. Mr. Johnson is a stockholder in the First National Bank of this city and is much interested in the advancement of the Harney country. He is also a heavy stockholder in the Benton County National Bank at Corvallis. He will remain here a few days yet before his return.

RAILROAD MEN VISIT THIS SECTION

W. W. Cotton, general counsel of the Harriman railroad system of the Northwest, W. D. Skinner, assist freight agent for the same company, W. B. Ayer and C. F. Adams of the Security Trust & Savings Bank, made up a party of distinguished Portland people who arrived in this city last Monday evening in a large automobile. Through being misinformed as to the length of the stay of the party The Times-Herald man failed to meet them personally and secure an interview. However, it is learned through friends that the entire party were enraptured with this big Valley and at once realized great possibilities when transportation lines were pushed through.

They spent but a short time in this city Tuesday, leaving for a tour which would take in the O. O. P. Ranch and from there the party followed the proposed line of the Oregon Eastern out through Crane Creek gap and down the Malheur to Ontario.

Mr. Cotton refused to talk railroad saying he knew nothing of when construction would begin as that was not in his line. This assertion may be taken with a grain of salt, however, as it is quite evident the trip was made not entirely for pleasure as they state. People here look upon the visit as meaning something in the way of a railroad move.

Mr. Cotton owns several tracts of real estate in this valley and it is removed that other gentlemen of the party, who are big men in a financial way, were on a deal for the land holdings of the Wm. Hanley Co., as Mr. Hanley had stated while enroute to Portland recently that he might arrange for the sale of land while out. This party came soon after Mr. Hanley's return and as they were accompanied out by the latter and visited the various ranches, it has strengthened this idea.

Although Mr. Cotton did not commit himself on railroad matters it nevertheless looks good to the people here, especially since the outside newspapers report much activity lately of the Harriman interests in attempt to block other roads that threaten the Central Oregon territory.

The visit of these men who hold high and responsible positions with the company will be of great benefit in that their report of the great Harney Country will receive full credence from the powers that be, therefore at last a right conception of its business and possibilities will at last be given to the people whom we have tried to reach for several years.

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When caught he was in company with a sheep herder and upon seeing the sheriff started to run away but was persuaded to stop when Mr. Richardson told him he would shoot if he didn't. Morgan has a brother working for James Paul and the latter 'phoned the sheriff that he would have money here this evening to straighten up the affair, but this may not settle it by any means. Such work is becoming all too frequent and an example may be made of this instance.

Morgan insists he had money in the bank to meet the checks he issued, but it seems the bank has a different opinion of the matter. The sheriff asked Morgan why he ran when he was about to be caught if he had done nothing wrong, but he had no very satisfactory answer to the question.

He will likely have a hearing before the justice court soon.

GEOLOGICAL ENGINEER HERE.

W. C. Mendenhall of Los Angeles, chief of the U. S. geological survey of underground water, arrived here last Tuesday accompanied by G. A. Warring, one of his field division who has been working in this county all summer.

Mr. Mendenhall is much encouraged with the prospects for artesian water in this section from the report of Mr. Warring. They have gone to the southern part of the county where they will investigate some of that section and from here will return to Heppner and proceed to Eastern Washington where they have a large field to look after.

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Miss Maude Savage is again in the city after a short visit at home.

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Notice is hereby given that the land of Burns, Oregon, situated in the Northwest quarter of Section 17, Township 36 North, Range 12 East, 3rd Meridian, is the property of the late Wm. D. Skinner, deceased, and that the same is now being offered for sale by the undersigned, at public auction, on the 28th day of October, 1907, at 10 o'clock A. M., at the office of the undersigned, at Burns, Oregon.

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