TIMBER LANDS WILL RAISE IN PRICE

Timber lands are bound to advance in value in Oregon in the near future, in the opinion of C. H. Chick, of Grand Rapids Mich., who is out here looking over the situation, says the Telegram. He has been associated with Finley Morrison, at Grand Rapids, for 30 years, and has seen values of timber lands advance back there to a degree never dreamed of in the early days, and he looks for history to repeat itself in the Northwest.

"Stumpage is worth only about $1 a thousand feet out here now," Mr. Chick says, "while in the Southern States it has advanced to $5. The Oregon fir is superior in many ways to the yellow pine of Louisana and Mississippi, and its demand is sure to increase in the East. It is needed in the construction of cars and for railroad ties, thousands of which are rotting away each year, and it is also a superior timber for house construction and finishing.

"At present the sawmills of the South have the markets of the North all to themselves, as a result of the advance in freight rates on lumber from the Pacific Coast, but we are hoping for an adjustment of rates that will allow the lumbermen of the Northwest to again enter the field. When the time comes, all the mills and logging camps out here will start up again, and the price of timber will advance as a natural consequence."

GAS TAPPED IN PAYETTE FIELD

A special to The Journal from Payette, says: A comparatively strong vein of gas was struck yesterday in oil well No. 2 of the Oregon Oil & Gas company, at a depth of 500 feet. The flow is much stronger than it was at the same depth in the first well.

Knowing what occurred when well No. 1 was sunk, people are closely watching well No. 2 now, so that they may be on hand if another spectacular blowout occurs. From every indication there will be a gas blowout when the depth of the first well is reached, which will be some time this week.

It is very probable that if one well spouts the other will also, as well No. 1 is becoming more turbulent around the plug in the casting as well No. 2 is being sunk than it ever was before. Good progress is being made with the drill.

There will be no delay this time when the big flow of gas is struck as Manager Taylor of the company, says he is prepared to take care of it and will case it off and continue drilling until the oil is struck, if there is any oil to be tapped. Fine specimens of coal have been drawn from the well.

Machinery for the Payette Oil & Gas company is expected within two or three weeks now, from San Francisco.

Every foot of possible oil land within a radius of 20 miles of Payette has been filed on or leased where leases could be secured.

WHEN OREGON HAD CAMELS

That the whole of interior Oregon was once the bed of the Pacific ocean has been proved beyond question by the investigation of Professor Thomas Condon, Dr. Diller and other noted geologists. That the region was later a tropical country has been equally well established.

Numerous discoveries of the bones of animals and rocks containing the perfect imprint of the plants of the tropics have been made, and it is no longer an occasion for surprise when well diggers or irrigation excavators unearth the fossil remains of a camel or a broad faced ox.

Within recent years many fossil beds of beautiful palm leaves have been found in eastern Oregon.

The Cascade hills, Blue mountains and Owyhees, once islands surrounded by tropical lakes, were covered with luxuriant growth, forests and flowering shrubs, for Knowlton tells us the magnolia and cinnamon and fig trees were there.

Today the soil presents a finely ground mixture of basalt and volcanic ash, containing the elements of most fertile soil, and when properly watered producing enormous crops of vegetables, fruits and grains common to temperate zones.

The climate has been changed says Professor Condon, by the upfolding of the Cascade range, shutting off from the interior the softening influence of the Japan current and the drift of ocean fogs and clouds.—Sunset Magazine.

UNEARTH HISTORIC RELICS

A special from Seattle to the Oregonian says: Papers discovered in old Russian archives at Sitka, Alaska, the former capital of the northland when it was a part of the Czar's vast domain, indicating that by right the whole western coast of North America belongs to the United States, as that portion now under British control originally belonged to the empire of the white bear and should have gone with Alaska when it was ceded to the United States in 1867. These documents, which would have been of the greatest importance at the conference held in London some years ago relative to the international boundary between the United States and Canada, were unearthed by Leo Nabakoff, intimate friend of Count Leo Tolstoi.

Nabakoff was sent to Sitka by the Russian government to make certain researches among the old papers for historical data when the important discovery was made. The documents plainly show how the Czar's realm was enlarged by the entire northern coast of North America, and will ultimately lead scholars to philosophize on what might have been had American statesmen, in the days gone by, been possessed of this wonderful information. The documents are written in old Russian and Nabakoff says they shed some very interesting as well as new light on the early history of the far north.

COUNTY'S CROP ENORMOUS

Looked upon a few years ago as one of the frontier counties of Eastern Oregon, where nothing grew except a large number of coyotes and a few cattle and sheep, Morrow County's farm production this year is considered marvelous, even in a state where rapid development is the rule.

With not more than one-sixth of its 1,200,000 acres under cultivation, this county has produced this year 2,750,000 bushels of wheat. Besides this, Morrow marketed 2,000,000 pounds of wool, 7,000 sheep, 1,500 head of horses and cattle, with enough hogs to raise the net return on all agricultural products to $2,000,000, or $400 for every man, woman and child in the county.

Land there that never knew plow or grain drill until last year has grown this year 60 bushels of wheat to the acre; several 640-acre farms showing an average of more than 40 bushels per acre the entire tract. To haul the wheat crop of this one county the Oregon Railroad & Navigation Company must provide enough cars to make a train 20 miles in length.

Thousands of acres of land in this territory are used as sheep range, though known to be equal to any wheat land in the country. The land is in large tracts, but there is a constant tendency to divide it into smaller farms bought by settlers of limited capital.—Pacific Northwest.

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Any person claiming adversely the above described lands or any portion thereof, or desiring to show that the character of any of the lands applied for is mineral in character, should file their adverse claim or mineral application in this office on or before the expiration of ninety days from the date of this notice.

W. R. Ellis, Register.

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