

### OFFERS NEW LAND POLICY

### SECRETARY GARFIELD'S REPORT DIFFERS FROM HITCHCOCK.

### Intentional Evasion of Letter of Law Will Not Lay Honest Men Liable to Prosecution and Loss of Rights.

The Oregonian's Washington correspondent writes:

It is the purpose of Secretary Garfield to so conduct the Interior Department and so interpret the public land laws as to actualize every bona fide entryman by the laws enacted for a purpose, and so long as the law is not broken, he intends that the entryman shall enjoy its provisions, so long as he acts in good faith, shall have the encouragement and aid of representatives of the department. In other words Secretary Garfield is proceeding on the theory that every law is honest until proven guilty; a human enough to recognize that honest men make errors which do not lay them, or should lay them, liable to the law. The report of Mr. Garfield's annual report will convince any man that there has been a phenomenon almost incomprehensible in the manner of conducting the Interior Department.

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### retary Garfield says:

Whenever the facts warrant, I confer with persons who are accused of using or holding land illegally, and if possible and proper, effect a settlement or obtain return of the lands to the government without litigation.

Under the former Administration there was no such effort to settle cases of this character out of the courts. Every offender, no matter what his motive, looked for a criminal court record if detected. Incidentally, while the Government made a striking record for convictions in Oregon, it lost much of the land in controversy, whereas the Government is today recovering land illegally taken, and innocent offenders are not besmirched unnecessarily.

Secretary Garfield favors some radical amendments to the law prohibiting the inclosure of public land and suggests that the Secretary of Agriculture be given power to permit the use of the public range on a permit system based either upon an acreage or a per capita, and regulated in accordance with the peculiar and special needs and customs of each locality.

He further recommends the repeal of the timber and stone act.

### INVITED TO OREGON

(Portland Correspondent)

Portland business men have determined to make a united and most enthusiastic effort to secure from the Trans-Continental Passenger Association a special rate through to Portland and other points in the Pacific Northwest for delegates and others who will attend the National Democratic Convention to be held in the metropolis of Colorado next July. This was the topic of a meeting held at the parlors of the Portland Commercial Club Friday night and letters were forwarded Saturday to the meeting of the Passenger Agents now in session at Colorado Beach, California. The round-trip rates that will be in vogue from Portland and other Oregon points to Denver will make it easy to organize a party of representative business men from all parts of the State and send them on a special train to Denver where an extraordinary effort will be made to convince the delegates in attendance upon the convention of the special attractions of the Oregon climate during the hot season.

An extended editorial in the Billings, Montana, "Gazette" speaks of the vast amount of advertising Oregon is receiving through the newspapers of that state as a direct result of the prize offer made by the Portland Commercial Club.

A number of Eastern people are anxious to establish banks in Oregon, particularly those with a capital of from \$15,000 to \$25,000, with the now-comer putting in from \$5,000 to \$15,000.

Portland has determined to give the great "Inland Empire Excursion", which spends all day Saturday, Feb. 8th, a most cordial reception. Two hundred and fifteen persons compose this party, the trip is made under the auspices of the Spokane Chamber of Commerce and Walla Walla Commercial Club and the entertainment they receive here will be an index of that extended at other Oregon points where they make stops. The purpose of this excursion is to induce the thousands of tourists now in California to return to their homes by way of the Northwest route.

Big cargoes of lumber are leaving Portland to be used in the construction of the Panama Canal.

It comes up in a collapsible tube with a nozzle, easy to apply to the soreness and inflammation, for any form of Piles; it soothes and heals, relieves the pain, itching and burning. Man Zan Pile Remedy. Price 50 cts. Guaranteed. Sold by The Welcome Pharmacy, Burns, Ore. Fred Haines, Harney, Ore.

### RAILROAD WORK IS RESUMED

### HARRIMAN SYSTEM BEGINS ON LEWISTON BRANCH.

### Order Goes Out to Assemble Men and Materials at Once Where the Work Was Left off--Start at Once.

The Sunday Oregonian says: After the suspension of construction work in the state for the past two months, the Harriman lines are to resume the building of Oregon railroads. General Manager O'Brien issued orders yesterday to assemble men and materials and complete the Riparia-Lewiston line at once. Before the week is out work will have been resumed on this project, which was almost completed when the order withdrawing construction forces throughout this territory was made.

Just as soon as working forces can be organized, men will be put on the job and within the coming three months the new line will be completed. The work is already well along. When the order stopping work was issued, track on the new extension had been laid from Riparia to a point opposite Lewiston, and the bridge crossing the Clearwater lacked but little of completion. The enforced suspension of all railroad work left this partially finished bridge hanging in the air and it was not known when it would be finished.

The Riparia-Lewiston line will be a part of the O. R. & N. system and will be 72 miles in length when completed. The cost will be about \$3,000,000. The estimates call for more than \$2,600,000 already without station buildings and other items of expense which the company must provide for. As most of the work is completed, about \$150,000 remains to be expended to put the line in shape for operation.

The track must be surfaced and ballasted for the entire distance and the bridge completed. This structure is practically finished with the exception of the erection of one span. The bridge is being built by the engineering firm of McCreary & Willard, of Spokane. The construction of the remainder of the line is being done on force account or by the O. R. & N. Company direct. The time it will take to put up the remaining span of the bridge at Lewiston will depend upon the stage of the Clearwater River, but unless unusually high water is encountered, the completion of the structure should be a matter of a few weeks.

Just how many men will be set to work on the surfacing and ballasting of the line depends upon the condition of the ground. If cold weather continues for any length of time and the ground is frozen, work will necessarily proceed more slowly than if the ground was in good working condition. At any rate just as many men as can be used on the job will be kept busy and as the surfacing and ballasting will proceed along the whole line simultaneously, a small army of several hundred workmen will be needed.

The importance to Portland of the completion and early operation of this piece of railroad has been appreciated ever since work was started on the project by the Harriman people. It opens a rich wheat district making a large section of the Idaho country directly tributary to this city, for the new line, in connection with the main line of the O. R. & N. from Riparia to Portland, offers a down-grade haul all the way to tidewater at Portland.

Although the Idaho country has been a bone of contention between the Hill and Harriman interests for years, it is interesting to know that by the terms of an agreement between the two interests, made in 1905, the Harriman people were to build the line from Riparia to Lewiston and the Northern Pacific, which has a branch from Lewiston to Culemesac, Idaho, was to build from the latter point south-east to Grangeville, Idaho, in the Bamas Prairie country, a distance of 55 miles, and both lines are to be operated jointly by both companies.

There was nothing competitive about this building, perhaps the

only instance in the Pacific Northwest where the two warring systems agreed to build and use the same tracks. This feature of the construction is also a decided benefit to Portland, for the completion of the Riparia-Lewiston lines means the adding of 126 miles of new railway to the lines that now radiate from Portland as a center.

This agreement, made in 1905, is still in force and the Northern Pacific is now building its Lewiston-Grangeville line. About 15 miles of the road has been completed and is being operated. This road will serve a wheat district that is unexcelled in the Pacific Northwest and will add very largely to the annual grain tonnage handled every year at this port.

### Narrows and Sunset Valley.

The local institute, taking it as a whole, was very successful. The evening session was especially pleasant. Supt. Hamilton spoke in his broad minded way on school law, from which many valuable points were gained by the listeners. The rest of the program consisted of solos, readings, and recitations. Then several hours were spent in a social way. After lunch the young people retired to the Anderson hall where they spent the rest of the evening in a social dance.

Miss Leake, teacher at Lawen, attended the local institute here Saturday.

W. W. Warner of Lawen was a visitor Saturday and Sunday.

Supt. Hamilton was a business visitor Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Elma Marshall was a visitor here Saturday.

It is stated that a masked ball will be given in the Anderson hall February 14.

At a recent school meeting plans for the school house were laid before the people and accepted. The material for the building will cost \$507 and when finished will be a very convenient building.

J. B. Hodder is reported ill at his home.

### TEACHERS' EXAMINATION.

Notice is hereby given that the County Superintendent of Harney County will hold the regular examination of applicants for state and county papers at the courthouse in Burns, as follows:

FOR STATE PAPERS.  
Commencing Wednesday, February 12 at 9 o'clock a. m., and continuing until Saturday February 15 at 4 p. m.  
Wednesday—Penmanship, history, spelling, physical geography, reading, psychology.  
Thursday—Written arithmetic, theory of teaching, grammar, book-keeping, physics, civil government.  
Friday—Physiology, composition, algebra, English literature.  
Saturday—Botany, plane geometry, general history, school law.

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Yours truly,  
L. M. HAMILTON,  
County Superintendent.

It is a well known fact that persons living in the Pine forests do not suffer from kidney diseases. One dose of Pineules at night usually relieves backache. 30 days' treatment, \$1.00. Your money refunded if not satisfied. Sold by The Welcome Pharmacy, Burns, Ore. Fred Haines, Harney, Ore.

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### TO ASK FOR COYOTE BOUNTY

### SHEEPMEN DECIDE TO ASK RELIEF FROM LEGISLATURE.

### Action in Line With the Decision Reached at Helena to Try for Uniform Coyote Bounty Law in Sheep States.

That the wool growers of Oregon will ask the next legislature to pass a coyote bounty law was announced today by sheep commission headquarters and it is possible that the sheep counties of eastern Oregon will be asked to offer bounties until such an act can be enacted.

At the national woolgrowers' convention held in Helena it was decided to ask for uniform coyote bounty laws in all the sheep raising states of the west. United action is to be taken in hopes of ridding the country of coyotes and the Oregon men declare they will do their part towards securing a bounty law.

What amount they will seek to have offered for coyote scalps has not yet been decided upon, but, according to Dan P. Smythe, secretary of the sheep commission, they will probably ask for a \$2 bounty, which amount was paid under the old law.

Until such a law can be secured the sheepmen would like to see the different eastern Oregon counties offer local bounties so as to commence the exterminating work at once. To this end it is very likely the sheep commission will ask the various county courts to offer \$2 per head for each scalp or pelt produced.

According to the woolgrower officials, the only way in which coyotes may be exterminated is by a bounty law. During the past month a general crusade against the predatory animals has been waged all over the state and some good has been done. One man near Arlington has reported that he killed 50 coyotes by means of poisoning and some other good scores have been made.

But the work now being done is all gratuitous on the part of the herders and others and it is said will not be as vigorous as it would be if a reward of \$2 were held out for each animal killed. At noon today, Dr. W. H. Lytle, state sheep inspector, left for western Oregon to make an inspection of the sheep in the Willamette valley counties. He will be away about three weeks and will devote much of his time to Benton county, where more seal seems to exist than in other sections. While away he will name new county deputies in many places and arrange for dipping where necessary.—East Oregonian.

### TO CONSOLIDATE STAGE LINES.

C. M. Kellogg of the Burns-Vale stage line was here for a few days this week looking after business. The Times-Herald has it from good authority that Mr. Kellogg was bringing about the final arrangement of placing all the stage lines, with the exception of the Blue Mountain Rapid Transit Line, under one management with headquarters at Burns.

This consolidation would include the Burns-Vale, Burns-Prineville, Burns-Venator and Burns-Diamond lines and the various contractors hope to thus minimize expenses by jointly paying a man a good salary to look after the interests of all. When arrangements are completed headquarters on Mr. Kellogg's line will be moved here from Vale.

The matter has been under consideration for several weeks but it seems the party who was to have taken charge of the work here would not accept the salary offered. Whether this is all that stands in the way of the arrangement at present is not known. However, it is understood that such an agreement has been made and may be expected to take effect at any time within the near future.

### Looks Good to Eastern Oregon.

Every indication points to Hill, or his interests at least, as being behind the Portland, Eugene & Eastern Railway now built out of Portland as far as Salem and

which is to be extended to this city, on up the McKenzie and on over into Eastern Oregon. If Hill interests are backing this road, there will be great things doing in this part of Oregon. It will mean a branch line out of here to the Siuslaw and the making of Eugene the second city in size in Oregon, as shown by the title of the new road—Portland, Eugene & Eastern—the two leading cities in the state. Eugene being coupled with the metropolis in this big railroad enterprise is an advertisement few of our citizens fully appreciate. Building of the road to this city with extension across the mountains east, also west to Florence and on to Coos bay, will cause Eugene to grow as it has never grown before.—Eugene Register.

### NO TRESPASSING.

Hunting is forbidden upon my place adjoining Burns. Trespassers will be prosecuted.  
C. H. VOEGTLI.

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Notice is hereby given that hunting and shooting upon the enclosed lands of the American Land & Live Stock Co. is strictly forbidden. Any person or persons found hunting or trespassing will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.  
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### NOTICE

Being unable to give our personal attention to the collection of the accounts due us, the same have been placed with Mr. C. H. Leonard. A year having elapsed since the dissolution of co-partnership a prompt settlement of the same is requested.  
MARDEN & GEARY.

### Religious Services.

First Church Christ. Scientist 8 p. m. Sunday. Sunday school 2 p. m. Wednesday evening meeting at 7:30. Meetings are held in McMullen's Studio.

Rev. A. J. Irwin will preach at Harney the 2nd Sunday of each month at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sabbath school every sabbath at 2 p. m.

The Harney Sunday school meets at 2 o'clock each Sunday and a cordial invitation is extended to all who can attend to meet with us.

At the Presbyterian church Burns, Rev. A. J. Irwin pastor. Devine services the third and fourth Sundays of each month at 11 a. m., and 7:30 p. m. Sabbath school at 10 a. m. every Sabbath morning.

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