

THE HAND OF HILL SEEN

Central Oregon to be Developed Says The Portland Oregonian

DR. SHAW'S TRIP SIGNIFICANT

Northern Soil Expert Finds Immense Territory Adapted to Successful Dry Farming Methods, and Such That Will Soon be Brought Under Irrigation.

The visit of Prof. Thomas Shaw to Central Oregon means immediate action by the Hill interests looking to the development of this territory with irrigation lines is the belief of the Oregonian.

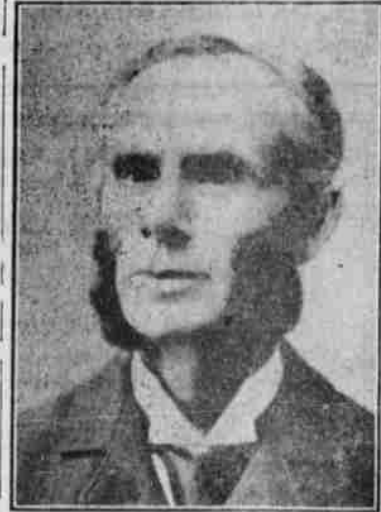
Shaw has just completed a 100-mile automobile tour of Central Oregon and returned to Portland the first of this week. While on his trip he suggested one or more irrigation lines in this territory and should the Hill road is more than likely they will be established in the near future. The Oregonian has the following regarding his trip to the interior:

Shaw, for many years professor of animal husbandry at the University of Minnesota, an agricultural expert in the employ of J. J. Hill, and a member of the board of directors of the Great Northern Railway, arrived in Portland yesterday, completing a 100-mile automobile trip through Oregon and Western Oregon. He returned to St. Paul he will make an exhaustive report on the agricultural possibilities of the country lying between the Great Northern and the Oregonian. The report will be submitted to J. J. Hill personally and will later appear in an illustrated booklet by the road's publicity department.

Shaw's request specific information from Mr. Hill as to his plans for sending him on this trip. Mr. Shaw when asked about the building of a line to serve Central Oregon, "I presume, however, would not ask me to support on the country unless some object in view. Here I went I ran across a line that Mr. Hill has turned his attention to. I am now unserved by rail. I would not be surprised if the Oregonian is the case."

Shaw was accompanied on his trip by his son, W. T. Shaw, professor of the zoology at Oregon State College. Pullman, the latter devoted his attention chiefly to securing photographs with which to illustrate his report. These photographs show the natural conditions of the country, and the agricultural development. From Ontario the automobile party touched at Vale, Silver Lake, Paulina, Redmond, Bend, Fort Klamath Falls, Calor, Medford, Grants Pass, Eugene and Corvallis. At these places Professor Shaw delivered lectures. Professor Shaw is enthusiastic about the Willamette River Valleys. He says nowhere in the United States there land which can be so diversified use and which will give such large returns. He believes the bench lands between the Willamette and the Oregonian will be famous in the production of winter wheat. He believes that the adoption of dry farming methods will work in that country. He is now operating a 45-acre demonstration now operated by the Oregonian in Montana, and that Oregon would benefit from similar stations to show to get results from dry farming established in this state. The Oregonian in which some very interesting information he says in part:

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Thomas. But this sheet of doubt merely makes the old agriculturist smile. He is one of the masters in dry-farming witchery. He is the man who made it possible to produce on a dry farm in Montana last year a good crop of cereals, when the entire rainfall of the season was but 3.6 inches—a climate which has, in all countries and ages, been classed as arid and desert. And the serene profit of Oregon greatness is the practical expert who asks but 10 inches of rainfall for the farms of the average farmer, who does not conserve and use his moisture with expert care.

"In my long journey across Oregon, which began at Ontario and finally brought me out through the Cascades, I found no region or district that is not admirably adapted to dry farming," declared the Professor yesterday, before his departure from Portland. "If only one place that I touched was there less than 10 inches precipitation for the year. That is all our farmers need when employing the dry farming process of cultivation. Everywhere the soil was very rich. By good dry farming that land should be made to yield from 25 to 30 bushels of wheat to the acre, and other crops also. So rich is the soil that it probably would need no fertilizer for at least 50 years if alternate crops were grown."

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ALBERSON GROWS.

W. E. Alberson, postmaster and founder of the town of Alberson, just across the line into Harney county, was in town this week and reports the town of Alberson as booming. Several buildings are being erected and others are contemplated. Mr. Alberson is among the most active and is building a house and barn. J. W. Lee, the storekeeper, is also building an addition to his store, and a school house is proposed for the near future.

Mr. Alberson also states that everybody in Alberson is doing a big business as 50,000 sheep have gone into winter quarters near there. During the past summer 300,000 sheep summered on the neighboring ranges. The grass is in fine condition since the rains.

Walter Gray, of Alberson, was in Vale this week as a witness for W. E. Alberson who proved up on his homestead.

Frank Clerf, who owns the 14,500-acre Alvord ranch, is making many improvements in the way of fixing ditches and fences.

Chas. Ingham has purchased the Wild Horse stage from Andrews to Harriman.—Vale Enterprise.

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SURVEYING LANDS IN HARNEY COUNTY

The following appears in a recent issue of the Portland Telegram as a special dispatch from Burns:—The Government parties surveying the townships in the southern part of the county are making fine progress, and several new townships have been surveyed, which will open up a new territory for 320-acre homesteads. Camp No. 2, under Roy T. Campbell, of The Dalles, has the most difficult work to do, as the party is surveying Steens Mountains, 20 miles up the Blitzen River, where there are no roads to speak of, and their supplies are brought to camp on pack horses from the P ranch. The territory covered by this party is the most difficult to survey in Oregon, as it is all mountains and canyons. No one lives in that section but stockmen, and there is found the best Summer range in the state for horses, sheep and cattle.

There is a rumor that the Government will make Steens Mountains a National park, as it is one of the finest Summer outing places in Eastern Oregon. Every year people from Portland and other places come here to enjoy the fine fishing and hunting, as all the small creeks and the Blitzen River are full of trout the size of salmon trout. There have been several trout caught at the P ranch the past season that weighed 10 pounds each.

Several small valleys near the summit will some day make fine dairy ranches, as they are covered over with bunch grass and well supplied with springs and creeks. The only reason these ranches have not been taken by settlers is the fact that the land was unsurveyed. Some of the finest water power sites in Oregon can be found in the Steens Mountains and the Blitzen River, and on Kieger, McCoy's, Horne and Alvord creeks.

NEW CLUBBING PROPOSITION

We have arranged to offer in connection with this paper, the new monthly farm magazine just started at Lincoln, Nebraska, by Prof. H. W. Campbell and devoted to the subject of how to farm in the dry country and how to get best results from soil tillage under normal conditions. This Paper is Campbell's Scientific Farmer and we offer it clubbed with The Times-Terald both for \$2.50 per year cash. Prof. Campbell's new paper is a monthly, chock full of good things, the only paper of its kind in the world, and it embodies the results of the editor's many years of painstaking investigation of the soil tillage proposition.

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WILL R. KING

One of the Supreme Judges,
Candidate for Re-Election, Six
Year Term, Whose Place is
Sought by Geo. H. Burnett,
Assembly Nominee.

Judge Will R. King has been a resident of Eastern Oregon for nearly forty years. He was born Oct. 3 1864, on a farm near Walla Walla, Wash., removed to Umatilla county in 1871 and lived near Weston until 1878. During that year he went to what is now Malheur County, then a part of Baker County, which has been his place of continuous residence. Judge King attended the Oregon Agriculture College for three years, graduated from a law school in Danville, Indiana, and began the practice of law in 1892 in Malheur County. He served in the Oregon legislature six years, two in the House and four in the Senate, and was recognized as one of its foremost members. February 23, 1907, he was appointed Commissioner of the Supreme Court and two years later became Associate Justice, which office he now holds, and is a candidate to succeed himself for the six year term.

Judge King's decisions rank high among the bench and bar. In the celebrated water decision of *Hough v. Porter*, written by him, more than 80 points of law were involved and decided, covering 146 pages of the Oregon Reports. His opinion in that case is now used by the Ann Arbor Law School and recognized as an authority on water rights. His knowledge on this subject as well as his life-long experience in Eastern Oregon and his familiarity with conditions in this part of the State make it important that he should be retained upon the Bench.

Judge King is endorsed by the Non-Political Judiciary movement. This movement was authorized by the Oregon Bar Association and has for its object the removal of the judges from politics and from all political influence and urges that Judge King, as one of the present members of the court, be retained. (In this connection read pages 31 to 34 in pamphlet to be issued by the Secretary of State to be sent to all voters.) George H. Burnett, who was selected by the Republican Assembly, seeks Judge King's place on political grounds. Politics does not determine the qualification of jurors and should have no bearing upon the selection of judges.

Speaking of Judge King the Portland Daily Journal recently said: "One of the ablest jurists in Oregon is Supreme Justice WILL R. KING. He is known throughout the State as an independent thinker of profound powers of analysis. He has the reputation among laymen as well as among the members of the bar of applying a great deal of common sense as well as broad intelligence in construing the law. Judge King is opposed by Judge Geo. H. Burnett, who was nominated by the assembly, who accepted the nomination from the assembly and who stands on the platform of the assembly. * * * * * VOTERS! It is for you to say whether merit or politics shall rule in the selection of our judges."

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