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## AR THE WHISTLE SOON

### Long Distance Railroad Guessing That Sounds Good

### HILL AND HARRIMAN BUSY

### to Invade The Big Harney Country From East and West With Least Possible Delay According to Enterprise, Which Has Inside Information.

Surveying engineers in Vale within a few days will be surveying permanent lines on the Oregon Eastern railroad west of Vale according to a definite statement received here from the Portland head office. When the Harriman company purchased the right of the Boise & Western, it secured two lines land for most of the distance two right-of-way lines. This crew of surveyors is now on a permanent line, choosing the most feasible route and the location of the Oregon Eastern and the Boise & Western. It is expected that construction will follow the surveys. The settlement of the right-of-way proceedings between the Oregon Eastern and the Harriman people, officers of the state that little delay is expected in securing the needed right-of-way and that those who cannot be secured will be secured over into condemnation proceedings so that the work will not be delayed any longer. —Enterprise.

crop apparently without another drop of moisture falling. This, however, is not to be necessary so far as present indications are concerned for we're going to have more moisture during this month or all signs fail.

Those who have seen it say C. E. McPheeters' stand of fall wheat is one of the finest ever seen in this county.

Reports of good crop prospects come from all over the county and The Times-Herald predicts bumper harvests this season.

#### GRAY PLANS FARMS.

President Carl R. Gray of the Hill lines in Oregon is still preaching the necessity of starting the farmer right as he suggested in his public talks in this city last month.

The establishment of soil-analysis stations through the interior part of the state is essential and the matter may be brought to the attention of Gov. West with the idea of securing state aid. This was suggested by Mr. Gray to a representative of The Times-Herald while in Burns recently.

He is quoted in a Portland paper as follows:

"When we build our railroads we have our engineers go out and do the planning and construction work," said Mr. Gray. "They are specialists in this branch of railroad building. When they have made the road, the operating department takes it over and runs it; its members also are specialists. Neither one possibly could do the work of the other. And so it is with agriculture; at least so it should be. Too often the farmer goes to a new country, as Central Oregon, and starts cultivating the soil as he was accustomed to cultivate it back in Missouri or Minnesota. He intirely fails to take into consideration the fact that soil in that particular section of Oregon which he happens to have acquired may be totally different to that which he had been accustomed to work 'back East' and so may make a failure of his efforts, which would have been crowned with success if he had been started right.

"And there is where my proposed soil-analysis work comes in. It is the work of the agricultural engineering department. The farmers represent the operating department, which properly can only take hold after the way has been blazed out for them. I would like to see the state make an appropriation to conduct such a work. My idea is to have stations established at various places in the interior and throughout the state also, for that matter, where an expert with a properly equipped laboratory would always be on hand to analyze soil specimens brought in by ranchers. By so doing he would be able to direct the farmers what to do with their soil, how best to cultivate it, what to plant and what not to plant, and aid them in a multitude of ways.

#### COMING FROM BEND.

With the reports of rail work in this section in the future comes the news that the system will as soon as possible start work on its trans-line from Bend and on as soon as that point is reached by the Oregon Trunk. According to best information available a reliable person who had a conversation with the officials on their recent visit to this city, it is understood that the people will get busy. This report is again backed up by the fact that the first trip to Bend by Mr. Gray, the new president who succeeded John F. Hill as head of the Hill system in Oregon, lost no time in becoming acquainted with the situation in Central Oregon. This is the part that is the strongest opinion that Hill will get busy as fast. —Enterprise.

#### CROP PROSPECTS FINE.

The Times-Herald man and his wife enjoyed a spin with C. F. Kibbey in his auto last Sunday afternoon. A considerable amount of the work of the agricultural engineering department. The farmers represent the operating department, which properly can only take hold after the way has been blazed out for them. I would like to see the state make an appropriation to conduct such a work. My idea is to have stations established at various places in the interior and throughout the state also, for that matter, where an expert with a properly equipped laboratory would always be on hand to analyze soil specimens brought in by ranchers. By so doing he would be able to direct the farmers what to do with their soil, how best to cultivate it, what to plant and what not to plant, and aid them in a multitude of ways.

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"These homesteaders are attempting the cultivation of an absolutely untried land, where ultimate success inevitable will come, but where in the first equally inevitable there must be many failures. It is to minimize the number of such failures, so hastening the development and productivity of the territory, that soil analysis would be of great importance."

There will be an effort made by the Hill lines to put into operation several agriculture experimental stations in Interior Oregon, according to President Gray. While it is possible that such may be started this Summer it is more probable that little will be done with the work until the season of 1912.

#### LIVELY IS CRITIC.

D. O. Lively has hit the nail just right respecting a matter that has been called to the attention of The Times-Herald repeatedly. We have had more than one person who came from the east say that from the general trend of literature sent out by the Portland Commercial bodies and some of the railroads, apples are the only product raised in Oregon worth while.

The following appears in the Oregonian: Declaring that Oregon is not getting its share of the immigration movement of the country, D. O. Lively, in a letter addressed to C. C. Chapman, manager of the promotion committee of the Commercial Club, criticizes the methods used to advertise the resources of the state. He says that a rightful share of immigration is not being attracted to Oregon's vacant acres "simply and solely for the reason that Oregon is known almost exclusively for its superiority in apple production.

"There is," he adds, "at present a tendency to direct attention to general agriculture, which includes stock raising, but efforts along that line are chiefly used as a tail to the apple kite."

Mr. Lively quotes from correspondence he has had with a prominent traffic official whose efforts in four years prior to June 30, 1910, to attract settlers to Missouri, Arkansas, Louisiana, Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Colorado and New Mexico resulted in locating 370,732 persons on farms. In carloads of immigrant effects there was 8245; in part carloads, 33,603. The greater part of this immigration went to Oklahoma and Texas. It was exclusive of the foreign movement from the seaboard, which amounted to 125,000 people in the period given.

"It will be of importance to the Northwest," Mr. Lively quotes the traffic official as saying, "to give out more information as to what can be done besides raising apples. I do not know enough about it to give you any special advice, but I do know that the general feeling all over the country is that you are in the apple business exclusively almost."

Mr. Lively asked what general line of agriculture attracted these immigrants, and the reply was: "The new settler generally goes to a new country in which the same line of farming can be carried on to which he has been accustomed. Thus the immigration from the Middle Western States preferable goes to Kansas, Oklahoma, Missouri and Northern Texas to engage in general farming for small grain, corn, forage plants, cattle and hograising."

Mr. Lively appeals to Mr. Chapman in his capacity as Immigration Commissioner for Oregon to help to "relieve the railroads of some of the difficulties under which they now labor in securing settlers." "We must look to the Middle States for a large share of our agricultural population," he says, and adds that these people will not go into the business of orcharding. He concludes by saying that "stock farming is the most popular, the most profitable, the best understood and the most widely practiced part of American agriculture."

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## SITE FOR THE DRY FARM

### Agricultural College Regents Will Make Selection Next Week

### PARTY ARRIVES IN BURNS 16TH

### Careful Study of Soil and Conditions Necessary to an Intelligent Selection for Strictly Dry Farm Experiment Station--Harney County to Equip the Farm.

A letter under date of May 30 from Clerk E. E. Wilson of the Oregon Agriculture College board of regents to Judge Thompson announces that a committee consisting of President Weatherford, Walter Pierce of Union county, C. L. Hawley of Polk county and Mr. Wilson had been chosen at a recent meeting of the board to come to Harney Valley and select the site for the experiment farm. They will arrive here the latter part of next week and hope to be able to make the selection within a couple of days after arriving.

The letter stated the party expected to leave The Dalles on June 14. It also asked for suggestions as to route and various schedules and Judge Thompson has written

we understand, yet our county is obliged to pay for the land and equip it. This therefore, calls for the business judgement of the county court which is capable of handling it. No doubt the board will find several tracts which it will recommend in order to give the court an opportunity to purchase a tract at best terms.

The board will have the active co-operation of the business men of this city and a host of farmers throughout the Valley and The Times-Herald is confident a selection may be found that will be reasonably priced and located in a manner that will be satisfactory to all.

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FOUR GENERATIONS OF PIONEER FAMILY

W. C. Byrd, aged 69 years; seated, his daughter, Alice Byrd-King, aged 41 years; on left, Byrd King-Dalton, aged 22 years; on right, Frankie King-Turner, aged 20 years; On Mrs. King's lap, right, Amy Edith Turner, born February 26, 1911; left, Harold King Dalton, born January 25, 1911.

"Daddy" Byrd and his family came to Harney Valley in May, 1883. He immediately began teaching school, the only school in all of what is now Harney county. Among his pupils were the Whiting boys, Tom and Frank Baker, Mart Brenton, Archie McGowan. The following year George McGowan and P. F. Stonger started a store at this point and Mr. McGowan asked the "school teacher" to suggest a name for the new post office, rather antcipating, we have an idea, what that name would be. Mr. Byrd being an admirer of the illustrious "Bobbie" and Mr. McGowan a Scotchman, but one suggestion was necessary.

The Byrds have resided here ever since and have been getting "thicker" as time goes on until now it takes up all of "Daddy's" time visiting the different "nests" in order to keep acquainted with the rapidly increasing "flocks."

Mr. Wilson giving him more direct route where transportation in without any delay may be had.

The selection of the experiment farm should have careful consideration as it should be strictly dry land of a character that will give results. It should be so located as to be most beneficial to the entire country where demonstrations may be made.

This selection is entirely with the Agriculture College board

#### INDUSTRIAL NOTES.

(Portland Correspondence.)

Interest in fruit raising for a preserving plant recently located at Lebanon was aroused at a meeting at Brownsville on the night of decoration day under the auspices of the local commercial club. It is possible a fruit growers union will be formed that will be in harmony with one lately organized at Lebanon. The Portland Com-

mercial Club was represented and it is believed that more attention will be paid to fruit growing in that section of the state.

Portland will have a commission form of government as soon as the required changes can be brought about. Mayor Simon has named a commission to draft a charter providing for the new form and the recent city election will only hasten the change, as all candidates were favorable to it.

Premium lists for the State Fair next September have been issued. Premiums amounting to \$16,000 and \$25,000 in racing purses will be hung up on the harness events alone, in addition to the awards for running races. General plans for the fair are well under way and it is promised this year's exposition of the state's resources will be bigger and better than ever. Dates have been fixed for September 11-16.

Oregon threshermen held a successful convention in Portland during the last week, there being a good attendance from all parts of the state. Good roads was quite naturally a subject in which much interest was shown and other angles of the threshermen's business were considered.

#### PROTECTING THE GARDEN.

Just what to use to kill the bugs and worms which annoy the gardner of vegetable and small fruit tracts at this time of year is told in a new bulletin of the Oregon Agriculture College which will soon be issued from the college press.

"Plant lice, or aphid, such as the cucumber aphid, cabbage aphid, lettuce aphid, strawberry aphid, rose aphid and others, often become very troublesome in the garden on various plants, and some of them are extremely hard to control," says H. F. Wilson, entomologist, who is author of the work. "Black Leaf, Black Leaf 40, or Kerosene Emulsion, applied at any time when the aphids become troublesome, or before the leaves curl, is effective. For worms on cabbage and cauliflower Paris green or arsenate of lead should be used. For cut-worms on onions, a bran-arsenic mesh or a Paris green dry bait.

"For the striped cucumber beetle, the plants should be dusted with Paris green or sprayed with arsenate of lead. It is well to plant some early squash for trap plants, and when the beetles are feeding on them, dust heavily with Paris green.

"For worms on the leaves of currant bushes, one should spray with arsenate of lead. For fruit worms, destroy the infested fruit and allow the poultry the run of the bushes when the infested fruit is falling. For aphid apply an aphid spray (a Black Leaf or emulsion) when the berries are just coming out. Gooseberries should be given the same treatment as currants.

"For plant lice on hops, a thorough spraying should be given with Black Leaf or Kerosene Emulsion at the time the lice are on the plant, and the treatment may be repeated if necessary. For aphid on peas the treatment is the same.

"To get rid of the striped cucumber beetle on mushmellons, the treatment is the same as on cucumber vines, and for flea-beetles on potato vines, a heavy strength spray of arsenate of lead whenever the beetles appear should be effective. Watermelon pests are treated as the mushmellons.

"When there are cane maggots on the raspberry bushes, the only thing to do is to cut out the infested canes and burn them.

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