

RAILROAD PROSPECTS

Port Gathering of Material and Tools for Construction Work

POSITIVE ORDERS TO BUILD

Paper Says Steam Shovel There and Work Train and Big Crew Expected to Begin on Oregon the Eastern Toward Harney--60 Miles This Year.

of-way agents have been calculating throughout the Valley south of this city week for the purpose of the needed strips of the building of the Oregon railroad out of this the interior. A conver- between railroads the of the week revealed that no time is to be undertaking the grad- on the trans-Ore- road. Railroaders are so the present time that they know how to pro- the Oregon Eastern, es- sence they have no time in order to hold the right- over government lands the Malheur canyon.

By a big steam shovel landed in the local and another is in the On- ds waiting for shipment. The work is slow- ers state that it is al- sible to gather a work- and necessary equip- this time. Little is said nature of the work, but who have been watch- versing with the railroad sure that the Oregon will be undertaken as the local yards are placed in condition for switching. The arrival of part of on Wednesday is an- onger indication that be started in a short

reliable source it has learned that at least of road will be put in and that railroaders tractors are now making in preparing for the

oming to this section the past few weeks of of townspeople, who speed the railroad and always next to the situ- another strong indication is to be a lively center very short time. It is ed that Chief O'Brien yed a full report the from his men who an inspecting the Mal- the past few week. e steps corroborate all is made by the Enter- the effect that the off- sive orders to build Eastern this Fall. rprise.

DESTROYS PROPERTY.

Fenwick residence and completely destroyed Monday night, R. A. family, who occupied sustained the loss of very thing they had, but an organ and a small of bedding being saved building.

re started at the barn o'clock and its origin is y. It has been said a Indian had been in the lotting in that vicinity bly started the fire. ys have been found matches and in fact one s have been started by ntly but were put out tting beyond control.

roperty is situated some out and it was hard to re apparatus on the ad in working order as tment seems badly de- and the engines show- . The fire spread rapid- he house caught soon barn was discovered to es, therefore when the ere finally put to work late to do anything aving these buildings were used to protect ng buildings.

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grade. The pupils are to study there in the earlier grades; they are to talk about them, and in the advanced grades they are to be made the basis of composition work. It is especially urged that the teachers show the pupils how to correct their own errors instead of doing this work for them.

In the first three grades the pupils are to study the pictures, reproduce short stories told by the teacher and correct their most common errors in speaking. In the intermediate grades they are to reproduce in writing short narratives, to memorize a certain amount of poetry and to write friendship and business letters. The work in technical grammar is given in the sixth, seventh and eighth grades. A careful outline has been prepared so that the teacher will not spend too much time with this work, and yet a sufficient amount is given so that the pupil completing the eighth grade will understand thoroughly the essential elements of a sentence.

In civil government the work is confined to a study of the constitutional convention and the Constitution itself. The work in history, reading, spelling, geography and writing is practically the same as in the old course of study.

A modern course of study in drawing is offered and one that will be very helpful to the teachers. In this Mr. Alderman says: "In late years there has been a wonderful change in the teaching of drawing. New methods have been developed, methods which charm the child." In speaking of the value of this course Mr. Alderman says: "One of the worst tendencies of the age is towards dependence on others for amusement, the love of pleasures that cost. Public school drawing should work against this; the search for beauty in common things should be one of its avowed aims. Children have natural ability to appreciate beauty in what they see. Through drawing this appreciation may be developed instead of being allowed to die away, and may take the place of the craving for less wholesome pleasures."

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Sheriff Richardson is back from California where he went to get Burt Prough, wanted here as a witness and being implicated in killing of cattle. He found his man in San Jose but he refused to come and as the sheriff didn't have the necessary papers to secure requisition he came back without him. Prough was held here as a witness but was allowed liberty and skipped out. He seems to have told some story to the paper at San Jose from the following story which was clipped from the Mercury:

Sheriff A. K. Richardson of Harney County, Oregon, is in San Jose desirous of returning to Burns in company with Omie A. Prough, better known to the Sheriff as "Burt" Prough, who is wanted on a charge of shooting cattle maliciously and who is in the County Jail here awaiting extradition.

In an interview last evening the Sheriff gave a few alleged facts of the case in which he described the man as a splendid actor, at the same time adding that his wife, who is supposed to have deserted him by running away, with a man who lives at Lake View, from the O'Connor Sanitarium last week, is also gifted with the art of acting.

Prough's statement that he made to the Mercury a few days ago, according to the Sheriff, not quite correct. The truth of the statement that he gave the man an hour to obtain bail was denied. What the Sheriff did, it is alleged, was to allow Prough to proceed to the hotel where his wife was and give her the child that was with him when arrested, on his word of promise to return to the jail by 1 o'clock that day. "I ought not to have done this," said the Sheriff, "but thought the man would play the game instead of pulling out the way he did, as I wanted to give him a fair deal."

Mrs. Prough and her child, who remained behind when the man left, journeyed, to her parents' home in Cederville, from which place Prough sent for her to come to San Jose to him.

The trouble arose from the killing of cattle, the Sheriff said, in which two brothers by the name of Lorenzen, for whom Prough was working, together with the latter were implicated, whom Prough said, killed the cattle, he having no hand in the killing. The case was in court and one of the brothers made an affidavit exonerating Prough from all blame in the matter. He was sent to the penitentiary for 12 months and Prough and the other brother liberated. It then leaked out, it is said, that Prough had got the convicted man to make the affidavit on the promise of assisting him to get out of jail by bringing him a hacksaw, placing a Winchester rifle, a pair of boots and overalls, a plug of chewing tobacco and also some cartridges, under a box that was set by the wall of the jail.

Prough, however, failed to do as he had promised and Lorenzen then gave the game away and

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NEW COURSE OF STUDY.

A shorter course in technical grammar, a complete course in drawing, nature study, agricultural, industrial work and music and manual training, opening with a course of study in physiology and hygiene, in which special emphasis is laid on practical hygiene, are some of the features in the new course of study for the schools which has been prepared by Superintendent Alderman. The manual of the revised course of study will be ready for distribution about August 30. Clean finger nails, well brushed hair, shiny shoes and clean clothes are other recommendations.

MATINEE RACES.

Those who attended the matinee races last Sunday afternoon were treated to a surprise when two of the best harness horses on the course were beaten by a "green one." Bill Hanley, Progress and John G. started in the mile and both the former went off their feet and the little horse won without much effort. Mr. Johnson and Phil Smith "put up a job" on Harry Smith, who drove John G., intending to allow him a good lead almost the entire distance and then brush up and take the race. They missed their calculations when their horses both broke. The same thing happened in the second heat besides Mr. Johnson lost a tire on the stretch and had to pull up. The time was 2:28 in each heat which is considered very good for the little horse who has only been worked for six weeks.

There were four starters in the saddle horse race which was won by Bunyard's horse. Just after they got away from the post one horse, ridden by Ira Davis, fell and it looked serious until the dust cleared away and Ira was seen walking by his horse and not hurt other than his nose bleeding.

The colt race of half mile heats was taken by Chas Wilson's Wild Fire, the best time for the half being 1:36.

There will be one more matinee before fair week on Sept. 3.

LOCAL BALL TEAM TO PRAIRIE

The Burns base ball team will go to Prairie City next week to participate in the three days tournament there on Aug. 31, Sept. 1 and 2.

The boys state there are purses to the amount of \$600 for the series and they hope to get some of it. We have a very good team and unless there are professional players present our boys stand a very good show.

There is going to be a dance tonight for the benefit of the local team to assist in defraying the expense of the trip and no doubt it will be well attended.

INDUSTRIAL NOTES.

Portland Correspondent
Those Oregon communities that had no delegates in attendance at the recent session of the Oregon Development League at Astoria suffered a distinct loss, for the meaty valuable addresses

and discussions would have well repaid anyone for the time spent in attending. The leaguers got down to serious business; there was no froth nor wasted energy.

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The slogan of the convention was "Get Together," along all the lines of co-operative effort that promise to accomplish so much for the Northwest. The placing of new arrivals on the soil, preparation for reaping the benefits to follow the Panama-Pacific Exposition at San Francisco in 1915, and Good Roads were some of the vital topics thoroughly discussed. La Grande will get the next convention and every live commercial organization in the state should look forward to it and have a bigger attendance next time.

The Portland Commercial club is making efforts to have President Taft include Oregon in his Western trip this year when he comes to the Coast to break ground for the Panama-Pacific Exposition. An invitation was sent to him by wire to this effect and he replied he would give the matter consideration when his itinerary is made up.

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Medford will give the use of 360 acres of land to a capable stockman who will raise goats. The Southern Oregon city wants to build up that district as a goat center, for it is well adapted to these sturdy animals that are so valuable in clearing up brush land and making it ready for orchards.

Whereas the Supreme Grand Master of the Universe, has called our beloved brother David M. Loggan from a life of toil and trouble to that Grand Lodge above where all is peace and eternal rest, and by his death this lodge has lost a worthy, active and charitable member; his family a devoted and loving brother, the community a useful and law-abiding citizen.

Therefore be it resolved, that while we sorrowfully do so, we bow with reverence to the will of Him who doeth all things well, and who in His infinite wisdom, this afflict us.

Resolved that our sympathy is extended to the bereaved family in this hour of affliction and sorrow, that they be furnished a copy of these resolutions, the same spread upon the records of the lodge, also furnished the local papers for publication and that the lodge be draped in mourning for thirty days.

H. M. Horton
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