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## LINE MAY BE CONNECTING LINK OF HILL RY

### Timber Road on West Coast of The Cascades May Be Part of System East and West Through The State. Hill System Busy With Many New Details For Immediate Construction

The news items from outside this week would indicate that there is a move on the part of the Hill railroad interests to build across the state. One article in a Portland paper says a line of railroads will be built from Albany, Ore., into the timber following the sale of a tract of timber land by the Oregon & Western Colonization Co., and the other is in respect to incorporation papers being filed in Salem for a line from there to Bend. In addition to these news items The Times-Herald learns from a private source that a big project is being developed in the Deschutes country of enormous horse power. It is not the Hill interests are back of this and that it means electric roads not only across the Cascades to the west but also branches covering the great Central Oregon area. The news items in part follow:

Articles of incorporation were filed at Salem for the Oregon Railway Company, to operate between Salem and Bend. The incorporators are J. F. Mounce, A. McLeod and G. A. Kilward. The capital stock is fixed at \$100,000. This incorporation has caused much interest at Salem and it is said that it means that the city will have another Hill road operating in a short time.

It is announced that the road will be an extension of the Salem-West Stayton line, right of way for which is already acquired. This road has been promoted by J. F. Mounce, who has been in Salem for the past eight months and who is known to be a Hill representative. The proposed Oregon railway will connect with the Hill and Harriman roads in the Deschutes valley and will strike through the Cascades in eastern Linn county.

Announcement to the effect that a railroad will be built from Albany into the timber on the west slope of the Cascade mountains is construed to mean construction of the first link of an east and west line across the state by the Hill system.

While the announcement does not state who will build the line, L. W. Hill's close identification with the negotiations that have just been consummated lead to the conclusion that the railroad will be financed by the Hill interests.

Porter Bros., prominent railroad contractors of Portland, timber owners and heavy stockholders in the Oregon & Washington Colonization company, have taken over from the Oregon & Western Colonization company title to 102,000 acres of (Continued on page two)

## One Way To Reduce High Cost Of Living

A local wool grower has called the attention of The Times-Herald to an expression of Louis F. Swift respecting the high price of meats. He says: "The consumer keeps on demanding the choice cuts of beef when lamb and mutton, fully as nutritious, are being offered at a cheaper price."

Upon investigation we find that even in Burns mutton is cheaper by considerable than the beef and since we have large flocks of sheep we might cheapen the high cost of living by using a variety of meats. Mutton has been considered more or less a luxury in this place for a long time, as it has been only occasionally it could be secured at the market. Now it seems to be kept in stock all the time.

Another matter that will help in this direction is the benefits derived from Mrs. Calvin's recent visit in which she showed the housewives that the cheaper cuts of meat were really good if properly cooked and cared for. We are all learning and possibly President Wilson will be able to give us some pointers when he gets at the tariff revision "stunt."

## County Court Adjourns

County court adjourned Monday evening after being in session since Wednesday of last week. Both commissioners Bain and Sylvester and Judge Thompson being present.

The Times-Herald secured part of the proceedings last week but they were crowded out at the last moment by other matter. The purchase of the old public school building for the high school was mentioned last issue. Other matters of importance taken up were:

Order refunding the 3 mill building tax assessed last year. Many of these claims were paid during the term just closed.

Hereafter the salaries of the various county officers will be paid the first of each month instead of waiting for the regular court terms.

Another matter that should be remembered is the policy in the future to have them acted upon at that term. Another matter that was given attention was a change in the policy of contracting bills. In the future the purchase of anything must first be sanctioned by the court before it is purchased.

Thos. Howard employed as janitor for the coming year.

Scalps were counted and destroyed.

Dr. Tillson Harrison employed as county physician for a year at \$75.00 a month.

James Mines accepted as an indigent and E. L. Beede was to take charge of him.

Several road petitions were acted upon.

Petition of Price Cochran for a saloon license in Harriman precinct denied, there being a remonstrance against it.

## Chronic Stomach Trouble Cured.

There is nothing more discouraging than a chronic disorder of the stomach, and it is surprising that many suffer for years with such an ailment when a permanent cure is within their reach and may be had for a trifle. "About one year ago," says P. H. Beck, of Wakelee, Mich., "I bought a package of Chamberlain's Tablets, and since using them I have felt perfectly well. I had previously used any number of different medicines, but none of them were of any lasting benefit." sold by all dealers.

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## POOR SEED CAUSES BIG LOSS TO THE FARMER

### Investigation And Experience Proves That The Biggest Loss The Farmer Has Failed To Remedy Is The Selection of Proper Seed. Poor Seed The Greatest Drawback Existing

Poor seed is costing producing interests hundreds of thousands of dollars annually and still the practice of accepting any old thing for seed purposes is not being diminished.

Poor seed not only means decreased volume of production but it likewise curtails the quality; both of which are matters that vitally affect the pocket book of you, Mr. Farmer.

Ten years careful study of the markets shows that fully seventy-five per cent of the production in most lines is not first class. A large per cent of this is traced directly to the planting of poor seed.

Spring seeding will soon be on in the county districts, therefore this subject is most timely. Poor seed is almost as bad as none at all. It never pays to plant it; no matter what first quality costs or how hard it is to obtain.

I have personal knowledge of dozens of farmers in various lines of production who pay far less attention to the quality of the seed they plant than they do to the constant bickering of buyers who refuse to pay good prices for inferior quality. I have known dozens of farmers who annually sell the better portion of their product, eat the next best quality and retain for seed that which is neither fit for market or for home consumption.

Farmers who will breed up their live stock so as to get the best possible quality, will absolutely neglect their seed quality. Seed is seed they argue. It is, in fact, but it's mighty poor seed at that and those that expect select quality from this class of planting are naturally disappointed. Farming is a business just like the running of a department store or the operation of a grocery store. Any old sort of business methods would soon bring disaster to the experimenter and farming is no exception. Poor seed will call for poor products and a failure in the business.

Smut has resulted in the loss of much money to grain growers of the Pacific Northwest and still farmers continue to plant their smutty seed and expect to harvest crops. The annual loss to American farmers from smutty seed alone is estimated at \$2,500,000 annually and most of this money could be saved if care was taken in the selection of seed and in handling it before sowing. Dozens of threshing machines and combines are burnt up each year as a result of smut in the wheat and entire wheat fields have been destroyed thereby.

It is just as essential to change the seed as it is to secure good quality in the first place. Good seed will soon become poor seed if it is allowed to deteriorate in one section. This is the reason why the river district of California, the greatest potato growing section of the country, does not use its own seed. It freely purchases its requirements in other places but never uses the same seed more than two years. By that time they consider that it has exhausted its vitality and can no longer produce best quality tubers.

The California potato men realize that good seeds means better potatoes, which in turn call for higher prices. While Oregon growers are using the same seed they have utilized for years, other sections are getting in new stock or blood and are beating this section not only in the amount produced per acre but in the quality.

What is true of the seed of wheat and other grains, cantaloupes and potatoes, is likewise indicative of what is needed in other lines of fruit and produce. The quality is or should be the first consideration and it seldom happens that the market shows too great a quantity of best growth. Poor seed is reflected in the price obtained for the product just as good shows an opposite effect. The small additional cost of good seed is scarcely a drop in the bucket compared with the benefits received from the sale of the product at the higher prices that are always obtainable.—H. H. Cohen in the Rural Spirit.

## More Stock Buyers Here

Two more stock buyers arrived here this week and there are also several local men buying cattle. There is a brisk market for cattle and the prices are quite satisfactory.

The Times-Herald finds that yearlings are selling from \$27 to \$30; two-year-olds \$40; threes at \$48 to \$50; cows with calves, \$50. At these prices local men can make a good margin on their stuff and it will pay them not to sell to close but continue to raise more as the price is going to be high for many years according to those in touch with the market.

J. L. Burrows of Fossil is again here after cattle and J. E. Jenkins of the same place is here for the purpose of buying sheep. We have not heard what sheep are selling for this spring.

## Low Fares To The Northwest

### Colonist Rates Will Be In Effect March 15-April 15, 1913

Special inducements to Homeseekers in the way of rates will be given from March 15th to April 15th, 1913, when a very low charge will be made over the Oregon-Washington Railroad & Navigation Company lines and connecting lines to the East and South.

Colonist travel now does not mean crowding and discomforts. For the journey sleepers are attached to all trains and a slight increase over the regular fare will provide every comfort en route. The colonist sleepers differ from the standard Pullman only in upholstery fittings. The mattresses and covers are of a standard quality.

One of the advantages of the rates during the Colonist season is that fares may be prepaid. Anyone may arrange with the O.-W. R. & N., agents for the coming of relatives and friends. When the money is deposited the agent attends to all the details of wiring for tickets, sleeping car reservations, etc.

Regular stops are made for the benefit of the travelers who do not carry provisions with them on the trip.

The Colonist rates offer an easy solution of the problem confronting the homeseeker as to how to reach the Northwest, while the prepaid feature has rendered it possible for many to come who would otherwise not make the journey.

The fare from Chicago to Oregon and Washington railroad points is \$38.00; from St. Louis, Omaha, Kansas City or St. Paul, \$30.00. This reduction should induce many to avail themselves of a rate that is but little more than one cent per mile. Stopovers allowed on Colonist tickets at all points on O.-W. R. & N. This gives the homeseeker thirty days from the date of purchase of ticket to look over the country, the only requirement being that the ticket be used to destination within time limit. When stopping at an intermediate point the ticket must be deposited with the agent of the company.

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## L. W. HILL PREDICTS PROGRESS THIS YEAR

### Eastern Farmers Greatly Interested In Central and Eastern Oregon, Many Of Whom Will Arrive This Spring To Look Over Land With The View of Locating This Year

L. W. Hill, chairman of the Great Northern board of directors, is more interested in populating the vacant agricultural lands of Oregon than he is in building railroads.

Mr. Hill was in Portland all yesterday. Today he is going to take a trip over the Oregon Electric to Eugene and back and may visit the legislation at Salem, says the Oregonian. Some of the legislators have been urging Mr. Hill to address them today.

Plans of bringing settlers to Oregon received his serious consideration yesterday. He talked the subject over with W. P. Davidson, president of the Oregon & Western Colonization Company with whom he is interested.

"Our inquiries show that the Eastern farmers are greatly interested in Oregon," said Mr. Hill. "I think inquiries here indicate, too, that there will be a good, heavy movement to the unsettled parts of the state this year." He conferred also with J. H. Young, president of the local Hill lines.

Mr. Hill hopes this year to bring a large party of newspaper men to Oregon and conduct them on a tour of the state. He had such an intention in mind last year but the big political conventions interfered with his plans.

The object point will be Bill Hanley's ranch in Harney county. Mr. Hanley was in town yesterday and renewed his invitation extended to the newspaper men of the East when he was a member of the Western governor's party that visited the Eastern cities over a year ago.

Mr. Hill was greatly pleased yesterday when he learned that Franklin K. Lane had been appointed Secretary of the Interior in President Wilson's cabinet.

He denied knowledge of the reputed intention of the Hill interests to form an agreement with the Western Pacific to build a connecting link between the properties of the two roads in Oregon and California respectively, giving the Gould system entrance to Portland and the Hills their long sought entrance to San Francisco.

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