

Burns People Hosts to Hill Railroad Men

Louis W. Hill and Other Officers of Great Northern Guests of Our Town Monday.

A party of distinguished railroad men visited us last Monday and they have gone away more favorably impressed with the big Harney County than ever before. The party consisted of Louis W. Hill, chairman of the board of directors of the Great Northern; also chairman of the board of directors of the First National Bank of St. Paul, an institution with affiliated concerns has signified its willingness to put money into Central Oregon for its development; J. H. Young, president of the Hill lines in Oregon; W. P. Davidson, president of the Oregon & Western Colonization Co.; A. M. Lupper, chief engineer of the Hill lines in Oregon; E. C. Leedy, general immigration agent Great Northern; F. W. Graham, western industrial and immigration agent of the same company, and Edward Rice controller of the First National at St. Paul.

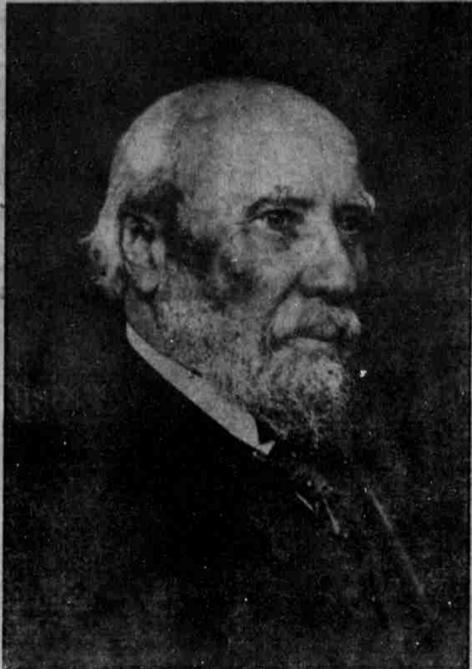
The party arrived Sunday evening from Bend and were guests at the Hanley ranch for the night, coming to Burns the next morning and spending the entire day with people of this place. During the afternoon the party with the exception of Mr. Hill who was attending a birthday party, toured a portion of the valley, visiting the experimental station and territory surrounding it. They were most pleasantly surprised at the advancement of the country and the crops which were seen along the route of travel. The experimental farm proved very interesting to the visitors and Mr. Young was particularly impressed with the manner in which experiments are being made. They all realized the vast importance of such work toward the development of the country.

Both Mr. Hill and Mr. Leedy, general immigrant agent, who have made trips in here every year for the last three

years expressed their satisfaction of the rapid manner in which the country has been settling up and developing. Mr. Hill sees most gratifying advancement along this line and said he could carry more encouraging news back to his father and associates as to conditions than ever before that it would be of benefit to the territory. Mr. Hill's talk to the people was of an encouraging character, although he did not commit himself as to when his line would be extended into the Harney Country. However, his remarks were very significant and held out hope to the people. There is no doubt of the Hill lines coming to this place but just when is a problem. Mr. Hill says they have no desire to be paralleled, nor do they want to parallel another line and repeat the experience of the Deschutes canyon.

There is genuine admiration and regard for both Louis Hill and his father in this section and when it was suggested that Mr. Hill Sr. be brought to Burns in September there was an outburst of applause that left no doubt of the welcome he would receive should he be able to accept the invitation of the Commercial Club which will be formally extended him.

Monday evening a lunch was served by the Commercial Club at the Masonic Hall in honor of the distinguished visitors. The delicious repast topped off with a tempting punch and fragrant cigars put every one in the proper mood to fully appreciate the stirring and eloquent talks that followed. When President Donegan arose to introduce the first speaker the large crowd present heartily applauded the sentiment that when next Louis Hill came to Burns he would come in a Hill Special and not in a Packard roadster. After a few cursory remarks the presiding officer ex-



JAMES J. HILL, THE "EMPIRE BUILDER"

tended to the visitors a cordial welcome and announced the Hon. Frank Davey.

Davey took as his subject, the urgent need of railroad transportation and what it means to Harney County. He very forcibly pointed out that for years the promises of a railroad coming into the valley had acted as a stimulant to the struggling settlers but that now they expected and claimed as their just due the fulfillment of these long deferred assurances.

After sketching briefly the rapid growth of what was a few years ago, non-producing land, the speaker then asked very pointedly what this fertile valley could do with a railroad to transport the products to a market in view of its present prosperous condition and isolation and ventured the assertion that if "Jim" Hill could only once see the great Harney Valley an iron steed would be penetrating its confines inside of year. W. P. Davidson here interjected the remark that "six months" would be sufficient. In his peroration Davey then made an impassioned appeal to Louis Hill to bring his father, James J. Hill the Empire Builder with him on his next visit.

Amid prolonged applause Louis Hill began his remarks by confessing to a certain embarrassment in coming here every year and not being able to answer the clamorous cry "when are we going to get that railroad." "You need one, should have one, and will most certainly get one. I can make no promise but when you see our surveyors and graders at work then you can make up your mind that we are coming." The speaker then went on to explain how it was that the war situation in Europe could have effect on American securities and retard building operations. He also intimated that in as much as most railroad bonds were disposed off in Europe the situation there would have to be straightened out before any great extension could be started.

Mr. Hill in a jocular fashion illustrated how the Hill line might be in the valley ahead of the Harriman line by referring to his trip over from Bend. He commended Mr. Davidson as a driver said he had a good car and kept in the lead all the way but at the finish the Packard roadster was in front. "We might start behind and keep urging the other fellow on, but we won't finish behind," he said. Referring to his own extensive investments here Mr. Hill stated that what the country needed was two railroads and that he wished for the same as heartily as anyone present. In addition to this wish he fervently urged the people to "get wise" and open their eyes before it was too late. Almost completely ignored as Oregon has been by the government in reclamation work, it is high time



LOUIS W. HILL, Chairman of Board of Directors Great Northern Railroad, Guest of Burns.

into the valley Mr. Hill concluded his remarks by thanking the men who had never failed each year to greet him in such a cordial manner.

Before introducing the next speaker President Donegan on behalf of the Commercial Club asked Mr. Hill to extend to his father an urgent invitation to visit Harney County next fall.

Attorney Leonard not wishing to commit himself or be hampered by speaking on any one subject decided in his own whimsical fashion to speak at random. He narrated how as a member of the North Pole Club he had helped float many bond issues for railroad work and drolly added that unfortunately they all went up in smoke. As a result, he said, one can do nothing but leave the question of the expediency and feasibility of such a work to people who have already furnished results.

He paid a well deserved tribute to the Oregon & Western Colonization Company for the splendid work they are doing in getting practical farmers on the soil at a great expense and very little if any profit to themselves. It shows a sublime faith in the future of our country, an attitude

will calculated to stir the lagging and inspire the despondent.

Pres. J. H. Young of the Hill lines in Oregon in a few words told of his amazement at what he had seen in such a short time and allowing in a reasonable degree for what he hadn't seen very bluntly declared that the country not only deserves a railroad but that it should have had one years ago. He characterizes as a deplorable mistake the Oregon Short Line's failure to build in here fifteen years ago.

Reaffirming Mr. Hill's statement about the present stringency in financial circles he begged everyone to be patient a little while longer and expressed the hope that when the road did come in he would represent it. Inclusion Mr. Young advised that with all due regard to J. J. Hill the club shouldn't overlook Louis W. Hill and let him get away from them.

At this point, before the applause had died out Mr. Hill evoked great enthusiasm by suggesting that if the club really wanted his father to visit them they should send Col. Bill Hanley after him.

"Our Bill" Hanley as the last speaker showered praise without stint on the Commercial Club and said that he deemed it an honor to be a member. He urged upon all that for a community or organization to be successful each man as a unit must do his best for the good of the whole. And as the standard of the people reflects the standard of the community so must each man be judged by his works.

Bill entreated every person to become a booster for the state as well as for his own community. "If you must knock" he says, "tackle the cyclone and flood devastations they have back East."

A burst of laughter greeted his challenge to some of the "Brand-new" democrats to display their loyalty to the country by going back to Washington and demand the "twelve millions" which are Oregon's due.

He maintained that the people are really the judges of the fitness of any law of regulation and finished by making a fervent appeal for a statewide agitation that would force the powers at Washington to grant Oregon the full recognition she needs in exploiting her vast resources.

After the reception at the Masonic hall the distinguished guests went out to the Hanley ranch and left for Ontario early the following morning. It was not learned where they would go from that point, but it is understood they were due in Caldwell where they will be guests of the Commercial Club. It is further stated that the Hills are back of a line of railroad from up in Montana through Boise and Caldwell to the south through the southern part of this county to a connection with the Gould lines in Nevada and thus into San Francisco.

Brown's Satisfactory Store has the agency for Walk-Over Shoes.

New Books Added to Library.

The excellent public library of this city that has had the untiring support of the ladies has become one of the most attractive places in Burns and one that is a credit to any community. The ladies are continually striving to improve it and have recently added more fine volumes to the already very complete list.

The library is more appreciated as time goes on and it has had a very beneficial effect upon the community which will be felt more as time goes on. Dr. Elizabeth Ellis, librarian, has handed in the following list of new books which will be ready for distribution Tuesday June 10th at the usual hours:

- NON-FICTION
- The Sea Kings of Crete - Rev. James Baikie
 - History of Economic Thought, - Haney
 - Sesame and Lillies - Ruskin
 - Sociology & Modern Social Problems - Ellwood
 - Gospel of the Superman - Nietzsche

- FICTION
- Red Pepper Burns - Richmond
 - The Country Doctor - Warner
 - The Rejuvenation of Aunt Mary - Warner
 - Mother Carey's Chickens - Wiggins
 - Molly Make Believe - Abbott
 - Mias Gibbie Gault - Boshier
 - The Man in Lonely Land - Bower
 - Mary Cary - Crockett
 - In Lonesome Land - Deland
 - Patay - Davies
 - The Voice - Farnol
 - The Melting of Molly - Farnol
 - The Street Called Straight, King Beverly of Graustark, - McCutcheon

- JUVENILE
- The Man Higher Up - Mulock
 - The Judgement House - Dodge
 - The Secret of the Clan - Grinnell
 - The Impeachment of President Jack, the Young Explorer, - Henty
 - Israels - Copley
 - The Rich Mrs. Burgoyne, Norris
 - The Inside of the Cup, Churchill
 - Alice of Old Vincennes, Thompson

- Take Plenty of Time to Eat.
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HOME BASEBALL BOYS VICTORS FIRST GAME

First Game of Season on Local Diamond Contested by Harney Sunday Afternoon

Harney and Burns engaged Sunday in the first game of the local season with the home boys romping in an easy winner. It was a loosely played contest and of no great interest except in indicating the caliber of the team which will play Sumpter on the Fourth.

The Harney aggregation falling short of the number required to form a "quorum" a levy was made on the reserve list of the home team, Leonard, Hutchinson and Johnson being the victims. These with Bonneville delivering the slants, valiantly fought to stem the tide of defeat but with an outfield composed of a soft hat, a red shirt, a pair of canvas pants and a few more articles their defense was easily punctured. Realizing early in the game that he couldn't win, Bonneville took things easy, lobbing up some woody curves and an occasional groove ball. Young Leonard was very much in evidence both at the bat and in the field. He expected a number of difficult chances handily and displayed some life on the bases.

Nelson started in the box for Burns and although a trifle wild showed considerable improved over last year. He was replaced in the fifth by "Ted" Reed who seemed to have his curve ball working nicely and plenty of smoke. Musick had his whip well oiled and threw in mid-season form. "Bill" Gould held down third base and acted right at home in handling the work around the torrid corner. Jameison held down first base for five innings, then gave way to Charlie Faulkner and filled in at short. Sullivan took to his new position at second like a duck does to water, accepting every chance and taking throws cleanly. The outfield was taken care of by Davey in left, McDade in center and N. Reed in right.

Free hitting by Gould, Musick, N. Reed and Davey coupled with the numerous errors of the

"misfits" brought in most of the cores for Burns while one of the three runs chalked up for Harney were registered by Leonard, who stole third twice.

Market Report

Receipts for last week at the Portland Stock Yards have been: Cattle 853; Calves 59; Hogs 2014; Sheep 4570; Horses 26.

Cattle values suffered a severe cut during the week and the market is generally 25 to 50 cents lower. Steers received the brunt of the attack. Best bullocks were selling steady \$8.25 to \$8.50 toward the close with good grass stuff around 8 cents. Butcher stuff was slow to participate in the slump as heifers brought \$8.00 and cows \$7.80, although these prices are not in existence today. Good bulls and stags are steady to a shade weaker, while calves remain unchanged. Heavy liquidation from drought afflicted section on California and Rockies Mountain states, has hurried along the annual advent of the grass cattle run. Beef is not as plentiful as in former years and the trade expects a comparatively steady market all spring and summer.

The hog market displayed strong "Come back" qualities from opening to closing and gained approximately 25c. Best light swine sold steady Wednesday \$8.50 to \$8.55. Demand has been brisk and big enough to absorb receipts which have been better than the average. Uncertainty as to the market status the coming week prevents much speculation.

Sheep house proved an irregular affair up to Thursday and thereafter appeared to be steadier. Killers are surfeited on poor mutton and lambs. Are calling for prime stuff which is fairly firm. Wethers at \$6.00 and ewes at \$5.25 and spring lambs \$7.00 to \$7.25 are price tops in the various sheep classes. Liquidation large and range of prices wide.

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