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HERRICK EXTENSION CONTINGENT ON ACTIVITY

Telegram From Senator McNary Explains Conditions; Until Sept. 1 To Show,

Oregon News Bureau, Washington, D. C., Jan. 29.—Fred Herrick, purchaser of a large tract of government timber in the Malheur national forest in Harney county, Oregon, the development of which involves the construction of 60 miles of railroad from Crane through Burns, Or., has received a year's extension of time to start logging operations.

This extension was authorized by Colonel William B. Greeley, chief of the forest service.

Complaints had been reaching Washington for some time that Herrick was not proceeding as rapidly with the railroad construction as he might, but the forest service found that he had encountered difficulties in several ways. First, there was a that he had encountered difficulties the Union Pacific railroad for the construction of the line from Crane to Burns.

More time was required to get certain authority from the interstate commerce commission and a reclamation withdrawal in the Silvies valley interfered to some extent.

The forest service, according to Colonel Greeley, was convinced that "Herrick should receive an opportunity to demonstrate his good faith," and intimated the belief that much of the agitation against Herrick had been due to the activities of E. W. Barnes. Barnes was said to have taken options on much real estate in Burns and some privately owned timber with the expectation of selling it to Herrick at a good profit.

The date for beginning timber development in the logging unit has been advanced to April 1, 1925, and in the national forest to October 1, 1925, on condition that Herrick diligently prosecute railroad construction work prior to April 1, 1925. This extension does not alter the contractor's agreement to cut 60,000,000 feet of timber in the logging unit before June 1, 1925.

Associate Forester Carter will be in Oregon in February and will confer with government forest agents who are on the ground to ascertain if any further time concessions are justified.

The above article which appeared in the Oregonian of January 23 was received in Burns on last Saturday night's mail. It is evident it caused some excitement among citizens of Burns as the telegram printed herewith, indicates. That Mr. Herrick has or will receive an extension of time is not questioned by any one familiar with conditions. The excuses put forth by Mr. Herrick in asking an extension have been factors in delaying active work in the past. Every one conversant with conditions surrounding the enterprise undertaken by Mr. Herrick realize that he must have an extension of time to complete the work. With the safeguards and conditions Col. Greeley of the Forest Service indicates we have every confidence in the project being carried to consummation with the least possible delay.

We do not know the number who sent telegrams in protest other than Mr. Cole but the reply would indicate there were several.

The reply telegram reads: Washington D. C., 1:16 P. M. Jan. 28.

R. E. Cole, Burns, Oregon. A number of the citizens of Burns have wired me, your wire being the first one received, protesting against extension of Herrick contract. Congressman Sinnott and I have discussed the matter with Chief Forester on a number of occasions and a few days ago I received the following written statement from Col. Greeley covering the present situation with which I quote in full and which I hope you will make public as in answer to the many wires I have received. "Since I wrote you on Jan. 6th we have discussed the situation with reference to the timber operation of Mr. Fred Herrick on the Malheur National Forest and I believe that we are in full agreement as to the necessity for fully protecting the

interests of the Government. After further consideration I have decided to change the course of action proposed in my letter of Jan. 6th by establishing definite requirements on construction work which Mr. Herrick must meet by some early date next fall as Sept 1st., and to have his extension of his timber sale contingent upon his meeting those requirements. I have instructed Assistant Forester Carter who will be in the west in February to take up with our local Forester Officers on the ground, the details of just what these requirements should be and the date by which they must be met. When I have received his recommendation I shall be ready to take final action on Mr. Herrick's request for an extension of the date by which cutting must begin, under the terms of his contract, as it now stands, in the logging unit covered by his sale and in the national forest timber covered by that sale respectively. By establishing reasonable requirements of completion of specified construction work by a definite date as a consideration of any extension of the dates by which he is to meet certain requirements of the contract as now written. Mr. Herrick will be given a fair and reasonable opportunity to demonstrate his good faith and his ability to handle the development of his large project and at the same time the interest of the Government and the local people I believe will be fully protected."

CHAS. L. McNARY.

The above telegram is in answer to several different wires sent to Senator McNary and other members of the Oregon delegation. A number of people in Burns, when they read the report in the Oregonian of Jan. 23, thought it indicated that the extension had already been granted to Mr. Herrick. This telegram, however, shows that the extension may be granted at a future date when certain requirements have first been fulfilled. The nature of these requirements will be decided upon when Mr. Carter comes to Oregon.

R. E. COLE.

MASON'S START STUDY CLUB

Several members of the local Masonic Lodge, with a few visitors, enjoyed a six-thirty o'clock chicken dinner at the lodge rooms on Tuesday evening and afterward discussed the plan of forming a study club. The proposition met with hearty approval of all present and it was determined to start such an organization. At first the matter of including social features was considered but after discussion it was decided that the time was not right for a social club of Masons, therefore the study club was launched. Worshipful Master Geo. M. Shaw was made president of the club with Waldo Geer as secretary.

The plan is to read and study Masonic books, history and writings. Several fine books are already in the lodge and more may be obtained from time to time and a library of such works gathered for the information and instruction of the members of the lodge. It is a commendable undertaking and will result in much benefit to the lodge and particularly to those members who take advantage of attending the study club and taking an active part in it.

GOODMAN MEMORIAL FUND

SUBSCRIBERS MEET TUESDAY
Another meeting of those subscribing to the Austin Goodman memorial fund is called for next Tuesday evening, Feb. 3, at The Times-Herald office at 7:30 to discuss future plans. Up to this time this office has been notified of some \$259 in subscriptions toward this fund but not nearly all the committeemen have made a report and it is hoped to hear from all as soon as possible in order that further consideration of the disposition of the funds may be discussed.

Some of the committeemen have reported directly to this office while others have deposited funds in the banks without furnishing a list of the names of the subscribers to this office. There are no doubt others who have not finished their canvass or have the funds yet in their possession. Whatever the state of the canvass it is desired that a report be made at this time.

Remember next Tuesday evening at 7:30 at this office there will be a meeting.

WATER IMPEDES WORK AT RAILROAD TERMINAL

Quickly Melting Snow Forms Pond of Water at Grounds; New Station Agent Here

O. J. Morton, recently of Shoshone, Idaho, is the permanent station agent in Burns for the Union Pacific. He arrived here the fore part of this week and is now in charge. Mr. Jarvis, the temporary agent, having gone to relieve a station agent at another point.

The contractor received some additional material during the week and the work on the buildings is now under way. Three foundations are completed and the material for at least two houses have been received and unloaded from the cars. The foreman announced Wednesday that he expected to have two of the bunk houses done within a short time.

The 50,000 gallon water tank is now enclosed and the finishing touches being applied. The pipe is being put down to furnish water for the several portions of the grounds, the roundhouse, stockyards, depot and the penstock from which the engines are replenished.

The quickly melting snow and warm rains of this week have impeded work at the terminal grounds. It was hoped to begin immediate construction of two or more buildings, the material for which has arrived, but it was found yesterday morning that the water interfered. However, the natural drain courses will soon be open and carry the surplus water away.

MID YEAR EXAMINATIONS AT SCHOOL

The monthly report of the public school of Burns shows the average daily attendance to be 99 plus which is certainly a good showing. The interest and general scholarship is also a source of pride when the result of the mid-year examinations are viewed and compared. Principal Setton and his corps of assistants are doing fine work and the citizens of this district are fortunate indeed, in having such a fine school.

The ranking pupils in the respective grades as a result of the mid year test are: First grade, Dustin Johnson with 99-1; second grade, Norma Smith 99-3; third, Powell Logan, 97-1; fourth, Walter Young, 99-5; fifth, Mary Byrd, 95-1; sixth, Dorothy Leonard, 93-3; seventh, Edith Barbrick, 90-7; eighth, John Deslerts, 97-8.

OUR TROUT STREAMS STOCKED FROM CANYON

Establishment of Hatchery in Grant County Reduces Long Hauls; Decrease in Loss

Irving Hazeltine, game warden for Baker and Grant counties who was in Ontario last week to inspect the condition of birds being fed through out the county was advised while here of the arrival of the first shipment of eggs for the new hatchery on Canyon Creek.

"With the establishment of the Canyon creek hatchery it will be possible to supply trout for the streams of Malheur, Grant, Baker and Harney counties at far less expense than has hitherto been the case," Mr. Hazeltine said.

"In place of a long rail trip, many times nearly 1000 miles, trout will be transferred to the streams by truck in just a few hours from the time they leave the hatchery. Not only more fish will be planted, but they will have a better chance to survive.

"Mr. Gramse and I have in our investigations during the past week, found that the pheasants and quail of the Snake river valley are weathering the winter in good condition, as the result of the feeding campaign carried on by the department in cooperation with the members of the Fish and Game league and the farmers. We secured permission from Capt. A. E. Burgdoff to kill three pheasants in order to learn how they are faring, and found them fatter than they usually are in the open season. We also found their crops well filled with grain, showing they are getting plenty of food. This has been possible due to the co-operation of the farmers and sportsmen, and is appreciated by the department."

Mr. Hazeltine left Monday evening for his home in Canyon City.—Ontario Argus.

LADIES' LIBRARY CLUB

(Contributed)
The Ladies' Library Club met at the home of Mrs. W. A. Gowan on Saturday, January 24th.

The Chairman of the Christmas Seal Sale reported \$58.42 had been sold and turned over to the State Society on prevention and cure of tuberculosis.

The Club gave Five Dollars to the Near East Relief Fund and Ten Dollars to the Scholarship Loan Fund.

A very excellent program followed the business meeting.

Mrs. W. A. Gowan read a paper on the History and Geography of

Bavaria in the 18th Century, closing with a reading of Schubert's beautiful Elz King followed by a Victoria record, Elz King, by Mme. Schumann-Heink.

Mrs. A. C. Welcome sang a group of songs, Bitterness of Love, My Love is a Muleteer, and Grandma Mrs. W. M. Sutton read a paper on Paderewski, The Statesman.

Mrs. Harris, a piano solo, Menuet A. L'Antigue.

Mrs. Olson sang, Ah So Pure, from the Opera Martha, and Farewell, by Tosti.

Mrs. Harris and Miss Leonard, piano duet, Poet and Peasant Overture, and Anvil Chorus.

Mrs. M. B. Gilbert read a paper on Conquest of the Air.

The program closed with a saxophone duet, Melodious Waltz, by Mrs. Carrico and Mrs. Shattuck.

Dainty refreshments were served after which the Club bade farewell to Mrs. M. B. Gilbert who is leaving for her new home at Pilot Rock.

Mrs. Gilbert has made many warm friends in Burns and The Ladies' Library Club will miss her as a member and all wished her good luck and happiness in her new home but expressed the hope of her soon return to Burns.

Joint hostesses with Mrs. Gowan were Mrs. Girard, Mrs. Sutton, Mrs. Wellstone, Mrs. Gilbert and Miss Cook.

The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. I. S. Geer on Feb. 7th. Mrs. Geer requests all to bring five pennies, asked why, she said "Come and see."

AGED PIONEER WOMAN PASSES

Martha P. Bardwell died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. A. W. Hurlburt, on last Tuesday morning following an illness covering several months. In fact Mrs. Bardwell had been quite feeble for several years previous to her death. She was 88 years old.

Mrs. Bardwell was born in Indiana and crossed the plains in 1850 to this state, the family formerly residing in the Willamette valley. She had been making her home in this county for the past several years with her daughter and her son William G. Bardwell, also resided in Burns.

The remains were brought to Burns and prepared for interment and was accompanied out on Wednesday morning's train by her son William G. and also A. W. Hurlburt, on his way to Sandridge, near Lebanon, Oregon, where interment will be made.

She is survived by three sons, O. I. Bardwell of Wapato, Washington; C. C. Bardwell of Portland; W. G. of Burns; two daughters, Mrs. Elsie Keesey of Bend and Mrs. Annie Hurlburt, of Narrows.

EXPERIMENT STATION SUPT. EXTOLS FIELD PEAS

Some Interesting Notes on Farm Subjects; Average Precipitation For Ten Years.

(By Obil Shattuck)

Now is the best time to check over all of the machinery and order the necessary repairs. It sometimes requires three or four months, if it so happens that the extras have to be shipped from some eastern factory.

The ten year average precipitation for the months of September to January inclusive is 3.7 inches. For 1924 from Sept. to Jan. 27 the precipitation is 4.6 inches, which is nine tenths of an inch above the ten year average.

Very few farmers seem to realize the value of the Canadian Field Pea in the short rotation. This crop is hardy and will produce excellent yields on most any soil adapted to the various farm crops. Field peas can be seeded alone or in combination with any of the cereals, or with sunflowers.

The crop can be handled for silage, silage, cured for hay, matured as a seed crop, plowed under as a green manure crop, or can be hogged or sheeped off.

It is frost hardy up to the time it blossoms and sets pods, when it will not stand frost. There is no danger of loss except as a seed crop. It can be sown as early as any of the spring cereals. It inoculates readily and adds much atmospheric nitrogen to the soil.

Pork finished on field peas and grain is "morbled," sweet, and firm, and of a quality that is seldom equalled by other feeds.

MRS. LAMPSHIRE ENTERTAINS

Two delightful afternoon affairs have been given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Lampshire this week, the first on Tuesday afternoon when Mrs. Linton, Mrs. Lampshire's mother was the honor guest. Cards occupied the attention of the guests with Mrs. Holland and Mrs. Frank Welcome receiving the first prizes, Mrs. Leonard and Mrs. Kelley being awarded the consolation prizes. On Wednesday Mrs. Lampshire gave another afternoon in honor of her sister, Mrs. Roy Moulton and Mrs. Earl Graham. Mrs. Lee Miller and Mrs. W. W. Gould were the high score winners of that occasion with Mrs. Clarence Luckey and Mrs. Clifford Reed receiving the consolation.

Both afternoons are reported as being very enjoyable affairs with congenial company.

STUDENT APPOINTED TO U. S. NAVAL SCHOOL

Burns McGowan, a student in the school of business administration, has received an appointment to the United States Naval academy at Annapolis, according to a telegram which he received recently from N. J. Sinnott, United States representative from Oregon.

He was assured of an appointment two months ago by Mr. Sinnott but there was no vacancy in the school before last week when he received word of his acceptance. Examinations will be held either February 18 or April 15 and if McGowan is successful in these tests he intends to leave for Annapolis in June.—Emerald.

BURNS GIRL ACTIVE IN UNIVERSITY AFFAIRS

University of Oregon, Eugene, Jan. 27.—(Special)—Chairman Robert McCabe of the Junior week-end committee of the University of Oregon has appointed Lillian Vulgamore, of Burns, to a Junior Week-end committee.

Junior week-end is the annual spring festival at the University, to be held this year Friday and Saturday, May 22 and 23. The program usually includes athletic events Friday morning and afternoon. The colorful canoe fete will be held on the Mill race in the evening. The annual Junior Program is scheduled for Saturday night. The most popular girl in the junior class is to be chosen queen of Junior week-end.

