

WILL AID OREGON

GOVERNMENT ACCEPTS THE IRRIGATION SCHEME

To Take Water From the Umatilla Below Pendleton—Ditch to be Thirty Miles Long.

Representative Moody has secured the withdrawal from entry, save under the homestead law, of 200,000 acres lying along Butter creek, in Umatilla and Morrow counties in Eastern Oregon, with a view to its reclamation under the National Irrigation act, passed last session. Immediately on Mr. Moody's return to Washington at the beginning of the present session, he had an expert irrigation engineer directed through the geological survey to examine the arid lands along the south bank of the Columbia from Wallula, Wash., to a point near Willows, Gilliam county, Or., with the view of reclaiming, if possible, a stretch of country along the Columbia between these two points for from 10 to 15 miles back from the river.

It was hoped that it might be possible by building a canal from Snake river, in the neighborhood of Riparia, Wash., not only to reclaim the arid flats around Wallula, but also the sage plains along the northern portions of Umatilla and Morrow counties.

Upon a careful examination the engineer reported that in order to get water enough out of Snake river to cover any considerable portion of the public lands in these plains, the length of the canal required would necessitate an expense that would not be warranted for the limited amount of public lands there available, as much of this territory is in private ownership.

The engineer was then directed to examine all sections in that vicinity where there was any considerable amount of arid public lands and report on the practicability of reclaiming with the waters of the Umatilla and tributary streams along that spur of the blue mountains. His report on this latter investigation results in the order just issued by the secretary of the interior, withdrawing from settlement townships 3 and 4 north, range 27 east; township 2 and 3 north, range 28 east; township 2 north, range 29 east; township 3 and 4 north, range 25 and 26, lying in the immediate vicinity of the town of Galloway.

It is the purpose of the geological survey to build a dam on the Umatilla river at a point a short distance below Pendleton, and, by a ditch approximately 30 miles long, convey the water in a southwesterly direction to the head of Butter creek valley. On the route the line of canal passes through several natural depressions, which it is proposed shall, by means of earth dams, be converted into reservoirs. The limited volume of water in the river to some extent governs the area that can be reclaimed, but it is roughly estimated that the 200,000 acres withdrawn, which is fertile, but dry, can be readily made productive at \$10, or at the outside, \$12 per acre.

Already J. G. Camp, a department irrigation expert, has been sent to the withdrawn lands, upon which there is very little settlement, and in a few days will be joined by D. W. Ross. Together they will survey the proposed route of canal to determine the best location and will formulate plans for damming the Umatilla river and completing the system of storage reservoirs. When the most economical and practical plan has been devised and the project approved by the secretary of the interior the work of construction will commence immediately.

The withdrawal of these lands was ordered to prevent speculators from rushing in and getting control of more than 160-acre tracts. bona fide homesteads may be made at any time, as elsewhere.

This Butter creek project is not on as large a scale as some others that will be initiated under the irrigation law, but, in view of the failure of the Oregon irrigation committee to act and give the department or the delegation the benefit of its suggestions, it was necessary in order that the state be recognized, that Representative Moody act on his own responsibility.

Chief Hydrographer Newell, of the geological survey, who has charge of the government reclamation works, has promised Representative Moody that he will send and maintain throughout the summer a force of experts who will examine all feasible projects in Eastern Oregon. This work will be done with a view to future operation, but actual construction cannot be taken until the Butter creek work is well under way.

RUSH FOR HOMESTEADS.

Excitement Over Recent Withdrawals of Land.

The excitement over northern Morrow and western Umatilla government lands, which began with the discovery of artesian water at Castle Rock, and the nearing prospect of a government ditch, has doubled with the announcement from Washington that 2,000,000 acres have been withdrawn west of the Umatilla river, and are open to homestead entry only. Much more than half this big area is still government land. The townships involved are 3-25, 4-25, 3-26, 4-26, 2-28, 3-29, 4-28, 3-27, 4-27, nine in all. Most areas are approximately 207,280 acres.

Land hunters are beginning to pour

into every town where there are facilities for conveyance into the proposed irrigated area. Such points are Echo, Umatilla, Castle Rock, Douglas and Lone. There will be fine picking for a while for men and women who have not exercised their homestead rights. For the first time in this country interest in the text of the irrigation act of congress passed June 17, 1902, as affecting homesteads under government ditches is intense. Instructions from the general land office say that it will be impossible to decide in advance exactly what lands will be watered.

Land Swindle at Sumpter. Another timber land swindle has been discovered at Sumpter. During the past week a number of investors from Nebraska, Iowa and Illinois have appeared to look up timber land purchases which they have recently made. As near as can be learned a company has been operating in the states named, inducing people to locate timber lands in this part of the state, saying that a large eastern syndicate was about to begin operations here and the quarter sections of good timber land that could be located for from \$100 to \$125 would, within a short time, sell for \$2000 to \$2500. Some of the people have been taken out by the cruisers and shown fine bodies of timber land, which they have selected, only to find that the locator had selected for them a worthless piece of rock land upon which there was no timber, the piece of land selected by the victim having already been located.

English is Written in Siam. Here is a piece of Siamese journalism that puts some of our contemporaries quite in the shade in the matter of word painting. It is an account of a shooting outrage and runs as follows: "Shooting Outrage. O! Fearful Agony. Khoo Tong, one of Phya Song's staff, was on a mission to Lampon, and on his return instantly was shot dead by some miscreants, scoundrels. O! untimely death. O! fearful. O! Hell. All friends express their morn". The cowardice dog is still at large. Six soldiers and six policemen were dispatched at once."

SADDLED FIVE MONTHS.

A Pack Horse Has Some Very Surprising Adventures.

On the 4th day of last September Zirl Harris traded for a horse with A. D. Reedy, says the Long Creek Light. The next day, the 5th, Frank Jordan, who was tending camp, took the horse to the mountains. That same day the horse got away with a pack saddle on and could not be found, high or low. They were long ago given up for lost, horse, pack saddle, ropes and all. A few days ago Zirl heard that his horse was roaming in the mountains some 10 or 12 miles east of town. Upon investigation the horse was found as reported and was corralled February 2, lacking three days of being five months from the time he was lost. On removing the saddle it was found the blanket had rotted considerably, but the horse's back was sound and smooth as if he had not carried the saddle for almost half a year, without the cinch being loosened or the saddle being removed. The horse was somewhat poor but this was due to his running in the deep snow in the mountains.

MIDNIGHT ATTACK.

Mob of 200 Go After Pleasant Armstrong in Baker Jail.

Two hundred men made a determined attempt Tuesday morning to lynch Pleasant Armstrong, in the jail at Baker City, for the murder of Minnie Ensminger, at North Powder, December 24. Most of the men were railroad employees, ranchers and miners from North Powder, and who were friends and acquaintances of the Ensminger family. They gathered at Baker City at midnight and attacked the jail at 2 o'clock in the morning.

The sheriff had warning of the approach of the mob and, just in time, spirited Armstrong across the street to the Bowen building, where he was kept under guard till daylight. The mob would not disperse until it had searched every nook and corner of the jail. The attempted lynching will be investigated by the court and grand jury and the leaders brought to trial, if possible.

Armstrong and Minnie Ensminger were lovers. The girl's parents objected to their union and they made a compact to commit suicide together. Instead of keeping the agreement, Pleas Armstrong killed the girl and permitted himself to be captured and charged with wilful murder.

We sell the greatest of blood purifiers, Acker's Blood Elixir, under a positive guarantee. It will cure all chronic and other blood poisons. If you have eruptions or sores on your body, or are pale, weak or run down, it is just what you need. We refund money if you are not satisfied. 50 cents and \$1 at McBride & Co.'s.

If you desire a good complexion use Moki Tea, a pure herb drink. It acts on the liver and makes the skin smooth and clear. Cures sick headache. 25c and 50c. Money refunded if it does not satisfy you. Write to W. H. Hooker & Co., Buffalo, N. Y., for free sample. For sale by McBride & Co., druggists.

Engine for Sale.

O. A. Zerba, postoffice address Athena, Oregon, has a traction engine for sale, or will trade for cattle. Engine is in first-class running order and can be had at a bargain.

TO THE SEVEN DEVILS

NEW RAILROAD TALKED OF FROM BAKER CITY.

Mining Interests of Idaho Back of the Scheme and Promoters Feel Confident That it Will be Built.

Again the atmosphere is full of railroad rumors. This time more faith is placed in the assertions made that Baker City will be the terminus of a railroad running into the Seven Devils country, tapping the fertile agricultural territories immediate from Baker, plunging through timber belts now practically untouched and in many ways placing that neck of the woods in communication with one of the richest belts in the entire inland Empire.

The Oregon & Idaho Central railroad, a local enterprise, one that was organized, incorporated and floated by Baker City men, has applied formally to the common council for a franchise granting the privilege of traveling certain streets within the city's boundaries, through which avenues and outlets will be obtained to the district lying east of there.

S. D. Voss, one of the incorporators, who represented the road before the council, made the assertion that \$5,000,000 has been placed at the disposal of the company to be expended in the construction work.

IT'S JUST A COUGH

that gets your lungs sore and weak and paves the way for pneumonia or consumption, or both. Acker's English Remedy will stop the cough in a day and heal your lungs. It will cure consumption, asthma, bronchitis, and all throat and lung troubles. Positively guaranteed and your money refunded if you are not satisfied. Write to us for free sample. W. H. Hooker & Co., Buffalo, N. Y. For sale by McBride & Co.

Saved Her Child's Life.

"In three weeks our chubby little boy was changed by pneumonia almost to a skeleton," writes Mrs. W. Watkins of Pleasant City, O. "A terrible cough set in, that, in spite of a good doctor's treatment for several weeks, grew worse every day. We then used Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption and our darling was soon sound and well. We are sure this grand medicine saved his life." Millions know it's the only sure cure for coughs, colds and all lung diseases. G. C. Osburn will guarantee satisfaction. 50c, \$1. Trial bottles free.

Administrator's Notice to Creditors.

Notice is hereby given that William McBride has been appointed administrator of the estate of Mary E. Rainville, deceased, by the County Court of Umatilla County, State of Oregon, on the 18th day of December, 1903, and all persons having claims against the said estate are hereby notified and required to present the same to me at my place of business at Athena, Oregon, within six months from this date. W. McBride, Administrator.

West Bound Rates.

West bound second-class settlers' rates via the O. R. & N. and connections from all points east are marked way down for the period between February 15 and April 30. From Chicago the rate is \$30.50; from St. Louis, \$27.50; from Kansas City, \$22.50. Stopover not to exceed ten days, allowed at Pocatello, Idaho, Havre, Mont., and all points west. For rates and further particulars, apply to any O. R. & N. agent.

Notice.

All persons are hereby notified to not harbor, keep, nor give shelter to Lonnie Naylor, a minor child of sixteen years, and daughter of F. G. Naylor, residing at Athena, Oregon. Dated Feb. 18, 1903. F. G. Naylor.

We will have a sample combine harvester to show you in a short time. Umatilla Implement Co.

Cows for Sale.

D. A. Pinkerton has two fresh milk cows for sale.

A. B. STONE, M. D. PHYSICIAN and SURGEON ADAMS, OREGON.

Office at City Drug Store. Calls answered day or night.

Bowman Photo Studio

Main Street, near bridge. Work. PENDLETON, ORE.

Carrier Millinery

Largest Stock of Millinery in Umatilla Co. Next to People's Ware House, PENDLETON

R. J. BODDY'S ATHENA MARKET

Wholesale and Retail

BUTCHER

Shop opposite Fair Store corner, SOUTH SIDE MAIN STREET

WITH THE CHURCHES

BAPTIST CHURCH, C. R. Lamar, Pastor—Sundays: School 10 a. m. Preaching every 2nd and 4th Sunday at 11 a. m.

M. E. CHURCH, Corner 3rd and Adams—W. E. Armfield, Pastor—Sunday School 10 a. m. Preaching 11 a. m. Class Meeting 12 m. Junior League 3 p. m. Epworth League 8:30 p. m. Preaching 7:30 p. m. Teachers Meeting Wednesday 7:30 p. m. Prayer Meeting Thursday evening 7:30.

CHURCH OF CHRIST, Corner of 2nd and Adams—C. A. Sias, Pastor—Bible School 10 a. m. Preaching and Communion Services 11 a. m. Christian Endeavor Prayermeeting 6:30 p. m. Preaching service 7:30 p. m.

Mid Week Meetings. Prayermeeting, Wednesday 7:30 p. m. Ladies Aid, Thursday 2 p. m. Christian Woman's Board of Missions, each second Saturday in the month 2:30 p. m. Church Officers' Meeting, each first Saturday in the month 2 p. m. A cordial invitation to our services is extended to all.

Reduced Rates From the East.

Commencing February 15 and continuing until April 30 there will be low rates in effect from the east via the Illinois Central R. R. to all Washington, Oregon and Idaho points. If any of your friends or relatives in the east are coming west while these rates are in effect, give us their name and address and we will make it our business to see that they are given the best possible service. We operate through personally conducted excursion cars, and, in fact give you the benefit of the latest conveniences known to modern railroading. We have 15 different routes between the east and the West, and are in position to give you the benefit of the best combinations. Write us and we will give you full particulars. B. H. Trumbull, Com'l. Agent Ill. Cent. R. R., 142 Third St., Portland, Ore.

Public Notice.

Notice is hereby given that I will apply to the Mayor and common council of the city of Athena, Oregon, at a meeting thereof to be held on the 27th day of Feb., 1904, for a license to sell spirituous, malt and vinous liquors in less quantities than one quart, said liquors to be sold only in a building situated on the west one-half of lot No. 8, in block 5, of said city. P. H. Tiedeman, Applicant. Dated Feb. 6, 1904.

Going to Build?

Save Money and Time by Having C. E. TROUTMAN, Architect, make your Plans and Specifications.

ROOM 15, ASSOCIATION BUILDING, PENDLETON, ORE.

Mules!

It costs no more to raise a mule than it does to raise a horse, and the mule is worth more.

"BLACKSNAKE"

Mark Patton's famous Kentucky Jack, will make the season in Athena. He is a sure foal getter, showing over 80 per cent of colts last season. Will call at farm for six or more mares.

Terms, \$15.00 to Insure Foal

MEAT.

that is good at all times is what the Customer wants

Get it at the CITY MEAT MARKET

C. H. SHERMAN Proprietor

Platoeder & Minger's old stand

CITY DRUG STORE

Adams, Oregon
The best is always cheapest. Our Drugs, Medicines, Stationary and Sundries are only the very best.

A. B. STONE, Proprietor. Adams, Oregon

PARKER & KEEN'S BARBER SHOP

SHAVING
HAIR CUTTING
SHAMPOOING
AND BATHS

CAREFUL WORKMEN, SATISFACTION GUARANTEED, EVERYTHING FIRST CLASS

SOUTH SIDE MAIN STREET

MAKING HIM LOOK PLEASANT



It is easy enough, for when he opens his package of laundry work, after being sent to the Domestic laundry, the man who loves faultless linen and up-to-date laundrying always wreathes his face in smiles. During warm weather our methods of laundrying linen and colored shirts, white vests, etc., shows itself in the length of time they keep fresh and clean.

Domestic Laundry
Pendleton. A. J. Parker, Agt. Athena

Colds.

Neglected often lead to Pneumonia.

Weeks' "BREAK-UP-A-COLD" Tablets will prevent all serious results

For Sale only by McBRIDE & COMPANY Leading Druggists

WASHINGTON & COLUMBIA RIVER RAILWAY

In Connection with the Northern Pacific

TIME TABLE.

No. 11—Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays arrive 8:50 a. m.
No. 12—Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays depart 9:05 a. m.

For further information apply to FRED KERSHAW, Agent, Athena, Oregon
Or to S. B. CALDERHEAD, G. F. & P. Agt., Walla Walla, Wash. LOWEST RATES.

Thousands are trying it. In order to prove the great merit of Ely's Cream Balm, the most effective cure for Catarrh and Cold in Head, we have prepared a generous trial size for 10 cents. Get it of your druggist or send 10 cents to ELY BROS., 66 Warren St., N. Y. City.

I suffered from catarrh of the worst kind ever since a boy, and I never hoped for cure, but Ely's Cream Balm seems to do even that. Many acquaintances have used it with excellent results.—Oscar Astrum, 45 Warren Ave., Chicago, Ill.
Ely's Cream Balm is the acknowledged cure for catarrh and contains no cocaine, mercury nor any injurious drug. Price, 50 cents. At druggists or by mail.

WILL M. PETERSON

Attorney-at-Law, Notary Public
Athena, Oregon

Deeds, Wills, Leases, Mortgages and Contracts carefully drawn; Collections promptly made.

L. J. McAtee,

Painting, Paper Hanging and ...Graining...

A Specialty of Inside Finish

S. F. SHARP, A. W. BOTKIN, Sharp & Botkin, PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS
Special attention given to Female Diseases.
Calls promptly answered. Office on Third Street, Athena, Oregon

O. R. & N.

UNION PACIFIC OREGON SHORT LINE

TWO TRAINS EAST DAILY

Through Pullman standard sleeping cars daily to Omaha, Chicago; tourist sleeping car daily to Kansas City; through Pullman tourist sleeping cars, personally constructed, weekly to Chicago, Kansas City, St. Louis and Memphis; reclining chair cars, seats free to the east daily from Pendleton.

DEPART Daily.	TIME SCHEDULES ATHENA, ORE.	ARRIVE Daily.
	Fast Mail for Pendleton, LaGrande, Baker City, and all points east via Hunington, Ore., also for Umatilla, Heppner, Portland, Astoria, Willamette Valley Points, California, Tacoma, Seattle, all Sound Points.	8:30 a. m.
8:10 p. m.	Walla Walla, Dayton, Pomeroy, Lewiston, Tullahoma, Pullman, Moscow, the Courier d'Aleme district, Spokane and all points north.	5:10 p. m.
8:30 a. m.	Mixed train Walla Walla and intermediate points.	7:10 p. m.
7:10 p. m.	Mixed, for Pendleton and intermediate points.	11:50 a. m.
11:50 a. m.		

Water Routes.

STAN FRANCISCO-PORTLAND ROUTE. Steamer sails from Portland 8 p. m. every 5 days.

Snake River Route. Steamers leave Riparia daily at 4:05 a. m. except Saturday, returning leave Lewiston daily except Friday at 8 a. m.

For tickets to and from all parts of the country call on or write to J. Swart, Agent, Athena.

HOARSE COUGHS —STUFFY COLDS

are the kind that settle on the lungs and develop into PLEURISY

PNEUMONIA and CONSUMPTION

FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR

stops the cough and heals the lungs and prevents serious results from a cold.

Consumption Cured
Foley & Co., Chicago. Dana, Ind., Sept. 28, 1902.
Gentlemen—FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR cured me of consumption after I had suffered two years and was almost desperate. Three physicians failed to give me any relief and the last one said he could do me no good. I tried almost every medicine I heard tell of without benefit until FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR was recommended to me. Its effect right from the start was magical. I improved steadily from the first dose and am now sound and well, and think FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR is a God-send to people with Throat and Lung Trouble. Yours very truly, Mrs. Mary Ambrose.

FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR contains no opiates and does not constipate like ordinary cough medicines. THREE SIZES—25c, 50c and \$1.00
The 50 cent size contains 2 1/2 times as much as the small size, and the \$1.00 size almost 6 times as much.

REFUSE SUBSTITUTES
McBRIDE & CO., THE PALACE DRUG STORE, SOUTH SIDE MAIN STREET

