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### A LINE TO JOSEPH

ELGIN BRANCH WILL BE RE-GUN IN NEAR FUTURE.

Information Comes From Manager O'Brien That the O. R. & N. Will Tap Rich Country.

"Work will be commenced on the extension of the O. R. & N. company's Elgin branch to the town of Joseph just as soon as the contracts can be let," says General Manager J. P. O'Brien. "The surveys are completed. The beginning of construction work waits only on the completion of preliminary details as to the letting of contracts. The road will be built this season."

It is said by railroad men that there are no unusual difficulties in the way of engineering, as the route follows the water course the entire distance. A bridge will be built to span the Grande Ronde river, and there will be a number of bridges cross the Wallowa river on the last forty miles of the line.

Completion of the road will, it is said, be followed immediately by great development in Wallowa county, not only in the agricultural and livestock industry, but along industrial lines. The Wallowa river is a swift running stream and in many places falls of from fifty to 100 feet can be secured by a flume or ditch 400 feet long. It is an ideal place for factory plants that require water power or electricity.

Transportation facilities are all that are lacking to secure development of vast marble deposits near Joseph. It is said there are two mountains of the marble that will now find a market for domestic and export trade. The dairying will become a leading feature, as every condition favorable to it exists except transportation to the Portland market.

#### Huge Task.

It was a huge task to undertake the cure of such a bad case of kidney disease as that of C. F. Collier, of Cherokee, Ia., but Electric Bitters did it. He writes: "My kidneys were so far gone I could not sit on a chair without a cushion; and suffered from dreadful headache, backache and depression. In Electric Bitters, however, I found a cure, and by them was restored to perfect health. I recommend this great tonic medicine to all with weak kidneys, liver or stomach. Guaranteed by McBride, druggist. Price 50c."

### JURY COULDN'T AGREE

Williamson Case Must Be Tried Again—Commenced This Morning.

Portland, July 20.—After standing ten to two in favor of conviction for forty-five hours, the jury in the Williamson-Gessner-Briggs case was unable to reach an agreement and was discharged today.

According to the Evening Telegram, O. H. Flock of Olalla, and G. O. Walker of Lane county, favored acquittal. Juror Cook of Eugene, who it was rumored was hanging the jury, it now develops was an ardent advocate of the conviction of all three defendants, from beginning to end of the deliberations.

The trial will be reheard tomorrow.

Arguments of the demurrer against the indictments charging former State Representative Willard N. Jones, T. S. Potter, and others of conspiracy to defraud the government of public lands was heard before Judge DeHaven today.

It is practically conceded by the prosecution that the indictment was not all it should be, and it is understood that the demurrer will be sustained tomorrow. The contention of the defense is that the indictment fails to describe the nature of conspiracy with which the defendants are charged.

#### SIZZLING HOT WEATHER

Pretty Tropical in Athens But Still Worse in New York.

It has been pretty warm in Athens the past few days—104 in the shade for instance—but it is extremely more so in the metropolitan village of New York and other eastern towns and cities.

Yesterday's press dispatches say the day was another scorcher for New York and vicinity, with no relief from the torrid weather in sight. Long before sunrise the police were reporting deaths and prostrations. It is believed Wednesday's record will be broken, when 75 deaths and 250 prostrations were reported. Three deaths were reported up to 9 yesterday morning. Every hospital in the city is crowded and police patrols are being used as ambulances. The temperature reported by the bureau at 9 o'clock was 84. Seventeen deaths were reported during the forenoon. At 11 o'clock the temperature stood 91. Twenty-eight deaths are reported since midnight. A heavy rainstorm broke over the city at 3 yesterday afternoon, affording temporary relief.

Chicago—The city is still sweltering, but relief in the shape of a lake breeze is predicted for tonight. Eleven deaths are reported to the coroner today as a result of heat.

Cleveland—Eighteen deaths of babies and two adults as a result of the hot weather are reported today.

Philadelphia—The torrid weather continues. At 10 o'clock this morning the temperature was 92.

Cincinnati—Five deaths and many prostrations are reported to the police today as a result of the extreme heat. The city is facing a water famine.

#### CROP PREDICTIONS.

Oregon Daily Journal Estimates 56,000,000 Bushels for Three States.

That the Journal's preliminary estimate of 56,000,000 bushels for the wheat crop of Oregon, Idaho and Washington, made about a week ago, touches the right spot, is shown by late reports from the fields where harvesting is now under way, says the Oregon Daily Journal.

In every instance where the cutting has already begun the yields are much heavier than that of the previous year. Experts who have been over the wheat country say that never have they seen the fields in so good a condition.

The wheat market was a very dull affair during the past week. There were a few sales in the direction of California, but trade at the most was nominal. There was some demand for flour from the California markets, but this proved about the only available business. There is nothing doing in the way of an oriental demand, the few sales reported being for China, and these were on regular orders.

#### Accused of Theft.

Warrants for the arrest of John Masterson and Zele Egley on charges of burglary have been issued on complaint of A. L. Hastings, proprietor of the Walla Walla athletic club. Masterson is a son of the late Sinath Masterson, who died several months ago, leaving an estate valued at \$40,000. Young Masterson is worth \$10,000, but his property is managed by a guardian. It is alleged that he broke into the club house with young Egley and stole several dollars and some gymnasium paraphernalia. Masterson and Egley have both disappeared from Walla Walla.

#### No Secret About It.

It is no secret, that for cuts, burns, ulcers, fever sores, sore eyes, boils, etc., nothing is so effective as Bucklen's Arnica Salva. "It didn't take long to cure a bad sore I had and it is all O. K. for sore eyes," writes J. L. Gregory, Hope, Tex. 25c at Mc Bride's drug store.

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### SLAUGHTER HORSES

RANGES TO BE RID OF MANGY INDIAN PONIES.

State Veterinarian Decides That He Will Abolish Infested Cayuse Herds.

If the recommendations recently made by the Oregon Domestic Animal commission to the county stock inspectors are carried out, the wild horses that have roamed the hills of Eastern Oregon for many years will soon be exterminated, says the Oregon Daily Journal. The horses, there are about 400 of them, worth about \$2.50 a head, belong to the Indians, principally of the Umatilla reservation near Pendleton, and nearly all are infected with mange; by them the disease is scattered broadcast throughout the eastern part of the state.

For many years the state veterinarian and other authorities have been attempting to stamp out the disease which frequently attacks the horses of farmers in that country but the efforts have proved futile because of the proximity of the wild herds.

Not only do these mavericks scatter disease but they consume the forage which would support thousands of cattle and sheep. The destruction they have wrought on the legitimate grazing industry is incalculable.

An attempt was made some time ago to have the government compel the Indians to corral their animals, treat them for the mange, or shoot them, but the United States attorney general refused to take action. The state authorities, too, have tried to persuade the Indians to care for their animals but without success.

The state authorities have decided to take the matter into their own hands. Recently Dr. William McLean communicated with Dr. Hickox, chief of the western division of animal industry, and asked him for relief. No definite answer has been received.

Dr. McLean two weeks ago took up the matter with the Oregon Domestic Animal commission, of which Governor Chamberlain is a member, and it was decided to instruct each county stock inspector in the afflicted district to at once notify owners of diseased animals to take them and treat them or the animals would be shot. The commissioner recommended that the counties pay the owners the value of the horses. In case of refusal the state will stand behind the inspector to make good any loss which the owners of the stock may suffer.

Dr. McLean has recently been investigating a peculiar disease in the district east of the Suddy river, where a dozen or more animals have died on the ranges. He made a careful examination but was unable to determine what the disease was, other than it was a peculiar stomach trouble. He was of the opinion that it was caused by the herds eating some sort of forage plant.

#### COUNTY HAS 6421 PUPILS.

School Report by County Superintendent Welles.

According to the annual county school report as filed by Mr. Welles there are 6,421 persons between the age of four and 20 years in Umatilla county.

Of this number 4,732 are enrolled in the different schools. The number of teachers employed is 176 and the average salary for male teachers is \$57.77 per month and that of female is \$46.30.

The average months of school taught throughout the county is 6. The receipts to the county school fund for the past year were \$147,009.76 while the expenses amounted to \$127,398.72, leaving a balance on hand of \$19,611.04.

The estimated value of the school houses and grounds, \$190,630.00, and the estimated value of furniture, etc., is \$25,994.00. The average district tax levy is 2.6 mills.

#### Arm Injured in Machinery.

Fremont Arnold, one of the proprietors of the Pendleton iron works, was severely injured this morning by being caught in the machinery of the lathe while working at the foundry. His right arm was severely twisted and bruised but no bones are broken. It is not known how severe the injury is until it develops somewhat. Drs. Smith and Dick attended to the injury and he is at home entirely disabled from work.—East Oregonian.

#### SCHOOLMA'AMS CAPTURE FAIR

Teachers From Several States Attend the Fair.

While not officially so designated by the department of special events and entertainment, this has been school-ma'am week at the Lewis and Clark exposition. There have been school-ma'ams of high and low degree, of youthful and uncertain age, and they have seen and enjoyed the fair and everything appertaining thereto from the art display to the shows on the Trail. The school teachers came for the most part in parties, as successful contestants in various popularity contests. The first to arrive were about 25 from San Francisco, sent by the Leuben-Weinstock company, and they were counted exceedingly fair to look upon. On Tuesday a party of thirty, guests of Boston Herald, hailing from all parts of New England, arrived for a several days stay. Included in the party was one teacher who has devoted fifty years to her profession, and two others who can claim nearly forty years in the harness. The New England women confessed that they had expected to find Oregon somewhat of a wilderness and were surprised at the marvelous progress which the western country has attained. They were enthusiastic also in their praise of the fair, being especially delighted with its ideal setting.

A party of nine teachers from Illinois, who came Friday, were preceded by a story printed in a morning paper to the effect that the young women had broken many hearts in Butte, where they stopped over for a day and went underground in two of Senator Clark's mines. The story which Portland swains read on the morning of the Illinois teachers' arrival was to the effect that six of the nine had received proposals of marriage, and that one, Miss Christine Kenny, had been proposed to by a man with half a million to his credit.

#### ADMITTED TO BAIL.

Grover Martin Must Furnish \$5000 Bonds Before Being Released.

Grover Martin, convicted last month of manslaughter for the killing of O. N. Preston near Freewater, was yesterday morning admitted to bail before Judge W. R. Ellis, says the Tribune. His bonds were fixed at \$5000. Friends and relatives of Martin are making efforts to furnish bail, but up to last evening the bonds had not been secured. As soon as the required amount is raised young Martin will be released from custody to await the action of the state supreme court in the matter of sanctioning the order for a new trial or granting an appeal from the decision of the lower court.

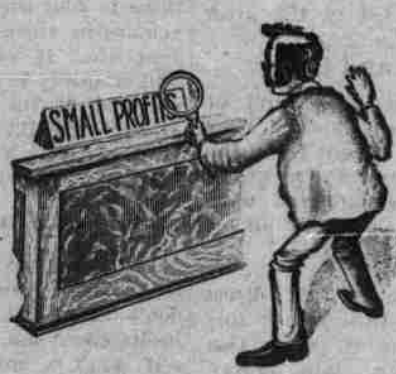
Martin was convicted of manslaughter last month in the circuit court and sentenced to serve ten years in the state penitentiary.

#### "Jack, the Acid Thrower"

"Jack, the Acid Thrower," the smooth individual who has spread terror in Walla Walla business districts through the wanton destruction of clothing with acid, bobbed up again yesterday morning and ruined a coat for Thomas Meckleson, book-keeper for the Northwestern Gas Electric company. Mr. Meckleson rubbed against the individual during a trip to the postoffice.

#### Purchasing Right of way.

J. W. Morrow, tax and right of way agent for the O. R. & N. Co., was a La Grande visitor yesterday. Mr. Morrow left this morning for Elgin where he goes to purchase the right of way for the O. R. & N. Co. from Elgin through the Wallowa valley. Mr. Morrow when questioned regarding when construction will commence, declined to state, but said the road would be completed in the near future.—La Grande Observer.



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