

MILITARY ROAD SOLD

Old Oregon Central Grant Goes to Capitalists.

LINE EXTENDS ACROSS STATE

Purchasers Spend \$750,000 to Exploit Wilderness of State From Cascades to Idaho.

The ownership of almost one-hundredth of the state of Oregon was changed Tuesday. After extended negotiations the greater portion of the land included in the Oregon Central Military road grant was transferred from the California & Oregon Land company, of which the Booth-Kelly Lumber company is a large owner, to a syndicate composed of eastern and California capitalists.

Approximately 500,000 acres are included in the sale and the consideration involved is about \$750,000.

The principal purchasers of this great tract are the Hunter Land company of Minneapolis, Minn., and Richard Sykes, a capitalist of Santa Barbara, Cal. Associated with them are the W. B. S. Trimble company of Jamestown, N. D., and Andrew E. Johnson, vice president of the Hunter Land company, and President A. E. Johnson of the Land and Steamship company.

The tract sold is a strip of land running from the Cascade forest reserve to the Oregon-Idaho boundary, a distance of approximately 325 miles. It has a width of twelve miles.

The only portion excluded from the sale is a strip about 25 miles long, running through the Klamath Indian reservation. The purchase of the tract is declared to be the initiative step in an extensive colonization project.

CUT OUT THE RED ROSE

Two Portland Men Electrocutted After Receiving Gift.

On a Thursday in July, a Portland girl gave a red rose to a man she loved; in the afternoon of the same day, the man was electrocuted.

On Thursday last, the same girl gave another man, whom she had come to love, a red rose, and Monday, the man, Wallace Sherrod, was electrocuted, says the Journal.

With a heart that is torn and bleeding from sorrow and mourning for the happiness of which she dreamed, Margaret Barger, makes frequent visits to the morgue, where lies the remains of Wallace Sherrod, said to have been her affianced, who was suddenly killed by a live wire at Third and Morrison streets.

Peculiarly unfortunate are the experiences of the girl, about whose love affair there seems to hover a weird and tragic fatality. Loving and beloved by Jack Lockwood and betrothed to him, it is said, she was left to mourn his sudden death, which occurred on July 18. He was electrocuted while at work at the top of a pole at Union avenue and Ash streets.

At Finley's chapel she attended the funeral services over the remains of the sweetheart who had been taken from her, and Sherrod, who was a friend of the deceased, also attended. It was at the services, it is said, that the bereaved girl met Sherrod.

He was kind and comforting and comforting to her, and the friendship which followed ripened into love. They were together frequently and friends are said to have been preparing to congratulate the apparently happy couple in view of the approaching nuptials.

They were dreaming of a future happiness when the accident occurred at Third and Morrison streets. Sherrod was electrocuted while at work at the top of a pole. The remains were removed to Finley's and there the young woman goes to view them and weep bitterly at the fate which has pursued her and those she loved.

A peculiar coincidence in connection with the fatal love of this Niobe of Portland, is a red rose incident that has twice been duplicated. During the early part of the day on which Jack Lockwood was killed, he walked home with her. As they went along the sidewalk they passed a lawn, near the edge of which was a rosebush. From it the girl plucked a red rose and gave it to her sweetheart.

"Keep this till you see me again, and be sure and call me up this evening," she said in parting.

His death occurred that afternoon and she waited long beside the telephone, not understanding why it did not ring.

Last Thursday Walter Sherrod walked home with her. They passed along the same street and the same rosebush. She stooped and plucked a rose which she gave to him. "Keep this till you see me again, and be sure and call me up this evening," she said in parting.

She smiled when she went to respond to the jingling of the telephone bell that evening and she asked him if he still had the red rose. He replied he had.

On the following day he also met his death by electrocution.

Osborne With Spokane.

The Spokane team in the Northwest League has been falling down the percentage column, mainly because of the poor work of the pitching staff. Manager Ferris has dispensed with the services of Samuels and Dunn, and has signed "Jop" Osborne and Macholz. Osborne was one of the best pitchers on the staff of the Yellow Kids this season. He is the third member of the Athena team to go into fast company this year, Butler and Shea being with Tacoma.

Huge Bond Filed.

The largest bond ever written for a school official in Umatilla county, was filed by H. C. Bickers, newly elected clerk of Pendleton district No. 16, with Superintendent Frank K. Welles. The bond is for \$50,000 and was accepted at the meeting of the school board. It was also accepted and placed on file in the office of the County Superintendent.

Church of Christ.

Services every Lord's day. Bible school at 10 a. m.; preaching at 11; Y. P. S. C. E. at 7 p. m.; preaching at 8 p. m. Prayer meeting on Wednesday evening at 8. The public is invited to attend all of these services.

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