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PATENT FOR GRANITE

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After a most aggravating delay the long expected United States patent to the townsite of Granite has at last been issued and the town will now advance with a rapidity that will be astonishing.

Tuesday morning about 9 o'clock Mayor Thornburg received the glad tidings by 'phone from Hon. E. W. Bartlett, register of the United States land office at La Grande, that a patent had been issued and the papers had been received at the land office and would be forwarded to the parties in interest at once.

It had been known here for two weeks that the patent would be issued within a few days, as George Barrett received a letter at that time from Hon. Binger Hermann, commissioner of the general land office at Washington, saying that he was using his utmost endeavors to have the patent issued without further delay.

This is indeed pleasing news to our people, who have been greatly handicapped owing to this apparently unnecessary delay. A large amount of capital has been awaiting investment in Granite until this patent was issued, among which are \$50,000 for a first class electric light and power plant, a \$50,000 smelter, a \$50,000 foundry and machine shops, a \$10,000 brewery, and scores of other business enterprises that will be put in here within the next few months, all of which will be in running order by the time the Hilgard-Granite railroad is completed into Granite, which the stockholders assure us will not be later than November 1st of next year.—Gem.

LaGrande Land Office All Right.

Ex-Governor A. H. Burke, one of the inspectors for the land offices of the entire United States, who has been here for some days inspecting the land office, took his departure yesterday. The distinguished gentleman found everything in excellent condition at this office, was highly pleased with his visit, and paid the officers and employees here the highest compliment possible, and congratulated them upon the highly satisfactory and neat manner in which the books and papers of the office were kept.—LaGrande Chronicle.

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2:45 a m	Walla Walla, Lewiston, Spokane, Minneapolis, St. Paul, Duluth, Mil- waukee, Chicago and East.	10:45 p m
8 p m	OCEAN STEAMSHIPS All Sailing dates subject to change. For San Francisco— Sail every 5 days.	4 p m
Daily Ex. Sunday 8 p m Saturday 10 p m	COLUMBIA RIVER STEAMERS To Astoria and Way Landings.	4 p m Ex. Sunday
6 a m Ex. Sunday	WILAMETTE RIVER Oregon City, Newberg, Salem, Independence and Way-Landings.	4:10 p m Ex. Sunday
7 a m Tues. Thur. and Sat	WILLAMETTE & YAM- HILL RIVERS Oregon City, Dayton, and Way-Landings.	5:10 p m Mon. Wed. and Fri.
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