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## A DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

The president of an eastern railroad made a suggestion worthy of consideration in a recent address, says the Canby Tribune, when he said that the immense importance of the transportation business to the public and its very intimate and close relationship to the people as a whole should be represented in the cabinet by a Department of Transportation. In this connection the speaker said:

"Today the government recognizes some of the great commercial activities of its population by departments and cabinet officers, such as the Secretary of the Treasury, Secretary of Agriculture, Secretary of Commerce, and Secretary of Labor. The transportation business of the United States is next to agriculture in importance, in volume, and its relation to the welfare of the whole country, and it should have a defender in the councils of the cabinet.

"I believe it would be well to have a Department of Transportation, with a Secretary of Transportation at the head of it, who would be a member of the cabinet. Such a man would of necessity have to champion somewhat the rights and privileges of the transportation business just as the Secretaries of the Treasury, Commerce and Labor speak for their particular subjects. Such an officer would have a wholesome balancing effect between the demands of the public and of regulatory organizations on one side, and any errors of policy and management on the other part of the owners of the property on the other side.

"Today the fact that it is depressed and harrassed is having its effect in many, many directions, and bearing hardest of all on the laboring men, because of reduced forces not only on the railroad but in the thousands of manufacturing plants depending upon railroad activity for the sale of their product.

"The trouble is that the question is so involved, so large, so difficult, and so befogged at times, with statements by prejudiced and ignorant people that the public has not received complete and proper information in spite of all that has been done in the last four or five years to try to furnish it.

"With a settlement of this great transportation question on a 'live and let live' basis, there will be more time for the great machinery of the railroad organizations to do constructive work in helping to build up the territories served by their roads not only to the advantage of the manufacturer, but what is more important, to the farmer."

The railroads actually fear the demands, present and prospective, made by the public for regulation, and the further fact that the question of government ownership of railroads is growing bigger every day, and in consequence they have shut down on all extension and building activity with the result that men have been thrown out of work and development

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of new country has stopped. The development and welfare of a country depends more upon railroad construction and activity than a good many people realize. With a Department of Transportation established and a secretary sitting as a member of the cabinet we think the railroads would breathe about a hundred per cent easier, with the result that some other people might also begin to breathe easier and the effect might be widely felt. It is one thing the railroads are asking for, they have good grounds for making the request, and if they obtain it the measure of relief they would feel would be large, though mostly of a psychological nature as we see it.—Canby Herald.

## BILLBOARDS

There has been a vast amount of criticism the past week on account of the erection on Main street of a 50-foot billboard by a Portland company, and the council has come in for considerable censure for allowing such a structure to be put up. The matter had been before the council a long time before the board was erected, and the council had decided that it did not have the authority to regulate these structures on private property, if they were not dangerous to the public peace, health or safety. Besides, an ordinance covering the posting of bills and the distributing of advertising matter in the opinion of the council, would have worked more of a hardship on the local merchants than it would have benefited them through the keeping out, or regulating of outside companies.

The News does not like the looks of such a thing on a business street where a brick front ought to be; neither does The News like the looks of some of the vacant lots along Main street, with their perspective of weeds and piles of refuse.

The board this erected will probably stay, now, as long as the owners of the land care to lease the right, but there is plenty of opportunity to consider with the council the advisability of passing some regulatory measure. If the council has not the authority, the people, through charter amendment, can confer it, and it is a very simple matter—merely a matter of time—to secure such regulation as will suit the majority of the people.

## CAMP CREEK

Camp Creek, Ore., Aug. 2.—Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Walter Stephens, a ten-pound son.

Mrs. Laura Sears is visiting with friends here.

Miss Lizzie Kennedy is here visiting with her sister, Mrs. L. Stephens.

C. Long and daughter Ella are here visiting with relatives.

Mrs. Charlie Jack made a business trip to Waterville on Wednesday.

Some of the people from here went to Hayden's Bridge last Sunday to attend the district Sunday school convention held there.

Lawrence Gossler, who has been working at Thurston, is at home now.

Mrs. Roy Coe of Eugene is visiting with relatives here.

Oscar and Lester Millican of Waterville were visitors here on Sunday.

Mrs. Vincent of Springfield is visiting with her father, J. K. Platts.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Chase were Eugene visitors Wednesday.

S. E. Libby is hauling wood from here to Eugene.

## REPORT SHOWS

(Continued from Page 1.)

school in Eugene; paid for principal and interest on bonds and warrants, \$48,728.31; paid insurance, \$1880.58; paid clerks' salaries, \$3,455.40; paid library books, \$651.21; paid for other purposes, \$14,486.58. The total disbursements were \$418,825.65. There was a balance on hand at the time the report was made of \$60,232.68.

The report gives the amount of bonded indebtedness of the schools of the county at \$355,088.59; on warrants, \$61,084.35, and other indebtedness, \$14,076.60, making a total of \$430,249.54.

The estimated value of school houses and grounds in the county is \$633,655.61, and of furniture and fixtures, \$96,624.43. The average salary of the male teachers of the county is \$82.40, and of the female teachers is \$60.80. The average tax millage is 3.8 mills.

## Card of Thanks

I desire to express my sincere thanks to the many friends for their acts of kindness during the illness and death of my uncle, Herbert Beadle. Also for the many beautiful flowers.

MRS. GUY E. NOBLE.

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## RESTORATION TO ENTRY OF

### LAND IN NATIONAL FOREST

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the lands described below, embracing 325.72 acres, within the Cascade, Siuslaw, Deschutes National Forest, Oregon, will be subject to settlement and entry under the provisions of the homestead laws of the United States and the act of June 11, 1906, (34 Stat., 233.) at the United States land office at Roseburg, Oregon, on September 30, 1915. Any settler who was actually and in good faith claiming any of said lands for agricultural purposes prior to January 1, 1906 and has not abandoned same, has a preference right to make a homestead entry for the lands actually occupied. Said lands were listed upon the applications of the persons mentioned below, who have a preference right subject to the prior right of any such settler, provided such settler or applicant is qualified to make homestead entry and the preference right is experienced prior to September 30, 1915, on which date the lands will be subject to settlement and entry by any qualified person. The lands are as follows: The SE $\frac{1}{4}$  NE $\frac{1}{4}$  SE $\frac{1}{4}$  NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , Sec. 4, T. 21 S., R. 3 E., W. M., 2.50 acres, application of James H. Chenoweth, Oakridge, Oregon; List 6-1559. A tract of land within Sec. 28, T. 17 S., R. 10 W., described as follows: Beginning at corner No. 1, whence the quarter corner common to Secs. 28 and 33 bears S. 15 chains; extending thence N. 5 chains; thence N. 89 degrees 54 minutes E., 12 chains; thence N. 10 chains; thence S 89 degrees 54 min. W., 12 chains; thence S. 63 degrees 15 min. W., 21.80 chains; thence S. 10 chains; thence S. 65 degrees E., 7.65 chains; thence N. 57 degrees 30 minutes E., 15 chains; to the place of beginning, except a strip of land 22.73 links wide, described as follows: beginning at a point on the eastern boundary 4.85 chains north of corner No. 3, extending thence 11.365 links on each side of a line running N. 62 degrees 30 minutes W., 8 chains; S. 34 degrees W., 21 chains; N. 68 degrees 45 minutes W., 13.59 chains to the point of closing on the boundary, and except also the acre heretofore restored under list 6-335, the net area hereby listed being 21.07 acres, application of Ira Harrington, Mapleton, Oregon; List 6-1594. All of lot 10 except a strip 10 chains wide off the west side, Sec. 18, T. 20 S., R. 2 E., 22 acres, application of John Peizell, Blakelyville, Oregon; List 6-1645. The E $\frac{1}{2}$  NE $\frac{1}{4}$  SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , the NE $\frac{1}{4}$  SE $\frac{1}{4}$  SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , the W $\frac{1}{2}$  NW $\frac{1}{4}$  SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , Sec. 30; the NW $\frac{1}{4}$  SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of the N $\frac{1}{2}$  SW $\frac{1}{4}$  NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , the NE $\frac{1}{4}$  SE $\frac{1}{4}$  NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , Sec. 21, T. 21 S., R. 3 E., 160 acres, application of Charles McNett, Lapine, Oregon; List 6-1685. D. K. PARROTT, Acting Assistant Commissioner of the General Land Office, July 19, 1915.

## NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roseburg, Oregon, June 21, 1915.  
Notice is hereby given that Orlando O. Voss, of Lowell, Oregon, who, on November 20, 1911, made Homestead Entry, Serial, No. 07649, for the SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 30, Township 19 S. Range 1 E., Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Three-year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before I. P. Hewitt, U. S. Commissioner, at his office at Eugene, Oregon, on the 2nd day of August, 1915. Claimant names as witnesses: Dexter Carter of Lowell, Oregon; Lorenzo S. Winfrey, of Lowell, Oregon; Frank Mc Masters, of Land Axe, Oregon; Ora E. Carter of Lowell, Oregon.  
J. M. UPTON, Register.

A poll of more than 600 commercial organizations of the country by the U. S. Chamber of Commerce on Government ownership of merchant marine shows 82 in favor of it and 698 against it. The heavy vote against government ownership, either with or without government operation, is sham notice that the business sentiment of the country strongly disapproves

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Date of first publication, July 22, 1915.

VINA McLEAN,  
Administratrix.

WILLIAMS & BEAN,  
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