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And Remember to Get a Stop-Over for Springfield.

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## PRESS ON THE LAND GRANT

The Oregon Voter of last week reprints a long paragraph from The News regarding the railroad land grant, together with comments on the same subject from other papers. Some of the significant viewpoints this reproduced are as follows: "Stop all further proceedings, charges expenses to profit and loss, and let the railroads have a chance to commence disposing of the lands. This agitation has been the biggest piece of foolishness ever perpetrated by and upon the people of Oregon. The Lord only knows how much havoc the whole affair will do in a financial way before it is finally gotten to where development will again commence."—Myrtle Point Enterprise.

"If the government is going to keep faith with the railroad company to the extent of guaranteeing its equity of \$2.50 an acre, it should also keep faith with the public by returning to it the value over that figure. It will not be doing it if the railroad company is allowed to take the valuable timber from the land and yet lay claim to the \$2.50 an acre."—Grants Pass Courier.

Placing the lands in a forest reserve would tie them up indefinitely under the management of some Washington favorite in want of a job. Every foot of public land in the state should belong to the state."—Condon Times.

"It is a cold day in Oregon when the politicians and lawyers can't start a new land agitation or lawsuit that holds up large tracts from settlement and gets them votes and big fees from the state and federal courts."—Santiam News.

"Land should be classified agricultural and grazing land sold to settlers on easy terms. Timber lands within national forest should be deeded to government. State of Oregon should acquire and hold timber lands outside the national forests, and sell the timber separate from the land where the characted of land will permit of agricultural development. Scattered land could be exchanged for a compact body, to build up a state forest system."—The Timberman.

## BRIGHTENING TRADE CONDITIONS

Let not the voice of the pessimist be the only sound in the land. The man with the optimistic view has his chance; there is demand and opportunity for him, and as a matter of fact he is entitled to speak his mind.

For example, there is the case of the Portland merchant, well known, who recently returned from a business tour of the Eastern states. In New York he found no note of pessimism whatever. Back there they were hardly ready to credit the aserption that business is dull anywhere. And we will get the full significance of that state of mind when we stop to think that New York is the business nerve center of the country.

But it is not by the farway look and the distant report that optimism is to be wholly satisfied. Here within our own city there are many evidences of brightening trade conditions. Go about among the leading retail merchants and some of them, reporting the business of the current month, will tell that is the largest August business thus far they have done for years. Moreover, it is said by some of these dealers that the better class of goods are selling very much more generally than they were during the month of August of last year. There is no hint of the deadly dumps in their testimony, and the testimony itself is reliable.

We do not suggest that merely by thinking so, trade conditions will immediately develop to beer and skittles, but we do believe that it is best the brightening side of trade should have due advertisement. We never get anywhere by wrapping ourselves in gloom. It is the sunshine that is essential to growth; and the analogy by which we make application of this fact to our business attitude is entirely sound.

There are brightening trade conditions and prospects and the way to help them brighten is to recognize them and maintain the attitude of optimism rather than depression—Telegram.

## THE "GO-GETTERS."

(From the Eugene Register.)

Springfield not long ago boasted an organization of community boosters known as the "Go-Getters" and although this organization has not been active recently it is evident that the spirit that animated it still lives in the city across the river.

### THE "GREATER OREGON"

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As evidence of this the following facts may be cited. On Tuesday evening a mass meeting was held to consider the establishment of a municipal camp ground for the accommodation of automobile tourists passing through the Willamette Valley, and it was decided to go ahead with the project. A sight was chosen, and on Wednesday morning a large number of citizens busied themselves in preparing the camp for occupation. By noon their task was completed and in the afternoon the first tourists arrived.

It has often been said that the best way to do a thing is to do it, and it is evident that Springfield fully subscribes to this terse and vigorous truth.

WAITING

By Strickland W. Gillilan

On Summer Saturday's long afternoon  
I used to climb, barefoot, one throne-  
like knoll,  
Soliloquizing: "Father's coming soon."  
The gray pike billowed eastward  
like a scroll  
And vanished in the apex of a hill  
One world-long mile away; around  
me played  
The shifting sunbeams—magically still,  
Tiptoeing from each ever-lengthening  
shade.

I knew that when he crept into my ken  
Above the hillbrink I should know  
the span—  
White-stockinged bay, head-tossing  
gray; and then  
The strong, familiar figure of the  
man.  
I'd know them—know them! Leaping  
with their joy  
My swift feet from my cairn would  
take me down—  
A care-free, zephyr-hearted, eager boy.  
To welcome home my father from  
the town.

Once on a time he went away again;  
Perhaps the sun shone, but we  
could not see.  
I have not climbed that little knoll  
since then.  
For Father is not coming home to  
me.  
Somewhere he waits upon a sun-kissed  
hill  
And softly says: "My boy is coming  
soon."  
He'll know he from afar—I know he  
will!  
When, world-tired, I trudge home,  
some afternoon.

## Business is Showing Upward Trend

Portland, Aug. 23.—A strain of cynical optimism pervades the current trade letter of the Wells-Fargo Nevada National Bank of San Francisco, which sees an era of continued and expanding prosperity as a result of European war orders, coupled with the bountiful crops that now are being harvested in America.

"There has been a definite growth of optimistic sentiment within the past month," says the letter, "and the whole country is feeling more cheerful than it did concerning the crop outlook, general trade conditions and the relations of the United States toward the rest of the world.

"The improvement in the steel industry has been quite remarkable, being based, first, on direct foreign buying and the increase of war orders, and, second, thoroughgoing improvement in the domestic inquiry, in consequence of the increased orders from the railroads and other large users of steel products. In certain branches of the industry the demand already exceeds the supply, so that large buyers are offering a premium for quick deliveries. This betterment of conditions in the 'basic industry' has sentimentally helped other branches of trade, although there has not been any pronounced change in general business conditions. This country is still playing a prominent role as the banker for the rest of the world.

**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 exercised 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 1/4 NE 1/4 SE 1/4 NW 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 minutes W., 12 chains; thence S. 89 degrees 15 minutes W., 21.80 chains; thence S. 10 chains; thence S. 65 degrees E., 7.63 chains; thence N. 67 degrees 39 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., 5 chains; S. 74 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 area heretofore restored under list 6-233, 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 Pelzell, Blakelyville, Oregon; List 6-1645. The E 1/4 NE 1/4 SW 1/4, the NE 1/4 SE 1/4 SW 1/4, the W 1/4 NW 1/4 SE 1/4, the SW 1/4 SE 1/4

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed administratrix of the estate of Stanislaus K. Noel, deceased. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same, duly verified and with the proper vouchers, to the administratrix at the office of Woodcock, Smith & Bryson, 219 Barnard Building, Eugene, Oregon, within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice.

Date of the first publication of this notice August 5, 1915.

BERENICE NOEL,  
Administratrix of the estate of Stanislaus K. Noel, deceased.

### Notice to Creditors.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned Vina McLean has been appointed administratrix of the estate of Jahalan T. Witter, deceased, by the Probate Court of Lane County, Oregon, and that all persons having claims against said estate are required to file the same, duly verified, with the said administratrix at Springfield, Oregon, or at the law office of Williams & Bean, Eugene, Oregon, within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice.

Date of first publication, July 22 1915.

VINA McLEAN,  
Administratrix.  
WILLIAMS & BEAN,  
Attorneys for Estate.  
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