SEEKS INFORMATION REGARDING LANDS

Portland, Oct. 2.—As a commissioner extraordinary of the attorney general of the United States, S. W. Williams, head of all government litigation in connection with public lands, arrived in Portland this morning to begin a personal investigation of the conditions surrounding the Oregon & California railroad grant.

Largely on information which Mr. Williams presents, Attorney General Gregory will base his report to congress. The attorney general's report to congress will probably be the most important presentation influencing the action of that body when it legislates in pursuance of the mandate of the supreme court ordering the disposal of the lands.

"I am here to get first-hand information from the people most intimately connected wtih the grant," said Mr. Williams in the office of United States District Attorney Reames this morning.

The attorney general wants to learn how the people of Oregon who are right on the grant think that it ought to be disposed of."

To get this information Mr. Williams expects to make a personal trip over the section of the state covered by the grant. He is already familiar with all the legal phases of the matter.

Just what he will do and just what sort of an investigation he will make Mr. Williams will not say. In fact, his mission to Oregon, he says, is to get information, not to give it. However, he said this morning that what he reports to Mr. Gregory would weigh heavily.

"What is the attorney general's policy going to be in this matter?" he was asked.

"That's just what he's sent me here to find out," replied Mr. Williams "That is, he has sent me to gather information so that he may formulate a policy and make his report to congress."

Mr. Williams spent the morning with United States District Attorney Reames, in whose office th O. & C. cases have been pressed and the O. & C. location frauds prosecuted.

At noon today he was the guest of Mr. Reames at a lunch designed as a symposium on the subject. There Mr. Williams discussed the facts surrounding the grant with Senator Chamberlain, former Governor West, Claude McCulloch and Louis L. Sharp, chief of the field division of the general land office.

Mr. Williams spent 17 years in the department with public lands. For sereval years he has been in the office of the attorney general and in charge of all litigation bearing on public lands. He has done much work in connection with the O. & C. cases and wrote the brief which went to the supreme court in the Booth-Kelly case.

Apparently Mr. Williams has come to Oregon with no preconceived notions as to the manner in which the lands on the grant should be disposed of.

"There are two sides to the matter, of course," he said. "Some people say the lands ought to be sold at $2.50 an acre; the railroads say they should be paid for the timber in addition to that amount. Everything must be taken into consideration."

Many of the questions asked by Mr. Williams this morning were of such a detailed nature as would require searching of title records or an actual examination of the lands involved to answer.

Additional Local

Steve Bowles returned Friday night from a hunting trip of two weeks at Withrow's camp, below Blue River.

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Miss Florence Galloway arrived from Brownsville Friday evening for a visit with Miss Evelyn Barkman.

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The eight-year-old son of Mrs. Kaurin underwent an operation Saturday for the removal of tonsils and adnoids.

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I. V. Jackson, local manager of the Pacific States Telephone company, made a business trip to Marcola Friday.

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Dr. and Mrs. J. R. Barr left by automobile Sunday morning on their way to Culver, eastern Oregon, where they will locate.

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Frank Moore, who sustained a broken back in an automobile accident near Irving several months ago,, is now able to sit up in a wheeled chair at the hospital in Eugene where he is receiving treatment.

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Mrs. James Laxton, who was taken to the Springfield hospital last week for an operation, was able to return to her home today.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Conley of Walterville spent the week end wtih the latter's parents Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Signor and other relatives.

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Andy Allen of Portland visited the week-end with George and Dave England. He left Sunday for Roseburg and other points to the south.

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Alex McKinzey, manager of the Hampton store, suffered an attack of appendicitis Saturday night, and was very sick Sunday. He was much improved today.

PRIZE OREGON APPLES WANTED FOR EXHIBIT

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvellis, Sept. 27.—Oregon supremacy in the production of agricultural and horticultural products at the Panama-Pacific Exposition is going to be very strongly challenged for the 1915 crops. A large number of gold medals and other awards were won by Oregon's exhibits of the crop of 1914 and this has aroused a keen competition among growers of other states some of whom are putting forth almost super-human effort to defeat Oregon and land the prizes for themselves. In order to hold the honors already won and make it plain that the corp of 1914 was not exceptional, it will be necessary for the Oregon growers to come forward with another collection of prize winning exhibits of the 1915 crop. In the horticultural department they have asked the assistance of Professor C. I. Lewis, of the Agricultural College, in securing a collection of prize-winning Oregon apples as follows:

Two 5-box entries of Grimes Golden; two 5-box entries, King of Thompkins County; two 5-box entries of Northern Spy; and one 5-box of Wagner.

Professor Lewis would like to have any grower who in inspecting or harvesting his apple crop finds specimens to fill any or all of one or more of these classes to write him at the College the particulars concerning the fruit. Professor Lewis will reply giving directions for packing and shipping the fruit, payment for which will probably be arranged by the commission.

"The fruit must be highly colored," says Professor Lewis, "and of uniform size true to type. Fruit of the 96-pack is preferable and variations beond 88 to 112 will not be accepted. Oregon has established a splendid reputation and it is to be hoped that growers will take sufficient pride in their industry to come forward and assist in the work of making a new collection equal or superior to the first."

The Commission in speaking of this competition calls attention to the fact that it is reliable reported that one of the middle western states is collecting an entire carload of horticultural products to be shipped to the Exposition for exhibit. The competition promises to be the hardest Oregon has ever before been up against and Oregon will have to be there with the goods.

OREGON DOES RIGHT IN DEVELOPING DAIRYING SAYS IOWA PROFESSOR

"The people of any section that sells its grain and corn is simply selling raw material to another country which will sell the finished product at a higher price," said Professor M. Mortensen, in charge of the dairy department of the Iowa State college.

Mr. Mortensen is known in Portland as the manager of the Hazelwood Cream company until seven years ago. He left Portland to take the position in the Iowa institution. He has been acting as judge of cheese and butter at the state fair at Salem.

"When the grain and corn is sent away the soil of that district is depleted. In New England you can buy farms for less than the cost of the buildings. I was back in Denmark last year. During the past 17 years Denmark has increased the excess of the exportation of her agricultural products over the imports from $28,000,000 to $74,000,000. That has involved an increase in the productivity of the soil of 53.2 per cent. In the early '80s the people of Denmark were practically bankrupt. They raised beef cattle, and made little money at it. Suddenly they all turned to dairying, and they created a market in England for their products. But they started without either dairy cattle or market.

"In Iowa the town with the largest bank deposit per capita is Monticello, which has a large creamery. Wherever the products of the soil are sent away and sold as raw material, it is a case of everything being taken out of the soil and nothing put back. Consequently it is the places where the finished product is sold that are the most prosperous.

"The Oregon people are doing just right in developing a great dairy industry, and there are numbers of very fine dairy cattle in the state. I notice a big improvement over conditions existing when I left here. I have never seen more genuine interest shown at any farmers' meeting than in Salem last night.

"Oregon butter and cheese ranks with the best of the Middle West."

ENOUGH

Here's to the fellow who thumps his chest,
As the twilight fades away,
And proudly snorts "I have done my best—
The best that I knew, today."
Whether he stands in the Hall of Fame
Where the proudest duty calls,
Or with calloused haunds and an obscure name,
He toiled in overalls;
Be he old or young, or rich or poor,
Or simple or wondrous wise,
If he did his best, you can ask no more
From an angel in the skies.
Some other fellow may beat his time,
May saw a heap more wood;
But his rest is sweet and his dreams sublime,
Who has done the best he could;
Whether he's fat, or thin as a rail,
Humble or puffed with pride,
When he's done his best, that old word "fail,"
Must hunt for a place to hide.
And when he's done with the cares and strife
And the fleeting things of time,
As he faces the gates of the other life,
In that beautiful, blissful clime,
As he hikes to the land of spirits wierd
Above the azure blue,
He'll see St. Peter stroke his beard
And hark to his loud bazoo:
"There's a seat and a harp and a crown in there,
You can enter eternal rest,
For all who dwell in that city fair,
Are the fellows who did their best."

Nearly 2,000,000 women in the United States work in the fields.

SILVER FISH A PEST

Housewives who are annoyed by damage done by insects to their books, papers, clothing, and other articles containing starch are advised by the department to spread a poisoned paste upon bits of cardboard and tuck these into crevices in bookshelves, backs of mantels, under washboards, and in the bottom of bureau and bookcase drawers. A thin boiled starch paste should be prepared by adding to the flour from 3 to 5 per cent powdered white arsenic (poison) and then using sufficient water to boil into a thin paste. This should be spread upon cardboard and allowed to dry. The preparation, however, is poisonous to human beings as well as to insects and it must be used with the utmost care.

The insect which does the damage is known by a number of popular names, such as silverfish, silver louse, silver witch, sugar-fish, etc. It owes these names to its peculiar fishlike form and its scaly glistening body. As long ago as 1665 it was described as "a very small silvery shining worm or moth which I found much conversant among books and papers." It is about one-third of an inch in length, tapering from near the head to the extremity of the body, and somewhat resembles a worm in apearance. Its entire body is covered with very minute scales, which give it its shiny appearance, and its six legs enable it to run about with great rapidity.

The silverfish is one of the most serious pests known to libraries, for it is particularly fond of the paste used in the binding of books. Heavily glazed paper is also attractive to it. Starched clothing, linen, or curtains may be seriously damaged if left undisturbed for any considerable period of time, and the insect also feeds upon the starch paste applied to wall paper. By eating this, it causes the wall paper to scale off. Occasionally it gets into vegetable drugs or similar material which is left undisturbed for long periods, and it is an open question whether or not it ever attacks carpets and plush-covered furniture. A somewhat similar insect is commonly called in England a "firebrat" because of its foundness for ovens and fireplaces, where the heat would destroy other insects.

Among the remedies for this household pest in addition to the poisoned paste is pyrethrum. Wherever this can be applied, as on bookshelves, it furnishes one of the best means for getting rid of the insect. Sodium flourid, which is now recognized as one of the most efficient roach powders, will probably also be equally effective against the silverfish. It may be dusted by hand or applied with a powder blower wherever the silverfish is likely to occur. Frequent handling and airing of starched clothing and similar objects will probably be sufficient to prevent injury to these unless they are stored away in damp houses.—News Letter.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior.
U. S. Land Office at Roseburg, Oregon, September 14, 1915.

Notice is hereby given that Richard G. Hall of Blue River, Oregon, who, on October 14, 1910, made Homestead Entry, Serial No. 06670, for the N½ of SE¼, SE¼ of SE¼, and NE¼ of SW¼ of Section 1, township 16 S, Range 4 E. Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Five-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 25th day of October, 1915.

Claimant names as witnesses: Steven A. Landers, of Blue River, Oregon; Albert B. Ausman, of Blue River, Oregon; William Nesbeth, of Blue River, Oregon; Peary O'Brien, of Blue River, Oregon.

J. M. UPTON,
Register.

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior.

U. S. Land Office at Roseburg, Oregon, September 20, 1915.

Notice is hereby given that Robert H. Nesbitt, of R. F. D. No. 1, Creswell, Ore., who, on November 4, 1913, made Adjoining Farm Homestead Entry, No. 09170, for Lot 5, Section 26, Township 18 S. Range 2 W, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Commutation Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before I. P. Hewitt U. S. Commissioner, at his office, at Eugene, Oregon, on the 1st day of November, 1915.

Claimant names as witnesses: Thomas J. Elliott, of R. F. D. No. 1, Creswell, Oregon; Levi Casleman, of R. F. D. No. 1, Creswell, Oregon; Fred Cook, of R. F. D. No. 1, Creswell, Oregon; Henry Nesbit, of R. F. D. No. 1, Creswell, Oregon. taw to Oct 23

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed by the County Court of Lane County, Oregon, administratrix with the will annexed of the estate of James A. Ebbert, 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 First National Bank of Springfield, Oregon, within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice.

Date of the first publication of this notice September 27, 1915.

MARGARET MORRIS.
Administratrix with the will annexed of the estate of James A. Ebbert, deceased. M—O25

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