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THE CROOKED RIVER

From time to time, in late years, rumors of the finding of indications pany to prosecute the search for oil. of oil in the Crooked river country. Before they openly showed their purin Eastern Oregon, have appeared in pose, they secured leases on a great the papers, and have awakened a amount of land in the region where passing interest outside of that re- they believed the oil field to liegion. But so many rumors of that about 200,000 acres, it is said. kind arise here and there, that people a little distance away soon dis- ing men on to this pursuit are said there are no producing wells. But Prospecting has been going on in the are taking shaps, and there seems to about three and a half years. Drills country.

where he was satisfied that the indi- put down this fall.

cations were promising enough to OIL INDICATIONS warrant a more thorough prospecting. he interested a number of Los Angeles capitalists, who formed a com

The oil indications which are lead miss them from their minds, espec- to stretch away in a broad belt for a Central Pacific by the Southern Patally if they come from a region where, hundred miles or so to the eastward. cific. The president of the San Frannow these eastern Oregon oil reports region of the original discoveries for lenged this concern to show what its good reason to believe that a new oil have been made to a depth of as much whom it represents. It does not ap tronomer as having discovered field is about to be opened in that, as 400 feet. Mr. Bertrandis put a pear in any sense to represent any of great deal of money into his research. the cities about the bay.

The first discoveries were made by The prospecting company has put in a man named Bertrandis, in the a great deal more. Perhaps he and gon Development League," which of the twin stars as 75 times the accustomed to dealing with the neighborhood of Post, which is sit- they have reached their limit. This sprang into existence after this conuated on Crooked river, the princi- company has transferred, its interests troversy arose, and seems to have no it is five times as large as any pal tributary of the Deschutes. This to another Southern California compoint is about 40 miles southeast of pany, which is undertaking to put We will let the Salem Capitol Journal calls this the biggest astrono-Prineville. Mr. Bertrandis appears to down a number of wells which are deal with it. The following extracts mical find of modern times. have made a considerable study of expected to be producing wells. The embody about half of an editorial in geology, especially with reference to limit of the time within which their that paper, of the date of Aug. 2 practical results, and to have been contracts require them to commence familiar with the conditions in the operations is close at hand. They Mirage:" California oil fields. After he had have ordered their machinery, and it carried his investigations to a point is expected that several wells will be

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the interest of the Union Pacific. One of these was a broadcast com- tral and southern Oregon. munication from the "Peninsula Bureau of Chambers of Commerce, Rialto able to furnish tonnage to support a for reference, It appears to have a reader unfamiliar with local condimade in favor of the retention of the across the state." cisco Chamber of Commerce has chal-

standing is, where it came from and recently reported a certain as-Another example is a "Central Ore-

under the caption of "Chasing

"Representatives of the Central Oregon Development league have invaded western Oregon pleading for the unmerging of the Southern and Central Pacific, as the only possible way in which a railroad will be insured central Oregon.

"The people of central Oregon are being used as catspaws to pull Union Pacific chestnuts out of the fire. They are following a mirage of new railroads built out of hot air, like other mirages. The Union Pacific has made no promises of constructing a line across central Oregon, but merely sought to convey the impression that a line would not be built unless it secured the Central Pacific and it business pustifies it might be then

"There is more tonnage in sight for railroad through central Oregon today than there was for the Great Northern when it was built through Washington, and if any railroad should start building across central Oregon he Union Pacific would build as frenziedly as it did when Hill started to build up the Deschutes, where th

"The dog in the manger policy of the Union Pacific which now seeks de-

struction of the Southern Pacific, was examplified along the Deschutes

where a parallel railroad was constructed for no other purpose than to uin the projected Hill line, for it was

apparent that a new country could not

support two railroads. The Hill line was entitled to the business it de-

veloped, and which the Union Pacific

had for years refused to develop, just

as it today refuses to develop central Oregon. But its policy has always

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territory it can invade without ex-"The Hill Deschutes line contem-Out of the great mass of leterature plated a terminal at Medford with an coming to this office, bearing on the eventual extension to the seacoast at separation of the Central Pacific from Crescent City harbor. At the western the Southern Pacific, we have ob- end construction was begun at Medserved two notable examples of what ford and the Pacific and Eastern built appeared on the surface to be the fair to Butte Falls. But the Union Paci setting forth of some sectional or class fic forced Hill into a common user arinterest in no way attached to either angement at Bend, imposing condiof the contending railroad interests: tions that prevented any extension of but the merest scratch below the sur- the line and the abandonment of the face revealed a propaganda wholly in railroad to Medford, thus effectually blocking railroad construction in cen-"As to central Oregon's not being

Bidg. San Francisco." After a few railroad, the government reports show minutes examination, it was market, over 23 billions feet of merchantab.e what is this bureau?" and laid aside timber in Deschutes, Crook and Harney counties, which cut at the rate of been intended for circulation chiefly only a billion feet a year would pay or entirely outside of the region of over 3 percent on the investment San Francisco. The first impression which with the livestock, grain and that would be likely to be received by wool and other products would give a much greater eaching power than tions would be that here was a com- some of the Union Pacific's lines mercial body of broader scope than a across southern Idaho. Why should mere San Francisco affair, and so en- the central Oregon Development titled to greater credit. One of the league second the Union Pacific's asfirst things in a prefactory note to its sertion that no tonnage exists in their general statement was an attack on country? If the Union Pacific was a the San Francisco Chamber of Com- developer instead of an exploiter, it merce for a declaration which it had would have long ago built westward

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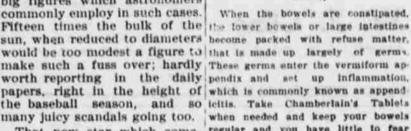
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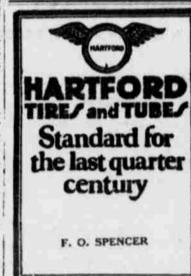
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