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## EDITORIALS

A through road from the Columbia River Highway up John Day River to the Idaho line near Ontario is the plan of Senator L. V. Stewart of Grant County. He has written State Engineer Lewis to ascertain the cost to the various counties for making a continuous survey by the State department, following State standards. The same information was asked for by C. Douglas Tyler, Secretary of the John Day Good Roads Association and by W. W. Wood of Ontario.

Mr. H. K. Donnelly, connected with the irrigation work of the State Engineer's department, was leaving today to take up work on Burnt River, and was directed to go by way of this proposed route and report upon the length of proposed road in each county, its present condition, and how much new road required. Interested parties were informed that an estimate would be furnished immediately upon receipt of this report. This will result in a considerable saving to the road department, according to Mr. Lewis, as the additional expense of Mr. Donnelly going by this route will be small compared with sending an employe from the highway department for this work alone.

The campaign started about a year ago by the Blue Mt. Eagle for the building of a state highway up the John Day river is now, after a year, taking on form. It has been endorsed by the people of Wheeler county, and Malheur county has given the highway its approval and has committed to work out the details, Mr. Bingham of the Malheur Forest has given every assurance of encouragement and assistance. It has been endorsed and approved by the Grant County Stockgrowers' Association and the Good Roads Clubs of Dayville, Mt. Vernon, John Day and although Prairie City has not taken any definite action it is assured that they will fall in line for the state road that is to connect Ontario, Malheur county with the Columbia Highway by the way of the John Day valley. It is no longer necessary to dwell on the great benefits that would come to the county with the construction of such a road. All agree on that. It is now just a matter of formulating the plans necessary for actual construction. Senator Stewart has taken the matter up with the state engineer and that department has, it might be said, unofficially endorsed the plan. All of the initial steps have been taken. The active work that really accomplishes the object desired is now to be done and this work will probably fall to Mr. Stewart. He is our state senator; he is familiar with all of the procedure; he is enthusiastic over the project; he has the confidence of the people; he is thoroughly familiar with the

entire situation and the various clubs and organizations could do no better than to now refer the matter to him. Of course all must assist and cooperate but it will take some definite head and some certain person to take the lead and Senator Stewart is just the man. The Eagle will give Mr. Stewart its unqualified support in this matter and will assist in every way possible to bring to pass one of the most important and beneficial projects ever contemplated for the county.—Blue Mountain Eagle.

### SPRING WORK.

Due to the late Spring there is an unusual rush of work this year and to often this means poorly prepared ground and careless seeding. A proper seed bed and good seed, well planted, are the important factors in securing a good crop.

Spring plowing should be a little shallower than Fall and the ground should be disked before plowing, if possible. Ground should be sufficiently dry so that it will not cake or form large clods.

Wheat and barley should be run through the fanning mill to remove light seeds and smut balls. Treat the seed a few days before seeding with formaldehyde, one pint to forty gallons of water. Let the seed soak for about ten minutes, then spread it out to dry, care being taken not to re-infect the seed.

Sow a little deeper than for Fall work and at the rate of from 35 to 55 pounds per acre.

A useful and profitable crop for this section is field peas. These should be sowed early, by the 15th of April at least, for this allows them to mature before hot weather. They should be drilled in double rows 28 inches between the rows and rather thick. A drill with three or four holes stopped and two left open works well. In this section the leading varieties are Carleton, Grey Winter and Cavilier.

On ground that is to be Summer fallowed the peas can take the place of the fallow for the cultivation of the peas conserves the moisture and the crop adds humus to the soil. Peas may be harvested for seed, pastured off by hogs or sheep or cut for hay.

## The Progressives' Progress.

The easy grace with which the Progressives are moving in the direction of the Republican fold challenges the admiration of the most practical and unsentimental of politicians. The olive branch that was held out with timid reluctance when their national committee met in Chicago has been followed by something approaching a protestation of reviving affection through George W. Perkins, who promises that the Progressives "will do anything and everything they honorably can to have both the Republicans and Progressives name the same man for the national ticket and adopt the same platform," though he warns that they have no intention of giving up their party organization. But even though the Republicans have thus far bestowed scarcely more than a nod of recognition in the Moose's direction, it is evident that much has been accomplished in a few short weeks. It would not be surprising if, when the regulars do begin to unbend, the Progressives should discover that one convention hall in Chicago will do for two.—Washington Herald.

The strike of Washington's street car employees lasted only two days, the men going back to work pending the arbitration of the differences. A recurrence of the strike is not expected.

## Political Announcements.

### FOR SHERIFF.

We are authorized and paid to announce F. A. Hale as a candidate for the office of sheriff of Wheeler County Oregon, subject to the decision of the Republican voters at the coming primary.

He proposes, if elected, to enforce the laws, strictly, and give to each and every citizen a square deal and will handle the office on the stipulated salary, furnishing his own deputy at his own expense

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the Republican nomination for Sheriff of Wheeler County, subject to the will of the voters at the Primary Election in May 1916.

OSCAR KELSAY.

### ASSESSOR

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the Republican nomination for Assessor of Wheeler County, State of Oregon, subject to the will of the voters at the Primary Election in May 1916.

PETER HRTMAN.

### COMMISSIONER.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the Republican nomination for Commissioner of Wheeler County, Oregon, subject to the will of the voters at the Primary Election in May 1916.

R. E. WRIGHT

### SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the nomination for County School Superintendent of Wheeler County in the Democratic Primary election, May 19, 1916.

H. J. SIMMONS.

### FOR STATE SENATOR

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for State Senator of the Eighteenth Senatorial District of the State of Oregon, comprising the Counties of Gilliam, Sherman and Wheeler, subject to the will of the Republican voters at the primary election to be held in said District on the 19th day of May, 1916.

M. D. SHANKS.

NOTICE—Three Rocking chairs, Bed Springs, Mattresses, Secretary and Centre Table, all the furniture belonging to L. E. Morse. can be seen at the F. M. Co's. store. Good Range and Heating Stove can be seen at the Ranch. Every thing for sale One \$32. Rug for \$18. One \$20. " " \$12. C. L. Morse.

The pursuit of Villa is the fifth time United States troops have gone into Mexico. The first resulted in the Mexican war 1846; the second and third grew out of Indian troubles on the border, 1877 and in 1886; and the next was when President Wilson ordered the occupation of Vera Cruz in April 1913. A treaty with Mexico of 1882 authorizes the troops of the two republics reciprocally to cross the border in pursuit of savage bands of Indians; but renewal of the treaty was refused Purfiro Diaz, then President of Mexico, after it has been in force about a year.

It is generally conceded that President Wilson will not need to call in the aid Congress to handle the Mexican situation so long as Carranza acquiesces and serious entanglements do not otherwise arise. Probably Carranza would be granted permission to send his troops into American territory in co-operation in the effort to round up Villa and the bandit hordes along the border.

The Grant County Court has appropriated \$400. for the Spray Monument road

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Restoration to Entry of Lands in the National Forest.—Notice is hereby given that the lands described below, embracing 50 acres, within the Umatilla National Forest, Oregon, will be subject to settlement and entry under the provisions of the homestead law of the United States and the act of June 11, 1906 (34 Stat., 233), at the United States land office at The Dalles, Oregon on May 20, 1916. Any settler who was actually and in good faith claiming any of said lands for agricultural purposes prior to January 1, 1916, 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 application of the persons mentioned below, who have a preference right subject to the prior right of such settler, provided any such settler or applicant is qualified to make homestead entry and the preference right is exercised prior to May 20, 1916, on which date the lands will be subject to settlement and entry by any qualified person. The lands are as follows: N4NE1SW1, SE1NE1SW1, Sec. 24, T. 7 S., R. 24 E., W.M., 60 acres, application of John Collins, of Winlock, Oregon; List 6-1846, Mar. 1, 1916. D. K. Parrott, Acting Assistant Commissioner of the General Land Office.

Notice For Publication.  
Department of the Interior.  
U. S. Land Office, The Dalles, Ore.  
Dec. 28, 1915.

Notice is hereby given that Lena Kaser whose post office address is Antelope, Oregon, did on the 13th day of April, 1914, file in this office sworn statement and application No. 012876 to purchase the E1 SE1 Section 8, Township 11 South, Range 19 East, Willamette Meridian, and the timber thereon, under the provisions of the act of June 3, 1878, and acts amendatory, known as the "Timber and Stone Law," at such value as might be fixed by appraisal, and that pursuant to such application, the land and timber thereon have been appraised at \$410 the timber estimated 340,000 board feet at \$1 per M. and the land \$70.00, hat said applicant will offer final proof in support of his application and sworn statement on the 9th day of March, 1916 before H. C. Rooper, U. S. Commissioner at Antelope, Oregon.

Any person is at liberty to protest this purchase before entry, or initiate a contest at any time before patent issues, by filing a corroborated affidavit in this office, alleging facts which would defeat the entry.

H. FRANK WOODCOCK, Register  
19-3-9

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