

Spray Courier.

Thursday July 13, 1916.

LOCAL BRIEFS

R D Cannon passed thru town Sunday. He is getting ready to ship a car load of beef to the Portland market.

S C Johnson was in Spray Sunday repairing the damage done his telephone central by lightning a few weeks ago. He installed a temporary central in the Courier building and swore in the "devil" as the chief operator.

Raleigh Wilkes came in with a load of flour for Baxter & Osborn Tuesday.

Mr and Mrs W H Osborn left for Salem Friday in their Buick car. While there they intend to attend the annual convention of the Christian Church which is to be at Turner July 8 to 16.

Mr and Mrs G R Nichols of the Dam Ranch were in town Saturday.

H H Barry was down from his homestead in Button Hollow last week having some blacksmithing done.

Prof R L Greene has charge of the blacksmith shop during the absence of J B Dyer, but R D Price will oil for you.

P A Dixon has gone to Condon to meet the head forester who is located at Pendleton.

Farmers are now busy with their second crop of alfalfa, and the yield is good.

Dr Turner the eye specialist will be in Spray about July 18. See his announcement in this issue.

We have been having regular summer weather for the last few days. Thermometer registering 98 in the shade.

Claude Norris is helping with the hay crop at Nichols Bros and consequently the confectionery is closed for the time being.

S C Johnson Supervisor for Road District No 11 says he will make a few repairs on his division soon and of course the work will be done.

Jess Wilkes has bought the A. V Templeton property in lower town and will take possession at once.

We have a good town. The people are unselfish and kind, willing that each and every man shall worship God according to the dictates of his own conscience, not worship Him at all. The fact is every man attends to his own business and lets his neighbor do likewise.

Henry Breeding was in town on land business last Monday.

Mr and Mrs Earl Richards were down from their homestead and spent a few days visiting Mrs Richards parents. Mr and Mrs T R Smith.

F M Gilliam drove the stage over from Fossil last Monday. Marion is at home when he holds the ribbons.

Loyd Parman and Andy Wilson were here this week. They broke the axle in their dodge car and had to order one from The Dalles.

Mrs Laura French of Mountain Home Idaho and her niece, Miss Cecil Hughes of Fossil, were visiting at the home of C N Wagner this week. They came over in an Overland car with Miss Hughes as Chauffeur, and Carl says she is a good one.

Walt Bennett was trading in town today.

George Knox drove the auto stage over from Fossil Wednesday.

Paul Cook left on today's stage for his home in Prineville. He has been working for some time in this neighborhood.

Federal Inquiry or Railroad Strike?

Faced by demands from the conductors, engineers, firemen and brakemen that would impose on the country an additional burden in transportation costs of \$100,000,000 a year, the railroads propose that this wage problem be settled by reference to an impartial Federal tribunal.

With these employees, whose efficient service is acknowledged, the railroads have no differences that could not be considered fairly and decided justly by such a public body.

Railroads Urge Public Inquiry and Arbitration

The formal proposal of the railroads to the employees for the settlement of the controversy is as follows:

"Our conferences have demonstrated that we cannot harmonize our differences of opinion and that eventually the matters in controversy must be passed upon by other and disinterested agencies. Therefore, we propose that your proposals and the proposition of the railroads be disposed of by one or the other of the following methods:

1. Preferably by submission to the Interstate Commerce Commission, the only tribunal which, by reason of its accumulated information bearing on railway conditions and its control of the revenue of the railways, is in a position to consider and protect the rights and equities of all the interests affected, and to provide additional revenue necessary to meet the added cost of operation in case your proposals are found by the Commission to be just and reasonable; or, in the event the Interstate Commerce Commission cannot, under existing laws, act in the premises, that we jointly request Congress to take such action as may be necessary to enable the Commission to consider and promptly dispose of the questions involved; or
2. By arbitration in accordance with the provisions of the Federal law (The Newlands Act).

Leaders Refuse Offer and Take Strike Vote

Leaders of the train service brotherhoods, at the joint conference held in New York, June 1-15, refused the offer of the railroads to submit the issue to arbitration or Federal review, and the employees are now voting on the question whether authority shall be given these leaders to declare a nation-wide strike.

The Interstate Commerce Commission is proposed by the railroads as the public body to which this issue ought to be referred for these reasons:

No other body with such an intimate knowledge of railroad conditions has such an unquestioned position in the public confidence.

The rates the railroads may charge the public for transportation are now largely fixed by this Government board.

Out of every dollar received by the railroads from the public nearly one-half is paid directly to the employees as wages; and the money to pay increased wages can come from no other source than the rates paid by the public.

The Interstate Commerce Commission, with its control over rates, is in a position to make a complete investigation and render such decision as would protect the interests of the railroad employees, the owners of the railroads, and the public.

A Question For the Public to Decide

The railroads feel that they have no right to grant a wage preferment of \$100,000,000 a year to these employees, now highly paid and constituting only one-fifth of all the employees, without a clear mandate from a public authority that shall determine the merits of the case after a review of all the facts.

The single issue before the country is whether this controversy is to be settled by an impartial Government inquiry or by industrial warfare.

National Conference Committee of the Railroads

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COMING! COMING!

Dr. J. G. Turner, formerly of Low & Turner the well known eye and nerve specialist of Portland, will be in Spray again Tuesday, July 18th, one day only. Dr. Turner has had years of hard practical experience as an eye and nerve specialist coupled with his being educated in the best schools makes him a safe person for you to consult. If you have eye troubles, headaches or cross eyes, don't fail to consult him. Consultation and examination free. Satisfaction guaranteed. Regular trips to Spray every 60 days. If you do not need glasses, Dr. Turner most positively will not recommend them. Don't forget the date. At Hotel Parlor.

Notice For Publication-Isolated Tract

Public Land Sale
Department of the Interior,
U. S. Land Office, The Dalles, Oregon,
June 14, 1916.
Notice is hereby given that, as directed by the Commissioner of the General Land Office, under the provisions of Sec. 2455, R. S., pursuant to the application of Fred W. Straube Serial No. 015428, we will offer at public sale, to the highest bidder, but at not less than \$2.50 per acre, at 10.15 o'clock A. M. on the 17th day of August, next, at this office, the following tract of land: S4 SW 1/4 SW 1/4 Sec. 30, N 1/2 NE 1/4 Sec. 31, Tp. 10 S. R. 25 East, W. M. (160-acres). This tract is ordered into the market on a showing that the greater portion thereof is mountainous or too rough for cultivation.

The sale will not be kept open, but will be declared closed when those present at the hour named have ceased bidding. The person making the highest bid will be required to immediately pay to the Receiver the amount thereof. Any person claiming adversely the above-described land are advised to file their claims or objections, on or before the time designated for sale.

L. A. Booth, Receiver.

Notice For Publication. Department of the Interior. U. S. Land Office, The Dalles, Ore. Apr. 29, 1916.

Notice is hereby given that Henry C. Breeding whose post-office address is Spray, Oregon, did on the 15th day of July, 1915, file in this office sworn statement and application No. 015249 to purchase the NE 1/4 SE 1/4 SE 1/4 Section 8, NE 1/4 NE 1/4 Sec. 17, Township 10 South, Range 25 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 \$430 the timber estimated 355,000 board ft. at \$0.75 per M. and the land \$163.75, that said applicant will offer final proof in support of his application and sworn statement on the 10th day of July, 1916, before David E. Baxter, U. S. Commissioner at Spray, 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.

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Notice for Publication. Department of the Interior. U. S. Land Office, The Dalles, Oregon May 18, 1916.

Notice is hereby given that Jacob H. Wilcox of Monument, Oregon, who on March 11, 1909, made Homestead Entry No. 02237 for NE 1/4 NW 1/4 NW 1/4 Sec. 20 Township 9 S. Range 25 East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final five year proof, to establish claim to the land above described before David E. Baxter, U. S. Commissioner at Spray, Oregon, on the 1 day of August, 1916. Claimant names as witnesses: Robert E. Wright, John B. Nolan, Melvin Richie and Thomas R. Smith all of Spray, Oregon.
H. Frank Woodcock, Register 6-15-7-27

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon, June 17, 1916.

Notice is hereby given that Charles E. Nash, of Winlock, Oregon, who on Oct. 5 1911, made Homestead Entry No. 09540, for SE 1/4 Sec. 1, NE 1/4 Sec. 12, Tp. 8 S. R. 23 E., Lot 7, Sec. 6, Lot 1, Sec. 7, Tp. 8 S. R. 24 E. Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year proof, to establish claim to the land above described before David E. Baxter, U. S. Commissioner, at Spray, Oregon on the 22nd day of July, 1916. Claimant names as witnesses: William Donley, Wesley Rowley, Fred E. Roppeh, Amos Wilkes, all of Winlock, Oregon.
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