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A PROMISING FUTURE.

Last week, I. N. Morrison was down from his mountain ranch. Newt has been engaged as packer for the crew that is cruising the Green-Avery timber lands, a body of 30,000 acres upon the head waters of Thomas creek. Mr. Morrison reports that the average quantity of timber, fit for lumber purposes on each section, is about 50,000,000 feet. On the best section 78,000,000, feet of yellow fir and 2,000,000 of hemlock was cruised. On an average there are nearly 8,000,000 feet to the acre. At the ordinary price of one dollar stumpage, this would give the enormous value $78,125 per acre. On the best section an acre of the timber, at the same rate, would be nearly $125,000. When we consider that this one timber belt, all of which is as good as the Green-Avery timber, comprises a body of land seven miles wide by twenty miles long, the immensity of the wealth of the Thomas creek belt can be seen. Also a body of timber nearly as large lays on the Crabtree Creek. Taken all together, there is fully 250 square miles of timber that is tributary to or must be taken out by way of Scio. At least the cheapest and most practicable route is through Scio.

We have cited the above simply to show, that a railroad must be built through Scio in the very near future. The simple fact that these timber cruisers, cruised all sound fallen timber, as well as the standing trees, is evidence that it is the purpose to commence moving the timber very soon.

Another evidence that there will be something doing in a short time is: There are now three mills on Thomas creek and its tributaries, that must market their output through Scio. At the present time the combined capacity of these mills is about 75,000 feet per day. We understand that the mill proprietors talk of constructing lumber flumes from their mills to Scio, providing the railroad would build its line into town. Thus, a guarantee of six to eight cars of lumber would be furnished for transportation daily; besides other ordinary freight, which would be considefable. Another feature of profit to a railroad into Scio would be the annual passenger traffic to and from the Scio fair, which we hope will be considerable.

Taken all together the NEWS considers the outlook of the near future as most promising for Scio. All this section of Linn county needs is developing. We have the richest of soils, capable of producing ten times the present output, as fine a dairy section as the state affords and ideal sites for any kind of manufacturing establishments. There is no better section of Oregon than the Forks of the Santiam and which some time will be considered a most desireable locality for a country home. All we need is developing. Convenient railroad connection with the commercial world is the one thing needed to start the development ball rolling. Let us hope that the present year will see our desires, at least, partially satisfied in this regard.

Don't be a pessimist! Don't be a knocker! Did you know that a town full of pessimists, is an effectual block to progress? Enterprising men will let any town severely alone, where a considerable portion of its people always look for and expect the dark or losing side of a proposition. Such citizens as these are a detriment to any town in which they may live. They throw an a mosphere of failure about any project, which contributes not a little toward its down fall. While it is possible to be too optimistic about an enterprise and so enthusiastically carless about its minutia that failure may result, still the optimist is a more desirable citizen than he who always figures loss as a result for any enterprise that is undertaken in a community; especially those of a public nature. The one great desire of Scio is to have the railway built into town. A good way not to get it is to be continually saying, "Scio will never have a railroad" or "The railroad has it in for Scio" and other kindred remarks. A better plan would be for all to talk as if it was a fixed fact that the railroad will be built into town and then go to work to make the conditions favorable for the road to come. Railroads do not care to build into towns whose citizens are continually knocking. Whereas, if the people are optimistic and prepared to meet an enterprise more than half way, the railroad people think and say, "Those people are enterprising. That town is sure to amount to something." As a result railroads even put themselves to inconvenience, in order to have an enterprising town upon its line. So let us talk and think the coming of the railroad a surety; work to make the conditions for its comming favorable and our wishes are pretty sure to be fulfilled.

MOYER HAYWOOD AND PETTIBONE.

This week the trial of the celebrated labor leaders Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone, will be commenced at Boise, Idaho. The manner in which these men were arrested and surreptitiously carried from Colorado to Idaho and there kept in close confinement for more than twelve months, nevertheless, they clammored continually to be tried, has given the case a world-wide notariety.

That these men have been cruelly treated by the authorities of the state of Idaho, is not now questioned; in that they have been denied what the constitution of the United States guarantees to every man "A speedy trial. Whether they are guilty or not, the conspiracy of the governments of the states of Idaho and Colorado in kidnapping and railroading Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone from Colorado to an Idaho prison, without allowing them their rights as citizens to a hearing, was a crime.

Certainly if these men are the instigators of the murder of Goveror Steunenberg, they ought to pay the penalty. Yet they have, or ought to have, certain legal rights before the courts, which have been denied them. Admitting, for the sake of argument that they are guilty, even then their rights as citizens should have been protected. As both state governments were desirous that the murderers of exGovernor Steunenberg should be apprehended, there would have been no difficulty in having a requisition issued by the governor of Idaho honored by the state of Colorado. Nor would there have been a lack of power to enforce its provisions, as the entire militia of one, or both of the states could have been evoked to enforce the mandate.

The fact of the business is the governors of these two states permitted an illegal act to be done. They allowed and sanctioned the crime of kidnapping. Knowing that their acts were criminal, the matter was executed by stealth and at a time that the protection of the courts could not be readily invoked. If these officers were engaged in a legal act, there was no need of stealth in making the arrest and transferring the prisoners from the one state to the other.

As before stated if these men are responsible for the murder, they should be punished. But to the unprejudiced, they do not appear as if they were guilty. Their constant demand for trial and their offer to prove by hundreds of witnesses that they were not in the state of Idaho at the date of the murder or for months previous, does not look like the act of guilty men. On the other hand, the dehatoriness of the Idaho courts to bring them to trial and the stealth resorted to in order to get Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone within the jurisdiction of the Idaho courts, looks very much like the actions of men that were doing an illegal deed.

The NEWS knows nothing about the facts of the case. But it does know that the liberty of American citizens is placed in jeopardy, if the acts of these two state governments is allowed to pass unrebuked. If the crime of kidnapping is wrong and punishable on the part of an individual, it is much more wrong when committed under the name of law and by men who are sworn to uphold and execute the law.

These men may have been guilty of wrong doing. The purpose of this article is not to defend them from responsibility for any crimes they may have or may not have committed. But, as two wrongs never make a right, the acts permitted by the two governors was, certainly, even a greater crime than the one that is charged against the prisoners. It was a crime against the liberty of the American citizen; which is of far greater consequence than even the crime of murder.

Whether Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone can be given a fair trial in Idaho, the events of the next few days will determine. One thing is certain, however; if it shall be shown that the mine owners are responsible for the kidnapping and the two state governments aided and abetted the illegal methods that were resorted to, there will be the loudest and most forcable of howls raised by law abiding citizens.

The leathergy that the Idaho courts has exhibited in bringing the cause to trial, forces one to conclude that the state does not posess sufficient evidence to convict the defendants, and conviction seems to be the great desideratum by the mine owners, whether they are guilty or innocent. It looks as if the kidnapping was made, trusting that evidence to support the crime could be found afterwards. If it should transpire that Messrs Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone are not guiltity of the murder, either directly or indirectly, we sincerely hope that the labor unions will never rest until they have made every person implicated in the kidnapping, pay dearly for the crime.

The country will await the termination of the trial with considerable anxiety. Also, a verdict of "Not guilty" would be quite a heavy jolt to President Roosevelt, since the promulgation of his 'Undesireable citizens' letter. But above all the people want to know the truth about the whole matter.

HUNGRY HILL ITEMS.

Uncle Lige Thurman, of Springfield is visiting friends and relatives in this neighborhood.

Walter Chastain is sick with inflamatory rhumatism.

The Spears and Titus families spent Saturday and Sunday at Munsell's and attended the literary at Crabtree.

Johnie Hoffman has been quite sick the past week. His brother Eddie takes the cream now.

Mrs John Riley is visiting her sister-in-law at Sweet Home.

Anna Horkey, who has been very sick with pneumonia, is reported a little better.

Miss Iva Munsell visited friends at Gooch's mill, last week.

W. J. Green, whose school closed a short time ago, is working in the creamery at Crabtree.

Ballard failed to have his sale last Saturday as intended, on account of his being sick.

Mrs. Calavan and Grandma Bilyeu spent Tuesday at J. Crabtree's.

Mark Bilyeu came down from Albany, Monday, after a load of furniture, which he had left here.

TRIXIE.

PROVIDENCE ITEMS.

Since our last writing Mrs. John Garland has been quite sick and Dr. Prill was called on Friday. She is now some better.

Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Long and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Steirs and children, Sunday.

Joseph Vana, who has been employed in the Car paint shop, at Portland, for several months past, returned home Saturday to visit relatives and friends a few days.

Roy Garland has not found any trace of his lost horse yet.

Saturday, as Mr. and Mrs. St John were starting for home from Crabtree, the span of colts they were driving became frightened at a calf in the pasture, and ran. One line broke and they soon turned the hack over and threw both its occupants out. Mrs. St John was badly bruised and jared, but it is thought no bones were broken. No farther damage was done only the hack tongue bent double and breeching broken and Mr. St John's left leg badly cruised.

Dan Meshier and Harley Garland, of Albany, came over to John Garland's, Sunday.

A letter was received by Chas Tate from his wife at Monmouth stating that Mrs. C. C. Lee was very low and that her face is swolen very badly. She can neither eat or talk so any one can understand her but her daughter Mrs. Tate.

A sermon was delivered at the Providence church Sunday, by Rev. Elmore, of Brownsville, the first service held there since last fall. There will be preaching there again in two weeks, on May 19.

Mrs. Jeff Hannah and daughter also Mrs. Geo. Garland went to Lebanon, Monday, shoping.

Mr. Thibado with team is assisting B. F. Munkers with farm work.

VIOLET.

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UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE
Portland Oregon
March 1, 1907

NOTICE is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the states of California, Oregon, Nevada and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892, Ann E. Rossell of Scio, county of Linn State (or Territory) of Oregon, has this day filed in this office her sworn statement No. 7295, for the purchase of the S. E. ¼ of Section No. 34 in Township No. 8. South, Range No. 1 East, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes and to establish her claim to said land before Register of U. S. Land Office at Portland Oregon on Friday, the 31st day of May, 1907.

She names as witnesses: James King, of Scio, Oregon; James L. S. Rossell of Scio Oregon; Edna E. King, of Scio Oregon; Noah A. King, of Scio, Oregon.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 31st day of May, 1907.

ALGERNON S. DRESSER,
Register.

Notice For Publication.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE
Portland, Oregon
March 5, 1907

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