

# INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND PROGRESS OF OUR HOME STATE

## TAFT OPENS BIG TRACT.

203,635 Acres Eliminated From Wallowa Forest Reserve.

Washington—The president has signed a proclamation eliminating 203,635 acres from the Wallowa national forest, in Oregon. The elimination is the result of a careful examination made by the United States department of agriculture during the past summer, which disclosed the fact that the areas now eliminated were either open grass land with very little timber, or timbered areas so largely alienated that further administration by the forest service was considered impracticable. The lands released are not needed for watershed protection, and are not considered to be chiefly valuable for national forest purposes.

The principal eliminations occur in townships 1 and 2 south, range 47 east; townships 1 and 2 north, ranges 45, 46, 47 and 48 east; township 3 north, range 42 east; township 4 north, 42 and 43 east; townships 5 and 6 north, range 46 east, and township 6 north, range 47 east. In addition, a strip of land from one-half mile to three miles wide is eliminated along the southern boundary of the forest, in ranges 42 to 47 east. Section 6 and the west half of section 5, township 4 north, range 42 east, is transferred from the Wallowa to the Wenaha forest, the area having been isolated from the Wallowa by the large eliminations.

## COMMENCEMENT AT EUGENE.

Invitations Are Issued for Thirty-fourth Year Exercises.

University of Oregon, Eugene—Invitations are out for the Thirty-fourth annual commencement of the University of Oregon. The program covers four days, June 19, 20, 21 and 22. Alumni who desire private entertainment may address Robert W. Prescott, assistant alumni secretary, or inquire at alumni headquarters.

Tickets for the alumni dinner may be secured at alumni headquarters. Admission will be by ticket only. All alumni, their wives or husbands, are invited. Alumni headquarters will be in the main reception hall, men's dormitory. Every convenience will be provided. The phone number is Main 841. Reserved seat tickets for all the exercises may be obtained by alumni at headquarters. Reserved seats are held only until five minutes before the beginning of the exercises.

One and one-third rates have been granted by the railroads for commencement. Do not forget to ask the agent for a certificate when buying your ticket. The summer session opens June 27; closes August 6. Reduced rates for the session begin June 18 and tickets may be purchased at any time between that date and August 6, good for return at any time not later than August 9.

## Last Horse Cars Vanish.

Klamath Falls—The horsecar has vanished from Klamath Falls. The electric car is to replace the ancient means of transportation. The track is to be removed the entire length of Main street and this means that the city will be without streetcar service for two or three months.

The company has applied for a new franchise for Main street. With the granting of this the system will be made thoroughly up-to-date in every particular. New lines will be built on side streets and a belt line is to be built around the town to make a circle from the Upper lake down through Buena Vista addition.

A motor car will be put on the run around town. This is to be a modern passenger car, with a large carrying capacity, and thoroughly equipped.

## To Appeal Rate Case.

Salem—Complying with a request made upon Attorney General Crawford, Clerk Moreland, of the Supreme court, has sent to the inferior court the mandate in the case of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company against the Oregon Railroad commission, in which the company was denied a rehearing recently. Milwaukee people desire the immediate enforcement of the decision. Clerk Moreland has been notified that the company will attempt to appeal to the Supreme court of the United States, but it is not believed in legal circles here that it will be successful.

## Novel Heating System.

Klamath Falls—Paul Johnson is building a \$6,000 residence in Hot Springs addition. One of the unique features of the place is to be a hot water heating system served by placing coils of pipe in the "hot ground" section near by. No fire will be needed for heating the house.

## Rebuild Burned Mill.

Baker City—The Oregon Mill & Grain company's new mill is ready for active operations. It has a capacity of 280 barrels of flour daily. Last fall a mill was burned on the site of the present structure.

## SILETZ BILL IS PASSED.

Hawley's Measure Adopted in House—Will Next Go to Senate.

Washington—Representative Hawley has succeeded in passing through the house his bill directing the patenting of a considerable number of homestead entries in the Siletz reservation. As passed by the house, Hawley's bill provides: "That all pending homestead entries heretofore made within the former Siletz Indian reservation, upon which proofs were made prior to December 31, shall be passed to patent in all cases where it shall appear to the satisfaction of the secretary of the interior that the entry was made for the exclusive use and benefit of the entryman, and that the entryman built a house on the land, entered and otherwise improved the same and actually entered into occupation thereof, and cultivated a portion of said land for the period required by law, and that no part of the land entered has been sold or conveyed or contracted to be sold or conveyed by the entryman, and where no contest or other adverse proceedings was commenced against the entryman, and notice thereof served upon the entryman, prior to the date of submission of the proof thereon, or within two years thereafter, provided, that nothing therein contained shall prevent or forestall any adverse proceedings against any entry upon any charge of fraud, and provided further, that any entryman who may make application for patent under the provisions of this act shall as an additional condition precedent to the issuance of such patent, be required to pay to the United States \$2.50 per acre for land so applied for."

## Automobile Stage to Burns.

Prairie City—The Blue Mountain Rapid Transit company, operating four and six horse covered stages between the terminus of the Sumpter Valley railroad and Burns, have purchased an automobile to run in conjunction with their horse-drawn stages. It will now be possible to reach Burns in the evening at 9 or 10 o'clock, after leaving Prairie City in the morning.

## Ship 50 Cars Strawberries.

Hood River—Fifty cars of strawberries have been shipped from Hood River, a record for early shipments. A good many growers in the lower valley should clean up their patches during the coming week. Berries from the Crapper and other districts, however, are commencing to come in and a few are also arriving from Mount Hood.

## Creameries Pay Farmers \$385,000.

Coquille—The dairy industry of Coos county last year yielded the farmers \$385,000, and 405 tons of butter was shipped out of the county. The Norway creamery led in point of production of butter, turning out over 100 tons. In the same district 365 tons of cheese was produced.

## PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Track prices: Bluestem, 84@85c; club, 80@81c; red Russian, 78c; valley, 84c.

Barley—Feed and brewing, 19@20 ton.

Corn—Whole, \$32; cracked, \$33 ton. Hay—Track prices: Timothy, Willamette valley, \$20@21 per ton; Eastern Oregon, \$22@25; alfalfa, \$15@16; grain hay, \$17@18.

Oats—No. 1 white, \$26@27 per ton.

Fresh fruits—Strawberries, \$1.25@1.50 per crate; apples, \$1.50@3 per box; cherries, 75c@1.50 per box; gooseberries, 50c per pound.

Potatoes—Old Oregon, 65c per hundred; new California, 1 1/4@2c per pound.

Vegetables—Artichokes, 60@75c per dozen; asparagus, \$1.25@2 per box; cabbage, 2 1/4@2 1/2c per pound; head lettuce, 50c@60c per dozen; hot-house lettuce, 50c@1 per box; garlic, 100@12 1/2c per pound; green onions, 15c per dozen; radishes, 15c@20c; rhubarb, 20@3c per pound; spinach, \$8@10c per pound; rutabagas, \$1.25@1.50 per sack; carrots, 85c@1; beets, \$1.50; parsnips, 75c@1.

Butter—City creamery, extras, 29c per pound; fancy outside creamery, 28@29c; store, 20c. Butter fat prices average 1 1/2c per pound under regular butter prices.

Eggs—Current receipts, 24c, ordinary candled, 25c; extra, 26@27c.

Pork—Fancy, 12@13c per pound.

Veal—Fancy, 10@11c per pound.

Lamb—Fancy, 9@12c per pound.

Poultry—Hens, 19@19 1/2c; broilers, 28@30c; ducks, 18@25c; geese, 12 1/2c; turkeys, live, 20@22c; dressed, 25c; squabs, \$3 per dozen.

Cattle—Beef steers, good to choice, \$5.45@5.80; fair to medium, \$4.45@4.80; cows, and heifers, good to choice, \$4.50@5; fair to medium, \$4@4.75; bulls, \$3@4; stags, \$3@4.75; calves, light, \$5.75@7; heavy, \$4@5.50.

Hogs—Top, \$9.60@9.80; fair to medium, \$8.50@9.50.

Sheep—Best wethers, \$4.50@4.75; fair to good, \$4@4.25; best ewes, \$3.75@4; lambs, choice, \$5.50@6; fair, \$4.75@5.25.

## BAD QUAKE IN ITALY.

Large Area Badly Shaken—Dead Number About 50.

Rome, June 8.—Great apprehension has been caused again by seismic disturbances showing that the zone affected by the earthquake shocks today is a vast one, embracing practically the whole of Southern Italy, as well as a portion of Tuscany and Venetia to the north.

Some reports estimate the number of dead at 50, and of injured at several hundred. It is feared that many are buried in the ruins of buildings thrown down at Calitri. It is said that in this town half the buildings have been wrecked and the number of dead is about 35.

From many other towns and villages come stories of fallen homes, death and suffering. At San Sole, in the province of Potenza, six persons were killed and five injured. The convicts in the prison at Bonavento became panic-stricken and tried to force their way past the guards, but were overpowered by troops.

The district in which the most serious damage occurred extends for only about 50 miles about Mount Vulture, in the province of Avellino.

This region has suffered much in the past from earthquake shocks and in 1851 800 persons were killed.

The government has taken hold of the situation with promptitude and although the earthquake occurred during the night military and civil authorities were soon hard at work giving aid to the injured, preparing shelter for the homeless and bending their energies to the re-establishment of order.

## WORK IS ORDERED RESUMED.

New York Central President Much Pleased With Settlement.

Washington, June 8.—President Brown, of the New York Central, was so pleased at the way in which President Taft treated the railroads in the present controversy over rates that he said tonight he would order the resumption of all work on the Central which he ordered suspended last Friday.

This work, it was said at that time, would require an expenditure of about \$5,000,000. It had to do with the improving of stations, building new ones, laying additional tracks, making yard and roadbed improvements. The Central also will permit the Pressed Steel Car company, Standard Steel Car company and American Steel Car company, all of Pittsburgh, to go ahead with orders given them some time ago for 3,000 new freight cars which he estimated would cost about \$1,000 each. The orders for these cars were cancelled Friday also.

Commenting on the agreement reached with the administration today, President Brown said: "It was just as good an arrangement as could have been made."

## JAPAN AFTER SOUTH POLE.

Expedition Hurries to Goal of Antarctic Exploration.

Victoria, June 8.—Japan is hurrying an expedition under Lieutenant Shirase to leave this month in the hope of anticipating the British expedition to the South Pole, according to news brought by the Weir steamer River Clyde, which reached port today.

Some Japanese professors are to accompany the expedition, which will be restricted to Japanese. The diet has voted money for the enterprise, and when the River Clyde left, Lieutenant Shirase was at Sendai preparing for the voyage to the Antarctic. He said he would plant the Rising Sun flag at the South Pole before other explorers could reach there.

## Van Cleave Can't Produce.

Rock Island, Ill., June 8.—James B. Van Cleave, ex-state insurance commissioner, failed today to get before the Rock Island county grand jury as a voluntary witness in the fraternity insurance investigation. Van Cleave, who was here last week, claimed to have documentary authority for withdrawing \$57,000 reserve funds of the Fraternal Tribunes from the Chicago Title & Trust company and depositing it in the Lincoln National bank of Springfield, from which it was paid out on alleged bogus death claims.

## Summer Practice Cruise Begins.

Annapolis, Md., June 8.—Bound on the annual summer practice cruise for the instruction of midshipmen, the battleships, Iowa, flagship; Indiana and Massachusetts, with Captain George R. Clark as squadron commander, sailed this morning. The cruises this year will include stops at many foreign ports.

## Pittston Strike to Be Settled.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., June 8.—An early settlement of the strike of 12,000 miners in the Pittston district is looked for today. It is possible there may be an adjustment of grievances without the intercession of a conciliation board.

# BRIEF REPORT OF THE DAILY WORK OF NATION'S LAW

Washington, June 13.—Senator Dolliver answered the critics of the "insurgents" today in a speech delivered in the senate during the discussion of the provision of the sundry civil appropriation bill providing \$250,000 to enable the President to gather information bearing upon the operation of the new tariff law.

Clay's motion to strike out the provision was lost by a party vote of 13 to 44. Dolliver and his fellow progressives voted with the regular Republicans. The sundry bill, carrying appropriations aggregating \$118,000,000, then was passed.

Dolliver's speech awakened great interest and was listened to attentively by senators on both sides of the chamber. It was the reply to the insurgents to the charges of party disloyalty and was a direct challenge to their opponents. The first named was Governor Hanley and his speeches were referred to without reserve.

The reading of the house amendments to the postal savings bank bill was completed in the senate today and the measure then went over until tomorrow, when it is expected the senate will concur in the amendments.

The bill was amended in conference so as to allow entries on land immediately after they are withdrawn and without waiting their classification, as required by the bill as it passed the senate.

As a result of information sent to the house last Saturday by the War department, disclosing the alleged fact that Frank W. Carpenter, executive secretary of the Philippine government, and E. C. Worcester had bought and leased "Friar lands" in the Philippines, Representative Martin, Democrat, Colorado, today introduced a resolution demanding an investigation and charging malfeasance in office.

Washington, June 11.—Large amounts of politics were mixed up with the debate on the sundry civil bill today, and it was all over the tariff.

In the sundry civil bill was a provision for \$250,000 with which to enable the president to investigate the operation of the present tariff.

Many senators took part in the discussion precipitated, and Senator of Georgia, started the fire by charging that the measure was intended to delude the insurgent Republicans into the belief that there was to be other revision of the tariff, which he tried to prove by Republican senators with some measure of success.

By approving the latest step in the re-classification of the national forests and public lands today, President Taft increased the public domain available to homestead entry to 1,182,816 acres and increased the national forests 381,094 acres. The proclamation which the president signed eliminated 11,154 acres from the Gunnison forest; 5,640 acres from the Cochetopa forest and 45,489 acres from the Uncompahgre forest, all in Colorado. All these lands will be available to settlers.

The re-classification is the government's hope of stemming the tide of emigration from the United States to the Canadian Northwest. With more than a million acres now available for homestead entry, it is declared there will be no need of settlers going over the border to gain the advantages of a virgin homestead.

Secretary Ballinger also made some additions to the lands available for homesteaders to day, when he designated 875,000 acres in Wyoming and nearly 4,000 acres in Colorado as available.

Washington, June 10.—The bill authorizing the assignment of homestead entries on government irrigation projects, which passed the senate today, was reconsidered by the house irrigation committee today and after an argument by Representative Hamer, the amendment, previously adopted by the committee, providing that assignments could only be made to qualified homestead entrymen, was stricken out. Hamer objected to this amendment, declaring it restricted opportunities for disposing of the lands, and on his motion the committee reported the bill exactly as it passed the senate. Assignments may now be made to any one.

The Oregon senators have lost another opportunity to get a government headquarters established at Portland. The civil service commission on July 1 will create a new district, comprising Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana and Wyoming, all but Wyoming being carved out of the old San Francisco district. Through the efforts of the Washington senators the headquarters of this new district is to be located at Seattle, notwithstanding that Portland is more centrally located.

Insurgent senators practically reached an agreement today to support the house provision in the sundry civil bill, making an appropriation for the expenses of the tariff board. Speeches will be made in the senate expressing preference for a tariff commission but announcing acceptance of the house provision.

Charles B. Merrick, at present register of the Portland land office, was this afternoon nominated for postmaster at Portland.

Washington, June 9.—A overwhelming majority of the house tonight passed the sundry civil bill by the Republican vote. Not a single Democrat voted for the measure.

Prior to the passage of the bill 113 to 196 substitute was voted.

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Congress was adjourned until tomorrow. The representatives of the provinces of Quebec prior to last is subject to the count duty of 25 cents a cord, or its equivalent of 35 cents a ton in the manufactured state as print paper, as provided by the new tariff law, according to the decision of the Treasury department.

Charging that Russian agents were being held virtually in peonage on sugar plantations in Hawaii, President Gompers, of the American Federation of Labor, today introduced a resolution demanding an investigation and charging malfeasance in office.

The protest and the alien contract.

The Oregon delegation, a request to the State department to instruct Henry B. Miller, consul at Belfast, Ireland, to investigate conditions in European countries.

Miller is from Eugene, Oregon, and well versed in fruit lore.

Washington, June 7.—Formal charges against Senator of Illinois, were made this afternoon by Governor Cullom, president of the Illinois State bar, embodying the charges of the members of the Illinois bar. The memorial was read only and was referred without comment to the committee on privileges and elections.

Senator Jones introduced a bill today authorizing the secretary of the treasury to pay attorneys who performed services for the Colville Indians not to exceed \$90,000 out of the Indian fund. The services were rendered in promoting the claim of \$1,500,000, which ultimately was paid for the north half of the Colville reservation.

Senator Piles introduced a bill today permitting the Vancouver, Columbia & Camas Railroad company to build its road across the Vancouver military reservation.

With the Democrats attacking the Republicans, denouncing the insurgents for alleged insincerity, and assailing the "regulars" for bringing in "gag rule" to further a party measure, and the Republican leaders retaliating by charging the Democrats with similar performances when they were in power, a special rule was adopted in the house today which placed the postal savings bank bill on its way to final passage with the debate limited to eight hours and all possibility of amendment cut off.

The rule was brought in by Representative Dalzell, chairman of the rules committee, immediately after the railroad bill had been sent to conference. The debate on the question was limited to one hour and each side occupied its full share by heaving verbal bricks at the other. The vote was 160 to 139, all but 10 insurgents having voted with their party for the adoption of the rule.