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THE END OF A NOTABLE CAREER

Spokesman-Review.

The death of James Jerome Hill is the fall of a colossus. Greatness was the outstanding feature of the man. He was a great financier and industrialist. He was a great maker of empires of peace and prosperity. He was a great personality. Such greatness as his in the sphere of railroad and commerce is comparable with the greatness of a Caesar in government or of a Napoleon in war.

This Canadian-born American's career forms another exemplification of the truth that America is but another name for opportunity. He went to St. Paul at the age of 18 as a farmer's boy turned roustabout. He had enjoyed no advantages in life and had no capital. If ever there were a man of whom success could not reasonably be expected, that is, exceptional and preeminent success, that man was Mr. Hill. Yet within a quarter of a century he had become one of the moneyed magnates of America, the builder of a transcontinental railway through the wilderness, performing this tremendous feat without help from the government; and he died one of the world's wealthiest men.

The secrets of his success, the source of his power, were that he had opportunity, strength and vision. The northwest was his opportunity. Ambition, infinite ability to toil terribly with head and hand and native mastery over men and power of leadership were his strength. Yet without vision these endowments and conditions would not have raised him above the ruck of ordinarily great achievement. He saw far ahead into the dim future. Where other men saw empty and barren deserts, he foresaw fertile farms and swarming cities. Where they gazed at forbidding mountains and pathless forests, he beheld hidden wealth and unlocked resources only waiting for the key. He laid the rails upon the prairies and over the mountains, and at their flowing touch streams of revenue flowed from the wilderness and soon the first wash of the waves of immigration became a living sea.

What Mr. Hill did for the new northwest and our northern coast on the Pacific would fill a volume. He brought and helped inhabitants by hundreds of thousands. He fostered farming. He encouraged and improved breeding livestock. He helped to develop irrigation, the making of good roads, the opening of national parks. He gave to education, to philanthropy and to religion. He was honored by his city as a worthy citizen. He played no insignificant part in international finance in recent years. He will be remembered as one of the great Americans.

Who said hard times in Morrow county? Scarcely a week passes but a car load of automobiles is distributed among our citizens. It takes the cash.

ANNUAL SCHOOL MEETING.

By Supt. S. E. Notson.

The blanks for the annual school meeting are being sent out this week to the clerks. Let us urge the clerks and directors to see to it that the report is complete and ready to send in immediately after the annual meeting. It is necessary for the county superintendent to have these reports promptly, in order that he may make his report promptly to the State Superintendent. Last year, this country ran very dangerously near the line of losing its state apportionment because some of the clerk's reports were not filled out promptly. The law requires that the report be filled within five days after the annual meeting. If it is not so filed, the district may lose its apportionment.

The State Superintendent is insisting upon figures which are correct. Do not guess at anything, when it is possible to get the figures. Many clerks do not report correctly the number of library books. This is important. Count the books. Do not leave any item blank, except item 55, which I can supply. Every item is important, and if you do not report correctly, it is often impossible for the county superintendent to obtain the correct figures. This makes the report for your district defective. If several district reports are defective, the figures for the county are worthless.

I have filled in some items to save the clerks some work. The figures are taken from the records, and have been tested. Hence, they should not be changed. If you find that your books do not agree, you had better come and see me or write at once. A few clerks have at times filled in the receipts, which should appear in item 22, the district tax money, under item 30. This is incorrect, and sometimes it is impossible for the superintendent and treasurer to straighten the figures out. It is the business of the clerk to get this item correct, for this item is of more value to the legislature in shaping laws for school taxes than any other.

If possible, the clerk should make up his report at once. Then if any difficulties appear, I should be very glad to help remove them. I hope that clerks and directors will not hesitate to come to see me or write about any difficulties arising in connection with the report. I am anxious to make my report to the state superintendent promptly, and I hope I can have it absolutely correct this year. My financial report must balance exactly, and this makes it necessary for you to have your report balanced.

Let me suggest again that you do not attempt to vote a tax at the annual meeting. The budget must be posted, and the blanks for this purpose will be sent out in the fall, when the district can get the valuation for the new tax roll.

Mrs. Gladys Slaughter of Pendleton is visiting in Heppner this week. She will be remembered by her many friends here as Miss Gladys Cohn, daughter of Mrs. L. E. Cohn, now of Pendleton.

What has become of Villa?

It has been a long, long winter.

Let's help Irrigation celebrate!

Verdun will stand out as the bloodiest battle of all history. Should the Germans capture this position, will they then be any closer to Paris than before, or will the war be any nearer to an end?

SHALL I BE AN EDUCATED MAN?

This is the title of a booklet recently issued from the University of Oregon to students of Oregon and adjacent states and for their parents. Its purpose is to present the university question to them. The booklet is made up of three divisions, which are "who should go to a university and why," "University of Oregon courses and their vocational possibilities," and "the cost of life at the University of Oregon."

The Heppner high school has just turned out a number of graduates. Many of them will probably continue their schooling for higher education, at least it is to be hoped that they will. This booklet is full of valuable information relating to the state university at Eugene and is amply illustrated with pictures of the various buildings and grounds. If there are any of the graduates or others who have not received one of these booklets, they may have one by calling at the Gazette-Times office.

RURAL CREDIT BILL TAKES FINAL FORM

Amended Draft Receives Approval of Oregon Attorney General.

The following draft of the Rural Credit bill has received the endorsement of the committee, representing the State Grange, Oregon Farmers' Union and State Federation of Labor, appointed to prepare the measure for the ballot, and has been approved by the Attorney General. It has been submitted for publication by Dr. Hector Macpherson, of the O. A. C. Bureau of Markets, who assisted in drawing its provisions.

Section 1—Notwithstanding the limitations contained in Section 7 of Article XI of this constitution, the credit of the state may be loaned and indebtedness incurred to an amount not exceeding two per cent of the assessed valuation of all property in the state for the purpose of providing funds to be loaned upon the security of farm lands within the state, subject to the limitations herein contained.

Section 2—The governor, secretary of state and state treasurer shall constitute the State Land Board, which board is hereby authorized and directed to issue and sell or pledge bonds in the name of the state to be known as Oregon Farm Credit Bonds in an amount not to exceed said two per cent of the assessed valuation of all the property in the state and to place the proceeds in the state treasury in a fund to be known as the "Rural Credit Loan Fund."

Section 3—Said bonds shall be issued in denominations of \$25, \$100, \$500, and \$1,000 and shall be issued in series of \$50,000, or multiples thereof, drawn to mature in not more than thirty-six years. They shall bear interest at the rate of four per cent per annum and shall be exempt from all taxes levied by the state of Oregon, or any of its subdivisions.

Section 4—Said State Land Board is authorized and directed to loan the moneys in said Rural Credit Loan Fund to owners of farm lands in Oregon upon notes secured by mortgages or deeds of trust constituting first liens on such farm lands in amounts which shall not exceed fifty per cent of the value of such lands nor \$50 per acre on such lands, nor less than \$200 nor more than \$5000 to any individual. If pending applicants shall at any time exceed the funds available, preference shall be given to loans not exceeding \$2000 in amount.

Section 5—Such loans shall not be made except to owners who operate and occupy the lands mortgaged and shall be made only for the following purposes: (a) the payment for lands purchased; (b) the purchase of livestock and other equipment, and the making of improvements which in the judgement of said board will increase the productivity of such lands or add to their value as a farm home in a degree to justify such expenditure; and (c) for the satisfaction of encumbrances upon such lands which, in the judgement of said board, were incurred or assumed by said applicant for the aforesaid purposes.

Section 6—Every applicant for a farm loan shall state clearly in his application the purpose for which such loan is desired, and upon its approval by the board, this statement shall be deemed a part of the note or contract under which the loan is granted. But no failure to apply such funds to the purposes stated in such application, or as enumerated herein shall invalidate a loan when once made, nor shall anything herein contained be deemed to prevent any farm owner from selling or leasing lands subject to such encumbrance; but if he shall violate his said contract by applying the moneys borrowed to purposes other than those stated in his application or enumerated herein, or if he shall lease such lands or sell them to any person not fulfilling the conditions and purposes provided for herein, said Board is authorized and directed to require the repayment of said loan upon six

A Mistake in the Policy of the Bethlehem Steel Company

To the People:

The Senate of the United States has passed a bill to spend \$11,000,000 of the People's money to build a government armor plant. The measure is now before the House of Representatives.

It is said that manufacturers of armor have "gouged" the country in the past, and that a government plant is necessary to secure armor more cheaply.

The mistake of the Bethlehem Steel Company has been that it has kept quiet.

We have allowed irresponsible assertions to be made for so long without denial, that many people now believe them to be proven facts.

We shall make the mistake of silence no longer.

Henceforth we shall pursue a policy of publicity. Misinformation will not be permitted to go uncorrected.

It is and has been the policy of our Company to deal with the American Government fairly and squarely.

We shall henceforth place the details of our relations with the Government before the American People.

The United States has for twenty years obtained the highest grade of armor and has paid a lower price for it than has any other great naval power.

Figures officially compiled for the Senate Committee on Naval Affairs from the Naval Year Book show that under conditions prevailing just before the European war, the chief naval powers of the world were paying these prices for armor:

England, \$503 per ton; France, \$460; Germany, \$490; Japan, \$490; UNITED STATES, \$425.

A government plant cannot make armor any cheaper than we can do it; and—

We are prepared to manufacture armor at any price which the Government itself shall name as fair. THAT BEING SO, SHOULD \$11,000,000 OF THE PEOPLE'S MONEY BE WASTED TO BUILD A GOVERNMENT PLANT?

CHAS. M. SCHWARZ, Chairman
EUGENE G. GRACE, President

Bethlehem Steel Company

STATE UNIVERSITY HAS MOVING PICTURE SERVICE

Only Seven Reels Are Available This Spring But Next Year There Are to Be 400 Ready.

University of Oregon, Eugene, May 29.—The extension division of the University now offers to schools, colleges, libraries, Commercial clubs and other civic and educational institutions of Oregon, a free educational motion picture film service.

The only conditions imposed to secure the films are that the applicants must pay the express on the films and agree to show them free of charge for the purpose of education.

The extension division hopes to be able to give those interested their choice of 400 different films next year and to establish a weekly or bi-weekly film service to as many organizations as possible. The service this spring is limited to seven film pictures of about 12 reels. These are on hand now and will be sent on request under the above conditions. Communications should be addressed to Ben H. Williams, secretary of the social welfare department of the extension division.

The film subjects now available for immediate use are: "The Automobile Industry," "Elimination of Space," "Views in Western Canada," "Making of Pure Foods," "Glacier National Park," "Making of Fire Arms," and "Construction on the Grand Trunk Railway."

"In offering this film service the extension division of the University feels that it is leading out in a phase of education that is to become both popular and important in the next few years," said Earl Kirkpatrick, assistant dean of the extension division. "The scope of the service will be determined by the demand for the pictures, but next year we expect to have an assortment of pictures that will cover the educational field from college audiences clear down through the grades.

As few high schools have moving picture machines, it is suggested that the school principals arrange with some public spirited picture house proprietor to show sets, at free entertainments until machines can be installed. Simple motion picture machines can now be purchased reasonably.

A few of the pictures on the circuit next year may involve a slight charge, but the bulk of the service will be free.

months notice, and said note or contract shall contain a clause providing therefor.

Section 7—Such loans shall be repaid with interest accruing in semi-annual or annual installments on the amortization plan, such installments being fixed at such sums as will cover the interest rate and will liquidate the debt in a period to be agreed on between said Board and the applicant, such period to be not less than ten nor more than thirty-six years; but any debtor may liquidate any part or all of his indebtedness in amounts of \$50 or multiples thereof upon and amortization payment date.

Section 8—The rate of interest on loans shall be five per cent per annum, provided that in case any series of said Farm Credit Bonds is sold at an average of less than par, the Board may charge upon such farm loans as are made from the proceeds of the series so sold below par a rate of interest in excess

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of five per cent, but which shall not exceed by more than one per cent the rate which the State must pay for the funds actually obtained from the disposal of its said bonds. The board however, shall require each applicant to pay an initial charge of one per cent of the loan granted the minimum charge to be ten dollars to cover the cost of appraisal and examination of title.

Section 9—All surplus funds accruing from the operation of the system of rural credit herein provided for after paying interest accruing on the said bonds and all operating and other expenses arising from the administration of said system of rural credit shall be placed in the State Treasury and become a part of a fund to be known as the "Rural Credit Reserve Fund." Said Rural Credit Reserve Fund shall be loaned on farm lands in the manner herein provided for the Rural Credit Loan Fund, and the interest accruing from loans made from said Rural Credit Reserve Fund shall be added to it and become part of it. The said Rural Credit Reserve Fund shall be irreducible except that it may be drawn upon to reimburse the state for loss incurred in the administration of said system of rural credit.

Section 10—The legislative assembly shall provide in such detail as it shall deem advisable for the carrying out and administering of the provisions of this amendment and shall provide adequate safe-guards against the use of such loans as an aid to the purchasing and holding of lands for purposes of speculation. Such safeguards shall include clear definitions of the terms "operate" and "occupy" used herein. In the absence of such legislation and subject to the same after its enactment, the State Land Board shall proceed to administer a fair system of rural credits under rules and regulations provided by itself, but subject to the provisions herein contained.

Section 11—The provisions of the constitution and laws of Oregon in conflict with this amendment are hereby repealed in so far only as they conflict herewith. The provisions of this amendment shall be self-executing, and shall take effect and be in operation 60 days after their approval and adoption by the people of Oregon.

Star Theatre

Programme for June 1st to 7th

TONIGHT, THURSDAY

"YES OR NO"—American drama in one act.
"THE PITCH O' CHANCE"—A Mustang Feature in three acts.
"FATTY'S TINTYPE TANGLE"—Absolutely the greatest fun maker yet.

Friday and Saturday

MUTUAL WEEKLY NO 66—Showing all the latest war news.
"A DISCIPLE OF NIETZSCHE"—A Thanouser Feature in three acts.
"THE BEAUTY BUNGLERS"—A comedy scream.

SUNDAY ONLY

"LET THERE BE LIGHT"—A very interesting drama in two acts.
"THE EVER LIVING ISLE"—A Reliance drama in two acts.
"THE SCOOP AT BELVILLE"—A very funny comedy.
"DOWN ON THE PHONEY FARM"—A sure cure for a grouch.

Monday and Tuesday

UNIVERSAL WEEKLY—Showing all the latest war and other interesting news in motion pictures. 12 subjects.
"GRAFT"—7th episode. America saved from war; suggested by Mrs. Wilson Woodrow. In two wonderful acts.
"A TALE OF TWENTY STORIES"—L KO Comedy feature in two acts of funmaking with many seemingly impossible feats.

Wednesday and Thursday

"SETTLED OUT OF COURT"—A human interest drama with a happy vien.
"THE WINNING OF JESS"—Featuring the wonderful Bostock trained animals in two acts.
"FATTY'S PLUCKY PUP"—Featuring Roseoe Arbuckle in a two-part comedy scream.