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THURSDAY MARCH 8, 1906.

THE PORTAGE DID IT.

Discussing this subject the East Oregonian says: The Portland dispatches announcing the reduction of 30 cents per ton on the wheat rate from the inland empire to Portland, say this reduction is made to offset the cheaper ocean rate from Puget Sound cities and to induce more growers to ship to Portland.

"This is a plausible reason and will do for news purposes, but there is a deeper and more vital reason for this freight reduction than this published reason.

"THE PRESENCE OF THE PORTAGE ROAD AND THE OPENING OF THE UPPER COLUMBIA RIVER TO TRAFFIC HAVE FORCED DOWN THE RATE ON WHEAT, THIS IS THE HIDDEN REASON FOR THE REDUCTION OF THE RATE AND BUILDING OF THE PORTAGE.

"Since the same ocean rates have been in effect for years, and since the conditions for shipping in and out of Portland and the Puget Sound cities are now the same as they have been for years, why should the rate from the inland empire to Portland be reduced? Why has it not been reduced before? Why have the high rates been charged all these years, when the people had no means of relief?

"It is significant that this reduction

was not made until after the people's portage was built and in service. It is significant that as long as there was no competition there was no reduction of rates. These are plain business issues which any one can see plainly and denote the intrinsic value of the portage road to the people.

"The reduction of 30 cents per ton, it is estimated, will transport, free of charge, under the old rate, 1,000,000 bushels of wheat from the inland empire to Portland. It will be an approximate saving in freight of \$8200 on every 1,000,000 bushels shipped from the inland empire to Portland, estimating the average rate from all inland empire points at 9 cents per bushel, which is a just average.

"This result should stimulate the people of Oregon to maintain the portage. It should be nursed, helped, strengthened, encouraged and made a profitable asset of the state for it will stand as a perpetual menace to railroad combinations in the future, road may be built, mutual agreement may be made by it and competing lines, by which rates would be raised were it not for the river highway, which is the people's salvation and hope."

While the rate was lowered on the main line, rates on the branch lines were raised 50 cents per ton. We fail to see where the majority of the farmers are greatly benefited by this reduction of rates

The lone Proclaimer man gave some of the lone citizens a well done roast last week. This seems to us a poor way to build up a town and attract new people into their midst. If a newspaper can't say a good word for a person it would be better to say nothing.

The Wheatfield man spent last Tuesday in lone and added six new names to our subscription list while there. The lone Council are making preparations to install an electric lighting system in connection with their water works. This will make a decided improvement in the appearance of the town and add to the value of city property.

Afflicted With Rheumatism,

"I was and am yet afflicted with rheumatism," says Mr. J. C. Bayne, editor of the Herald, Addington, Indian Territory, "but thanks to Chamberlain's Pain Balm am able once more to attend to business. It is the best of liniments." If troubled with rheumatism give Pain Balm a trial and you are certain to be more than pleased with the prompt relief which it affords. One application relieves the pain. For sale by W. P. McMillan.

COUNTY CLERK.

I hereby announce myself as Republican candidate for County Clerk subject to the primaries to be held April 20th 1906.

LEWIS KINNEY.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for Republican nomination for County Sheriff of Morrow county, subject to the action of the primaries to be held April 20th, 1906. If elected I promise to work for the best interest of the people of Morrow county and to perform the duties of the office faithfully and impartially.

A. K. FULLER.

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Our Spring Goods have arrived and we will gladly show you our entire line, if you come whether you want to purchase or not.

We have a nice line of dress goods for making Spring Suits, Waists and etc., in Mohair, Panama, Cotton and Woollen Suitings, Silks and etc. Have some pretty patterns of light gray, this being the most popular color for Spring wear.

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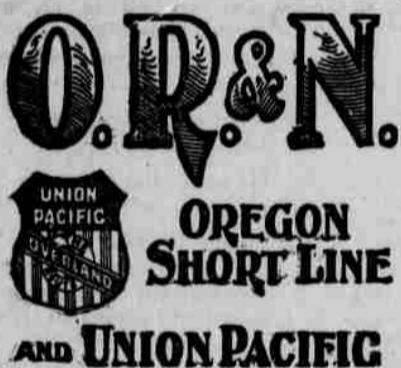
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line of Men's and Boy's Golf Shirts are here, also work shirts of all kinds and we ask that you come and look over our line and prices

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They hanged a man in Kansas recently to cure him of the drink habit and the remedy worked like a charm.

HENRY E. COLLIER FOR CIRCUIT JUDGE.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for Republican nomination for Circuit Judge for the sixth judicial district, comprising Umatilla and Morrow counties, subject to the action of the primaries to be held April 20th 1906.

HENRY E. COLLIER.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for clerk of Morrow county on the Republican ticket, subject to the will of the voters at the direct primaries on the 20th of April. If elected I shall endeavor to faithfully fulfill the duties, of the office with the least expense to the people of the county.

T. W. MORGAN.

FOR SHERIFF.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for Sheriff of Morrow county on the Republican ticket, subject to the voters at the direct primaries on the 20th of April, 1906. If elected I shall enforce the laws and shall make war upon the horse-thieves and gamblers.

E. M. SHUTT.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

To the Republican voters of Morrow county.

I have secured the required number of names on my petition to entitle me to have my name printed on the official nominating ballott for the Republican party, as candidate for nomination as County Clerk of Morrow county I respectfully solicit the support of all members of the party at the primaries on April 20, 1906.

Yours faithfully,
W. O. HILL.

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