

ROAD URGES LAND CULTURE

Great Northern's Pamphlet Extols Oregon's Farming Possibilities—Wants More Intensified Farming Throughout State.

Oregon's great area of free government land is the central thought in the Great Northern's new pamphlet, "Oregon." There are in this state 17,580,573 acres of land in the public domain, of which it is estimated that 11,000,000 may be taken in 320-acre homestead tracts, and which is susceptible to cultivation under the dry farming process.

In addition to the 17,000,000 acres of land in the public domain, the state of Oregon has 500,000 acres of state school land yet for sale, and the old Willamette valley and Cascade mountain wagon road grant of 800,000 acres yet remaining intact are open to purchase.

The first big booklet issued by the Great Northern is a departure from the precedents of publicity work in the state. There is no effort at highly colored presentation, in picture or writing. Every picture is a substantial, quiet photograph, which is intended to represent average conditions, rather than extreme.

MORE RESERVES IN NORTHWEST PLAN

New York Congressman Would Repeal the Law Prohibiting Forest Reserves in the Pacific Northwest States.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 8.—Representative Parsons of New York today introduced a bill repealing the law which prohibits the creation of forest reserves in Idaho, Washington, Oregon, Wyoming, Colorado and Montana. He also presented a resolution calling upon the forest service for a statement of all lands which it is desirous to add to forest reserves in these states, if the law is repealed.

DO IT NOW. Medford People Should Not Wait Until It Is Too Late.

The appalling death rate from kidney disease is due in most cases to the fact that the little kidney troubles are usually neglected until they become serious. The slight symptoms give place to chronic disorders, and the sufferer goes gradually into the grasp of diabetes, dropsy, Bright's disease, gravel or some other serious form of kidney complaint.

If you suffer from backache, headaches, dizzy spells; if the kidney secretions are irregular of passage and unnatural in appearance, do not delay. Help the kidneys at once.

Doan's Kidney Pills are especially for kidney disorders—they cure where others fail. Over one hundred thousand people have recommended them. Here's a case at home:

Mrs. Grace Skeeters, 6 West Jackson street, Medford, Ore., says: "I can recommend Doan's Kidney Pills, procured at Haskins' drug store, highly for pain and stiffness in the back and other symptoms of kidney trouble. This remedy relieved me when I used it and I have been well ever since."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

LOOKS LIKE BIG XMAS.

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stock of the staple articles of trade upon which many depend for gifts rather than upon articles of questionable use and beauty. Never before were these stocks so complete, so varied and so alluringly displayed. A safe rule to follow and one which applies to the person whose slender purse must be made to remember many as well as to the one who can spend liberally and to please her own fancy, is that the gift, whether inexpensive or costly, shall be the best of its kind. A simply hemmed pure linen handkerchief that costs 50 cents is in better taste than a poor imitation of an art print at double the price. Another point to remember in the selection of a gift is to choose something the value of which you know about rather than make an effort to satisfy a friend's known or their tastes, an attempt that may result in disappointment unless your knowledge of art values is equal to his, and you know just what he already has. Sensible and useful gifts afford the most satisfaction.

Goods Suitable. One cannot take even a hasty survey of the stores without being impressed with the care with which goods have been selected to meet local needs. It is no longer necessary or advisable to patronize the mail order houses, for prices are as low and in many cases lower, at home, many merchants guaranteeing to duplicate any mail order at the same or a less price, if given the opportunity. Why risk buying goods out of town and of inferior quality, thus depriving oneself of the pleasure of making personal selection, when the home merchant can give better value and guarantee satisfaction.

Business Good. All of the merchants in Medford report heavy sales already for the Christmas trade. From now on this business will gradually increase winding up with a grand finish Christmas eve. Remember the poor shop girl and the clerk. Do it now!

Let Us

Save you 30 per cent of your fuel. We will install on your stove a damper that we guarantee to save your fuel and protect your rooms from overheat and give you a uniform heat.

SAFETY ECONOMY DAMPER CO., 410 Sherlock Bldg., Portland, JOHN B. WIMER, Nash Hotel, Representative for Medford.

EMPLOYMENT OF PRISONERS.

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ed that the exhibit, which was acknowledged a creditable one, be continued as at present.

The regular monthly budget of bills was approved.

The following new members were elected: C. M. Boynton, W. E. Crews, Lynn Purdin, A. P. Stover, D. L. Woodruff, Geo. H. Dorsett.

20 PER CENT GROWTH IN U. S.

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ed States 9,633,822; 1830, 12,866,920; 1840, 17,069,453; 1850, 23,181,876; 1860, 31,443,321; 1870, 38,558,371; 1880, 50,155,783; 1890, 62,622,250; 1900, 76,303,387; 1910, 92,135,221.

CALIFORNIA TO FOLLOW LEAD

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size, quality and condition in eastern markets to obtain the highest prices, and to that end will make an effort to induce all fruitgrowing counties to adopt standardization rules.

Marshall De Mott of Corning, in a paper on "Growers and Packers of Standardized Fruit," said that the apple growers of Oregon were the pioneers in the movement for standardization. By making every apple in the box of standard size and quality they soon made Oregon famous the world over for its apples.

California fruitgrowers are just now awakening to the fact that the success Oregon has accomplished with her apples, this state may do with every other kind of fruit by adopting standardization rules. Mr. De Mott advocated carrying the rule of standardization into the nurseries and insisting that the nurserymen conform to certain rules in keeping tree stocks up to a high grade.

WANT JOB ONLY FOR COIN.

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that the recorder's office is opened for business there will be a rush if the measure carries, for a number of candidates are watching the salary closely. Recorder Eggleston is planning to conduct business on that day as they do in a land office when a big rush is on.

Mayor Snell, who has won considerable favor as a progressive man, is the only one so far who declares he is a candidate, regardless of the salary.

AUTOMOBILE FOR FIRES.

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safe. Action will probably follow in the immediate future. The matter was brought up when the Medford fire department held its regular monthly meeting and banquet, which was not only well attended by the fire boys, but by a number of the city council, including Mayor Canon. The meeting was one of perfect harmony. While many of the boys were fined for non-attendance at meetings and drills, the fines were paid cheerfully and the business of the meeting ran smoothly in every respect.

On motion that the bylaws be amended making the age of eligibility to the department 21 to 35 years instead of 18 to 30 years was unanimously adopted.

The report of the dance committee recommended that no dance be given by the department until after the holidays. The report was accepted by the department and the same committee retained.

"Under the head of 'good of the department,' a number of city councilmen, including the mayor, addressed the department, and all expressed themselves as feeling kindly toward the fire boys, and pledged their earnest support to the department. The fire chief addressed the department and the assembled guests on the importance of a change from the present horse-drawn apparatus to an automobile apparatus.

"The present wagon is far too heavy and cumbersome," said the chief. "We are trying to draw a four-horse load with two horses, and at any time when we leave the pavement we are not apt to proceed very far; besides, under present conditions our equipment is unsafe. There is not a fire but endangers a man's life, and I do not believe that \$2000 \$4000 or even \$10,000 is anything as compared with the life of a good man. An automobile apparatus will be a little expensive to start with, but in the long run will be cheaper. A horse-drawn apparatus costs no less than \$20 per month for the horses and apparatus alone. An automobile would not cost to exceed \$5 per month, and even should the city be unable to dispose of the present equipment, it would pay the city to put the horse-drawn machine in a more remote district, where life would be less in danger, and place an automobile in the crowded business districts."

The remarks of the chief were concurred in by a number of councilmen, including Mr. Kifert, and Mayor Canon and a number of citizens who were present.

Following the meeting the boys

gave a banquet which proved to be a "fitting menu for a czar"—roast pig, salads, cakes, coffee, olives, celery and all the garnished dishes known to the best Medford chefs, and there was music by the string band, provided by Harry Clineaid. Both the meeting and the banquet was all that could be desired, and when the crowd dispersed it did so feeling most kindly toward the Medford fire department.

The Medford fire department is arranging for a life-sized portrait of Warren E. Bodge, which they will place in the fire hall in memory of their brother, who met death while in the discharge of his duty.

STRIKERS FACE STARVATION.

(Continued from page 1.) that 25,000 of the 10,000 strikers are receiving their only food from the commissary stores established by labor organizations.

The Women's Trades Union league today issued an appeal for funds. A movement has been inaugurated to assess every union man in Chicago 25 cents a week in addition to the amounts contributed by every union organization.

The only hope of averting dire suffering among the strikers seems to lie in the possibility that the offer of peace by Hart, Schaffner & Marx will include the "closed shop." If it does not, it is predicted that the strikers will reject the offer.

WOMAN DEAD, MAN DYING.

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skull with a flint in an effort to kill himself after shooting her, is expected to recover.

Whitley, who is still in a critical condition, is under guard at a hospital. A charge of murder was preferred against him, following Mrs. Bartley's death.

The police are investigating an alleged plot to kill Whitley which he says led to the shooting. In a sworn statement made in the belief that he was about to die, Whitley charged

that Frank Aelison, a race-track follower, had told him Mrs. Bartley had offered him \$3500 to kill Whitley. Aelison will be found and questioned, if possible.

The police are inclined to the belief that financial disputes and not Whitley's love for the woman led to the shooting. Whitley purchased the hotel in which they were interested, and then gave Mrs. Bartley a half interest. J. W. Hudson, who posed as I. Webb, Mrs. Bartley's brother, Whitley charges, conspired with the woman to "frame him out" of the hotel, and it was the partial success of their plans, Whitley alleges, that caused him to shoot her.

VICTORY FOR PEERS.

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the curtailment of the power of the house of lords.

The Leader, the principal liberal organ, today takes an opposite view of the situation.

"There is a desperate plot afoot," says the Leader. "Foreseeing defeat, the Tories plan to dispute the authority of the new parliament. Roseberry, the real leader of the peers, is against the people. This is another Guy Fawkes blow-up plot and parliament will be blown up in its cradle. In the face of three adverse elections the peers still try to rule."

The strength of the parties at the beginning of today's polling was: Conservatives 170, Liberals 123, Nationalists 38, Laborites 23.

Medford Mail Tribune want ads bring results.

FUEL FAMINE.

If the railroad men should go on a strike on the 10th there would be a fuel famine in Medford inside of a week. You had better get a few tons of coal while you can. Three cars now here. See or phone Burbridge, the drayman. 230

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CONSERVATIONISTS ARE LINING UP SUPPORT

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 8.—The executive committee of the National Conservation association, of which Gifford Pinchot is president, today is considering a plan for bringing their opponents into line for advocacy of federal regulation of water power sites. The details of the plan were not announced.

Man, 65, Adopts Woman of 44.

FRANKLIN, Pa., Dec. 8.—By a decree of court here Miss Elizabeth Hill, aged 44, became the adopted daughter of Thomas O'Connor, aged 65. Miss Hill was left an orphan when 4 years old and has lived with the O'Connors since. Mrs. O'Connor dying a few weeks ago, there was no one to inherit Mr. O'Connor's property. Miss Hill becomes Elizabeth Hill O'Connor and heir to her foster father's estate.

QUALITY consists of what is really in the goods offered for sale. We know that you cannot buy better GREEN GOODS, better STAPLE and FANCY GROCERIES, better FLOUR, BETTER COFFEE, or better BAKERY PRODUCTS than we are offering for sale. One cabbage patch may look a little nicer, but raise no better cabbage, and yet the gardener will CHARGE YOU EXTRA ON ACCOUNT OF THE LOOKS. Allen Grocery Co. Main & Central---Phone Main 2711

People Who Work Indoors With Their Hands. Seamstresses, watch-makers, artists, draughtsmen, and many others, cannot properly handle their tools with cold, stiff hands. Many a lost hour or two on cold winter mornings results from the delayed heat of furnace or stove. The Perfection Oil Heater in a few minutes gives the temperature that assures the worker warm hands and pliable muscles. The PERFECTION SMOKELESS OIL HEATER. Absolutely smokeless and odorless. quickly gives heat, and with one filling of the font burns steadily for nine hours, without smoke or smell. Has automatic-locking flame spreader which prevents the wick from being turned high enough to smoke, and is easy to remove and drop back so the wick can be quickly cleaned. It has a damper top and a cool handle. Indicator always shows the amount of oil in the font. The filler-cap does not need to be screwed down; it is put in like a cork in a bottle, and is attached to the font by a chain, and cannot get lost. The burner body or gallery cannot become wedged, because of a new device in construction, and consequently, it can always be easily unscrewed in an instant for reworking. The Perfection is finished in Japan or nickel, is strong, durable, well-made, built for service, and yet light and ornamental. Dealers Everywhere. If not at yours, write for description circular to the nearest agency of the Standard Oil Company (Incorporated)

Christmas Holiday Excursion TO THE CITY OF MEXICO via the SOUTHERN PACIFIC COMPANY LEAVING PORTLAND Dec. 11th and 12th, 1910 and SAN FRANCISCO DECEMBER 14, 1910. A MAGNIFICENT SPECIAL TRAIN consisting of Observation Car, Pullman, vestibuled sleeping cars, smoking car and dining car, will leave Third and Townsend streets, San Francisco, via the Coast Line. The excursion is run under the auspices of the Southern Pacific, National Lines of Mexico, International and Great Northern, G. H. & S. A. and Santa Fe. Round Trip Fare \$104.00—FROM PORTLAND—\$104.00 Corresponding low rates from other O. R. & N. and S. P. points. Interesting side trips on the return trip, including the Grand Canyon, may be made. Final return limit 60 days from date of sale. Equipment on this train will be limited and no more passengers will be taken than can be comfortably provided for. For further information, details and beautifully illustrated booklet on "Mexico," call on any O. R. & N. or S. P. Agent or write to WILLIAM McMURRAY General Passenger Agent, Portland, Oregon

STRONG BOX WITH \$15,000 DISAPPEARS

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 8.—The disappearance of a strong box containing \$15,000 from the offices of the Adams Express company here was reported to the police today. Mystery surrounds the affair. It is believed the box was stolen by thieves who have been following it across the continent waiting for a favorable opportunity to seize it without being seen. The box was delivered at the offices of the express company, was carefully placed in the office and a few minutes later was gone. How it disappeared is a mystery, as no one was seen near it.

DEAD WOMAN KNOWN.

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ing to the story of the woman, told at random, she was divorced and went from Spokane to Tacoma, where she cooked in a logging camp for the St. Paul & Tacoma Lumber company. There she met another man named Ed Cavanaugh, with whom she lived for a short time, but, quarreling with Cavanaugh, she went to Portland, where for a time she cooked in a Morrison-street restaurant and later went to Roseburg and was engaged in a logging cook house, where she worked under the name of Belle Ellis. She came from Roseburg to Ashland, and Medford, Phoenix, Central Point, Gold Hill, Grants Pass and all along the line. The woman was sadly dissipated and was addicted to the use of narcotics. She had worked at or had been at the ranch of Bert Yeomn, a short distance from this city, and when her grip was found there was found in it a letter addressed to Mr. Yeomn and signed by Belle Ellis. Many people remember her. She was most profane and obscene on the streets and elsewhere and used much bad language concerning the losing of her grip, which was afterwards found. A number of men saw her on Tuesday night and heard her declare her intention of riding the blind to Ashland, and several of them remarked that she would never make it to the next station. She was last seen between 9:30 and 10 o'clock, and it is the opinion of many that in her desperation she caught the 11:20 train, from which she fell to her death. Others hold to the theory that she started to walk to the Yukon ranch and went in the wrong direction and staggered into the passing train.

The coroner's jury held that she came to her death by being struck by a passing train, which is the most plausible theory given. Aside from the fact that she went by the name of Belle Ellis, that she formerly lived in Spokane and had a checkered career, nothing further is known of the unfortunate woman.

Haskins for health.

RIGHT NOW IS THE TIME to do your Xmas shopping. HUSSEY'S THAT'S THE PLACE where you will find the finest selections, the largest and most complete assortments and at prices from 1-3 to almost half what other stores are asking. CALENDARS EACH IN BOX We are showing the swellest line of 1911 Calendars in the town. Each in box, ready to mail; price, 10, 15, 25, 35 and 75 cents FREE DEC. 22 A 50-piece Dinner Set and the finest dressed Doll in the city. Xmas Post Cards, Regular 5c Quality at Hussey's 1ct

Guaranteed Honest and Reliable Messengers. Tray and Package Delivery a Specialty. Medford Messenger Service Under New Management PROMPT AND RELIABLE SERVICE. All small parcels or messages delivered five blocks or under, 10c Over five blocks and under ten, 15c Over ten blocks and under fifteen, 20c Over fifteen blocks, 25c FRED HANSCAM, Prop. 337 South Central Ave., Medford, Oregon. Telephone Main 1143.