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## DEVELOPMENT IS RETARDED

Senator Fulton Attacks National Land Policy and Shows Why It's Detrimental to Oregon

Senator Fulton had a second hearing last week before the Public Land Commissioner and discussed at some length the forestry policy of the Government, particularly as it applies to Oregon. The Senator stated that the present method of administering the timber and stone act is unjustifiable and impracticable. He objected to the set of questions that is laid before every entryman, and embarrasses many who are seeking to acquire lands in good faith. He protested the Government has no right to inquire of an entryman whether he will ever sell his quarter section of timber, if he has a chance to do so at a profit, and also objected to many other questions that are now propounded.

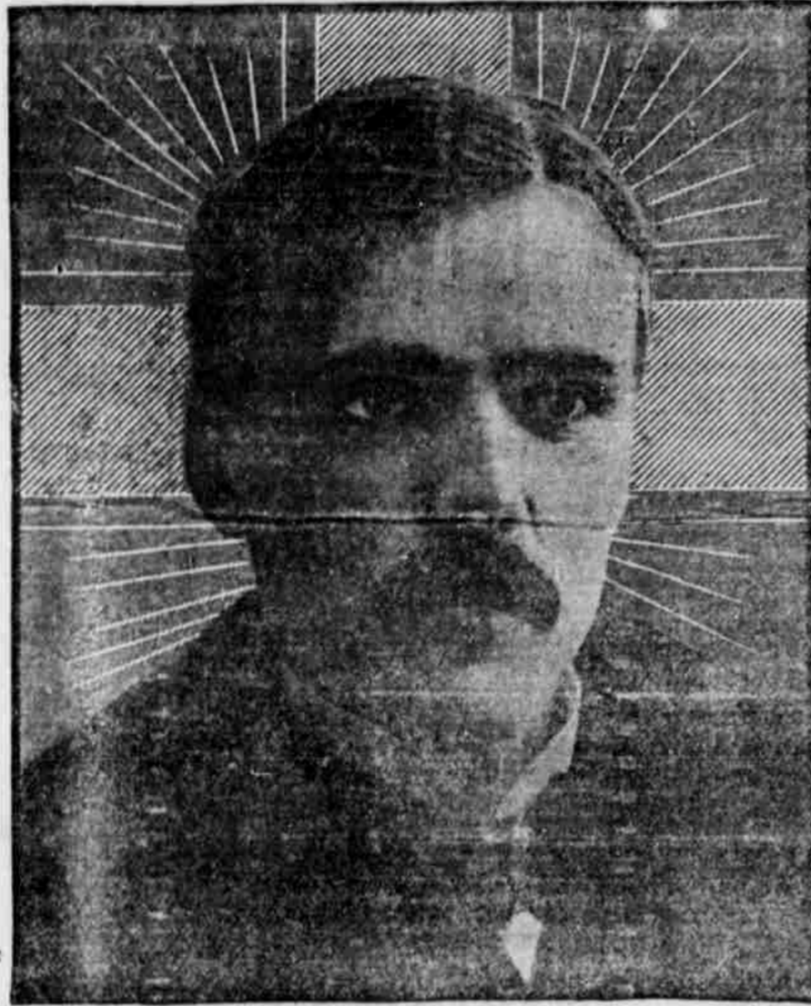
Senator Fulton told the commission that a great deal of senseless outcry had been raised against allowing large bodies of timber lands to fall into the hands of lumber or logging companies. He showed that it is only the large companies that can cut and remove the timber and bring it into trade and commerce. He said no settler owning a single quarter section could afford to erect a sawmill, or undertake to log that individual tract. It is only the large companies controlling large tracts of timber land that can afford to operate mills or logging camps. He furthermore insisted that the utilization of Oregon's timber was necessary to the development of the state, that timber is not wanted or needed to any great extent for the home market, but for exportation to foreign markets.

### INJUSTICE OF PRESENT POLICY.

Yet, he said, under the present methods of administering the timber and stone act these lands must be parcelled out in quarter-section tracts to individual owners who cannot afford to develop their property, but must hold it indefinitely in the virgin state. He assured the commission that there would be no outcry in Oregon against allowing its timber lands to come into the possession of corporations, for corporation lands are being taxed, and the mills are paying in revenue that is aiding in the development of the respective counties of the state.

In this connection, Senator Fulton entered a firm protest against the general plastering of the state with forest reserves, which he said would remove just so much land from taxation, and so retard development, not to mention the handicap that would result from withdrawing those areas from settlement. He has no objection to reserves to include lands in high altitudes and on the sources of streams, but is decidedly opposed to reserving permanently the more valuable timber in the low lands.

He especially protested against the creation of a forest reserve in the Rogue River country of Southwestern Oregon. In conclusion, he said he might favor a bill, offered as a substitute for the timber and stone act, which would allow the Government to retain title to timber lands, but would authorize the sale of timber in limitless tracts, either at public auction or under a sealed-bid plan.



REV. DR. HILLIS, WHO RECENTLY STIRRED UP THE WRATH OF JOHN ALEXANDER DOWIE.

Rev. Dr. Newell Dwight Hillis, who recently criticised "Prophet" Dowie in a New York newspaper, apparently roused a sleeping lion, for Dowie says: "If Dr. Hillis thinks he's going to escape he's mistaken. I'll spank him properly. I did it once before in Chicago, and that's what makes him smart. He'll find it difficult to sit down under it." Dr. Hillis occupies the pulpit in Plymouth church, Brooklyn, from which Henry Ward Beecher preached for many years.

From statements which his remarks brought out Senator Fulton says he is more firmly convinced than ever before that the forestry policy and the timber land policy of the Administration is based altogether on theory, and practicability has been thrown to the winds. He so advised the commission.

### DEATH OF O. L. STANLEY.

Last Saturday afternoon Perry A. Stanley received a telegram from Anderson, Cal., stating that his father O. L. Stanley, was dangerously ill, and that same evening another one came conveying the sad news that he had just died from heart failure. Perry started at once for Anderson by private conveyance, via the Western route. He will return with the body to Lakeview for burial by the Odd Fellows.

O. L. Stanley was about 67 years of age, and for nearly forty years has been a resident of Lake county. He first came to this county in the fall of 1873 from Big Valley, Cal., with S. T. Colvin. They drove their cattle up here to take advantage of the unlimited grass growing every place at that time. He served as county assessor for one term on the demo-

cratic ticket. Afterwards he was proprietor of the old Lakeview House. For several years past his health has not been good, and was spending the winter in California on that account.

Besides his wife he leaves two sons and two daughters: Perry, of Lakeview, and Bob, an invalid; Mrs. F. W. Beach, of Mendocino, and Mrs. Reynolds of New Pine Creek. He has four brothers, Newt, of Lakeview, and J. R., L. H., and C. C. of California, and one sister, Mrs. T. W. Colvin of Lincoln, Cal.

It is with deep regret that we are called upon to announce the death of our pioneer friend, and to his family we extend the hand of sympathy. May he rest in peace.

Court Pinewood No. 8530, A. O. F., installed its officers at the regular meeting Monday night. After which games were played and supper was served at Harvey's restaurant. Following were the officers installed: X. Arzner, Jr. P. C. R., F. E. Harris, C. R., E. M. Brown, S. C. R., T. E. Bernard, Treas., F. O. Ahlstrom, F. Sec., H. S. Colvin, R. Sec., F. H. Snyder, S. W., Joe Arzner, J. W., R. E. L. Steiner, physician.

"The Transplanting of a Lily" is a charming story in the January issue of Farm Life. "Some Mississippi Frogs" is a quaint story of Southern life on the farm in the New Year's number that will interest both the old and young. The Examiner has made arrangements whereby both Farm Life and The Examiner can be secured one year for \$2, our regular yearly subscription price. Send in your subscription to-day.

The Paisley Post advocates the organization of republican clubs "representing republican principles" in every precinct in Lake county, "each member to pledge himself to support republican principles and not factional differences." This is good advice and The Examiner would like to see the clubs organized before the campaign opens. Harmony should prevail in the republican councils if a majority is to be rolled in June and November.

### Forest Reserve Script for Sale.

We will sell forest script in lots from 40 to 5000 acres. Special rates on large lots. Price on application.

1 BAYLEY & MAXWELL.

## THE COUNCIL ADOPTS IT

A Resolution Passed Accepting Proposition of J. A. Anthony for Lighting Lakeview

The city council met in regular session Tuesday night, and the first important act done was to pass a resolution raising the present rate of taxation from one mill to three mills. This was done to help meet the payment of the indebtedness. The resolution offered at a special meeting two weeks ago, bargaining with Jas. A. Anthony to furnish electric current to the town of Lakeview for a period of ten years, and leasing the town's dynamo to him for one year, was again read, and upon the roll being called was unanimously adopted by the Councilmen present—V. L. Snelling being absent. According to the contract Mr. Anthony is to begin furnishing lights on February 1st. A good and sufficient board must be furnished by him to perform his part of the contract. No further business came before the council except the granting of licenses and allowing bills.

### Is it Data you Want?

Mr. Green and party who are here looking for reservoir sites for the Government, informs the Alturas Plaindealer that the greatest drawback to be encountered is a lack of data of rain and snow fall in Modoc county. This is very essential in making out his report to the department headquarters. To build reservoirs the Government must know that there will be water to fill them, for without water, restraining dams would be useless and a waste of money. Of course people living here know that the precipitation of moisture is amply sufficient to fill any reservoirs that may be constructed, but we have no means of proving the fact to the Government. Another thing that militates against us at this time is the light fall of snow on the Warner range of mountains. We have lived in Modoc twenty years, says the Plaindealer and during that time have never witnessed so little snow in the mountains at this time of the year. Most of the precipitation has been in the form of rain and this has all been absorbed by the dry ground, very little having passed off in the streams. Mr. Green will only remain a short time, but we understand a couple of his assistants will remain until spring. By that time we feel sure that it will be demonstrated that the precipitation will be ample for all purposes.

There is no lack of records of the rain and snowfall in Lake County. For the past twenty years the U. S. Department of Agriculture has had a weather bureau station in Lakeview, which has been conducted by The Examiner. The records were burned in 1900, but are on file in Portland and Washington. Since that time the records are on file in this office. Come up to Lake county gentlemen and you can find half a dozen reservoir sites within 15 miles of Lakeview.

In the prize fight last week at San Francisco between Haulon, of California, and "Young Corbett" of Denver, the decision was given to Corbett in the 17th round. Haulon's friends yelled repeatedly to the referee to stop the fight, as Haulon refused to be knocked out despite his punishment and Galney finally complied. Haulon had to be carried from the ring.