

TO FIND OUT FOR HIMSELF

President Sends Commission to Portland to Learn Views of Oregon on Land Matters.

President Roosevelt has requested the members of the Public Land Commission to attend the convention of the National Livestock Association in Portland, January 11-16, and during that time give public hearings to learn from the people direct what changes they deem advisable both in the public lands laws and the method of administering the laws, which gives further evidence of his desire to have the laws administered in a way that is fair and just to the people of Oregon.

Land Commissioner Richards, chairman of the commission, will not be able to go to Portland, but Chief Forester Gifford Pinchot and Chief Engineer H. F. Newell, of the reclamation service, the other two members, will be present, and are already making arrangements for a series of hearings at Portland.

Not only will they welcome statements from the people of Oregon, but will invite the livestock men in their convention to discuss public land questions with the utmost liberty in order that the commission may be apprised of the various views held by the people of the West generally.

The President hopes that Pinchot and Newell, while in Portland, may be able to learn more of the cause of the discontent with the administrative methods of Secretary Hitchcock, and if he finds further interference on his part is needed to correct what the people allege are abuses, and these practices can be shown to be obnoxious and unjustifiable, he will, on recommendation of the Public Land Commission, stand ready to direct further the course of the Interior Department.

President Roosevelt is determined to sift this question to the bottom, and while he generally approves the outlined policy of Secretary Hitchcock in his raid upon fraud, he is not in thorough sympathy with the radical methods that have been adopted by the Secretary in ferreting out this fraud, at the expense of the honest settlers.

The President believed that his order nullifying Secretary Hitchcock's suspension of all timber interest would clear the atmosphere in Oregon and restore general good-feeling, but he has since learned that it may be necessary to make his order more explicit and go more into details. It is with a view to learning the exact conditions that he now desires the Public Land Commission to go into this subject while in Portland.

The next session of the commission will be called in Washington the first of February. Representative Mondell in general terms advised against the enactment of more radical land laws. He called attention to the fact that the land laws of Canada were even now more liberal than our own, and as a result thousands of American farmers are annually seeking homes in Canadian territory. He thinks it would be advisable to limber up our laws so as to check this emigration into Canada.

The county board discussed the proposition of compromising the Nelson bond case, and it seems that they have changed their mind and do not now look with favor upon the plan to settle on a basis of \$3,200, but want \$4,400. Several taxpayers have suggested to The Examiner recently that they hoped it would be settled this term of court on the \$3,200 basis.

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Additional Local

Mr. and Mrs. Edwards L. Gray returned to Lakeview Saturday from a visit to the family of W. W. Finley at Bly. On Monday they returned to Cedarville, enroute to San Francisco. During the Summer they will go to South Africa to spend a year or more.

Milan A. Loosely who has been in the government signal service in Alaska and the Philippines for the past three years, has resigned his position, and is now in Dallas, Texas, in the employ of the Southwestern Telegraph and Telephone Company.—Klamath Express.

Albert Walker, a Sprague River valley stockman, was in Klamath Falls Tuesday on his way home from Stockton, Cal., where he delivered 191 head of mules, which were sold for \$90 per head. He visited with his brother in Ashland on his way home.—Klamath Express.

The statement is made that the Shelley law, re-enacting the \$300 exemption, did not carry an emergency clause, and will not go into effect until 90 days after passage, which would be on March 24, 1904, too late to be deducted from next year's assessment, which dates as of March.

The New Year dance was the last great social event of the old year and the first of the new year. The dance was on New Year's Eve and after midnight it was turned into a leap year party. The ladies gallantly carried out their part of the program to the great satisfaction of the gentlemen.

The electric light plant was closed down at midnight Tuesday night in order to replace some rock in the furnace under the boiler. This piece of masonry is in a very dilapidated condition and is liable to fall down at any time. It is dangerous, and much relief will be felt by the citizens when the engine goes out of business.

A North Missouri editor asks: "Who is the happier, the man who possesses \$100,000 or the man who has seven daughters?" Another Missouri editor promptly solves the problem in this way: "The man with the money is not satisfied and wants more, the man with the seven daughters is satisfied—he has enough."

The most appalling disaster of the century was enacted in Chicago, on Wednesday, December 30th, when 582 people were crumpled and trampled to death in the initial performance of the Troquois theatre. The audience became terror stricken and began jumping on the people on the first floor. The bodies were perfectly nude and identification is therefore difficult. The hallways and stairways were strewn with the richest diamonds, jewelry and wraps.

Frank Duke had a single handed experience with a coyote the other day that he wishes he and everybody else would forget. His two dogs ran the wily animal out on the smooth ice on the lake in front of place, but they could do nothing on the slippery surface. Frank dismounted from his horse and approached cautiously, and coming up behind, prepared himself to let loose a vicious kick with his heavy boot. The animal jumped, Frank's foot missed the mark and the force of the kick reversed ends with the kicker. The coyote took advantage of the opening and made a lunge while Frank was pulverizing the ice with his bared foretop. But the latter's peculiar antics frightened the beast off into the tules, where Frank followed, and with unerring aim he did not shoot, but threw his trusty lariat over the animal's head, and straight-way proceeded to get even.

Some Doings in Modoc County.

An "Old Timer" writes The Examiner of the doings in Alturas. A former resident of Lakeview gives a budget of interesting news from the county seat of Modoc, and promises to come again.

Alturas, Cal., Dec. 28th 1903.

EDITOR EXAMINER: I am camped for the present at Alturas, the home camp of the Modockers. I find a vast improvement here. The town is incorporated and boasts of electric lights. A chain gang and regular hours. Everything seems to be flourishing, excepting a creamery that stands idle, and an unfinished building that was intended for a Catholic church, but somebody bit off more than he could chew, and the building is going rapidly into decay.

The tax rate this year, 2.93 on the hundred, 13 of this was for the High School tax which provoked quite a kick from some of the kickers, they were consoled by the assurance that after this year the School would be self sustaining, with such assistance as it may derive from the State, viz: \$1000 and \$50 per head for each pupil attending. It is even argued by some that with the money obtained through the High School and the half orphan list Modoc may be enabled to "get in free" another year without the payment of any taxes, which of course I do not believe, but give it simply as a matter of news.

One thing that serves to make the white man's burden heavier and his yoke more burdensome is the Criminal style in which some of the criminal trials are conducted. A man was charged with a crime and placed on trial. He employed efficient counsel and the district attorney found "It" was incompetent to cope with defendant's lawyers. A private purse was subscribed and two lawyers hired to assist "It" in prosecuting the case. The Supervisor hired another lawyer to "assist" in the prosecution, and the court appointed two to assist the defense. The all of which makes work for the lawyers but somebody must pay the "Fiddler." Lawyers don't look for their reward from "Him who tempests the wind to the shorn Lamb."

There is some talk of starting another newspaper or two here, which moves the Plaindealer man to remark that he knows of no better place for an investment of that kind. As the owners of those now here have amassed fortunes and are soon to retire.

Another jar to the nerves is some talk of organizing a Hearst Club to further the designs of William Randolph Hearst on the Presidential Chair.

AN OLD TIMER.

"How Grandma Saw Lincoln," a most interesting story, never before published, based on a real incident in the life of the immortal Lincoln, will appear in the February number of Farm Life. This delightful narrative will charm every reader and the only way to enjoy it is to subscribe for Farm Life early so that you can secure the February number. This is only one of the many good features of this splendid magazine for farm folks. We are certain that every reader of The Examiner will be greatly pleased to read Farm Life for a year and those who have not already subscribed may yet secure this magazine and The Examiner for only \$2. Subscribe to-day.

We are informed by reliable authority that the Western Pacific Railroad Company shipped a carload of horses and wagons to Madeline last week which will, no doubt, be used in preliminary work of that road, says the Cedarville Record. It is rumored that they have purchased a tract of 40 acres from the Evans tract at Reno for shop sites, and also have purchased the N. C. O. railroad.

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TIMBER LAND NOTICE

United States Land Office, Lakeview, Oregon, October 26, 1903. Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by Act of August 4, 1892, Fred L. Kent, of Corvallis, county of Benton, State of Oregon, has filed in this office his sworn statement No. 2662 for the purchase of the E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section No. 26 in Township 38 S., Range No. 14 E. W. M. and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes and to establish his claim to said land before Jas. H. Driscoll, County Clerk at Klamath Falls, Oregon on Saturday, the 6th day of February, 1904. He names as witnesses, F. J. Bowne, of Klamath Falls, Oregon, J. O. Hamaker, of Bonanza, Oregon, E. L. Walter, of Bonanza, Oregon, and O. T. McKendree, of Lorella, Oregon. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 6th day of February 1904.

Nov 5 44 E. M. BRATTAIN, Register.

TIMBER LAND NOTICE.

United States Land Office, Lakeview, Oregon, October 14, 1903. Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the Act of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892, the following persons have filed in this office their sworn statements, to-wit:— George B. Phillips, of Warner Lake, County of Lake, State of Oregon, sworn statement No. 2141 for the purchase of the E $\frac{1}{2}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec 31, and Lot 2 Sec 31, Tp. 39 N., R. 22 E. James C. Dodson, of Adel, county of Lake, state of Oregon, sworn statement, No. 2142 for the purchase of the E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec 31, Tp. 39 N., R. 22 E. Emma Dodson, of Adel, county of Lake, state of Oregon, sworn statement No. 2143 for the purchase of the E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec 31, Tp. 39 N., R. 22 E. Byron F. Cooper, of Adel, county of Lake, state of Oregon, sworn statement No. 2144 for the purchase of the Lots 1 and 2, Sec 6, Lots 3 and 4, sec 7, Tp 40 S., R 22 E. That they will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes and to establish their claims to said land before the Register and Receiver at Lakeview, Oregon on Monday, the 15th day of January, 1904. They name as witnesses: George B. Phillips, of Warner Lake, Oregon, James C. Dodson, Emma Dodson, Byron F. Cooper, and J. W. Loftin, of Adel, Ore. G. B. Phillips, of Cedarville, Cal., and W. Z. Moore of Lakeview, Oregon. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 15th day of January, 1904.

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TIMBER LAND NOTICE.

United States Land Office Lakeview Oregon, October 27, 1903. Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the Act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "an act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892, the following persons have filed in this office their sworn statements to-wit:— Anna Flook, of Plush, county of Lake, state of Oregon, sworn statement No. 2705, for the purchase of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, Sec 36, Tp 34 S., R 27 E. James T. Flook, of Plush, county of Lake, state of Oregon, sworn statement No. 2704, for the purchase of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ sec 24 Tp 34 S., R 26 E. That they will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes and to establish their claim to said land before the Register and Receiver at Lakeview, Oregon, on Wednesday the 10th day of Feb. 1904. They name as witnesses: A. W. Manning, Ray Garrison, Steve Young, W. E. Scammar, and W. H. Shirk, all of Lakeview, Oregon. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 10th day of February, 1904.

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