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## WALTER D. TRACY DIED MONDAY OF A CEREBRAL ABSCESS

### Another of Our Old Settlers Suddenly Passes Away After Brief Illness

Walter Tracy is dead! Such was the startling announcement that was passed around town Monday evening. It appears that last Thursday, while at his dairy ranch in Dross valley, Mr. Tracy was seized with an ailment, but did not deem it of such serious nature as to require medical help. On Saturday afternoon, however, he concluded to come to town to see Dr. Smith. He declined to have anyone accompany him, and took his own carriage, when he got on the Nash Road, about a mile from town, the appalling broke in his ear, and had it not been for the top to the buggy he would have fallen to the ground. He managed to reach home, and at once took to his bed. Dr. Smith was summoned, and he called Dr. Day to his aid, but inasmuch as the pus had entered the brain the case was pronounced hopeless. The patient was unconscious, until he passed away at about six o'clock Monday evening.

The funeral will take place today (Tuesday) at 2 p. m. from the Methodist church, under the auspices of the Odd Fellows fraternalists, of which he was a revered member in the Ladies' Association and Rebekah Lodge.

The funeral was delayed in order to allow his friends coming to Corvallis to be in attendance. He was also a member of the Woodmen lodge in which he was insured to amount \$2500.

In the death of Mr. Tracy Lake county loses one of its foremost and honored citizens. He was big-hearted, honest, jovial, generous, and numbered as his friends everyone who knew him. He will be sadly missed by all.

He was born near Strawberry Point, Iowa, Nov. 21, 1841. When about 12 years of age he came to Millville, California with his father's family. About 25 years ago he came to this county, first stopping at Silver Lake, and soon after locating in Dross valley, where after years of hard labor he succeeded in securing a large acreage, upon which he has built up a fine dairy and stock business.

About 23 years ago he married Miss Minnie Barker, who survives him. From this union five children were born: four boys, Lawrence, Douglas, Joseph and Ray, and Agnes, who became the wife of Geo. L. Hollbrook last spring. The youngest boy is 16 years of age.

The bereaved family have the heartfelt sympathy of all in their great loss, in which the husband and father, of robust and vigorous physique, was suddenly stricken down. It is a time when words are thought to be of little use, but we can only say "Death loves a shining mark!"

## EMMA GOLDMAN.

Well Known Advocate of Overthrowing All Governments.



Emma Goldman, the well known advocate of anarchism, makes her home in New York city. She delivers frequent addresses on her chosen topic—the necessity of the overthrow of all government.

J. P. Corey is building a big barn for his stage horses, opposite the planing mill.

## DRYS BEGIN THEIR WORK FOR CAPTURING LAKE

### Rev. E. F. Zimmerman, of Portland Organizes Anti-Saloon League

The Rev. Dr. E. F. Zimmerman, of Portland, held forth to three large audiences Sunday, that packed the court room to its capacity, with only standing room for many.

The representative of the Anti-Saloon League of Oregon, its avowed purpose being to place Oregon in the dry column. That such may be the case is admitted by the Oregonians, and other papers posted as to the prohibition sentiment throughout the State.

Mr. Zimmerman is a devoted and forceful speaker, who has a streak of humor in his make-up which keeps his audience in good spirits while he is driving home his sledge-hammer blows for the cause he advocates. It is evident that his handling of the vexatious question, which has and does trouble and perplex the wisest statesmen, won friends here for him and his cause.

An organization was effected, as a result of his visit, which is to be known as the Lake County Anti-Saloon League which is organized as follows: Pres.—G. J. Wentz, Vice Pres.—A. M. Smith, Sec.—R. E. Paxton, Treas.—P. V. Jones.

Executive Committee—S. P. Vernon, J. C. Olive, J. Shelhammer, Joseph Hampton, Clarence Harris, Joseph Brown, J. N. Fitzgerald.

Judging from the above-named gentlemen, and their earnestness of purpose it is evident that opposition will have the fight of their lives on hand, if they expect to keep Lake county in the driest district.

Mr. Zimmerman who has devoted his efforts to the prohibition sentiment, confidently asserts that the entire state will go dry this fall.

## OUR LAND OFFICE HANDING OUT

### The Homeless are Getting Hold of Our Free Homes

Arthur W. Olson, the Public Register of the Lakeview Government Land Office, has been granted a well earned leave of absence by the Secretary of the Interior, commencing May 25 and ending July 31. Mr. Olson will take a trip to Portland during his vacation.

The affairs of the Land Office have been conducted in a most business like manner and the business of the office in their conduct of pending matters connected with land area have proceeded. Every settler that files upon land in this district is assured of exact justice which is something to advertise to law-abiding people totally unacquainted with the methods in vogue throughout the different offices in the country.

So many inquiries come to the office from outside sources recently that the Register was compelled to have a circular letter prepared that would answer the many questions that are asked about the lands open to entry in Lake, Crook and Klamath counties. This letter is a model and has much information in a condensed form that tells what the settler may expect here.

The Board of Trade at Bend, Oregon has sent for a list of the people who have inquired about opportunities to this section and will answer them regarding what they have in that section of the country.

A ruling by the General Land Office at Washington allows the officials of the district office to give to the different commercial bodies in their respective districts any names of inquiries that may go to the district office. In this district the Lakeview Board of Trade, Bend and Klamath Falls Commercial Associations are entitled to the names and such has an opportunity to show the respective merits their sections of the country. The Lakeview B. of T. has so far failed to avail themselves of this opportunity that should bring many settlers into the country.

James J. Hill has for years preached the idea of "Back to the Farm." That he has faith in his convictions is evident in the manner in which he has gridded the country on each side of the international boundary with his rails.

This advice was not altogether discarded, of course, his excellent plan being to make business for his roads and incidentally to land himself in the millionaire class. And he still preaches that idea, and goes on building railroads! Just now his eagle eye is centered on railroads Eastern Oregon, and that means settlement!

In this endeavor there can be but one result, and that is that every section of the country, east and west of the international boundary will be some individual who will be able to buy or sell at a profit.

## THE NARROW-GAUGE WILL SOON EXTEND

### Litigation as to Way is Settled Will Hustle

The N.C.O. seems to be getting ready to start construction soon. It is whispered that Atlantic will be reached by July 1st, and Lakeview by Dec. 1st provided no obstructions in way of exorbitant demands for right of way or legal entanglements because of its necessary crossing of private domain is encountered.

In view of the need of Lakeview and tributary country for railroad communication and in view of personal benefits to be derived in way of better transportation facilities, and of increase in property values it would seem the better policy for all property holders to be considerate in this matter.

It is very likely that officials of the road will soon make known their desires to the people along the line of their extension to Lakeview. In this extension it is now generally conceded that the rails will be pulled out of Alturas, and the extension started from Dorris ranch, some miles further south which will carry the new line about five miles away and east of that town.

It is understood that this more on the part of the road gives them a better line, and is due largely to the antagonistic attitude of the people of Alturas towards the company.

Albert E. Potter, the associate forester, Washington, D. C. was in Portland the other day, in the interests of his bureau. He has been the grazing expert for several years and is probably the best informed man on that subject in the service. In commenting on his work he said: "As to grazing, the Secretary, Mr. Wilson, is anxious to make as much provision for stock as possible."

"While in some places in Oregon the number of stock on the reserves had to be decreased yet in other places here, and over the entire West, it has been increased, making it, on the whole, the grazing places for as many stock as were on the land, now reserves, before it was taken in. This year provision has been made for 3,300,000 sheep and 1,800,000 cattle and horses.

"As has been told in the press, the Secretary has been investigating the condition of the general forest reserves. He has seen fit to eliminate about 4,000,000 acres, thought to be more valuable for agricultural purposes. He has also instructed that a generous attitude be assumed toward squatters or settlers, who were on the land and had improved it prior to its being surveyed or reserved. Where the land is more valuable for agricultural purposes, even though it is in the reservation, each settler is to receive his full allotment."

"The attention of the Secretary is being paid by the public to the fact that the year's work has been finished and seeding is being done and will be continued wherever possible. In some places the trees are being set out from the Government nursery."

## WESTERN PACIFIC HAS SURVEYORS IN FIELD

### Now Surveying From Gerlach into Surprise Thru Fandango

The Examiner is advised this week, on what it considers good authority that railroad men in the employ, of the Western Pacific at Gerlach, the division headquarters, and which is now considered a desirable shipping point for the Surprise valley, have been sending for information as to the nature and amount of products in the surprise valley and tributary country.

They also have hinted that if reply is made of a satisfactory nature, that a corps of surveyors will soon be sent out from Gerlach to run a survey into the Surprise valley, and from there into the Grove Lake valley, via the Fandango Pass, with a view of early construction of such line.

It was not the intention to allow this matter to gain publicity, and the search was of a secretive nature on the part of the railroad men. That such a line would pay and pay big is undoubted, even with present development in these two valleys, to say nothing of the increased business that would come with the advent of a railroad into the country. It would also be an inexpensive line to build.

The Examiner trusts that the Western Pacific will see its way clear to enter this rich field. Since the above was put in type word reaches us that the Western Pacific surveyors are now in the field on the route above outlined.

## JIM HILL PREDICTS RAILROADS SHORT OF FINANCES

### Says They Cannot Extend Fast Enough to Meet Growing Traffic

CHICAGO, March 30.—James J. Hill believes the railroads will experience next fall and winter the greatest traffic congestion in their history, and he sees no way of preventing it. He passed through Chicago yesterday on his way from St. Paul to New York.

"The trouble which is being offered the railroads for transportation is constantly increasing," he said "and there is little doubt that the railroads will be called upon this year to furnish more transportation unit than they have ever been asked to furnish. From all indications it seems certain that by next fall or early winter the railroads will be totally unable to furnish anything like the amount of transportation facilities which will be demanded by the country."

"I do not think that the railroads are to blame for this situation, for it is next to impossible for them to raise the money needed to provide the additional facilities. The railroads of the country really ought to have about \$1,500,000,000 annually to spend for the next few years in order to keep up with the situation. It is a sad state of affairs, and it is well known fact that they cannot get this money under present conditions. Until railroad credit shall have been restored and until the American public shall have regained its confidence in railroad securities the public shall have to continue to suffer for lack of railroad facilities."

## FIRST ATTEMPT TO ESTABLISH A COMMERCIAL ORCHARD

### The Lakeside Orchard Company Making Good Progress on its Tract

The Lakeside Orchard Company are surely going ahead in an energetic way that augurs well for the success of the enterprise. The entire 100-acre tract is now nearly broken and when completed will be sown to barley and it is expected a fine crop will be produced that will materially aid in financing the planting of the orchard to trees this fall.

But whether or not expectations are met in this way, the company this week placed an order with E. R. Patch, agent of the Albany Nurseries, for 8,000 apple trees, that being sufficient in setting 50 trees to the acre to place the entire tract in trees.

The fact that this is the first attempt to set out an orchard on a commercial scale is centering considerable interest on the proposition. Fortunately some members of the company have had experience in such matters, and the rest rely upon their judgment. For this season in making the tree order but two varieties were selected the famous and splendid Winter Banana and the equally splendid Newtown Pippin 4,000 trees of each variety. The Winter Banana is considerably more expensive than other varieties, but it was especially favored inasmuch as it has done exceptionally fine here, and produced a quality of fruit that cannot be equaled in Yakima, Hood or Rogue River, which heretofore has had the honor of producing the finest quality of that variety. The same may be said of the Newtown Pippin, which thrive well here, and produce apples superior to those grown elsewhere.

Those interested in this orchard believe that in the course of five years they will have an income and a property that will be the envy of the entire country. In addition to this premier orchard there were planted last year 40 acres in Crooked Creek valley by S. B. Chandler; 80 acres by George C. Turner and 60 acres by J. B. Hughes, both of Surprise Valley; and 55 acres by the Luter Bros, near Alturas. Mr. Patch furnished all these trees.

It is likely others will be in the course of a year or so also engage in commercial orchard enterprises in this section. It is a good plan to begin now so that when railroad facilities are afforded the orchards will be ready for business.

## ORCHARDISTS TO SAVE FRUIT BUDS

### Effort Being Made Up North to Fight the Early Frosts

The orchardists of recent weather has started them to work on the great growers of this valley in their effort for protecting their crops against early frosts by means of smudging. Machines and material for the manufacture of thousands of smudge pots which the Kenewick Chamber Heater company will furnish to the fruit growers at cost have arrived; and a force of men will be put to work in the next few days. Fruit trees are loaded with buds which have begun to swell and horticulturists predict a record-breaking crop. The preparation which C. F. Schenk is making to smudge his 20-acre orchard three miles southeast of the city is an instance of the systematic manner in which the orchardists are undertaking the work of combatting the frosts. Mr. Schenk has just completed a 7000-gallon concrete oil cistern which will be used to store smudge fuel. Oil will be hauled from the tanks of the heater company in the city by means of a 500-gallon carrying tank which will also be used to fill the pots in the orchard.

## ROOSEVELT, JR.'S FIANCEE

He is to marry young and beautiful New York Girl.



Miss Eleanor B. Alexander, fiancée of Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., is a member of New York's most exclusive social set. She is twenty-one years old, one year younger than the son of the former president.

## This is a Mistake

SALEM, Ore., March 25.—Replying to a letter from Ira Powell, of Mouth, Attorney General Crawford today rendered an opinion to the effect that Section 33 of the Corrupt Practice Act makes it illegal for any newspaper to publish anything either for or against any candidate for office or measure before the people, unless it is marked paid matter and contains the name and address of the person responsible therefor.

This hits various country papers that have been publishing matter favorable to the normal school petitioners, which are now being circulated. A heavy fine or imprisonment is provided for violation of the act.

## Always a Hummer

Hon. Frank Davy receiver of the U. S. Land office and editor of the Harney County Times, has this commendation of our work here, which is highly appreciated by us: "One of the best boosting papers in the state for its own locality, is the Lakeview Examiner. It is always a hummer."

L. C. Branson, the forceful and able former editor of the Toponah Daily Sun, is to establish a new daily in Medford. The Rogue River country may deem itself especially fortunate in securing Mr. Branson, who is one of the ablest newspaper men on the Pacific Coast.