

# HILL RAILROAD WILL BRANCH OUT

Burns Times Herald: Is the Malheur Canyon going to be the pass for one of the greatest railroad projects ever undertaken in recent years? Is Jas. J. Hill going to come into the Harney country from the north and east as well as from the west and then South to San Francisco?

Such is the intimation from the information received. It is stated that the Hill system has combined with the Chicago & Northwestern, Rock Island and Canadian Pacific and that a trunk line is to be formed from the Canadian Pacific in Canada down into Montana, through the Blackfoot reservation then on south to Missoula then on over to connect with the P.I.N. road running from Weiser to New Meadows. From Weiser it will run across to Malheur canyon and from this valley on south to San Francisco. Whether this proposed line is to go up the Blitzen and out that way to the south or continued to the Deschutes line is not certain. If the Hill system owns the line now running from Reno to Lakeview it is possible such a connection would be made.

At any rate, regardless of where it verges from the east and west line, it means great things for this county. Should the line go up the Blitzen and Catlow Valley it would open up a much greater territory of this particular section and bring a vast territory in touch with transportation.

This news doesn't correspond with the pessimistic views of some who think the Hills have abandoned this territory and had enough of Oregon. From indications they have hardly started on the big plans in view to develop this territory. They are interested in vast tracts of land which when peoned and developed will create vast tonnage for railroads.

It is not reasonable to reason that the Hill system would merely build to Bend and then abandon the vast territory further on where the real business for a railroad is to be found.

From this information it appears that the Malheur Canyon is to play a more important part in railroad circles than was ever thought and that the Harney Country is to be a very important territory and its rapid development is a certainty.

# BOND IS TAKEN ON THE CONSOLIDATED

Alturas Plaindealer: Saturday evening J. H. Adams and Henry W. Milburn arrived in Alturas from High Grade, and remained over Sunday. In conversation Mr. Adams stated that he had taken a bond on the Consolidated Mines property in High Grade. He stated that the bond was for one million dollars, but we did not learn the time limit of the bond. These gentlemen made a thorough examination of a number of properties in High Grade, and had no hesitation in pronouncing it simply "marvelous." He stated that he had examined mines in different parts of the United States, Mexico and Alaska, but nowhere had he found such a showing at the same stage of development.

Mr. Adams stated that work would begin at once, in fact, five men are already at work under directions of a competent superintendent. Now that a greater portion of the properties have passed to men with experience and capital, the future of High Grade is fully assured and all the doubting Thomases will be compelled to take a back seat and meditate on what "darned fools we were that we did not get in on the ground floor."

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# EVEN CHICKENS FIND THE GOLD

Chewaucan Press: H. T. Stanley, who has a fine ranch south of town, has discovered that he also has a gold field. Recently he killed a couple of chickens for dinner and in dressing them found in their crops two small nuggets of gold, one about the size of a raisin seed and the other slightly smaller. They were worn smooth, as if by the action of water, and appeared to be the pure article. These chickens may have been trying to emulate the example of the goose well known to fame as laying golden eggs, but Tom killed them just the same and it is safe to say that he searches the crops of every fowl that is slaughtered on his ranch these days. This is just another proof that Pine Creek is not the only place that can produce the yellow metal that looks so good to us all. Only one by one the many assets of Paisley and the Chewaucan country are being discovered.

# PAISLEY INCLUDED IN MINING FIELD

Chewaucan Press: The Monarch mine, situated in the hills southwest of Paisley has been an unknown quantity for a number of years, but thanks to the persistency of C. E. Campbell, and L. P. Klippel, who control it, it is now likely to come into the limelight, as one of the best paying propositions in the country. Samples recently taken from the tunnel have been assayed and show remarkable values. One of these sent to H. L. Bellam, of Spokane, and an assayer of note, showed 77.6 ounces of gold, 10.70 ounces of silver, and 50.80 ounces of lead the total value being at the rate of \$206.27 per ton. Wm. H. Stovall & Co., of the same city analyzed another sample which ran \$167.72 to the ton. Samples taken from a distance from the main lead show values of \$12.22 and \$34.52 to the ton. There is little doubt that the promoters will commence to work the mine in earnest from now on, and that the result will exceed their fondest dreams.

It has long been believed that there is gold in paying quantities in the mountains around Paisley. It has been possible to secure small quantities by washing the gravel of almost any of the small creeks that run into the Chewaucan itself. Tiny nuggets have been found mixed with the gravel, but never in quantities sufficient to make it pay to search for it. There is good reason to suppose that these particles of gold come from some deposit higher up in the mountains and it only remains for the enterprising prospector to find it. The Monarch mine will be the pioneer in the field and will no doubt attract many gold seekers to this region.

**Bend Without Mayor**  
The Oregon Journal says that a deadlock that may hold for months exists in the city council over the election of a mayor to succeed Dr. U. C. Coe, whose resignation was accepted on March 22. The six members of the city council are evenly divided. Whatever man is proposed by one faction, is opposed by the other.

The charter of the city provides that a vacancy in an elective office shall be filled by the council, but sets no time within which this must be done. Only one vote has been taken on the majority question at a council meeting, but several men have been discussed by the councilmen and none has been mentioned yet that is acceptable to four of the six officials. In the meantime Councilman H. E. Allen, president of the council, is acting mayor.

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# SAYS LAKEVIEW IS GETTING BUSY

Reno Gazette: The gold excitement that has taken New Pine Creek and the High Grade District by storm, has finally reached Lakeview and prospectors are staking claims within two hundred feet of the town limits and have Mt. Blackcap, an extinct volcanic crater in one.

F. J. Little, well known in Nevada, is in charge of one group of locators. Many Lakeview people are in the hills east of town and are staking everything that looks like a pile of rock, some of them with little or no knowledge of mining conditions. It is believed that the entire range of mountains from Willow Ranch or Fandango Pass, fifteen miles south of Pine Creek to Abert Lake, 25 miles north of Lakeview, a total distance of 55 miles, and extending east and west from 15 to 25 miles, is in a highly mineralized belt.

The country in the mineral belt is rough and broken, with ledges and formations running in all directions until the Coyote Hills, 45 miles northeast of Lakeview, is struck, here the formation takes the form of porphyry dikes, with fissure veins of an older acidic formation showing where the prospectors have done any development work. The district is organized and much work has been done on some of the claims here with showings of large quantities of low grade ore and some fairly rich material that runs assays of several hundred dollars to the ton on samples tested.

Heretofore there have been occasional reports of rich float being found in various places in the hills east of that town but nothing has been done to systematically prospect the country, though from the way that mining men are coming into the country this season will see an impetus to mining, never dreamed of by the men that have lived there for many years, the majority of whom have been engaged in stock raising and have grazed their cattle or sheep on some of the most promising portions of the known mineral zone. Many prospectors are outfitting at Lakeview preparatory to giving the country a thorough working over.

# DAWSON WILL BUY SUNSHINE MINE

Nevada State Journal: That B. X. Dawson and associates who have been making an examination of the Sunshine mine at High Grade will take over the property is practically a certainty. Accompanied by their engineers they have made a thorough examination of the mine and upon their return to New Pine Creek expressed satisfaction with the property.

It has been wrongly stated that the camp was inaccessible from the Pine Creek side. As a matter of fact two of the officials of the N.-C.-O. railway visited New Pine Creek to ascertain the true state of affairs. They found that there is a considerable amount of snow on both sides of the mountain and that it was impossible to get up on the Fort Bidwell or Pine Creek slopes with teams, but that miners were going up to the camp on foot from New Pine Creek and Fort Bidwell every day.

New Pine Creek is the only direct route in the camp. This town is but a mile from the railroad and the camp is but eight miles up the canyon from there.

Great interest is being manifested in the town of Pine Creek, Cal., which has just been platted.

# Pine Creek Is Booming

Alturas Plaindealer: A New Pine Creek correspondent writes us as follows, under date of April 16th. He says: "Everything is in a high state of excitement here and every tract of ground near town is being purchased by speculators, and is then being cut up and sold as residence lots. Every day there are several transfers made. Prospectors are camped all over the mountain now, and all the way up Pine Creek Canyon. It is prophesied by many that the boom being worked up for this camp will equal the stamped to Goldfield or Cripple Creek."

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# WINDY HOLLOW IN THE MINING BOOM

Reno Gazette: The Windy Hollow mining district, in the Coyote Hills, forty five miles northeast of Lakeview, is experiencing a sudden boom incidental to the excitement that has taken the High Grade district by storm. These two districts so close together are not alone in the field, for the indications are that very foot of the hills will be covered with prospectors within the next month.

One feature of the Windy Hollow district is that the snow does not interfere with present operations as there is very little in that section of the county, while the mountains in the High Grade district have sufficient snow to prevent the higher ground being prospected for sometime, though the foot hills are now bare and men are searching every foot of them.

Some fine ore bearing rock has been found near New Pine Creek and within a quarter of a mile from the center of the town, during the past few days, while at Willow Ranch prospectors have indications that cause them to busy themselves without going farther into the district.

Old Fort Warner, established in the early '60's" and lying twenty-five miles northeast of Lakeview, has placer gold and men are now reviving the camp.

Two and a half miles north of Lakeview, is a stringer of wire gold that comes close to the surface and is extremely rich though the quantity is so far small. Many men are coming there from Klamath Falls as well as other parts of the state, overland by stage and auto and the indications are that the field will be thoroughly gone over as rapidly as men can get there.

# Trout Have Hookworm

Oregon Journal: Trout in several southeastern Oregon streams have said to have been attacked by the "hookworm." L. A. Davis, game warden for the Klamath District, discovered the trout's newest enemy. He has just made a report to the State Game Warden in which he describes the "hookworm."

Lewis explains that the worm attacks the trout by getting under the skin where it is usually found coiled. Its presence is easily detected by a lump on the side of the fish. Sportsmen are frightened over the report because they fear that the worm will make the fish so indolent that they will refuse to rise to a fly.

# Klamath Elks Buy Lot

Klamath Falls Northwestern: The local lodge of Elks voted to purchase a lot at the corner of Third and Main streets on which to erect their projected home. The purchase price is \$113,200. The lot has a frontage of sixty two feet, and will be improved with a fine modern business block, in which will be included lodge rooms and a club or home for the members of the order. The order will have its annual rodeo in this city in June, when thousands are to be in attendance. The local Elks are to go to the Grand Lodge at Portland by special train and in uniform.

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