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STEVENS' OPINION

EMPIRE TO SUPPORT CITY SIZE OF PORTLAND, HE SAYS

SEES GREAT POSSIBILITIES

Only Big Things in Store for Country Into Which He Is Throwing Opening Wedge.

Central Oregon is a great country," said John P. Stevens at the Portland hotel last evening. "That region is rich in timber, livestock and agriculture. The latter will naturally advance by the dry farming method of cultivation. You know what that will do. But why repeat that which has been stated so often? There is there an empire to support a city the size of Portland."

In sweeping terms, rich in their unexpressed details and heavy with promise, the great engineer referred to Oregon's latent empire. Mr. Stevens sees only big things, for he has been doing big work for big people. Central Oregon in his eyes is a big country. He sees in it the potential, not the present. In the lonely reaches of upland there is rising another Spokane or Boise, railroads hasten to tap another Yakima valley, and the Oregon wheat yield is lifted from 14,000,000 bushels to 40,000,000 or more a year.

A man selected above all other engineers of a great engineering Nation for construction of the costliest enterprise yet undertaken in navigation improvement sees only what Oregon has seen for years, and he thinks it idle to repeat.

Not New to Oregon People

If Oregon has seen these things so long that the people are no longer impressed, and if your people have any doubt as to developments in the central region and the north, let them wait a little while and they will behold something to arouse them," said Mr. Stevens. "What is the use of discussing details now? A good railway will be built at once into the region. You will need no other argument. The railway will do the rest."

There is something grimly sententious in Mr. Stevens' style of treating Central Oregon. It is in keeping with the hour. The curtain is rising upon an empire. Pleadings and petitions have poured forth for years with no results. Without warning and from a quarter wholly unexpected, comes relief, and the actual, real work of opening the greatest undeveloped region of the United States is at hand. What is the use of talking how? Weightier industrial elements than words are in play. Construction of transportation lines is assured greater dispatch than the message announcing the good news, and the State is suddenly called to the duty of developing a realm to warrant the

advised water. It is true and a fine dry woods, as Mr. Stevens says, and the timber of action.

Central Oregon is a fall wilderness with the exception of a few scattered farms and sheep ranches. The country is forested and expected to have found more. But it is disappointed heartily, such as give a stimulus to the rich thousands of potentiality. Millions of acres of available land range from a few feet to 1000. Beginning with the time of the first settlement, the slope is upward by the south until Lakeview is reached, where a public display of mountains, forests, fields and thousands of miles, and upon it arise all the social, scientific and the latest scientific ideas from the East, and on the banks of the lake and Klamath plateau.

Rainfall Adequate in Main Area

Climate is sufficiently excellent to permit of growing summer and winter, taking the breath of cold in heat while the Cascade range in the big spring that extracts Pacific Northwest moisture as the rising winds pass over to Central Oregon. Rain fell earlier from a trace to 20 and 25 inches. But there is comparatively little of this rain area that can be claimed for the Cascade range of western Oregon. The blue mountains possess their own moisture, and the climate, rising off the coast streams from both the east and west. This moisture on slopes of these mountains is a marvelous grain of dust when it is carried by the winds, and as they have been proved along the line of the U. S. R. N. in Umatilla, Union and Baker counties on the eastern slope of the same range.

On the west is the Cascade range, giving numerous splendid streams, many of which in the Cascades. To the southwest are found the streams and systems of lakes marking Lake and Klamath counties, and entering by some extent into Harney. Abundant flowing water is found throughout this region for irrigation, and the rainfall is sufficiently heavy to open vast opportunities for storage basins, such as the government reclamation work usually constructs. Oregon has laid into the general land fund since enactment of the reclamation law more than \$5,000,000. Some day numerous big projects will be found throughout Malheur, Harney, Lake, Klamath, Crook, Wasco and Sherman counties.

Aristian Possibilities

Aristian possibilities in sections of Central Oregon are undoubted by the ablest geologists studying the formation. At the head of Summer lake a tremendous spring, forming Anna river, breaks from the hillsides, suggesting an immense aridian stratum under the semi-arid country to the north. With the Cascades and Blue mountains on either side, the formation dipping right, melting snows, numerous deep mountain lakes and high peaks giving the high pressure reservoirs, no reason can be advanced to gainsay aridian development.

Power abounds throughout vast regions that are soon to be opened. Along the Deschutes river the possibilities surpass all Eastern and Cen-

UTAMONTS BIG CROP

Judge George Noland is expecting a bumper crop on the Altamont ranch this year. The Judge says, with a smile that he expects probably 100,000 bushels of barley, off of about 100 acres; but outsiders, such as Robert Emmett, say he will not get it all into sixty bushels to the acre.

WANTED IN SISKIYOU

St. Connolly, who was employed for the H. K. Grigby ranch near the Wolf River this morning on a telephone call from Sheriff Howard of Siskiyou county. He will be detained until this evening, when Sheriff Howard will arrive to take charge of the prisoner. The offense alleged at the barony of a horse from a Portlucous, living on the Klamath river below Bend.

If you want to get up and can't. Eye and a clock that will make you go some to stay in bed rotary always. At McHattan's.

THE BABY PICTURE CONTEST

Picture of the pretty babies of Klamath Falls are being handed in late at the box office of the opera house. Bring the photo of your pretty little one. He or she may be adjudged by the popular vote one of those entitled to the prizes.

Mrs. O. Halverson, mother of Mrs. James Swanson, left for her home in Los Angeles this morning. Mrs. Halverson was so taken with this country that it is her intention to return in the spring and settle here permanently.

There is plenty of mosquito netting at the K K K Store.

Fine embroideries reduced to 15 and 8-12 cents at Silt's.

Central Oregon requirements for a generation to come. State Engineer Lewis says that this marvelous stream can be made to develop 1,000,000 horsepower. The flow of the river is uniform throughout the year, the descent is rapid and regular, and for 130 miles it is in a canyon where the cost of harnessing energy would be as low as for any hydro-electric plants yet built. This stream, when industry warrants, will become a tremendous producer of wealth, giving to the teeming communities of Central Oregon power for irrigation, manufacturing, lighting and all other electrical requirements. Water power is conceded to be the great future industrial factor. The Deschutes will be more than 500 great coal mines.

Yellow pine timber for 200 miles, and a heavy stand of sugar pine in Klamath, Crook and Lake offer at immediate railway tonnage and insure the lowest cost for building materials for the herds of farmers sure to enter that region when assured a market for their products. All of the eastern slope of the Cascade mountains is mantled with pine. At Bend the forest reaches the Deschutes, and to the south it crosses the stream and extends eastward in the Pauline mountain range for miles. From the Columbia to Modoc county there is a solid belt of yellow pine of varying feet, which will insure billions of feet of lumber. The average stand per acre will run about 10,000 feet, and the demand for pine grows with every year.

Livestock Big Tonnage

Livestock has been the leading industry, and will continue one of the great tonnage producers of the future. In the past the Central Oregon man had but one commercial means of getting any product to market. Grass and farm products were fed to livestock and then the fattened animal was made to bear its own weight to the railway before slaughter. There will be millions of acres of range land in Central and Southern Oregon; forest reserves are numerous, and grazing will constitute a permanent source of feed for the stock industry. This part of the State is sure to become one of the most important beef centers of the West. In present developed conditions Ontario, Klamath Falls and other new railway points grow thousands of tons of alfalfa to feed the beef and mutton that is driven there annually for shipment. Rich feeding centers will spring up along the new

PROFESSOR A BENEDICT

PROF. CHAS. A. HOWARD OF THE HIGH SCHOOL WEDS

TAKES A BRIDE IN KANSAS

Making Profitable Use of His Summer Vacation and Springs a Surprise on Friends Here.

Prof. Chas. A. Howard, who is connected with the faculty of our high school, has joined the ranks of the benedicts, as will be seen from the following clipping which was taken from the "Democratic Messenger" of Eureka, Kas., which no doubt will be a surprise to his many friends here:

"One of the prettiest and most interesting events of the year was that of the marriage of Miss Cora De Fontaine Shaw of Eureka to Mr. Charles Abner Howard of Klamath Falls, Oregon, Wednesday evening, August 11th, at 8 o'clock. The wedding occurred at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Shaw, on North Main street, and was witnessed by about fifty relatives and intimate friends.

"Shortly before the ceremony Mr. E. K. Foster, assistant instructor of music at Baker University, sang 'Beloved It Is Morn.' Mrs. Lantz of Memphis, Tenn., played the wedding march.

"The wedding procession was led by Master Chester Howard of Eureka and little Katherine Combs of Sevier, who untied the ribbons, which were then stretched to form an aisle. Next came little Lotchen Lipp of LaPlarge, beautifully dressed in white, bearing the ring on a pink satin cushion; then the bride and her father. They were met at the altar by the groom. Rev. A. M. Spangler of the Congregational church performed the ceremony, using the Episcopal rite. Mr. Shaw gave his daughter away. The bride was beautifully gowned in white satin with a veil and a wreath of orange blossoms.

"Mr. and Mrs. Howard will be at home after September 25th in Klamath Falls, Oregon."

Mr. Howard is well and favorably known in this community, where he has been connected with the high school faculty for some time past, and it is with pleasure that we extend the wish that happiness and prosperity may be theirs forever.

Aw, you kid! I have a watch for \$1.50 what's a cuss to run. At McHattan's.

PHYSICAL DIRECTOR FOR HIGH SCHOOL

Prof. J. T. Butcher, principal of the high school, states that the prospects of the school were never better or a good season than they are now. He predicts an enrollment of 150 to start off the opening of school. The professor is very anxious to make arrangements for several students who desire to take advantage of our excellent high school course and wishes to find places where their board and room can be earned by working outside of school hours. He also desires room and board for others. Any person interested in this will kindly apply to the professor. Mr. Panek of (Portland, Mich.), has accepted the position as physical director of the school and will also have charge of the normal training course. The addition of a physical director is one of the best moves ever undertaken by the faculty of the high school, as it not only promotes the physical condition of the students but implants a spirit of devotion for our home institutions. May it not be long until we hear the "Rah, rah, rah!" of 150 young throats in honor of the brick structure on the hill.

For a cup of coffee that makes life worth living, come to the Oregon lounge.

Frank Sargent is now a full-fledged knight of the grip, having entered the employ of A. D. Miller, who is his local representative of various Portland houses in this section.

FIRES SUBDUED NEAR KENO

Leon Anderson of Keno arrived in the city this morning. He reports that the forest fires in his neighborhood are all out, but easterly toward Astland a great deal of smoke is seen, indicating heavy fires in that direction.

COOK HOUSE BURNED

The cook house in camp No. 2 of Erickson & Peterson, Southern Pacific contractors, located three miles north of town on the proposed Nartron branch, burned at 2:30 a. m. today. The fire originated in the cook stove. The loss will probably reach \$500. The cook and helper had a narrow escape from the flames.

FREIGHT OFFICE MOVING

Agent Thompson of the Southern Pacific company is very busy these days transferring the freight from the old location to the new freight house. The freight headquarters will be kept here until the new depot is finished, which it is expected will be about the first of the year. In speaking of the traffic here, Mr. Thompson said:

"Klamath Falls is fast reaching the point in the matter of tonnage and passenger traffic where it will have to be reckoned with by these outside towns, such as Medford, Grants Pass and the like. Already we surpass Ashland in less than carload shipments; also Redding and Grants Pass, and when these mills get into operation on the Upper lake those towns will not be in our class at all as to tonnage."

Mr. Thompson expects that within the next few days everything will be straightened out in the new warehouse so a man's freight can be found in the dark. In the old location it was impossible to handle the freight with anything like a system. A new two-story section house is being erected on the east side of the tracks which will contain every modern convenience for the use of the section foreman and crew.

Shirtwaists, dainty lace and embroidery trimmed, for 95 cents at Silt's dry goods store this week.

M. H. Job and wife of San Francisco, who arrived on the train last evening, left this morning for Crater lake.

We are right at the bottom with prices. Come down and see us. Portland store, next door to Postoffice.

For Sale--August Only

A Summer Resort on Klamath Lake That is Unsurpassed in America. This is a sporting proposition for men of wealth--it is not a farm. Unequaled trout fishing June to November. Deer hunting on the premises August 1 to November 1. Duck shooting superior to any in the State over thousands of acres of wild celery and rice September 1 to February 1. Grouse and pheasant shooting on the place October 15 to November 15. Best starting place in county for a bear hunt. Crater lake automobile road will run through the place for a mile and a quarter. Navigable water to the property, unsurpassed drinking water and power to develop the property. More bottom land and fine garden land than any place on the lake. Thousands of pine and fir trees and thousands of quaking aspens. More varieties of wild flowers and natural grasses and vetches than any place in the county. If you develop this property as it can be developed there is no resort in the county that can compare with it. No amount of talking will describe it; let us show you. We have been offered more than twice what it cost, but have a price at which you may take it; below which, we will keep it.

J. G. PIERCE at office Buena Vista Addition Conger Avenue, or W. T. SHIVE At Shive Bros. & Co.'s Store.

CITY BREVITIES

C. N. Meyer, the rancher, is in the city.

Charles Horton, the cattleman, is in the city.

There is plenty of mosquito netting at the K K K Store.

Henry Funk and J. P. Smith of Lakeview are registered at the American.

Colonel M. G. Wilkins left this morning for Seattle on a brief visit to his family.

Chester Sargent and Howard Shepard left for Spring creek on a fishing trip this morning.

FOR SALE--One 16-foot launch with 4-h.p. motor. Inquire of Ivan Daniels, or phone 541.

William Flackus and Hans Stoehler of Yonka valley are in the city and report crops as first-class in their section.

Mrs. P. E. Hannon, Miss Bernie and Richard Hannon left this morning for a trip to the huckleberry patch and Crater lake.

On account of the demand for business, Mrs. White has decided to remain a few days longer with her goods at Mrs. Fields' parlors. Phone 625.

Holly Siemens got his first buck up on Cherry creek recently, and last night his father, Captain Siemens, received one of the hams in proof thereof.

Ivan Daniels has tendered his resignation as cashier to the Klamath Falls Light and Water company. It is reported that he will engage in business in Grants Pass.

Captain Calkins has recovered from the sprained ankle he received recently and took out the mail and passenger launch Curlew on her trip on the Upper lake this morning.

One of the new features in the electrical line is the oscillating fan, which distributes the air so it seems like a gentle spring zephyr. If you don't believe it, see O. H. Gates under one of those fans these hot days.

E. H. Lawrence, the cigar manufacturer, returned last night from an extended trip through the Northwest, visiting the Seattle fair, Portland, and also participated in the land drawing at Spokane. He was not among the lucky ones.

L. H. Hoy, the Silver Lake sheepman, arrived in the city the other day with 12,000 pounds wool, which will complete his shipments for this year. He will return with a load of sugar and salt for the Silver Lake merchants.

Plucked at Sacramento.

Samuel Dunn of Bonanza, Ore., was relieved of a wallet containing \$50 shortly after midnight last night while boarding the Oregon Express at the Southern Pacific depot. He reported the robbery to the police and although a quick response was made, the officers could find no trace of the thief. Dunn said he was jostled by a stranger while climbing aboard the car, and when he took his seat discovered that he had been robbed.—Sacramento Bee.

Jars of money given away at the Portland Store.

POLITICAL ASPIRANTS

GUERNATORIAL HONORS MAY NOT GO BEGGING

LAKE COUNTY HAS DESIGNS

Judge Benson Declines to Be a Candidate Because Family is Represented on the State.

Already the hum of the political bee is in the air and candidates for the various State offices are very modestly making suggestions—through their friends. Several well-known men have their wires working in this community and frequent mention is being made of Dr. Whycombe of the Agricultural College of Corvallis, Mr. Bailey of the Dairy and Food Commission and Judge Dimmick of Oregon City. It is also rumored that the Democrats may have a candidate for gubernatorial honors from this section in no less a person than Dr. Daly of Lakeview, who, by the way, would be no assurance in a game of this kind. He has hosts of friends all over the State, and if the ten thousand new settlers in Lake county materialize through the efforts of the Oregon Valley Land company, who can tell what may happen?

Judge Henry L. Benson says he is out of the running, for he has his hands full of business here, and then, again, his brother, Frank, will doubtless be a candidate for re-election as Secretary of State. It is up to Klamath county to produce a candidate for this high honor. It is on the map now since the advent of the railroad. If it should happen that a Republican from this section who was free from all political entanglements should receive the nomination it would do more to reunite the Republican party in Oregon than could be accomplished in half a dozen political conventions.

Try our 35c Sunday chicken dinner at the American hotel dining room. New management. Everything clean and up-to-date. Meals 25c up. Poindexter & Hines, former chef of Livermore.

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Advertisement for K. K. K. Store, featuring a suit and overcoat for \$13.50 and other clothing items.

Advertisement for Star Drug Store, featuring 'Our Olive Oil' and other products.

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