

## OREGON TRUNK SURVEY NEARS KLAMATH FALLS

No Longer Any Doubt but That Klamath Falls Will Have Main Line of the Oregon Trunk.

The permanent survey of the Oregon Trunk railroad is now within about eighty-two miles of Klamath Falls, the preliminary line being ten miles nearer. That is the latest message from the Hill camps, and indicates to a certainty that the Herald's prediction that the Oregon Trunk was coming to this city is true.

When the announcement was made exclusively in this paper that the Hill surveyors had started south from Bend, few believed it possible. When later advices stated that they were working south of the Klamath county line it was thought to be either a ruse or only a reconnoitering expedition. Both surmises were wrong. It was the preliminary survey for the Hill road to this city.

One week ago the preliminary survey was completed to Beaver marsh. There the work ended for the present, the crew of surveyors returning to Corral Springs to take up the work there and make the permanent location. This part of the work was commenced three days ago and will be completed within six weeks. Two crews are engaged in the permanent location work—one working between Corral Springs and Rosland, and the other between Rosland and Bend.

The line surveyed is one of the best in the West. The maximum grade is one per cent, with four degrees curvature. Corral Springs is south of the mountain between here and Bend, and would indicate that the main desire of the Hill forces was to get the right of way permanently located through the Odell country, which is the most difficult part of the line.

No decision has been reached as to when the work will be begun south of Bend. The original plan was to await the completion of the road to Bend, which will be done within sixteen months. A change in this program, however, is contemplated on account of unexpected developments, and it is not unlikely that as soon as the surveyors complete their work construction crews will be scattered along the line between Bend and Corral Springs.

From Corral Springs to this city topographical difficulties will confront the Oregon Trunk. What course will be taken can only be surmised at this time, but the intimation has been received that the line will be on the east side of the lake. This would bring it down through the Williamson river canyon, near to the Klamath Agency and on down the east side of the Uper Klamath Lake. A line following this route would be approximately twenty miles shorter than if the west side of the lake were chosen.

The next struggle between the Southern Pacific and the Oregon Trunk will likely be in the vicinity of the Williamson river canyon. Both lines are almost certain to encroach on each other there, for the river is so crooked that it will have to be crossed in several places. At the present time the work of the Southern Pacific is hung up through the delay in getting permission from the government to continue, and if this condition of affairs should maintain until the Oregon Trunk is in a position to give battle for its grade some interesting events might occur. Whether Engineer Knowlton and his crew of surveyors are headed for this canyon could not be ascertained, but from the developments of the past few days such a contingency is not at all unlikely.

### HOW IT WORKS

An advertisement is to a merchant very much what sowing seed is to a farmer. It may take a little time for the results to become apparent, but they are sure to come. The wise farmer is not niggardly with his seed, nor the wise merchant with his advertisement.

## MEETING OF THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Effort to Be Made to Erect Exhibit Building on Courthouse Grounds

The regular meeting of the Chamber of Commerce was held in the courthouse Friday evening, and was well attended. The most important matter securing the attention of the meeting was the passing of the resolution urging the early opening of the Klamath Indian reservation.

A communication was read from the Portland Chamber of Commerce requesting the local organization to ask the O. R. & N to change the leaving time of train No. 15, so that it would reach Weed in time to make connections with the California and Northeastern to this city. The resolution was unanimously adopted.

A committee of three was appointed with instructions to secure, if possible, permission to erect an exhibit building on the courthouse grounds, wherein could be placed exhibits of grains, grasses, vegetables and fruits grown in Klamath county. The cost of the structure must not exceed \$250.

C. T. Oliver asked the chamber to aid him in gathering a collection of dry land products for exhibition at the dry farming congress, to be held in Billings, Mont., and to appropriate sufficient funds to defray the expense thereof. Cash prizes aggregating \$1,000 have been offered, and it is certain if an exhibit were sent that this county would secure practically all of the money. The chamber, however, felt that it did not have the funds at its disposal, and declined to extend the assistance asked for.

A. L. Darrow of Sacramento, president of the Enterprise company, addressed the chamber, and filled those present with enthusiasm with the eloquent manner in which he painted the future of Klamath Falls. He urged co-operation, and stated that if the people here stand together that the day is not far distant when Klamath Falls will be the second city in Oregon.

## PORTLAND STORE CONCERT WAS WELL ATTENDED

The concert given by the high school orchestra, under the auspices of the Portland Store, at that popular emporium Thursday was one of the direction of Professor Wertz the orchestra has made wonderful progress, and the county institution is to be congratulated on having such a modern musical aggregation.

All evening the room of the Portland Store was crowded with visitors and Mr. Sugarman and his corps of assistants were busy making their guests comfortable. The growth and development of the Portland Store was the subject of much favorable comment, and the enterprise and progress of its genial proprietor was cordially indorsed. Not the least of the subjects of surprise was the exhibit of fruits and vegetables gathered by Mr. Sugarman, and it was quite evident that there is a large number of people in Klamath Falls who are ignorant of the resources of their own county. The general sentiment seemed to favor the preservation of the display, for its value is too great to permit of its loss to the city and county.

## FUNERAL OF MATT MINNIS

The funeral of Matt Minnis was held last Saturday at 2 o'clock p. m. from the chapel of the Whitlock undertaking rooms. Matt was a pupil of the public school last year, and was one of the most popular boys attending the institution. His death has cast a gloom over his former associates and it was out of deference to a desire expressed by many that the funeral be held on Saturday afternoon in order to afford them an opportunity of paying their last tribute of love and esteem to their young playmate. His popularity was not confined to the children of the city. Among the older residents he had a host of friends, who loved him for his kind and gentle character, and they will attend the last rites and mingle their sorrow with the grief that fills the hearts of his mother and grandparents. Interment was in the city cemetery.

## NEW DEPOT FOR MIDLAND

Other Improvements to Be Inaugurated at an Early Date.

J. W. Dyer, superintendent of the Shasta division; S. H. Barry, chief traveling agent; E. C. Morrison, resident engineer, and W. J. McInery arrived in the city Friday night. The party left again in the morning.

D. B. Campbell reports the town of Midland in a very flourishing condition these days. Information was received from Superintendent Dyer while here last night that his company will at once commence the construction of a depot at Midland, and will also put in an industrial track at that point. Arrangements are also under way for the construction of a hotel there. Mr. Campbell reports the sale of Abner Weed's house and two lots at that place; also two lots to William Barks.

## SEARCH LECTURES ASSURED

The teachers of the two schools of the city have closed definite arrangements with Prof. Preston W. Search, one of the most widely traveled men and best descriptive word painters of America, to deliver a series of three of his best lectures in this city on the evenings of October 14, 15 and 16. The teachers have guaranteed Mr. Search a definite sum, and they have placed the admission price within the reach of every one, hoping only to make the amount pledged. The lectures are delightfully interesting and at the same time are of a high educational and inspirational value. The teachers hope to sell from 200 to 300 tickets and have the high school auditorium well filled each evening. Reserve the dates of October 14, 15 and 16 for these lectures.

## NEW PASTOR FOR THE METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. T. H. Feese, D. D., who has been assigned to the Methodist church of this city, arrived in the city Thursday, and will preach his first sermon in that church next Sunday. Mr. Feese is a man of wide experience in church work, and comes well equipped for his new charge.

He has been a resident of Portland for some time, and has for the past ten months been in temporary charge of the Methodist church at Coquille, the pastor of which was absent on account of illness.

Corvallis was the last place where he was permanently located, and his stay there was filled with unusual success.

He is sure to receive a cordial welcome from the members of his new congregation.

Mrs. C. E. Worden, Mr. and Mrs. Burge Mason and Gus Jones have returned from the Upper lake, where they have been enjoying an outing. Mr. Mason has improved greatly, and will soon be able to return to his duties.

## JOHN E. PHILLIPS, A COLORADO MILLIONAIRE, VISITS CITY

Its Diversified Interests of Agriculture, Timber and Pleasure Resorts Make It Famous

John E. Phillips, a millionaire mining man of Denver, Colo., has been paying this section a visit, and though here but a short time, the possibilities of this section have made a lasting impression on him, as brought out in an interview, in which he stated:

"Colonel Allison of your city for the past six months has been writing me about this country, and stating some of its possibilities. I can say now, after looking around a little, that I was not prepared to grasp even from his optimistic letters anything like a full conception of the wonderful possibilities here. I doubt if I am impressed now to say how much I am impressed with this country. However, I will say that the agricultural section here is much vaster than I had any idea of, and the soil cannot be beat. Nowhere in any new country have I seen such crops and such fat horses, sheep and cattle fresh from the range. There is no country that I know of that has such a diversified combination of agriculture, timber, stock ranges and health and pleasure resorts as this has. Combined with these advantages you have an abundant supply of pure water for domestic purposes, unlimited water for irrigation, and vast natural water power. Another striking feature is that these possibilities are connected together with eighty or ninety miles of navigable rivers and lakes. I very much doubt if many of your citizens, who are accustomed to these conditions, appreciate what it means to this section in the way of assisting in the development of this country, which is sure to come. Nature has done more for you than any country I have ever seen."

## COURT ITEMS

Judge Noland granted a temporary injunction in the Shook vs. Taylor case today, wherein the defendant was temporarily enjoined from disposing of the hogs and cattle, allowing stock to run in the orchard; also giving Shook access to the weigh scales and enjoining the defendant from removing any of Shook's belongings from the house on the ranch.

The court also issued a temporary injunction in the case of Brandenburg vs. Reed, in which the defendant is required to furnish an undertaking for \$1,000.

The foregoing cases will be tried out when Judge Noland returns from Lakeview, for which point he leaves next Monday to hold the regular term of court.

Assessor Lee reports that the amount of assessable property within the City of Klamath Falls this year amounts to \$1,646,272.

## FARM CENSUS ECONOMY

Director Durand Hopes to Save Several Thousand Dollars.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 7.—United States Census Director E. Danna Durand hopes to save several thousand dollars in taking the census of agriculture and also to increase the accuracy of the statistics.

The director stated today that at the census of 1900 the agricultural data were handled by means of punched cards. For each farm a large number of cards had to be punched, as the number of facts recorded regarding a farm was far greater than the number of facts regarding an individual in the population census.

Director Durand said the statistics of population and of agriculture are collected by a different force from that employed in gathering the statistics of manufacturers. The population and agricultural data are secured by enumerators, of whom there will be about 65,000 at the present census, they in turn being appointed by the supervisors, of whom there are about 330. The difficulty of securing competent and faithful enumerators is very great. The length of service is very short, fifteen days in the cities and thirty days in the country districts. The period is too short to justify a man who has a good job in quitting it, while on the other hand it is too long in most cases to enable such men to get leave from their regular work to take the census. Moreover, the pay is small, averaging perhaps \$3 per day in the country districts and a trifle more in the cities, practically the pay of ordinary mechanics. Not only, therefore, are most of those who seek to be enumerators men who are able to command only moderate pay in their occupation, but many of them are men who cannot command regular employment and who are looking for odd jobs.

Consideration has been given by the census authorities from time to time to the plan pursued in Germany and some other European countries, by which the census is taken chiefly or wholly by men serving without pay, who either volunteer their service from patriotic motives or who are required to act. He doubts whether conditions in this country are ripe for such a scheme. At any rate, nothing of this sort can be done at the present census. It may, however, be hoped that to some slight extent, and possibly to a considerable extent, men can be induced to accept the position of enumerator from interest in the work rather than for the compensation involved. He hopes that a considerable number of the colleges and universities of the country may see fit to give leave of absence to their students for the short time required to do this work of enumeration. The college student is a very useful enumerator in some cases, but it is exceedingly desirable that enumerators should

actually live in the districts where they work, and there are multitudes of districts where no college students reside or where such students are in institutions hundreds or thousands of miles from their homes. Another class who can render good service as enumerators are school teachers, but, with the enumeration taking place in April and May instead of June as formerly, few school teachers can be spared from their duties to take the census.

The father who is "chummy" with his boy, gets down to that eager, inquiring, restless little soul and explains and encourages, does not need to cut a birch gad in order to maintain discipline; and the mother who sympathizes, cuddles and plays with her children can keep her slippers on her feet and her hairbrush on the dressing table. Children need love and sympathy as much as flowers need air and sunshine.

Rev. J. B. Holmes, the evangelist of the Christian church, arrived in this city Friday night. He begins a series of gospel services at the new tabernacle on the corner of Eighth and Klamath next Lord's Day at 11 o'clock. Everyone is invited to these services. The new building will be completed tomorrow. Courteous treatment and a kindly welcome will be accorded to all.

Mrs. J. C. Turner was taken to her home Sunday evening. She has been at the hospital several weeks, suffering from typhoid-pneumonia, but is now much improved in health.

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