

GOLDENDALE, WASHINGTON

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Wm M. McGowan,  
Toppenish Wash.  
Dear Friend.

I have read with much interest your newsy letter of the 13th and while it is not as optimistic as I would have it, yet no doubt it gives the situation correctly at the time it was written.

After the primary you will have a better idea of your men nominated and be able to figure out the chances of support from them on the Satus road.

I regret that Duncan Dunn is not going to run again for he would be worth more than a half dozen of some others for our purpose.

I am surprised that the state is having to condemn a part of the Satus Stock Company land for I thought Mr. Weachter was in favor of helping all he could, but perhaps other members of the company are in control.

I hope the state will arrange so we can use the part they are working on now, but probably unless it is gravelled it will be too soft for use in the near future.

Now I hardly think it possible under any condition to obtain a sufficient amount from the next legislature to complete the road, but hope for a sufficient amount to make a big showing.

I think it would take a million dollars to put it through.

You probably have noticed that the Agricultural Department and Indian Department have refused to assist in any way on the Mt. Adams line saying that another route has been adopted that will answer the same purpose, but we cannot tell when, if ever these departments will offer any financial assistance.

Six have filed here on the republican ticket for representative and three for state Senator, for the later Christensen and Colburn of White Salmon, will likely win out in the primary and I hope we will be able to elect Christensen again, as he is in a position to do good work for us.

Some republicans here asked me to file for representative, so in the event they did not nominate the man they want they would have a chance to vote for some one else, so I have filed on the Democratic ticket and if the republicans obtain one out of the six that is satisfactory, I can withdraw after the primary, for a democrat stands no show in this county, unless there is a row among the republicans. Twice they have elected me when they had something very hard to pull off and had a weak brother on their ticket.

I may come over to the State Highway meeting, as I attended the most of them the last 25 years, but as far as local interests are concerned they fight shy of committing themselves.

Very Truly Yours. N. B. Brooks