

Notice of Final Settlement.
 Notice is hereby given that John B. Plass, executor of the last will and testament of Charles Hall, deceased, has filed in the County Court of the State of Oregon for Union County, his final account in said es-

tate and that said Court has appointed Monday, the 20th day of September, 1909, at 3 o'clock p. m. at the Court House in La Grande, Union County, Oregon, as the time and place for hearing objections to said final account and the settlement thereof.

JOHN B. PLASS,
 Executor.
 R. H. LLOYD,
 Attorney for Estate.
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WATER UNDER BIG VALLEY

BAKER CITY, Sept. 1.—(Special)—That the Powder valley is underlaid with a great sheet of water which could be tapped and used for various purposes has long been the belief of many people and several ranchers in the North Powder district have demonstrated this to be a fact. Andrew Lun was probably the first one to back his belief by expending money in drilling a well and now has several wells that are giving a steady flow.

Albert Hutchinson was in Baker last evening and told a representative of The Herald of conditions of the earth there. He has a well at his home in North Powder that is 200 feet deep and has been giving a steady flow of 20 gallons per minute for the past year. He recently sunk a well on his ranch four miles west of town where boring the well the drillers first went through 40 feet of gravel and then struck sand for a distance of 269 feet, when they struck water. When down 215 feet they struck a fir log which was 21-2 feet thick. The bark was in good condition, but the log was soggy and almost decomposed. At a distance of 220 feet they encountered a pine log 18 inches thick.

The formation does not seem to be the same in all localities, for right in town water is found at different depths. Some of the wells are: Albert Hutchinson, 200 feet; Chris Johnson, 180 feet; one at the school house, 215 feet; at the hall, 426 feet; Saunders creamery, 30 feet; A. Lun, 183 feet.

NUMBER 8 TO HURRY

No Local Passengers Carried on it After September Third.

Passengers No. 8, due here at 8:30 in the evening and east bound, will not carry passengers to points this side of Huntington. All passengers ticketed to points on the Short Line beyond Huntington can ride on that train from here, but not this side, meaning the train will not stop even at Baker City. This becomes effective on September 3, and will run until further notice. Number 8 is the fast train which is reducing its running time to Chicago, even greater than first announced for it. Reducing the number of stops to a minimum is thought to be another step towards perfection in time.

FIRE ENDANGERS VALLEY

People of Town Armed With Pails And Tubs, Ready For Fight.

VALLEY, Wash., Sept. 1.—Forest fires are burning in nearly every direction. Two south of town are being watched by a large crowd of people and in case the fire gets much closer there will be danger of the town burning. Nearly all the townspeople are out with buckets, tubs or anything that will hold water. If the town catches fire from that direction it will all go.

Notice.

Effective September 3rd and until further notice local tickets will not be honored on Train No. 8, between Portland and Huntington. This train will, however, make regular scheduled stops to pick up passengers destined to points east of Huntington.

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Notice is hereby given that James H. Wickens, administrator of the estate of William Wickens, deceased, has filed in the County Court of the State of Oregon for Union County, his final account in said estate and that said Court has appointed Monday, the 20th day of September, 1909, at 3 o'clock p. m., at the Court House in La Grande, Union County, Oregon, as the time and place for hearing objections to said final account and the settlement thereof.

JAMES H. WICKENS,
 Administrator.
 R. H. LLOYD,
 Attorney for Estate.
 (8-21-28-4-11-18)

Notice.

Any couple contemplating marriage, will do well to communicate with J. E. Reynolds, secretary of the Union county exposition.

HUGE ORDER FOR STEEL

INDEX OF PROSPERITY SHOWN BY RAILROADS.

Rock Island Calls For \$9,000,000 Worth of Equipment.

A Chicago (Special), says: The management of the Rock Island has just placed orders for equipment and power which will necessitate an expenditure of approximately \$9,000,000. The orders consist of all kinds of freight cars, locomotives and passenger equipment, and are among the largest given by any western railroad system in several years.

A large portion of the equipment and power will be in the nature of facilities and will not be to replace old and worn out equipment. The

officials of the Rock Island agree with President B. L. Winchell that the prosperity of the country will soon be as great as when shippers were besieging the railroads for transportation facilities.

This belief is engendered by a very careful investigation into crop conditions and into general trade conditions throughout the west and southwest. A significant feature of the order is the fact that all passenger equipment ordered is to be of the all-steel kind.

Bank Looted.

OMAHA, NEB. Sept. 1.—Fifty men are searching for two bandits who yesterday evening held up the cashier of the German National bank at Minnola and compelled the cashier to deliver to them \$1,500. The two men entered the bank suddenly from the street and covering Cashier Nipp and several customers who were present with their guns made them throw up their hands. One of the robbers then kept the people in the bank covered while the other turned his attention to the cashier. After the men had received the money they stepped to the door and darted away in the darkness.

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