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FIFTY LAND SEEKERS FILE UNDER NEW LAW

About All Available Public Land Is Taken Up Before Many Wallowa County Residents Grasp Situation.

Enterprise, Ore., Jan. 16.—(Special)—The Enterprise Record Chief-tian says:

Wallowa county's last land rush which began with the passage by congress of the new homestead law permitting the taking of 640 acres tracts of grazing land, is now about over. About 50 filings have been made with United States Commissioner Roe in the last week. The bulk of the land filed on lies east of Crow creek, extending to the boundaries of the reserve along Innaha and Snake rivers.

In this great territory practically all the public land has been taken, with the exception of patches adjoining homesteads taken formerly, where the earlier homesteader has a prior right which continues until 90 days after the passage of the act. If the possessor of this right does not file within the 90 days, any other person can do so.

All filings in the county have been made subject to the designation of the lands as coming under the provisions of the new law. It is expected the land will be so designated by the general land office at Washington. Future homesteading in the county must depend chiefly on the restoration to entry of parcels of the national forest. Large bodies of non-timbered land lie within the reserve and efforts to have this opened to entry are made continually. The government has followed the wise policy of proceeding slowly, restoring this only piece by piece after an examination had proved each parcel not essential to the purposes of the reserve. It is the expectation that considerable tracts that have been applied for and have been examined, will be opened to entry before long.

The great majority of the homesteaders in the last rush are residents of Enterprise and Joseph and of the immediate vicinity. Some are making their first filing now, while many others have taken up quarter or half sections before, and are now taking enough more to bring the total to 640 acres. A considerable portion of those who filed nearly four years ago when the 320-acre law went into effect, are among the new homesteaders. Those who have made proof and moved off the land, must now return to their original homesteads and maintain their residence there until they make proof on their additional entries, unless they prefer to live on their new filings.

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FIRE TRAPS CHILDREN AND OLD PEOPLE IN HOME



Fire which cost five lives and destroyed the \$300,000 Masonic Home at Wichita, Kas., is shown here in this exclusive picture. The fire trapped 32 persons, nearly all children and aged folk. Firemen crawled 150 feet through flames and smoke and found 13 children, afraid of fire, huddled in a closet.

Only after those in close touch with town had rushed to Commissioner Roe's office and had filed, did some residents of the more distant districts, nearer to the land, realize what the new law meant. Some of them then took steps to file, but were too late.

The new law does not require that all the land taken be in one body. Entry-men quickly saw the advantage of this and some of the filings are curious. One homesteader filed on 40 acres in upper Crow creek, and on 600 acres between Trail and Sheep creeks, nearer the Innaha. He will make his residence on the Crow creek land, and thus hold down both. Another man found a 40-acre patch in the hills just northeast of Lover Prairie creek, which will be his residence, while he has the remaining 600 acres on a ridge overlooking Camp creek. The latter is the kind of land that can be farmed on both sides, as it stands on edge, and a man would have to rough lock a plow.

The La Grande land office was swamped with entries the first of the week. An Enterprise man who staid up all Sunday night in order to make sure of being the first Monday morning, found 15 behind him when the office opened. An even longer line was waiting Tuesday morning. Most of the land hunters were from other counties, Baker, Umatilla and others.

Salt For Dairy Cattle.

Cows require salt in order to do their best. More salt is necessary when feeding heavy rations of rich grain than when the feed is poor in quality. If salt is kept before cows all the time they will get away with about an ounce daily. Some dairymen mix the salt with the feed, but cows differ in their appetites for salt, and the better practice is to keep some in a box where they can get it every day.

Union City Council Bans Card Playing

Dice Throwing Is Also Forbidden—Union Postoffice Receipts and Money Orders Show Increase.

Union, Ore., Jan. 16.—(Special)—The Union Republican says:

The city council held a special meeting Tuesday evening of this week at which time an ordinance was passed prohibiting the shaking of dice or the playing of cards in any public place within the city limits.

The La Grande Observer and the Union Republican were designated by the county court last week as the official papers of the county for the year 1917, and in this capacity will publish official matter of the county provided for by law. The Republican is naturally gratified at the action and will endeavor to merit the confidence shown.

Here are some interesting figures showing the receipts and expenditures of the postoffice at Union for December of the years 1915 and 1916.

Money orders issued in December, 1915, 4868, amounting to \$2265.90; money orders issued in December, 1916, 5316, amounting to \$3352.92. Money orders paid in 1915, same period, \$871.57; money orders paid in 1916, same period, \$663.06.

The stamp receipts for the Union office for the last quarter 1915 and 1916 are as follows: For 1915, \$1115.67; for 1916, \$1113.10. Increase in 1916 over 1915, \$2.67.

The Union postoffice is making a good showing and is conducted in a manner satisfactory to the public.

There was a meeting of the Union fire department at the city hall Tuesday evening of this week. The meeting was called to order by President Tony D. Smith.

Election of officers being in order, the following were selected for the ensuing year: President, Tony D. Smith; vice-president, J. A. Gilfillan; treasurer, Gussie Lewin; secretary, Willis Skiff; chief, C. L. Cadwell; finance committee, appointed by president, Lewis Z. Terrall, W. W. Stevens, J. A. Gilfillan.

A committee was appointed to look after the firemen's annual ball as follows: Tony D. Smith, chairman; E. B. Johnson, H. Rodman, R. Hutchinson, C. L. Cadwell.

The fire department is in good working order and the members full of enthusiasm. Few volunteer fire departments equal that of Union.

Mayor Smith has requested the Republican to publish the following extract from the city ordinance covering the matter of minors in certain places. Following is the extract, which shows the responsibility of parents or guardians in such cases:

Section 5. It shall be unlawful for any person under 18 years of age to enter or loiter around any saloon, pool hall, billiard hall, or to catch any moving train within the city limits and any person violating the above provisions shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction thereof of the guilty party, the parent or guardian thereof, shall be fined not less than \$3 nor more than \$10.

Jack Donovan, the hustling chauffeur at Hall's store, received his naturalization papers this week, and is correspondingly happy. Jack has more "go" in him than any man of his size in the valley. He was born in the Isle of Wight.

W. H. Hutchinson, one of our largest stockgrowers and owner of registered cattle, reports that he will feed out this winter about 400 tons of hay. Most of his cattle are down in the valley, and all his stock is doing

Thrift Day

Second Annual Observance

Saturday, February 3

Again the thoughts of the nation turn to Thrift. Throughout the country attention is being given to making prosperity permanent. Everywhere conservation is uppermost in the thoughts of progressive people.

Our Officers extend a cordial invitation to observe the day by opening a Bank Account or increasing the one already established.

Register additional Thrift through this Institution.

The United States National Bank La Grande, Oregon.

Ronde valley farm. See W. B. Sargent at La Grande Investment Company at once.

Give Reception to Bishop Paddock. An informal reception was given to Bishop Robert Paddock of Hood River by the Episcopalians and friends in Honan hall last night. Typifying the friendliness of the pastors of congregations of other denominations was the presence of several non-Episcopal ministers.

Bishop Paddock made an informal talk upon the recent Episcopal convention which he attended. Refreshments were served. Bishop Paddock was introduced by Rev. Upton H. Gibbs, Rev. H. L. Ford, Rev. J. J. Tickner and Rev. G. A. McKinley, retired minister, were present.

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Wild West Show Advertisises the U. S.

BY JOHN H. HEARLEY.

(United Press Staff Correspondent.) Rome, Dec. 3.—(United Press by Mail)—Buffalo Bill's Wild West has "advertised" America throughout Europe. His circus, playing frequently to European spectators, has left a trail of false impressions behind it. The American "movies" shown here only emphasize them.

The case of Madame Montre interviewed today in a Roman boarding house is by no means uncommon. She is a well-known writer and literary woman.

Oh you are an American," she began. "I am so glad to meet you. For I am making a scientific study of America.

"I was recently presented to some people from a state called Indiana. Really they didn't look so much like Indians. Of course, their manners were a little off.

"It must be very difficult for one to live in the states. The constant clash of the American and the Indian civilizations is undoubtedly a nerve-racking annoyance.

"Of course, the poor Indians really did give a civilization to the world. They were a simple and a natural people, having a real art and a real literature.

"The Indian at least has blood and not machine oil in his veins. Naturally, there are some savages, the good being always mixed with the bad."

The Americans are frequently called "the Germans of the New World." New York city is regarded as the beginning and end of the United States. It is allegedly a riot of sky-scraping buildings, cock tail loving women, spoiled wives and fresh children.

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