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PERMITS FOR IRRIGATION

Malheur County Leads During Past Year For Number of Permits Issued.

Large List Issued For the Appropriation and Storage of Water.

During the year ending December 31, 1915, the State Engineer issued 531 permits for the appropriation and storage of water. These permits call for the irrigation of 87,329 acres of land, the development of 30,756 horse-power and the storage of 285,669 acre feet of water, and cover municipal supply for Tillamook, Oregon City, Gaston, Amity, Falls City, Portland, Milton, Cove, Halfway, East Side, Marshfield, Lakeside, Newport and Reedsport. The total estimated cost of all works to be constructed under these permits is \$5,349,152. In addition to the permits for irrigation, power and municipal supply, a large number have been issued for individual domestic supply, manufacturing and numerous other uses to which water is applied.

Malheur county leads for the past year for the number of permits issued, there being 199. Josephine county follows with 47, Harney county with 42, Baker county with 41, Grant county 40, Crook county 34, Jackson county 34, Wallowa county with 29, Hood River county 28, Coos county 23, Umatilla county 17, Tillamook county 12, Wasco county 14, Lake county 13, Wheeler county 11, Klamath county 11, Douglas county 10, Union county 9, Curry 8, Jefferson 7, Lane 7, Morrow 3, Clatsop 2, Lincoln 1, Sherman 1, Gilliam 1, while in the Willamette valley 26 permits have been issued.

Of the above permits 117 were issued during the quarter ending December 31, 1915. These permits cover the irrigation of 26,849 acres, the development of 6,111 horsepower and the storage of 201,628 acre feet of water.

The following permits were issued in Malheur County during the past quarter:

- J. M. Swanson of Payette, for the irrigation of 19 acres, diverting water from an unnamed stream in Sec. 8, T. 16, S. R. 47, E.
- H. H. Comp of Harper, for the irrigation of 35 acres, diverting water from Malheur river in Sec. 23, T. 29, S. R. 41, E.
- A. A. Zehner of Bonita, for the irrigation of 24 acres, diverting water from Liman creek in Sec. 28, T. 5, S. R. 40, E.
- Lola McDougall of Westfall for the irrigation of 14 acres, diverting water from Brush creek in Sec. 14, T. 17, S. R. 39, E.
- D. P. Murphy of Beulah, to store 56 acre feet of the waters of Hunter creek for the irrigation of 56 acres of land.
- Wm. Melcher of Payette, for the irrigation of 20 acres, diverting water from Boulder creek in Sec. 4, T. 4, S. R. 39, E.
- Joe Grass of Westfall, for the irrigation of 57 acres, diverting water from unnamed gulches in Sec. 25, T. 19, S. R. 38, E.
- Eulah Wilber of Drewsey, for the irrigation of 272 acres, diverting water from East branch Stinking water creek in Sec. 27, T. 22, S. R. 5, E.
- B. V. Fellows of Vale, for domestic supply, diverting water from rings in Sec. 14, T. 20, S. R. 44, E.
- W. S. Cooley of Beulah, for the irrigation of 112 acres, diverting water from Warm Springs creek in Sec. 2, T. 19, S. R. 37, E.
- A. V. Clark of Crowley, for the storage of 38 acre feet of the waters of unnamed creek in Sec. 12, T. 28, R. 40, E.
- R. B. Copeland of Harper, for the storage of 265 acre feet of the waters of Butte creek for the irrigation of 5 acres of land.
- C. E. Fretwell of Jordan Valley, for the irrigation of 80 acres, diverting water from Owyhee river in Sec. T. 31, S. R. 41, E.
- E. A. Reynolds for the irrigation of 65 acres, diverting water from pop springs in Sec. 26, T. 30, S. R. 46, E.
- Urquhiga of Jordan Valley for irrigation of 100 acres, diverting water from Jordan Creek in Sec. 6, T. 31, S. R. 43, E.
- W. W. Weideman of Jordan Valley

SEVENTEEN STATES IN DRY COLUMN

Seventeen states are now in the dry column and the list bids fair to grow even longer in the next two years. Nearly all of the dry states are of the west and south. The east and parts of the middlewest are still wet, the sentiment is being rapidly created which will swing them the other way.

The ushering out of liquor in the states of Idaho, Washington, Oregon and Colorado was a quiet event. There was little "Hurrah!" expected, owing to the fact very likely that most of the available supply had been exhausted before New Year's day.

The new dry territory is proceeding to adjust itself to the new condition which has been created by the cutting off of revenue, the closing down of a vast industry and the putting out of employment hundreds of men.

The list of dry states are as follows: Idaho, Colorado, South Carolina, Iowa, Arkansas, Washington, Oregon, Arizona, North Dakota, Kansas, Oklahoma, Mississippi, Maine, North Carolina, West Virginia, Tennessee and Alabama.

Other states to go dry are Georgia, on May 1, 1916. Virginia on November 1, 1916.

ADVISED TO GET BUSY THEMSELVES

Bar Wood of this city, and Wm. Hanley of Burns, were at Juntura last week on business connected with the Townsite Company.

The Juntura Times says: "Wm. Hanley was in town this week looking after the company interests. Mr. Hanley stated that the townsiters people were decidedly in favor of trying to start something to better the town conditions but expressed the opinion that it was up to the people to get busy and try to do something themselves."

YOUNG COUPLE WEDDED.

Sunday morning at 8:30, Miss Verna Jaquish and Mr. Alex McPherson were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents in this city. They left on the nine o'clock train for Boise, where they will spend a short honeymoon, after which they will make their home in Ontario.

Both of the young people are widely known in this community, having lived here since they were children, and their hosts of friends wish them a bright and happy future.

Only the relatives and a few friends were present at the wedding. After the ceremony a wedding breakfast was given at the bride's home.

RABBIT DRIVE NEAR WEISER.

The second rabbit drive on Mann creek was held Thursday between the same teams from the Farmers' union that contested two weeks ago, says a Weiser paper.

This drive was more successful than the first as there were 525 jacks killed. The winning team was only 14 ahead and both sides did their best. A little luck either way would have changed the result. Pack horses were taken into the field and the rabbits were kept, brought to town and sold. Hettrick's poultry house was full of rabbits. Webb, captain of the winning team, said that most of the rabbits had been killed, he thought.

REVIVAL IN ONTARIO.

Revival services at the Nazarene church from Jan. 24 to Feb. 6, to be conducted by Rev. W. H. Tullis, an able preacher and successful evangelist. Everybody is welcome.

DRESSMAKING

Mrs. Jeanette Evans will do dressmaking in homes of patrons. Write or call, King & Minnesota Avenues 19-21.

for the irrigation of 90 acres, including domestic supply, diverting water from Owyhee river in Sec. 13, T. 31, S. R. 41, E.

E. L. Loy of Nyssa for the irrigation of 5 acres, diverting water from Cherry creek springs in Sec. 35, T. 21, S. R. 44 E.

J. M. Diawiddle of Jordan Valley, for storage of 2 acre feet of the waters of Indian Fort creek in Sec. 32, T. 32, S. R. 43, E.

FIRST PRIZE CORN SHOW

Big Bend Farmers Carry Off High Honors At St. Paul Corn Show.

Wisconsin Judge of Show Has High Praise For This Section

E. L. Tate of Riverview, won first prize at the National Corn Show, St. Paul, Minn., in district No. 1, comprising seventeen counties east of the Cascade mountains in Oregon, S. C. Fry of Nyssa and H. S. Shangle of Milton, taking second and third places. In the local district, comprising Idaho, Adams, Washington, Boise, Lemhi, Custer, Blaine, Elmore, Ada, Canyon and Owyhee counties, C. C. Tobias of Caldwell, W. J. Winslow of Greenleaf and Charles Hazelbuth of Weiser won first, second and third places.

Prof. R. A. Moore, of the University of Wisconsin, who judged the corn, praised the show highly and said it would prove an inspiration to farmers in the northwest.

"This corn show clearly establishes," he said, "that corn can be grown well in the northwest as far as the Pacific coast, and good corn, too. The quality of the exhibits for an off year is excellent and it should encourage farmers. Growing of corn means rotation of crops and that means that there will be no running out of fertile land."

"Corn crops mean livestock, and livestock means that the northwest will have the things properly to preserve and cultivate the soil. The good effects of corn are almost boundless, and it cannot be overdone in the northwest."

"In the exhibits I noticed that much of the corn is of twelve to fifteen years of breeding and is reaching a high standard of quality."

The Big Bend country is fast making a name for herself in the growing of corn, her corn winning wherever placed in competition with other corn. Another significant fact of the local corn conditions is that Malheur county, Oregon, had the only 1915 corn exhibit at the Panama-Pacific exposition. At the Portland land show, held last November, Malheur county had the best county exhibit of corn from any of the states represented, a large amount of this corn coming from the Big Bend.

It will be remembered that Lewis Tate and Howard Hatch of the Big Bend won first and third prizes in the boys' department of the National Corn show in St. Paul. —Parma Review.

SURVEY COMPLETED.

The survey for the new Succor Creek Irrigation project was fully completed the first of this week and Engineer Guy Magee has returned to Caldwell and is busy making an estimate of the cost of constructing the project. As soon as the cost can be determined a bond election will be called. Those under the new project are feeling very optimistic over the outlook. It is believed there will be no trouble in disposing of the bonds. —Homestead Press.

A considerable portion of the land referred to, lies in Malheur County.

FROZEN PIPES CAUSE EXPLOSION

An explosion of frozen coils in the kitchen range at the home of 'Uncle' Dick Rutherford yesterday morning, did considerable damage to the stove and kitchen and came near injuring Mrs. Rutherford, who was knocked down by the explosion. The extreme cold weather of the past few days was responsible for freezing the water pipes in the stove, and when a fire was started, steam soon accumulated which caused the explosion.

PERSONAL-LOCAL

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Brown came down from Harney valley country the last of the week to visit friends and relatives here. They are the parents of Glenn Brown, and will probably stay in this section for a few weeks.

The Ontario boys and girls had their long delayed sleigh ride Saturday night, and a good time was had. About twenty members were participants in the merrymaking.

A sleigh load of Payette folks people stopped at Ontario about twenty minutes Saturday evening and warmed up on some of Ontario's dry product, which was made up of Chili beans and meat warmed doubly by the application of flames and pepper, after which they proceeded on their way without any demonstrations of joy.

E. H. Brumbach, of the Big Bend, was in Ontario Saturday. Mr. Brumbach recently returned from a trip to Illinois.

John Boswell, of Big Bend, and Lou Boswell, of Malheur City, were here Saturday. They reported Henry Bullock, of the Big Bend, quite low with typhoid pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Frye of Riverside, were in the city Saturday visiting the parents of Mrs. Frye, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Piser. Mr. Frye is the station agent at Riverside.

The first cold snap of the season occurred yesterday morning, when the thermometer registered six below zero. The late storm left nearly two feet of snow on the ground.

D. Preston, local electrician, made a trip to Parma Saturday, where he spent a couple of days putting in a thirty horse power motor that is to be used to pump the water out of the coffer dams of the new steel bridge which is being constructed at that place. He reports the old bridge about ready to fall to pieces.

C. W. Platt went to Vale Monday evening and will probably be there for three or four days. He is serving on the jury.

The west bound passenger train was nearly an hour late Monday evening, while the east bound train was more than two hours late. Heavy snow is interfering with traffic in many places throughout the west.

Thursday evening the C. B. U. class of the Congregational church enjoyed the first party of the season, and such a good time was had that probably another such event will take place in the near future. The party was held at the home of Mrs. F. Foster and a good program was prepared.

ORGANIZED IN YEAR 1887

All of Oregon East of Cascades Once Known as Wasco County.

Malheur County Taken Off the Lower End of Baker in 1887.

All of Oregon east of the Cascades was originally in Wasco county which was established in 1854, or five years before Oregon was admitted to statehood. All the other counties of eastern Oregon were once a part of the territory of Wasco. "Wasco" is an Indian name which originally meant "Horn Basin."

Baker was carved out of Wasco and then included what is now Union county. This was in 1862 and the name was in honor of Col. E. D. Baker, who fell at Ball's Bluff in the rebellion.

Two years later in 1864 Union county was taken out of the northern portion of Baker county. Wallowa county was then taken from a portion of Union county in 1867. And about twelve years ago the part of the lower Powder valley and Pine and Eagle valleys, known then as the "Panhandle," was taken from Union county and added to Baker county.

Umatilla county was organized in 1865. The Indian word from which it is named means "gathering sand." Sherman county, named after Gen. W. T. Sherman, was taken from Wasco county in 1899.

Crook county was established in 1882. It was named in honor of Gen. George Crook in Indian war fame.

Gilliam county was also taken from ed. The feature of the evening, however, was the feed put up by the red side as a forfeit for being beaten by the blue side in a contest for membership to the Sunday school.

The Methodist Sunday school gave a party Monday in the form of a sleigh ride. The sleighing was about the best that has ever been known in this community, and a very good time was enjoyed.

C. C. Morton is expecting his wife to arrive today from Dayton, Wash. Mrs. Morton will assist in running the new movie theatre which is being started here by Mr. Morton.

A. E. Price came near being seriously injured Monday morning when he was kicked by a mule. Mr. Price was unconscious until restored by Dr. Prinzing, who reported his patient doing nicely Monday evening.

SHOT THIS MORNING AT RIVERSIDE

(Special to the Argus.)

Riverside, Jan. 18.—A man by the name of O'Neil was shot and mortally wounded here this morning shortly before noon. He was shot by a man by the name of McFadden. It is said both men had been drinking and got into a fight, during which the shooting occurred.

O'Neil has a brother in Huntington, who has been notified, and who is expected to arrive here tomorrow. The injured man is in a very serious condition, and it is not thought he will live until evening.

DOUBLE HEADER AT BASKETBALL HALL

The first basket ball game of the season will be pulled off Friday evening in the local basket ball hall between the Payette high school and the Ontario high school teams. This game is being looked forward to by all basket ball enthusiasts, as it will show the relative strength of each team. The Payette team has the advantage of having more practice than the local team, but they will have to outplay a real team if they carry off the high honors in the first game.

The senior girls team will play the junior girls team for the championship of the school as a preliminary to the Payette game. The first game will start at 7:30.

Wasco county in 1885. It was named in honor of Gen. Cornelius Gilliam.

Morrow county was formed from the western portion of Umatilla county in 1885. It was named after Hon. J. L. Morrow, a pioneer resident of eastern Oregon and previous to his removal to Hoppner he was engaged in the mercantile business in the "old town" of La Grande.

Klamath county was also organized in 1882 and was named for the great lake by that name in its western part.

Lake county was named from its abundance of lakes. It was organized in 1874.

Grant county was one of the big counties in the state in the early days. It was established the same year as Union county, in 1864, and was named in honor of General Grant who afterwards was president.

Harney county was formed out of a portion of Grant in 1889. It was named in honor of Gen. W. S. Harney.

Malheur county was sliced out of the lower part of Baker county, the same year that Wallowa was made from a portion of Union county, in 1887.

SECOND QUARTERLY ASSEMBLY GRAND RONDE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Meeting with the First Baptist Church, Ontario, Oregon, Jan. 21, 22, 23, 1916.

- | FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION | | |
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| 2:00 | Devotional service | Rev. B. H. Ward |
| 2:30 | The Sunday School and the Man | Rev. J. D. Springston |
| 3:00 | The Church Winning and Training Men | Rev. A. M. Williams |
| 3:30 | Round Table | Rev. O. C. Wright |
| FRIDAY EVENING SESSION | | |
| 7:30 | Devotional Service | Rev. A. R. Willett |
| 7:30 | The Purpose of the Baptist Assembly | Rev. O. C. Wright |
| 8:20 | Sermon | Rev. A. M. Petty, D. D. |
| SATURDAY MORNING SESSION | | |
| 9:30 | Devotional with prayer for associational Missions | Rev. A. M. Williams |
| 10:00 | Reports from the Fields | Pastors |
| 10:30 | Sermon | Rev. A. M. Petty, D. D. |
| 11:15 | Bible Study, The Power of the Blood | Rev. D. E. Baker |
| SATURDAY AFTERNOON | | |
| 1:30 | Devotional Service | Rev. P. H. Evans |
| 1:50 | How May We Equip Our Churches With Efficient Workers | Rev. A. M. Petty, D. D. |
| 2:30 | Evangelism in the Rural Church | Rev. A. M. Williams |
| 3:00 | What is a Brotherhood, and its Work in the Local Church | Rev. A. R. Willett |
| 3:30 | What is Social Service and is it Necessary to the Extension of the Kingdom of God | Rev. O. C. Wright |
| 4:00 | Round Table | Rev. J. D. Springston |
| SATURDAY EVENING SERVICE | | |
| 7:15 | Song Service | Rev. D. E. Baker |
| 7:35 | What is the Budget, and should the Churches Adopt It? | Rev. E. H. Ward |
| 8:15 | Stereopticon Address | Rev. O. C. Wright |
| SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE | | |
| 10:00 | Sunday School | |
| 11:00 | Sermon, The Baptist of Oregon and the Five Year Program | Rev. O. C. Wright |
| SUNDAY AFTERNOON SESSION | | |
| 2:00 | The Ideal Sunday School, and its Equipment | Rev. J. D. Springston |
| 2:30 | Difficulties in holding the Young People in S. S. | O. F. Neece |
| 2:50 | Address, Antagonism in the Teen Age | Rev. J. D. Springston |
| 3:30 | Woman's Hour in charge of | Miss Mary C. Ayers |
| SUNDAY EVENING SESSION | | |
| 6:30 | Young People's Hour in charge of | Rev. J. D. Springston |
| 7:30 | Song Service | Rev. D. E. Baker |
| 7:45 | The Church and Evangelism | Rev. O. C. Wright |
| 8:15 | Evangelistic Sermon | Rev. J. D. Springston |



William H. Crane in "David Harum" at the Dreamland Theatre Wednesday evening, January 19.