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**STATE NEWS**

At the second wool sale at Echo last week 318,000 pounds were disposed of.

Two brothers of Michigan and Chicago have combined their timber interests in Oregon, which amount to more than 2,000,000,000 feet of timber, board measure, and is valued at \$10,000,000, and would build a plank roadway with 1 inch stuff, 125 feet wide, from New York to Portland.

A man near Hillsboro was arrested and put under \$1000 bonds for pulling the tongue out of a horse.

Joe Smith was killed at Baker by missing the step on a passenger coach which he attempted to board.

This is the fourth batch of land for which patents are asked in the district.

The fate of 500 settlers in northern Lake county in regard to holding their land is now being considered by the government.

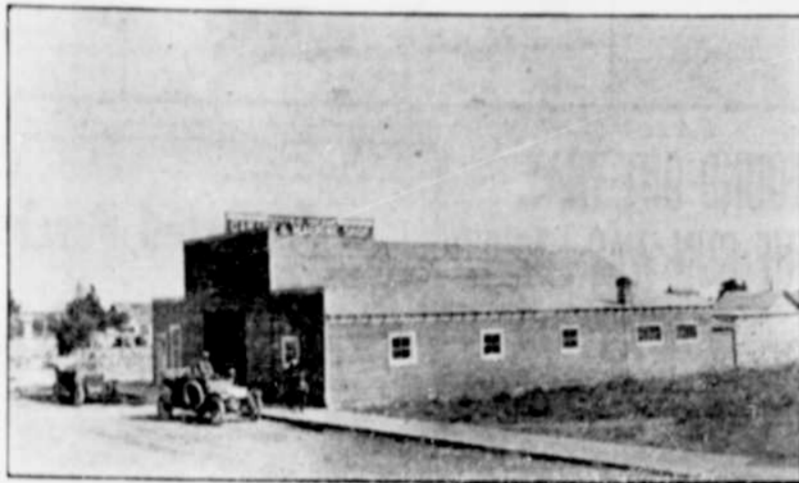
Lane county prohibitionists in convention lay plans to make Oregon dry in 1916.

At Malheur City 10 placers are in operation, and 12 hydraulic giants help get out the gold.

Prune packers are going to educate the growers in the way to raise the standard of the fruit.

Salem's cherry fair will be held July 3-5.

Lee Laughlin, a pioneer of the state who came to Oregon in 1847.



Central Oregon Garage, Perry Reedy, Proprietor.

while the train was in motion. He was dragged some distance before being rescued, and died soon after.

Eugene is going to pave 43 blocks this year.

Two men who assaulted the sheriff at Roseburg in the county jail were given from 10 to 20 years each.

The Columbia river at The Dalles is rising fast and fears are entertained of a flood.

Milwaukie is to have a municipal owned water system.

The Mayor of McMinnville has been adjudged in contempt of court for not obeying an order of the Circuit Court.

Canby farmers are shipping rhubarb in car lots to California.

Gold has recently been discovered in rock being taken from the Coos county quarry.

A Lebanon farmer recently lost a valuable horse that fell in a well.

Copperfield had a \$50,000 fire the night of May 29th.

Benton county prunes will be half a crop this year.

The prices of wool at the sales at Pendleton this year are a few cents lower than last year.

A cloudburst in Baker county last week did much damage and cut off several towns from communication with the outside world.

State Engineer Lewis has forwarded to the government at Washington recommendations for the patent of 4,000 acres of land near Bend.

died last week at Yamhill. In the early days he sold the lot on the corner of 6th and Washington streets in Portland for \$300.

Dallas and Independence are engaged in fighting each other to see which town will hold the county fair this year.

A LaGrande woman while hanging out clothes on the line was struck by lightning and killed.

Beginning tomorrow the merchants of Condon will inaugurate a line of bargain days, falling on alternate Fridays. Public amusements will be a feature of the opening day of the series.

While driving a double disc harrow in a field near Klondyke, Earl Brownlee, a young farm hand, fell and in some manner went under the discs, which cut off his right leg, also cut his left leg half off near the knee. He received other serious cuts on the body. The injuries were fatal.

**SHALL WE HAVE FREE TEXT BOOKS**

Prineville, May 29.  
To the School Patrons of Crook County:

The last Legislature passed a free text book law by which, at the annual meeting June 16, districts may vote for or against free text books.

If the various districts vote for free text books it will be necessary to vote a small tax to pay for them.

The average cost for the installation of free text books is about \$2.50 per child. The yearly up-keep after

the first year, will cost from 70c to \$1.00 per school child.

The approximate cost by grades is as follows: 1st, 50c; 2nd, 70c; 3rd, 85c; 4th, \$2.50; 5th, \$2.05; 6th, \$3.65; 7th, \$4.75; 8th, \$5.35.

As this is the year for the adoption of new text books it might be well to consider seriously the feasibility of free text books for each district.

No copy books, paper, ink or pencils are included in this estimate.

The only comment I wish to make in reference to it is, that I am favorable to free text books, especially in the rural schools.

J. E. MYERS,  
County Superintendent.

**ROLL OF HONOR OF REDMOND SCHOOL**

**ROOM THREE**

For the month ending May 29.

- Emma Atkinson.
- Addie Friend.
- Irene Kendall.
- Alta Mohler.
- Ozona Ordway.
- Bessie Parrish.
- Ada Sears.
- Helen Smith.
- Mary Thompson.
- Marjorie Young.
- Harry Bates.
- Lloyd Beckwith.
- Lloyd Farris.
- Ralph Gillette.
- Ethan Louderback.
- Everal Ogg.
- Clyde Wortz.
- Harry Henninger.
- Marion Henninger.
- Adam Steinkopf.

Emma Atkinson has not been absent nor tardy during the entire term.

**Strayed**

Came to my premises near Redmond, about May 26, one sorrel mare branded on left shoulder with U upside down over half circle, roach mane, weight about 900. One brown gelding branded on left shoulder with U under half circle, weight about 1100. One mouse colored mare, branded AC, connected on left stifle, weight about 900. One brown gelding branded on right shoulder with G under half circle, and B on left stifle, weight about 1100. Owner can have same by paying charges. J. H. Vincent, Redmond, Ore. 48tf

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