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BURNING OF REDMOND UNION WAREHOUSE IS A BIG LOSS TO THIS PART OF THE COUNTY

FIRE EARLY LAST FRIDAY MORNING COMPLETELY DESTROYS THE LARGEST POTATO WAREHOUSE IN THE NORTHWEST, WITH ALL ITS CONTENTS—LOSS ON THE BUILDING ESTIMATED AT \$12,000 AND ON CONTENTS AT \$20,000—FIRE WAS UNDOUBTEDLY OF INCENDIARY ORIGIN AS THE LARGE FRONT DOORS OF BUILDING WERE FOUND OPEN—COMPANY STILL DOING BUSINESS AND MAY SOON DECIDE TO REBUILD PLANT

Fire at 3:30 last Friday morning destroyed the Redmond Union Warehouse and contents. By the time the alarm was given the whole building was a mass of flames and the fire department was unable to save the building or any of the contents. The warehouse was the largest potato warehouse in the Northwest. The walls were built of native rock and the building was supposed to be as fire-proof as possible to make it. The building cost \$12,000 and was insured for \$8,000, it is understood. Loss on contents is placed at \$20,000 by Manager McSherry. The building was partially covered by insurance and a small portion of the contents was insured. Fifteen cars of potatoes, one car of wheat, a car of sugar and a large quantity of alfalfa seed had just been received by the warehouse and this was all destroyed.

The fire started in the rear of the building where hay was stored, and Manager McSherry and many others are of the opinion the blaze was of incendiary origin, as the large front doors of the warehouse were found open when the first comers arrived at the fire.

The loss of this warehouse will fall heavy on the farmers in this section as it was a clearing and storage house for their products and had been the means of bringing in much money for products raised and grown here, through community shipments.

The company is a stock concern, many of the farmers holding shares of stock in it.

The officers and directors of the company held a meeting last Saturday, but nothing definite as regarding rebuilding was done at the meeting and will not be done until the insurance is adjusted.

The company has established temporary headquarters at the McSherry building on the corner of Fifth and D streets and is going right ahead doing business. Another car of cattle and hogs will be received February 17 for shipment on the 18th to Portland. The company will continue to receive eggs, poultry, etc., on consignment, and will get the best returns possible for same.

President H. J. Harris stated that the fire and succeeding events will not interfere with payments of recent shipments.

The present officers of the company are:

President—H. J. Harris.
Vice-President—A. O. Myers.
Secretary—J. W. Brewer.
Treasurer—William Ogg.
Manager—Robert McSherry.
Directors—Thos. Langdon, George L. Brazeo, J. W. Shively, W. E. Abbey, H. J. Harris, A. O. Myers, William Ogg.

In Business Little Over a Year

The warehouse was dedicated January 10, 1913, with a big dinner at which 650 people partook. An interesting program was given in the afternoon and in the evening the largest dance ever held in Central Oregon was participated in by people from all sections of the county.

Since the company has been in business and up to the time of the fire it has been a boon to the farmers in this section of the county, as it had made it possible for them to dispose of their live stock and products by community shipments, and brought in each month a considerable amount of money for distribution among them.

The warehouse building was 90x150 feet, two stories high, built of native lava rock, with 10-foot ceilings on the ground floor and 11-foot ceilings on the second floor. It was the largest potato warehouse in the Northwest.

The cost of the building was in the neighborhood of \$12,000.

The building had a capacity of 200 carloads of potatoes in bulk and 250 carloads in sacks or crates.

Seventy-five electric lights were distributed on the two floors, thus giving plenty of light throughout the entire building.

A spur track ran along the west side of the warehouse and every facility for the rapid and economical loading of cars had been provided for.

A stringent rule in the warehouse was that "no smoking was allowed" and every precaution had been taken against fire. This, coupled with the fact that Manager McSherry had personally seen that the large front doors of the warehouse were closed and barred the evening before the fire, and that these doors were wide open when the fire was first discovered, point strongly to the idea that the building was set on fire by someone who expected to reap a benefit or had a grudge against the company.

KIRK WHITED WINS SUIT FROM IRRIGATION CO.

In the case of the Central Oregon Irrigation Co. vs. Kirk Whited, Judge Bradshaw has made a decision in favor of defendant, Whited, and dismissed the case. This was a case involving the right of water for excess acreage. The defendant had tendered maintenance for the full area of irrigable acres on his land, which the ditch company refused, and then shut off the water. Whited broke open the gate and took the water he needed, whereupon the company brought a criminal action before a justice of the peace, which the justice dismissed. The company then brought the suit for injunction and the judge denies that it is not entitled to an injunction.

4000 RABBITS KILLED ON DRIVE IN MADRAS SECTION

At a recent rabbit drive held in the Madras section about 4000 rabbits were killed. A party of 10 came up from Portland and helped in the slaughter. The Madras Rod & Gun club plans to have another big hunt in March. It is estimated that during the last few months over 4000 rabbits have been killed on different hunts in the country tributary to Madras.

Tapper—What is it a man longs most for after he has been married a few years?

Capper—A bachelor's degree.

BILL HANLEY DECIDES TO RUN FOR SENATE

RANCHMAN SPURNS PARTY AID IN CAMPAIGN FOR TOGA

Burns Man Will Make Race as Independent, According to His Intimate Friends

William Hanley of Burns will be an independent candidate for United States Senator from Oregon at the general election next November, according to the Portland Oregonian.

While he is not ready to make his formal announcement, this information comes from personal friends, to whom he said that he had concluded definitely to enter the race.

They were not asked to keep the news secret. The information they gave confirms previous political gossip to the effect that Mr. Hanley would take a hand in the Senatorial situation.

His decision to run as an independent is Mr. Hanley's solution of a party mixup that has occasioned considerable conjecture as to what party affiliations, if any, he would be a candidate under.

At the last Presidential election Mr. Hanley cast his vote and gave his support openly to Woodrow Wilson. This was, as he says, the first Democratic vote he ever had cast, as he had been a lifelong Republican and a strong party leader in his section of the state for many years. Feeling that in the three-cornered fight Mr. Taft had no chance of election, and that Mr. Roosevelt ought to be defeated, he allied himself with the Wilson forces.

In running as an independent candidate now, he will do so with the promise to support President Wilson and his present policies.

Mr. Hanley will not, of course, compete in the primaries, but will be nominated by petition. As he is one of the most widely known men in the state, his friends figure that it will be an easy matter, prior to the general election, for him to obtain the necessary number of signers to his petition.

Mr. Hanley has long been active in work for the development of Oregon. He is president of the State Irrigation Congress, president of the Central Oregon Development League, and vice-president of the State of Oregon Development League. In December, 1913, he was one of the Oregon delegates to the National Conservation Congress at Washington.

He is a believer in the principle of having the people of the state develop their own resources. He was born at Jacksonville, Ore., just 53 years ago last Sunday and has lived in Oregon all his life.

Two announced candidates for United States Senator already are in the field. They are R. A. Booth of Eugene, as a candidate for the Republican nomination, and George E. Chamberlain, incumbent, as a candidate for the Democratic nomination. A few days ago ex-United States Senator Bourne, in a letter published in the newspapers, gave out what is considered by many as his preliminary statement before formally announcing himself.

COUNTY COURT DECIDES AGAINST OUTSIDE LABOR

The County Court held a special session last week to consider the proposition of the Governor to provide outside labor, providing the men would work for their board and lodging. The court decided against importing men into this part of the state, deeming it an unwise policy. The court also made an appropriation of \$25,000 for the improvement of the Bear Creek and Paulina roads.

NAMES FOR MAILING

The Spokesman has the name of every taxpayer in Crook county, with their postoffice address. Persons desiring names for mailing or other purposes can secure same at this office at a reasonable figure.

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Advantages of a Bank Account, However Small It May Be

It is well to pay bills promptly, but not to pay the same bill twice. Sometimes bookkeepers, by mistake, send out bills after they have been paid. If you pay by check, however, the cancelled checks are returned to you and can be produced as receipts.

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REDMOND BANK OF COMMERCE

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Guy E. Dobson, President J. W. Brewer, Vice President
Chas. B. Drake, Cashier

MONDAY NOON LUNCH WAS WELL ATTENDED

SIX NEW MEMBERS JOINED THE COMMERCIAL CLUB

New Innovation Proves a Success in the Way of Getting the Members Together

The first of the Monday noon luncheons inaugurated by the Redmond Commercial Club was given at the Hotel Redmond this week Monday and 29 members of the club sat down to table. Most of these were business men of the city, but a few farmers from the Powell Butte and other districts were present and joined in with the city people. This new move of having a lunch every Monday noon at different places in the city has met with spontaneous approval of a majority of the members of the club, and the outlook now is that the affair will be kept up right along.

During the luncheon six new members joined the club, L. M. Foss, traveling freight and passenger agent of the O.-W. R. & N. Co., of Bend, and A. H. Rhode, A. W. Bayn, Henry Tweet and F. B. Chapman, all of Powell Butte.

The next luncheon will be given at the Hotel Oregon on Monday, February 16, at 12:30 o'clock, and it is expected that more members will sit down to that one than at the initial luncheon. All farmer members of the club are invited to attend the weekly luncheons, and all farmers in this section are urged to join the club and work with the town members for the betterment of this whole section.

PURSE MADE UP FOR TELEPHONE OPERATORS

CITIZENS SHOW APPRECIATION OF THEIR SERVICES

Young Women Twice Have Given Fire Alarm By Ringing the Fire Bell

Miss Marie Austin and Miss Vita Ramsauer are the two young women operators at the central telephone office here, and twice they have given the fire alarm at night by ringing the fire bell that is located about half a block from their office, where they live. The first alarm was given by Miss Austin on the night of January 1, when the Redmond Hotel bar caught fire. The second alarm was given by both young women last Friday morning at 3:30, the occasion of the Redmond Union Warehouse fire. The night of this last fire was very cold, and after ringing the bell and getting the firemen and volunteers out, both women were about "all in," and had to be assisted to the office.

In recognition of the services rendered by the young women a subscription list was circulated last Friday by Geo. Hobbs of Powell Butte, among some of the business men of the city and a purse of \$38.50 raised in a short time, which was presented to the two operators. Following are the names of those contributing: J. B. Green, Thos. Sharp Jr., F. W. McCaffery, C. A. Beckwith, A. G. Al-

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IRRIGATIONISTS WILL SEEK AID AT CONGRESS

WILLIAM HANLEY TELLS ABOUT WORK TO COME UP

Eastern Oregon to Send Strong Delegations to Portland Session and Legislation Expected

"All Eastern Oregon districts will send strong delegations to the Oregon Irrigation Congress in Portland February 13-14, and I believe that the work accomplished by this Congress probably will be greater in its effects than that of either of the two preceding meetings," is the opinion expressed by William Hanley, president of the Congress, to the Portland press.

"The principal issue that will be up before the Congress will be the general method of financing irrigation and drainage in Oregon," he said. "The time when irrigation promoters sought only the settler with ready money is past and the irrigation development of the future looks to the man who works his salvation out of the soil onto which he goes."

"The settler in the irrigated district must be protected and given the fairest possible chance. Money for the use of the irrigation settler must be the cheapest possible and the irrigation districts must have as good a bonding and interest system as a railroad corporation. This is the problem that will chiefly engage the Irrigation Congress, and legislation

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DAIRY ANIMALS MUST HAVE BEEN TESTED

STATE VETERINARIAN GIVES OUT INFORMATION

Breeders Who Offer Live Stock for Sale at Public Auction Are Cautioned

State Veterinarian W. H. Lytle has written a letter to Dr. Theo. Beletski of this city, live stock inspector, in regard to breeders selling dairy animals. Mr. Lytle quotes the law as follows:

"No public auction sale of any herd or part of a herd of dairy animals, or animals intended for breeding purposes, shall be held except under the process of court, unless all the animals offered for sale have, within twelve months prior to such sale, been submitted to a tuberculin test and received a certificate of health from a qualified veterinarian."

The penalty for non-compliance with the above is a fine of not less than \$50 nor more than \$250.

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