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PUMPING PLANT IS A SUCCESS

Foster Scheme Is in Readiness for Irrigation Purposes Next Spring.

Fifteen hundred and thirty gallons of water was the amount raised into the flume per minute on the Foster ranch last week in the initial test given the new gasoline engine and pump. This amount could have been increased to the maximum of 1600 gallons, but, as it was, the flow from the discharge pipe was sufficient to carry the volume through the sides of the ditch and the supply was soon shut off.

The test was made Thursday afternoon soon after the arrival of some of the piping for which the engineer, A. T. Walker, had been waiting. The engine was started and the first results were more than satisfactory. The water was drawn from the well below the engine house and forced upward into the flume through the seven inch discharge pipe in a manner that showed plainly that irrigation can be carried on there next summer without any difficulty so far as the supply of water is concerned. Mr. Foster is highly pleased with the plan which has now passed the experimental stage and become a reality.

Mr. Foster intends next year to put about 25 or 30 acres of his ranch into alfalfa and during the succeeding years as many more acres until the entire tract of 300 acres is raising nothing but alfalfa. A ditch line will be built from the end of the flume along the base of the ridge and this will be extended each year as the work of leveling the acres progresses. The drainage will be carried back into Crooked river.

It is not expected that the supply of water next year, which will be needed to irrigate the 25 acres, will exceed 600 or 700 gallons, and after the soil is once wet down this amount will be greatly decreased. The maximum amount which the pump will throw will be sufficient to irrigate the entire tract of 300 acres, and it is not believed that all of this will be needed after the work of irrigating is well in hand.

CHECK OF \$45,000 FOR WHEAT CROP

What is believed to be the largest check ever issued to a farmer for a single crop of grain in eastern Washington has been given Lillis F. Smith of Endicott for his crop of 1904, says the Spokesman Review. The check is for \$45,364.30, and is drawn on the First National bank of Colfax, by Seymour Manning, general agent for the Northwestern Warehouse company. This represents the value of nearly 62,000 bushels of wheat grown on Mr. Smith's land this year. The larger of this was grown by Mr. Smith on 1500 acres, the remainder being his share of the crop grown by his son, Leslie, on Mr. Smith's land, which the son had rented. Lillis Smith and son had a total of 3400 acres in wheat this year.

"We have crowned Lillis F. Smith the 'wheat king' of the Palouse country, with a golden crown worth more than \$45,000," said Seymour Manning, the agent who bought the crop. Continuing, Mr. Manning said: "Mr. Smith has been called the 'wheat king' of the Palouse for several years, but this year claims were made that he had lost the title because of the immense crops of other farmers. Henry Hickman of Alamo received a check for \$25,931.73 for his 1904 crop, but Mr. Smith's check is the largest ever issued to a farmer for a single crop in this county."

Hundreds of checks for from \$5000 to \$10,000 have been issued to farmers this year, but these attract little attention.

Mr. Smith's success as a farmer is a shining example of what can be done in this country by pluck, perseverance and hard work. Beginning with a homestead of 160 acres, taken near Endicott in 1883, Mr. Smith has acquired land and wealth until he now owns 4900 acres of land, all of which is in cultivation, in this county; 800 acres in California, in addition to many other investments. His Whitman county land is estimated to be worth \$35 per acre, a total of \$171,500.

In addition to his wheat crop, Mr. Smith sold \$6150 worth of horses this year, making a total gross income of more than \$51,000. His fortune is estimated at \$250,000.

HENRY WHITWORTH RETURNS HOME

Henry C. Whitworth, of Lakeview for more than a year supposed by his family and friends to be dead spent Monday night in Klamath Falls while on his return to his home in Lakeview. Mr. Whitworth is hale and hearty and has enjoyed fine health since his departure from home last September, a year ago.

It will be remembered that Mr. Whitworth was the leading member of the firm of Ayers & Whitworth, dealers in general merchandise in Lakeview at the time. But a few days before leaving Lakeview he purchased the interest of his partners and left for San Francisco presumably to purchase additional stock. A few days after his arrival in San Francisco Mrs. Whitworth received a letter stating that he would leave for home in a few days. This was the last heard from Whitworth until his arrival at Klamath Falls Monday night.

His wife, children and friends gave him up for dead. All kinds of theories were advanced for the cause of the absence of the missing man. It was thought by many that he had been shanghaied and taken to foreign lands by one of the various sailing vessels which ply between the bay city and other portions of the world. But it was insisted by his wife that he had been murdered and his body thrown into San Francisco bay.

Mr. Whitworth does not account for the reason of his act but says that since he left Lakeview has worked in British Columbia and Montana alternately, tending bar and herding sheep. He states that he will go into business in Lakeview or some other place in the Oregon country. He has returned to make this state his home in the future.—Klamath Republican.

CRUSHED BETWEEN TRAIL WAGONS

Will Neil, a former stage driver on the Prineville-Bend stage line, was painfully injured Wednesday morning in an accident which occurred on the grade west of the city while Neil was attempting to couple together two freight wagons. Two of his ribs and his collar bone were broken and he sustained other flesh wounds from which he will be several weeks in recovering. For a time it was thought he had sustained internal injuries of fatal nature, but this fear was dispelled by the examination made by Dr. Rosenberg.

The accident happened about 10 o'clock. Mr. Neil had taken the two wagons to the top of the grade, separately and left his team standing while he went back to couple the heavily loaded wagons together. While standing between the two, pulling at the chains and pins, the horses backed suddenly. The unfortunate man was caught on either side by the irons and crushed by the full weight of the load. He was brought into town by Wm. Arnold who, happened to be at the top of the grade with a team and buggy, and taken to the Prineville hotel where Dr. Rosenberg set the broken and dislocated bones.

CHILD MEETS HIS DEATH IN FLAMES

Step Son of John Hanley Burned to a Crisp in a Fire Near Lamonta.

The five-year-old step-son of John Hanley, who lives on a ranch near Lamonta, was burned to death Friday morning in a fire which totally destroyed the dwelling. Other members of the family, who were asleep at the time the fire started, had a narrow escape from death in the flames, and only the cries of the unfortunate boy who lost his life were the means of awakening them in time. The fire started in the second story of the residence in the bedroom which the dead boy occupied with the other children. They had retired at an early hour, but had left the candle burning on the table in the room. It is believed that the candle burned down to the wood and finally set the table on fire, then the flames crept to the walls of the building where they spread rapidly until the entire building was wrapped in flames.

Awakened by the smoke and crackling of the flames, the young boy cried out for help and brought the older members of the family, who were asleep on the first floor, to the other's assistance. Young Cain, however, failed to make his escape from the burning building as did the other children, who had been sleeping with him in the same room. Whether from fright or some other cause will never be known.

Mr. Hanley quickly noticed the absence of his step-son as soon as the other little ones were safely out of doors and he went back into the burning building and mounted the stairs which were already bursting into flames. He reached the entrance of the upper bedroom just as a portion of the walls and roof fell in enveloping the prostrate form of his step-son in a sheet of flame. The boy had evidently made an effort to reach the door way before the heavy smoke and heat suffocated him. Mr. Hanley found him lying face downward on the floor and believes that life was extinct before the fire reached the body. The boy's body was burned beyond recognition. The funeral was held from a neighboring ranch house Saturday afternoon.

The fire had gained such headway when discovered that no effort was made to extinguish it, in fact the small amount of water available could have aided but little had the fire been a small one. The building and its contents, valued at \$1000, were totally destroyed.

RAILROAD LANDS TO BE SOLD

Unless the Northern Pacific Railway Company pays \$6266.07 taxes to the Sheriff of Linn County within one week from today, all its lands in this county, which include several thousand acres of the very best timber land in the state, will be sold for taxes. The amount of taxes on the lands in Linn County the Northern Pacific yet holds in its own name is \$5355.62, which together with the 17 per cent penalty for not paying within the specified time makes \$6266.07. The time in which the amount may be paid before the lands may be sold for the taxes due expires next Saturday, December 17, says the Albany Herald.

The county officers here have consulted the best legal authorities of the state and are satisfied that the Northern Pacific lands in this county, while they have not been patented, are subject to taxation. County Judge Stewart has secured correct certified lists of the approved holdings of the Northern Pacific Company in this county, and it is

proposed to make the company pay taxes on its lands or sell the same for the taxes due.

There is great interest attached to the very course the Northern Pacific will take in the matter, for the effect of its action will be felt throughout the state. In different parts of Oregon the company has always followed the custom of holding its lands without a patent until a sale was certain, when the tract which was to be sold was patented and immediately transferred to the buyer. In this way they have sought to avoid paying taxes and in the past have succeeded in evading county officials. In case the railroad company is forced to make the payment the effect will be widespread, as a precedent will be established, and Linn county's example will probably be followed throughout the state.

An examination of the list of Northern Pacific holdings in Linn County shows that the company owns the very best timber land in the county. Its cruisers evidently covered the county thoroughly and carefully, and selected only choice tracts of timber, taking no land on which there was not heavy timber, as is shown by the fact that in certain sections they took only 40 or 80 acres, and in others they took up the whole section, except about 40 acres. They secured this land with scrip exchanged for land on the rocky slopes of Mount Rainier and barren, rocky wastes in other parts of the Cascade Mountains, in the State of Washington.

REMEDY FOR RANGE TROUBLE

Governor Chamberlain believes that a fund to be used for the purpose of employing state detectives is the only method by which a settlement can be brought to the range difficulties in Eastern Oregon. From the tone of his remarks he evidently still believes that Creed Conn was murdered as a result of the range troubles, although that assumption was put in the back ground many months ago. His conversation regarding the matter which appeared in the Oregonian is as follows:

"The only way I can see to remedy the situation," said Governor Chamberlain today, "is for the Legislature to place money at my disposal so that I can employ Secret Service men to go to the neighborhood of the trouble and stay there until the guilty persons can be located, and evidence enough secured to convict them. To send out militia would do no good. The men who do the shooting may be in Crook County today and in Lake or Harney or Wasco tomorrow or next day. They would commit no offense while officers of the law were around. They travel long distances in a wild, thinly-settled country, and commit their crimes when there is no one near except a defenseless sheepherder. They are masked and cannot be identified. The only way that I can see to bring them to justice is to send Secret Service men to live among them, learn their ways and follow their movements until they have evidence that will convict them. There is not now a single dollar which the Governor is authorized to expend for the purpose I mention."

According to the letters received by the Governor, the cattlemen have recently established new "dead lines" to be observed this Winter, and have announced the intention to shoot all sheep found on the public domain in the territory which they have selected for their cattle. In some instances the territory they have selected includes land upon which sheepmen have grazed flocks for years unmolested. The informant says that cattlemen have fenced whole townships of the public domain and hold it for rent to men who need it for the grazing. This man implores the Governor to come to the aid of the lawabiding sheepmen, for the coming Winter promises to be worse than any previous time for outlawry of the kind mentioned.