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Physician and Surgeon

E. O. Hyde
Physician and Surgeon

J. G. CANTRILL
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:- Stable :-

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Star Barbershop

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Feed Stable

CROOK COUNTY BANK

Officers:
W. A. BOOTH, President
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FRED W. WILSON, Cashier

Directors:
W. A. BOOTH, C. M. ELKINS,
D. F. STEWART, FRED W. WILSON.

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Collections will receive
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Our haircutting is up-to-date. Our shaving is comfortable. Our shop is new and clean.

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IS WORTH \$2,000,000

Expert's Opinion of the Dixie Meadows Mine

A NEW STAMP MILL

Will Be Erected and Shaft Sunk
300 Feet Deeper—Bond Issue
Will Provide Funds.

Additional machinery is to be installed at the Dixie Meadows mine, located in Grant county near Prairie City, and the work of further developing the property will be commenced. A fifteen-stamp mill, and an air compressor drill and other equipment for a sinking plant will be included in the additions made. These at least are the plans which are now contemplated by shareholders among whom are Dr. H. P. Belknap, G. M. Cornett, T. M. Baldwin, W. A. Booth and other prominent business men of Prineville.

A meeting of the share holders will be held in this city next week when Dr. V. C. Belknap and R. C. Reese, of Prairie City will be present. At that time definite action is expected to be taken to provide for the improvements outlined above.

The plan is to make an issue of bonds in the sum of \$16,000, the bonds to be purchased by local capital, largely among the shareholders themselves.

The machinery now at the mine is rolling mills, the first set having a capacity of 100 tons per day and the second set twelve tons per day, which limits the output to the latter figure. A depth of 300 feet has been reached, and the owners desire to go down 300 feet further.

One thousand tons of the ore have been worked, and was smelted at Sumpter, 45 miles from the mines. This yielded an average of \$10 per ton, although specimens to the ore are enormously rich in free gold. The majority of the ledge matter is low grade refractory ore and must be either smelted or treated by the cyanide process. The company is contemplating the installation of a cyanide plant at the mines.

The mine was discovered about five years ago by R. C. Reese. The ledge varies from a width of six to fifty feet. A few weeks ago Charles McQueen, of Portland, experted the property and assured owners that with only a comparatively small amount of additional development work, the mine would be of a marketable value of over \$2,000,000.

No work has been in progress on the property since last July. Last week Taylor Hill of Greenview, who also owns shares, came to Prineville and made an effort to secure control of the voting of the shares by proxy, in order to get some action in the matter, and as a result the idea developed to bond the property and resume development work.

While the majority of the stock, 600,000 shares, is held by the directors at Prairie City, most all of the 400,000 shares which were put on the market to raise funds for working the property are held by Crook county people.

TEACHERS MEETINGS

At Madras and Culver Prove Most
Successful and Instructive.

The educational meetings held at Culver and Madras the 1st and 2nd of December were the most successful meetings ever held in Crook county. Nothing was lacking in attendance, attention, or interest shown and the dinners were immense. The visiting people were shown every kindness and

the people of Culver and Madras will long be remembered for their hospitality.

These meetings have shown that people are taking more interest in educational work and patrons and others as well as teachers are willing to assist in making these meetings an educational and social treat to those who attend. Nearly forty members were added to the Crook county educational union and many more are expected soon.

There were present at these meetings nearly half the working corps of teachers in the county, nearly all assisting with the programs. Prineville was represented by Sup't Dinwiddie, Profs. Strange, Ford and Stone, Misses Goodwin, Vanderpool, Kidder and Rannels, besides a number of High school students.

An educational meeting will be held at Bend on the evening of December 16th, a good program has been arranged and everyone is invited.

WILL TALK BY WIRE

Two More Extensions Will Soon Be
Built in This County.

The extension of telephone lines over Crook county has been among the most noticeable improvements made in the past two years and is one of the very best evidences of the very best evidences of the unparalleled progress that has been made in Central Oregon during that time. Isolated communities which required hours to reach by stage or other conveyance are now in close touch with each other, greatly facilitating business operations.

This week two more lines are announced to be in the preliminary stages of construction, one of 12 miles making direct connection between Madras and Hay Creek, for which the survey has been completed and the materials are in readiness, and another, of 45 miles between Prineville and the Abe Hackleman ranch on Bear creek southwest of this place, for which contracts are now being signed. These two lines are to be built by the State Central company, of which George Summers the Prineville postmaster is manager. The Madras-Hay Creek line will be in operation by the first of the year. The Bear Creek-Prineville line is to be a farmers' line and many residents along the route are making application for service.

Last year a line was built to Bend, 32 miles from Prineville. From Bend extensions were made to Laidlaw, eight miles and also to the D. I. & P. Co's camps, and later to the new town of Redmond. During this year a line was strung to Madras from Prineville 35 miles, and another to Howard, 24 miles up the Ochoco river. With the completion of the new lines Crook county will be fairly well covered with telephone service.

The Prineville local exchange has had a rapid and continuous growth. Four new phones were installed this week, one at the residence of Dr. Chas. S. Edwards, one at the residence of Mrs. Ollie Elkins, one at the store of Rideout & Foster and another at the candy factory of the same firm.

Shot Himself in the Foot.

N. F. McCain accidentally shot himself in the instep of the left foot with a 38 caliber revolver last Sunday morning. He was intending to shoot at a rabbit when the accident happened and was at the sheep ranch nine miles west of town where he is a partner with J. F. Taylor. The revolver was unintentionally discharged while pointing towards his foot. Drs. Belknap and Edwards attended him and took the piece of lead from a mass of broken bone well back towards the heel. The injured man is now at the home of Postmaster Summers in Prineville.

B. F. Jones was appointed night city marshal at the December session of the city council held last Tuesday evening.

OREGONIAN'S BITTER ATTACK

Portland Paper Publishes More Lies

CRAIN CASE IS BASIS

Revengeful Newspaper Takes a
Savage Delight in Grilling the
Residents of Prineville

The Oregonian, after nursing the wounds received through the columns of the Portland Journal by Mayor Wurzwiler and the Citizens' Business League, when the two some weeks ago nailed the former paper's malicious lies concerning matters in this section of Crook county, has again begun its attack. Residents here are not surprised at the unwarranted attack, or the base lies used to bolster it up. It was expected. The Oregonian never forgets the enemies which it makes for itself.

Taking a common street brawl as a basis, the Oregonian in its editions Monday and Tuesday, weaves a wonderful tale of alleged malicious assault made upon Wilford Crain by Marshal Harrington. The management of the Oregonian in both instances cited was not content to give the simple facts relating to a street fight, which, had it occurred in any place but Prineville, would have been cast aside as worth only a few lines at the most, but an honest and fair course does not set well on the Oregonian's shoulders, and it immediately set about to stuff its columns with as many distorted facts and falsehoods as possible.

It is needless to say that the Oregonian had an object to accomplish. It has hated this section of Crook county for political reasons for some time past, and nothing too exaggerated or false regarding this section, has been barred from its columns. Facts regarding the Crain case therefore, would not have sufficed, and the Oregonian has with wonder exciting andacity resorted to a column or more of pure fiction, the kind of journalism that barbarism ruled off the boards many decades ago. The "news" facts concerning the case, if any at all were sent to the paper, were handled editorially before publishing, and all of the pent up spite and venom possible to express with English words were included in both the articles and editorial comments.

Crook county is helpless in attempting to counteract the impression which the Oregonian has created by its unqualified prevarications. The brazenness of the printed words, however, is so flagrantly apparent that the public generally can probably see beneath the purported dispatches and editorial comment to the foundation of spitefulness and revenge upon which both are laid.

The Oregonian probably feels relieved at ridding itself of a quiver of poisoned darts, but it is doubtful whether the public will swallow all of its insanely exaggerated and contorted expressions, which were given to the public with the sole object in view of doing as much damage as possible to this section of the state against which the Oregonian has before shown its animosity and ill will.

The Oregonian's deception of the public will be replied to in due time and in such a way that it will have no opportunity to hedge as it did before, when the Portland Journal gave space to the facts as they stood, open and above board and apparent to all.

Sugar Beets Grown at Sisters.

H. E. Reed, a farmer residing near Sisters, Crook County, has been experimenting with sugar

beet culture, and recently sent samples of his product to Professor James Withycombe, director and agriculturist of the Oregon Agricultural College. In the returns just received, chemical analysis shows that the beets are about average for quality in sugar content. The factories like beets running about 15 per cent sugar and 80 per cent purity, and Mr. Reed's samples are pronounced by the chemist to come very close to this standard.

The seeds were obtained from the Department of Agriculture at Washington, and the samples were grown in the vicinity of the Deschutes irrigation project, without fertilization of any sort. Mr. Reed feels quite jubilant over the situation, claiming that there is a large territory adjacent to his ranch adapted to sugar beet culture, and thinks that his successful tests may eventually lead to the establishment of a factory there.—Oregonian.

HOUSE DESTROYED

Flames Consume Residence of J.
F. Hogg Last Friday

The residence of J. F. Hogg, 25 miles up the Ochoco, was totally destroyed by fire last Friday afternoon, together with \$150 in paper money which was in the house at the time, the property of Chas. Lizzel, an employe of the ranch. The loss amounts to several thousand dollars, and was covered by only \$400 insurance.

The fire started between the first and second floors from a defective stove pipe, and quickly leveled the building to the ground. Lizzel and his four children were the only ones about the premises when the blaze started, and he could do nothing to stay the progress of the flames. Mr. Hogg was in Prineville Friday where he has been staying most of the time while his children attended school here.

The house was a two story building with a kitchen attached, and made a terrific heat while burning. The barns and hay lofts, which were filled with this season's crop, stood only a short distance away, and a heavier loss was saved only through the fact that no wind was blowing which would carry the sparks and cinders into the more inflammable contents of the barns. Lizzel had all of his summer's earnings in a room on the second floor, together with his personal effects. The progress of the flames was so rapid that he did not have time to save either his money or other goods after placing the children in a safe place.

City to Improve Park.

Inside of the next year many improvements will be added to the city's park which just now is undergoing treatment by the plows and scrapers. The report of the committee on streets and public improvements was filed at the council meeting Tuesday evening and arrangements made for the future beautifying of the park. It is probable that a private subscription will be raised among the businessmen, who have expressed a willingness to aid in the work of improvement, and by early summer the park will be open to the public.

City Election Monday.

City election will be held in Prineville next Monday. A mayor and three aldermen are to be elected. The retiring councilmen are: D. F. Stewart, Walter O'Neil and J. H. Wigle. At the council meeting last Tuesday evening J. L. Luckey, J. W. Henderson and M. E. Vanderpool were appointed judges, and Earl Barnes and L. A. Booth clerks of the election.

The annual election of officers and initiation of new members into the Prineville Fire Department will take place in the department hall next Monday evening.