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## WOOL PRICES ARE SOARING

Market Opens at Ad-  
vance of 2 cents

## UNBORN LAMBS SELL

Yearlings at Lewiston, Idaho are  
Selling for \$4.00 and  
\$4.25 per Head

The wool market opened last week at Lewiston, Idaho, when one Boston house contracted for 600,000 pounds of wool at an advance of two cents over the prices that prevailed a year ago for the same grower's clip. Whether the advance will be maintained after shearing remains to be seen, the wool produced being especially desirable.

Yearlings are selling there at from \$4 to \$4.25, while 3-year-olds bring from \$4.75 to \$6.

So many sheep have been sold during the past month that the output of this locality, the biggest wool growing section of the state, will be reduced considerably as compared with last year. But with prices so high the flockmasters can hardly refuse to sell, especially as the new lamb crop will come next month.

For the first time in the history of the industry in this state lambs are now being contracted for there before they are born, those of the highest grade bands bringing \$2.50, and the buyers are considered authorities in the sheep business.

## The Redmond Team to Play Ball

With a delegation 50 strong the Redmond baseball team will invade the Prineville diamond Sunday, May 20, to play the first local game of the season.

The horse hide manipulators from the irrigation town, under the management of F. C. Rowlee, have a strong team composed of a number of former college players and an interesting contest may be expected. The local team will have a number of new faces and will be considerably stronger than it was last year. The local band will assist in the jollification the afternoon of the game and Mayor Wurzeiler will toss the first ball over the plate.

The Redmond visitors will arrive in the city some time Saturday and a dance will be given in the evening at Athletic hall for their entertainment.

## Madras Wants to Incorporate

Another attempt will be made to incorporate Madras within the next month or so, probably in time to get the petition before the next meeting of the county court, which will be the first week in July. The prospects are bright for the rapid growth of the town during the coming summer, and if railroad construction up the Deschutes begins as scheduled the growth of the town will take on boom proportions. Incorporation is necessary, not only for the purposes of proper police regulation of the community, but because there is much that should be done in the way of providing water, light and other requisites of a healthful and prosperous community life.

The matter of paramount importance to Madras and the surrounding country is the water question. Its solution is only possible through the organized effort of the community, and this seems impossible of accomplishment without incorporation. The proper sanitation of the community is also a most important reason for incorporation. These reasons were urged last fall, when incorporation was sought, but the county court turned down the petition for reasons which, to them, were sufficient. The importance of the matter of incorporation increases in proportion to the growth of the town.

Recently there has been some

discussion of the question of putting water upon Agency Plains, by pumping it up from the Deschutes river near the Cowles sawmill, where the plains lie almost perpendicularly above the river. The plan appears practical, although the details have not been worked out as yet. Once pumped up on to the plains, it would be an easy matter to supply the town of Madras with plenty of water, and if the town were incorporated so that it might contract for water from this source if found to be practicable, it would afford an additional incentive to take up the project of pumping the water up from the Deschutes.

Every citizen who is interested in the welfare of Madras or in the solution of the water question for this locality, should lend his support to the movement for incorporation.—Madras Pioneer.

## Earthquake Causes Peculiar Freak

On the same day the earthquake did such terrible damage in California a slight shock was felt at Carley on the north side of the Columbia a few miles east of Arlington. There is an artesian well near the river that was struck while boring for oil about two years ago on the place belonging to Mrs. Jennie Beardsley. Recently that well has been spouting water ten feet in the air, and besides numerous springs of water are flowing in the vicinity, where no water has ever been seen before.

## DESCRIBES HORROR AT SAN FRANCISCO

Brother of Mrs. A. J. Noble Was  
In Stricken City

This office is in receipt of a postal card written to Mrs. A. J. Noble, who resides in the eastern part of the county, from her brother, who was book keeper at the Emporium in San Francisco during the recent disaster at that city. The postal gives a very vivid and concise pen picture of the earthquake and its resultant horrors. It is as follows:

"We went through the midst of the calamity and are still alive and well. The burned district smells very badly of the dead people under the rubbish. They try to make us believe only a thousand were killed, but I think 10,000 is nearer it as they are taking out hundreds daily. We have seen enough. It was terrible, and is terrible still. We are broke. We barely escaped with our lives. Orilla is very nervous over the affair. I have an awful pain in my right side and legs. The soldiers shot anybody who didn't act to suit them. People are like brutes when they get a chance. Some robbed, some stole, and looted, hundreds were drunk in a few hours and burned because too drunk to get away. Babies were born in the open streets by the dozens. The injured often died in the wagons or on the streets. The dead were often thrown in the fire to be cremated. The scene was awful. We are broke but we are alive. Men cried like babies, women were hysterical and children knew not what to do.

JOE GRIMES.

## Adopt Resolutions

At a meeting of the Equal Suffrage Club, held at the Union church yesterday afternoon, the following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, Anti-suffragists of Prineville have circulated the report that the Equal Suffrage Club is working for local option, therefore be it

Resolved that we resent the accusation as false and misleading and calculated to injure the cause;

That this club has no affiliation with any temperance organization whatever, and be it further

Resolved that a copy of these resolutions be published in both newspapers of this city.

Don Bea, U. S. Commissioner at Madras, is in the city on a business trip. Mr. Bea has been laying right of way for the projected line up the canyon of the Deschutes the past month.

## MILLER CASE GOES TO JURY

Verdict is Expected this  
Evening

## FOURTH TRIAL ENDS

Closing Arguments Were Heard  
This Morning. Many  
Witnesses Here

Closing arguments were heard today in the Miller murder trial which has engaged the attention of the Court since last Monday. It is expected that Judge Bradshaw will give the jury its instructions late this afternoon and the case will then go to the twelve jurors. Testimony for both the defense and the state was completed yesterday afternoon, the arguments beginning this morning.

This is the fourth trial of the case, and it is attracting considerable attention. The court room has been crowded to the doors ever since court convened last Monday morning, and a large number of witnesses and those interested in the case are present from Harney county where the murder was committed in March 1902.

The defendant was tried twice in Harney county the two years following the killing and convicted, but both times upon appeal to the supreme court the latter remanded the case for a new trial. A third trial was given in Malheur county considerably over a year ago on a change of venue, and the supreme court again granted a new trial and a change of venue again to Crook county on the grounds that the defendant had not been accorded a fair and impartial trial. George Miller has already served many months in the state penitentiary at Salem, and was brought from the capital to Prineville last fall to await the present session of the Circuit court.

Testimony submitted during the past week made clear that the killing of Warren Curtis was brought about by the stealing of one of Miller's horses. On the night of March 5, 1902, the defendant, in company with James Colwell, went to the Curtis corral to take possession of the horse and were met there by Curtis. An exchange of shots took place resulting in the killing of Curtis. Miller gave himself up to the sheriff of Harney county and during the four years following has been fighting for his freedom.

Witnesses from Harney county are being held here in case the present jury disagrees over the verdict in which event another jury will be impaneled at once and the case tried for the fifth time.

## Federal Grand Jury Indictments

The Federal Grand Jury, which smoked for several weeks in Portland, exploded its bomb last Saturday afternoon when it returned indictments against 21 men who are charged with conspiracy to defraud the government of its public lands. Practically all of the persons involved are well known in Prineville, the majority of them living here or who have lived here at some time in the past.

Those indicted have not as yet been arraigned and it will probably be a matter of a couple of weeks before they are called to Portland to answer the charge against them. The list of those indicted includes the following: F. W. Gilchrist, Ralph E. Gilchrist, Patrick Culligan, James G. Macpherson, Alpena Mich., Heman W. Stone, Benson, Minn., B. F. Allen, A. C. Palmer, H. J. Palmer, Ed White, Portland, Edmund Dorgan, Francis Devine, J. J. Collins, Malcolm McAlpin, Thomas H. Watkins, Albany; C. M. Elkins, John Combs, Don Steffa, M. E. Brink, Prineville; C. A. M. Schlierholz, Little Rock.

Ark.; J. W. Hopkins, Vancouver; W. W. Brown, Seattle.

While the general charge upon which those who have been indicted is conspiracy to defraud the government, there are a number included in the list who have been indicted on separate and individual counts, perjury and abetting the conspiracy being the chief among them.

## High School Commencement

In the Assembly Hall of the Crook County High school in this city, Friday evening, May 18, 1906, at 8 o'clock, will be held the Second Annual Commencement of the Crook County High School. An admission fee of twenty five cents for each seat will be charged and all seats will be reserved. Tickets can be secured at Winck's. The new piano will be in use and if we receive sufficient patronage we hope to profit enough from the entertainment to make a substantial payment upon the instrument. All are most cordially invited.

## PROGRAM.

Chorus, "Sweet and Low" Glee Club.  
Solo "Down in the Deep".....  
Oration "Progress of Women".....  
.....Oliver Adams.  
.....Irene Barnes.  
Piano Solo "Goddard's Second March".....  
Solo "In Adoration".....Edna Estes.  
.....Ada Pennington.  
Oration "Development of American Fiction".....  
.....Mrs. Charles Lytle.  
Solo "Beautiful Bells".....  
.....Quartette.  
Solo "Love the Pedlar".....  
.....Mrs. STRANGE.  
Oration "Footbills".....  
.....Nora Klier.  
Solo "May Morning".....  
.....Celia Nelms.  
Duet "Sing Me to Sleep".....  
.....Beulah Crooks and Coyle Smith.  
Oration "Shakespeare's Heroines".....  
.....Ada Pennington.  
Solo "Asleep in the Deep".....  
.....Randolph Ketchum.  
Oration "Japan Since the War".....  
.....Oliver Adams.  
Solo "Just A-Wearyin' for You".....  
.....Verna Howard.  
Presentation of Diplomas.....  
.....County Judge W. A. Bell.  
Chorus "Shepherd's Wedding March".....  
.....Glee Club.

## Huston-Hamilton Nuptials

A very pretty wedding occurred at 4:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon, April 29, 1906, in the parlors of the Sagamore Hotel Baker City, Oregon. The event was something of a sensation in school circles and was attended by all of the teachers of South Baker school, the city superintendent of schools and a few friends. The bride being one of the most popular teachers in the South Baker district.

At the appointed hour Mendelssohn's wedding march was played upon the piano by Miss Edyth Prescott, of the South Baker school, the wedding procession entered the rooms and the bride completed in front of Rev. J. R. N. Bell, pastor of the Presbyterian church, who performed the simple ceremony in his usual effective manner. After the service there was a reception, followed by a wedding luncheon in the main dining hall at which nineteen places were set.

The bride, Miss Rose L. Hamilton, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Hamilton of Granby, Missouri, Mr. Hamilton being a prominent merchant and ex-mayor of that city, was a teacher of South Baker school, sixth grade and well beloved alike by fellow teachers, officers and pupils. She was dressed in a simple grey traveling costume and carried a bouquet of roses.

The groom, J. Husley Huston, known as "Jack" among his friends, the proprietor of the "Pendleton Printer," one of the best job offices in the state, was twice foreman of the Morning Democrat office. A skillful job printer, he was for several years in the employ of the government printing office in Manila, Philippine Islands. Something of a globe trotter, a typical westerner, he has seen all of the countries of the world and has visited most of the states in the Union.

After the wedding luncheon, the entire party repaired to the railroad station where rice was thrown and old shoes hung in the car for good luck. At the station most of the teachers of the city and members of the printing fraternity had already gathered and there was much fun in the send off of the newly married couple to their new home in Pendleton.

The guests at the wedding services were: Mrs. Behrendt, Grace Murray, Ida Ash, Belle Kellogg, Grace Gillespie, Lela Thomas, Clyde Burrow, Edith Alderson, J. A. Churchill, Edyth Prescott, Edna Prescott, George Gillis, Helen Cowgill, W. C. Cowgill, Rev. J. R. N. Bell and Mrs. J. A. Churchill.—Baker City Democrat.

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