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## INJUNCTION DISSOLVED

Judge Bradshaw has rendered his decision in the county injunction case and is in part as follows:

"The court having considered said motion and affidavits submitted by the respective parties hereto and now being fully advised in the premise, finds that the said injunction heretofore issued herein should be modified so as to limit its effect to prohibiting the said defendants from entering into any contract for the construction of a court house that will incur indebtedness against said county exceeding the sum of \$5000 or to do any act toward the building or construction of said court house that will incur any indebtedness against said county exceeding the sum of \$5000.

"It is therefore ordered, adjudged and decreed by the court that the defendants, and each of them, and each of your servants, agents, attorneys, employees, and all persons acting under the control, authority or direction of you or either or any of you do absolutely desist and refrain from building or constructing a court house or from making or entering into any contract for the erection or construction of said court house or any part thereof whereby an indebtedness will be incurred or created against said county exceeding the sum of \$5000.

"That said injunction heretofore issued is in all other respects dissolved and set aside."

After all the fuss and bluster of a handful of westsiders to have the county court permanently enjoined from erecting a new court house, Judge Bradshaw in effect renders a decision which leaves the matter where it was before an injunction order was issued.

## OUR SCHOOLS.

There has just been issued from the Crook County Journal press a very neat and comprehensive history of the schools in this county. The pamphlet is designed chiefly to stimulate public interest in our excellent school system. It is a notice to homeseekers that Crook county is not lagging in the educational race; that our educational facilities are equal to the best. It shows what has been done and what it is hoped to accomplish in the future. In speaking of the work of the Prineville High School for the coming year it says:

"It is hoped in another year to introduce a course in Commerce, covering practice work in book-keeping and in banking, commercial arithmetic, shorthand, and typewriting, only a part of which is now taught. It would thus be made entirely unnecessary for anyone to leave the county for business training. At least one of the modern languages, German, will be added to the curriculum of the school as soon as it can be done, and probably some kinds of industrial education. Modern education aims at the producing of well rounded men and women, developed in head, heart, and hand, mentally, morally, and manually. Hence a good High School should give all three forms of education. The latter form covers instruction in wood and leather work, in certain kinds of sewing, in mechanical drawing, in draughting, etc. We believe such training is as valuable to the farmer's boy as it is to the lawyer's or doctor's boy, and we hope some day to add such work to our course.

"The production of these courses depends on the patronage of the people of the county. If by continuing to send us their children, they show their loyalty to and confidence in the institution, we shall make it possible for them to secure in their home county almost any kind of education, up to four years above the common school, that they may desire."

Every parent in the county

should have one of the books and should give it careful study. It can be had by applying to the County School Superintendent.

## SAGE RATS.

**What to do with the Little Pests is Becoming a Serious Problem.**

A special from Prineville to the Oregonian says that authentic reports from Hay Creek concerning the damage wrought by sage rats are appalling. Notwithstanding the fact that the Baldwin Sheep & Land Company, of Hay Creek, has put forth every effort to eliminate the pest, the rats appear to increase like flies, and all attempts at crop protection are in vain. The company is in despair and has been compelled to purchase much hay in Crooked River Valley in advance for next winter's feeding.

L. Enderud, secretary of the Baldwin Sheep & Land Company, which seems to be the worst sufferer from the pest, says in a communication:

"We have had several fine fields of grain completely destroyed by these rats, and they have also done considerable damage in our alfalfa fields. It would be difficult to state just what the damages are in dollars and cents, but it is a serious matter to the company. We have poisoned thousands of these little destroyers, but it seems that while we have been able to clear them out with poison in a certain field, it has taken but a few days for a new lot to occupy the same ground.

"It seems that they come in from the hills faster than we can kill them off with poison, and thus all our efforts to destroy them have been practically ineffective. Then again, we have noticed that as soon as the grain and alfalfa had attained sufficient growth to afford them plenty of food, they would not take the poison we put out. Our experience with this is that the only time effective poisoning can be done is early in the spring, before the rats can find any green vegetation to live on.

"We have looked into the matter of inoculating them with a disease that would spread among and kill them off. This, we have been informed by officials of the Agricultural Department at Washington, can be readily done, but there is a serious drawback to this process. The disease is highly contagious and may be communicated to any stock grazing on the same ground. This makes the inoculating very dangerous to experiment with. Were it not for this grave outlook the company would certainly order it done, as we know of no other remedy that will prove effective."

From the foregoing communication it will be easily seen that the problem of destroying the sage rat is a serious one. Little is known of the habits of the pest. It may be that this winter will see them cleaned out by natural process, as they have never been known in such numbers in this county before. Then, next year may see them in vastly increased numbers, preying upon every bit of vegetation to be found. The problem is one for the Agricultural Department to solve, since poison and inoculation of any known disease are ineffective.

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## Notice to Creditors.

In the Matter of the estate of Alexander McCloy, Deceased: Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, the administrator of the estate of Alexander McCloy, deceased to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same with the proper vouchers to the undersigned at the office of M. R. Elliott in Prineville, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice.

Dated at Prineville, Oregon, this 19th day of July, 1906.

P. B. DAVIS  
Administrator of the estate of Alexander McCloy, Deceased.

## Death of Edward G. Bolter.

Edward G. Bolter died at his home at Cross Keys, Or., Thursday, July 12, 1906, aged 75 years and 10 months, after a brief illness of inflammation of the bowels.

His boyhood home was in North Hampton, Mass., where he received his education. He was born in Canada, September 12, 1830, while his parents were there on a visit. In 1852 he crossed the Isthmus of Panama on his way to the gold fields of California, and later came to Oregon and became one of the owners and general superintendent of the Elendale Woolen Mills. Afterward he engaged in the mercantile business in Salem, Or., where he soon became known as one of the foremost spirits in helping to build up that town. From Salem he moved to Dallas, Polk county, where he built the first brick store erected in that town. In the early 70's his store and stock of goods were destroyed by fire and in 1877 moved with his family to Prineville. A year later he located on a piece of government land on Trout Creek, where he resided until his death.

Mr. Bolter was married in Salem July 28, 1861, to Miss Elizabeth M. May, who still survives him. To this union were born eight children, four of whom are still living, namely, Mrs. Sanford Shultz, Mrs. Bidwell Cram, J. G. Bolter, all of Cross Keys, Or., and Mrs. M. R. Elliott, of Prineville.

Mr. Bolter was a pioneer in the development of the Cross Keys settlement, being the first to introduce alfalfa on Trout Creek. He was a good citizen, a kind neighbor and a loving husband and father.

## Shaniko Wool Sales.

Nearly a million pounds of wool were sold on the third and last day of the Shaniko wool sales. Prices ranged from 17 1/2 to 20 3/8 cents. The majority of the wools displayed were from Crook county and the Upper John Day Valley. The total amount of wool sold at Shaniko this year was 4,000,000 pounds, or 500,000 pounds less than was marketed last year. The following Crook county sheepmen disposed of their clips:

J. A. Taylor, 15,405 pounds at 19 3/4 cents.

E. R. Laughlin, 165,509 pounds at 20 cents.

George Roda, 9676 pounds at 19 1/2 cents.

F. A. Knox, 19,683 pounds at 18 3/8 cents.

E. J. Laughlin, 14,929 pounds at 19 1/8 cents.

Hugh Lister, 36,504 pounds at 19 3/4 cents.

A. P. Jones, 9809 pounds at 17 3/4 cents.

F. A. Powell, 9001 pounds at 18 3/4 cents.

Knox Bros., 21,420 pounds at 18 3/4 cents.

Ike Ward, 45,181 pounds at 19 1/4 cents.

Williamson & Co., 90,000 pounds at 19 3/4 cents.

## Stumpage Increasing in Value.

The value of stumpage on Oregon timber lands has not begun to advance yet, according to leading timbermen, says the Telegram, who think \$4 a thousand feet will be reached on accessible tracts within the next few years.

"We have seen stumpage advance to \$15 and even \$20 a 1000 feet in Michigan and Wisconsin," said Ellis Jennings today, "and history bids fair to repeat itself in Oregon. Within the next 10 years all timber near navigable streams will be pretty well used up in the Northwest, and after that long lines of railroad will have to be built to the remaining timber belts in the Coast Range and Cascades. The value of timber land will therefore depend on its convenience to waterways, and the less it costs to bring logs to mill, the more will have to be paid for stumpage.

"In the East good money has been made off lands that had been logged off, because good prices were secured for the culled timber later. The timber of the Northwest thus far cut has been sacrificed, but hereafter it will cost money to get control of the remaining forests of the State.

"Stumpage has risen to \$1.25 per 1000 feet, according to recent sales of timber lands along the streams tributary to the Lower Columbia. A few years ago this would have been considered an enormous price, but it will soon be looked upon as extremely low."

## Death of Michael C. Nye.

Michael C. Nye, of Prineville, departed this life on the night of July 12, 1906. He was buried Saturday evening under the auspices of the Masonic lodge.

Colonel Nye, as he was familiarly called, was born in Lynchburg, Va., in 1821. When a small boy he came Missouri with his parents and settled near where St. Joseph now stands. The young lad lived here until he was twenty years of age, engaging in different occupations. He worked for some time in the store of Joe Rubidaux, the founder of the present city of St. Joseph. Becoming tired of life behind the counter he set out with John Bidwell and party and crossed the plains to California in 1841. Here he settled on Feather river, near Sutter's Fort, where he engaged in merchandising, mining and stock raising and amassed a large fortune. Here he was for many years a friend and companion of Captain Sutter, that redoubtable old Californian who did so much for the early pioneers of that State.

In 1844 Col. Nye became a naturalized citizen of Mexico, and obtained title from the Mexican government to an extensive grant of land lying along the Sacramento river on the present site of Marysville. Always on the alert for adventure or investment he was one of the first men on the ground when Marshall discovered the first gold in California in Sutter's mill race. When the Californians resolved to cast off the Mexican rule, he enlisted under the banner of the Mexican governor, Micheltoreno, and was assigned to a command in the army of General Castro and was one of his most trusted officers during the war. In 1861-2 Col. Nye met with his first great loss of property. This was in the floods that overwhelmed California at that time.

Col. Nye was one of the rescuers of the Donner party whose terrible sufferings shocked humanity at that time. It was during the trying ordeals of this trip that an attachment sprang up between Mr. Nye and a survivor of the Donner party and they were subsequently married. This lady was Col. Nye's first wife.

In the history of the Donner Party, published by Bancroft & Co., San Francisco, in 1881, it has this to say regarding Mr. Nye's marriage: "Mrs. Harriet F. Pike was married at Sutter's Fort in 1847, by Alcalde Sinclair, to M. C. Nye. Prior to the discovery of gold they lived about three miles above Marysville, which at this time bore the name of Nye's ranch. Mrs. Nye died in 1872 at The Dalles, Or., and her remains were brought to Marysville and laid to rest in the city cemetery.

Col. Nye came to The Dalles in 1863. He engaged in the stock business, driving mules and beef cattle to the mines in Montana. He speedily made money but one severe winter he lost about everything he had. He came to Crook county in 1882 and engaged in the sheep business for many years, leaving him comfortably well off at the time of his death.

Col. Nye was married a second time and his widow survives him. He leaves no children. Mrs. Schenck of The Dalles is a step-daughter.

## Library Apportionment.

The following is the County Library Apportionment and directors should make selections as soon as practicable. Selections must be made and sent below before August 10 or the Commission will make selections:

1—\$25.00	20—\$1.20	42—\$1.00
2— 2.70	21— 1.20	43— 2.20
3— 2.20	22— 1.00	44— 5.90
4— 1.10	23— 2.00	45— 4.30
5— 2.10	24— 1.80	46— .90
6— 2.90	25— 2.00	48— 1.20
7— 3.20	26— 4.40	49— 2.40
8— 2.20	27— 2.20	50— 2.90
9— 4.00	28— 2.30	51— 1.70
10— 4.60	29— 3.80	52— 4.70
11— 4.60	30— 2.00	53— 8.20
12— 13.90	31— .90	54— 3.30
13— 8.60	32— 1.00	55— 2.60
14— 3.90	33— 3.70	56— 1.80
15— 2.40	34— 1.80	
16— 4.60	35— 1.20	
17— 3.20	36— 1.70	
18— 3.50	37— 2.70	
19— 4.00	38— .80	

C. B. Dinwiddie,  
County Superintendent.

## Notice to Creditors.

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned administratrix of the estate of Lemuel G. Boone, deceased, to the creditors and all others having claims against the estate of Lemuel G. Boone, deceased, to present them with the proper vouchers to the undersigned at the office of M. R. Elliott in Prineville, Oregon, within six months from the date hereof.

Dated this 12th day of July, 1906.  
ELLA BOONE,  
Administratrix of the Estate of Lemuel G. Boone, Deceased.

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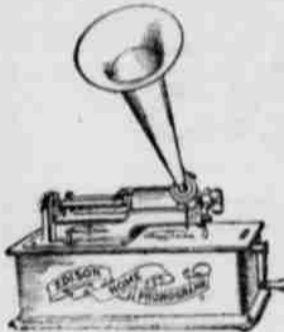
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