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## SOME FINE BEEF CATTLE

John E. Ryan is Feeding a Splendid Bunch Over on the McKay.

### GOOD OBJECT LESSON IN TYPES

Shorthorns, Herefords, Durhams, Jerseys and Mongrels Get the Same Rations—Results Quite Different.

No better object lesson in the value of different breeds of cattle for beef-producing qualities could be found than a visit to the feeding grounds of John E. Ryan on the M. D. Powell place on the McKay. Mr. Ryan has about 200 head of beef cattle that he has wintered there. He has other cattle, both here and elsewhere, but it is of the beef stock we write. This 200 head is made up largely of Herefords and Shorthorns, and a cross between the two, with some Jerseys and a few mongrels.

"In buying," said Mr. Ryan, "it is sometimes necessary to take a few head of scrubs in order to complete a deal, but as a rule I refuse to handle anything but the best type of cattle."

"You can see at a glance what animals furnish the most high-priced cuts and those that produce the low grade, or cheap meats. That steer yonder," said Mr. Ryan, indicating the direction of the animal by a sweep of the hand, "is a cross between a Shorthorn and a Hereford. That is my favorite type. He has size and quality and is endowed with a vigorous constitution. He is a good feeder and carries the meat where it is worth something. His back and ribs are thickly and evenly covered with

firm yet mellow flesh of uniform quality. Now, take a look at that mongrel over there. It is of the common range variety and is typical of its class. It gets the same feed as the blooded stock but look at its appearance. You cannot hide that backbone and ribs no matter how much you feed it. It gets heavier lower down where the cuts are cheap, or puts on tallow that is not worth much. Mind you, the men we sell to are shrewd fellows that can tell at a glance how much and just what kind of meat a steer or a bunch of steers will cut out, and if the producer overlooks any of the essential points he is compelled to bear the loss. Thus, you see, in addition to securing the general beef form and make-up, together with good backs, ribs and loins, there is a certain quality, character and style that constitute an important factor in determining the value of beef cattle. I will put the few head of mongrels in with the rest, but if there were many of them it would make a big difference in the price I would get for my stock. I have been feeding them a mixed ration of wheat hay, alfalfa and wild hay and have got good results. My cattle are in prime condition and are now ready for the market. We will probably drive to Shaniko in a week or two."

### Socialist County Convention

The Socialist County Convention for Crook County, State of Oregon, is hereby called to meet at the Circuit Court room at Prineville, Oregon, on Wednesday, April 22, 1908, at 10 o'clock a. m. for the purpose of nominating candidates for all the County offices to be filed at the next general election, and for the transaction of such other business as may come before said convention. This will be a mass convention and all persons in Crook county, State of Oregon, known to be identified with the Socialistic movement will be entitled to a vote in the proceedings of the convention.

Done by order of the Socialist County Central Committee, March 2nd, 1908.  
J. B. McDowell, Chairman.  
Dwight Roberts, Secretary.

## JOHN M. STEWART FOUND DEAD

The badly decomposed body of John M. Stewart was found in his lonely cabin ten miles west of this place on the old river bed yesterday at 10 a. m. by Deputy Sheriff Ben Jones.

Jones came immediately to the Thomas Sharp ranch on Crooked river, a distance of some 2 1/2 miles, and telephoned to the authorities here. County Health Officer Edwards, Judge W. A. Bell and an undertaker left at once to investigate. Justice of the Peace Chas. O'Neil and several neighbors came also so that an inquest might be held.

The body was found in his bed covered with a pair of blankets. He had apparently retired for the night, had removed his clothes as usual and was dressed in a night shirt. A bottle bearing a laudanum label was on a stand within easy reach, with a little of its contents left, showing that at least two ounces of laudanum must have been swallowed.

The body was in a natural pose, one hand beneath the pillow, the other at the face, showing that he had died without a struggle. The body was in such a condition that it was impossible to move it so a grave was dug in the dooryard to receive it.

All indications showed that the man had been dead for some time, perhaps ten days. Deputy Sheriff Jones was there ten days prior to the time the discovery was made and left the old gentleman in good health but he says that he thinks only one meal had been prepared in the cabin since then.

A horse that was left tied in the stable near by was in the most pitiful condition, showing that it had been without food and water for some time.

For oranges, lemons and bananas, call on Mrs. Cyrus.

### Services at Presbyterian Church

The Presbyterian church was filled to its utmost capacity last Sunday evening, the first service since the refurnishing. The new seating consists of 151 folding opera chairs and with the new carpet, presents a very harmonious appearance. Next Sunday morning the regular quarterly communion service will be held, consisting of sermon, baptism and reception of new members and the



Evangelist E. R. Moon

E. R. Moon will begin a series of meetings at Union Church, Sunday, March 29. He is state evangelist of the Christian church. Everyone invited.

administration of the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. In the evening, Dr. Dunsmore will speak on the subject of "The Christian and Popular Amusements." The evening service will commence at 8 o'clock, instead of 7.30 as formerly. The male quartette will sing in the evening. Everybody cordially invited.

Rolled barley, lowest cash price at J. E. Stewart & Co.

## READY TO DRILL FOR OIL

Leases Now Being Secured for Lands Which Will Soon Be Tapped By Drill

### INDICATIONS FOR OIL ARE GOOD

Subterranean Streams of Water Will Be Encountered in Process of Boring, Adding An Interesting Feature

Frank Forest was up from his Crooked River farm Monday, interviewing such of our citizens as own farms on the plain between Lone Pine Gap and Madras. Mr. Forest is working with A. C. Sanford, a prominent business man of Madras, in securing leases on all lands that lie in the basin or plain between Lone Pine Gap and Madras, also covering the Culver and Opal Prairie regions, and embracing an area of about 300 square miles.

The company of Eastern capitalists that these gentlemen represent propose to prospect the lands thoroughly for gas and oil and each lease stipulates that a well will be drilled either on each man's land who signs the lease, or within three miles of it, within two years from date of the lease, otherwise the contract to be void. The leases are of five years' duration, and contain an option granting the company the right to buy the land at any time they see fit at not less than \$100 per acre.

If they are not disappointed in their beliefs, and oil is found as every indication assures them that it will be, the company will build a pipe line from the wells to tide-water, or perhaps to The Dalles, thus using the gravity system in getting their product to market.

Good indications that the country from Prineville's city limits to and beyond Madras is an oil region exist, and have been known to many for years. In several places where wells have been drilled for water, peculiar formations have been brought to light, which have puzzled the farmers, but all of which are said to be indicative of the presence of oil, and are so recognized by people familiar with an oil country. Some springs and wells in this part of the country are said to be so strongly "flavored" with oil that horses do not like to drink the water, and these, no doubt, have their sources in an oil formation.

Not the least interesting feature of the prospecting operations in this county is the fact that the region to be prospected contains hidden streams of water, and if wells are drilled to a depth of from 1000 to 2000 feet, as is now the plan of the company, some of these subterranean streams are sure to be tapped, and the result will be highly profitable for the finders, for water is all that is needed to make the Haystack plains a veritable garden-spot.

All who have been along the northeast bank of Crooked River from Opal Springs to the very mouth of the river below the Boegli fruit farm have been impressed by the large streams of pure water that pour out of the mountain side, and have their source under the plain that is so badly in need of an abundant supply of good surface water.

### Two Lots Cheap.

Two lots in Prineville for sale at a bargain. Address John Bino, Shelburn, Oregon.

### Rheumatic Pains Relieved.

B. F. Crocker, Esq., now 84 years of age, and for twenty years Justice of the Peace at Martinsburg, Iowa, says: "I am terribly afflicted with sciatic rheumatism in my left arm and right hip. I have used three bottles of Chamberlain's Pain Balm and it did me lots of good." For sale by D. P. Adamson.

### Seed Oats for Sale.

A few hundred bushels of good Seed Oats for sale. Apply to Wardwell Oram, Prineville, Oregon. 4tp

## H. M. Cake Campaigning

Portland, Or., Mar. 23.—In virtually conceding the nomination of H. M. Cake, the Telegram says, in part: Attracting crowds that numerically have been a great surprise to everyone, H. M. Cake is touring the state in behalf of his candidacy for the republication nomination for United States Senator.

Mr. Cake began his tour two weeks ago and has spoken practically every night since that time. Mr. Cake made many warm friends and a large following during his campaign two years ago when he lost the nomination for senator by a very narrow margin. These friends and others who have rallied to his standard during the intervening period, are succeeding in creating real enthusiasm for the aspirant as he tours the state. At every town in which he has spoken, he has been heartily received and his addresses have been heard by crowds greater by far than usually gather to hear a political address.

Mr. Cake is an able speaker, forceful in delivery and wonderfully clear in expression. His talks are unique in that they differ so widely from a political harangue. He assails no one, nor does he resort to crimination of any kind. He tells what he has to say in a clear logical way, a way that appeals strongly to the people.

In each of Mr. Cake's addresses, he has urged upon the republicans of Oregon remaining loyal to their party; fealty to party, he says, is all that is necessary for republicans to continue in the ascendancy in this state. He is an ardent admirer of President Roosevelt, and every address has maintained that it is to the best interests to not only the entire people, but the people of Oregon particularly, that the president's policies be maintained. He is strongly in favor of the reclamation work that is being done throughout the state by the present administration. It should be continued without abatement he insists, and he also urges that ample appropriations should be made for the rivers and harbors of this state. The Willamette he contends, should be open to commerce as far as the possible head of navigation.

One feature of Mr. Cake's address that invariably appeals strongly to his hearers, is his position with reference to the election of United States senators. Mr. Cake believes in the people and consequently believes in the election of senators by the people. He declares that if elected, he will support a federal amendment providing for the popular election of United States senators. In this connection he recites the history of the people to achieve this end. For years and years various efforts

have been made by the people to elect their own senators, and he shows that there is a provision in the Constitution at this time for so doing.

This subject, however, according to Mr. Cake, is not the overshadowing feature of the campaign. The election of United States senators by the people must prevail eventually, but the needs of Oregon and the maintenance of republican principles, should be the topic instead.

Mr. Cake's itinerary includes practically the entire state. Local machine politicians who professed to have little faith in his chances for success, are now thoroughly alarmed. They see in the large crowds that are flocking to hear Mr. Cake's addresses and in the attitudes of the different newspapers throughout the state favoring Mr. Cake, a menace to the old system which they hope to perpetuate.

### C. I. B. Notes.

The business men of Prineville have responded liberally to an appeal for prizes to members of the Civic Improvement Brigade.

A. H. Lippman offers for the most beautiful and artificially arranged hanging basket—First prize—(if a girl) A rocking chair; for a boy, a pearl-handled pen knife. Second prize—A fancy picture framed. The display to be made and prizes awarded by the middle of June.

Foster & Hyde offers for the most unique and artistic birdhouse—(either boy or girl)—A pair of fine shoes. The same to be awarded about the middle of May.

W. F. King offers a cash prize of \$1.50 for the first three dozen marketable radishes.

Stroud Bros. offer a prize of \$1 for the first three pounds of marketable lettuce.

J. E. Stewart & Co. offer a big Webster's Unabridged Dictionary to the boy or girl bringing in the first three dozen marketable onions. The dictionary is on exhibition in one of the show windows.

The prizes for flowers will be announced later.

At the meeting of the C. I. B., held last Thursday, a vote of thanks was tendered to Mayor Wurzweiler and city council for their response to the request for a cleaning up day. A Junior C. I. B. was organized Saturday afternoon at the Union church. All children under 10 years of age are eligible to membership. These little ones will be under the direction and supervision of the advisory board. It costs nothing to join and it is hoped that parents will encourage their children to join and help in the good work.

Men's Suits, Hats and general Furnishings at about half price at J. E. Stewart & Co.

## Spring Opening Friday and Saturday, April 2 and 3

### AN IMMENSE DISPLAY OF EASTER MILLINERY

in the choicest and most tempting of the season's styles. All at modest prices

### SPRING TAILORED SUITS

On this date we will have for your inspection about 40 high-grade Ladies' Tailored Dress Suits made for us by one of the exclusive ladies house. These represent the choicest creations for Spring and if you are in doubt as to what you should wear at Easter time, wait until you see this line



## Muslin Underwear AT A HEAVY DISCOUNT

We have bought for this occasion 360 pieces of Muslin Underwear—Drummers' Samples—at a heavy discount and will place them on sale for the first time on our opening day. No two pieces alike, and every piece a perfect sample. Includes NIGHT GOWNS, CORSET COVERS, DRAWERS and PETTICOATS

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