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PROGRAMME FOR THE RACE MEET

Everything Ready for the Best Week's Sport Ever Held in Crook County

LEAVE THE DOGS AT HOME

Racing Spirit is in the Air and Several Match Races Have Already Been Run—Eight Events Are Scheduled

Everything is ready for the best racing meet ever held in the county. The following are the names of the horses that will take part in the meet: "Masters" and "Wade Hampton," Vol. Officer in charge; "Seventy," Chas. Bedell, owner; "Switzer," a John Day horse, Tom Williams, owner;

"Lumber Jim" and "Owen," from Tygh Valley, Jim Brown, owner; "Cavita," from Tygh Valley, Mode, owner; "Chartruse," from Bake Oven, Hunt, owner; "Kamsack" and "Hop Queen," Galbreath, owner; "Brandy" and "Keno," Hugh Lister, owner; "Patsy Brown," T. F. Buchanan, owner; "John H.," and "Lamonta," A. M. Zevely, owner; "Pinto Dick," Morris, owner; "Gray Dandy," Yancey, owner; "Nina," from The Dalles, Andy Allen, owner. There are a few more horses due to arrive before the date set for the meet to begin.

Much rivalry exists between the different owners as to the merits of their respective horses. On Tuesday there was a match race between "Lumber Jim" and "Seventy" for a \$100. It was won by "Lumber Jim" by a nose. The owners of "Seventy" and "Chartruse" put up \$100 each for a race Thursday. The money was taken by "Seventy." So it is easily to be seen that the racing spirit is in the air and that from

May 12 to 15 there will be no lack of good sport.

There is just one request that the management ask of the public and that is to leave your dogs at home. Where so many dogs follow their owners to the racetrack it becomes not only a nuisance but a menace to the running horses and jockeys. For this reason the judges would ask that all canines be excluded from the grounds. The following is the racing program:

- FIRST DAY—MAY 12**
 Match race, quarter mile dash, \$2000.
 Seven-eighth mile dash, free for all, \$200.
- SECOND DAY—MAY 13**
 Three-eighth mile and repeat, \$200.
 Three-quarter mile dash, \$200.
- THIRD DAY—MAY 14**
 Three-eighth mile dash, \$150.
 Half-mile and repeat, \$200.
- FOURTH DAY—MAY 15**
 Quarter mile and repeat, \$150.

Consolation race, purse to be made up.

CONDITIONS

All the above races are five to enter and three to start, but reserve the right to hold a less number than five by reducing the purse in proportion to the number of horses entered.

Entries close the evening before the race at 7 o'clock sharp. The Pacific Coast Blood Association to govern all races. Entrance fees ten per cent of purse. Money to be divided as follows: 70 per cent to the first horse and 30 per cent to the second horse.

The committee reserves the right to change any of the above races, in the event of not filling or other reasons. No money paid without a contest.

A report from Bend says that a contract has been let for a mail line from Bend to Crook once a week. The contract calls for a weekly service and gives the distance as 48 miles. The person to whom the contract was awarded was not known to our informant.

C. SAM SMITH ON TRIAL FOR ARSON

Lark Elliott on the Witness Stand Tells About the Destruction of Williamson's Property

MANY WITNESSES WILL TESTIFY

State's Evidence Completed—Report of the Trial Up to Friday 3 O'Clock P. M.—State Rests and Defense Has Nothing

Ex-Sheriff C. Sam Smith, Lark Elliott and Stanley Smith, son of ex-Sheriff Smith, were arraigned Tuesday by Judge Bradshaw of the circuit court on charges connecting them with the destruction of property belonging to J. N. Williamson at different dates in the last days of March of this year.

Against C. Sam Smith, the principal offender in the case, there are four counts as follows: The destruction of a dwelling or cook house, the property of J. N. Williamson, the distribution of poison for sheep and the destruction of a fence enclosing lands not his own. In each of these cases Elliott is a co-defendant with Smith, and one charge against Smith alone, namely, the destruction by fire of a building used for a shearing plant and for sacking wool, belonging to J. N. Williamson and valued at \$800 in which Smith is the sole defendant.

Stanley Smith is charged separately with the fence destroying account and will be given a separate hearing.

At the opening of court at nine o'clock Wednesday morning ex-Sheriff Smith and Stanley Smith entered pleas of not guilty.

A motion was entered by the defense that they be allowed until Thursday morning for preparation for trial, and gave as a reason that additional witnesses had been subpoenaed from a considerable distance and that they could not arrive before the time stated.

Some fifteen or more witnesses have been summoned by the state among whom are Larkin Elliott, his wife, and the daughter of ex-Sheriff Smith.

The legal line-up of the case is: Prosecuting Attorney Menefee, W. A. Bell and H. S. Wilson of The Dalles, for the state; J. K. Weatherford, J. R. Wyatt and G. W. Barnes for the defense.

A special list of 20 jurors summoned by Sheriff Elkins Tuesday, were present at the call of the court Thursday morning. A large crowd was present when court was called by Judge Bradshaw.

Jurors were examined as follows: Walter Ruble of Culver, taken; J. F. Taylor of Prineville, taken; N. A. Newbill of Grizzly, excused by defendants; John Steidl of Bend, taken; C. R. Henry of Paulina, excused by state; J. W. Wilt of Sisters, excused by defendants; J. S. Windom of Culver, taken; G. D. Millhorn of Crook, excused by the state; J. F. Wiegand of Lamonta taken; H. L. Friday of Cross Keys, excused by defendants; J. E. Wimer of Sisters, excused by the court; J. W. Spear of Prineville, excused by court; C. R. McLallin of Redmond, taken; G. W. Urdike of Laidlaw, taken; H. K. W. Taylor of Madras, taken; M. Niswonger of Powell Buttes was excused by the court; E. C. Faught of Prineville was next examined and after twenty minutes questioning was taken as a juror.

W. R. Smith of Powell Buttes was excused by the defendants; Ralph Moore of Haycreek was accepted and took seat number ten in the jury box; F. W. McCaffery of Redmond was accepted; F. L. Ricker and James Whelpley, both of Redmond were excused by the defense; J. T. Parx of Redmond was the last juror called and after lengthy questioning was accepted and the panel filled.

After the attorneys for the prosecution and defense outlined their case to the jury J. N. Williamson

was called to the witness stand. A plat of the premises showing the location of the respective homes of Smith and Elliott and the other buildings, especially the shearing plant and sheep camp that were burned, was introduced as evidence and identified by Williamson as having been made by him. The greater part of Williamson's evidence was used to show the location of the buildings and other points of interest in the case.

The testimony of Williamson was intended by the state to show the motive for the crime.

Q. What, if anything, was said at that time about renting or leasing your pastures for last winter's use? What was Smith's reply about that?

A. "I am for sale and have nothing to give away." I think was the way he put it. I said that suits me exactly; I wish to buy the pasture in your field for a feeding ground for sheep.

To this Smith replied, "No I will not sell a part of it; I wish to sell it all or none at all." No deal was made regarding the pasture last fall.

In response to other questions Mr. Williamson replied, "Yes the question of my buying Smith's land had been referred to between us several times. The question was brought by Mr. Smith, perhaps, as many as two or three dozen times. I never wanted to buy it; but did go at his request in the spring of 1906 and looked the place over. I told him that he had a very nice place but that I did not want to buy it."

The cross examination of Williamson, although rather lengthy, was not hard pressed by the defendant. The entire examination of Mr. Williamson took about two hours.

The next witness was Larkin Elliott. The taking of his testimony occupied about three hours.

After relating all the circumstances of the day the burning was done, Elliott was asked to describe the event from the time the two were starting from Smith's house until their return there. The story is substantially as follows with the omission of the repetitions:

"Mr. Smith had said that Williamson was crowding us too close and that we must put him out of business. On the day the burning was done Smith and I started from his barn on horseback. Smith brought two bottles of coal oil and handed me one of them and put the other in his pocket. We mounted our horses and went out through Smith's pasture past the Vaninna place and up Wickieup creek and Horseheaven to the shearing plant. We rode by the house and to the shearing plant. Smith got down from his horse, handed me the reins and went and set the house on fire. Then he

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LUMBER PLANT FOR BEND

Shelvin Lumber Company May Buy the Bend Townsite and Build Big Mills

T. H. SHEVLIN VISITS CROOK

Says He is Favorably Impressed With Bend's Future Prospects as a Lumbering and Railroad Town

Thomas H. Shelvin, of Minneapolis, Minn., one of Crook County's biggest individual taxpayers, passed through the city Tuesday on his return from the Bend country, where Mr. Shelvin has been looking over his large holdings with a view of putting in a large sawmill plant.

The Shelvin Lumber Company own some 90,000 acres of land that lies on the Deschutes in the heaviest timbered belt of Crook county. An ideal location for a factory is also in possession of this progressive company just above Bend, and if Mr. Shelvin's present plans mature there will be a large mill there within a few years and also a factory for the manufacture of all kinds of woodwork, including doors, window sashes, all kinds and styles of boxes, etc.

One of the purposes of Mr. Shelvin's trip to Bend at this time was the prospective purchase of the Bend townsite, but whether or not the transfer was made we are unable to find out at this time, although Mr. Shelvin was favorably impressed with Bend and its prospective future, both as a progressive town and a railroad center.

The location of the new factory will be some distance above Bend on the river, the exact site is not known yet.

The activity of some of these parties will have more to do with getting a railroad into Crook county than all the newspaper hot air that has been displayed in Crook county for the past twenty years, and there has been a lot of it.

The Knights of Pythias held a special session last evening in honor of visiting Knights. Supreme representative, Judge Bradshaw, District Attorney Menefee and other members of the order were present.

R. J. Stockmyer, postoffice inspector, left for Crook and Paulina Tuesday and will return the last of the week. Mr. Stockmyer has just about completed the inspection of the offices in Crook county and will return to his home at Roseburg next week.

Summer White Goods Sale

4 Days **FOUR DAYS ONLY** 4 Days

Beginning Saturday, May 9th and continuing Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of next week **ONLY**, we will afford you an opportunity to select your Summer wear at about two-thirds of their regular value

Muslin Underwear, Gowns, Corset Covers, Chemises and many White Dress Goods are included in this sale
 25c prices now 17 1/2c
 50c prices now 32 1/2c

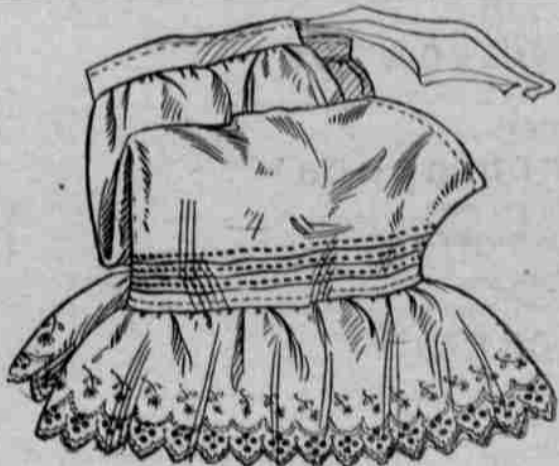


Shirt Waists
 Lot 1, regular \$1 to \$1.25 values, sale price 75c
 Lot 2, worth \$1.50 to \$1.75, sale price \$1.00
 Lot 3, sold at \$1.75 to \$2.25, now \$1.25
 Three special lots that will save you money.

White Hosiery
 100 pairs regular 20c values, sale price 12 1/2c
 50 pairs regular 35c values, sale price 22 1/2c
 Children's and misses' lines also reduced.

White Parasols
 Elegant Linen—with natural wood or enameled handles
 These sold at \$2.50, sale price \$1.65
 Child's white parasols, regular \$1.00 value, on sale 65c

White Oxfords
 For ladies, misses and children 1/2 off



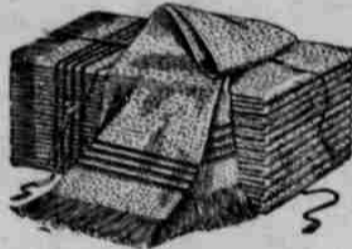
An Immense Shipment of Muslin Underwear
 Chemise, corset covers, skirts and gowns, in beautiful high-grade muslin, all handsomely finished—which you may select from at Less than 1/2 regular price

Ladies' Summer Vests
 300 samples—slightly soiled—will be sold at 10c to 75c
 These bargains will not come again this year.

Millinery
 Large assortment of Straw and Trimmed hats—regular values \$1.50 to \$3.50. We have placed the entire lot at \$1.00
 Look these over.

Summer Waistings in White Goods
 In dozens of exclusive patterns—
 Regular 25c pieces, now 17 1/2c
 Regular 37 1/2c pieces, now 25c
 Regular 20c pieces, now 12 1/2c

White Silk Gloves, White Veils, Collars, Ties, Belts
 At 1/2 of their actual value



Towels Bath towels each, 12 1/2 to 32 1/2c
 Huck towels—Towelings at prices you can afford to pay.

Large Assortment Leather Belts
 In all sizes, includes belts for ladies, misses and children
 at 1/2 regular price

White Bed Spreads
 Splendid value for \$1.25, now 95c
 Splendid value for \$2.00, now \$1.50
 Splendid value for \$4.50, with cut corners and heavy fringe
 sale price \$3.65

We also place on sale in the Men's Department

Men's Night Shirts
 Handsomely trimmed and well made 90c
 for regular \$1.25 to \$1.50 lines

Men's Plaited and Soft Bosom Dress Shirts
 Regular \$1.25 to \$2.00 values, your choice at 95c

Large Line Sample Sox
 In white and fancy shades and colorings—only three pair of each pattern—regular 25c, 35c and 50c values will be sold at 15c, 25c and 40c
 Good dressers will find something neat and new here.

Grocery Specials during sale only

- 7 boxes parlor matches 25c
- Schilling's 50c Tea, package 35c
- Schilling's 25c Tea, package 20c
- 2 pounds crackers 30c
- Dry Italian Prunes—not over 10 lbs to each customer 37c
- Pint Jar Genuine Fruit Jelly, regular 35c value 25c
- 3 pounds fine salt 10c

Remember, these prices will talk. See the goods and you will buy. This sale closes Wednesday, May 13th. These prices are cash

C. W. ELKINS, Prineville, Or.

ROYAL Baking Powder

The only Baking Powder made with Royal Grape Cream of Tartar—made from grapes—

Insures healthful and delicious food for every home—every day

Safeguards your food against alum and phosphate of lime