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## SHERIFF ELKINS BETWEEN DEVIL AND DEEP BLUE SEA

### Crook County Official Commanded to Sell Stock of Booze in Dry County--Which Horn of this Dilemma Would You Take?

Uneasy rests the head of Sheriff Elkins these days. He is waiting for advice from the district attorney. How can a sheriff sell booze in a dry county, when it is his duty to arrest anyone else who does the same thing? That is what is worrying the sheriff of Crook.

The circuit court has issued an order commanding him to sell, under attachment, to the highest bidder for cash in hand, the remnant of the troublesome Estebenet stock of liquors at Bend, at the court house door in Prineville on

Nov. 24. If he makes the sale does he violate the "dry" law? If he refuses to obey the command of the court, interested parties might make trouble with his bondsmen because the sheriff refused to perform his official duties.

"I'm between the devil and the deep blue sea," says Sheriff Elkins. "I'll let the district attorney decide the matter."

"Furthermore, it's a long, cold, dry drive from Bend to Prineville. I'll have to look around for a freighter whose character is beyond question to bring that tempting cargo over from Bend."

## Try-Out Debate Tomorrow Evening

The "tryout" debate of the Crook County High School will be held tomorrow (Friday) at 1:45 in the high school building, the subject for debate being, "Resolved, that the present policy of the United States government regarding Chinese exclusion be continued." This contest is open to all high school students, who are at liberty to select either side of the question.

The judges for this debate are: W. A. Bell, J. N. Williamson and Dr. Dunsmore. Everybody invited.

Each speaker will be limited to 5 or 10 minutes, and judges will select three, to comprise the debating team of the school. The Crook County High School has entered the State Debating League, and the first debate scheduled for the local team is one with an all-Sherman-county team, some time in December. The results of the league debates will pit winners against winners, eliminating defeated teams from the contest, and the winning Eastern Oregon team will ultimately compete with the winning Western or Southern Oregon high school debaters in a contest for the state championship.

## NEW WELL FOR CITY WATER

### Big Steam Drill at Work in the City

HOPE TO AVOID OLD TROUBLE

Test Well to Be Completed and Tried, If Satisfactory Several More Will Be Installed

John Moore has brought his big steam well drill in from Redmond and is sinking a well for the Prineville Light & Water Co. near the power plant. The well now being put down is a test well and will be sunk 70 feet.

The plan is to drill and case the drill hole to the depth named, when the stratum of quicksand will have been reached, and then

with a centrifugal pump a large cavity is to be excavated in the bottom of the well. This cavity is to be filled with gravel and later a double casing will be installed with a cement lining between casings to avoid any possibility of surface water finding its way into the well.

The difficulty the water company expects to overcome in this well is the packing of the quicksand about the strainer in the bottom of the well, which seriously checks the flow of water and makes necessary so many different wells. The gravel-filled cavity is expected to accomplish this. If this test well proves a success, several more will be drilled, but this one will be completed and tried before operations are begun on any others.

This is the same kind of a well that is being installed by the Southern Pacific railway company along its lines through the desert regions, where they are said to give the best of satisfaction.

## HOW WILL CITY RAISE MONEY FOR COMING YEAR

### Absence of \$3000 Saloon Licenses Puts New Face on Question--Council Passes It Up ---City Election December 21.

City election day will be Monday, December 21. At that time the qualified electors of the city of Prineville will be called upon to elect a mayor and three councilmen. Another councilman will probably be appointed in January by the new mayor, whoever he may be, to take the place of Councilman Walter O'Neil, now a resident of Shaniko.

With the dawn of another year comes the mooted question of the source of city revenue to meet the expenses of that year. Heretofore the \$3000 from six saloons at \$50 a month apiece has been forthcoming as the bulk of Prineville city revenue. Under the local option law now in effect none of this money is available.

The question that now confronts the citizens of Prineville is, therefore, how to meet the actual running expenses of the city. Thus far the outgoing city council has taken no action in this matter and it would appear that the present council does not intend to do so—but the question will have to be

settled in some way and that soon.

Taxable property within the corporate limits of the city of Prineville has an assessed valuation of \$451,470 which, for the year 1908 was assessed at the rate of 24.3 mills which, in round figures, yields a revenue of about \$11,000, but only one-fourth of this amount can be used for city purposes, as will be seen from the following itemized proportions of the total of 24.3 mills:

City of Prineville.....	6.00
School tax.....	6.00
County and State.....	8.00
General school.....	3.00
High school.....	1.25
Library fund.....	.65
Total in mills.....	24.90

Next year the \$3000 saloon revenue must be raised in some other way. If by direct taxation it will take 6.6 mills to do it. Some people think that no additional tax is necessary, claiming that with a rigid curtailment of expenses the city could be run on a 24.3 basis. We pass the matter up to the new council for solution.

## Popular Madras Couple Weds

### Chester E. Roush and Miss Katharine Hering Married in Prineville Sunday Evening

Mr. Chester E. Roush and Miss Katharine A. Hering, both of Madras, were married in the parlor of the Hotel Prineville Sunday evening, Nov. 15, Dr. Charles Dunsmore, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, officiating. With a short but impressive ceremony Dr. Dunsmore united the happy pair in the presence of a few of their friends at 5:30, and after congratulations had been extended the party were served with an elegant wedding supper in the Hotel Prineville dining room.

The groom is a prosperous young merchant of Madras, where he has resided for several years, and during this time has made for himself an enviable reputation for personal worth and business integrity. The bride is a most estimable young woman who came to Madras to reside from Michigan about one year ago. Since coming to Madras she has made many warm friendships by her amiability, and while the groom is one of the very best of Crook county's young men he has won a helpmate who is in every way worthy to share the promise of a most successful and useful career.

Mr. and Mrs. Roush returned to Madras Monday afternoon and will make their home there.

Those present at the wedding were: Sheriff and Mrs. Frank Elkins, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Riddle and son, and B. F. DeVinney, of Portland.

## Stockmen's Range Meeting Dec. 10-12

The Forester has authorized a stockmen's meeting to be held at Prineville, Oregon, December 10, 11 and 12, for the purpose of adjusting the lines between the cattle and sheep ranges in the Deschutes national forest. Much interest and a large attendance on the part of Crook county stockmen is expected.

A. S. Ireland, forest supervisor in this district, with headquarters in this city, has the matter in charge.

## Indian Name of Deschutes.

The old Indian name for the Deschutes was Tawah na-hi-ooks. It received its present name from the early French voyageurs, who plied the Columbia river in their bateaux, going from the upper country to points along the Columbia. They were fur hunters and belonged to the Northwest company.

Lewis and Clark called the Deschutes by the old Indian name. Before they reached the rapids of the Columbia at Celilo the explorers heard from the Indians of the great falls, where all the water of the Columbia goes leaping over to break in the basalt depths below.

## RAISES PRIZEWINNING CROPS ON DRY LAND

### Tillman Reuter of Madras Makes No Complaint About Crop Production—Produces Corn at Profit.

Tillman Reuter was in town from Madras last Friday and says he has no complaint to make in regard to crop production this year. And he has a good right to feel that way, for by his dry land farming he this year raised splendid crops, including corn, showing what can be done by well directed efforts on the dry lands of Crook county, without irrigation.

At the recent Crook County fair, Mr. Reuter's exhibit carried away 14 prizes in all, and his general display of agricultural products grown on unirrigated lands was awarded first prize and highly commended by the judges as well as by all who saw it. Through the rush in publishing the list of awards for publication, through inadvertence, credit for this award was given to another

party, but this was a mistake as Mr. Reuter's display was the winner and was indeed one of the most meritorious in the pavilion. A complete list of the awards made to him is as follows:

- Farm products, without irrigation, general display—first.
- Wheat in bulk—first.
- Early Adams corn—first.
- Winter wheat in bulk—first.
- Winter wheat in stalk—second.
- Oats—first.
- Barley—second.
- Blue Victor potatoes—first.
- Carrots—first.
- Priestaker onions—first.
- Mammoth Silver King onions—first.
- Long Keeper onion—second.
- White Victor potato—second.
- Early Rose potato—second.

## COZY HOMES FOR THE FOREST RANGERS

### Snug Houses Being Built by Government for Use of Men Who Patrol National Forests.

C. C. Hon, assistant forest ranger in the Deschutes national forest, has just completed the new Ochoco ranger station in the reserve. Its dimensions are 36 by 38 feet over all, one story being built in the form of a Catholic cross.

The structure, which is a very workmanlike job, contains two bedrooms 11-8x11-4, one living room 13-8x11-4, one dining room 9-4x11-4, one kitchen 11-4x8, one pantry and one storeroom. The living room is in front with a big double window. Immediately back of this room is the dining room, then the kitchen, then the pantry and storeroom, one on either side. The bedrooms are in the two arms of the cross, the short end of the cross being forward. Three spacious porches complete the building. This station is built according to

regulation forestry plans sent out from Washington, and is only one of several such buildings. Each such forestry station has a big barn in connection, for the shelter and accommodation of the foresters' horses and a cow or two for milk.

Material is now on the ground for a like building on Rager creek, which will also be built by Mr. Hon, who is carpenter in this district, though holding titles as assistant forest ranger. This as well as the Ochoco station, is a frame house weather boarded, with drop siding. It is ceiled on the inside, and will be cloth papered.

The foresters' station in the Maury reserve is a homestead farm house bought by the government from its former owner.

All stations have telephonic communication with the outside world.

## SUCCESSFUL SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

### Third Annual County Meeting Results in Much Benefit to Bible School Work--Rev. C. A. Phipps Lectures

Delegates and church people who attended the three days' sessions of the third annual Crook county Sunday school convention, held last Friday, Saturday and Sunday in this city at the First Methodist

church, unite in pronouncing the meeting a marked success; greater, if anything, than the two annual conventions which preceded it. The number of delegates was a little

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## For the Table on Thanksgiving

### Table Linens

Beautiful Damask Table Linen 66 in. wide special	\$1.25
Fine Bleached Pure Linen 72 inches wide, plain center	\$1.50
Pure Irish Linen, bleached, heavy twill, 72 in., Thistle pat.	\$1.75
Heavy Table Padding, special	69c

### White Haviland

Large shipment of pure white Haviland direct from importing office at figures much lower than if bought from Coast houses, and we are quoting you prices 10 to 15 per cent lower than ever before. This is the celebrated "Ransome" pattern and you will always be able to add new pieces to your collection.

Handled Tea Cups and Saucers, set	\$3 00
Large Coffee Cups and Saucers, set	3 75
7 inch Plates, set	2 25
5 inch Breakfast Plates, set	3 00
8 inch Dinner Plates, set	3 75
Coupe (Soup Plates), set	2 75
12 inch Platters, each	1 75
14 inch Platters, each	2 50
16 inch Platters, each	4 50
Chop Plates, each	2 00
Covered Tureens, Covered Dishes, Gravy and Sauce Bats, Etc.	

### Fill Your Needs

We are making a special effort to call your attention to the good things we have for you, and trust that you will not let the opportunity pass without filling your needs in these goods.

### SPECIAL Thanksgiving Groceries

New Jersey Cranberries, every berry sound and wholesome, quart	20c
Extra good Seeded Raisins & Currants, 1 lb pkg., each	15c
Extra fancy Citron and Lemon Peel, per pound	25c
Fresh Paper Shell Almonds, pound	20c
New Paper Shell Walnuts, pound	22c

### Other New Goods

Heinz Mandelary Sauce	Sweet Pickles
Chow	New Olives
New Corn	Tomatoes
Diamond W Catsup and Minceint	

### Silverware

We guarantee the Holmes & Edwards Silverware to be as good as any on the market and to carry 25 per cent more silver than standard plate. The following in French Grey Finish:

Teaspoons	Dessert & Table Spoons
Cold Meat and Salad Forks	
Berry Sets	Soup Sets
Butter Knives	Sugar Spoons
Hollow Handle Knives and Nut Sets	

### Coat Sweaters

Just received today—immense line of Sweater Coats.

For Boys and Girls, each	\$1.50
For Ladies	\$2.50 to \$4.00
For Men, extra heavy	\$3.00

# C. W. ELKINS