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WOOL SHOWS UPWARD TREND

Sale Prices Average 8
Cents Over Last Year

GROWERS' STRONG POSITION

Four Million Pounds Are Mar-
keted at Shaniko in a
Season.

The wool sale at Shaniko Friday, May 21, the first of the scheduled auction events in the state this season, showed clearly the strength and upward trend of the wool market, says the Telegram. At the same time the sale further strengthened the position of Shaniko as one of the most important wool centers of the state.

Ordinarily in the neighborhood of 4,000,000 pounds of wool are marketed at Shaniko in a season, but at the sale Friday only half a million pounds were offered, large quantities having been already disposed of by contract. The prices paid ranged from 20% to 22% cents, from 1 to 3

cents over the prices thus far paid on contracts in Eastern Oregon and approximately 8 cents above the average returns for last year's clip.

At last Friday's sales there was considerable wrangling between growers and buyers over the discounts on buck wool, the buyers demanding one-half off, which the growers refused to accept.

Among the principal sellers at the sale and the amounts transferred were the following: Ewen McLennan, 109,000 pounds at 20%; Hilton & Burges, 65,000 pounds at 22%; P. Kelly, 37,000 pounds at 21%; W. E. Hunt, 25,000 pounds at 21%; G. Kampfer, 15,000 pounds at 21%; M. Maxwell, 27,000 pounds at 22%; Bannan estate, 26,000 pounds at 21%; A. W. Fargher, 33,000 pounds at 21%.

For the R. R. Hinton clip of about 100,000 pounds 21 cents was offered, but the offer was not accepted. Reports from Pendleton are that more than 1,000,000 pounds of wool have been disposed of in and near that city within the past few days at prices ranging from 18 to 21%.

The Umatilla county clip is now practically out of growers' hands. All of the best wool of the county brought better than 20 cents, which is a good deal higher than the prices paid last year.

Lost.

Watch and chain and hand-bag in Prineville, last Monday forenoon; lady's gold watch with monogram "L. L. S." engraved on back of case; rope chain. Black leather hand-bag, watch and chain were in the bag. Finder leave at Mrs. Joe Taylor's and be rewarded for trouble. It

"BRANDY" BEAT "WADE HAMPTON"

Races in Progress at
Fair Grounds

'EBELTHATCHER' WON 3-4 DASH

Baseball Game Friday Morning
—Two More Days Racing,
Baseball Sunday.

The May races opened yesterday at the Fair Grounds, near Prineville, with a good attendance. Although the first day's races were sufficient to bring down a refreshing and much needed shower, the weather today promises to be more auspicious.

In the quarter-mile dash yesterday "Brandy," the horse from Paulina, beat "Wade Hampton" by about half a length. The other horse in this race was "Psyche," the little mare from Redmond. "Princess David," one of Baber's racers from Grants Pass was entered, but was scratched before the race was run.

In the three-quarter dash "Ebelthatcher," one of Officer's horses

from John Day, finished first; Baber's "Bushtharp" second; "Trump," a colt being tried out by Bill Pollard, third; and "Yankee Boy," one of the horses from Doris, Calif., fourth.

The entries for today's races are as follows:

In the three-eighths dash, "Wade Hampton," "Brandy," "Princess David," "Lady Banata," "Main" and "Pilgrim Rose."

In the seven-eighths dash, "John H.," "Confederate," "Ebelthatcher" and "Jerusha."

The races continue until Saturday. Friday morning the first baseball game of the series will be played at the grounds on the north side of Ochoco. Only two teams are entered, Redmond and Prineville. The second game takes place Saturday morning, and the last game Sunday afternoon. The purse is \$100, all of which goes to the winning team.

Women of Woodcraft.

Members of Juniper Circle, W. O. W., are hereby requested to meet Friday evening at 7:30 sharp, for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year, to elect a delegate to the grand lodge, and act on other matters of great importance. The attendance of every member is urged at the hour named, in order to finish the business as early as possible on account of the Commencement exercises. MRS. SARAH WRIGHT, Acting Guardian Neighbor.



CROOK COUNTY'S NEW STONE COURT HOUSE IN PRINEVILLE.

CROOK COUNTY'S COURT HOUSE THE HEART OF OREGON

Detailed Statement of All Expenditures Made
in Connection with its Construction.

Crook County's fine new gray stone courthouse has been completed and accepted by the county court. The accompanying illustration gives a good general idea of its appearance, the photograph having been taken before the porch pillars had been completed and put in place.

The total height from the ground to the ball on the flag pole is 110 feet. The ground covered by the foundation is 76 x 106 feet. The stone of which the building is constructed was taken from the quarry on the grade on the Bend road, about one and one-half miles from town. W. D. Pugh, architect of Salem, designed the plans. The interior of the building is supplied with commodious fire-proof vaults for the safe-keeping of county records. All of the interior wood work is hard finish imitation oak. Complete electric lighting system; call bells, steam heating plant, toilets, water for drinking, a separate system for fire protection, are installed, and when the building is appropriately furnished there will not be a detail wanting to make this one of the handsomest, most complete and most convenient public buildings on the coast.

Messrs. Wright & McNeely were the contractors on the basement work. The work of the superstructure was contracted by J. B. Shipp of Prineville. The stone work was in charge of Messrs. Phillips & Douglas of Portland, and the heating and p'umbing work was done by Bernardi & Dunsford of Salem.

County Judge H. C. Ellis this week kindly furnishes us with the following itemized statement of all expenditures and costs incurred in the construction of the new court house, which will prove of great interest to every resident of the county:

Paid W. D. Pugh for plans and specifications.....	\$ 1,700 00
Paid Wright & McNeely on contract for substructure, including septic tanks.....	14,026 00
Paid J. B. Shipp on contract for superstructure, total amount of his bid 57,000 00 Not in specifications or contract—	
Paid for electric fixtures, desk lamps, chandeliers, materials, Tungsten lamps, panel boxes, cut-outs, 8 complete and independent circuits, electric meter, call bell and annunciator wiring, water meter, water connections, labor, etc.....	944 80
Window shades for whole building.....	139 48
Cushion springs for large glass doors, rubber stair treads with brass protectors and various incidentals.....	100 00
Amount paid.....	\$73,910 28
The county still owes Contractor Shipp for the following extras in and about the building, not included in contract or specifications—	
Two piers in basement.....	\$30 00
Partition in treasurer's office.....	47 00
Hammering 376 feet of water table.....	94 00
" 268 feet caps.....	68 00
" 139 sills.....	104 25
52 ft 4 inch top step.....	104 65
Separate water system for fire purposes.....	45 00
Plastering jail walls and ceiling.....	222 00
Plastering, finishing and cementing cell for women, children or insane in basement.....	118 00
Screen and iron door for women's cell.....	25 00
Flag pole and cresting on tower.....	25 00
Iron grating for vault windows.....	10 00
Cost of tower clock over specifications.....	25 00
Painting cells in jail, two coats.....	25 00
Remodeling plumbing in jail.....	41 00
Three steam radiators in jail complete.....	76 00
	1,049 90
Cost of building complete.....	\$74,960 18

In addition to the above Contractor Shipp has, without any cost whatever to the county, furnished the following items of labor and materials, none of which was called for by the specifications:

Leveling up the first story joists, value of same.....	\$ 20 00
Painting roof an extra coat of lead and oil paint.....	55 00
Checking all finish to imitate oak.....	75 00
An extra coat of varnish in court room.....	25 00
Changing stairs and putting in door in sheriff's office.....	20 00
Front door lock cost \$12, specifications call for \$8.....	6 00
9-inch I beams instead of 8-inch.....	25 00
Base and base-mould in all halls.....	48 00
Judge's desk covered with green felt.....	7 50
Foot rests on jury platforms.....	20 00
Substituting 1/2 sawed oak for maple on stairs.....	50 00
Gilding seal with gold leaf.....	10 00
Witness stand.....	10 00
Total.....	\$371 50

The following extra work and material were furnished without additional cost or expense to the county by J. A. Bernardi of the firm of Bernardi & Dunsford:

Cost of lowering boiler, excavating, stonework and cement floor.....	\$ 44 00
Covering smokstack with asbestos.....	7 00
Leaving outlets in steam mains for future use.....	9 00
Cutting up radiators, putting in extra valves and extra risers, pipe, covering and extra labor, 15 radiators at \$12.50 each.....	187 50
To putting in additional gate valves and drips on firestand pipes in attic.....	15 00
Difference on toilet seats.....	7 00
Putting extra valves on all fixtures.....	15 00
Total.....	\$284 00

Contractor Shipp enjoys the unique distinction of having fully completed his contract before time limit had expired. The county was thereby enabled to save a large amount of expense and inconvenience in holding the May, 1909, term of the circuit court. Judge Bradshaw expressed himself as being delighted with the building and its conveniences.

Necessary furniture for the several offices is expected to be in position by the middle of June, but no payments thereon will become due until next year's taxes are collected.

The Crook County High School has been given permission to use the old courthouse for the ensuing year to accommodate the Normal department just established. The cost of moving the building to the school lot and fitting the same for school use will be paid out of the High School fund.

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DESCRIPTIVE OF THIS COUNTY

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for Distribution From
Secretary Brink.

CROOK COUNTY has an area of more than 8000 square miles. Equal to that of the state of Massachusetts, and greater than the states of Connecticut, Rhode Island and Delaware combined.

Crook county has 2,750,000 acres of land not embraced in national forests or Indian reservations. Crook county has 1,500,000 acres of government land subject to entry. This is not all good farming land, but there is enough good average farm land to provide a 100 acre farm for 8000 families.

The deeded lands of Crook County comprise 1,262,800 acres, of which 59,135 acres are classed as alfalfa, or grain lands and 1,203,665 acres are classed as grazing and timber lands. 502,000 acres are patented timber lands and contain more than 7 billion feet of standing pine timber.

Character of Country.

The northwestern portion of Crook County, comprising a quarter of a million acres, is rolling plains and is devoted almost exclusively to wheat raising. About one-sixth of this area was in cultivation in 1908 and produced one million bushels of wheat. These cultivated lands sell at \$10 to \$20 per acre. The central western portion of the county is level sage brush plains with an elevation of 3500 feet above sea level.

In this section are being conducted immense irrigation enterprises under the Carey act, and water has been conducted from the Deschutes river to and upon nearly a quarter of a million acres of this level plain. These irrigated lands may be obtained by actual settlers by paying the Irrigation Company's lien for reclamation, which is from \$10 to \$45 per acre.

The extreme southwestern portion of the county is covered with a dense growth of pine timber, is mostly in private ownership, and is valued at \$10 to \$15 per acre.

The southern and southeastern portion of the county, comprising 1,250,000 acres, is composed of rolling hills and sage brush plain, and is the most sparsely settled portion of the county. This is due to lack of transportation facilities and not to the quality of the lands, for it is here that the choicest government lands are to be found. This section is at present principally devoted to stock-raising.

The eastern and northeastern portions of the county is its mountainous district. The hills are covered with a dense growth of pine, tamarac and fir; the valleys are small and wonderfully fertile. The district is well watered and is especially adapted to stockraising. This is also the mining district of the county, and lack of transportation facilities is all that prevents wonderful mining development.

In the northern part of the county is found the Trout Creek and Hay Creek valleys and diversified farming.

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