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WILL WORK THE EAGLE OVERTIME

"Heart of Oregon" Will Throb at Prineville

BIG THINGS DOING ON THE 4TH

Will Surpass All Efforts of Former Celebrations—Redmond and Bend to Combine.

Arrangements for Prineville's big celebration on the Fourth are progressing. It has been definitely decided to hold the exercises at the south end of Main street, beneath the spreading shade of the trees in Mrs. Sumner's yard.

J. W. Horgan, chairman of the barbecue committee, states that he has things well in hand for preparing the fatted calf for the feast. The pit for the cooking of the barbecue will probably be excavated close to the club property. The plan this year will be to rope off the grounds so that the committees will have more room to handle the supplies to feed the multitude, and thus avoid confusion in serving the big free dinner. The paper plates on which the dinner

will be served have already been received.

The baseball tournament, too, is assuming definite outline. Redmond and Bend will combine in a team to try to carry away from Prineville the \$100 purse offered to the winners. Prineville will fight for her honor with one of the strongest aggregations she has ever put on the field. The first game will be played on Sunday afternoon of the Fourth, and the next on the afternoon of the 5th, the day of the celebration proper. If three games are necessary to decide, the last will be played Tuesday morning, July 6th.

The committee on sports is mapping out a program of events for the boys' street sports. This will include foot races of all kinds for money prizes. The country youngsters who are spry of foot should start training at once. The program will be published as soon as it is made up.

The committee on parade met last night. The intention is to outdo all previous efforts in this line. Many of the business houses are preparing to put floats in the parade, and all of the local organizations will march in the procession.

If all the plans that are now on foot are carried out, as they undoubtedly will be, the American eagle will have to scream overtime at the Prineville celebration.

Expert Saw Man.

G. H. Dory will be in Prineville three days the first of each month for the purpose of hammering and putting saws in first-class condition; work guaranteed. Special calls should be sent to Ho ward. 6-3-1m

OPINION ON PEDDLER LICENSE

Attorney General Says It's Up to the City

MEAT PEDDLING RAISES POINT

Law Does Not Apply to Cities Having Authority to License and Tax Peddlers.

The new state law regarding peddlers' licenses is bothering a good many people. The question locally seems to be whether farmers can butcher beef, etc., and bring it to town and peddle it from house to house, and in so doing where do they stand under the law?

In a letter to Stroud Bros. of this City, Attorney General of Oregon A. M. Crawford expresses the opinion that it is a matter solely in the power of the City of Prineville to govern, so far as this city is concerned.

As a matter of fact the peddlers' law does not apply to farm products at all. The City of Prineville has no ordinance requiring farmers to have

a city license to sell or peddle their products in town, and there is not the least likelihood that such an ordinance will ever be passed or even considered by the city council.

While there is no question that the farmers' meat wagons to certain extent compete with the meat markets in town, it would be an injurious policy on the part of Prineville to bar any rancher from selling anything that he can produce in town. This is a matter that is up to the dealers to meet from a business standpoint, not one to be handled by legislation. It would be a sorry Prineville that would attempt to get away from the fact that the town is dependent on the country trade.

The only reason for the existence of a town is that it makes a convenient selling and buying point for the farmers and stockmen who produce the wealth of the community.

The case which has aroused the opposition of the local meat dealers, however, is one wherein the meat peddler is not a producing farmer. It is claimed that he makes a business of buying cattle from the ranchers and slaughtering them, and brings the beef to Prineville and peddles it out. The local meat dealers feel that they are entitled to some protection from competition of this kind, while the case of a farmer butchering one of his own cattle and bringing it to town to sell would be a different matter.

A case wherein the peddler's license law can be made to stand has not

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—Photo by Mrs. John Cyrus, Prineville.

Prineville—Shaniko Mail Stage.

The passenger traffic between Prineville and the railroad is now being largely handled by automobiles, which make regular trips.

DEVELOPMENTS AT GRIZZLY OIL WELL

Favorable Indications Increase With Depth

PRINEVILLE MEN BUY STOCK

Party of Business Men Visited Plant Last Sunday—Drill Now Down 500 Feet.

A depth of 500 feet has been reached by the big drill at the oil well prospect on the west slope of Grizzly mountain, where the Madras Oil & Gas Company is prosecuting development work. Day by day the indications for success of the undertaking become more favorable, the odor of the rock and water taken from the drill hole becomes stronger with each foot gained in depth. The drill is now cutting in a slate formation and it is believed by those in charge of the work that when this formation has been pierced that indications will be so good that there will be little doubt about striking oil.

The company is now selling stock to procure means to further the development work, and A. C. Sanford and D. W. Barnett, promoters of the enterprise, were in Prineville the last of the week for the purpose of interesting local money in the project. In order to show the Prineville men what was being done at the well, two auto loads from this place were taken to the plant Sunday. Composing the party were George Noble, Sam Newsom, Sheriff Frank Elkins, D. W. Barnett, E. G. Hodson, Dr. H. P. Belknap, F. B. Millhorn, J. W. Boone and C. A. Riddle, reporter for the Journal. Ed Hodson carried five in his car, while Dr. Belknap took three with him in the little Buick.

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The drilling outfit is one of the heaviest and best on the Pacific coast. The derrick tower stands 64 feet high, and the drills are operated by a 25-horse power steam engine. This plant has a capacity to drill an 8-inch hole to a depth of 3000 feet.

Besides the liquid samples of slush which smell like oil, the party of visitors were shown specimens of drill cuttings that were brought up at different depths. These show many different formations passed through by the drill, some of the cuttings appearing to be highly mineralized. The terra firma at the point the well is being drilled has never been disturbed by volcanic action or lava flow. It is on what is known as the old Oscar Cox place on the southwest slope of Grizzly.

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CREAMERY HAS GROWING BUSINESS

Opening Up Permanent Market for Ranchers

BUTTER FINDS READY SALE

Gives Chance to Build Up Our Dairy Industry Which is Now in Its Infancy.

The Pioneer Cream Company, operating the Prineville Creamery, is meeting with gratifying success. There are now fifty-five patrons supplying cream, many of them just beginning in a small way with a few cows, expecting to add more as they can secure them.

Nine hundred pounds of butter per week is made, some of which is shipped to Portland, where it meets with a ready sale at a good price. The Portland firms handling this butter want all they can get of it. The fact that this butter can be shipped such a distance, including 65 miles by stage and be in good demand at a good price in the city proves beyond a doubt that the country is well adapted to this business and also that this company can make good butter.

The monthly pay day of the Pioneer Cream Company is becoming quite a factor with ranchers in meeting running expenses. Over \$500 was paid for butter fat during May. This amount will be considerably increased this month and will continue to do so as business develops. Most of the present supply of cream comes from ranches on the Jehocoo. Redmond furnished 1800 pounds last month. The ranchers in the Sisters country are also preparing to send over a large amount.

Besides making butter, the Pioneer Cream Company is turning out an excellent quality of ice cream and will fill orders for any quantity. It can be shipped to any postoffice on mail lines running out of Prineville where mail is delivered by stage.

This business should be encouraged in every possible way because it is strictly a Crook county enterprise and keeps much money in the county that was formerly sent away for these products. Now a local demand is created for all the cream the county can supply. Heretofore the market for ranch-butter was limited to the demands of the local market and during hot weather when most ranch butter would soon become unfit for use, much creamery butter would be shipped in. Now, however, with a creamery in successful operation, calling for all the cream it can get, shipping out butter, cows can be put into the dairy permanently, shelter and feed will be provided and a small dairy will be part of the equipment of many ranches, materially helping out the ranch income and converting much grass and surplus feed into money.

Great care should be taken of cream during the hot weather to keep it sweet until sent, for without good cream good butter is not possible, and inferior butter means an inferior price which reacts at once on the cream producer. By the use of a cream separator and placing the vessel which contains the cream immediately into a larger vessel partly filled with cold water, it can be cooled quickly and kept sweet until sufficient quantity is secured to justify sending it to the creamery.

At present good cows are not plentiful in this county, but as crops are short in the western part of the state many dairymen are contemplating disposing of part of their herds and no doubt some good cows will be brought across the mountains.

A Snap.
If sold at once—eight-room house, one lot 40x120; one block from high school. For further information call on or write H. C. Cross, Prineville, Or. 6-3

Clarence Harvey recently discovered the outcrop of a lime deposit in the Bear Creek Butte district, near where the gypsum deposit was discovered some time ago. Samples of the lime were brought to Prineville and tested, with the result that the quality is pronounced to be of the very best. Mr. Harvey does not know how extensive his find is yet, as he has not opened it up.

The discovery of an extensive body of lime rock in this county would upon development prove to be a valuable resource, as all of the lime used for building and other purposes in Central Oregon at present is freighted in from the railroad, making the cost considerable.

The mineral resources of Crook county, except in a few instances, have received very little attention, not nearly so much as indications and geological formations would ordinarily justify. This fact is explained, to a degree, by the presence of great lava flows over a large portion of the territory, which have effectually covered up the ancient formations to such an extent that prospectors have been discouraged in their searches for ledges in place. But there are large areas in this county which have not been reached by the lava flows and volcanic upheavals, and in most all of these districts there are indications that point to the probable presence of valuable mineral deposits.

The gradual settling up of the county and the wanderings of the settlers into some of these heretofore little traversed sections is from time bringing in reports of mineral discoveries of varied nature.

There is one fact that the residents of this county who spend any of their time on the ranges or in knocking about over the hills might well bear in mind, and that is that there is always the possibility of unearthing a treasure, and that any rock formation that has any mineral bearing indications is well worth investigating.

Enough knowledge of mineralogy to at least give the minds of people an inquiring turn or make them suspicious of the composition of different rocks which they meet with in their work or leisure might prove a valuable asset. We have all heard men tell how they rounded up stock or hunted, or herded sheep on the exact spot where someone later located a rich mine.

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OUR Millinery Department

Is especially interesting nowadays. Our milliner has trimmed up a big lot of best shape and we have just gotten by express several dozen—all bright new stylish hats easily worth twice what we ask. Your choice **\$3.50** of these

Elegantly trimmed children's hats special at each **\$1.25**

The Jackson Corset

JUST ARRIVED
No corset has ever more fairly won distinction. 12 styles in stock. We show two new shapes. Made in heavy white Coutil—all sizes 19 to 34.



"Rosita"
For stout and medium shapes
Price, - **\$2.00**

The Hipless Corset

not an extreme—but very comfortable.
Price, - - **\$3.50**



We are introducing the Right Shoe for Children, Leaders for dress or play. The EDUCATOR LAST, wide toe, allows perfect freedom and natural growth of the foot. In black and tan leathers in both shoes & Oxfords MISSES' EDUCATOR SHOES in button, stylish and comfortable. Special prices on this shoe this week and next week only.

Boys' Clothing

We have about 20 Boys' Knee Pants suits in odd lots in regular \$3.50 to \$4.50 values that we place on sale this week and next week at **\$2.25**

Eleven knee pants suits ages 3 to 5 in about same price goods at, per suit **\$1.80**

Three dozen Boys' Knee Pants, just received, include corduroys and woolen goods—made to wear; sale price, per pair only **45c**

Snaps!

Large paper pins 10 each
200 dozen glass tumblers to be sold on Saturday and Monday, regular price per set, 35c; special at per dozen, 35c

Iridescent Glassware—have you seen it? Beautiful, is the only word. Arrived this week and going rapidly. Get busy.

Get garden seeds—best growing season of the year is now here.

Buz-z-z! Fly time is here. We show screen doors in all sizes. Screen wire and fly paper.

Sale of Gingham Kitchen Aprons

Continues this and next weeks

With shoulder straps, full length, in assorted checks. On sale Friday, Saturday and all next week at the special low price of, each **50c**

Regular Tie Aprons

In assorted checks, length 37 inches, very full sale price, each **35c**

C. W. Elkins Big Department Store, Prineville, Or