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## FIREMEN GIVE ANNUAL SPLUDGE

### Excellent Program and Splendid Banquet

#### BETTER APPARATUS NEEDED

#### Prineville Fire Department Has Never Failed to Do Its Duty Say the Speakers.

The annual Great Spludge and banquet of the Prineville Fire Department held last Friday evening, was attended by about 150, including the firemen and their friends. The program part of the entertainment was held in Belknap Hall and the banquet in the dining room of Hotel Poindexter. The program was carried out just as published in last week's Journal. All numbers were of exceptional merit and were thoroughly enjoyed. There was not a hitch in the evening, except for a short interim after the program until the banquet was in readiness, and this time was pleasantly filled by Morgan's orchestra. The banquet furnished by the Presbyterian ladies supplied everything that could be desired in the way of delicious things to eat. J. N. Williamson presided as toastmaster, Mayor D. F. Stewart, Dr. E. O. Hyde, Sheriff Frank Elkins, and Atty. M. R. Biggs responded to

their respective toasts in happy vein and the entire evening was a delightful one. The gist of all the speeches was, that the Prineville ladies are the best cooks, the handsomest and noblest women in the land, that the Prineville fire department has always done its full duty, and that the crying need of the hour is a more up-to-date and efficient equipment for fighting fire.

#### Combs-Dobbs Nuptials.

Deputy Sheriff John Combs and Miss Ella Dobbs were married last Sunday, January 15, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Dobbs, on Oebeco, at high noon, Rev. C. P. Bailey officiating. Relatives of the contracting parties and a few intimate friends witnessed the happy event. The bride was becomingly attired in a handsome gown of cream satin. A sumptuous wedding dinner was served after the ceremony.

Mr. and Mrs. Combs came to Prineville in the afternoon and from 6:30 to 8:30 were given a reception at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Elkins. Scores of their friends called at the Elkins home during the evening to extend congratulations.

Mr. and Mrs. Combs will make their home in Prineville at the old Combs residence property on the corner of East 7th and Nichols streets.

#### Tailoress Wanted.

A tailoress wanted. Apply to B Gormley, tailor, Prineville, Oregon. 1132tp

#### Clothing Lost.

A sack of clothing was lost between the Wm. Adams place on Combs Flat and Prineville, Monday, January 11th. Finder please notify Mrs. R. P. Miller, Post, Oregon. 1202t

## MURDEROUS WOLF KILLED AT LAST

### Breaks Away With Trap Is Tracked and Shot

#### SLAYERS GET \$117.50 REWARD

#### Brute Had a Long List of Depredations Charged Up Against Him.

The murderous wolf which has been killing calves and colts in the Paulina and Post neighborhoods for the past few years has at last been killed. He got his foot into one of Tom O'Kelley's coyote traps last Friday night at the Williamson ranch at Riverside, tore loose the chain and made off into the hills with the trap still on his foot. Oscar and Irvine Crain and Mr. O'Kelly followed him about four miles with the aid of a dog and finally got close enough to finish him with their guns. The brute was an old gray one, stood about thirty inches tall and measured seven and a half feet from the nose to the tip of his tail. The reward offered for his capture, subscribed by different stockmen, amounted to \$117.50.

This brute is charged with the killing of at least 40 or 50 head of yearling calves within the past two years. Joe Lister, C. Sam Smith, and the Bonnyview Ranch of Gray & Son,

and the Houston ranches have all had visits from this destructive wolf. For the past several years the residents of the Pine Creek neighborhood have believed that some beast escaped from a menagerie had taken up its residence there, while many have believed that this wolf is the identical beast that has killed and ate the dogs and cats off the porches and put fear into the hearts of the people. Since the wolf has confined his depredations more to the east side of Crooked River, so much has not been heard of the terrible beast of Pine Creek.

The lucky hunters have the wolf's skin for a trophy at Riverside. He was apparently an aged one. His color was about the same as that of a coyote.

Last winter several trappers made it their particular business to try to capture him, but he always proved too wary for them, and was never seen plainly by any of the many hunters who hoped to get a shot at him. He would go into the feed yards and pastures and kill a yearling calf and eat most of it. In a night or two he would come again and kill another and perhaps the next night would murder a calf 10 or 15 miles away. His death will be a great relief to the cattlemen among whose herds he has wrought such havoc.

#### Pendleton Woolen Mills Co. Reorganized.

The Pendleton people were fortunate in getting their Woolen Mill Company re-organized. A new concrete mill was built and thoroughly equipped and it is now in operation in full force and is giving Pendleton some especially good advertising.

#### Piano for Sale Cheap.

Second-hand piano, good as new, for sale at a bargain. Inquire of E. W. Kayler. 1-20-4f

## EXTRACTS FROM THE TAX LAWS

### Sheriff's Office Directed to Correct Tax Roll

#### ALL PROPERTY MUST BE TAXED

#### A Thorough Round-Up Will Be Made This Year.

Sheriff Elkins was directed by the last session of the county court to have published such extracts of the tax laws of Oregon as he deemed necessary for the information of the taxpayers so as to give them a full understanding of the law and the following extracts are herewith supplied from his office and printed by his order.

Special attention is called to that portion relating to the sheriff's assessment, the necessity for which was explained in the order of the court published last week in the proceedings of the county court. During the past three years Sheriff Elkins says his office has dug up property liable to assessment on which thousands of dollars were saved to the county each year. Considerable property having slipped past the notice of the assessor, the board of equalization and the county court, the county commissioners now direct the sheriff and clerk to dig into this business and put all the property liable to taxation into a sheriff's assessment, and the work has already commenced under the direction of Sheriff Elkins and County Clerk Brown, who will be assisted by Addie Foster.

It is the intention this year to make a thorough round-up of all the personal and real property in order that everyone shall pay their just proportion of taxes. The mortgage records of the county will be searched and every other available means will be resorted to, to put all taxable property on the roll.

#### Extracts from the Assessment Laws of Oregon Year 1909.

Section 22, Page 11. At the time prescribed by law (1st day of March each year) the assessor in each county shall ascertain by diligent inquiry the names of all persons liable to taxation in his county who are assessable to (by) him, also all taxable personal property, and all taxable real estate therein which by law is assessable by him, and make out an assessment roll of all such property, and appraise the same according to the provisions of the statutes relating thereto.

#### Owner to Furnish List of Property—Penalty for Refusing.

Section 23, Page 11. Every assessor shall require any person liable to be taxed in his county and to be assessed by him, and the managing agent or officer of any corporation or association liable to be taxed in his county and to be assessed by him, to furnish such assessor a list of all the real estate of such person, corporation or association situate in his county liable to taxation, and a list of all the personal property of such person, corporation or association liable to taxation in this state, and shall require such person, managing agent, or officer to make oath that, to the best of his knowledge and belief such list contains a full and true account of all its or his property liable to be taxed in such county; and if any person shall refuse to furnish such list, or to swear to the same when required so to do by the assessor, such person shall forfeit and pay to the assessor, for the use of the county, the sum of \$50.00 which sum may be recovered by action in any court having jurisdiction of matters of debt or contract to the amount of \$50.00.

Should any such person, managing agent or officer when so required, refuse to furnish and to swear to such a list, the assessor shall ascertain the taxable property of such person, corporation, or association, and shall appraise the same from the best information to be derived from other sources.

#### Additions to the Assessment Roll After Its Return to the Clerk.

Section 24, Page 34. Whenever after the return of the assessment roll to the county clerk by the board of equalization, the officer having possession of the roll shall discover or receive credible information or if he has reason to believe that any real or personal property has from any cause been omitted in whole or in part in the assessment of any year or number of years, not exceeding five years prior to the last roll equalized and returned, or from the assessment roll or tax roll, he shall proceed to correct the assessment or tax roll in his hands and add such property thereto and charge such property and the owner thereof with the proper amount of taxes thereon, at the rate that the said property would have been taxed had it been properly upon the tax roll, for the year or years as to which it was omitted. To enable such officer so to do he is hereby invested with all the powers of the assessor, board of equalization and county clerk, under the laws in force during such years and thereafter.

#### Digest of Decisions of Oregon Supreme Court Relating to Assessment and Taxation of Property.

Adding to the assessment roll property not assessed is a correction of a roll and not an alteration. A statute empowering the sheriff (who is tax collector) to add to the tax roll without notice to the owner, property omitted by the assessor, and to collect taxes thereon, is not unconstitutional where there is a board of equalization which holds a public

meeting at a stated time, with power to add to and correct the assessor's roll.

The taxpayer has notice by the statute that this board will meet to correct errors and omissions, and it is his duty to appear and see that all his property is correctly listed. If he neglects this duty and this opportunity to be heard he cannot object when his omitted property is assessed by the sheriff and made to bear its share of the public burden.

#### Opinions of Attorney General Relating to Assessment and Taxation.

Land acquired from the United States is subject to assessment and taxation, although patents therefor have not been issued, whenever final proof thereon is made before the register and receiver, or the person acquiring such land does every thing, including payment of all required fees and the purchase price, entitling him to a patent therefor and such proof and payment has been accepted by the officers of the United States authorized to accept the same.

#### Residence of Owners of Personal Property.

The Supreme Court has held in one case that where money is deposited for investment, is the place where it must be taxed.

## Inter High School

### Debate Jan. 28

#### Sherman and Crook Counties Will Contend for Supremacy at Prineville—Everybody Should Turn Out.

The debate between Sherman and Crook counties will take place at the Commercial Club Hall on Friday, January 28. Crook county will uphold the affirmative side of the question of government ownership of railroads. A good musical program has been prepared for the occasion and everyone is promised an interesting evening. The program and further announcements will appear next week. Everybody should turn out and give the home team the support it deserves.

## Railroad Material

### Now at Vale

#### Harriman Getting Ready to Build Across Central Oregon—Will Commence When Weather Permits.

A special dispatch to the Journal says that it is reported that 80 miles of the proposed Harriman railroad across Central Oregon, from Vale west into the great Harney Valley, will be built as soon as the weather will permit construction. It is said that the contract for the grading of the 80 miles has been awarded to the Utah Construction company.

Several carloads of material have arrived at Vale, including three cars of dynamite, which will be used in blasting the roadbed in the Malheur canyon. When the first 125 miles of the road are completed, Ontario will be connected by rail with Harney Valley. The road into that valley is to be completed this season and will continue on westward to the coast.

The building of the road has been under contemplation for some time. The activity of the Hill people in this section of Oregon is believed to be the cause of the early building of the line.

## Post Items.

January 17, 1910.

We are having fine weather here at present.

Mrs. Homer Norton has been on the sick list for the past week, but is reported improving.

Joe Post left last week for Shaniko with a fine bunch of beef cattle which he will ship to Portland.

Frank Smead went to Hampton Buttes for cattle the first of the week.

Bruce Gray passed through this country recently with a bunch of beef cattle enroute to Portland.

Oscar Crain captured the big wolf for which a large reward was offered. The beast was very destructive, killing sheep, young calves and colts.

W. W. Brown of Fife has his new home about completed. It will cost in the neighborhood of \$10,000. It has thirteen rooms in all—seven bedrooms, a dining room, sitting room, kitchen, pantry and private parlor.

#### Gilchrist-Hinkle Wedding.

Floyd Gilchrist and Miss Margaret Hinkle of Paulina were married Wednesday afternoon in the parlors of Hotel Prineville. Rev. C. C. Babbidge officiated.

Quite a party of Paulina friends accompanied the young couple to Prineville to give the wedding a good send-off. Among the number were Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Rutherford, William Smead, the Misses Jessie Hinkle and Gertrude Eads, Walter Freeman and Bash Craddock.

In the evening the Paulina folks gave a free dance in the dining room of Hotel Poindexter in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Gilchrist, who leave today for Portland.

#### Watch Repairing.

L. Kamstra will open a watch repair shop at the C. W. Elkins' store the first of February. All work guaranteed. 1-20-2t L. KAMSTRA.

## MID-YEAR EXAMS ARE COMPLETED

### Seniors' Grades Averaged Above 95

#### CLASSICAL LITERARY CLUB

#### Organized by the High School Ladies—Ochoconians Won at Basket Ball.

The first semester closed last Friday and the mid-year exams began Wednesday noon and closed Friday noon. The schedule and cards are out and there are some happy and unhappy students, but all are resolved to escape finals in May.

The general average for the first semester's work was posted this week and we were delighted to find that the classes ranked according to seniority—the seniors highest, juniors next, sophomores third and the freshmen lowest.

The girls of the senior and junior classes of the high school, together with the lady members of the faculty and a few invited guests, met at the home of Miss Parrott on last Saturday for the purpose of organizing a classical literary club. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Miss Rosa B. Parrott, president; Miss Fay Baldwin, vice president; Mrs. Emma B. Wickersham, secretary; and Miss Blanche Wilson, treasurer. Committees on program, name and colors were appointed to report at the next meeting which will be in two weeks at the home of the Misses Baldwin.

#### Athletics.

The game between the Alphas and the Ochoconians last Saturday evening was hard-fought from the time the whistle sounded until the time-keeper called a halt. The game was a good one and greatly enjoyed by an enthusiastic audience. The first half ended in favor of the Alphas, but the Ochoconians played hard and when time was called the game stood 10 to 13 in favor of the latter society. Each society has one game to its credit in the contest for intersociety honors and this means an interesting game shortly.

#### Alpha.

The program of the Alpha society for Friday, January 7th is a "mock trial." The officers, lawyers and prisoner are as follows:

Judge—Robert Kester. Prosecuting att'y—Roy Lowther. Att'y for defense—Warren Yancey. Sheriff—Elmer Martin. Defendant—Clarence Bixby.

#### Freshmen and Seniors.

The freshmen who are unfortunate enough to have to take finals are cramming, as they realize their deficiency and we hope not too late.

The seniors are congratulating themselves upon their general average of over 95 per cent for the semester. We feel it is something to boast of.

#### Juniors and Sophomores.

Aaron Hoffman and Wm. Criswell, '12, were absent from classes, Monday and the refrigerator-like condition of the class rooms proved that the absence of the boys makes a difference in the running of the furnace. We hope both janitors will never be compelled to be absent at the same time again.

Misses Ethel Kidder and Blanche Wilson, '11, were absent from classes a part of last week.

#### CONTEST NOTICE.

Department of the Interior United States Land Office The Dalles, Oregon, January 8, 1910. A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by Hannah M. McClun, contestant, against homestead Entry No. 0891, made September 2, 1908, for NW 1/4 NE 1/4, E 1/2 NW 1/4, NE 1/4 SW 1/4 Section 20, Township 14, S., Range 16, E., Willamette Meridian, by John A. Seabury Contestee,

in which it is alleged that said John A. Seabury has wholly abandoned said tract for more than six months last past; that said tract has not been settled upon and cultivated by said party as required by law; that there are no improvements thereon except an unfinished house that is unoccupied; that said alleged absence was not due to his employment in the army, navy or marine corps of the United States in time of war. Said parties are hereby notified to appear respond, and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock a. m. on February 21, 1910, before Warren Brown, County Clerk, at his office in Prineville, Oregon, and that final hearing will be held at 10 o'clock a. m. on February 28, 1910, before the Register and Receiver at the United States Land Office in The Dalles, Oregon.

The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, filed December 31, 1909, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice can not be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication. L. C. W. Moore, Register. 120p

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We thank the public for the generous patronage during our clearance sale and will continue the same until **February 1st**, giving every person in the county an opportunity to take advantage of most favorable prices. We call special attention to our extremely low prices on

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- Sweaters
- Underwear
- Hats and Footwear
- Ladies' Coats, Suits, Skirts
- Sweaters
- Shirtwaists
- Millinery and Footwear
- Plows
- Harrows
- Wagons
- Pittsburgh Field Fence
- Poultry Net
- Kentucky Drills
- Boys' and Young Men's Clothing and Footwear



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- Gloves
- Handkerchiefs
- Ribbons
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- Blankets
- Bed Spreads
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- Silks
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