

W. H. Bentley County Agent for Oregon Life

W. H. Bentley, formerly connected with the W. H. Moody Warehouse Company at Shaniko for several years, and later with the Oregon-Washington Railroad & Navigation Company at The Dalles, is the new district manager of the Oregon Life Insurance Company of Portland, Oregon, in charge of the company's business in Crook and Wasco counties.

E. N. Strong, agency supervisor of the company, whom everybody in Crook county knows, induced Mr. Bentley to join the forces of Oregon Life in the fall of 1913. Mr. Bentley has been one of the company's leaders ever since, in January leading the entire agency force in volume and numbers of applications.

The sworn statements of forty-seven life insurance companies operating in Oregon are now on file with the State Insurance Commissioner, J. W. Ferguson, at Salem, and show that Oregon Life now has \$7,147,368 business in force, and made a larger net gain in the year 1913 than any other company now operating in Oregon.

We bespeak for Mr. Bentley the same hearty support that has been accorded the former representatives of Oregon Life, for every dollar of Oregon Life securities are invested in Oregon.

Clearing House for Crook County Farmers

Prof. Pratt, agriculturist of the county high school, is working on a plan whereby he hopes to save the ranchers of Crook county large sums of money each year. In brief, his plan is as follows:

When a farmer has anything which he wishes to sell, if he will send a description of it, together with the price desired, to Prof. Pratt, it will be listed. Then when anyone writes in and inquires concerning such an article they will be referred to those people who have that article listed.

For example, suppose a rancher in the Sisters country has a large amount of seed wheat which he is anxious to dispose of. He would send the name of the variety, the price per bushel to Prof. Pratt. Then when any rancher wrote in and inquired where he could get such wheat, he would be referred to the Sisters rancher.

This would result in a saving to the buyer, as he would save the freight, a saving to the seller as he could command a little above the market price. And the community would be ahead as anything which helps the farmer helps the whole community.

If you have anything to buy or sell write Prof. Pratt at Prineville. This service is without any charge whatsoever. The success of the movement depends wholly upon the interest taken in it by the farmer.

Co-operation of Local Sportsmen Wanted

Floyd Bilyeu, chairman of the State Game Commission, was in Prineville Monday looking after fish and game matters in this part of the county.

"It is the idea of the new state game warden, C. H. Evans, to get in close touch with local sportsmen in an endeavor to foster a spirit of mutual co-operation.

"My visit to Crook county was to look over the field; get acquainted with the needs of this section of the state and then help to supply those needs."

"Two game wardens could easily look after the protection of game and fish in this part of Crook. We do not want the kind that hides behind a rock or a tree and watches for the man that kills a bird and then arrests him. He would not be tolerated. What is wanted is to get deputy wardens that shall be in close touch with local sportsmen and enlist their aid in the protection of the birds. A boy up the Ochoco the other day caught several trout that were undersized; technically he could have been arrested but it was much better to explain the object of fish and game laws and enlist his support in having them observed."

"It is the purpose of State Game Warden Evans to liberate California quail in Crook county whenever he is satisfied the birds will be protected."

"I am also investigating the matter of putting in fish ladders at Cline Falls and other points where obstacles exist to prevent salmon from finding their way up to the small streams during spawning season."

"Another matter that is receiving the attention of the State Fish and Game Commission is the jack rabbit pest. It feels that something should be done to abate the nuisance and would be glad to receive information from those interested in any branch of the Commission's work. Such suggestions, if found feasible, will be acted upon."

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LOCAL MENTION

Born—March 11, to the wife of Nick Rachor, a boy.

Editor Turner of the Madras Pioneer was in town Monday.

Born—Feb. 25, to the wife of J. S. Waite of Lamonta, a son.

Episcopal services at the Union church Sunday at 4 o'clock.

Mrs. Theodore Minger entertained the "500" club Tuesday afternoon.

Preaching at Grimes Chapel Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock by Rev. Williams.

All the regular services at the Methodist church Sunday.—John Williams, pastor.

Mrs. Henry McCall and family have gone to Hood River for a month or six weeks.

Henry McCall left Saturday for the Portland stock market with sixty head of beef cattle.

E. B. Knox, Democratic candidate for the nomination of county sheriff, is attending circuit court this week.

Encouraging reports are received from Mrs. John Combs at Portland. The change of climate is proving beneficial.

The Presbyterian ladies will have a "green tea" at the home of Mrs. Dishman Tuesday afternoon, March 17, at 2:30.

Thurman Claypool, son of Luther Claypool, is sick with typhoid fever. The doctors are at a loss to know how he got it.

James Rice is in attendance at this term of the district court. He looks none the worse for his stay at the hospital.

Mrs. McPherson, mother of Logan McPherson, is circulating a petition in Prineville this week for the pardon of her son. It is being numerously signed.

James Dixon of Barnes came in from Roseburg Monday. He was called back to The Dalles on important business shortly after his arrival here.

At a special meeting of the city council Tuesday evening the question of a sewerage system for Prineville was taken up. Councilmen LaFollette, Elkins and Foster of the Health and Police committee, were instructed to make a report on the matter.

The office of county inspector of weights and measures has been consolidated with that of county fruit inspector. Guy LaFollette will act in the dual capacity with a slight increase in salary. This was done in the interest of economy. There will be a saving to the county in salary as well as in traveling expenses. W. H. Lucy of Lamonta retires.

Mr. Blood, Sr., Meets With Serious Accident

Dan Blood Sr., while out driving Tuesday with W. F. King, had the end of his nose cut off. No, Mr. King did not do it. It was done while fording McKay creek, just north of the Templeton place.

The water is pretty high just now and Mr. King thought that by making a running jump with his car he could get across. He did all right but when the car struck the cut-out made by the swift current the jolt threw Mr. Blood forward against the windshield breaking it and slitting Mr. Blood's nose. Dr. Edwards says he does not know whether he can save the piece cut off or not. It is still held by a slender shred of skin. It required 10 stitches to keep it in position.

Notice to Democratic Voters.

Registered Democratic voters of the Prineville precincts who desire to sign the nominating petition of United States Senator Geo. E. Chamberlain may do so by calling at the office of District Attorney Wirtz in the Crook County bank building any time during the ensuing week. There are many who desire to sign the petition whom Mr. Wirtz will be unable to see, and who will otherwise lose the opportunity.

LOCAL MENTION

Ralph Poindexter is over from Bend.

Mrs. Robert Douglas returned Sunday from Seattle.

W. D. Barnes of Laidlaw is a county seat visitor this week.

Wm. Johnston was over from Deschutes the first of the week.

L. Woods the piano tuner of Salem, is here on his annual visit.

Remember the Parent-Teachers' meeting tomorrow afternoon at the school building.

Prof. Thompson, head of the Redmond schools, was in town the first of the week.

Wm. Fraser, who has a home-stead at Held, is in attendance at the circuit court.

W. C. T. U. convention in Prineville March 16, 17 and 18. See program on another page.

Born—March 2, at Canyon City, to Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Sweek, a girl. Mrs. Sweek was formerly Alice Smith of Prineville.

The dance given by the M. W. A. Band at the Glaze Hall last Friday evening was a hummer. Seventy-three numbers were sold which bespeaks success, and it is needless to say a general good time was had by all present.

The M. W. A. Band has been organized for over two years and by their self-support, earnest endeavors and steady practice have attained a solid foundation. The boys have with them as instructor, Prof. W. H. Lahnis, who is one of the most competent band instructors the city has ever had.

Compliment to Prof. Pratt, of C. C. H. S.

The following article which is reprinted from the Twice-a-week Spokesman of February 27, illustrates one phase of the work which Prof. Pratt is doing for the schools of Crook county:

"State Superintendent of Schools J. A. Churchill of Oregon has issued to the teachers and county superintendents of his state a little pamphlet in which he announces alfalfa week beginning March 9 and ending March 13. Superintendent Churchill says, "Our plan is to have the teachers emphasize the growing of alfalfa, both as a soil food and a forage plant for live stock. This is to be done through the language lessons, both oral and written in all the grades from the first to the highest in each district." The greater part of the booklet is taken up by an article on alfalfa written by H. E. Pratt of the department of agriculture in the Crook County High School. It is nicely written and sets forth in a splendid way the matter of raising alfalfa. There are also some alfalfa maxims from bulletin 95 of the North Dakota experiment station."

The article referred to was written for the teachers of Crook county. State Supt. Churchill secured a copy and was so pleased with it that he caused it to be printed as a bulletin and sent to all the teachers of the state. This certainly speaks well for the standing of our high school.

Died.

Mrs. Wilbur Bysel died at her home near Culver, Oregon, Thursday March 5th, after an illness of only 21 hours. Dr. Snook of Madras was with her constantly from a short time after she took sick until she passed away, remaining at her bedside all Wednesday night, doing everything possible to relieve the suffering, which seemed to be a complication of peritonitis and appendicitis.

Miss Effie Bock, residing near Aurora, Ill., was united to Wilbur Bysel in marriage, July 16, 1905. She joined her husband in Crook County, Oregon, in October 1912, where she has resided till her untimely death at the age of 31 years. The funeral was held from the Union church, March 6th, with interment in Union cemetery. Mr. Bysel has the sympathy of a host of friends in his sorrow.

LOCAL MENTION

C. P. Becker is over from Laidlaw.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Noble and daughter are visiting in Portland.

Clarence Ferguson of Roberts was down on business the last of the week.

Bidwell Cram of Trout creek is in attendance at this term of the district court.

Dr. Rosenberg returned from a professional trip to Portland the first of the week.

James Wood of The Dalles will soon begin the work of assessing the north end of the county.

Attorney Wallace returned the first of the week from Portland where he went on legal business.

Mr. and Mrs. John Combs left for Portland Friday where Mrs. Combs will undergo treatment in a sanitarium.

L. M. Foss, traveling freight and passenger agent of the O.-W. R. & N. Co., was a week-end visitor to Prineville.

Preaching services will be held at the Lower McKay school house Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock by the Christian minister from Prineville.

The M. E. Ladies' Aid will hold their annual Easter sale in the church parlors, Saturday, March 28. Refreshments and chicken dinner will be served. 3-12-2t

Mrs. Ada B. Millican has been appointed the Central Oregon delegate of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Pacific Coast Good Roads Association which meets at Medford July 14 to 18.

George Slayton brought in a big mortgage lifter Monday from his ranch below Prineville. It was a Poland-China and weighed 645 pounds. It was raised on alfalfa principally with just enough chop to top off.

Mrs. Joe Post met with a painful accident last week when her team ran away and dislocated her left wrist. Dr. Edwards reports that while the case is painful, with proper care he hopes for a speedy recovery.

At the Union church next Sunday—Bible school at 10 a. m.; Communion service and preaching at 11 a. m. Subject, "The Communion or Lord's Supper." C. E. 6:30 p. m. Evening worship 7:30 p. m. Subject, "The Christian Church."—Geo. H. Ramsey.

Mrs. Ada B. Millican entertained the Shumia Club, Saturday, March 7th. The address of Mrs. Sarah Evans was read by the club. Miss Conway gave a solo. Mrs. Morse a reading and then Mrs. Millican gave an interesting paper on parts of Prof. Condon's "Two Islands." Dainty refreshments were served by the hostess. The club will meet with Mrs. Belknap next Saturday, March 14.

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Attorney Bell of The Dalles is attending circuit court.

Mrs. Frances Kennedy of Held was a county seat visitor the last of the week.

Millard Elkins is home from Detroit, Michigan, where he has been attending school.

C. E. Canada, of the General Electric Company of Portland, is looking up business in Crook county.

O. D. Hall passed through Prineville the first of the week on his way from Western Washington to Fife.

Editor Palmer of Redmond was rustling business in Prineville Saturday. Pretty quiet everywhere in the newspaper line.

Two more announcements this week. Warren Brown for the office of county clerk and John W. Morgan for county treasurer. Warren is an old campaigner and understands the game but Johnny Morgan is new at the business. See their announcements elsewhere.

A surprise dance was given in honor of Ed. Ream and bride, (Agnes Brummer) at the home of E. H. Nelson on Crooked river, March 3d. Previous to the dance, which was a complete surprise, they received a serenade at the hands of a tin can band led by Captain Tom Miller.

There will be a baseball game Sunday at Davidson Field. The married men of Prineville will take a fall out of the single fellows. Zeek and Hinkle will be the slappers of the benedicts and Jess Tetherow and Robert Lister will do likewise for the unmarried men. The game will be called at 3 p. m. Admission free.

M. R. Biggs returned the first of the week from Portland where he took 76 head of beef cattle. He happened to strike the day which had the largest run of cattle in the history of the Portland Stock Yards. Naturally prices eased off but soon regained their former level. The best steers sold at \$7.65 throughout the week.

J. A. Stein, peddler, who was arrested and fined \$60 by Justice Bowman a short time ago for peddling without a license in this county, has been arrested at Paulina for a second and similar offense and will have a hearing before Justice Bowman the latter part of the week. He was arrested yesterday by Deputy Sheriff Dean Huston.

I. W. Noble of Portland was a Prineville visitor the first of the week. Mr. Noble is a Multnomah candidate for the legislature on the Republican ticket. Attorney Noble and his friend, Floyd Byleu, would make a good "Mutt and Jeff" representation. Mr. Byleu must be six feet six and when lined up beside Noble makes that individual look like four-two.

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