

## TWO MAILS DAILY FOR PRINEVILLE COUNTRY

### New Service Will Start March 1 Says Department

## CONGRESSMAN SINNOTT BUSY

### Aided Committee Materially in Getting Results--Service will Supply Powell Butte

Prineville is to have two mails each day between this point and Redmond instead of one as at present.

Formal notification of this fact was received by Postmaster J. W. Roone early in the week, beside the people who have been prominent in working for the increased service.

The new contract calls for service by Powell Butte postoffice twice each day. This will be made one trip directly from Prineville, and the next on the return from Redmond.

The service on the river road will continue as at present, one trip each way between this city and Redmond.

The new service will start on March 1, and although the hours of arrival and departure under the new arrangements have not been announced as yet, the department has assured that they will be much more satisfactory than the former service has been in this respect.

Contractor Hunsaker is making arrangements to care for the additional service.

The local committee was materially assisted in getting this improved service for Prineville by the untiring efforts of Congressman N. J. Sinnott. His efforts in this behalf should not be forgotten by the people of this vicinity.

The next move on the part of this committee will be to secure the rural route covering the territory north of Prineville.

## IRRIGATION ELECTION ON FEBRUARY 5TH

There are twelve candidates for directors for the Ochoe Irrigation project which will be voted on February 5. They are: M. R. Biggs, Price Coshaw, John M. Elliott, John Grimes, Dave Grimes; F. Fred Hoelscher, Clyde Kinder, T. H. Lafollette, James Mace, Geo. W. Slayton, E. T. Slayton and D. F. Stewart.

For treasurer, D. P. Adamson is the only candidate. The proposition of whether or not the district be formed will be submitted at this time also.

The polling place is Lower McKay schoolhouse, and the polls will be open from eight in the morning until seven in the evening. The Australian ballot system will be used.

Tuesday evening February 1, there will be a "500" party at the Club Rooms. Members of the Annex and Commercial Club are invited.

## Portland and Seattle Market Quotations

**Portland.**  
Wheat--Club \$1.05; bluestem \$1.14; red Russian, \$1.02; forty-fold, \$1.08; red five, \$1.03.  
Hay--Eastern Oregon timothy, \$18.50; alfalfa, \$19.  
Butter--Creamery, 29c.  
Eggs--Ranch, 25c.  
Wool--Eastern Oregon, 25c; valley, 26c.  
Hops--1915 crop, 10@12 1/2c per lb.

**Seattle.**  
Wheat--Bluestem \$1.13; club \$1.07; red Russian, \$1.02; forty-fold, \$1.10; five, \$1.04.  
Barley--\$28.50 per ton.  
Hay--Timothy, \$18 per ton; alfalfa, \$19 per ton.  
Butter--Creamery, 29c.  
Eggs--32c.

## FARMERS' INSTITUTE; NOT SHORT COURSE

The attendance at the Farmers Short Courses held in this County each of the past two years has proven this method of bringing the Extension Staff of the Agricultural College into the county impracticable and unsatisfactory both to the farmers and to the college.

Arrangements will be made this year for holding Institute Meetings in the various sections of the county where communities are interested and these meetings may be afternoon, evening or all day meetings or even all day and evenings as each community may choose.

Prof. J. A. Larson, specialist in agronomy and Miss Anna M. Turley, specialist in home economics, will compose the staff sent by the college for these institutes, which are to be held in the county, February 12 to 19 inclusive. Five meetings have already been scheduled and we can arrange for five more. If interested and you wish a meeting in your community, write me at once and I shall be glad to arrange for it for you. Practically all of our farmers already know Prof. Larson, and they will want to meet him. Few of our farm women have met Miss Turley, but all who have, will have a meeting with her in their community and others will be greatly pleased if they can meet and talk with her. Both have good things worth while to talk over with the folks on the farm.

You don't have to go to town to meet and hear these people; get your neighbors together at the school house and they will come to you. A. E. Lovett, County Agriculturist.

## A CORRECTION

In our article last week which compared the relative assessments of the towns of the county, we were in error in stating that the millage levy for city tax in Bend was 20 and Redmond 15.

The facts are that the reverse is true, Bend 15 mills and Redmond 20 mills.

This does not change the position of Prineville in the matter, but the story as run was an injustice to Bend, and we gladly make the correction.

Glen Chitwood of Grizzly was in this city the last of the week.

## PRINEVILLE ROAD SIGNS ATTRACT ATTENTION

### Portland Journal Hands Us a Flattering Compliment

## MORE SIGNS SHOULD BE POSTED

### These Are the Things Motorists Remember Longer than Bad Roads

It is the little things in life that really count. Prineville has received many hundreds and probably thousands of dollars worth of the most favorable kind of advertising because of the kindly thought and spirit of good fellowship expressed on the road signs at the city limits on the various roads leading to and from the city.

During the past year no less than a dozen large publications, some of national circulation, having reached our desk, carrying comments on these signs which are so unusual as to mark the community in the minds of the traveler as a place he is welcome, and where the citizens have other interests than a fine for speeding or the price of a few gallons of gasoline.

The Portland Journal, under date of December 21, carried on its editorial page an article which is worth reproducing here. It teaches us how these little things are appreciated and reminds us that more of this kind of work should be done

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## STOCK WINTERS WELL IN PRINEVILLE COUNTRY

### Hay Supply Will Be Exhausted by Springtime

## LOSSES VERY LIGHT TO DATE

### Unusually Heavy Snows Assure Good Crops and Excellent Ranges This Summer

Stockmen throughout the Prineville country are optimistic regarding the outlook for the coming season. Although the most severe storm for years has just broken, the loss of stock is light as compared to what is usually expected during such times.

Loss of a few calves, and sheep among the extreme old ewes and late spring lambs that were in poor condition before the storm commenced, is all that has been suffered in this part of the country to date.

The extreme cold was severe on stock both because of the temperature and the lack of water during such times. This was felt in the desert country where there was a considerable number of horses especially on the range.

Practically all the cattle were in feed lots, and these stood the storm well.

The supply of hay, while considered sufficient for a reasonable winter, will be no more than enough

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## Ross Robinson Buys R. L. Jordan Interest

Ross Robinson this week purchased the interests of R.L. Jordan in the firm of Jordan & Robinson, and will conduct the business as sole proprietor.

The men's furnishings line will be featured strongly, and many improvements in these lines are anticipated. New lines will be added to those already in stock, and the management promises the very best for the high class trade.

The business will be continued in the location formerly occupied by Fosster & Hyde.

## RABBIT CLUB ASK FIVE CENT BOUNTY

The jack rabbit pest has become so serious that the people of Post met at the school house on the evening of the 25th of January, and organized The Newsom Creek Rabbit Club, with J. R. Knox President, and Homer Norton, Secretary and Treasurer.

This is a permanent organization and its main object is the extermination of rabbits. It is the result of the clubbing together of a few of the sports of this vicinity who offered a prize of a new repeating rifle to the person killing the largest number of rabbits from the first to the twenty-fifth of January.

There were only five contestants for this prize which was won by Grover Gibson who brought in more than a thousand scalps. Over three thousand rabbits were killed in this contest which encouraged the people to greater efforts; hence the organization of the club with fourteen charter members.

A membership fee of \$1.00 is charged. This money is to be used for special prizes and to defray necessary expenses of the club.

Great enthusiasm was displayed by the few members present at this, the first meeting. Over \$50.00 was pledged for the use of paying a small bounty, the amount, possibly two to two and a half cents each, to be decided upon at the next meeting which will be held Saturday, January 29, at 7:30 p. m. for the purpose of initiating new members and the collecting of funds.

All who are interested, especially those who own land are urged to be present at the next meeting and be prepared to contribute liberally to the cause. We must get the

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## FIRE DAMAGES JORDAN APARTMENT HOUSE

The fire department was called out Friday evening about 5:30 when the rooming house belonging to R. L. Jordan, located on the corner of East B and fourth, was threatened with destruction. Prompt work on the part of the department prevented the flames from getting beyond control.

The greatest damage resulted from smoke and water, there being

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## FACTS AND FIGURES ON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

### What May Be Expected from Irrigated Lands

## COMPARISON IS INTERESTING

### Figures Are Conservative and Show Facts that will Govern If Water Is Provided

By H. A. Kelly.

If you owned a ten acre tract of land without irrigation at present but which could be irrigated under the proposed irrigation district a few facts might make the advantage of the district clearer to you.

At present a ten acre tract would be valued for assessment at \$80.00 and your taxes would be \$2.08. You could raise on an average of 4 1/2 tons of grain hay worth \$36 or \$33.92 to feed your work stock and live on for a year.

If the district is formed and the land irrigated your tract would be valued for assessment at \$400.00 and your taxes would be \$104.00. You could raise on an average of 45 tons of alfalfa worth \$360.00, or \$254.00 over and above taxes.

For the grain hay you would have to seed at least every two years, for alfalfa once in fifteen years. Grain seed is worth 1 1/2 cents per pound, and alfalfa 20 to 22 cents per pound, labor about the same if both are farmed right. Eight pounds of alfalfa will seed an acre while 25 pounds or more of grain are required.

The government report states that the project will cost \$795,600 or \$51.30 per acre. Assuming this figure to be correct, the following table will give you an idea what you will have to pay for the added advantages of irrigation, the main-

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## EVERYONE MUST BOOST CROOKED RIVER ROAD

Those who will assist in the improvement of the Crooked River road between this point and O'Neil are requested to drop in at the Crook County Bank and sign the paper which has been prepared for that purpose. Donations of labor, cash and the use of teams are being made by the citizens, and with liberal response from Prineville people, this road will be put into first class condition.

Those residing along the road have subscribed liberally, and every dollar in subscription has been matched by one from the county, which is a double incentive for liberal donations for this work.

It will lighten the work of the committee materially to make this contribution in this manner.

The Deschutes Power Company's plant at Cline Falls is again in operation after being out of commission for about a month.

## Good Advice Anent Orchards

By T. H. Lafollette.

The planting of fruit trees and berry bushes is as old as time. We do not know who planted the trees in the garden of Eden. But that the planting was successful there is no doubt. It is recorded that our esteemed ancestor Noah planted a vineyard soon after leaving the Ark, grew grass, made wine which he drank to excess becoming intoxicated and made a fool of himself proving that a prohibition law was needed even at that early date.

Many thousands of trees are planted in Central Oregon each year. A large part of them never grow largely because of improper planting. Most kinds of trees, apples especially, are very hardy and will grow if given half a chance.

If frozen or badly dried out when received they should be buried in the ground for several days or until planting time comes. Cover them entirely root and branch in moist soil. After such treatment they will grow. The ground should be put in good cultivation and a stake placed where every tree is wanted. The holes large enough to admit the roots when spread naturally and deep enough to set the tree several

inches deeper than it grew in the nursery. Trim off broken roots only an inch or two from the injured part. It is a mistake to cut away uninjured roots in this dry climate. After placing the tree in line fill in with finely pulverized soil until the roots are covered then pour in water until the soil is washed in closely around their roots, after the water settles away shovel in some dry soil and pack it finely with the feet and finish with two or three inches of loose soil on top to hold the moisture. In early spring all limbs not needed to form the top should be removed and those remaining should be cut back one half their length.

If yearling trees or whips should be used they should be cut off at a height where the top is desired, and all buds removed as they start except where the limbs are wanted. As to the proper height to form the top there is much difference of opinion.

In commercial orchards the usual practice is to head the trees low. But in home orchards two and a half or three feet is the usual height. It is not desirable to have the limbs

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## Poor Dad--He Misses It Again!

## By Gross

