

### FEDERAL LOAN BOARD ASKS 1ST MORTGAGE

HOMESTEAD LOANS POSSIBLE WHEN PATENT ISSUES

### CONTRACT LAND IS EXCLUDED

Existing Debts Must Be Paid in Order to Secure Approval by Loan Board

Due to the frequent inquiries regarding the possibility of obtaining loans on the irrigated lands of Central Oregon in which the company maintains the first lien on the crop, the County Agricultural Agent received the following advice from Mr. W. W. Flannigan, secretary of the National Farm Loan Board:

"Answering your inquiry of recent date.

"The Federal Farm Loan Board has made no ruling as to the application of the Federal Farm Loan Act to holders of land under irrigation or reclamation projects.

"As matters now stand, we are able to make simply the general statement that only those persons may borrow under the Farm Loan Act who are able to execute first mortgages on their lands. Determination as to whether or not you may borrow is a matter of law. If the indebtedness remaining against your land constitutes a first mortgage under the law, you would be prevented from borrowing unless you could use the borrowed money to wipe out the existing indebtedness.

"The Federal Farm Loan Board is consulting competent legal counsel as to the rights of entrymen under irrigation or reclamation projects to borrow under this system, and if it finds that they cannot borrow, the Board will make an effort to secure from Congress an amendment which will relieve this condition.

"Occupants of homesteads who have received final proof on their lands may join an association in anticipation of procuring loans when their titles have been completed, but they will not be able to borrow under the Farm Loan Act until they have received their patents from the Government."

### WOOL SOLD TOO LOW

Vincent McKenna Reports Several Contracts at 30 Cents

With the actual market for wool averaging thirty-five cents per pound, a number of sales at prices ranging around thirty cents are reported by Vincent McKenna of the Portland Wool Warehouse Company who returned the last of the week from a trip through the eastern part of Crook County and as far east as Canyon City in Grant County.

All those who are in a position to know have advised the growers to use care in contracting their wool clips, and the fact that these contracts have been made at prices ranging below the actual market shows the folly of sales by the grower before the exact tone of the market is understood.

### GERARD ARRIVES IN SWITZERLAND

Ex-Ambassador Reports That He Was Virtually Held Prisoner By the Germans.

Zurich, Switzerland, via Paris.—American ambassador, James W. Gerard, arrived at the Swiss boundary at Schaffhausen, at 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon. He was met by the American minister to Switzerland, Pleasant A. Stovall, and representatives of the Swiss army.

The strain of the situation for the Americans in Berlin had been heightened toward the end by the efforts of the German authorities to induce Mr. Gerard to open negotiations for an amendment to the Prussian-American treaty of 1799. At the same time the German newspapers were flooded with reports of the seizure of German ships by America and with stories of difficulties and indignities encountered by Count von Bernstorff.

Ambassador Gerard was refused permission to communicate in cipher with Washington and the authorities ignored all denials of the stories printed in the German newspapers. An official message received through the Spanish embassy made it clear that the stories were false. Prior to this Ambassador Gerard's telephone wires were cut, his mail and telegraphic privileges stopped, so that he could not even instruct the American consuls—and he was, in his words, a prisoner.

Delay followed delay and one excuse was made after another until Friday night, when the foreign office suddenly announced its willingness to permit Mr. Gerard to depart on the following day. The names of correspondents and of other persons were added to the list but even then petty delays and uncertainties followed until shortly before the train was boarded.

### BERLIN TAKES STEPS TO PREVENT WAR

Washington.—Germany has taken steps to open a discussion with the United States of means of preventing war between them.

The German proposal, delivered to the state department, that means be discussed of preventing the break in relations from resulting in war apparently has struck no responsive chord here.

It was made clear everywhere in government circles there was nothing to discuss, unless Germany desired to stop abridging American rights and illegally menacing American life.

What has been done so far is construed as an attempt to place upon the United States the appearance of belligerence, to bewilder public opinion here and divide the country.

Whether any sort of answer beyond a mere acknowledgment to the Swiss minister who presented the suggestion will be made is uncertain, as that matter rests entirely with President Wilson. Opinions differ, some believing it wiser to ignore the suggestion entirely. It is possible that a summary of the present submarine campaign with a list of the sinking without warning and the loss of lives may be submitted as further showing why the United States and other neutrals believe Germany's course outside the bounds of law.

### LOYALTY IS PLEDGED

German-American Alliance to Fight for United States.

Philadelphia.—The resolutions endorsing the action of President Wilson in severing diplomatic relations with Germany and pledging its loyalty to the United States were adopted by the German-American National Alliance at a meeting here.

It was also decided, in case of hostilities, to form regiments of German-Americans and turn over to the American Red Cross funds which the alliance has been collecting for German war relief. The meeting was attended by delegates from 28 states. The alliance is said to have a membership of 3,000,000.

American Sailors Held Prisoners. Berlin, by wireless to Sayville.—Foreign Secretary Zimmermann has informed the Associated Press that he had requested the Swiss government to make inquiry in Washington regarding the status of the crews of interned German ships in American ports.

Pending an answer the 72 Americans taken by the German raider and brought in by the Yarrowdale, whose release had been agreed to, are being held in Germany, the foreign secretary stated.

Nevadan Is Named Director of Mint Washington.—President Wilson has sent to the senate the nomination of Ray Baker of Nevada to be director of the mint.

### 450 HEAD OF SHEEP SOLD AT \$12.50 EACH

STOCK WINTERING WELL AT ROBERTS—PEOPLE BUSY

### CAR OF HOGS FROM GRIZZLY

Waste Water Makes Roads Bad on Powell Butte R. F. D.—More Measles Appear

### POWELL BUTTE NEWS

(By Our Regular Correspondent)

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Shearer and daughter Ruth visited Mrs. Shearer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oreweller in Bend Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Mary Brown and daughter, Mrs. Lucy McLeod, came out from Prineville Saturday to spend the week.

Mr. and Mrs. James Rigby and family left last Thursday night for southern Oregon where they will visit Mrs. Rigby's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Logan.

Mr. Tuck came out from Redmond Friday evening after school, returning to town Saturday evening.

The young people of the Sunday school are holding choir practice at the hall every Saturday evening. They report a good attendance and good times.

Othmar Wood and Charlie Hofer of Cline Falls are working for Allan Willcoxon this week.

Miss Ada Sears, who has been ill with measles, is able to be out, but is not back in school yet.

Mrs. O. E. Butterfield and daughter, Bernice, left Friday morning for a three or four weeks' visit in Portland and Newberg.

Mr. Manceau and family are enjoying a visit from Mr. Manceau's brother from North Yakima, Wash. Ernest Hall was laid up several days last week with a severe attack of sciatic rheumatism but is able to be around again.

Last Saturday Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Bussett and daughter Fay, and Harriett Willcoxon, came out from Prineville for the week-end. This is the first time Mr. Bussett has been out since he broke his leg early last fall. His neighbors are all glad to see him able to be around again.

R. L. Moore sold 450 head of sheep to Wm. McCormick the last of the week at \$12.50 per head.

August Dreyer is helping J. L. Gibson prepare his potatoes for market this week.

Mrs. Ida Morse and daughter Ada attended church in Redmond Sunday evening.

The north and south road from George Stone's to J. L. Gibson's is almost impassable with cars because of the waste water from the ditch. As this is the mail road it should be attended to at once.

Mrs. Ross Bussett and baby are spending the week in Prineville, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Bussett.

W. J. Monroe has completed the curtains and scenery for the stage at the Community Hall, and may paint the arch.

S. D. Mustard, Frank Kissler and Allen Willcoxon, the auditing committee appointed by President Rice of the Community Hall Association, to audit the books of the secretary-treasurer preparatory to turning them over to the new secretary-treasurer, met last Sunday and went over the books.

C. W. Munca was out from Redmond last Saturday locking after his ranch here.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Wilson left Sunday evening for a business trip to Portland.

### ROBERTS NEWS

(By Our Regular Correspondent)

Mr. and Mrs. James Cram are expected home the middle of the week. Mr. Cram has been visiting his mother in Seattle the past few days.

Henry Carlin was in Prineville Tuesday on business.

Mr. Roberts was in Prineville last week to see a new tractor demonstrated. He expects to buy one in the spring.

Everyone is busy feeding and the cattle are wintering in fine shape.

No more cases of rabies have been heard of during the past week for which we are thankful.

Mr. and Mrs. George Millhorn and family arrived here the last of the week from the Willamette Valley. They are visiting with Mrs.

### Use Dr. Hess' Remedies for the Stock and Poultry

Hess' Stock Tonic is a laxative, appetizer and a blood builder, thus insuring a healthful, rapid growing condition of the stock

2-lb pkg. Hess' Tonic	.25	1 quart Dip and Disinfectant	.50
7-lb pkg. Hess' Tonic	.65	One-half gal. Dip and Disinfectant	.75
12-lb pkg Hess' Tonic	\$1.00	1 gal. Dip and Disinfectant	\$1.25
25-pound pail Hess' Tonic	\$2.25	1 lb can Louise Killer	.25
1 1-2 pound package HESS' PAN-ACE-A—to make hens lay			.25

### Fancy Winter Apples

Fancy Wagners, wrapped and counted, box \$1.60  
Fancy Spitz, wrapped and counted, box \$1.85  
Fancy Newtowns, wrapped and counted, box \$2.00

### GROCERIES

QUANTITY PRICES, SHOWING A SAVING ON STAPLE ARTICLES			
10 pounds black figs	\$1.25	25-lb bulk macaroni	1.75
10 pounds white figs	1.45	50 bars Crystal White Soap	2.35
25-lb box extra fancy dried apples	3.00	100 bars Crystal White Soap	4.65
50-lb box extra fancy dried apples	5.80	50 bars Bob White Soap	2.40
25-lb box extra fancy dried peaches	2.70	100 bars Bob White Soap	4.75
50-lb box extra fancy dried peaches	5.35	50 pounds head rice	3.70
25-lb box French Petite prunes	2.10	100 pounds head rice	7.15
50-lb box French Petite prunes	4.00	50 pounds Japan style rice	3.10
25-lb box Italian prunes	2.85	100 pounds Japan style rice	6.15
50-lb box Italian prunes	5.50	100 pounds broken head rice, second quality	5.00
25-lb box 3 Crown loose Muscatell raisins	2.75	25-lb sack Bayo beans	2.95
50-lb box 3 Crown loose Muscatell raisins	5.50	50-lb sack Bayo beans	5.95
25-lb box Concord dried grapes, excellent quality and flavor	2.60	85-lb sack Bayo beans	10.00
50-lb box Concord dried grapes, excellent quality and flavor	5.00	25-lb sack Pink beans	2.95
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		85-lb sack Pink beans	10.00

### BARBED WIRE

Those contemplating the purchase of barbed wire this season will do well to get prices in Prineville before buying elsewhere

### FARMING IMPLEMENTS

Write us for quotations on Syracuse and John Deere Plows, Peg and Spring Tooth Harrows, VanBrunt Drills, Plow Single Trees

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### GRIZZLY NEWS

(By Our Regular Correspondent)

At last the measles have reached this vicinity. I. E. Newbill's family is the first to be attacked. Many more have been exposed.

Smith & Palmehn and N. A. Newbill & Sons sold a car load of hogs the last of the week to the local butcher at Madras.

Word was received from Wm. Joslin, who is at The Dalles hospital being treated for cancer of the stomach, that he is expected to live but a short time and his son Roy and wife left to be at his bedside.

Attendance at school has been much decreased on account of the measles scare.

Earl Crain, of Prineville, is visiting his mother, Mrs. G. W. Compton of this place.

P. M. Pitzer, of Prineville, brought his mother back from Prineville the middle of the week. She has been sick with an attack of lagrippe and had been to see the doctor.

Geo. Fogle slipped and fell on the ice seriously hurting his arm and is now laid up for repairs.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Long are busy moving to their new home in the Hay Creek country.

Mrs. Fred Bishop, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Morris of this city, returned to her home in Portland Monday.

### Ham and Eggs Buttered Toast A CUP of GOOD Coffee—

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### WANTS REPRESENTATIVES

Portland Man Would Enlist Supporters For His Concern

F. Lee Sheppy, 2nd Floor 100-102 N. 5th Street, Portland, Oregon, General Sales Manager of the largest concern of its kind in the world, wants three or four men in Crook County and several men in adjoining counties, to work for him spare time or all the time. He can use only those who have a rig or auto. Work is very pleasant and no previous selling experience is necessary. Work consists of leaving a wonderful new household necessity in the homes on free trial. Tests at more than thirty of the leading Universities and the Government Bureau of Standards show this new article to be four times as efficient as any article now in general use in this section. Article is needed in every rural home and benefits every member of the household, bringing cheer, comfort and happiness into the home. Not necessary to be away from home nights. Pay from \$6.00 to \$15.00 per day according to ability and number of homes visited. In writing Mr. Sheppy, mention what townships will be most convenient for you to work in; what your regular occupation is; your age; married or single; how long you have lived in the community; what kind of a rig or auto you have; whether you wish to work spare time or steady; how much time you will have to devote to the work; when you can start, and about how many homes are within six miles of you in each direction. This is a splendid opportunity for several men in Crook County and counties adjoining to make good money, working steady or spare time. Some of the field men earn \$300.00 per month; one farmer earned \$1000.00 working spare time only. No investment or bond necessary. 1422p

### PROCEEDINGS OF THE CROOK COUNTY COURT

Proceedings of adjourned term of County Court held Feb. 6, 1917, Crook and Deschutes Counties; In the matter of Collection of Taxes, County Agent, and State Water Master, see resolutions.

Ordered that L. E. Smith, Commissioner of Deschutes County and J. F. Blanchard of Crook County, take inventory of tools in Deschutes County and appraise the value of same.

Ordered that J. F. Blanchard make all needed changes in the office of County School Supt., and in room for Janitor.

Ordered that J. F. Blanchard plan and estimate cost of material and hauling of tool shed be submitted at regular March term of Court.

In the matter of viewing proposed changes of Prineville-Rye Grass-O'Neil Roads: Ordered that J. F. Blanchard and E. T. Luthy examine condition of said roads and make recommendations relative to changes and improvements of same.

In the matter of improvement on Lower Crooked River Road: Ordered that work be resumed with rock crusher to complete work started in 1916.

Warrant ordered drawn on general fund in favor of J. F. Blanchard, Commissioner, for \$1250.00 to pay for work done on Ochoco Road.

In the matter of the bi-annual report of County Agent: Report of County Agent for last half of year 1916 received and ordered filed. Adjournment.

### WANTS LAW ENFORCED

Deschutes County Court Requested to Enforce the Law

### POULTRY ASSOCIATION

Meeting Called for Saturday in Prineville

A meeting of those interested in the poultry business has been called for Saturday next in this city.

The matter of the sale of poultry and eggs will be discussed and a permanent organization will perhaps be effected.

If interested, see R. V. Constable, who issued the call.

### (Special Dispatch to The Journal)

The Alfalfa Development Club at a recent meeting voted unanimously to request the Deschutes County Court to enforce the law prohibiting irrigation water being allowed to run in and flood county roads to the annoyance and detriment of the traveling public.

The club feels that in these times of agitation and taxation for better highways, that those who are careless in handling water and indifferent about better roads, should be compelled to be good.

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