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## E. T. JOHNSON & CO. GET R. R. CONTRACT

WORK ON PRINEVILLE RAILROAD TO START AT ONCE

## WILL EMPLOY ALL LOCAL HELP

Bids Received For Work Ranged From \$53,000 to \$68,000—Contractors Bid Independently

At a meeting of the city council held in the city Monday, March 26, bids for building the railroad were presented as follows:

Twohy Brothers Co., wanted full contract or none. Certified check for \$3000 accompanied bid. Col. Newport, their representative, was present.

Nettleton-Bruce, Eschbach & Co., certified check for \$4000 accompanied bid.

Wolf & Gibbons, certified check for \$2500 accompanied bid.

E. T. Johnson & Co., certified check for \$3000 accompanied bid.

John W. Sweeney, certified check for \$3000 accompanied bid.

Mr. Sweeney submitted two bids, the latter being a force contract in which if the work costs less than the estimated amount the city gets just as much benefit as the contractor, or if the work costs more than the estimated amount the contractor would have to bear the brunt as well. This was explained by Mr. Welkin who represented Mr. Sweeney.

Indications were that the contractors had no chance of getting together on the bids.

E. T. Johnson suggested that in view of the fact that Mr. Sweeney had submitted two forms of bids that all bids be rejected and new bids called for. This, however, was not done.

The bids ranged from \$53,000 to \$68,000.

After the bids were read the meeting was adjourned for the purpose of deciding who had submitted the most favorable one. E. T. Johnson & Company, of Portland, were awarded the contract. Their bid was approximately \$53,000, which just includes the grading.

In an interview with Mr. Johnson Tuesday afternoon he made the following statement to a representative of The Journal:

"The equipment will be shipped immediately from Portland and work will begin at once. The first grading to be done will be over small pieces of land that are usually being irrigated at this time of the year. Your engineer has selected a very favorable route and the grading will be very slight the entire distance. We expect to employ all local labor and teams possible and the time taken to complete the work will be determined largely by the amount of labor available. We hope to finish the work within five months from date but owing to unsettled conditions do not like to make any definite promise."

The contract for the remaining 33,000 ties for the railroad will be let at the next meeting of the council.

## PRINEVILLE CHAPTER CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY

At a regular meeting of the Eastern Star Thursday night, the members celebrated their 22nd anniversary. At the close of the business meeting the past matrons put on the floor work, the first time this has been done in Prineville. A banquet was served at which Mrs. H. P. Belknap was toastmistress. Those responding to toasts were M. E. Brink, J. F. Blanchard, J. B. Shipp, Carey Foster, Mrs. J. B. Shipp and Mrs. C. W. Elkins. About one hundred members were present.

## REBEKAH LODGE AT CULVER

Mrs. E. True Shattuck Institutes New Lodge with 19 Members

Eatolla Rebekah Lodge No. 227 was instituted Friday, March 23, at Culver by Mrs. E. True Shattuck, special deputy, with a charter membership of nineteen.

The ritualistic work was very ably exemplified by the Redmond degree staff.

A bountiful banquet was served at the noon hour. This lodge expects to meet on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday evenings of each month. The officers are as follows: Edith Hillman, Noble Grand; Mary R. King, Vice Grand; Margaret Michel, secretary; Anis Dobkins, treasurer.

The following were in attendance from Prineville, Mrs. Vira Cyrus, Mrs. Esther Morgan, Mrs. Jennie Arnold, and Mr. C. L. Shattuck.

## DR. I. H. GOVE SELLS OFFICE AND EQUIPMENT

After a very successful business career of over six years in this city, Dr. I. H. Gove has sold his dental practice and office equipment to Dr. Brown, of Portland, a graduate of North Pacific Dental College, who will take charge in a month.

Dr. Gove is one of the many good citizens of this city whose departure everyone would regret, but for a time at least we will not be called upon to lose him. Feeling the need of a rest from office duties he has planned to engage in poultry raising and already has two hundred or more young chicks ranging in age from one to three weeks. Dr. Gove will be missed from the professional circles of this city, but if he will agree to become a professional poultry raiser and stay with us, we will make the best of it.

## THE GENUINE VS. THE SPURIOUS

"The Wanderer" a play being staged in New York City, is based upon the Bible story of the Prodigal Son. Thousands of people are paying admission to the theatre to see this play, who never go inside a church where they can have the true story of the Prodigal as it was told by Christ himself; unvarnished and untarnished by inefficient men. Why will men seek to "doctor" the truths and teachings that come pure and powerful, direct from the Son of God? Yes and make merchandise of them. Why will other men be deceived into spending money for that which is not bread? The Church seeks to bring you the "old, old story" with all the force and power of its original beauty. The Christian Church of Prineville invites your presence at the services to hear God's Word only. Where it speaks, we speak, where it is silent, we are silent. Who could improve the writings of Shakespeare, by adding a single line? Who could improve the paintings of Angelo, or the music of Wagner, Haydn, Mozart or Beethoven? Who then can improve the truth as it comes from the lips of the Son of God?

## CROOK COUNTY GIRLS POPULAR AT O. A. C.

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Mar. 26—(Special)—At the recent Y. W. C. A. elections Miss Mildred Slayton was chosen as a member of the Cabinet for the coming year. On Tuesday evening Miss Slayton was present at an informal dinner party given at Cauthorn Hall by the outgoing and incoming Cabinets in honor of Miss Eleanor Hopkins, Y. W. C. A. secretary for the Northwest District. Miss Slayton is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Slayton of Prineville and for the past two years has been attending college at Corvallis with her sister, Miss Mabel Slayton.

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## ATTRACTIONS WANT DATES AT I-S. FAIR

C. A. WORTHAM SHOWS WOULD COME HERE THIS FALL

## CARRY 25 CARS, 300 PEOPLE

Inter-State Fair Will Be Held, October 3, 4, 5, 6 and Many New Features Will Be Added

Things are rapidly rounding into shape for the Oregon Inter-State Fair that is to be held in Prineville October 3-4-5-6, 1917, the latest being a wire from the C. A. Wortham Shows stating that they will come to Prineville this fall for the fair.

While attending the meeting of the North Central Oregon Fair Circuit at The Dalles last January, Manager Schee met Mr. Rice, manager of the Wortham Shows who was in the Northwest at that time arranging dates for fairs and discussed the possibility of his coming to Prineville and at that time did not receive much encouragement.

Since that meeting the Crook County Fair branched out and re-incorporated in the new name of Oregon Inter-State Fair and for an additional \$4,000 and due to this fact the C. A. Wortham Shows took notice and thought best to secure the date at Prineville.

Manager Schee immediately wired them to send a contract and if satisfactory would sign. This deal all depends on the completion of the railroad by fair week as the C. A. Wortham Shows are the biggest amusement concern in the United States having a special train of 25 cars and carrying 300 people.

Everything now points toward the completion of the road and it is quite probable that this attraction will be secured.

The C. A. Wortham Shows have not made the territory in the Northwest for several years and the dates this fall are as follows: Vancouver, B. C., South West Washington Fair, North Yakima, Spokane, Walla Walla, Salem and Prineville, then going into Utah from here.

The Oregon Inter-State Fair will be far superior to anything ever attempted outside of the Oregon State Fair and the Manager will have something new to offer to the public most every week so watch the papers for all the Fair news.

## PRINEVILLE, PORTLAND AND SEATTLE MARKETS

Prices quoted in the local markets today are as follows:

Wheat, marquis, .....	\$ 1.60
Blue Stem, .....	1.55
Rye, .....	1.00
Barley, .....	40.00
Oats, .....	33.00
Bran, .....	25.00
Mids., .....	33.00
Hay, loose, .....	9.00 @ 10.00
Hay, baled, .....	11.00 @ 13.00
Wood, dry, .....	\$5.00 @ \$6.00
Wood, green, .....	4.50 @ 5.00
Gasoline, .....	.35
Butter, creamery, .....	.45
Butter, country, .....	.40
Butter fat, .....	.37
Potatoes, .....	.03
Eggs, .....	.25
Lard, 5s, .....	1.10
Lard, 10s, .....	2.15

Wheat—Club \$1.68; bluestem \$1.73; red Russian, \$1.64; forty-fold, \$1.70. Barley—No. 1 Feed, \$40 per ton. Hay—Timothy, \$21 per ton; alfalfa, \$17.

Butter—Creamery, 37c. Eggs—Ranch, 27c. Wool—Eastern Oregon, 40c; valley, 40c.

Hops—1916 crop, 4@7c; 1917 contracts, nominal.

Seattle.

Wheat—Bluestem \$1.74; club \$1.69; forty-fold \$1.70; red Russian, \$1.67; turkey red, \$1.74. Barley—\$39.50 per ton.

## BIG MONEY IS SEEN IN JACK RABBIT SKINS

SHIPMENT MADE RECENTLY BROUGHT 14 CENTS EACH

## DOUBLE OPPORTUNITY AT HAND

Hide of Hated Jack Rabbit May Help to Make Crook County Famous Since Marketable

A batch of jack-rabbit skins shipped by the Prineville Commercial Club for J. T. Houston, of Prineville, brought a price of 14 cents each, returns thereon having been received Tuesday.

A large profit and a great industry can be built up in Central Oregon in jack-rabbit skins if the farmers' boys will skin the rabbits next winter and ship when the market is right. Millions of rabbit skins have been imported from Germany, France and Belgium in the past, and now that a market has been found the farmers of Central Oregon have a double opportunity to clear the country of this pest and to make money at the same time. Skins need not be stretched but should be killed in the winter when the fur is heavy and they should be laid out and dried flat. No other preparation need be made. An ordinary laborer receives not over 35c an hour and he could skin a dozen rabbits in that time. Some farmers say they can not afford to take the time to skin jack-rabbits, but they can't prove it. There is big money in it. It is not Colonel Sellers' scheme either.

## RAISE FLAG DURING SCHOOL IS REQUEST

The following letter was received by J. E. Myers, County School Superintendent and is self explanatory: "Hon. J. E. Myers, County School Superintendent, Prineville:—

Dear Sir:—Realizing as I believe most of us do at this time how criminally lax and careless we have all been with regard to the duty we owe to the Nation and the flag, I, as Patriotic Instructor, Department of Oregon, United Spanish War Veterans, respectfully request that the U. S. colors be properly displayed continually while school is in session at every school house in your jurisdiction and that the proper salute, by hand, be given the flag upon raising it in the morning and lowering it at night. This act of salutation is not necessarily of a military significance, but rather a declaration of homage. I ask that it be impressed upon our school children that our flag should signify as much to them as to the soldier who fights for it; that it is not simply a cloth of beautiful colors, but it is something to keep the soul stirred constantly to highest endeavor; that it is the spirit of the people and the country; that there is no difference between the traitor in war and the traitor in peace and that the citizen who is corruptly false to the spirit of the Nation, who holds the public honor at a price, bears in his soul the brand of Benedict Arnold and should be an object of contempt to all. I further request that the following creed be repeated in unison by pupils of each department daily: "I believe in the God of all nations whoever ruleth all things for His own great purpose. I believe in my country, America, born in the love of liberty and purified in the fires of maintaining it. I believe in her destiny as the great exemplar of freedom; in her honesty of purpose; in her high ideals for the best service of humanity; a service of which I will be a part and of which I will do my best to keep pure. I owe allegiance and honor to her flag and constitution before any other earthly interest, and conceive it to be my highest duty to so live day

## TEACHERS ARE ELECTED

All Positions Are Filled in Public Schools But That of Principal

At a meeting of the school board held Monday, March 26, the following teachers were elected for the coming year:

- 1st grade, Leola C. Estes
- 2nd grade, May J. Wigle
- 3rd grade, Florence Wass
- 4th grade, Oza Myers
- 5th grade, Sarah Nealeigh
- 6th grade, Maude Bilyeu
- 7th grade, Rel Powell
- 8th grade—Principal has not been definitely decided.

## METHODISTS PAY OFF DEBT AT CONFERENCE

The luncheon and efficiency conference at the Methodist Church Monday evening was a most enjoyable and inspirational affair. Plates were laid for one hundred people. The tables groaned under the burden of one of the finest luncheons ever sat down to in Prineville, and that is saying much. The speakers of the evening were Rev. Louis Thomas, Eufur, Ore., Rev. H. T. Greene, Goldendale, Wash., Rev. W. C. Stewart, Bend, Ore., and Rev. Robt Allen, Redmond, Ore. It is safe to say there was not a dull moment from six o'clock when the luncheon began until nine o'clock when the speaking ceased. The subjects were "The World Program", "The Church Press", "Stewardship", and "Organization". Each of these subjects was brilliantly discussed. At the close of the speaking Mrs. Serepta Hamilton made the announcement that the debt of more than \$500 hanging over the church had been raised by the ladies. A rousing cheer with the singing of the Doxology followed the announcement after which Mrs. Lidgia Bechtell in behalf of the Ladies Aid society presented two large bouquets of cut flowers to Mrs. Hamilton and Mrs. Joe Lister, president and vice-president, through whose efforts the debt was raised.

The Methodist pulpit was filled on Sunday morning and evening by Messrs. Thomas and Greene who gave us two inspiring sermons. This conference is a part of a movement that is going through the whole of the Methodist Church.

by day a clean and upright life that later I may be worthy of American citizenship." DR. R. C. ELLSWORTH.

## BUTTON YOUR UNIFORM AND KEEP IT CLEAN

The following is a bit of advice to the high school boys. Coming from a man who has had a great deal of military training, it would be well for the boys to pay attention to what he says:

"The citizens of Crook County are proud of their boys in the High School. Your military training is a grand thing. It gives you a manly bearing and a pride in your country. The military uniform is your country's badge of honor. As you take pride in your country and as you honor the flag and the spirit which it typifies, you should respect the uniform you wear, and as you take pride in it, the people whom you meet on the street will take pride in you. Your uniform is a badge of honor. Wear it as such. There is only one way to wear it. First, keep it buttoned up and then stand and walk erect and with spirit. Don't slouch along, with your blouse unbuttoned, and your pants bagging. Stand erect, throw out your chest, keep on your toes, keep fresh and your uniform clean and keep it buttoned."

## LAMB WILL ADDRESS POULTRY ASS'N HERE

There will be a meeting of the Prineville Poultry Association at the Club Hall in this city Wednesday evening, April 4. C. C. Lamb, the college poultry expert, will address the meeting and all interested are invited to attend.

## CONVENTION CALLED FOR BETTER ROADS

ALL TAXPAYERS ARE ASKED TO MEET IN PRINEVILLE

## TUESDAY NIGHT, APRIL 3, DATE

Judicious Expenditure of Funds and Building of Permanent Roads Up For Discussion

To the Citizens of Crook County: The imperative need at this time is the systematic improvement of the roads of the county and the securing of state and government funds. The affairs of the county and particularly the road work have been neglected by the voters. There has been no organized effort to secure a fair and economical expenditure of the county money. The voice of the people should be united and it should be expressed in no uncertain terms. The ranchers and the town people have an equal interest and money should not be wasted, but should be expended in permanent construction, along permanent surveys, and state and government aid should be secured.

This can be done only through organization. A road organization should be formed to determine how to get money for good roads and more than anything else to determine how and where it shall be spent and who shall have the spending of our tax money.

To this end, a convention is called of all taxpayers in Crook County to meet in Prineville, Oregon, on the evening of Tuesday, April 3rd, for the purpose of forming a Better Roads Association. It will naturally be impossible for every taxpayer in the county to be present, but each locality is urged to select a number of representatives and to see that their representatives attend.

Respectfully, J. W. Stanton, S. S. Stearns, B. F. Johnson, S. W. Yancey, Jay H. Upton, Ross R. Robinson, A. R. Bowman, Oscar C. Hyde, G. H. Russell, Jess Yancey, L. D. Claypool, H. G. Davis, Joe Lister, J. P. Doherty, O. C. Claypool, E. O. Hyde, M. D., J. W. Crooks, Newsom Creek Rabbit Club, by Homer Norton, secretary.

## CENTRAL OREGON LEAGUE IS ASSURED

Five cities were represented at a meeting in Bend at the Emblem Club on Tuesday night to talk over the idea of organizing a baseball league for Central Oregon. The meeting was called together by Carl A. Johnson of the Bend Athletic Club and the following representatives of the different cities were present: R. L. Schee of the Prineville Commercial Club, C. A. Johnson of the Shevlin-Hixon Mill, E. J. Kingsley of Culver, C. A. Stover of Bend, and J. L. Campbell of Madras. R. L. Schee was appointed chairman of the meeting and J. L. Campbell was appointed secretary.

The league was assured the backing of the different cities and little else was accomplished due to the fact that this meeting was called to see whether or not Central Oregon wanted a baseball league. It was voted to appoint a director from each club and these directors will meet in Bend on Monday night at which time a league will be organized and officers elected. The above named committee will also be in attendance. The town of Redmond was not represented at the meeting but a letter from them stated that they wanted to be in the league. It was also voted to send invitations to Metolius and Warm Springs and this would give the league eight clubs. Manager Ed Albee of the Prineville baseball team will be Prineville's representative. Play ball!