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INJURED MAN LIES ALL NIGHT ON MOUNTAIN

B. L. KIDWELL HAS CAR DESTROYED BY FIRE

ACCIDENT ON GRIZZLY TUESDAY

Blazing Car Rolled Down Mountain Side—Driver Rendered Unconscious by Fall to Earth

B. L. Kidwell, well known dealer in livestock in Crook County and the Portland markets, lay unconscious on the top of Grizzly mountain from about 9 o'clock Tuesday evening until 3 o'clock Wednesday morning, when he recovered sufficiently to attempt to start toward Prineville on foot. He was picked up about 6:30, by J. S. Newbill, in a dazed condition, in the road on the north side of the mountain, and was brought to Prineville for medical aid.

Mr. Kidwell was returning from a trip in the Grizzly country where he has been buying horses and just after reaching the summit of the mountain his car burst into flame. He jumped from the machine immediately and must have fallen on his head for he has a number of bad cuts and bruises, which rendered him unconscious.

He is resting easier and no doubt will recover.

The machine, left without a driver, plunged flaming down the mountain side and was almost entirely consumed. It was a Buick four.

Mr. Kidwell is unable to explain the cause of the fire and of course knows nothing of what happened after he jumped from the machine. It was insured.

HYDE-WILSON NUPTIALS

Carl C. Hyde, mechanic with the Coast Artillery at Fort Columbia, and Blanche Wilson were married August 9th, by Rev. T. M. Minard, of the First Divine Science Church in Portland. Carl is the son of Dr. and Mrs. E. O. Hyde of this city and was in business here until enlisting in the Coast Artillery about four months ago.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Wilson, of Halsey, and has been teaching in and near Prineville for several years.

DEATH OF MRS. EMILY EVANS

Mrs. Emily Evans died at her home on Mill Creek, August 13, 1917, after an illness of several weeks.

Mrs. Evans was born in Wales, February 14, 1846, and crossed the ocean in 1850, settling in Wisconsin. She was married to H. P. Evans in 1867 and they moved to Oregon in 1877.

She is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Sarah Elliott, Mrs. Hannah Sears, and Mrs. Katherine Starr and one son, David J. Evans.

Funeral services were held at the Methodist church August 14.

LARGE TIMBER DEAL NEARING COMPLETION

The transfer of 10,000 acres of timber lands in the Blue Mountains east of Prineville to the Government for a like amount adjacent to their holdings will be completed soon by the Rogers Lumber Company of Minneapolis.

The blocking of these lands, which has been going on for several months is preparatory to the building of a mill at Prineville where the timber will be manufactured into lumber and lumber products.

Paul C. Garrison, representative of the Rogers company, will take up his residence in Prineville soon so that he will be nearer his work.

Oregon Inter-State Fair, Oct. 3-6.

FASHION SHOW AT LYRIC

Gowns To Be Exhibited On Living Models

A one act comedy, "How a Woman Keeps a Secret," will be staged at the Lyric in connection with the regular picture program Wednesday, August 29.

The production is in charge of Mrs. R. A. Clark and the cast includes eleven ladies of Prineville.

The purpose of this is to exhibit samples of work made at the Fashion Shop by Mrs. Hobbs and Miss Phelps.

All of the gowns to be worn were designed by this firm.

PLANS COMPLETED FOR INTER-STATE FAIR

The directors of the Oregon Inter-State Fair have several alterations and additions to the grounds that they expect to have made before the opening day of this year's fair. One will be to remove the band stand from the center of the amphitheatre in order that people seated will have a perfect view of the entire track. As it is now arranged the view is obstructed. It is very likely that a section of bleachers will be erected at the south end of the amphitheatre in order to accommodate the crowds.

A new dairy barn will be erected to provide room for the large herds of dairy cattle that are coming. This barn will hold 40 head of dairy stock and will be greatly appreciated by the dairymen.

Plans are rapidly being made for the Fair and a definite program of attractions will soon be announced.

The premium lists have been mailed out and if you have not received one, write the manager at once.

Prineville will be decorated for the big event as it never has been before as a special decorator has been secured to decorate the streets, business houses, and buildings at the fair grounds. There will be more outside visitors at the fair this fall than at any previous fair and it will be up to the residents of Prineville to open their homes and help provide rooms for our guests.

A canvass of the city will be made soon and all the rooms will be listed in order to send people direct to them, however anyone having rooms to rent will please notify R. L. Schee at once giving number of rooms and price of same.

FACTS CONCERNING THE OCHOCO PROJECT

A few of the striking facts concerning the project are listed below:

Ochoco Reservoir
Area water surface at elevation of crest of dam, about 1180 acres.
Length of reservoir, 3.38 miles.
Average width of reservoir, one-half mile.
Length of shore line, 10 miles.
Storage capacity, 47,000 acre feet.

Ochoco Dam
Maximum height above river bed, 125 feet.
Volume, about 506,000 cubic yards.
Length along crest, 1000 feet.
Width of top, 20 feet.
Thickness at base, up and down stream, 600 feet.
Spillway capacity, 10,000 cubic feet per second, normal, 20,000 cubic feet per second, extreme emergency.
Greatest recorded flood flow Ochoco Creek, 1050 cubic feet per second.

Main Canal
Capacity, from 200 to 25 second feet.
Length, about 22 miles.
Length concrete lined canal, 2 miles.
Length earth canal, 17 1/2 miles.
Length flume, one mile.
Length tunnel, 2000 feet.

Main Laterals
Capacity, from 2 to 20 second feet.
Length, about 150 miles.

Drainage System
Area, approximately 2000 acres.

Pumping Segregation
Area, about 1500 acres.
Maximum height pumped to, 100 feet above main canal.

OCHOCO DIST. LANDS OF HIGHEST QUALITY

CAREFUL INVESTIGATION MADE BOND SALE POSSIBLE

ENGINEER REA VERY EFFICIENT

Success of Project Realized Because of Its Merit and Proper Handling of Entire Proceeding

Since the sale of the Ochoco Irrigation District bonds has been successfully made, and contracts secured at reasonable figures with the largest construction firm on the coast, people who know most about the condition of the money market and prices for labor, material and all kinds of supplies are wondering how this can be done at this time.

The answer is that the lands to be irrigated are of the highest quality, that the supply of water is to be had without any question, and that the thorough manner in which the board, Project Engineer R. W. Rea, and those who were associated in the work carried out the investigation made all who were interested in securing the sale of the bonds and the contracts for construction know that the project is right, and absolutely worthy.

The complete survey of the project and its resources, together with the difficulties that will have to be coped with, and the fact that these estimates are found to be correct in every case when investigated by the most able authorities that are to be had causes everyone to realize that, even in these trying times, the project is worth the most loyal support.

The efficient and untiring effort of Engineer Rea, who not only made the necessary surveys but actually carried the bond sale to successful completion, is worthy of more than passing notice at this time also.

A review of the admitted facts concerning the project is interesting just at this time.

The water supply of the Ochoco Project is to be taken from two watersheds drained respectively by Ochoco and McKay Creeks. The former has an area, above the Ochoco Dam, of 300 square miles, of which approximately 52 per cent is located within the boundaries of the Ochoco National Forest Reserve. The McKay storage has an area of 40 square miles above the proposed dam site, of which approximately 62.5 per cent lies in the forest reserve.

The records of stream flow on Ochoco Creek, kept by the U. S. Geological Survey, show that, for the six years for which records exist, including part of 1917, the average yield of the Ochoco watershed at dam site is 54,800 acre feet, not including water used on lands in reservoir site. Over a period of 14 years, the Geological Survey estimates that the average flow will be 54,900 acre feet, the minimum being 22,800 and the maximum 92,000 acre feet.

The flow of McKay Creek, as shown by one full year's records, amounted to 16,760 acre feet during the season of 1916. This water will be admitted to the main canal at the crossing of McKay Creek, the canal being designed with ample capacity in order that as much of the flow of this water shed may be utilized during the flood period as is practicable. Use of this water conserves an equal quantity in Ochoco Reservoir.

Records show that the combined yield of the two water sheds is sufficient to assure an ample supply of water at the land throughout the growing season, in addition to all seepage and other transmission losses. A duty of 1.91 feet per acre per season at the land is used in all calculations for water supply.

Many years of successful crop raising, both with and without irrigation water, have served to give the soils of the project "the acid test" as to fertility and productiveness. The alfalfa-fed steers of the Ochoco Valley seem to fatten

STORES TO CLOSE FOR HARVEST FESTIVAL

CELEBRATION OF OCHOCO BOND SALE SET FOR LABOR DAY

BAND MUSIC FOR OCCASION

Annual Event Will Be a Hummer—Everyone From Town and Country Urged to Be Present

Prineville's business houses will close for the Harvest Festival at McKay grove, which will be held September 3, and everyone who can possibly attend will be there, for the occasion will be a picnic and celebration combined.

The plan was to have a general jollification when the bonds for the irrigation district were sold, and it was decided to make this conform with the Harvest Festival this year.

A general program of sports has been outlined, music will be provided by the band, and a full day is promised for the large crowd that is sure to attend.

The band will play on the streets here about 9 o'clock, and cars will start for the picnic grounds immediately after that hour. More music will follow at the grounds, and the program will commence immediately after.

quicker and on a proportionately smaller ration of the local alfalfa, than do steers fed on the alfalfa hay grown in other localities. This has been proven by actual test.

Much of the bench land within the district is now "dry" farmed and, except in seasons of slight or no rainfall, very satisfactory crops of wheat, oats, barley and rye are raised.

Climatic conditions in the Prineville Valley are nearly ideal for the full maturing of hay, grasses, grains and root crops. The average annual temperature as shown by U. S. Weather Bureau records for 1906, was 48.0. The average range of temperature is from about 0 degrees in winter to 100 degrees in summer. Frosts are no more severe nor erratic than in other agricultural districts in the Northwest of equal altitude.

At this time all lands within the District (under the canals) are held in private ownerships. The acreage in individual tracts ranges from 40 acres, upwards. It is a fact, now universally recognized, that the real security behind the bonds of an irrigation project is the high class of settlers who occupy the lands of the project—for no matter how much water may be at hand, no matter how good the soil is, no matter how good every other feature of the project may be, if the man on the land isn't intelligent, hard working, progressive and solid, the project is doomed to failure.

The Ochoco project is singularly fortunate in that practically two-thirds of its area is settled and tilled by a class of farmers who have been successful heretofore and who, with the full benefit of the stored water to aid them, will insure the highest success for themselves and the project.

LEE THOMAS COMMITTED

Judge Springer Took Young Man to State Institution Friday

Lee Thomas, a young man whose former home was in southern Oregon, was committed to the state training school and Judge Springer left with him for Salem, Friday of last week.

MCDONNELL IN CUSTODY

Brought in by Sheriff Knox From Burns Thursday Evening

Sheriff Knox brought in a young man named McDonnell from Burns Thursday evening and is holding him on a charge of larceny until the opening of the September term of circuit court.

YANCEY LIKES AVIATION

Two Prineville Men Are Now Training in Ohio

In a splendid letter received this week from Warren Yancey by District Attorney Wirtz, Mr. Yancey, who is in the 13th Aero Squadron now in training at Fairfield, Ohio, says that he can truthfully say that the aviation branch of the service is a credit to Uncle Sam and that the field at Fairfield is an ideal training spot for the corps. Earl Crain, of Prineville, is a member of the 29th Squadron, also stationed at Fairfield. Mr. Yancey says it makes a fellow feel good to know that their efforts are appreciated at home.

\$100,000 WORTH OF LAND SOLD THIS WEEK

Transactions in real estate for the past week will total about \$100,000. Most of these sales have been of lands under the Ochoco Irrigation district and have been made to Prineville people who are in a position to know the value of these lands with water on them.

The sales have been divided between individual owners and the Oregon & Western Colonization Co., who have also sold a number of tracts of grazing lands.

Two deals have been closed for property that will become city lots and acreage. These are both on the north side of the city.

A. W. Grater sold 25 acres to a group of local men who will plat the tract, and Farmer Powell purchased the 120 acres from J. W. Boone and J. O. Powell just outside the city limits.

The consideration for the former was \$2500, the later about twice that amount.

J. N. Williamson bought the John Watkins 320 for \$26,000. M. E. Brink sold 120 acres of his land to Robinson and Upton. R. Spalinger bought the Snyder 120 for \$2500, and a number of other private sales have been made.

The Oregon & Western Colonization Company report the following sales under the district: Frank Foster and R. A. Bowman, 320; W. F. King, 120; J. H. Gervin, 80; Helen Claypool, 80; L. N. Nichols, 80 and Guy Lafollette 480.

They also sold grazing lands as follows: Walter Elliott, 2560; H. D. Dunham, 1100 and J. N. Williamson, 1280.

PRINEVILLE ROD & GUN CLUB

Organized and Active—Liberated 7 Crates Pheasants This Week

The Prineville Rod & Gun Club has been organized with H. D. Peoples, president; L. M. Bechtell, vice president and H. R. Lakin, secretary. Annual dues are \$1. Drop in and leave your dollar with Mr. Lakin.

The club received seven crates, each containing 12 Chinese pheasants, this week and liberated all of them near Prineville.

HOT SPRINGS RESORT

Lister Family Enjoyed Outing at Suplee—100 Miles From Here

Joe Lister and family returned Tuesday from a three weeks' trip to the Paulina country. While there they visited the Suplee hot springs in company with H. J. Lister and family.

These springs are situated 24 miles east of Paulina, which makes the total distance from Prineville about 100 miles.

They are of a mineral nature, very hot, and afford an excellent resort. The roads are very good from Paulina to the springs, but are not good between this city and Paulina, bridges being especially bad.

RAILROAD BUSINESS ACTIVE

Prineville Men in Portland Closing Important Deal

T. M. Baldwin, D. F. Stewart, C. S. Edwards and L. M. Bechtell are in Portland today on business connected with the Prineville railroad. They have two or three important matters to close regarding the early completion of the road, and will no doubt have interesting news on their return.

DAVIDSON WILL FARM 6000 ACRES NEXT YEAR

HAS ORDERED SAGE GRUBBERS AND TRACTORS FOR WORK

WILL PREPARE FOR 1918 CROP

Warm Water From Reservoir Will Make Lands Very Valuable—Will Sow Spring Wheat

Watson P. Davidson, president of the Oregon & Western Colonization Company, announced yesterday that he is preparing to farm the 6000 acres of land that his company yet owns under the Ochoco Irrigation Project.

These lands have been in sage brush always, and his company has rented them wherever they could be rented, but no effort has been made to farm them because of the fact that there was no supply of water.

The fact that the district is assured makes the lands very valuable Mr. Davidson says, and he has already ordered four large Idaho sage brush grubbers and is making an effort to secure as many small farm tractors to pull them.

The fact that water from the Ochoco reservoir will be warm when it reaches these lands will make it of the greatest value to growing crops Mr. Davidson thinks, and his company will crop all the lands that are not sold this fall.

Spring wheat will be sown he says, and with the 1918 crop guaranteed by the government at not less than \$2.40 per bushel he says that there can be no risk in the venture.

These lands are scattered over the project in alternate sections, and will be operated in the same large manner that Mr. Davidson has handled other like tracts in the eastern part of the land grant where the venture has always proven profitable for him.

74,000 ACRES OPEN FOR ENTRY SEPT. 24

The Interior Department announced yesterday that 74,000 acres of land which is the tract north of Bear Creek butte and east of Powell Butte, will be open for homestead entry at The Dalles land office on September 24, and that applications will be received 20 days prior to that time. This is known as list 20, and has been held by the C. O. I. Co. for irrigation.

IRRIGATION CO. RATES SET

Public Service Commission Sets the Squaw Creek Rates at 60 Cents

The Public Service Commission of Oregon issued an order recently which becomes effective on Sept. 1, to the effect that the rates for water for the Squaw Creek Irrigation Co. are to be raised from 35 cents per acre foot to 60 cents, and that a specified percentage of this must be set aside for depreciation.

The order is the result of a petition of the company for permission to increase their rates to \$1.00 per acre foot.

The hearing was held in May at Sisters, Oregon.

BOOSTER BIBLE CLUB

Young Men Will Open Library and Employment Bureau

Young men of the Baptist church have organized the Booster Bible club, and will open a reading room soon in the basement of the Baptist church in this city.

They will also find employment for those who wish it, and assist in the betterment of community conditions in other ways.

Harry Stearns is president and Hobart Reams secretary of the organization.