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\$285,000 STOCK AND RANCH DEAL CLOSED

STEWART BROS. BUY RUSSELL HOLDINGS NEAR HERE

SALE INCLUDES ALL LIVESTOCK

Horses, Cattle, Sheep, Hogs and Mules Go To Purchasers—Transfer March 1

The largest deal in livestock and ranch property ever made in Crook County was closed Monday when G. H. Russell sold his ranch fourteen miles east of Prineville, containing 9,700 acres of land and about \$150,000.00 worth of livestock, to Stewart Bros., of Walla Walla, Wash.

Mr. Russell purchased this ranch from C. Sam Smith about ten years ago. The consideration was \$285,000. \$85,000 was paid in cash and the remainder was arranged on terms.

Stewart Bros. will take charge of the ranch the first of March. They own large wheat ranches near Walla Walla.

In the list of livestock sold with the ranch are included hogs and sheep, horses and mules as well as cattle, which made up the largest part of the livestock consideration. The land includes a large tract that is under irrigation where alfalfa and meadow hay is raised, and grain of all kinds in abundance.

The grass lands are all adjacent to the home place, and the low rolling hills without a great amount of vegetation excepting the heavy bunch grass sod, makes the property one of the most valuable for livestock in this part of Oregon.

VISITING MASONS' NIGHT

Will Entertain Home Members In Annual Event

The annual entertainment of Prineville Masons by those who attend lodge here regularly yet belong at other points, will be held at the hall Saturday evening.

All visiting Masons, as well as those residing here, are urged to be present.

CYRUS-GRAVES WEDDING

Wm. Harvey Cyrus and Florence E. Graves were married at the Presbyterian manse Monday evening, Rev. W. L. Van Nuys officiating. Mr. Cyrus has been in the jewelry business here for several years. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Graves of Powell Butte. There were no guests at the wedding.

J. S. WELLS TO RESIDE HERE

Recent Arrival From California Likes Prineville Country

J. S. Wells, Mrs. Wells and son, arrived Tuesday and will make their home here.

They came from California, and have been attracted to this part of the state by visits to the home of Mr. Wells' brother, G. W. Wells.

They will reside on land recently purchased in the Powell Butte irrigated district.

DIXON BROS. SELL COLD SPRINGS RANCH

The Cold Springs ranch, owned for years by Dixon Brothers, was sold the first of the week to Herbert Angel, of Paulina.

The sale includes all the land holdings of the Dixon's in that part of the county, a total of about 2000 acres, and a large number of cattle. The horses were retained by the former owners and will be sold by them.

Mr. Angel has large cattle interests in Paulina valley, and will operate both places.

HEARD HARRY LAUDER SPEAK

Rev. Laslett Says That Humorist Is Most Serious of Men

That Harry Lauder is one of the most serious men to be found today, regardless of his reputation as one of the most noted humorists in the world, is the statement of Rev. F. C. Laslett who heard the famous Scotchman last week in Portland.

He realizes that the people are slow to become aware of the fact that they are in the war, and just what it means, and says that there is a great difference between the spirit of the east and the west, those living nearer the Atlantic coast seeing more of the war conditions, feel them deeper.

He told of going into a captured dugout on the western front, and catching the crape band from his sleeve, which he was wearing for his fallen son.

When he asked why the spike was not driven into the wall, the officer explained that on a like occasion, a mine was exploded which caused the death of 72 men.

Nothing is too damnable for the Hun he says, and we must back our men with our dollars, until victory comes.

FLOOD WATERS APRIL 1 SURE SAYS SCHNEELOCH

Ralph H. Schneeloch, of the firm of Clark, Kendall and Company, was in Prineville yesterday on one of his regular trips of inspection of the Ochoco Irrigation District.

In an interview given out to the Journal, Mr. Schneeloch said: "Flood waters will be available for the farmers on the Ochoco project without fail by April 1, or very near that date. Regardless of the fact that labor conditions have been difficult, transportation an unusual problem, and winter weather for the workmen, wonderfully satisfactory progress has been made throughout the district."

"At the dam, the progress will be much more noticeable during the next few days because of the fact that better material is now available and the broad base of the small dam is about filled.

"More power and water will also facilitate this part of the work. The progress in all parts of the district has been remarkable despite the winter weather, and you are much nearer the realization of your plans for irrigating the district than you perhaps realize."

Mr. Schneeloch left yesterday evening for Portland, but will return next week, at which time A. J. Wiley, consulting engineer for Clark, Kendall & Company may accompany him on another of his regular inspection trips.

Mr. Schneeloch will be on the district one trip each week until the water is on the land, in order to assist in any way that is possible in facilitating the work.

RECEPTION AT HIGH SCHOOL

Combined Farewell Party and Reception to New Students

A reception was held at the High School last Thursday evening for the new students who have just entered. The affair was in charge of the Freshmen. The party was also a farewell for Melissa and George Springer who will leave soon for Portland.

There will be a special program at the High School tomorrow morning beginning at eight o'clock in the assembly hall, in memory of Washington and Lincoln.

The basketball team will go to Bend tonight to play the Bend High. This will be the last game of the season.

RED CROSS WORK

The ladies of the Red Cross are working all day Wednesday and Friday afternoons. More workers are needed and everyone who possibly can should be present both days.

Mrs. Baldwin's class in knitting will meet just Tuesday afternoons in the future.

The children of the city are making garments for the Belgian refugees. Mrs. Rea says the work sent in by the children is very satisfactory.

The Journal goes modern printing

MEN ARE DRAFTED FOR LIBERTY LOAN DRIVE

EVERY COMMUNITY TO BE SYSTEMATICALLY ORGANIZED

MARCH 11 DATE OF MEETING

Every Person Able to Buy a Liberty Bond Will Be Listed by April 1

A list of representative men was drafted by the county Liberty Loan committee at their meeting Tuesday evening in Judge Wallace's office, for the purpose of perfecting an organization for the third Liberty Loan.

One or more men were called from each community, who will be commanders for their communities, and as the war has reached a stage where the volunteer system is obsolete, the names were conscripted, and the men notified of their duties.

March 11 is the date for the meeting of these men in this city, which is the evening before the March term of Circuit Court and at that meeting plans will be perfected for the big drive.

The drive will call for the purchase of bonds by everyone who is at all able to buy them, and if anyone who is able tries to avoid doing his duty in the matter, he will be given publicity until he will be pleased to align himself with the truly loyal American citizens.

A list will be made from the tax rolls, which will be supplemented by other information, and each man will be notified of the number of bonds he is expected to buy, and if he fails to buy them, the reason for his inaction will be sought.

The men who will assist the county committee in this work are: Henry McCall, J. F. Rice, J. A. Riggs, E. P. Luthy, J. E. Roberts, J. Floyd Houston, Frank Hackleman, Fisher C. Logan, J. J. Romberg, Herb Angell, H. J. Lister, Homer Norton, J. L. Gibson, Ralph Broese, J. F. Connell, W. A. Donnelly, J. W. Stanton, E. M. Grier, Perry McD. Fuller, E. T. Slayton, Alex Hinton, F. Fred Hoelscher.

TIME IS EXTENDED

Soldiers Insurance May Be Secured Up To April 12—Apply Now

Time for obtaining soldiers' insurance has been extended to April 12th.

Everyone who has a relative in the service should see to it that he takes advantage of this latest of war time measures.

Full particulars may be obtained by calling Rev. F. C. Laslett who is manager for the county of the home service department of the Red Cross.

ELITE MILLINERY OPENING

Larger Stock Than Formerly, Presents New Styles and Shapes

The opening of the Elite Millinery will be held on March 2. The stock is much larger this year than ever before and presents a wider variety of styles and shapes to select from.

The parlors are being overhauled and new fixtures are being added for the occasion.

Because of an extremely early Easter, which comes this year on March 31, the sales in these lines will no doubt be earlier than formerly.

REDMOND GETS SECOND PLACE

In a hotly contested game of basketball between Redmond and Crook County high schools Friday evening in the Commercial Club Hall, Redmond High won by a score of 23 to 19.

This gives Redmond High second place in the Central Oregon League, Bend High having won first place.

The season will close with the game between Crook County High and Bend High at Bend Friday night.

CONSTRUCTION AT DAM PROGRESSING RAPIDLY

LAST WEEK BROKE ALL RECORDS DESPITE WEATHER

SUPPLY OF MATERIAL IS BEST

Double Supply of Water and Power More Than Doubles Results

The volume of material washed into the Ochoco Project dam last week broke all previous records by perhaps 100 per cent.

The material supply is becoming much better than was at first encountered, and rapid construction is looked forward to by those in charge of the sluicing operations.

The volume of water is doubled by use of the second pump, and this more than doubles the amount of material that can be washed by the stream.

The pit from which the clay is being taken has reached a size that makes the operation much easier.

Instead of the slow working deposit of material, a loose formation is developing on the east end of the pit, which makes the work several times as fast as is possible in the harder formation.

Yesterday forenoon the pumps were closed down because of the cold, but they were operated in the afternoon, and a good run was made.

Gravel and other material for the conduit is being assembled, and a large force is rushing the work on the main canal from the dam to the ditch already built by the steam shovel.

Unless severe weather conditions develop, the dam and canal will be completed to a point where water will be delivered to the land about April 1.

MARRIED FOLKS DANCE

Will Celebrate Washington's Birthday Tomorrow Night

The Married Folks Dance, which will be held at the Club Hall tomorrow night, will be novel in many respects.

Each second dance will be ladies choice, and all the old fashioned dances will be the order for the evening.

The room will be warm all day and will be comfortable for the evening. Good music is promised.

WILL RAISE EXPENSE FUND

Chairman Wilson of Finance Committee Will Call On You

A fund for the payment of actual expenses of the coming liberty loan drive in Crook county, will be raised by chairman E. J. Wilson of the finance committee during the next few days.

The members of the committee are donating time, use of cars and other items, and the cost of handling the work will be assessed to the people of the community. Have your money ready and ask no questions. It is your drive as well as that of the committee.

STATE ENGINEER HERE

John H. Lewis Visits Ochoco Project and Talks to Irrigationists

John H. Lewis, state engineer, spent the day yesterday in Prineville. He visited the Ochoco Project dam and other points on the district in company with project engineer R. W. Rea.

During the afternoon he addressed the land owners in the north Powell Butte district who are attempting to get water to their lands, and instructed them how to proceed.

Mr. Lewis spoke at the irrigation school at Redmond, Tuesday.

E. N. Strong, of the Oregon Life, arrived in the city this morning.

W. E. Durand, of Redmond, was in Prineville last night for the K. P. celebration.

MEMORIAL SERVICES HELD

Elmer A. Houston Commemorated At Gathering Sunday Afternoon

Services were held Sunday afternoon at the Methodist church commemorating Elmer A. Houston, who was lost when the Tuscania was torpedoed off the Irish coast Feb. 5.

Dr. Marvin spoke briefly of the conflict in which this life was sacrificed, and being of English birth, was able to give the audience a different insight in the situation than is usually obtained.

He was followed by a few words from J. H. Upton.

The house was crowded for the occasion.

CALLED TO WASCO

Mr. and Mrs. Hines Left Monday—Death of Mr. Hines' Brother

Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Hines were called to Wasco on Monday by the death of Mr. Hines' brother which occurred at that place Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Hines had been at Wasco for some time, because of the illness of his brother, and returned home the last of the week.

GOVERNMENT BUYING HORSES AND MULES

The United States government is buying horses and mules direct, which is a new policy, and a good one for the stockman.

Captain Von Stade and Lieutenant Middleton are in Prineville today, and expect to buy at least two car loads of cavalry horses and heavy mules.

They are paying cash, \$140 per head for cavalry horses that are acceptable, and as high as \$215 for mules of the artillery type.

The horses must all be dark colored, no white or light gray or buckskins, and must weigh from 1000 to 1200 pounds. Five years to ten years is the age desired and younger horses cannot be used at this time.

Mules will be bought in lighter colors but no white ones will be accepted. They must weigh 1200 pounds or more, and bring \$215 each.

Later, larger horses and smaller mules will be bought, but not at this time.

Announcements of other trips of the buyers will come directly to the Journal, and we will keep our readers notified of these visits in advance.

The buyers will be in Redmond tomorrow and Bend, Saturday, and hope to get five or six cars of horses averaging about 20 to the car, at the three points.

Captain Von Stade says that many horses will be needed later, and they should be prepared for service by breaking and getting into shape.

ARTHUR WALWYN EVANS

Dr. Arthur Walwyn Evans, nephew of David Lloyd-George as the next number on the lyceum course, March 1. The Welshman's subject will be: "What America Means to Me".

The significance of such a subject from such a man is apparent. After six years in the United States, he has become an American citizen, though prior to coming to this country, he enjoyed the prestige of the Lloyd-Georges, the greatest political family in England, if not all Europe. On terms of intimacy with Lords Kitchner and Roberts, General Booth, Joseph Chamberlain, John Ruskin, Gladstone, Edward VII, Queen Victoria and others, the demand for adequate expression of his talents was insistent. But Evans was restless, dissatisfied. He traveled in fifteen countries and lived in six of them, in each a close student of social, industrial and political life as he has been in England. Into "What America Meant to Me", the great Welsh orator has packed the sanest criticism and the most fervent tribute to America that has been heard in many years.

WILLIAMS BUYS 40 ACRES

Josiah Williams recently purchased forty acres of land from G. W. Slayton. The land is situated about five miles west of Prineville under the Ochoco Irrigation Project. The consideration was \$7250.

POWELL BUTTE MEN ORGANIZE DISTRICT

TRACT WILL INCLUDE 12,000 ACRES NEAR PRINEVILLE

SIXTY LAND OWNERS INCLUDED

Temporary Organization Completed—May Buy Water From C. O. I. Co.

The tract of land north and east of Powell Butte, extending from the western border of the Ochoco Irrigation District to the land already irrigated by the Central Oregon Irrigation Company on the north slope of Powell Butte, will be irrigated just as soon as a district for that purpose can be organized and put into operation.

A meeting was held in this city yesterday at which many of the sixty land owners in that community were present, for the purpose of completing a temporary organization.

At this meeting it was the unanimous decision of those present that the district be organized at once.

President Stanley of the Central Oregon Irrigation Company was present, and Engineer Redfield from the same concern who has planned to irrigate this land for years.

They informed the land owners that there is water available for this land, and that the company is in a position to sell this water to the land owners, if they are organized into a district.

This may be the solution of the water supply, or it may be obtained from other sources, but the land owners agreed that they will get results only after they are organized and therefore plans will be hastened to that end.

State Engineer Lewis was present and spoke to the land holders.

The temporary organization is as follows: J. E. Myers, president; O. C. Hyde, secretary; L. L. Scott, treasurer; finance committee: A. R. Bowman, E. A. Bussett and Leland Casey.

The name of the new district will be the Powell Butte Irrigation District. Its most southern point will be the big stave pipe near Powell Butte, the most northern at the Wilhoit place on lower Crooked River, at which point it will border the Ochoco District.

FIVE LOADS FINE CATTLE

Prineville Land & Livestock Shipping to Portland

Five loads of fat cattle, 130 head, were taken through Prineville today by W. J. Wright, foreman for the Prineville Land & Livestock Company at Meadow.

The cattle were in prime condition, 25 head being dry cows and the remainder steers, and were fattened on the company's ranches near Meadow.

This concern is one of the largest in the state, and has about 15,000 acres of land as a base for their livestock operations.

MANY KNIGHTS ATTEND ANNIVERSARY FEED

The fifty-fourth anniversary of the Knights of Pythias order was celebrated yesterday evening in this city.

One hundred and thirty-five men attended, about 25 coming from Redmond and a like number from Bend, for the occasion.

After the joint meeting, which was concluded about 11:30, a turkey supper was served by Mother Thompson of the Oregon Grill-Diner.

The festivities were continued until five o'clock this morning after which the visiting members departed for Redmond and Bend.

J. C. Brix was in the city yesterday from Powell Butte.