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## OUTLOOK BRIGHT FOR BUMPER CROPS THE COMING FAIR SHOULD BE PURELY LIVESTOCK SHOW

Weather conditions during the past two weeks have been such that the crop outlook for 1929 is now considered better in this part of the state than for many years.

Rainfall in squalls, totalling more than a half inch, have occurred during the past ten days and cloudy weather, with constant squally weather and much heavy snow in the mountains makes the prospects which were very poor for irrigation, better than any season for the past four years.

While it is not possible to get accurate information concerning the depth of snow throughout the Blue Mountains, several feet of heavy snow is reported in different localities, and more is falling daily.

Farmers tell us that the soil is saturated with moisture, fall crops are coming up with every promise in excellent condition and late crops of making a record growth when warmer weather comes.

Precipitation for the period, recorded at the local weather bureau, was .11 on April 8, .27 on April 9, .05 on April 11 and .08 on April 13.

Range conditions are greatly improved, and stockmen report that record growth is being made in the lower hills and in fact everywhere excepting the higher ranges where snow and ice is yet abundant.

Stock that has been in the feed lot for months are practically all on the ranges now and stockmen are much encouraged over the outlook.

Almost all the hay raised in this part of the state has been fed during the winter, and the surplus which amounted to many hundreds of tons in the Powell Butte country is being baled and shipped to Portland and Spokane markets where it is considered some of the very best hay ever bought.

### SARAH SNODERLY ACQUITTED

A verdict of not guilty was found by the jury in the trial of Sarah Snoderly last Friday afternoon, on the charge of illegally manufacturing whiskey.

The first time this matter gained publicity was when Mrs. Snoderly, together with a number of others, was arrested as a result of evidence collected in a raid on several stills near here by sheriff Combs and deputies. The offenders were taken to Portland to be tried under the National law but federal authorities, upon investigation decided that Mrs. Snoderly was in no way connected with the manufacturing of this whiskey, and released her without trial.

The state authorities were not satisfied with the decision, and she was thereupon re-arrested to be tried under the state law for the same offense.

Mrs. Snoderly was able to produce witnesses who proved that she was not present during the manufacture of the whiskey, and was not connected with the business in any way whatsoever. While the testimony for the prosecution conflicted materially with that of the defense, the jury decided that there were no grounds for the prosecution and acquitted her of the charge.

The jury who sat on this case consisted of Arthur Michel, Harry Hudson, Horace Kelly, George Wiley, I. W. Ward, and Lex Long, and the trial was held before Justice Bowman. Jay H. Upton defended Mrs. Snoderly.

### J. E. STEWART & CO'S STORE IS ROBBED

Three boys from thirteen to fifteen years of age broke into Stewart's store last Wednesday night and made away with from \$50.00 to \$100.00 worth of goods, consisting of watches, etc. They immediately confessed to the theft when accused, and willingly assisted the officers in collecting the stolen goods, which was approximately all recovered.

The boys were taken before Judge Wallace last Saturday morning, and promised to behave themselves if given another chance, and it being their first offense, they were paroled on their good behavior.

The incident appeared to be a result of too much indiscriminate reading of sensational stories. It also is an illustration of the bad effect of allowing boys to run off the streets at night, and the formation of neighborhood "gangs." The parents of the boys gave every assistance they could in getting the matter run down, and there is no doubt but what these boys have learned a lesson from the incident, and will behave themselves in the future.

### TO RAISE INTERNATIONAL FUND

A committee consisting of M. R. Biggs chairman, W. I. Dishman and E. T. Slayton was appointed Tuesday evening to raise the remaining \$2900 of the Crook County quota for the Pacific International fund.

### TRANSFERS OF REAL ESTATE

Probate estate Thomas F. McAllister. Peter Delore to M. E. Delore, sat. Probate estate D. Koopmann. Jennie E. Jahrs to F. G. Smith wd. Its 1-2 se. 1 ne ne. 12-16-14 \$800, rev. 1.

J. A. Elliott to M. W. Dobson, wd. e. sw. 1/4 sec. 21-16-14 \$1 rev. 50. Same to same and H. 4-1-13-14 nese. Its 1-2 2-16-14 \$10.

G. J. Shobart to same wd. sec. 9-ww14 s. ne. nw. 15-10-14 \$10 rev. 1150. R. L. Schee to J. J. Price wd. tract Hyde Park \$1 rev. 50.

Same to M. Taylor wd. tract same \$1 rev. 50. Elizabeth Smith to Albert Way, wd. senw. swsw. nwsw. 26cenc. nose 27-16-17 \$4000, rev. 4.

U. S. to S. Earl Evringham, pat. s. ne. 17 n. ne. 20-18-16. J. W. Kile to Jesse Yancy wd. s. n. sw. 8-14-18, \$1000 rev. 1.

Marla Turnbull to J. L. Karnepp et al asgn sheriff cert. sale, e. 14-15-15 Brown & Battles to Zeke E. Hendrickson wd. Its 7-8-9 b 6 4th add to Prineville, \$10. rev. 1.

R. C. Kinder to Effie Saunders wd. tract Newsom add Prineville \$2750 rev. 2.

Henry Gromer to C. W. Foster, wd. e. e. 7 w. w. 8 nsw. 17 nese 18-16-16 \$250, rev. 50.

State to F. H. May cert proof nwn 9 16 14, senw. 25 15 14. Isaac P. Shown vs. Anna Shown, divorce.

Chas. H. Welch to A. P. French et al wd. n. w. 20 14 17 \$10 rev. 1. Ben D. Fox to Ralph Poffly wd 124 ac 32 15 16 \$10 rev. 50.

C. B. Drake to J. A. Elliott, sat. J. E. Warner to Chas Houston wd. secw 27 nese 33 swne. nsw. nw 34 17 17 \$2250 rev. 2.

Minnie L. Morford to Elam C. Fraught, wd. tract 32 14 16 \$245. I. Fred Meyers to Mat Clark wd. n. w. ne. e. w. 22 12 24 \$10, rev. 1.50. Matt Clark to Dent & Russell, wd. same \$10 rev. 2.

### OCHOCO REALTY CO. SELLS 20 ACRE TRACT

W. B. Russell purchased through the Ochoco Realty Co. a 20 acre tract of irrigable land, lying just north of Prineville, he intends to highly improve it, and will raise poultry. Quoting him verbatim, he says, "I predict that Prineville will in a short time eclipse Petaluma, California, as we have an ideal climate for poultry raising and not the prevailing chicken troubles which are common in California and the Willamette Valley."

### STOCKMEN ARE BECOMING ACTIVE

The annual meeting of the Maury Cattle and Horse Association held at the Court House in Prineville on April 13th. A special meeting of the Snow Mountain Cattle and Horse Association was held at Woolley ranch on April 6th and the regular meeting of the Silver Creek Cattle and Horse Association was held at the Grange Hall on Silver Creek on April 8th.

All meetings were very interesting and considerable good should result. Even during these strenuous times for cattle men a commendable spirit of cooperation with the Forest Service is manifest on all sides. The Maury Association voted an assessment to take care of the salary of a range rider for four months beginning June 1st and also to take care of wages of a man to work with a representative of the Forest Service in the construction of salt logs prior to the opening of the grazing season so that many more troughs may be added to the present number now on the Maury range. The Association also voted to place salt on the range to the extent of ten pounds per head each permittee to pay his pro rata share of the salt expense, the salt to be purchased by the Association and distributed by the range-rider. An improvement assessment of five cents per head was levied for the purpose of developing springs on the range. Likewise the Snow Mountain Cattle and Horse Association voted to employ a range-rider for a period of three months beginning June 1st. The duties of the rider will be to distribute salt on the range which will be purchased by the Association and to ride the line between the sheep and cattle allotments with the idea of con-

### WATER HAS BEEN RISING RAPIDLY THE PAST WEEK IN LAKE OCHOCO

The quantity of water for irrigation purposes is increasing in Lake Ochoco at the rate of about 500 acre feet every twenty four hours.

The water level in the Lake raised about 10 inches in the twenty four hours ending at 8 o'clock yesterday morning and an altitude of 75.6 feet above the extreme bottom of the dam was reached at that time, or more than forty feet of available storage water, totalling 12,000 acre feet.

The present capacity of the lake is 27,000 acre feet, or more than double the amount of water already stored, and the present rate of flow will reach the above mark in about thirty days, by which time the storage capacity should have been increased sever-

eral thousand feet above the present high mark.

The present rate of construction should see the structure completed to its storage capacity of 47,000 acre feet in about six weeks, or by June first.

Project engineer R. W. Rea is of the opinion that the construction will keep ahead of the water, the rise of which he believes will be quite rapid during the next three weeks.

It is an assured fact that there will be enough storage water to fill the reservoir this year, according to reports, and prospects are considered very bright for lands under the project.

### PREDICTS PLENTY OF WATER

Sam Ellis, official water master for Crook and Jefferson Counties, was in town Tuesday, and stated that in his opinion the prospects for water for farming this year are very bright and that he believes that there will be more water this year than ever before and that Lake Ochoco will be filled.

### PROMINENT EDUCATOR VISITS

Miss Bertha Davis, assistant professor of education of the Oregon Agricultural College, was in town yesterday visiting the home economics department of Crook County High School. Miss Davis is making a tour of the state for the purpose of visiting all such departments in all high schools with the aim of getting this branch of education more closely allied with the same department at O. A. C. which is well known throughout the west for thoroughness and excellence of the course of study, and the capability of the instructors there.

Miss Davis was very favorably impressed with the department here, and her visit was very much appreciated. She is well known to O. A. C. Alumnae here.

### GRAND CHANCELLOR HERE

The Knights of Pythias of Prineville should make note of the fact the Grand Chancellor of Oregon, Julian A. Hurley of Vale, is in town today making his annual tour of the lodges, and will be present at the meeting tonight.

### RATS FIGHT FOR POISON BAIT

Ira N. Gabrielson, who makes a specialty of destroying predatory rodents, such as sage rats, locally known as ground squirrels, Jack rabbits and the like, is now proving his prowess in that line of work in this vicinity. He is in the employ of the Biological Survey, and it is said that the sage rats are so fond of the bait he puts out that they will often engage in fierce battles in their efforts to secure the coveted bait.

From Mr. Gabrielson it is learned that most to us have been following a false line of reasoning in our attempts to poison the rodents. Instead of placing the poisoned grain in or near the holes it should be scattered around their feeding places, such as runways. When placed in small lots close to the holes the rodents seem to be of the opinion that it was placed there for some other purpose than for them to feed on, and hence frequently refuse to eat it. But when scattered some distance from their homes they evidently considered it something choice and lose no time in gathering it up.—Lakeview Examiner.

### UNIT ALREADY COMPLETED ON HIGHWAY WEST

A section of Highway from the top of the new grade west of Prineville to the Wm. Harold place on the Prineville-Redmond section of the state highway is graded and ready for gravel, a distance of some three miles.

The work was done in about six days with a 125 horsepower caterpillar tractor, two mammoth graders, and six men.

### SALVATION ARMY TO START DRIVE

At a recent meeting of the Crook County Advisory Board of the Salvation Army, the different committees were appointed and plans are now under headway so that when May 1st rolls around, all the plans will be perfected and Crook County will go 'Over the Top' in record time.

Our quota is exceedingly small and inasmuch as the Salvation Army reaches our loto every part of the State our citizens are assured that every dollar contributed in this worthy cause will be used to the best advantage, and not only that feature, but the knowledge that the money raised in the coming drive will be expended in Oregon will be a great incentive for everybody to take part and to take pride in keeping up the record of this part of Oregon.

The committees appointed are as follows:

Chairman, Asa W. Battles, Vice-Chairman, N. G. Wallace, Sec-Treas, George F. Euston.

Organization Committee; Chairman, J. E. Myers, G. P. Reams, W. P. Hershey.

Publicity Committee, Chairman Collins W. Elkins; Guy Lafollette, Floyd A. Fessler.

Speakers Committee; Chairman, L. M. Bechtell; W. S. Ayres, D. F. Stewart.

Advance Gifts Committee, Chairman Harold Baldwin; E. J. Wilson, J. E. Myers.

School district Chairmen; No. 1 G. P. Reams, Prineville; No. 2, W. P. Hershey, Prineville; No. 3, Chas. O. Christiansa, Prineville; No. 4, S. B. Ellis, Prineville; No. 5, D. J. Evans, Prineville; No. 6, C. W. Starr, Prineville; No. 7, Jas. A. McClun, Prineville; No. 8, Mrs. John Hopper, Prineville; No. 9, J. E. Roberts, Roberts; No. 10, J. A. Sager, Prineville; No. 11, W. W. Davis, Prineville; No. 12, Jas. E. Fuller, Prineville; No. 13, Leo B. Lafollette, Prineville; No. 14, Chas. Lampert, Barnes; No. 15, Mrs. E. A. Bissett, Powell Butte; No. 16, Mrs. Geo. C. Truesdale, Powell Butte; No. 17, Victor Butler, Prineville; No. 18, Mrs. Bertha Wood, Paulina; No. 19, Mrs. Otto Gray, Post; No. 20, Mrs. Ora Brees, Prineville; No. 21, J. T. Houston, Prineville; No. 22, Ira C. Swift, Meadow; No. 23, B. Gray, Post; No. 24, O. B. Gray, Post; No. 25, Joseph R. Post, Post; No. 26, C. B. Guinn, Powell Butte; No. 27, E. E. Laughlin, Paulina; No. 28, Fischer C. Logan, Barnes; No. 29, H. J. Faulkner, Paulina; No. 30, Charles Marrin, Brothers.

No. 31, Mrs. Grace Bayn, Powell Butte; No. 32, Paul P. Werner, Pife; No. 33, N. E. Melton, Culver; No. 34, Lincoln Kyle, Roberts; No. 35, Mrs. L. B. K. Hedlund, Prineville; No. 36, Mrs. F. H. Houston, Roberts; No. 37, Mrs. Mary Carlin, Roberts; No. 38, Mrs. Kate McCois, Prineville; No. 39, A. Lytle, Suplee; No. 40, David Weaver, Prineville; No. 41, Mrs. Edith Garner, Suplee; No. 42, E. J. Clark, Suplee.

These chairmen are to be in charge of their respective school districts, and they will appoint others in their district to wait upon the people and receive their subscriptions. Their names and addresses have been sent in to the State Headquarters and literature and data will be sent them from time to time, so that they will be prepared to give any information relative to the work that is being 'carried on' by the Salvation Army.

The State Headquarters are planning on sending a speaker out sometime during this month and some definite announcement will be made in these columns next week relative to this matter.

### TALENTED MUSICIAN HAS RELATIVES IN PRINEVILLE

Last Sunday's issue of the Oregonian contained a large photo of Ethel Lynn Ross, who recently came to Portland from the East, and who has received the appointment of Organist for the First Congregational Church. The Sunday Oregonian of the week before gave a summary of the musical career of Miss Ross before she came to Oregon.

Miss Ross is the sister of Charles A. Ross of this city, and made many friends upon her recent visit to Prineville who will be pleased to hear of her successes in the musical line.

### YOUNGSTERS SEE PICTURES

More than 400 youngsters from the grade and high schools were given a free exhibition of the Pacific International motion pictures Tuesday thru the courtesy of O. M. Plummer and Clinton Huston of the Lyric.

### BREEDERS OF THE BEST LIVESTOCK IN THE NORTHWEST TODAY PLEDGED THEMSELVES TUESDAY EVENING TO BRING EXHIBITS TO THE OREGON INTERSTATE FAIR IN PRINEVILLE DURING THE 1929 SHOW, WHICH PROMISES TO BE THE LARGEST LIVESTOCK AND AGRICULTURAL FAIR EVER HELD HERE; IN CONTRAST WITH THE SHOW OF 1919, WHICH IS ADMITTED TO HAVE BEEN THE POOREST FAIR THAT PRINEVILLE HAS STAGED FOR MANY YEARS.

O. M. Plummer, manager of the Pacific International show at North Portland addressed the gathering, which was held for the purpose of discussing plans for the fall stock-shows.

Mr. Plummer said that the most fatal mistake that can be made at any fair is to allow the cheap gambling concessions to dominate, and that unless the Prineville fair eliminate this undesirable element from its future shows it is doomed to failure.

Mr. Plummer also said that the present established herds of pure-breds, which will be supplemented by other fine herds soon, should make the Oregon Interstate Fair in a class by itself.

Manager Schee of the local fair assured the meeting that plans were already made to eliminate all concessions excepting a very few purely educational and high class amusement features, and that the promises of many other breeders had already been secured for the 1929 exhibition which is sure to be a winner.

C. S. Hudson, president of the First National Bank of Bond was present, and assured the stockmen that he would use his influence to get Deschutes county livestock to the local show, in turn wishing to get a good representation of the Crook County herds at the Bend fair which will be held in that city at about the same time.

M. R. Biggs of the Willowdale farms stated that in his observation of the livestock men of the United States the people of the northwest were the most prominent livestock breeders in the nation and would soon lead the world in the production of first class stock, in which work they will be assisted by the local climatic conditions here.

Guy Lafollette said that the interest displayed in the stock at the Pacific International proves that a stock show will draw immense crowds.

Wm. Freund said that better results could be gained by the organization of Boys' and Girls' calf and pig clubs, and urged that some such action be taken to assist the 1929 show, which is an excellent idea, and one that should be acted upon.

Mr. Foss urged that the stockmen and business men support the secretary in the tremendous task of getting the fair started as it should go. Tom Houston stated that he considered better livestock would be a direct result of the improvement of the stock shows.

Mr. Plummer stated that in the twenty years he has been observing the arrivals at the Portland Stockyards, he has never seen a shipment of beef from the yards of E. T. Slayton that were not in prime condition, and says that buyers roost on the fence for hours in an attempt to buy the Slayton stuff, which is always high in quality.

It was decided that stock judging be publicly done in front of the grandstand at the show here this fall.

If the present indications are worth anything, there will be a great display of purebreds at the coming fair.

The dinner at Hotel Prineville was attended by about 30 people, and the tables had center designs which read "USE BETTER BULLS." Following the dinner, the motion pictures of the Portland show and stock farms of the west were shown the guests by Mr. Plummer, through the courtesy of the Lyric Theatre.

### POCH PLACE SOLD

Elsworth Curtis and wife have purchased the Poch place about a mile up the Ochoco, where they expect to make their home. The land was purchased from Homer Barney, through the Ochoco Realty Co.

### MARRIAGE LICENSE ISSUED

Asa Battles, county clerk, issued a marriage license on Monday to Roy Sumner, of Prineville, and Jesse Hobwood, of Johnson Creek. Justice Bowman performed the marriage ceremony on Tuesday.

### G. P. REAMS FOR COUNTY TREASURER

G. P. Reams filed his intention to become a candidate for the office of county treasurer this week on the democratic ticket. Mr. Reams is manager of Cornett & Company of this city and is well known throughout the county.