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VERY IMPORTANT RURAL MAIL CHANGE COUNT TOLSTOY OF RUSSIA, TO SPEAK HERE ON JUNE 18

One of the most important changes in the mail service of the county is contemplated in a move to connect the Powell Butte community with Prineville with an R. F. D. daily mail line.

The movement originated because of the fact that twenty or more families between this city and the older Powell Butte community are not at this time served by the existing mail lines, and the proposed new system will provide these people with daily mail between their homes and Prineville without in any way taking from the existing mail service for the community as already served.

A situation which made necessary sending of mail over the city of Prineville railway, the Oregon Trunk star route to Powell Butte, and thence over a rural delivery line to people who live but seven miles from Prineville is most unsatisfactory, and one that the contemplated change will eliminate.

The old horse stage to Powell Butte from this city, the star mail pouches provided a much better service than exists today.

A petition has been signed by a great many Powell Butte people asking the department to make the improvement, and it will no doubt be favorably considered by the mail chiefs at an early date.

SELLS RANCH NEAR POST

Edmund A. Parker on Saturday completed the sale of his large ranch holdings in the Post country to Karl W. Miller, who also resides in that vicinity. This sale makes Mr. Miller the owner of a very large acreage.

Anything is Possible.
While one man says of a thing: "It is impossible" and contents himself with saying so, another one passes him and does it. This has been the history of the world's progress ever since time began. We cannot say of anything that it is impossible in this marvelous world of invention and endeavor. We can only say: "It has never yet been done."

Cats and Dogs at Peace.
There is one place near Philadelphia where cats and dogs dwell together in peace. It is a cemetery devoted to deceased pets. It is at Francisville and contains many handsome tombstones.

AN ERROR

It has been the general talk on the streets of Prineville the last day or so among the public that the so-called detective or plain clothes man sent here from Portland was employed by Mayor Stewart and G. J. Ribelin, which is a falsehood from start to finish. As to Mayor Stewart, I do not know what he had to do with this matter but for myself, G. J. Ribelin, I had nothing whatever to do with this man or his affairs.

Yours Respectfully,
G. J. RIBELIN.
R. W. Brees is the new police officer on the city force.

C. SAM SMITH DIES SUDDENLY

C. Sam Smith, one of the best known men in this part of the state, died at his home near this city this morning at 1 o'clock.

Mr. Smith had been in good health and was busy assisting his son Henry about the ranch until Saturday evening about 4 o'clock when he was suddenly stricken with apoplexy and fell unconscious in the field where he was at work building fence.

His illness was not discovered for perhaps a half an hour when he was found by Henry and brought to the residence in an unconscious condition. He never regained consciousness and expired early today.

Funeral arrangements are being made, but the time has not been set because of the fact that his daughter Mrs. L. C. Morgan, who lives in Michigan is expected to arrive soon, and the services will perhaps not be held until Wednesday or Thursday.

Mr. Smith was elected sheriff of this county in June, 1902 and again in 1904 and has been one of the leading citizens of the community for many years.

He is survived by Mrs. Smith, a son, Major Henry Smith and daughter, Mrs. L. C. Morgan.

PRESBYTERIANS DEDICATE GROUNDS

A large number of members and friends gathered at the Presbyterian Church Monday evening for the purpose of officially opening the new tennis and volley ball courts for use of the friends of the church.

Norris Bixby and R. W. Douglas played the opening game on the new tennis court, and then a shower of rain made it necessary to adjourn to the basement of the church for the remainder of the program.

The rest of the evening was spent in playing games and a general sociable time. The Ladies Aid Society of the Methodist and Presbyterian churches served ice cream and cookies.

The new tennis court will prove very popular, as it is the best in town at present. The volley ball court will also be an attraction.

The two churches are very fortunate in having a pastor of the executive ability of Mr. Patterson. Under his leadership the churches are becoming closely united, and the services are well attended. A number of social affairs have been planned for the summer.

THE WURZWEILER RANCH IS SOLD

Haswell Brothers of Montana Make First Payment on Property Optioned

Announcement was made Tuesday that the first payment closing the sale of the Wurzwiler holdings, known as the Swamp ranch, has been made by Haswell Bros. of Missoula, Mont. The entire consideration to be \$50,000. The deal was made thru the agency of the Central Oregon Realty company. An option on the property, which lies just beyond Sisters, was taken more than a week ago.

If the new owners decide to acquire in addition, the stock kept on the ranch, another deal, amounting to something in excess of \$100,000 will be made, it is understood.

NOTICE TO LIBERTY BOND HOLDERS

All persons holding coupon liberty bonds from the first issue up to and including the Third issue must present them to the Bank before June 15 to be sent in for permanent bond.

PRINEVILLE ANGLERS DO GOOD BUSINESS

Sunday H. R. Lakin and Thomas Quinn went down on the Crooked River fishing, and last evening they returned home with a string of 90 with a very large dolly in the catch. Ernest Gibson brought in about 71 Sunday. J. E. Adamson and Lex Long caught something over 50 on their fishing trip Sunday. Fishing in the Ochoco is fairly good this year and no doubt will continue to get better in the future, then we will not have to resort to the larger streams for our Sunday messes of fish.

THE CHEERFUL CHERUB

I'll take most anything
From fate
Except a life that's
Void and null—
I had an accident today
That just saved things
From getting
Dull



AEROPLANE BADLY SMASHED IN FALL— BREAKS OFF LARGE JUNIPER TREE AS IT CRASHES TO EARTH

The first airplane accident that has happened near Prineville for several years occurred on Saturday evening when the Ed Dudley machine, fell about thirty feet while attempting to leave the landing field on the old Cross Place, right at the head of the new grade west of town.

The field at present is rather soft and the machine had to go about half way across before the requisite speed could be attained to allow the plane to rise. About thirty feet above the ground a conflicting current of air hit the machine, and it was suddenly diverted towards the ground, running full speed into a twelve foot juniper. The force of the blow broke the tree of about half way up, and knocked it about 50 feet across the field.

The collision twisted and broke the propeller blades, and crushed one wing and damaged the other to some extent. The damage is assessed by

Mr. Evans to \$1,000 to \$1,500.

The plane was on the way back to Portland from the stockmen's meeting at Burns, where it has been exhibited during the week, and stopped at Prineville for gasoline, and other supplies. The machine was piloted by N. B. Evans. Jimmie Fellows, whose craze for flying is well known to his Prineville friends, was a passenger. Neither of the men were hurt to any extent.

Mr. Dudley tells us that the only thing that helped was the funny remark of Jimmie as the machine came to a halt. He pulled himself together, took a hurried inventory of himself, and then exploded, "Well, I'll be damned," which surely relieved the tragic situation.

C. V. Dudley, owner of the plane arrived in Prineville yesterday, and had the machine loaded on a truck and brought it into the city, where it was sent by train to Portland for repairs.

L. K. SHEPARD DROWNS IN LAKE

L. K. Shepard, the enterprising owner of the Shepard Piano Company of Bend, met death by drowning in Suttles Lake Saturday.

Mr. Shepard, accompanied by Norval Springer was in a boat on the lake when it upset, throwing the men into the water. Mr. Springer swam safely to shore, but the heavy rubber boots which Mr. Shepard wore, filled with water, and he was unable to make any headway, and sank before assistance could reach him.

Mr. Shepard has many friends in Prineville who feel his loss keenly.

PRINEVILLE-MITCHELL ROAD PROGRESSING

The Prineville-Mitchell Highway is progressing very rapidly. The graveling from Jones' Sawmill east covers a distance of 4 1/2 miles at present. This highway will be one of pleasure for the tourist because it passes through one of the yellow pine forest which is always of interest to the pleasure seeker. It also answers for something more than pleasure and scenery, for it will connect together two vast countries, Eastern Oregon with Central Oregon.

D. D. Kay, representative of Archer & Wiggins, who has been spending several days calling on the trade here, left this morning for Bend.

MEMORIAL DAY EXERCISES ARE LARGELY ATTENDED HERE

A beautiful Memorial Day service was held yesterday, Crook County Post American Legion having full charge.

At ten o'clock in the morning the American Legion firing squad organized at the flag pole on Main Street, and marched to the Baptist church, where Rev. Purdy of Bend gave an inspiring address.

RECEIVES SIX DECKS OF SHEEP

W. K. McCormack was in Prineville Saturday to receive six decks of sheep which were shipped out Sunday morning to Idaho points.

The sheep were ewes and lambs and were contracted from Guy Lafollette last December.

WEATHER REPORT FOR THE WEEK

The following figures are the maximum and minimum temperatures in Prineville for the week beginning May 24th to May 30th.

Monday, 57—29; Tuesday, 67—25, Wednesday, 80—30; Thursday, 69—31; Friday, 65—31; Saturday, 62—29; Sunday, 62—20.

Saturday night was the coldest night we have experienced this week when the mercury went to just 20 degrees above zero and Tuesday was the hottest day we had when the mercury read 80 degrees.

While there has been some cloudy days, high air pressure indicated by the barometer indicates continued dry weather.

The employees of the banks, county officials, and the post office clerks are strutting up and down the street today lording it over working people, taking advantage of the fact that this is a legal holiday for celebrating Memorial Day.

PRINEVILLE CAMP GROUNDS NOW READY FOR MOTOR TOURISTS

The Prineville camp ground is now ready for motor tourists. This camp ground is equipped with two large furnaces which will aid the tourist in cooking their meals and there is a shelter under which is a large table which will accommodate a large number of people, it also has all the necessary facilities for making it an ideal camp ground.

The camp ground is located just south of the commercial club hall on the Crooked River Highway. It has a large gate leading out of it on the south side into the ball park where the tourists may pitch his tent among the willows if he wishes to do so. It has already had one occupant and he said that it was the finest camp ground that he had visited on his trip from California to his home in Idaho.

MAY COME WITH A SPECIAL TRAIN

The Maupin Ball team has notified Manager R. W. Zevely, stating that they would probably bring a special train to Prineville on July fourth, providing the Prineville ball team would guarantee their team \$150 should they lose and if they win guarantee them \$200. The Commercial club Friday accepted this proposition and instructed Mr. Zevely to notify the Maupin team to that effect.

This game will be one of a series of games that will be played on our field during the celebration. The Maupin team has a record of being a very stiff team, having won a number of games already.

GAS SUPPLY DOWN TO 1,000 GALLONS

A little more than 1,000 gallons of gasoline is the total supply on hand today at the Standard oil station, which if normal deliveries were made would all be consumed tomorrow.

A tank car containing ten thousand gallons is looked for tomorrow which will relieve the situation immensely.

While the supply has been low, there has been no serious result because of the efficient way in which Manager Campbell of the local station has cared for the trade, and the excellent co-operation given him by garages and users of gas.

P. O. INSPECTOR VISITS PRINEVILLE

C. W. Linebaugh, postoffice inspector in the Spokane territory, was in Prineville the last of the week, on official business.

The arrest of a transient who was accused of having taken a package from the Prineville postoffice was investigated with the result that no evidence that would cause the man's conviction of the crime was found.

WOMEN'S CLUBS SEND DELEGATES

Prineville will be well represented at the Women's Federation of Clubs, to be held at Enterprise this year, starting the first day of June, and continuing four days.

Mrs. C. W. Elkins, the official delegate of the Shumia Club, is well known throughout the state in club work. Besides being the delegate from the club, she is Vice-President of the Women's Federation, and has a prominent place in its affairs.

Mrs. George Euston has been elected to represent the Ladies Annex of the Commercial Club, and will make a very efficient delegate.

Mrs. Lake M. Bechtel was elected by the Physocates to attend the Federation. She is a very active and enterprising member of the club.

Mrs. J. H. Ross concluded a very pleasant visit with her son, Cnas. A. Ross and family last Thursday, leaving on the evening train for Portland where she will remain to see the Rose Festival, and visit with her daughter, Ethel, and will then leave for the East for a visit with relatives there.

SENIORS ELECT CAPS AND GOWNS

Evidently seriously effected by the Spring weather, seniors at Reed College in an open air meeting voted to abolish caps and gowns for chapel services, a traditional custom at Reed.

Dignity demands, however, that the grave seniors be properly gowned and mortar-boarded, and in their rightminds on Commencement Day, June 12.

Robert Osborn of Prineville, is a member of this year's graduating class.

On June 18, Count Leo Tolstoy, one of the most powerful writers and world famous characters that Russia has ever produced, will appear on the Chautauqua platform here and lecture to Prineville people for one hour on world problems as they appear to him.

Having just come to this country from Russia, Count Tolstoy will be in a position to tell more of the actual condition in that nation than can be learned from any other source.

This attraction will be one of the six day program of the West Coast Chautauqua services which will be in progress here from June 16 to 21 inclusive.

Other strong features will be presented, but this one number is worth the price of a season ticket to anyone.

A meeting of the Chautauqua association was held Friday evening at the club hall, and organization was perfected for the year.

Dr. F. H. Day was chosen secretary-Treasurer, and the following committees were appointed:

Ticket Selling Committee, Dr. Day, chairman, O. C. Hyde, Willard H. Wirtz, Frank A. Johnson, Harry G. Davis, R. W. Zevely, R. L. Ireland, Will Trunkey.

Grounds Committee: H. A. Kelley, chairman, Wm. J. Pancake, Glen Hendrickson, Peter Soggein, G. N. Clifton, T. L. Quinn, C. A. Morse.

Advertising, R. L. Schoe, Chairman; Guy Lafollette, F. A. Fessler.

Season tickets are for sale at every business house in the city. All patrons of this year's chautauqua, both the Ellison White and the West Coast are warned not to sign with either for a Chautauqua next year as the Association is being formed to handle all future contracts and this organization will be composed of all in Crook county that desire to join placing their own officers and making a thorough study of the Chautauqua work in order that they may obtain the best talent possible. Buy your season ticket now.

SHRILL SHRIEK OF SIREN GETS \$10 FOR BELKNAP AND KING

How much is ten dollars worth of noise. On a quiet Sunday afternoon it doesn't take much to create a lot of disturbance, but at a rally it takes real pep to make yourself heard above the multitude.

Thursday evening Oregon's masculine part of the student body gathered with wash boilers tin cans, bass drums and husky voices to remind the dear public of the election tomorrow.

Far above the maddening crowd as the line of rooters progressed down the street, was heard the screech of a siren. So much attention was attracted by this source of noise that the rally committee decided to award it a first prize for creating the biggest disturbance, and fixed the quantity of noise produced as worth precisely \$10.

Hubert Belknap and George W. King were responsible for the siren. It was rumored that generosity on the part of the fire department accounted for the fact that Belknap and King escorted the screeching mechanism down the line of march.— Eugene Guard.

CONDITIONS POOR IN CENTRAL STATES

G. W. Lippincott and family just returned to Prineville from Davenport, Io., where they have spent the past 18 months. Mr. Lippincott tells us that crops in the central part and as he came west are backward and that climatic conditions are bad and the country and crops surrounding Prineville appeal to him very much more than any other part of the country.

REDMOND WINNER OF BALL GAME

The base ball game played yesterday afternoon at the ball grounds was won by Redmond to the tune of seventeen to ten.

A large crowd of baseball fans was in attendance to watch the game.

The Prineville team has not had much practice as yet, this season, but it will rapidly whip into shape from now on, and send the mighty Maupin team home with some of the wind taken out of its sails, after the game this coming fourth.