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"Keep Your Eye on Madras."

Dave Barnett, of Culver, was in the city last week and while here, in answer to the question what is the truth as to your having found oil, coal and gas on your place near Haystack, said: "I engaged Frank M. Loveland in the latter part of October to drill a well on my place, known as the old Haystack ranch. This ranch is one of the first places taken in this country, and was taken by my father, E. M. Barnett, in the fall of 1882, and is located on the main road from The Dalles to Prineville via the Warm Spring Agency, over which run one of the first through mail and stage lines from The Dalles to Prineville. The place itself is situated in a flat lying basin, surrounded by sandstone hills on the east and south and on the north and west a continuation of the basin formation. The country immediately surrounding the place is dry; no water to be had nearer than one and a half miles.

"The first intimation I had of oil being in this country was from Prof. G. M. Paul, a school teacher, and a man who has made a study of geology both from a practical and theoretical standpoint.

"About seven years ago the Professor was visiting our place, he having been an old teacher of mine in Linn county. In looking over the place he noticed the rock formation on the hillside east of and near the house, and said 'This is oil bearing rock,' and to prove it broke off a piece of the rock, and, lighting a match, applied the flame to it, when we noticed a residue emanating from the rock. He was then very positive that at some time this country would be a great oil producer. Last winter a company was organized among the neighbors for the purpose of drilling for water. They commenced work on Uncle R. H. Barnett's place, three-quarters of a mile north of mine. During the drilling of this well we found strong indications of oil and the deeper we went the stronger the indication. At a depth of 160 feet, however, the members of the company disagreed and quit drilling. Being tired of hauling water, as stated before, I engaged Frank Loveland to drill a well for me. He commenced drilling about 75 yards southwest of the house, about the lowest place on the ranch. We found a small quantity of water at a depth of 100 feet, but not being satisfied we went on drilling and at a depth of about 110 or 115 feet found indications of oil on the slush brought up from the well. Upon fire being applied it burned with a blue blaze. We then continued drilling to a depth of 215 feet—the end of the rope—and quit. In drilling the last 90 feet we noticed that the oil increased in quantity. During the last 50 feet we found particles of coal of the finest quality.

German Success.

Rev. E. J. Traglio, pastor of the German M. E. Church, situated on what is now known as Methodist Hill, so called from its prominence over the surrounding country, 8 miles southwest of Madras, was in the city recently, and while here made this office a very pleasant visit. Concerning his work among the German people he said:

"I am very much encouraged with the condition of our work spiritually as well as financially. The members of my church are hard working and saving people. German settlers have taken up the most of the land in our neighborhood. They have built a good comfortable church home 22x34 with a 4x10 niche used for a pulpit, etc. The inside is neatly papered and painted, and during this winter it is the intention to build a large tower and prepare for the putting in of a large church bell in the near future. Our people have great faith in the country and its outcome. They are buying the most up-to-date farm machinery, and know how to use them too to the best advantage. They believe in work and lots of it; in strict economy, living altogether within their means, but not to the exclusion of their best interests. Larger and better crops—if that is possible—will be raised by our people next year. They are public spirited, believing in good roads, public schools, churches, etc., and give liberally to their upbuilding as well as to many charitable purposes, such as orphan asylums, missionary societies and the upbuilding of mankind generally. They, however, believe in the old and well tried maxim of Switzerland, 'One for all and all for one,' hence when things are needed for the common welfare of the people they unite, as they did last fall, and buy what is needed—a steam threshing machine of the most approved style. It is true that our people are clannish. Why shouldn't they be? By so doing they are building faster and better, and ere long we propose to show to the people of the Pacific Northwest that we have the most productive land and the best farms to be found in the territory mentioned. Fruit trees are being planted and are growing very fast; in fact much better than was expected. We also believe in storing our machinery in the dry; our people have built sheds for that purpose. We also believe in having a good time—a jolly time—hence we are going to have a great big Christmas tree for our little ones and the big ones too! We all expect to be there and enjoy the occasion, not forgetting, however, the reason why Christmas is kept. We also expect to organize a German Sunday school at the home of Michael Brown on the south end of the Big Plain on the second Sunday in January at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, to which all Germans and others are invited."

Corn a Success.

Our bachelor friend George Mayes, who is now the chief chef on the Mayes farm, two miles east of town, made The Pioneer office a pleasant visit last week. He said he is husking corn just now while it is damp. When asked does corn grow successfully in this country he said: "As an experiment I planted about an acre of the small yellow dent field corn the 20th of last May. The corn was planted on sod by plowing it under. After turning the ground was harrowed twice, and from that time until the corn was harvested—in September—was not touched. Under these conditions the corn made a splendid growth, reaching to a height of 6 feet on the average, well filled, and yielded about 30 bushels to the acre. I will now sow the ground to wheat. I am convinced that the successful growing of corn, coops and other crops of a like nature is assured, and that the country surrounding Madras will yet be known as the richest farming community in Oregon, owing to its splendid climate and the opportunity it gives for diversified farming."

Agency Plain Products.

Joseph Arney, of Agency Plains, brought in two samples of the black Spanish winter radish a few days ago. One of them measured 15 inches in length and 24 inches in circumference. The other is not quite so large, but is sounder of flesh, finer of texture and a more perfect radish, measuring 15 inches in length, trimmed, and 18 inches around. These radishes were planted on sod, sometime in May, and matured a short time ago. They were dug this month and are now stored in pits the same as potatoes.

Mr. Arney was raised in Decatur county, Iowa. His father is still living on and owns the place where he was born, which is now worth from \$60 to \$75 per acre. He says that he has proven to himself that his Agency Plain farm is capable of paying a bigger interest on the same investment than is his father's place in Iowa. To illustrate he said: The 4th day of last May I finished sowing my wheat on sod, 30 pounds of seed to the acre, that produced one ton of hay per acre, which, if it had been threshed, judging from my neighbor's crops, would have yielded about 25 bushels, which at 80c per bushel, the present market price, would bring \$20 per acre. This crop was raised with very little work and was practically all clear profit—the hay being now worth \$15 per ton, and by spring will be bringing \$20 per ton or over. This I know is a greater revenue than can be raised from an Iowa farm worth \$75 to \$100 per acre; yet our land is not counted as worth more than \$10 to \$15 per acre. However, I believe that Agency Plain farms will be bringing \$50 per acre in the not distant future.



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