

The Madras Pioneer

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HOME-SEEKERS ARRIVE FROM OKLAHOMA

A party of home-seekers arrived in Madras last Thursday evening from Oklahoma, but owing to the fact that they could accomplish very little at this time in the way of inspecting the country on account of the stormy weather, they left Saturday morning for Willamette valley points. They expect to return to this place later in the spring.

When told that they had struck this section of Crook county at its very worst season, they stated that matters had been shamefully misrepresented to them by persons with whom they had been in correspondence relative to coming to this section. It had been represented to them that in this section of the country it never snowed; that it was so warm one could work outside in his shirt-sleeves all the year round; and that for climate we had Florida so badly beaten that that land of flowers looked, by comparison, like a small section taken out of the Arctic circle. Coming here under these impressions, it is not surprising that they were disappointed to find the country covered with several inches of snow, nor that they did not stop to inspect the country. While here they were told the true conditions that existed as to climate and moisture, and they went away much better satisfied than when they first arrived.

Some of the party had disposed of their lands in Oklahoma, and had come to Central Oregon with the view of purchasing lands and locating here permanently. Others of the party expected to sell their real estate in Oklahoma if things should prove satisfactory here, and upon their decision in the matter would depend the action of quite a colony of their friends in that locality. Those of the party who had disposed of their Oklahoma holdings became interested in what they learned of the country surrounding Madras and expressed their intention of remaining here, but others in the party who were disgusted with the misrepresentations that had been made, persuaded them to accompany the party to the Willamette valley until the weather in this section would permit of a thorough inspection of the country. The party was composed of D. L. McDaniel, J. E. Young and J. Atherton, who came from Rock, Oklahoma, and have their families with them; W. C. Hartley and Miss Evelyn Hartley, from Ashland, Kentucky, but who had been living in Oklahoma for four months, and T. H. Kilner who is from Texas. The party, including children, number 17.

CANDIDATES PLENTIFUL

The last issue of the Crook County Journal publishes a long list of candidates for the various offices in Crook county to be voted upon at the June election. This list contains both democrats and republicans and is rather a list of citizens of the county who will be candidates for their party nominations at the primary election on April 20. Candidates for nomination for sheriff: Republicans—B. F. The of Prineville, Sam Col-medie Prineville, Hugh Lister

of Paulina, Frank Elkins of Madras, J. S. McMeen of Lamonta, W. W. Brown of Heisler, W. T. E. Wilson of Sisters. Democrats—Jake Stroud, J. H. Crooks, Stroud Price and Med Vanderpool, all of Prineville.

Candidates for nomination for County Clerk: Republicans—J. H. Haner of Prineville, and Chester W. Starr. Democrats—Warren Brown, Riley Cook, both of Culver.

A GREAT MERCHANT DEAD

Marshall Field, the great Chicago merchant, died in New York City on January 16, 1906, of pneumonia. Although one of the country's richest men, Mr. Field has in a large measure escaped the criticism to which the immensely rich are almost invariably subjected, and probably no other of the conspicuous fortunes of the country is so free from the "taint" of corporate corruption or greed.

Mr. Field began life on a farm and at the age of 70 had amassed in the mercantile business a fortune of more than a hundred millions of dollars. He was the largest individual taxpayer in the United States, having paid taxes of over \$40,000,000 last year. He was never a speculator, and it is noteworthy that the death of this multi-millionaire, whose wealth came to him through honest channels, has caused no panic upon the stock exchange.

TRADED FOR WHEAT LAND

S. R. King of Cline Falls who is a partner in the contract for clearing 1000 acres of land on Johnston ranch, is completing a deal with W. F. Hammer, postmaster at Haystack, whereby Mr. King exchanges his land under the Columbia Southern ditch near Cline Falls for wheat land which Mr. Hammer owns in the Haystack country. The latter tract adjoins a homestead which Mr. King has filed upon, hence the trade. Mr. Hammer will begin improving his Columbia Southern tract soon.

WORK ON UMATILLA PROJECT BEGINS MAY 1

The government will advertise for bids for contracts on the east Umatilla irrigation project within 60 days and actual work will begin May 1st, and be finished by April 1, 1907. The ditch will be 22 miles long and begin about one mile above Echo, where a bedrock dam will be put across the Umatilla river. More than 600,000 cubic yards are to be filled in at the dam, besides a concrete core in the center for the dam.

The dam will be 600 feet long at the bottom, 2,000 feet long at the top and 97 feet high. The ditch will be 15 feet wide and carry six feet of water to the reservoir eight miles north of Echo. Umatilla county is jubilant and there is no longer any doubt of the project going. Real estate and other business is active.

WORK ON THE NORTH BANK

Arlington, Ore., Jan. 18.—Two carloads of draft horses arrived here last night from Montana and will be used on the railroad opposite this place. They are the property of A. E. Grant, who has followed railroad contracting all over the Northwest for 30 years.

Mr. Grant has the contract for 25 miles opposite Arlington, and at present has 500 men and 90 teams at work there. He is putting men and teams at work as fast as they arrive here. He expects several more carloads of horses this week. Several hundred men, he says, will be here the latter part of the week from Minnesota and Nebraska. Mr. Grant buys all his supplies at this town, and pays his men in checks on the Arlington bank.

LIKES AGENCY PLAINS LAND

Joel Woods of Waitsburg, Washington, who visited with his daughter, Mrs. Nelson Grewell, on the Big Plain last week, left Monday for his home. He was very much pleased with what he saw of the farming country in this locality, and expressed the opinion that this country had a great future ahead of it. He says that on Eureka Flat, near Waitsburg, conditions were at one time somewhat similar to those which exist here now, the farmers having to haul water for many miles, but that in a few years they began drilling for water, and the country now has sufficient water in wells running in depth from 50 to 350 feet. He also says that the soil there is somewhat similar in appearance to this soil, although appearing lighter even than this. There is no section of Eastern Washington in which better crops are produced, and lands in that neighborhood are worth from \$50 to \$75 per acre.

Mr. Woods farms on an extensive scale, owning about 4000 acres, less than a fourth of which is pasture land. He divides his large farm, summer following over 1500 acres each year. He says that the expenses of farming in Eastern Washington are less than any other section he knows anything about, and he believes that this will also apply to this section of country when farming is done extensively here.

NEEDS AN OBSERVATORY

In answer to a request sent in from Madras that a voluntary weather observatory be established at this place, Mr. Beals, the forecaster in charge of the weather bureau for this department, informs us that there is an observatory of this kind at the Warm Springs Agency, and the government does not make a practice of establishing them within 20 miles of each other, we will have to purchase our own instruments for the taking of weather records. Mr. Beals says that if we will purchase the instruments he will publish the reports in the monthly summary issued from the Portland office, and he will also furnish report blanks and instructions for keeping the record.

This is a very necessary establishment for a farming community such as this, and these records would be of inestimable value to us some day. The instruments will cost about \$18, including freight from Philadelphia, and anyone in the community wishing to subscribe 50 cents or more towards the purchase of these instruments will please leave the money with Don P. Rea at the office of the Madras Townsite Company. A carpenter has promised to donate the supports required for the thermometers, a reliable citizen of Madras has promised to accept the office of observer, and the small amount required from each of the 35 or 40 progressive farmers of this neighborhood will certainly be money spent in a good cause.

SO DO WE.

Mayor Observer
The Madras city incorporation project was turned down by the Crook county court. We think unjustly.

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Biggs	11:30 a. m.		
Olney	11:40 a. m.		
Wasco	11:50 a. m.		
Klondyke	12:00 p. m.		
Hamlet	12:10 p. m.		
Haystack	12:20 p. m.		
Melonsville	12:30 p. m.		
Galena	12:40 p. m.		
Here	12:50 p. m.		
Prineville	1:00 p. m.		
Ors Valley	1:10 p. m.		
Brookton	1:20 p. m.		
Kent	1:30 p. m.		
W. Long	1:40 p. m.		
Shaniko	1:50 p. m.		

and other information apply to
General Passenger Agent,
Portland, Oregon.

Agent, Shaniko, Ore.