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ADVERTISING RATES ON APPLICATION
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THURSDAY July 19, 1906

John Lockard requests us to give notice of the fact that, through an arrangement with the Cornett stage line, freight by stage from Shaniko to Madras will be carried through for the one charge, the stage companies having made a satisfactory agreement on that point. This will avoid the heavy charge which would have resulted had both companies demanded payment over their lines, as is usual where freight is carried over two lines.

The price of grain bags is still soaring, having increased more than 50 per cent. More than six million grain bags were destroyed by the San Francisco fire, and it is now estimated that there will be a great shortage on this coast, with no possible output to cover the shortage. In the neighborhood of 40,000,000 bags are used on this coast. The shortage in the first place has been caused by the failure of the jute crop, and the loss in the San Francisco fire but made the situation more serious.

A splendid rain fell on last Sunday afternoon, putting an end to the intense heat which had prevailed for the two weeks past, and bringing relief to the burning crops of this locality. The rain began falling just before sundown, and for more than an hour there was a steady downpour, which cooled off the parched earth and freshened up the atmosphere in a most acceptable manner. Considerable rain also fell south of here, but it did not extend more than four miles north on Agency Plains, the rainfall being light beyond the Binder place. East of the plains and north of Madras there was a very heavy fall of rain, and over on the Lyle & Brown ranch near Heisler it is reported that the rain almost assumed the proportions of a water-spout. Although crops are already pretty badly damaged in this locality, last Sunday's rain did a great deal of good to many crops, and was worth thousands of dollars to the farmers of this section.

Late-sown wheat on the light lands of Oregon and Washington has apparently suffered considerably by reason of the excessive heat, accompanied in some sections by the fatal hot wind which withers and shrivels the berry while it is in "milk" or "dough" stage. The pre-eminent advantages of the Fall wheat are again demonstrated, as practically everything except the late-sown Spring grain was so far along that it was not affected by the excessively hot weather. The acreage of Spring wheat was somewhat larger than usual this year, on account of considerable reseeded being done where Winter wheat had been killed by the cold weather. The conditions are not always favorable for wheatgrowers to get a full acreage of Fall grain, but the experience of the past few days, as well as that of former seasons, has demonstrated beyond all question that the Winter wheat crop is the only one that can be relied on one year with another with positive assurance of success. —Oregonian.

OREGON TRUNK SURE GO

FROM MOUTH OF DESCHUTES TO MADRAS

Difficulty in Securing Laborers Retards Work Which Will Be Pushed Later.

The Dalles Chronicle.

"It is easy to build newspaper railroads," said W. E. Nelson, president of the new Oregon Trunk road, now in course of construction up the Deschutes, "but we prefer to say little for publication and let the work we accomplish speak louder than words."

"We are, however," he continued, going to build a railroad from the mouth of the Deschutes to Madras, in Crook county, following the river for a distance of 110 miles, and have just finished the survey. Later we expect to go on through Central Oregon, drawing on one of the most productive sections of the state. The only difficulty now is in securing laborers during the hot weather, but we have but a small force now on the scrapers. Later, or as soon as men can be secured, we will go to work in earnest."

When asked if they had limited themselves as to time, Mr. Nelson said they had set a date for completing the road but would not make it public until the work is further advanced.

"Yes, they have connected us with every system on the known globe," said Mr. Nelson, "until we have difficulty in systematizing ourselves. In due course of time the much mooted question will be revealed to the complete satisfaction of all."

In company with two members of the board of directors, Robert R. Fox and L. I. Gregory, the latter being secretary of the board, together with Henry Ewing, another Seattle capitalist, the president made the trip over a portion of the surveyed line, and on a second trip later in the season, Crook county will be visited.

GOOD WORDS FOR ELKINS

New Crook County Sheriff Gets Busy Among Gang of Stock Rustlers.

Antelope Herald: Frank Elkins, the new sheriff of Crook county is proving himself a very efficient officer. He has recently broken up a nest of horse and cattle rustlers, capturing four of them. They are now awaiting trial. In a number of instances where horses had been stolen the entire brand had been cut out, and the animal turned loose or kept up in a corral, leaving a bad sore which the hot sun and flies made worse. One horse was in such a bad condition that he was taken to Prineville to be used as evidence against the brutes who mangled it. There are other men in this Eastern Oregon country who have long been known to be implicated in horse stealing, but who have so far escaped the law. But the chances of being caught were too many and some of them are making a pretense of leading honest lives. The thieving propensity remains however, awaiting a favorable opportunity to assert itself.

Captures Cattle Rustlers.

An Albany dispatch to the Oregonian says: Frank Elkins, newly elected Sheriff of Crook county, whose first official act gained him considerable local fame because it resulted in the capture of a band of troublesome cattle "rustlers" and horse thieves, who had been leading a predatory existence in Crook county for years, is a Linn county man, and spent his boyhood days in Albany.

Mr. Elkins' all-night ride, terminating in successfully lo-

ating the rendezvous of the thieves, and breaking up one of the worst gangs in Eastern Oregon, has been a matter of much newspaper comment.

Elkins is a big, broad shouldered man, standing 6 feet 2 inches in his stockings, and is of the physical type of the ideal sheriff. His election came after a warm campaign, both in the primaries and in the election. Two years ago Mr. Elkins was a candidate for the Shrievalty, and was defeated by C. Sam Smith by the narrow margin of three votes. This year the trick was turned by Elkins' friends and he was placed in the office. Sheriff Elkins is the son of County Treasurer James Elkins, of Linn county, and is well known in Albany.

CULVER AND MADRAS PLAY BALL

Rain very probably saved the Madras ball team from a defeat at the hands of the Culver boys, last Sunday, as the score stood 8 to 4 in Culver's favor when the game was called in the third inning on account of the rain. The rain continued, and it was impossible to resume the game. Another game between these two teams is scheduled to occur within the next two weeks.

Town Lots for Sale.

Lots 7 and 8 in Blk. 21, Madras Townsite. Inquire Nelson Grewell, Young's post office.

E. G. BOLTER DEAD

Pioneer Citizen of Crook County Dies After Short Illness.

Edward G. Bolter, one of the pioneer settlers in the Cross Keys neighborhood, and for many years a prominent cattleman of this county, died at his home at Cross Keys on Trout Creek, last Thursday, after an illness of only a few days. The remains were interred in the Haycreek cemetery on last Friday afternoon.

Mr. Bolter was an Englishman by birth, but had been a resident of this county for nearly thirty years. His ranch on Trout creek is one of the land marks of the county, being known to every traveler who has ever passed over the old The Dalles-Prineville mail route, and not a freighter over that road during the last quarter of a century but has stopped over night at the Bolter place. The Bolter ranch is one of the fine alfalfa ranches on Trout creek, and there Mr. Bolter made his home during the many years of his residence in this county, his children having grown to manhood and womanhood in that home. Besides his widow he leaves a son, John G., and three daughters, Mrs. Sanford Shultz, Mrs. Bidwell Cram and Mrs. M. R. Elliott, all of whom reside in this county.

Numerous friends of deceased throughout the county will learn of his death with sincere regret, and especially is this true of the older population of the county, to whom he has been a friend and familiar figure in the county for so many years. Of an upright character, honest in all his dealings, his death is a loss to the sterling citizenship of the county.

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