

Events at Madras.

Miss Perry Read and Miss
of Culver spent Thanks-
in Madras, with their
and sister, Mrs. Frank
of Madras was in Prineville,
she came up from
where she is visiting
J. A. and S. E. West,
County Journal.
December 2 and 4 someone by
a large wash tub from in
tamb store; the tub belongs
Sanhagen and she needs it.
will be appreciated.
Rea left this morning for
where he will spend the
of the month visiting with the
He expects to return to
at the first of January.
E. Adams, of Lamonta,
Madras several days this
ing to making final proof on
and claim before Commission-
era. Mr. and Mrs. J. Dob-
side on her place accompan-

C. A. Sias, who now has a
rest Grove, was in town
making proof upon his home-
est of Madras. He offered
an a year ago, but owing to
the description of the land
red up on, his proof was
was necessary to submit a

petition list is being circu-
purpose of raising a fund
to build a church edifice
Prairie neighborhood.
is being circulated by
the Menonite church, by
mination the church build-
occupied if they succeed in
funds with which to build

from Heisler reaches this
six o'clock in the morn-
leaving Heisler immediately
of the stage from Shan-
this schedule, the mail is
noted by seven o'clock, or
that hour, and business men
morning in which to answer
mail. The service is very
that respect, although the
works quite a hardship on
who has the night drive from
the place.

Thanksgiving Dance at this
Thursday evening was an
pleasant affair, and fully
gave evidence of their en-
dancing into the early
hours. A large number of
from Lamonta, Cul-
and other surrounding
greatly to the pleasure
tion. The Sanford and
th, in which the dance was
of the largest halls in the
as well, one of the
the dancing. Music, floor,
really jolly crowd all com-
make the Thanksgiving
the most pleasant ever held

OSBORN IS COMMISSIONER

Appointed To Succeed D. P. Rea
for Madras District.

Frank Osborn was notified
last Thursday of his appoint-
ment as a United States Com-
missioner to reside at Madras,
to succeed Don P. Rea, whose
commission expired on the 30th
of November. Mr. Osborn has
qualified for the office by filing
his official oath in the United
States District Court, of which
court he is an appointee.

The new Commissioner is a
life long resident of Crook
County, having moved to this
locality with his father in 1880,
when he was less than two
years old. During all of the
succeeding years he has been
a resident of this section of the
county, residing most of the
time near Culver. He enjoys
a wide acquaintance through-
out the section which he will
serve in his official capacity,
and is universally and deserved-
ly popular among all those who
know him. He is competent,
industrious and attentive to his
duties, and is in every way
qualified to fulfill the duties of
his office in a creditable and
satisfactory manner.

Mr. Osborn has been quite
busy the past few days, taking
a number of homestead proofs
which were set before the Com-
missioner at this place. Mr.
Rea has been assisting him in
familiarizing himself with the
work of his new office.

WILL ASK FOR STATE AID

Residents of the Agency
Plains, a plateau comprising
over 100 square miles of wheat
land adjacent to Madras, will
shortly prepare and circulate
for signatures a petition to the
Oregon Legislature asking for
an appropriation for the pur-
pose of drilling deep wells for
water on the plains. The
amount of the appropriation
suggested is \$8000. The farm-
ers point out that if they knew
beyond question at what depth
water could be found individual
wells could be drilled by the
farmers who could go at the
work with the assurance that
their property would easily be
increased in value more than
the cost of drilling the well, but
at the present time few, if any
of them, are prepared to go to
the necessary expense in experi-
mental work. Furthermore,
they say that to solve the water
problem of the Agency Plains
would in time prove a good
investment to the state, as the
increased taxes from that region
would more than repay the
amount of the appropriation
into the state treasury.

WANT RIGHT OF WAY GRANTED

Petitions addressed to the sec-
retary of the interior asking
that the right of way for the
Oregon Trunk Line railroad up
the Deschutes river be granted
are now being signed through-
out this locality. The obstacle
which stands in the way of the
railroad is the recent filing on
the river by the reclamation ser-
vice for a power site, which is
proposed for the purpose of gen-
erating electricity for pumping
water in connection with the
Umatilla government irrigation
project.

BOUGHT THE RODMAN RANCH

Mrs. Margaret Hummels of
Salem has purchased the Frank
Rodman quarter lying about
five miles south of Madras, the
consideration being \$2600. The
sale was through Jack McTag-
gart, and the deal was closed
yesterday. The new owners are
well pleased with their pur-
chase. They do not expect to
reside here at this time, but
have rented the land to John
Hoffman, Jr., who will farm it
this season.

S. H. DORRANCE KILLED

Long-Standing Quarrel Ends In A
Fatal Shooting Affray.

S. H. Dorrance, of the saw
mill firm of Dorrance Bros., was
shot by Harrison A. Melvin, a
teacher, last Sunday afternoon,
and died nine hours later. The
shooting took place at Melvin's
home on Three Creeks, in the
Sisters neighborhood. Melvin
has given himself up to the
officers.

It seems that the men had
been on bad terms for a long
time, their troubles arising over
controversies about irrigating
ditches and timber lands. Mel-
vin's home is near the sawmill.

The two men met in the
woods, and Dorrance shot twice
at Melvin with a shotgun. Mel-
vin shot at Dorrance six times
with a 30-30 rifle, one of the
shots passing through his body.
The report has it that Dorrance
was the first to fire. After the
shooting Dorrance started to-
ward his house but collapsed af-
ter walking some distance and
was later found by his 9-year-
old son. He died at 10 o'clock
Sunday night.

A year ago Dorrance bought
the timber on Melvin's ranch
under contract whereby Melvin
was to retain the pasturage, but
Dorrance abused his right and
turned his stock into Melvin's
fields. This led to threats of
violence and both men constan-
tly carried guns for each
other and it was only by chance
that the culmination of the feud
had been put off until last Sun-
day.

TWO NEW MAIL ROUTES

Two new mail contracts are
being advertised for by the
department, to take the place
of the Heisler Madras route
which will be discontinued
owing to the discontinuance of
the post-office at Heisler. The
new routes called for are from
Haycreek to Madras and return,
and Madras to Youngs and
return. The bids will be open-
ed on December 24th, and the
new routes will be established on
January 14, 1907. Parties de-
siring to bid can get particulars
from Postmaster Davis.

Under the proposed arrange-
ment, Madras will be served
from Haycreek and Youngs
from this place, instead of
both offices being served by the
direct route from Heisler, as at
present. The new service will
not be as satisfactory to either
office as is the present service,
but the discontinuance of the
post office at Heisler made the
change necessary. The mail
from Haycreek will be sched-
uled to reach this place at 9 a.
m., returning to Haycreek in
time to connect with the stage
from Prineville.

This new arrangement of the
mail service for this section
necessitates the two branch
lines, and emphasizes the need
of the direct mail service from
Shaniko to Bend, via Madras,
petitions for which have just
been forwarded to the postmas-
ter general.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH ORGANIZED

Under the direction of Elder
B. W. Bass, pastor of the First
Christian church at Prineville,
the organization of a church of
that denomination was effected
at Madras last Sunday. J. W.
Robinson and Ora A. Rhodes
were chosen elders, W. A. Mad-
dron, deacon, and Mrs. M. E.
Percival deaconess. The mem-
bership will not number less
than 18. During the series of
meetings which Mr. Bass has
been holding in Madras the
past two weeks many new addi-
tions to the church have been
made. Arrangements will soon
be made for the administering
of the rite of baptism by immer-
sion in Madras.

ODD FELLOWS ATTENTION

On Saturday evening, Decem-
ber 15, 1906, a meeting will be
held in the Davis Hall in Mad-
ras at 7:30 o'clock for the pur-
pose of formulating plans for
organizing a lodge of the I. O.
O. F. at Madras. All Odd Fel-
lows are invited to be present.

CHRISTMAS TREE AT MADRAS

Arrangements are being made
to have a big public Christmas
tree in Madras on Christmas
eve, December 24. Committees
have been appointed to ar-
range for a program, and to
look after all the details neces-
sary to insure the success of the
occasion, which promises to be
one of the most pleasant ever
experienced by the children of
Madras and the surrounding
country. Every child in the
territory tributary to Madras is
invited, and special arrange-
ments will be made with good-
natured old Santa Claus, so that
none who come will be over-
looked in the distribution of
presents. Sanford & Rodman's
hall has been secured for the
occasion.

It is understood that there
will be one or two other Christ-
mas trees in different localities
tributary to Madras, but the
committee will try to arrange it
so that none of these will be
held on Christmas eve, in order
that all may come to Madras.
That evening has been chosen
for the tree at this place, as it
is impossible to secure the hall on
the evening of the 25th.

ODD FELLOWS LODGE

At a meeting of local mem-
bers of the Odd Fellows, held
at this place last Saturday eve-
ning, it was decided to institute
a lodge of that order at this
place, in the near future. There
are in Madras and adjoining
country about thirty members
of the I. O. O. F., so that the
lodge could be organized with a
large enough charter member-
ship to insure its success from
the start. Arrangements are
under way now to organize the
local lodge and it is expected
that these plans will be perfect-
ed by the first of the year.

SAGE BRUSH RAKE

Fred Fisher was in Madras
Saturday. He states that he
has made after his own idea a
heavy rake for the purpose of
raking sagebrush and that the
implement is giving excellent
results. It is mounted on two
wagon wheels, the teeth being
made of heavy steel bars,
shaped like ordinary hayrake
teeth, set about 31-2 inches
apart, and the rake covers about
eight feet in width. It is dump-
ed by a hand lever. Mr. Fisher
plows the land first with a
heavy breaking plow and fol-
lows with this rake and dumps
the brush in winrows like hay
is harvested. The brush is then
piled and burned. Four horses
pull the machine and besides
picking up the brush it turns
up loose rocks and tears the sod
apart, going a long way toward
preparing the seed bed for the
first crop on the new land.

A grand mask ball is announced for
Christmas night December 25th in San-
ford and Rodman hall in Madras.
Supper will be served at the Green Hotel.
Dance tickets \$1. 25, Supper 75 cts per
couple.

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TIME TABLE NO. 10.

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South Bound No. 2.	Daily Pass.	STATIONS.	North Bound No. 1.	Daily Pass.
Leave:	2:15 p.m.	Biggs	11:50 a.m.	Arrive
"	2:35 p.m.	Gibsons	11:19 a.m.	"
"	2:59 p.m.	Sinks	11:10 a.m.	"
"	3:12 p.m.	Wasco	11:00 a.m.	"
"	3:18 p.m.	Klondyke	10:45 p.m.	"
"	3:25 p.m.	Summit	10:40 a.m.	"
"	3:35 p.m.	Hay C Je	10:24 a.m.	"
"	3:36 p.m.	Meltonids	10:22 a.m.	"
"	3:48 p.m.	De Moss	10:05 a.m.	"
"	3:59 p.m.	Moro	9:55 a.m.	"
"	4:08 p.m.	Erskinville	9:37 a.m.	"
"	4:29 p.m.	Grass Valley	9:20 a.m.	"
"	4:55 p.m.	Bourbon	8:55 a.m.	"
"	5:11 p.m.	Kent	8:49 a.m.	"
"	5:21 p.m.	Wileox	8:30 a.m.	"
Arrive:	5:55 p.m.	Shaniko	8:00 a.m.	Leave.

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