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SALE BEGINS MONDAY, NOVEMBER 11

## Like a Whirlwind

WILL BE OUR STIRRING

## Closing Out Sale

TO THE PUBLIC:—We take this occasion to thank you for your generous patronage and support during the past two years—years of enjoyable, prosperous and ever-increasing trade. It is therefore with many feelings of regret that we now announce that owing to other business interests presenting opportunities of greater promise, we have decided to dispose of our business here at the earliest possible date. Therefore,

Beginning Monday, November 11, we will inaugurate a wonderfully stirring and colossal closing out sale that will be felt in every part of this country, reducing as by magic our superb assembly of splendid merchandise

Nothing will be spared to make this the greatest event of the kind ever known in Eastern Oregon. Neither time nor space is allowed to make mention of the innumerable bargains of unexcelled merit that await the hundreds of careful buyers in every department of our mammoth store.

Drygoods, Ladies' Furnishings, Footwear of all kinds, Men's Clothing and Furnishings, Hats, Groceries, Hardware, Machinery and Vehicles

has never been sold at greater advantage to the public than will be during this sale. Let every man, woman and child prepare at once to take advantage of this momentous event. Remember, this sale begins Monday, November 11

Special Mention Our line of heating stoves is complete  
MAKE YOUR SELECTION AT ONCE

MAIL ORDERS CAREFULLY FILLED

W. ELKINS, PRINEVILLE, OR.

### WATER AT 59 FEET

Two Veins of Water Struck in  
Pinkerton Well on Big Plain

WATER FLOWS IN 14 GALLONS AN HOUR

Drilling Continued to Increase Flow  
For Plentiful and Permanent  
Supply of Good Water

N. H. Pinkerton, who is having a well drilled at his ranch on Agency Plains, struck water at the surprisingly small depth of 59 feet, last week. There are two small veins of the water, both flowing a little less than 350 gallons in 24 hours. A test of the strength of the flow was made last Tuesday and it was found that the water came in at the rate of about 14 gallons per hour, which Mr. Pinkerton considers too small an amount of water to make a satisfactory well, and so he ordered the drilling resumed yesterday morning. He expects to go deep enough to get a good permanent flow of water for all ranch purposes.

When drilling on this well was begun it was under a contract to get water or no pay. It was expected that the well would have to be put down in the neighborhood of 400 feet, and the contract price was \$2 per foot, regardless of the depth. In the Magill well north of the Pinkerton place a good supply of water was secured at a depth of 420 feet, and as the Pinkerton ranch is a little lower than the Magill ranch, it was not expected that it would be necessary to go quite so deep.

Mr. Pinkerton and the drillers who have the contract for sinking the well were very much surprised at striking water at so small a depth. The first small vein was encountered at a depth of only 59 feet, and three feet lower a second vein was struck. On the morning after the water was struck it had raised in the well about thirty feet, but drilling was continued until a depth of 71 feet was reached, when the test of the strength of the flow was made, showing it to be about 14 gallons per hour. And as this is not considered sufficient for

all purposes, drilling will be continued until a sufficient supply is struck.

The well drilled by W. A. Magill during the past summer demonstrated the falsity of the old theory that it would be necessary to sink to the level of the Desclutes, a thousand feet below the level of Agency Plains, to secure an abundant supply of water, and the experience in the Pinkerton well still further disproves the theory. The result will be that the days of water hauling to Agency Plains will soon be a thing of the past, for a number of ranchers in that district are already planning to drill wells in the near future.

### NO MONEY FOR WHEAT

Much Grain Being Hauled to Shaniko  
But None Is Being Sold

Thousands of bushels of grain are being hauled to Shaniko, but very little money is coming back at the present time. The financial panic which has paralyzed business throughout the country is being felt even in remote districts like this, and although the panic promises to be short-lived, it works many hardships while it lasts. Even with his wheat at the warehouse in Shaniko, the farmer of this section is unable to convert it into cash, the best he can get being a warehouse receipt for his grain. No wheat is being bought at Shaniko, because Portland is not buying and there is no money with which to handle it. Later on, when conditions are normal again, all of this grain which is being stored will be converted into cash, but until that time arrives this section is experiencing a genuine spell of hard times along with the rest of the country. With a long forty-five mile haul to the railroad, the best the farmers of this section were getting before the panic struck was in the neighborhood of 50 cents net, but that was in cash, and they were well off compared with present conditions.

There seems to be no general fear throughout the country that the present stringency of finances will be of long duration. The large financial interests of Portland predict that in a few days the worst will be over and that business will then begin to assume normal conditions again. With every industry in the West in a prosperous condition, there seems no occasion for a panic on the Pacific Coast.

### WHEAT CROWS ON SUMMER FALLOW

George Rodman and family were in town last Monday from their home near Culver. Mr. Rodman raised about 6000 bushels of grain on his place this year and he has already marketed about half of it at Prineville, his oats bringing him 50 cents and the wheat 60 cents per bushel. He is looking forward to a good crop next year, also, as this year he has been summer-fallowing a good portion of his land, which those farmers who are making a success of the business in this country are finding to be the most successful way of farming. On one hundred and fifty acres of summer-fallow Mr. Rodman sowed White Winter wheat on September 15, and so near the surface was the moisture on his carefully tilled summer-fallow that within eight days the grain had sprouted. It is now up about four inches and beginning to stool out. Mr. Rodman is one of the most successful farmers in this end of the county, and he has accumulated about a thousand acres of good farming land through his own efforts.

### DIED

Fanny, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Banta, died at the home of her parents south of this place, on Saturday November 2, at the age of seventeen years. The cause of her death was typhoid fever and complications, from which she had been ill for six weeks. Interment took place at the Hale Cemetery on Sunday, November 3. Deceased was well known in Madras, where she had many friends who will sincerely mourn her loss, and who deeply sympathize with the bereaved family.

### LAND OFFICE BUSY

Land office officials in The Dalles are preparing for the transaction of a great volume of business Monday morning when a portion of the national forest reserve near Fremont in the Bend country is thrown open for settlement. It is understood that there will be several applications for each quarter section, and to avoid complications the officials have decided to use the number system which they tried so successfully in August when a like opening was made.—Chronicle.

### C. & E. SURVEY STOPS

Engineering Corps Recalled  
From Work in Cascades

WERE MAPPING OUT AN EASY GRADE

Men Were Working Under Hurry-up  
Orders But Are Suddenly Told  
To Abandon Territory

Harold J. Roberts, who had charge of the survey for the extension of the Corvallis & Eastern east from Detroit, was in town last Monday evening with Mrs. Roberts on his way to Portland. Mr. Roberts stated while here that work on the survey for the extension of the C. & E. had been suspended, the entire corps of Harriman engineers in Central Oregon having been recalled. When the order recalling them was received Mr. Roberts and his party were running a second survey from Detroit to Sisters and had covered about half the distance between those points, down the east side of the mountains. The first survey, for a distance of 23 miles, showed a maximum grade of about 2 per cent, while the second survey was being run on a compensating grade of not to exceed 1.4 per cent, which gave them an easy pass down the east slope of the mountains. Speaking of the extension of the Corvallis & Eastern, Mr. Roberts expressed disappointment over the recall of the Harriman surveyors from that territory. At the same time that his party was running the survey down the east slope, another party was hurrying the survey through on the other end, and an easy pass across the Cascades was being mapped out. It was confidently expected by them that construction would be started on the line not later than the coming Spring, as the location work was being pushed as rapidly as possible. Taken in connection with the reported suspension of work on all of the Harriman extensions, he construes the recall of his party to mean the abandonment of the C. & E. extension for the present and he attributes it to the present state of the money market. Concerning the possibility of the early resumption of the work he knew nothing, his orders being merely to suspend work on the survey and report to the head office in Portland.

### MAKES AN ASSIGNMENT

Mrs. Lena Lamb Adams Assigns to  
D. F. Stewart of Prineville

Mrs. Lena M. Adams of this place last week made an assignment of her stock of merchandise and other property connected with the mercantile business conducted at this place by her as Lena M. Lamb, to D. F. Stewart of Prineville, who took charge of the business last Sunday. Mr. Stewart and his son have both been here during the week, taking inventory of the stock of merchandise and checking up matters in connection with the assignment. Mr. Stewart, who is the largest creditor of Mrs. Lamb, stated on Monday that the assignment was a general one, for the benefit of all the creditors, who would share with him pro rata in the proceeds of the assignment.

The assignment made by Mrs. Adams is due to an indebtedness incurred by her last Fall, when she purchased a large amount of wheat in this section for Mr. Stewart, who is engaged in the flouring mill business at Prineville, the indebtedness to Mr. Stewart arising out of that transaction. Mr. Stewart claims an indebtedness of about \$3000.

The inventory has not yet progressed far enough to tell just what shape the creditors will be in, nor can it be ascertained with any accuracy what amount of indebtedness there is against the business, but it is generally believed that the creditors will save a fair proportion of their claims. Mrs. Lamb has been engaged in the mercantile business in Madras for four or five years. Her creditors are principally among the wholesale merchants of Portland, although Mr. Stewart is the largest individual creditor.

Miles D. Fox, one of the first settlers on Agency Plains, made proof before Commissioner Osborn yesterday. He and his father, C. C. Fox, fled upon their homesteads at about the same time, their applications being made March 8, 1902.