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THURSDAY Nov. 28, 1907

GOVERNOR'S PROCLAMATION

The President has set apart Thursday, the 28th day of November, A. D. 1907, as a day of thanksgiving and prayer. Therefore, I, George E. Chamberlain, as Governor of the State of Oregon, do proclaim said day as a holiday in this state.

Let it be properly observed. Thank God for the manifold blessings we enjoy, and pray Him that we may have more confidence in our neighbors so that the good things we have may continue to abide with us.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the great seal of the State of Oregon to be affixed at the Capitol in the City of Salem this 14th day of November, A. D. 1907.

GEO. E. CHAMBERLAIN,
 Governor.
 F. W. Benson, Secy. of State.

PROVIDE CARS FOR WHEAT

Harriman officials have taken steps towards providing cars for moving the immense grain crop of the Inland Empire, and they have given assurances that commencing with Monday of this week their lines would be delivering wheat in Portland at the rate of 100 cars daily. Last Saturday night 125 cars left Portland for the Inland Empire, this being the beginning of the prompt movement of wheat promised.

This action by the Harriman officials is the result of vigorous protests filed by shippers and exporters of grain from Portland, who have been loud in their complaints regarding the lack of facilities for getting the grain which has been bought hauled to Portland and loaded for shipment. In order to realize the effect that was having upon the grain situation in the Northwest, it must be understood that only after the ship is loaded can the exporter begin the transaction of converting the bill of lading into gold, to be used again in helping market the enormous grain crop of the Northwest, when his London exchange shall have been turned into gold.

HOLIDAYS DURING THIS WEEK

Contrary to the expectation that the past week would end the holidays, Governor Chamberlain has extended the holidays through this week. This action was believed to be necessary in order to clear the financial atmosphere of all menacing clouds and the extension of the holiday period was only consented to after a conference with leading bankers and businessmen of the state. The holidays have been extended now by the Governor through a period of four weeks, and as a consequence, during that period much inconvenience has resulted through the embargo thereby placed upon the courts, and through the stagnation of business generally. The financial situation throughout the state which called for these protective measures, however, has cleared up within the past two weeks, and it is not believed that there will be any extension of the holiday period after Saturday.

UP AGAINST IT

Judging by reports which come from Portland, the serious question which confronts the man of means in the Oregon metropolis is whether to leave his money in the bank, or take it out and risk being "held up" for it before he can get it to a hiding place. If half the stories of hold-ups in the heart of that city are true, the part of prudence would certainly appear to dictate leaving it in the banks.

Thursday, November 28, is appointed a special holiday by the Governor, in order that the bankers of the state may have an opportunity of returning thanks for the numerous other similar occasions they have enjoyed during the present month.

THE TURKEY SHOOT

Quite a number of local marksmen were in town yesterday afternoon to participate in the turkey shoot, and in spite of the rain a good many matches were made up. George White carried off the honors, and incidentally a majority of the turkeys, although some of the other marksmen managed to win a turkey now and then. The shooting was at a target, the shot nearest the center winning the bird. Off-hand shooting was from a 40-yard mark, while those shooting from a rest went back 20 yards farther. Among those who won turkeys were George White, Gus Loveland and Russell Clark.

MUD SPRINGS ITEMS

On Tuesday of last week a bond election was held in School District No. 16. The bonds carried and as soon as possible a new school building will be erected as the old building is entirely inadequate to accommodate the school. This district lies northeast of Madras and is known as Mud Springs.

The Mud Springs Literary Society resumed its meetings a few weeks ago, this being the third year of its organization. The society meets every Saturday evening at the Mud Springs schoolhouse. The attendance has been quite good and much interest shown in the debates. Quite a number from Madras were in attendance on last Saturday evening.

The Mud Springs School and Literary Society will give an entertainment and social at the Mud Springs schoolhouse on November 30, to which all are invited. Ladies are invited to bring untrimmed boxes or baskets which will be sold after the program. Pie and cake will also be served. The proceeds will be used for a Christmas treat. Program will begin at 7 o'clock.

RAN RACE WITH BEAR

M. Kelley, Hugh Lakin and Clint Vandevort returned to Bend Thursday afternoon from cruising out some timber south of Rosland and Messrs. Kelley and Lakin are telling a laughable story on Clint. When running lines the other day in the timber about eight miles east of the stage station he noticed two cub bears scoot up a tree and stopped to watch them. As he stood in absorbed contemplation of the two cubs, what was his surprise to see the old bear appear around a nearby ledge of rock and charge full tilt in Clint's direction. There was no time for parley. Clint had no gun or weapon of any description. So he immediately challenged the angry old bear to a foot race and held the lead for about 60 yards with angry old Mother Bruin a close second. She finally got tired of the unequal contest, saw that there was no chance for her to catch up with the fleeing Clint, so returned to her cubs.—Bend Bulletin.

DEDICATION EXERCISES

Dedication exercises were held in the Free Methodist Church at this place last Sunday, Rev. D. D. Dodge of Hood River and Rev. Coffee of Portland conducting the dedicatory service. A large congregation attended the exercises.

The new church building of the Free Methodists was completed during the past summer and it is a comfortable place of worship for them. At present the M. E. Church of this place is also using the building for their regular services, as that denomination has no building in Madras, although they are now arranging to build a place of worship for themselves in the near future.

Rev. Coffee of Portland preached at both morning and evening services last Sunday, both sermons being highly commended by all who heard him.

WILSON WINS CONTEST

Grover C. Wilson has received notice from the United States Land Office at The Dalles, of a favorable decision in his contest of the homestead entry of W. D. McGee, in section 22, tp 10, range 14. The testimony in this contest was taken at this place on the 8th of last month. The decision of the Register and Receiver is as follows:

"From the testimony presented in this case, it appears that the defendant has not maintained an actual and continuous residence upon said land; that his residence has consisted of only occasional visits thereto at infrequent intervals; that his absence was not due to his employment in the army, navy or marine corps of the United States in time of war. We are therefore of the opinion that said entry should be canceled."

Contestee is allowed thirty days in which to appeal from this decision.

Jack Dee, the Grizzly sawmill man, is spending Thanksgiving in town with friends.

CONTEST NOTICE

Department of the Interior
 Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon,
 November 22, 1907.

A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by Tillman Reuter, contestant, against homestead entry No. 11640, made August 7, 1905, for s 25, sec 24, tp 12 s, r 14 e, w m, by Frank Bratton, contestee,

in which it is alleged that said Frank Bratton has wholly abandoned said tract for more than six months last past; that said tract is not settled upon and cultivated by said party as required by law; that said alleged absence was not due to his employment in the army, navy or marine corps of the United States in time of war. Said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock a. m. on January 6, 1908, before Max Lueddemann, a Notary Public, at his office in Madras, Oregon, and that final hearing will be held at 10 o'clock a. m. on January 13, 1908, before the Register and Receiver at the United States Land Office in The Dalles, Oregon.

The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, filed November 22, 1907, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice can not be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.

C. W. MOORE, Register

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A. O. U. W.	Decrease 10 80
Royal Arcanum	Decrease 13 20
W. O. W.	5,802 10 20
Modern Woodmen	90,080 5 85

The cost at 30 years of age in the M. W. A. has never exceeded \$5.85 per thousand in one year. Compare this with the cost in other societies. These are a few of the reasons "WHY" we are writing an average of 12,516 members per month. If this record suits you we want your application for membership. Yours fraternally, J. E. Shears, District Deputy, 522 Chamber of Commerce, Portland, Oregon.

For further information see C. A. Waterhouse, local deputy, at Madras, Oregon.

CONTEST NOTICE

Department of the Interior
 United States Land Office,
 The Dalles, Oregon, Nov. 22, 1907.

A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by Morton P. Doty, contestant, against homestead entry No. 9884, made November 11, 1901, for s 25, sec 24, tp 10 s, r 13 e, w m, by Frank G. Lucas, contestee,

in which it is alleged that said entryman has failed to reside upon said land at all for more than one year last past; that during said time he has totally failed to cultivate or improve any of said land; that he has abandoned the same for more than one year last past and that all of said failures still exist; that said alleged absence was not due to his employment in the army, navy or marine corps of the United States in time of war.

Said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock a. m. on January 6, 1908, before Max Lueddemann, a Notary Public, at his office in Madras, Oregon, and that final hearing will be held at 10 o'clock a. m. on January 13, 1908, before the Register and Receiver at the United States Land Office in The Dalles, Oregon.

The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, filed November 20, 1907, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice can not be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.

C. W. MOORE, Register.

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