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NO. 20

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ENGINES WRENCHED BACK

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stitution, as shown by the published reports. The institution was started by J. M. Conklin, who sold his interests to O. A. Pearce and others last year, the later being the present cashier, assisted by J. L. DeHuff. At a meeting of the directors and stockholders the early part of last month the condition of the bank was examined, and found to be in first class condition, there being no borrowed money, but with a substantial reserve fund on hand consisting of undivided dividends and other assets. Which shows the substantial condition of the bank at this time. New fixtures have been ordered and are on the ground awaiting installation when the building is completed. Besides the present Manganese safe now in use, a large fireproof vault with safety deposit boxes will be included in the building, made of brick and steel.

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In some of the Portland papers last week appeared an account of the arrest of D. R. Dunn, a resident of Madras, on the charge of grand larceny, and some erroneous statements were made.

The following account is as the writer received it from a person interested and we believe it to be authentic.

Mr. Dunn formerly resided in Sweet Grass County, Montana, before coming to Madras, and had purchased a number of horses from a man by the name of Hawley, and during the first few months a payment of part of the amount due on the contract, was paid and soon after this Hawley made the proposition to him to pay the balance and he would throw off the interest and also give him a black horse as a sort of bonus. The whole amount was paid by Dunn and Hawley after thinking the matter over decided that he was not getting as much out of the deal as he ought and took this way of trying to get his horse back again.

Mr. Hawley has endeavored to get a warrant for the arrest of Dunn before, but was not successful until the latter part of December, 1911. The warrant was placed in the hands of Jack Kirkwood the Under Sheriff of Sweet Grass County, for service, he arriving in Madras nearly three weeks since.

Mr. Dunn being sick with pneumonia at the time, and has not been able to be removed owing to his serious condition. Extradition papers had been granted by Governor West for his removal out of the state, but in the meantime Mrs. Dunn with her attorney visited Governor West and presented their side of the case, which upon being investigated by the Governor of Montana through the recommendation of Governor West the case was ordered dismissed, there being no sufficient cause for action, and the Under Sheriff was called back, leaving Madras Wednesday morning.

Artichokes Do Well Here
Alexander Spicer brought a sample of artichokes to this office that speak well for this class of vegetable grown on dry land. Mr. Spicer states that as dry a year as last that the yield was approximately 500 bushels to the acre on the tract that he had planted. This vegetable is very nutritious as a growing feed for hogs especially, and it has been noted that other stock do well on the root.

It seems that this would be a profitable crop for the farmers to raise, if the yield each year was as heavy accordingly as last and with the prospects of crops this season that we now have, it should yield much better than it did last.

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OREGON'S OFFICIAL STATE BOOTH AT NORTHWESTERN SHOW



Oregon's official state booth attracted much attention at the Northwestern Land Products Show recently held in St. Paul. Of all the big shows in 1911 this was the most important as Northwestern products alone were shown, without fear or favor.

The official state booth of Oregon occupied an equal amount of space with the other state exhibits, which was subscribed for by

the business men of the Twin City and Duluth. Similar space was also furnished free to all the other states in the Northwest Development League.

The official state booth of Oregon was designed and put up by the Great Northern Railway for the State of Oregon. It was handsomely decorated and the apples and other fruits from Hood River, Willamette Valley,

the Umpqua and Rogue River Valleys made a splendid showing. In addition to fruit growing, the chances for diversified farming, dairying, hog and cattle raising, which are of much interest to the mid-Western and Eastern farmer were emphasized. The interest manifested in Oregon was such that the Great Northern officials are well satisfied that the state will benefit much from this comprehensive exhibit.

IMPORTANT MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

Two Ordinances Passed, One to Establish Water Commission, Other to Prevent Excavating

Another meeting of the City Council was held last night, being an adjourned session, and much business of interest was disposed of, at this session.

The final papers in the matter of the water bonds, was taken up and the required affidavits and certificates were filled out and will be forwarded to the people who purchased the bonds, the J. H. Causey & Co. of Denver, Colorado.

Ordinance No. 40 relating to digging and excavating in the streets and public places was presented, and after discussion was passed by a unanimous vote of the members present.

Ordinance No. 41 relating to the establishment of a Water Commission, was presented and passed the matter of appointing the other members of the Commission was laid over until the next meeting.

It is the idea of the ordinance to give the Water Commission full control of the water system, make such rules and regulations

as they may deem advisable, and fix the rates to the water users, also to make regular reports to the Council at the regular monthly meetings.

Ordinance No. 39 relating to the licensing of shows and circuses was taken up and discussed and passed with the approval of all present.

The Ordinance that was presented relating to the licensing of billiard halls was discussed to some extent, and was finally voted to lay the same on the table until the next regular meeting.

The matter of buying fire hose and carts was discussed, and it was decided that the Council should purchase about 500 feet of heavy hose to start with and the necessary connections, also some means of carrying the hose to the fire was discussed and it was decided to look into the matter further. The Recorder was directed to prepare an ordinance to be presented at the next meeting of the Council, to appoint some person to bind the City to the amount of not over \$625.00 for fire apparatus.

An adjournment was then taken until the next regular meeting on February the 13th.

Paul F. Barz made final five year proof on his homestead Tuesday before United States Commissioner Turner.

Willis W. Brown of Haycreek was in from his ranch calling on friends and attending to business matters.

WAY MURDERED NEAR PRINEVILLE

Douglas Tapp, Companion, Tells Many Conflicting Stories of Way's Disappearance

Frank Way, a young man about 21 years old, living on a homestead about 15 miles up Crooked river from Prineville, is believed by his brother and friends to have been murdered for \$150 by Douglas Tapp, a companion who was with him on the homestead during winter.

Way disappeared about December 15, soon after he received some money, and Tapp has told many conflicting stories as to the missing man's whereabouts. He said that Way had gone to the valley to visit his mother, but communication with the mother shows that he never visited her. Tapp also said that Way had gone hunting, but a search of his cabin reveals his rifle, which he would have taken had he gone on a hunting trip. His best clothes, which he would have taken had he gone to make a visit to the valley, are also in the cabin.

Tapp was arrested at Burns last Monday morning, according to telegraphic advices received by Sheriff Balfour, of this county. He is held on the charge of the theft of one of Way's horses which he rode from Prineville to Burns, and will be held until the authorities can find further evidence of the murder. A search of the Way homestead is being made by the officers for the body of the man believed to have been murdered.

Rabbit Drive February 10

The announcement is made by R. J. Strasser that a rabbit drive will take place near the corral that has been erected four miles south of Madras on Saturday, February 10th.

The rabbits in this section are very numerous and great sport is promised to those who are interested and desire to take part in the drive. Everybody is invited to come and have a good time.

Born, to the wife of D. W. Adams, Sunday, January 28, a boy. Mr. and Mrs. Adams are now residing on the O'Donnel place at South Junction.

Louis E. Dooner, manager of the Pioneer Telephone company, has been in Madras several days this week looking after the interests of his company.

Miss Clara Healy has been spending several days this week visiting friends in Madras.

CROP PROSPECTS GOOD FOR 1912

Plenty of Moisture During the Winter

MORE LAND CULTIVATED

Farmers Have More Land Under Cultivation in This Section Than For Several Years

It is pleasing to note the unusual smile that the farmers of this vicinity are wearing these days. Not only here but in other sections of the state the prospects for a bumper crop for the coming season are good, as the outlook was never better at this time of the year than at present.

The heavy snow that fell to a depth of from twenty to thirty inches followed by the several days' rain that all settled into the ground, and the frost having been drawn out of the ground at the time so that the moisture would not be held on top of the ground.

For the fall sown crops the weather conditions were never more favorable than at present, the wheat in many places has a good color and seems to have withstood the freeze without injury.

The quantity of land placed in crop during the past fall was much larger than has been for the last two years at least. And much more care has been exercised in sowing the crops, as the farmers have come to learn more of the proper way that the land should be handled in this section.

O.-W. R. & N. Train Encounters Rock Slide

Thursday evening as the O.-W. R. & N. passenger train was coming up through the Porter Springs Canyon, below the station of Gateway, they encountered a rock slide which was probably started by the jar of the train and considerable damage was done to the train in the way of breaking the windows of the coaches.

One rock weighing about twenty pounds, done the most damage and must have started a considerable distance up the cliff, it came through the window of the smoker and broke some seats and damaged the interior of the car considerably.

Several persons on the train escaped rather miraculously from the flying pebbles and glass.

The only one injured was a greek laborer who was sitting across the aisle on the opposite side of the train and was hit by one of the arms of the seat which struck him on the side of the head and was also cut some by glass. He was brought to the Madras hotel and has been under the care of Dr. H. B. Haile during the past week.

Finley McBeth

We notice from The Dalles Optimist that Finley McBeth an old time resident of Antelope has passed away.

Mr. McBeth was well known by many residents of this section and was a pioneer resident of the Antelope country having resided in that section for more than thirty years, coming from Scotland to the west and starting in as a sheep herder. After getting at start, he purchased a business in the town and for many years has been proprietor and manager of the Occidental Hotel.

He was never married and was probably more than 75 years old at the time of his death.

Rev. H. B. Foskett, who has recently been appointed as Pastor-at-Large for the Oregon Baptist church, with headquarters at Bend, was in Madras the early part of the week looking after the work in this section and conferring with Rev. C. B. Hysom, the pastor here, as to future work.