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New Postal Law.

The United States Postal Department has made new regulations in regard to carrying second-class mail matter (such as newspapers, magazines, periodicals, etc.) the same going into effect January 1, 1908, and allowing the publishers to April 1, 1908, to prepare their subscription lists in accordance with the new order of things. The effect of the change practically compels the establishment of new relations between the publisher and subscriber of county papers.

The department ruling requires that subscriptions to weekly newspapers entitled to the second class postage rate shall not be delinquent longer than one year.

The mails are not forbidden to subscribers who are in arrears longer than the time provided in the new ruling, but these subscribers are placed in a separate classification, requiring a higher rate of postage, the rate being so high that publishers could not afford to send papers at the price of subscription.

The reason given by the government for making this order is that second class mail matter is being carried through the mails at a rate for postage thereon which is less than the cost of carriage.

The LEADER has been very lenient with its delinquent subscribers and we do not want to drop any subscribers from our list, but as Uncle Sam has spoken, we must request the few who are in arrears to settle at once.

Are After Siletz Timber.

At the instance of Senator Bourne the Commissioner of the General Land Office has directed Special Agent Glavis to investigate alleged conspiracy on the part of certain Portland attorneys to dispossess homesteaders of holdings in the Siletz Indian Reservation and to exact blackmail from settlers against whom contests have been instigated, says the Oregon News Bureau of Washington D. C., in Oregon Journal.

The action of the Commissioner grows out of complaints filed with Senator Bourne by Lee Smith and Eva C. Smith, of Dallas, that contests had been filed against them by Joseph Parker, and that later they received letters from William G. Gosslin, offering to arrange with the contestant for a consideration, and from A. W. Lafferty offering to guarantee a patent for \$500.

Many similar cases are known to exist and the department will investigate with a view to prosecution of the parties found guilty of crime in relation to extensive contesting of Siletz homesteaders.

The above order will please the average settler who has been waiting patiently for some sort of an investigation into the situation on the Siletz. Many homesteaders on the Siletz went on their lands, cultivated, made roads and trails and resided on their claims with the intention of some day being finally financially able to make homes. In almost every instance where a settler took up an open or brush land claim and actually resided on and cultivated and improved same his proof has been held up on some charge and he is finally notified by the Government to appear and show cause why his claim should not be canceled. The settler then asks for a date to be set for his hearing and that is the end of it. A very few have had dates set but when they appear they learn that the Government has postponed his case indefinitely.

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nately.

On the other hand where several men have gone in together and settled on heavily timbered claims, worth from ten to twenty thousand dollars each, in many instances never having resided on the land nor in any way improving same, their proofs have been in nearly every case, received without trouble. Most of these claims have since passed into the hands of large lumbering concerns. Perhaps those large lumbering concerns had nothing to do with the settler getting his proof through, and perhaps they did. We don't know, in fact the average homesteader isn't supposed to know anything. We know of a poor man who filed on one of those open brush land claims, built a house, moved there with his family and resided continuously during the three years required, cultivated crops each year, built six or seven miles of wagon roads, several miles of trails, etc. He made a good proof, his proof was suspended "pending investigation of a special inspector," three years and two months after making proof was notified to appear within thirty days and show cause why his claim should not be rejected and entry canceled. The charge being "that entryman had never resided on the land." A denial of the charge was filed with the Register of the land office and a date asked for his hearing. That was four months ago and no date has been set by the Government.

This man recently received a proposition from a man who was a Government inspector—who inspected this claim while acting as such inspector, but since quitting the Government service is practicing law in Portland—to handle his case and to secure patent to the land for the small sum of \$500—as much as the land is worth.

We do not know the cause of all this but we do know something is wrong, and every honest settler will do everything in his power to assist the Government in examining into the conditions on the Siletz.

Elections of 1908.

Registration opens, January 6th. Closes for primaries April 7th. Primary elections, April 17th. Registration reopens, April 21. Closes for election, May 15. General election, June 1. Registration reopens, Sept. 20. Closes for election, Oct. 20. Presidential election Nov. 3.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

U. S. Land Office, Roseburg, Oregon. January 18, 1908. Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada and Washington Territory," as extended to all the public land states by act of August 4, 1892, Anna Weiss of Roseburg, county of Douglas, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office her sworn statement No. 859, for the purchase of the Lots 13, 14, 19 and 20 of section No. 5, township No. 14 south of range No. 11 west, W. M., and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish her claim to said land before the Register and Receiver at this office at Roseburg, Oregon, on Wednesday, the 1st day of April, 1908.

She names as witnesses: Coe L. Leavengood, B. Krakenberger George Turner and Anna Weick all of Roseburg, Oregon. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 1st day of April, 1908. Not coal land. BENJAMIN L. EDDY, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

U. S. Land Office, Portland, Oregon. February 8, 1908. Notice is hereby given that Harlie R. Wilson of Siletz, Oregon, has filed notice of his intention to make final commutation proof in support of his claim, viz: Homestead entry No. 16133, made Jan. 2, 1907, for the Lots 3 and 4 and 8 1/2 NW 1/4 of section 2, township 9 S., range 10 W., and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver at Portland, Oregon, on March 24, 1908. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Chris Burn, A. W. Morgan, Stephen L. Stratton, Daniel W. McGill all of Siletz, Oregon. ALGERNON S. DRESSER, Register.

Wanted

Farm lands located on the Siletz river. Anyone having any land for sale please fill out the following blank and mail to RALPH ACKLEY, Tillamook, Oregon.

My land is situated in sec. township. range. My price is. Please give what other description you can. Signed.

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OWNER	DESCRIPTION	ACRES	ALLOTTEE
Nellie Dumont, et al	sec. 14, T 27 S., R 3 W., W M	160	Frank Falous
Bertha Harris, et al	lot 3 sec. 8, T 10 S., R 11 W	76.85	George Harris
Lucy Jourdan, et al	sec. 22, T 9 S., R 10 W	80	William Jourdan
Lucy Jourdan, et al	sec. 6, T 10 S., R 10 W and Lot 2, sec. 17, T 10 S., R 11 W	64.68	William Baker
NON-COMPETENT LANDS			
Lucy Jourdan, et al	sec. 22, T 9 S., R 10 W	80	Lucy Jourdan
Louisa Smith, et al	sec. 1 and NW 1/4 sec. 12, T 10 S., R 9 W	80	Louis Smith
William Smith, et al	sec. 2, and NW 1/4 sec. 11, T 10 S., R 9 W	80	William Smith
Jane Wilbur, et al	lots 12 and 13 sec. 7, T 9 S., R 10 W	74.78	Jane Wilbur
Mary Harding, et al	lots 18 and 21 and NW 1/4 sec. 6, T 10 S., R 9 W	80	Mary Harding
Martha Johnson, et al	sec. 26, T 9 S., R 9 W	80	Martha Solomon
John Orton, et al	lots 1, 2 and 3 sec. 20, T 10 S., R 10 W	72.71	John Orton

Sealed bids will be received up to 12 o'clock, noon, of the various days upon which they are listed to be opened in above schedule, and must be directed to Knott C. Egbert, Superintendent, Siletz, Oregon. Envelopes containing such bids should not have noted thereon the description of the lands to which the bids relate, but there shall be noted on such envelopes the date upon which the bid is to be opened. Enclose certified check for at least 25 per cent. of your bid. KNOTT C. EGBERT, Supt. and Special Disbursing Agent, in Charge of Siletz Agency, Oregon.

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Notice to Stockmen.

GRAZING PERMITS FOR 1908.

Applications for permits to graze live stock on the Umpqua National Forest for the season of 1908 must be filed in the office of the undersigned at Eugene, Oregon, on or before March 15th, 1908.

The Secretary of Agriculture has authorized the grazing of 600 head of cattle and horses and 5000 head of sheep and goats, during the season of 1908.

The period during which grazing will be allowed and the fees to be charged are as follows: Grazing period, May 1 to October 31 1908, Cattle 25 cts per head, Horses 25 cts per head, Yearlong, ending April 30, 1909, Cattle 40 cts per head, Horses 50 per head.

May 1 to Oct 31, 1908, Sheep 9 cts per head, Goats 10 cts per head; Yearlong May 1, 1908 to April 30, 1909, Sheep 14 cts per head Goats 16 cts per head.

Blank forms to be used in making application and further information in regard to grazing will be furnished upon request. CLYDE R. SEITZ, Supervisor.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Lincoln county.

In the matter of the estate of Joseph W. Price Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Joseph W. Price, deceased. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present same to me, properly verified, within six months of the date of this notice, as required by law, at my residence at Kings Valley, Oregon. Dated at Toledo, Or., February 14, 1908. P. S. PRICE, Administrator of the estate of Joseph W. Price, deceased.

This office is in receipt of 250 packages of garden seeds for free distribution. These seeds were sent by Senator C. W. Fulton and any one who intends having a garden should call in and get a package, their being five different varieties in each package.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

U. S. Land Office, Portland, Oregon. January 2, 1908.

Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the states of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892, Phillip Harwood, of Lyons, county of Linn, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 7650, for the purchase of the W 1/2 of NW 1/4, SW 1/4 of NW 1/4 and NE 1/4 of NW 1/4 of section 34 in township 11 north, range 10 west, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before the County Clerk at Toledo, Oregon on Monday, the 23d day of March, 1908. He names as witnesses: C. E. Vanderpool, M. R. Sturdevant, H. R. Sturdevant and D. L. Cusack all of Toledo, Oregon.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 23d day of March, 1908. ALGERNON S. DRESSER, Register.

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