

# STOCK RAISING HISTORY TOLD

## 'Nick' Lambert 50 Years In Central Oregon

### Horses, Cattle Do Well In Winters, Says Rancher of Plateau Country

Nearly 50 years ago, at that distant date in the pioneer history of Central Oregon when the mongrel Indian chief Paulina raided the homes and herds of settlers, there came to the Deschutes country from The Dalles a man who realized that a horse ranch could be successfully operated in this section of the state.

The man was J. N. ("Nick") Lambert, at present the owner of the old Allingham place on the lower Metolius. His original home ranch was located on Fly creek, only a short distance above the Allingham farm. The old Lambert place is now owned by Ed Graham, who at present rents

his range to sheepmen for lambing purposes.

Lambert, a native of New Orleans, was attracted to this part of Oregon primarily because of his interest in stock, which he knew could graze on the far stretching prairie country from the Crooked river on the north to the forest covered hills of the Cascade mountains on the west. He was only a boy when he came to Central Oregon, at that time isolated from railroad, telephone and telegraph.

With The Dalles as his nearest market and his source of supplies, Lambert found the isolation of the unsettled mid state country rather trying, and he admits that the coming of Indians to his place was welcomed. The Central Oregon pioneer, still in the stock "game," explains that these Indians were the Warm-springs, always friendly to the white man. The Warm-spring Indian reservation is in the country just across the Metolius river from his farm home.

Soldiers were stationed at Camp Polk, near the present site of Sisters, when Lambert started raising horses in the Deschutes country. At that distant date there were only two or three settlers in the Sisters country. Barney Prine at that time was one of the few residents of that part of the Crooked river country in

which Prineville, named after Barney Prine, is located. Lambert was personally acquainted with Howard Maupin, slayer of Chief Paulina. Maupin's place was located in old Crook county on Trout creek.

**Little Help Required**

Aside from round up time, Lambert cared for his hundreds of head of horses unassisted. In the spring, at the time of the round up, two or three men came to the Deschutes country from Grass Valley to help Lambert ride the range, gathering up the scattered horses. At one time Lambert had as many as 500 horses. Animals fit for the market were driven to a farm at Grass Valley, where they were kept until buyers looked them over.

Lambert was one of the men forming the company which started the Black Butte Land & Investment Co. This company was headed by William Wurtzweiler, who died only a few years ago. The Allingham ranch, now owned by Lambert, was a part of the holdings of the stock company, at one time one of the largest in the state.

Several years ago when the bottom dropped out of the horse market, making the business unprofitable, Lambert went into the cattle business, at present being the joint owner of about 200 head. Sufficient alfalfa is raised on the irrigated Alling-

ham place to care for these cattle. Lambert each year puts up about 100 tons of hay on the 50 acres on the river ranch. Aside from the river ranch, Lambert is the owner of about 1,200 acres in the plateau country.

**Recalls Hard Winter**

It is not recalled just what year it was, but Lambert remembers that in the eighties a large number of his stock, probably one-fourth of them, were killed in a bad winter. Six feet of snow covered the ground for a period of more than three weeks, and the range animals died by the score. In ordinary winters, his herds of horses really fattened in the desert country.

Lambert, who came to the Willamette valley from Missouri when a small boy, is not married. A writer of fiction describing the pioneer would say that the years of solitude in the lonely range lands have left their mark. Although willing to answer questions, his interesting story did not flow in narrative form. "Yes, I guess I know many facts about old times which would be of interest to newcomers," Lambert said when told that he had information which forms a valuable link in the history of Central Oregon.

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Minnie E. Bradley to Anna S. Riley, lot 10 block 27 Bend.

J. C. Thorp to W. A. Sandell, lot 2 block 16 Laidlaw.

State of Oregon to Christina McFadden, SE 1/4 NW 1/4 4-14-13.

E. A. Miller to Ollie L. Gilmore, lot 8 block 41 Riverside.

River Terrace Co. to Anna M. Day, lot 13 block 8 River Terrace.

The Bend Co. to Hallie H. Hays, lot 16 block 5 Highland.

T. C. Hansen to Roy L. Wilson and Myrtle Wiley, lot 5 block 22 Boulevard addition.

Michael Kelly to The Shelvington Company, lot 1 block 12 Bend.

Brooks-Scanlon Lumber Co. to David R. Veltz, N 1/2 lot 7 and N 1/2 lot 8 block 13 Staats addition.

Bend Company to Elizabeth W. Day, lot 4 block 1 Lava Road.

Harry Linstor to W. R. Mann, lot 1 block 12 First addition to Awbrey.

E. Vinal, trustee, to Elza Pryor, lot 6 block 12 Keystone Terrace.

Della Seybert to Peter Pierson and Maude Pierson, lot 11 block 21 Bend.

Summary of the Annual Statement of the

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as at the 31st day of December, 1924, under the Insurance Companies Act of the State of Oregon, pursuant to law.

CAPITAL	\$ 500,000.00
INCOME	
Net premiums received during the year	\$ 580,002.28
Interest, dividends and rents received during the year	49,304.66
Income from other sources received during the year	21,338.72
Total income	\$ 650,645.66
DISBURSEMENTS	
Net losses paid during the year, including adjustment expenses	\$ 303,452.92
Commissions and salaries paid during the year	170,482.50
Taxes, licenses and fees paid during the year	28,059.07
Amount of all other disbursements	189,063.26
Total disbursements	\$ 691,057.75
ASSETS	
Cash in trustee hands	\$ 3,129.44
Value of stocks and bonds owned (market value)	1,062,770.00
Other assets	48,947.76
Cash in banks and on hand	119,015.39
Provisions in course of collection within three months after 31st Dec.	107,926.57
Interest and rents due and accrued	11,500.61
Total admitted assets	\$1,343,609.65
LIABILITIES	
Net claims for losses unpaid	\$ 198,380.99
Amount of unearned premium on all outstanding policies	179,296.59
Fees for commission and brokerage	28,750.00
All other liabilities	45,000.00
Total liabilities, excluding of capital	\$ 451,427.58
BUSINESS IN OREGON FOR THE YEAR	
Net premiums received during the year	\$7,082.12
Losses incurred during the year	4,138.00
Name of Company, U. S. Branch, The Security Mutual Marine Assurance Company, Ltd.	
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