

Wholesale Slaughter.

Burns, Or., Feb. 7.—As a result of three drives held in this vicinity during the past week, there has been a material decimation in the rabbit population. The first drive netted about 120 rabbits; the second 4000, and the third over 3000.

The pests have increased at a rapid rate during the past two years, and were it not for the frequent drives restored to the ranchers would be eaten out of house and home.

George Gates, of Eugene, was mistaken for a cougar by a companion, and shot through the arm, Wednesday. He is not seriously injured.

Many horses are said to be dying around Albion, Wash.

Nickle-in-the-slot machines have been forced out of businesses in Spokane.

The Northwest Fruitgrowers' Association now in session in Spokane, has selected Portland as the next meeting place.

An extensive gang of horse thieves is said to be operating through Eastern Washington and Oregon.

The circuit court of Idaho has been reversed by the court of appeals, and the law keeping Utah sheep out of that state was knocked out.

Cole Younger Pardoned.

St. Paul, Minn., Feb. 4.—Coleman Younger, survivor of the three brothers who were sentenced to life imprisonment because of connection with the bank robbery and murder at Northfield, Minn., in 1876, was today granted a full pardon by the State Board of Pardons on condition that he promise never to place himself on exhibition and that he leave the State of Minnesota never to return voluntarily.

The younger brother Bob, died in the penitentiary ten years ago of consumption. Nearly two years ago Coleman and James were paroled, under the terms of a new law enacted for their special benefit. Last fall, discouraged and poor in health, and his inability under the law to marry the woman of his choice, Jim shot and killed himself in his room in this city. Cole's friends some time ago sought his full pardon, but their petition was denied. Recently he filed a petition on his own behalf and this has now been granted.

Empress Dowager Dead.

London, Feb. 5.—The correspondent of the Standard at Tien Tsin telegraphs the rumor that the Empress Dowager is dead, the news being concealed until after the New Year observances.

The death of Tsi An would be the signal for renewed trouble in China, of which she has been the real ruler for many years. With the exiled Boxer leaders threatening the capital from the north, and the Reformers, who desire the direct exercise of power by the Emperor, conspiring on the south, and a number of ambitious mandarins around her, she has pulled the Empire out of its many dangers.

Decline of the Erie Canal.

The decline of traffic on the old Erie Canal has been steady since 1880, when it reached 71,800,000 bushels. The cause is attributable to the increased railroad facilities, improvement in carrying capacity of cars and lower rates. Nothing in the way of increasing tonnage of the canal has been done in so many years that boat building has become almost a lost art, and it is doubtful if much more than 16,000,000 bushels could be carried by this route to the seaboard this year even if the fleet were kept busy from the opening to the closing of navigation. In five years, it is claimed by old canal men, there will be practically nothing left of the canal tonnage now afloat.

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The long feeding spell has caused a scarcity of hay among the smaller cattlemen in the vicinity of Ukiab. The owners of larger ranches, however, are well prepared with feed.

Grazing Allotments Made.

North Yakima, Feb. 4.—Superintendent Sheller, of the Rainier forest reserve, has made the allotments of land for 1903. He allows each sheepman with 2381 head of sheep to take his whole flock on the reserve, and each sheepman with over that number not over 10,000 head. The sheep will be counted this year through corrals built in the different districts, and no herder will be permitted on the range unless his sheep are so counted. The cattlemen will be given space in the same proportion to sheep.

There is great dissatisfaction among the stockmen on the rulings of the Superintendent this year, or rather the department. They assert openly now that they will not observe the rules, and that when the season opens they will drive their stock on the reserve. This will be done to test the rulings of the Secretary of the Interior, and it may cause considerable trouble besides.

An Italian attempted to thaw out some dynamite at Port Orchard Sunday. It exploded and literally blew him to pieces. The remains were placed in a basket and sent to Seattle for burial.

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, LAND OFFICE, The Dalles, Ore., Jan. 21, 1903. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Vawter Crawford, County Clerk at Heppner, Oregon, on Thursday, March 12, 1903, viz:

Augustus Hoskins,

of Heppner, Oregon, H. E. No. 6089, for the sec. 15, t. 2 S., r. 29 E., W. M.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: J. W. Brown, Henry D. Mikessell, Willie E. McKee, and James Stout, all of Heppner, Oregon.

JAY P. LUCAS, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, LAND OFFICE, The Dalles, Ore., Jan. 20, 1903. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Vawter Crawford, County Clerk at Heppner, Oregon, on Friday, March 6, 1903, viz:

Henry F. Tolle,

of Hardman, Oregon, H. E. No. 6987, for the sec. 14, t. 2 S., r. 29 E., W. M.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: W. Chapin, Benjamin F. Devore, Charles M. Hastings, and Charles R. Hams, all of Hardman, Oregon.

JAY P. LUCAS, Register.

Timber Land, Act June 3, 1878.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

United States Land Office, La Grande, Oregon, January 27, 1903.

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,

Leonora E. Rhea,

of Heppner, county of Morrow, State of Oregon, has this day filed in this office her sworn statement No. 1922, for the purchase of the sec. 24, t. 2 S., r. 29 E., W. M., and will offer proof to show the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish her claim to said land, before Vawter Crawford, County Clerk, at his office at Heppner, Oregon, on Saturday, the 18th day of April 1903.

She names as witnesses: James J. McGee, Elijah W. Rhea, Eugene L. Freeland and George Conser, all of Heppner, Oregon. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 18th day of April 1903.

E. W. BARTLETT, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, LAND OFFICE, La Grande, Ore., Jan. 31, 1903. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before John Bailey, Jr., U. S. Commissioner, at Pendleton, Oregon, on March 29, 1903, viz: H. E. No. 7513.

Eugene Corley,

of Gurdane, Oregon, for the sec. 14, t. 2 S., r. 29 E., W. M.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: James A. Horsman, George F. Jones, Clinton D. Drake, Neise C. Nelson, all of Gurdane, Oregon.

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CONTEST NOTICE.

Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, The Dalles, Ore., Jan. 22, 1903.

A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by Ollis E. Shaner, contestant, against homestead entry No. 5480, made May 24, 1893, for sec. 26 E., N. 1/2 S. 1/2, Township 6 S., Range 26 E., by Alley Compton contestee, in which it is alleged that said Alley Compton has been dead for about six years; that since said time no one acting as administrator or as heir has resided on or cultivated said tract in any way, but during all of said time has been and is wholly abandoned. That the alleged abandonment is not due to military or naval service, and that no heirs are known to exist, said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock a. m. on March 7, 1903, before Vawter Crawford County Clerk, at his office at Heppner, Or., (and that final hearing will be held at 10 o'clock a. m. on March 20, 1903 before the Register and Receiver of the United States Land Office in The Dalles, Oregon.

The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, filed January 21, 1903, set forth facts which show that after due diligence, personal service of this notice cannot be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.

JAY P. LUCAS, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, LAND OFFICE, La Grande, Ore., Jan. 11, 1903. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Vawter Crawford, County Clerk, at Heppner, Oregon, on March 5, 1903, viz: H. E. No. 8865.

AUGUSTUS J. STALTER, of Heppner, Ore.

for the lots 1 and 2 and sec. 14, t. 2 S., r. 29 E., W. M.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: George W. Swagart, Lewis Kinney, Patrick Connel and Robert Dexter, all of Heppner, Oregon.

E. W. BARTLETT, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior, Land Office at La Grande, Oregon, Jan. 9th, 1903.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before County Judge of Umatilla County at Pendleton, Oregon, on March 4, 1903, viz: H. E. No. 10750.

William D. Kolb,

of Vinson, Oregon, for the sec. 14, t. 2 S., r. 29 E., W. M., and lot 4, sec. 15, t. 2 S., r. 29 E., W. M.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Edwin M. Lester, Aaron A. Cole, Patrick Kennedy and Arthur Robbins, all of Vinson, Oregon.

E. W. BARTLETT, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, LAND OFFICE, La Grande, Ore., Feb. 7, 1903.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Vawter Crawford, County Clerk, at Heppner, Oregon, on April 6, 1903, viz: H. E. No. 9750.

Charles Stockdale,

of Gurdane, Oregon, for the sec. 14, t. 2 S., r. 29 E., W. M.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Jessie French, M. Reeder, George Horsman, all of Gurdane, Oregon, Horace Sibley, of Heppner, Oregon.

E. W. BARTLETT, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, LAND OFFICE, La Grande, Ore., Feb. 7, 1903.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Vawter Crawford, County Clerk, at Heppner, Oregon, on April 6, 1903, viz: H. E. No. 1012.

James M. Farlow,

of Heppner, Oregon, for the sec. 14, t. 2 S., r. 29 E., W. M.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: John Beeler, John Bussick, George Moore, and Charles Bookman, all of Heppner, Oregon.

E. W. BARTLETT, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, LAND OFFICE, La Grande, Ore., Feb. 7, 1903.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Vawter Crawford, County Clerk, at Heppner, Oregon, on April 6, 1903, viz: H. E. No. 10091.

James B. Dawber,

of Heppner, Oregon, for the sec. 14, t. 2 S., r. 29 E., W. M.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Paul Hiler, Lewis Smith, William B. McRoberts, and Andy J. Cook, all of Heppner, Oregon.

E. W. BARTLETT, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior, Land Office at La Grande, Oregon, Jan. 6, 1903.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Vawter Crawford, County Clerk at Heppner, Oregon, on March 4th, 1903, viz: H. E. No. 11047.

David Jacobs,

of Heppner, Oregon, for the sec. 14, t. 2 S., r. 29 E., W. M.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: George Swagart, Jack Mills, Andrew J. Cook and James Frisbie, all of Heppner, Oregon.

E. W. BARTLETT, Register.

Timber Land, Act June 3, 1878.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, LA GRANDE, OREGON, JANUARY 8, 1903.

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,

Mary Melerinda Vay, of Pendleton,

County of Umatilla, State of Oregon, has this day filed in this office her sworn statement No. 1840, for the purchase of the sec. 14, t. 2 S., r. 29 E., W. M., and sec. 15, t. 2 S., r. 29 E., 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 Clerk of the Supreme Court of Oregon, at Pendleton, Oregon, on Friday, the 3d day of April, 1903.

She names as witnesses: Joseph Cunha, of Echo, Oregon, John Kimbrell, of Pendleton, Oregon, Frank Correll and Joseph Ramos, both of Echo, Oregon.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 3d day of April, 1903.

E. W. BARTLETT, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, LAND OFFICE, La Grande, Ore., Jan. 6, 1903.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to commute and make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Vawter Crawford, County Clerk, at Heppner, Oregon, on March 4th, 1903, viz: H. E. No. 9551.

David F. Kerrick,

of Gurdane, Oregon, for the sec. 14, t. 2 S., r. 29 E., W. M.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Jesse D. French, of Gurdane, Oregon, Horace Sibley, Frank Goff and Levi Hiatt, all of Heppner, Oregon.

E. W. BARTLETT, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, LAND OFFICE, La Grande, Ore., Jan. 6, 1903.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the County Judge of Umatilla County at Pendleton, Oregon, on March 4, 1903, viz: H. E. No. 9122.

Patrick Kennedy,

of Vinson, Oregon, for the sec. 14, t. 2 S., r. 29 E., W. M.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Aaron A. Cole, Edwin M. Lester, Donald Ross, James Darnell, all of Vinson, Oregon.

E. W. BARTLETT, Register.

Timber Land, Act June 3, 1878.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, LA GRANDE, OREGON, DECEMBER 1, 1902.

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,

Edward J. Stevenson,

of Heppner, county of Morrow, State of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 1741, for the purchase of the sec. 14, t. 2 S., r. 29 E., W. M., and sec. 15, t. 2 S., r. 29 E., 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 his claim to said land before the County Clerk of Umatilla County at Pendleton, Oregon, on Wednesday, the 11th day of February, 1903.

He names as witnesses: Norman A. Kelley, Frank Rasmus, John N. Reeler and Lewis A. Florence, all of Heppner, Oregon.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 11th day of February, 1903.

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