

BICKNELL

SHIPS SHEEP

45 Carloads go out to Summer Range-Final Destination Chicago.

R. F. Bicknell shipped out 25 car loads of sheep from this city and 20 car loads from Echo, the first of the week.

The sheep are yearlings and were purchased from Morrow county sheepmen at prices ranging from \$4.50 to \$5.00 per head for the coarser stock.

The sheep will be ranged in the Huntington country and later will be taken to Chicago markets.

There were about 14,000 sheep in the shipment.

Bobcat Attacks Boy.

Seaside, Or., April 1.—Attacked by a wildcat while in charge of a whistle wire at one of the log chutes of the Seaside Lumber & Manufacturing Company, Willie Sellers, a boy, fainted yesterday, fell across the wire and sounded a blast that brought rescue.

The prolonged whistle attracted the attention of Foreman Ankeny, of camp No. 2, who immediately started for the chute to investigate the trouble. When 200 yards away he saw the big cat on the back of the prostrate boy endeavoring to claw through his clothing to the flesh. Ankeny happened to be armed and killed the cat with a single bullet.

The story was brought to Seaside today by F. H. Loughton, a member of the company, who says that young Sellers would surely have been killed had his full weight not fallen across the wire and thus summoned help. Mr. Loughton brought the body of the wildcat with him and placed it on exhibition in the lumber company's offices.

Hookworm Appears.

Walla Walla, Wash., April 2.—Probably never before has a case of hook-worm been discovered this far north, but there is a family of six living near Freewater on the inter-urban line which is now suffering with this dreaded disease. Owing to the sandy condition of the soil in and around Milton and Freewater it is possible that the neighboring inhabitants will fall a victim to the ravages of the disease which John D. Rockefeller has donated one million dollars to stamp out of the south.

Dr. Edward Montgomery of this city, has the cases well in hand though he realizes that great precaution will have to be taken to prevent the spread of the disease. If the contagion once gets into the soil it would be almost impossible to prevent it spreading to other persons until next winter when the severe cold would in all probability kill the dreaded plague.

Dr. Montgomery refuses to make known the name of the family suffering with the disease but after careful consideration has arrived at the conclusion that there is no mistake and that the hook-worm has invaded the Walla Walla valley.

The family originally came from Smith county, Tennessee, near Nashville. About two years ago they moved to Oklahoma and last fall moved to Weston, Ore., coming to the ranch on which they now live about six weeks ago. Dr. Montgomery is inclined to believe that they contracted the disease while living in the south and have brought it north with them.

This belief was also strengthened considerably when the father of the family admitted to the physician that the entire family had, while living in the south what is commonly known as "ground itch." It is believed by many who have studied the disease that the germ enters through the pores of the feet first.

There is great activity in farm lands in and around Prineville, says the Journal. Choice ranches are being gobbled up in a giddy. Prices, too, too, must be considered very low to judge from the easy way realty is changing hands.

BRIGHT OUTLOOK FOR WOOL PRICES

Shearing Now Under Way Shows a Good Quality of Wool.

The sheep shearing season is now here, Jake Wattenberger started up his big machine plant at Echo yesterday. A hand crew is also working on Butter creek.

The fleeces taken off shows the wool to be of good quality this season. Notwithstanding the fact of the hard winter, Morrow county sheep generally came through the winter in good condition.

Owing to the unusual amount of moisture the wool is free from dirt.

The wool market opened in Umatilla county this week. J. E. Smith & Co. sold to the Pendleton woolen mills a clip of wool for 20 cents per pound.

Heppner Boys Won.

The Heppner High School boys won from the Ione boys in a good game of baseball, at the depot grounds last Sunday.

Heavy batting on the part of the home team won the game with a score of 10 to 15.

Prof. Kaufman, of Ione, umpired the game in a very satisfactory manner.

The return game will be played at Ione, next Sunday. A number of Heppner people will attend.

Thirty thousand dollars if necessary, will be spent by Klamath county in the construction of an automobile road between Klamath Falls and Crater Lake.



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Geo. H. Williams Dead.

Portland, Ore., April 4.—George H. Williams, the "grand old man" of Oregon, the most prominent figure in the political history of this state and once a member of President Grant's cabinet, died suddenly at his home here today, aged 87.

Death came peacefully during his sleep early this morning. He had only a few days ago celebrated his 87th birthday by giving a banquet to his friends. Judge Williams retired to private life two years ago. He was one of the founders of the union party and canvassed the country for Lincoln when the latter was first a candidate for president. Later he served as United States senator from Oregon and became attorney general in Grant's cabinet in 1872.

Salem, Or., April 4.—Speaking of the death of Judge Williams, Chief Justice Moore of the Oregon supreme bench said:

"For 57 years George H. Williams has enjoyed an enviable distinction in this state. He came here in 1853 as chief justice of the territory, and occupied that position until the admission of the state in 1859. In 1864 he was elected to the United States senate, and for six years he was one of the foremost men in that great body. He took first rank among the great statesmen who legislated for union in the troublous times which grew out of the Civil war. He was recognized then as one of the ablest men of the nation.

"He occupied a seat in the cabinet of President Grant as attorney general and honored that position by his ability and learning. He sat as a member of the Alabama claims commission, and in that great body was distinguished as among the ablest men of the two great Anglo-Saxon nations, and was recognized as a leader.

"For the last 35 years his home has been in the city of Portland, where he has pursued an honorable career as the Nestor of the Oregon bar. The political rancor which at one time was hurled at him all its venom has long since passed away, and he has occupied a position in our state not approached by any other man. He has been the connecting link between the past and the present. All his old associates have long since passed away.

Good Prices for Wool.

Wool market prices are slightly bulged at Portland and 21c a pound has recently been paid for small lots of Willamette valley stock.

Shearing operations are still very limited and until cutting is more

general it will be impossible to state what the regular market for wool will start at.

Practically all the wool shorn to date has been from mutton and some registered stock.

A small amount of shearing is reported in eastern Oregon and sales have been made at prices that range from 16 to 22c a pound. The latter is for exceptional quality and was obtained thus far in only one instance—the sale of the Smith lot to the Pendleton Woolen mills.

Market for mohair is quiet with values ruling between 25 and 26c a pound. The extreme value is being paid by country dealers who generally begin to speculate about this time. The trade in general is not inclined to pay above 25c a pound.

So great was the damage done the wool clip last year by the use of sisal twine in tying by some woolmen that many of the larger dealers are again sending out warnings against the use of that article.

"If woolmen realized what damage they were doing their product as well as manufacturers," says one interest

"they would discontinue at once the use of sisal twine in tying up bundles of wool. Even after the many warnings sent out in previous years, manufacturers report considerable damage last season.

"The use of sisal twine cannot be fully discovered until after the wool is made into cloth. The manufacturers find it because the product will not take the dyes that wool does. Spotty cloth is the result.

"The practice has cost manufacturers so much money and have come back to the wool dealers for damages so often that the latter have about decided to use extreme measures against the continued use of sisal for this purpose. If no other way is found the price allowed growers who use sisal will be cut very heavily. Even at this time we will not pay within 5c a pound for wool tied with sisal as we would for that banded with other twine."

A Portland firm sued a Corvallis man for \$512, and the jury gave a verdict for \$808 for the defendant.

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