

OREGON BRIEFLETS

The United States National Bank of Portland has been approved as reserve agent for the First National Bank of North Bend.

At a meeting of the Wasco County Horticultural Society, held at The Dalles last week, The Dalles Fruit-growers' Union was formed.

The senate has passed Senator Fulton's bill appropriating \$175,000 for a site and public building at Astoria.

The controller of the currency has approved the conversion of the Douglas County Bank, of Roseburg, into the Douglas National Bank, with \$50,000 capital.

The oldest horse in Oregon died near Burns at the age of 43 years. The animal was an Indian pony and was owned by the late Captain Jack Kelley, the Indian fighter of Lava Beds fame.

The Baker City Light and Power Company has been absorbed by the Elkhorn Light & Power Company, which has plants in Union, Cove and La Grande. The new company may also manufacture and sell gas.

Threshing men of Clackamas county met in Oregon City and organized the Clackamas County Threshers' Association. The constitution and by-laws of the state association were adopted.

Representative Hawley secured passage through the house of his bill to pay S. R. Green \$206, being the amount of postal money stolen from the postoffice safe at Oregon City when he was postmaster, which amount he had to pay the government.

Walter Johnson, convicted of the murder of Elmer Perdue, of Spokane, was hanged in the penitentiary at Salem last week. The crime occurred in the mountains near Hillsboro, while the men were on a timber-cruising trip. Robbery was the motive.

Lebanon has taken the lead of all cities in the state this year in preparing to celebrate the Fourth of July. At recent meeting of the Business Men's League it was decided to celebrate and preliminary plans for a big celebration were inaugurated.

Not a single person has been sent to the Penitentiary from Linn county for the past two years. This county has always been remarkably free from crime, but this is the longest period in the memory of court officers without at least one commitment to the state prison.

Three counties in this state, Benton, Lincoln and Yamhill, have not a single prisoner in the state penitentiary. This is shown by the biennial report of the superintendent, C. W. James, who has classified the prisoners as to their crimes, length of sentence and county from which committed.

Unkempt, dirty and with his ankle so badly sprained that he cannot stand without assistance, Robert Gerrish, who escaped from the Oregon insane asylum last November, was found in a barn at Oakland Friday night and taken back to the asylum. He can give no account of his wanderings or the cause of his injury.

Before the next regular river and harbor bill is framed by congress, a report will have been submitted by the army engineers, passing upon the necessity for a 30-foot channel from Portland to the sea, and that report will be accompanied by the outline of a project and estimate of cost. If the report is favorable, it will be binding upon congress, and it is reasonable to presume that the new work will be started under authority contained in the bill.

Four tramps were discovered in an alley at the rear of a Salem brewery Saturday morning by the police. Two of the men were nearly dead and several hours were required to resuscitate them. The other two were unconscious and all were taken to jail in an express wagon. They had been drinking wood alcohol and had fallen asleep in the middle of a mudhole and were nearly drowned as well as frozen. It is possible two of them will not survive.

R. S. Smith, of Klamath Falls, representing the Water Users' Association on the Klamath irrigating project, is in Washington in conference with the reclamation service and the secretary of the interior, in the hope of securing a modification of the order imposing a charge for water right. Water rights at Klamath have been fixed at \$30 per acre, divided into 10 equal payments. He wants the department to make the first payment \$1 or \$1.25 per acre and gradually increase the amount so that the last payment will bring the total to \$30. Smith says settlers will have difficulty in paying \$3 per acre the first year.

After consultation with officials of the reclamation service, Representative Ellis has written to settlers under the proposed Malheur irrigation project, informing them that the government will gladly take up and build that project if they themselves will promptly get together and induce all landowners, including the Wagon Road Company, to join the Water Users' Association in agreeing to sell their surplus lands when the water is ready for delivery and file application for water rights for all irrigable lands. The project is attractive to the government engineers, more so than many others under consideration, but it is up to the people themselves to say whether or not it shall be built now or later.

Death May Cheat Gallows.

Salem—C. Y. Timmons, sentenced to hang February 26, for the murder of his wife in this city, is reported to be in a serious condition and it is possible the gallows will be cheated of its victim and Timmons will succumb to heart failure before the day of execution.

At the time of the murder, Timmons either cut his own throat or it was cut by a second party, Timmons adhering to the latter story. He lay all night in bed in this condition and was removed to a hospital where he was ill for weeks. Physicians state that the loss of blood on the night in question is responsible for his present condition, and that he is now suffering from acute heart trouble. He now appears pale and wan, and is far from being in good physical condition.

Will Complete Telephone Line.

Drewsey—A stock company has been organized here to complete the telephone line between this place and Harney City, a distance of 35 miles. This line was started during the early part of the past year, but was abandoned, the excuse being the scarcity of help.

Seven miles of telephone line which will connect Drewsey with Von, a distance of 25 miles, also government forest reserve, a few miles beyond Von, have been completed. When these lines are finished Drewsey will then be connected with all outside points.

Increase in Tillamook Dairying.

Tillamook—Tillamook county's principal industry, dairying, shows a gratifying increase over the year 1907, as is evidenced by the reports of three cheese factories just made public. The three manufactured 532,553 pounds of cheese, which brought in a revenue of \$65,720. During 1908 the average price for butter fat was several cents lower than in previous years. The average yield of cheese to the 100 pounds of milk was 10.9 pounds for these three factories.

Coach and Eride Get Silver Service.

Eugene—Last year's football squad of the university presented Mr. and Mrs. Robert Forbes with a handsome silver service as a wedding present.

Mr. Forbes is engaged in the lumber business at Wendling, Or. He has agreed to coach football again at the University, according to the Yale system and will sign a contract with Manager Hayward.

Pass Four Bills Over Veto.

Salem—The legislature passed four salary bills over the governor's veto. They are:

- Salary of Polk county superintendent, raised from \$1000 to \$1200.
- Salary of Morrow county superintendent, raised from \$800 to \$1200.
- Salary of Yamhill county superintendent, raised from \$900 to \$1200.
- Salary of Sherman county superintendent, raised from \$500 to \$1000.

Will Dedicate Albany Elks Temple.

Albany—February 18 has been set as the date for the dedication of the splendid new Elks Temple in this city. The dedicatory exercises will begin with a ball Tuesday evening, February 16, but the formal opening of the building will occur two days later. All of the Elks of the Northwest will be invited to be present on that occasion.

Union Released From Quarantine.

Union—After being under strict quarantine for three weeks, the city was turned loose Monday morning. The last case of diphtheria has recovered and the town has been thoroughly disinfected. No further spread of the disease is feared.

NOTICE OF GUARDIAN'S SALE OF REAL PROPERTY.

Notice is hereby given, that under and by virtue of an order of the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Wallowa County, made and entered on January 9th, 1909, in the matter of the Estate and Guardianship of Robert H. Wright, Merle Wright, Stephen Wright and Walter Wright, minors, and heirs-at-law of Henry Mace, deceased, whereby the undersigned as foreign guardian of said minors was and is authorized, licensed and directed to sell at private sale all the interests of said minors, the same being an undivided one-twentieth interest belonging to each, or four-twentieths interest belonging to all, of said minors, of in and to the following described real property, to-wit—

The SW 1/4 of NW 1/4 and NW 1/4 of SW 1/4 of Section 29, the E 1/2 of NE 1/4 of Section 30 and the E 1/2 of NE 1/4 and NW 1/4 of NE 1/4 of Section 31, except about 1 1/2 acres in a triangular shape in the southeast corner of the E 1/2 of NE 1/4 of said Section 31, conveyed by George B. Dexter and wife to William L. Bishop by deed recorded at page 99, Book 1, of the Deed Record of Wallowa County, Oregon, and also except a square one-acre tract near the southwest corner of said E 1/2 of NE 1/4 of Section 31, conveyed by the said George B. Dexter and wife to the directors of School District No. 16, in said county, by deed recorded at page 367, Book 1, of the Deed Record of Wallowa County, Oregon, to which deeds and the record thereof reference is hereby made for a more definite description of said excepted tracts,—all situated and being in Township 2 N., Range 43 East, W. M., in Wallowa County, Oregon, and containing 265 acres, more or less, and subject to an unassigned dower estate, to-wit: An undivided one-half interest for life, owned by Mary E. Mace, as widow of said Henry Mace, deceased, and also subject to a mortgage executed by the said George B. Dexter and wife to the Oregon State Land Board to secure a loan of \$250.00 and interest, which mortgage is recorded at page 55, Book 1, of the Mortgage Record of said county.

I will, from and after the 26th day of February, 1909, proceed to sell at private sale to the highest and best bidder for cash, all the rights, title and interests of all of said minor wards in and to said described real property, together and in one sale, and subject to the exceptions and incumbrances above mentioned.

Dated this 26th day of January, 1909.

GEORGE C. WRIGHT,
Foreign Guardian.

Applications for Grazing Permits.

Notice is hereby given that all applications for permits to graze cattle, horses, and sheep within the WALLOWA NATIONAL FOREST during the season of 1909, must be filed in my office at Wallowa, Oregon, on or before March 1, 1909. Full information in regard to the grazing fee to be charged and blank forms to be used in making applications will be furnished upon request.

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ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Wallowa County, in the Matter of the Estate of Martha J. Brown, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given, that the undersigned, the administrator of the estate of Martha J. Brown, deceased, has filed his final account of his administration of the said estate with the Clerk of the County Court in and for said County of Wallowa, and that the County Court of said Wallowa County, by order duly made and entered, has fixed Friday, March 12th, 1909, at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon of said day, as the time, and the County Court room in the County Court House in the City of Enterprise, in said county, as the place, to hear objections to said final account and settle the same. All parties interested in said estate having objections thereto, if any there be, are notified to present the same, in writing, at said time and place.

Dated this 9th day of March, 1909.

J. A. BURLEIGH,
Administrator of the Estate of Martha J. Brown, Deceased. 2515

GAME LAWS.

Any person knowing of any violation of the game or fish laws of the state, or of persons not properly keeping screens over irrigator ditches, are requested to notify

JOE CLEMONS,
Deputy State Game and Forest Warden, Zumwalt, Oregon. 421f

Read the advertisements.

NOTES OF THE LEGISLATURE

Salem—As amended by the joint committee on game, the season for hunting pheasants has been shortened to one month—October 15 to November. The limit has been reduced from ten to five birds a day. One concession was made to sportsmen in that hunting with dogs will continue to be allowed.

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