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How Much Bottom Land?

Wednesday night A. J. Sherwood received a copy of the opinion of the Supreme Court in the case of Andrew J. Hamlin against Jeff D. Tharp and Leona Tharp, involving a 257 acre ranch below Bandon—or at least \$6,500 of the purchase price for which the Tharps had given Hamlin a mortgage. The decision of the Circuit Court here in July, 1916, was in favor of the plaintiff Hamlin for the full amount of his claim and the Supreme Court affirms this decision, much to the gratification of Mr. Sherwood, the attorney who carried the case through the Supreme Court.

This was one of a class of cases which have arisen quite frequently in this county during the past few years, in which an attempt to evade payment of a boom price for a ranch is based on the claim that the seller has represented that the bottom land contains more acres than the surveyor's chain shows.

In November, 1913, Hamlin sold the 257 acres and some personal property to the Tharps for \$9,500. They paid \$2,000 of this in cash and agreed to pay a state land bond mortgage of \$6,446 and gave their note and mortgage for the rest of the purchase price to run for two years. A year later they paid the annual interest on that note and after that they simply backed up in the traces and wouldn't budge a step.

When suit was brought by Hamlin in February, 1916, to foreclose the mortgage claim of the Tharps was that they had been damaged to the extent of \$6,500 by fraudulent representations as to the amount of bottom land on the place, bottom land being worth \$100 to \$200 per acre and the upland from \$30 to \$5.

The testimony was conflicting, the Tharps swearing that Hamlin did and he that he didn't claim there were 80 acres of bottom land, while in fact there were only 36 acres of such land. The strangest feature of the case, however, was that Tharp, who was a dairyman and rancher in that section for 20 or 30 years and had also taken a sort of post graduate course in the real estate business for five months, spent a day and a night on the place before buying it, and then testified that he never went to look at it at all with the idea of seeing whether there was any bottom land or hill land. Such innocence would have been worthy of the babes in the wood.

Hamlin swore that he told Tharp, "there in the house that I bought it from Emmett for 60 acres, and I didn't know whether there was that much or not."

The Tharps after thinking the matter over seem to have concluded that all they were to pay Hamlin above the \$3,000 the ranch cost him was for hot air, although he had built a house and barn, and about 5 miles of fence; and thought they stood at least a fighting chance to get out of paying him anything, even if they could not hope to evade the mortgage to the state land board.

Insurance Co. Comes Across.

J. S. Lawrence, representing the McMinnville Fire Relief, had the gratification of being about the first man to begin handing out drafts to the losers by the big fire here. Last Monday he showed us the following bunch.

O. J. Seely \$1800 on two buildings.
Mrs. Emma Lyons and Mrs. Fannie Lyons, for damage to apartment house, \$250.

Mrs. John Kronenburg, for damage to residence where she resides, \$65.50, for damage to residence occupied by Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Burns, \$7.75.

Mrs. Catherine Lorens, for damage to residence, \$65.

Potatoes delivered anywhere in town on Saturdays for One Dollar a hundred. Ed Johnson. Phone 1181.

Commercial Club every Wednesday evening at 7:30.

For That Fourth of July.

A. B. Robert and T. J. Thrift represented the Sitka Spruce Club at the meeting of the L. L. L. at Marshfield Saturday evening. Mr. Robert was elected chairman, Mr. Thrift treasurer and Mr. J. T. Hartman, of North Bend, secretary of the Coos county executive committee of the L. L. L. Any opposition there might have been to the plan outlined in the Sentinel last week for a big Fourth of July celebration, disappeared when it became known that it was not a Marshfield celebration, but a Coos Bay affair in which North Bend would figure as prominently as her neighbor.

While it is hoped to raise anywhere from \$7,000 up for this huge patriotic festival, it is the intention of the 4 L. men to keep the expenses as low as is consistent with the elaborate plans contemplated—possibly \$2500 or \$3000. The balance of the fund is to be divided among the Red Cross organizations in the county.

The Red Cross and Honor Guard will also have complete control of all concessions for the three day celebration and will doubtless realize a considerable sum from that source.

No outside grafts, nor restaurant holdups will be tolerated and the Loyal Legion served notice that if anything of the nature was attempted they would call the affair off—even at the last moment. A merry-go-round will probably be brought in, but the barbecue, clam and fish bake, sports of all kinds, and everything else provided as amusement by the Loyal Legion will be free.

New Deal All Around.

Talking with Assessor Bayers the other day about the work of the assessment board which is now making as fair and equal an assessment of the real estate as is humanly possible, he stated that he did not expect they would complete their work before the end of the present year.

Asked then whether it was proposed to use the new valuations in levying the taxes of 1918 he said that was the intention.

The tax rolls will have to be written before the new values have been recommended in a considerable percentage of the county, but after using them as far as they are available, it will be easy to ascertain the percentage by which values have so far been increased by the new board. Then the assessor will raise all real estate not yet inspected by the board in the same percentage.

While this will not be as fair and equitable an assessment for the remainder as could be made after the new board has acted, it will be much nearer that than assessment on the old figures would be.

Road Taxes To Be Fought.

The hope that the special road taxes voted in about a dozen road districts in this county last fall might be paid in and expended for much needed improvements without any legal obstacles being interposed seems doomed to disappointment. We learn that Attorney John D. Goss has been employed to take the question of the legality of those elections into court and the matter will, of course, be carried up to the Supreme Court.

In view of this proceeding, a law enacted at the last session of the legislature gives an added interest. This law, as we are informed, provides that taxes once paid are not refundable under any circumstances—not even when paid under protest. As a large percentage of these road taxes have already been paid, and there is no possibility of refunding them, it seems an especial pity that the money collected should not be applied to the purpose for which it was intended.

The clear skies and north wind Tuesday night gave us a general frost with ice wherever water was exposed. It was perhaps the coldest morning for a year.

About Fire Fighting Here.

The matter of more hose and a new nozzle was discussed at length at Monday evening's council session, and the fire committee and fire chief were instructed to investigate the city's needs and purchase what was necessary.

The proposal was to get 500 feet of hose which could be racked up, either on the Laneve lot between Rose's store and the Golden building or on one side of the Farmers & Merchants bank building. This would be kept connected up in one line so that in case of fire in the business section quicker action could be secured than is possible with all the hose at the city hall.

The object in getting the 500 feet, as expressed by Councilman Gardner, was to protect Front street from the Busy Corner to the Tuttle house, the Johnson mill and everything on Taylor street as far up as the Sentinel, and still have enough hose to enable the firemen to work around a fire and not be compelled to uncouple and shift from one hydrant to another to get on all sides of it.

This is a good move, but it will not prove half as effective a safeguard during the summer as would the installing of a pump on the river bank which would protect the business portion with an inexhaustible supply of water. The cost of the St. Patrick's Day fire would have purchased such a pump and provided for its operation and the necessary expense for a good many years.

Who Will Get the Warrants?

The County Court spent considerable time Wednesday in discussing the matter of the payments to be made to Ladd & Harris for building three drawbridges over the sloughs north of Coos Bay last summer on the coast highway north.

The contractors, owing to the large and unexpected increase in the wages of labor and cost of materials, stand to lose considerably on these contracts. They have given security in a bonding company to insure that the county shall not be liable for material or labor. They have also borrowed a considerable sum from the First National Bank here, agreeing to secure the loan by assigning their warrants. Beside this, though that does not affect the case, they borrowed \$2,000 without security from Ned Anderson, of Marshfield.

The bank, of course, wants the warrants issued in payment for the work according to contract. So does the security company which is going to be held responsible for whatever is due for labor and materials above what the contractors have paid or can pay.

Then the county's interests have to be safeguarded, as after paying for the work in full it will also be held responsible if claims for material and labor are not paid.

The outcome of the discussion of this matter was the conclusion that the warrants issued must be turned over to the security company, thus making its responsibility for the unpaid claims unquestionable.

More Work in Less Time.

W. E. Crane, who is logging down the river, is reported as saying that he cut nearly a million feet more of timber last month under the 8-hour day rule than he had ever done before with the same sized crew.

E. E. Johnson says that at his mill here, the cut was not as much in eight hours as it had been in nine but that the nine hour shift produced more lumber than when they were working ten hours. For March the average cut was 4X,000 feet, which is a record for that mill. Only an hour and a half was lost during the month from breakdowns.

Can't Win By a Flake.

In the matter of the Coquille-Myrtle Point basket ball claims J. W. Noblet is in receipt of a copy of a letter written by A. C. Strange, of the State Board of Control of School Athletics, in which he gives it as his opinion that the claim that Myrtle Point should be given the championship because the Coquille boys played a game on the floor of the Marshfield gymnasium cannot be allowed. He urges that the championship be settled by a post season game between Coquille and Myrtle Point.

Mrs. C. A. Schroeder Entertains

Mrs. C. A. Schroeder entertained some of her friends at Easter dinner last Sunday at her home on the Myrtle Point road. Neatly tinted Easter eggs served as place cards and the artistic coloring and names made this a unique variation from the usual cards. About thirty people sat at the table and the edibles were strictly of the Hoover variety, but were unusually appetizing nevertheless. The entire occasion was just another one of the always enjoyable gatherings for which Mrs. Schroeder is noted.

Send the Sentinel to eastern friends

City School Notes.

Miss Carol Babakopf, secretary of the "Liberty War Savings Society," has received an engraved certificate, signed by the national executive secretary, H. E. Benedict, and Chairman Vanderlip, and certifying that the society of the Coquille high school is affiliated with the national war savings committee.

Twenty boys of the school have volunteered their services to the Third Liberty Loan committee and expect to distribute advertising material at every home Friday night. One of the special duties of these boys will be to hang a Liberty bell on every door.

On Monday morning at Assembly twenty-three stereopticon views were shown. These slides consisted of views on "Homes in Many Lands," and were one of the most beautiful sets of pictures shown this year.

On account of one of the contestants being unprepared the try-out on declamation was postponed a week and was given Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Eva Currie visited Miss Newell at the high school Monday morning.

On Friday, March 29, the "Liberty War Savings Society" called a meeting in which they rendered a special program before the high school. The program consisted of:

Thrift Speech—Audrey Stanniger.
Trio—Marvel Skeels, Gladys Nosler and June Willey.

At the end of the program the war savings service badges were explained by Mr. Noblet and a committee consisting of Maymie DeLong, Marvel Skeels and Gladys Nosler were appointed for the purpose of selecting a program for the next meeting which will take place in about two weeks.

The eighth grade under the guidance of Miss Treadgold visited the Creamery Tuesday and were graciously received and shown over the entire plant. While there they had the opportunity of seeing the cream tester work.

Mr. Almaack has been invited to attend a State Educational conference to be held at Eugene the 27th, 28th and 29th of June and to deliver an address on "Making Better Citizens by Teaching Social Science."

The books from all the various grades have been collected and taken to the general library on the second floor. Hereafter students taking out books will secure them there.

The great event of the season, the Junior and Senior banquet, will take place April 6th at the Chase residence. The guests are to meet at the home of Nellie Johnson and will be escorted to the banquet by the Juniors. Toasts will be given from the table and a short program will be rendered for the entertainment of those in attendance. This is to be a Hoover banquet and the Juniors in all places are carrying out this scheme.

Mrs. Brandon was a visitor in Miss Spencer's room.

The Sixth, Seventh, and Eighth grades will form a living flag in the parade.

Frederick Dolson is a new pupil in Miss Griffin's room.

Lester Wilson, who has been sick with pneumonia, is improving.

Edgar Emery has been absent from school on account of sickness.

Evelyn Oerding is the first member of the Third Rainbow regiment in the Fifth grade. She has been one of the first to enter in the other two regiments.

The girls of the Fifth grade are making quilts out of the outing scraps and the boys are cutting gun rags.

The Fourth grade took a walk in the woods Friday afternoon.

The average ownership of the Fourth grade in Thrift stamps is \$8.51.

Sitka Docks Loaded.

R. A. Wernich, of the Sitka Spruce Co., said this morning that it was uncertain how soon the double shift operation of the plant would be started on account of the car shortage. Yesterday five cars were spotted at the dock and if they should receive that many daily for a week the congestion on the docks would be relieved and they would be ready to put on one full eight hour shift and a third of a crew for the other eight hours in addition to the present force. At the present time every foot of their immense docks is stacked high with lumber.

Over \$10,000 a Day.

During the last seven days the tax force at the Sheriff's office have made out receipts for \$73,000, an average of over \$10,000 a day. They are two days ahead of last year's schedule, having made out 500 more receipts by April 4th this year. A great mass of mail remittances are awaiting attention among which is the \$31,144 which the C. A. Smith Co. sends in for the first half of its 1917 dues.

The chances are at least 85 per cent that a timely article which comes to hand Monday or Tuesday will get into the Sentinel. On Friday the chances are about as heavily against it.

For Your War Garden

Rakes	40c and Up
Hoes	50c to 75c
Shovels	\$1.20 to \$1.50
Spades	\$1.20
Pull-Easy Garden Cultivator	\$1.60
Three-Prong Cultivator Hoe	75c
Corrugated Unkinkable Garden Hose, any length	18c per foot

Child's Garden Sets 30c

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Methodist Church.

Study Service at 10 a. m. There is a place for you.

At the 11 o'clock service new members will be received into the church, and the sacrament will be administered. The thought will be "The Church's Task."

Epworth League at 7. Subject, "Understanding and Doing Christ's Will."

Evening service begins at 8. Subject, "Why I Am a Christian."

Monthly Business meeting of the church Monday evening.

Teacher Training Class Tuesday evening.

Prayer service Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

S. G. Rogers, Pastor.

St. James Episcopal Church.

Sunday school at 10 a. m.

Christian Science Society.

Services next Sunday at 11:00 a. m. Wednesday evening meeting at 8 o'clock.

Sunday school at 9:30 a. m.

Free public reading room open every day, except Sundays and holidays, from 2 to 4 p. m.

Corner Third and Hall streets.

Christian Church.

Bible School at 10 a. m.

Morning Worship at 11 a. m.

Christian Endeavor at 6:30 p. m.

Evening service at 7:30 p. m.

You are cordially invited to all these services.

A. J. Whiddon, Minister.

Presbyterian Church.

Teaching service from 10 to 11 a. m.

Morning service at 11 a. m. Subject, "God is Able."

Evening services at 8 p. m. Subject, "A Son Restored to Mother."

Rev. J. A. McVeigh, pastor.

Not Quite Up to Our Quota.

The report of the Coquille district War Savings Stamps committee to the county committee this week shows that this district is still behind its quota of \$6,000 a month. The sale for the first three months of the year is approximately \$14,000—\$4,000 behind the quota.

For the Simpson prize, in the class to which Coquille belongs, it is unofficially announced that Mabel Grush was the winner last month, although the returns will not be canvassed until tomorrow. In addition to that baby bond she will receive one donated by the Commercial Club for leading in Coquille.

Cheese Association Meeting.

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Coos & Curry Counties Cheese Association will be held at the City Hall, Coquille, Oregon, on Monday, the 8th day of April, 1918, at the hour of 10 a. m. for the purpose of electing a board of directors to serve for the ensuing year, and the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting. Every stockholder is requested to be present in person or by proxy.

By order of the president.
All cheese factory stockholders or patrons—in fact any and all representatives with interests in the cheese industry of Coos and Curry Counties are also invited to attend. A Christensen, secretary. By S. M. Landis.

Rheumatic Pains Relieved.

"I have used Chamberlain's Liniment for pains in the chest and lameness of the shoulders due to rheumatism, and am pleased to say that it has never failed to give me prompt relief," writes Mrs. S. N. Finch, Bavia, N. Y.

Heatlet Hall is used so often now for public gatherings of all kinds that we wonder what will take its place when it is put to its former use as a furniture store. A big tent might be rented for the coming summer, but something different will be required when the rainy season begins again.

Calling Cards, 100 for \$1.00.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and for years it was supposed to be incurable. Doctors prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Catarrh is a local disease, greatly influenced by constitutional conditions and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Medicine, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is a constitutional remedy, is taken internally and acts thru the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces of the System. One Hundred Dollars reward is offered for any cure that Hall's Catarrh Medicine fails to cure. Send for circular and testimonials.
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Want Ads

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PIANO FOR SALE—Leaving town. Will sell my \$425 mahogany case Cook piano for \$150 cash. Bargain for anyone desiring to buy a good durable piano. Inquire at this office.

FOR SALE—Two lots with small house five blocks east of postoffice. Fine location on high ground. Price \$850. Ask the Sentinel about it.

FOR SALE—110 acres of land at head of Fishtrap; 2 1/2 million feet of mixed timber on it, red and white cedar and fir; also grazing land. \$20 an acre. M. T. Clinton, Arago, 1214.

LOST—Last Saturday a child's brown corduroy velvet coat. Finder please leave at Sentinel office.

FOR SALE—Having sold our Gravel Ford lease we will sell our milking machine, used only 5 days. Price \$150. Also one 1 1/2 horse power Monarch engine. Phone 427. C. O. King, McKinley, Oregon. 11tf

FARM FOR SALE—135 acres, 20 acres of bottom in cultivation; 50 acres hill land in grass. 2 miles from Coquille. George Colvin, Coquille, Oregon.

FOR SALE OR TRADE—Good second hand split hickory buggy cheap. Light one horse rig. Inquire at Sentinel office. 9tf

FOR SALE the best and cheapest vacant lot in the city of Coquille. Speak quick if you want it. At the Sentinel office.