

Significance of Local Drainage Work.

There is now under process of completion the task of draining two vast tracts of swamp and overflow land in the Coquille Valley. Little has been published so far to make clear the real significance of this work—what part it will play in the certain and rapid development of Southern Coos County.

The statement that the reclaiming of these two tracts will in itself almost treble the taxable wealth of upper Coquille River may be received incredulously by many; nevertheless it is the opinion advanced by persons in a position to give intelligent opinion of the matter, and who see in the not distant future one of Oregon's richest agricultural sections traversed by the waters of the Coquille. The fact must be borne in mind that one of these tracts embraces nearly 1500 acres; the other between 3000 and 4000 acres. An acquisition of 5000 acres to our useful and tillable soil means more cleared farming land than at present exists between Coquille and Myrtle Point—more by considerable, it is authoritatively stated.

Thus some idea is gotten of the two existing reclamation projects. Work is being prosecuted on both of them with as much vigor as possible, and it is expected to push matters more expeditiously in the future than in past months. Mr. Larsen has his dredger now at work near the mouth of Beaver Slough, having started in the last of the week to dig the drainage canal at that point. Following the work of drainage the land must be cleared, and when ultimately seeded down to grass there will be no better dairy land on the coast than is included in these reclaimed areas. What a picture for the eye to behold—what a picture for pride when we can gaze across the river from our city and see numbers of homes and grazing herds where now is the broad expanse of dismal worthless swamp!

The chief actors in the enterprise to make useful this great barren waste, and thus augment immeasurably the general prosperity and up-building of the Coquille Valley, might be said to be the Russ Estate of Eureka, California, headed by W. N. Russ and locally represented by W. L. Kistner; John Yeakam and J. A. Davidson, both landed residents of this vicinity. There are other but smaller participants in the enterprise, to be sure, all equally anxious to promote the general welfare of our section.

The Russ Estate referred to is an exceedingly wealthy one. It has attained its proportions through an intelligent pursuit of the dairy and stock business, and has, as the writer can attest, been the paramount agency in making the River Valley one of the richest dairying spots in the world. Thousands of acres of overflow soil have been made meadow by them. Their work in the development of Southern Humboldt will, it is inferred, be repeated in Southern Coos to an extent at least, as they have purchased other lands in this valley in addition to the extensive Beale swamp opposite town.

So in the light of present events and prospects it is fair to predict that the rising sun of another ten years will shed its rays over a great farming region, unblemished by worthless acreage, in the Valley of the Coquille!

AS, DAY BY DAY, the legislative session draws nearer, the fact becomes greater apparent that the people's wishes are not to be trampled, and that George E. Chamberlain will be elected to represent us in the United States Senate. It is hardly to be believed that the people's will can be thwarted by the schemes and connivance of the political machine. Geo. E. Chamberlain was the preference of a majority of the voters; now let the Statement members redeem their pledge and elect him.

A Bandon woman advertises that she will not be responsible for any more debts contracted by her husband. So there! Who says that the ladies haven't rights in this country?

For that Dull Feeling After Eating. The intense itching characteristic of these ailments is almost instantly allayed by Chamberlain's Salve. Many severe cases have been cured by it. For sale by R. S. Knowlton.

Seymour Bell May Buy Here.

Seymour H. Bell, one of the owners of the Coos Bay Electric and Power Co., was in Coquille Monday and yesterday morning, accompanied by an attorney, J. D. Goss, of North Bend. The mission of Mr. Bell was to negotiate with Frank Morse for the purchase of his Coquille and Myrtle Point electric lighting plant, and we understand the deal will go through provided a satisfactory franchise, permitting 24 hour service with power furnishing features, can be gotten from the local City Council. The Board met in special session Monday evening to consider the matter, but adjourned until this evening, at which time Mr. Bell will again be in town. A canvass of our business men to get their views on the subject was planned for last evening.

Seymour H. Bell, accompanied by Mr. Morse, was a caller at the HERALD office yesterday, and stated that it was the ultimate purpose of his company to build an electric road all the way from Empire to this section. He expresses great faith in the future of all Coos county.

Circuit Court Doings.

The proceedings in Circuit Court for this session reached a close on Friday afternoon, and court, attorneys and others departed for their homes. There was little of moment transacted outside of the trial of the Myrtle Point assault case.

In this case, wherein the Endicott girl, 17 years old, was plied with liquor and otherwise misused by three young boys while on a drive from this city to the Point five weeks ago, Innes Rose was tried and convicted before a jury, the verdict being returned in 15 minutes. Joe Williams, the elder of the three boys, aged 20 years, was to have been tried on Friday, but that morning he appeared with his attorneys and pleaded guilty to attempted assault. At two p. m. Rose and Williams were brought into court and sentenced to three and two years respectively in the penitentiary, Judge Hamilton prefacing the sentence with a firm rebuke and words of advice. Sheriff Gage and Glen Cox of Bandon started for Salem with the prisoners Monday.

Thos. Kinnicut, the third of the offending trio, is a fugitive from justice, having forfeited his \$500 cash bond and sought other climes. The officers are now seeking his whereabouts.

In the case of Sam Hunter, who used his jackknife on Chas Lyons' stomach at Bandon last month, the grand jury refused to find an indictment. Lybn's civil action against Hunter for \$3000 for injuries resulted in a verdict for plaintiff for only \$30.

Hal Baxter pleaded guilty to having sold a bottle of liquor to Innes Rose, a minor, though the latter had represented himself to be 21 years of age. Mr. Baxter was fined \$250 by Judge Hamilton, which he paid.

Mrs. Phoebe Whetstone of Coquille was granted a divorce from Simon Whetstone.

John Galardi's wife was refused a decree of divorce, the decision being generally approved of.

Some indictments, it is said, were found by the grand jury, but the cases will not be aired until the April term of court.

Drain keeps on hand fresh bread.

Knowlton's Drug Store has a very large stock of books, consisting of every thing from 5c toy books to most beautiful gift books.

Sam Samuels, who with his wife had been in Myrtle Point for several months, died in a hospital at San Francisco several days ago. His mind was shattered as a result of his experiences in the great California earthquake.

We have the most complete line of ladies' coats ever carried in town Robinson's store.

Orion Johnson, Jr., who was arrested on complaint of Ora Marsters on the charge of killing a dog belonging to the latter, and was bound over to the Circuit Court, was not brought to trial, the case having been thrown out of court. It was a Myrtle Point affair.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to take this opportunity of thanking the many friends who were so kind to us during the sickness and death of our beloved father, and also to those who helped with the singing.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Snow.

Samson Kinder was born in England, eight miles from Manchester, April 24th, 1827. He came to America when 19 years old and stayed some years in New York, coming across the plains to California in 1852 the first time and again in 1856. In 1868 he married Anna E. Wood who preceded him to the 'Jette' world 7 years ago, since which time he has made his home with his daughter and son-in-law, Mrs. and Mr. Frank Snow. He died Dec. 18, 1908. The funeral services were conducted by F. Grant Hamm, the Christian minister of Myrtle Point, at the Christian Church in this city, Sunday, Dec. 20, at 2:30 p. m. The body was shipped to California for burial.

Anyone wishing house moving or other heavy work done can be accommodated by calling on H. L. Varney.

The new steamer Coquille was formally inspected last Friday by Capt. Ames and G. Weldon, inspectors of hulls and boilers of steamboats, who arrived on the Breakwater that morning. The handsome new craft was marked O. K. speedily, excepting that a larger pump was ordered used, and just as soon as the certificates can get here from Portland she will go into commission. The popular old stand-by, the Dispatch, belonging to the same company, resumed her run between Bandon and this city Sunday, the cylinder which was shattered by the breaking of a crank-pin having been finally replaced after weeks of waiting. The Coquille Transportation Co. has had more than its share of bad luck in recent months, but its accommodating policy never suffers.

See those nice comforters at Land & Lyons'.

Chief of Police W. J. Biggy of San Francisco, who was persecuted, as he claimed, by the local newspapers, did end his existence after all, circulated reports to the contrary notwithstanding. His body was found floating in the bay near Goat Island last Wednesday, the face much disfigured, the arms extended and uniform on. It was buried with appropriate rites at San Francisco Thursday, many of the city officials attending in a body.

16 pounds best granulated sugar for \$100 at O. Wilson and Co.

I. Nordstrom, of Parkersburg, had business in town yesterday.

Clark's O. N. T. thread 5 cents a spool at Robinson's.

For bargains in shoes, see Drane at his new store.

Skeels & Son have the best flour in town. Snow drift and Dement's best.

For Sale.—Thoroughbred Black Minarca Roosters. Call on Arthur Kerr.

Hats! Hats!! Hats!!! All kinds of new hats at Drane's Store. Also gents' furnishing goods.

Chas. Dye, of near Myrtle Point, was in this city Monday and Tuesday.

Wear Tozier's Logger Shoes and S. F. Fear Gloves. None better are made. Call on E. L. Tozier.

Sewing Machines

For Sale or rent at Goff & Goodman's.

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

The firm heretofore existing under the name and style of W. T. Kerr & Company, doing business in the City of Coquille, Oregon, is this day dissolved by mutual consent, Mr. George A. Hansen having purchased the entire interest of W. T. Kerr in the concern. All bills due and owing to said firm are payable to Mr. Geo. A. Hansen.

Dated this 1st day of December, 1908. Geo. A. Hansen, W. T. Kerr.

"Wilson's Price"

7-jewel Waltham movement in nick. O. F. case, \$4.75.

15 jewel Elgin or Waltham movement in nick. O. F. case, \$9.50.

7-jewel Elgin or Waltham movements in Boss filled case, \$11.95.

I will furnish you with anything in the jewelry or watch line at cut prices. Write me what you want and I will quote prices, thereby saving you 10 to 20 per cent.

V. R. WILSON, Portland, Or.

City Bakery,

E. C. HOLLOWAY, PROP. Bread, Cake, Pie, Cookies, Gingersnaps, etc. Special attention given orders for banquets, dinner, picnics, etc.

First Street, - Coquille, Oregon

NOTICE FOR BIDS FOR COUNTY CONTRACTS.

Notice is hereby given that the County Court for Coos County, State of Oregon, will receive sealed bids for contracts for the following matters and items to be furnished:

First: For printing schedule of expenses of Coos County, list of bona-fide subscribers within the County to be furnished.

Second: Sealed bids for printing Officers' Reports, County Notices and Notices of County Officers, etc.

Third: Sealed bids for superintending the County Poor Farm and caring for the inmates of the Infirmary.

Fourth: Sealed bids for supplies for the County Poor Farm or Infirmary such as groceries, provisions and meats.

Fifth: Sealed bids for contract to care for and furnish board and lodging and hospital accommodations, medical attendance and medicine for Coos County indigent patients.

All bids to be filed with the County Clerk on or before the 6th day of January A. D. 1909.

The County Court reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Dated at the Court House, Coquille, Coos County, Oregon, this 8th day of December A. D. 1908.

James Watson, County Clerk.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed his report in the matter of the administration of the Estate of Olof Reed, deceased, and that Thursday, the 7th day of January, 1909, has been set by the County Court for Coos County, Oregon, as the day for hearing objections to said final report and the settlement of said estate.

Dated this 8th day of December, 1908.

AMELIA LAFFERTY, Executrix of the Estate of Olof Reed, deceased.

Farm For Sale.

One-half mile from Coquille city on river, railroad and county road. Land as good as the best. Bottom land all cleared, fenced and cross fenced, bearing orchard assorted fruit also young orchard. Fair buildings, a good mill or factory site with fifteen hundred feet of river front for boom privileges.

Stock tools and house hold furniture go with the place. Time allowed on part payment. For price, terms etc apply to D. P. Strang Jr. or address him at Box 5 Coquille Oregon.

Mrs. S. Joyce, Claremont, N. H., writes: "About a year ago I bought two bottles of Foley's Kidney Remedy. It cured me of a severe case of kidney trouble of several years standing. It certainly is a grand, good medicine, and I heartily recommend it. Sold by E. J. Slocum.

The shoes for woodsmen; Tozier's Logger Shoes. The gloves for wear—S. F. Fear Gloves. E. L. Tozier.

Bushels of cranberries at Robinson's.

More people are taking Foley's Kidney Remedy every year. It is considered to be the most effective remedy for kidney and bladder troubles that medical science can devise. Foley's Kidney Remedy corrects irregularities, builds up worn out tissues and restores lost vitality. It will make you feel well and look well. Sold by E. J. Slocum.



Men's New Fashions

This is a relative term usually, but this season's styles are so out of the ordinary, especially for Young Men, that it has a distinct meaning this fall. We attract only one kind of people to this store—those are the kind who want style, quality and moderate prices.

Geo. A. Robinson.

The White House

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ON

December 23d and 24th Real Bargains For All

For Sale.

One 4-year-old Durham bull, dark red; ancestors both imported from Calif.; not breachi; price \$35. Also one 3-year-old pony mare; weight about 850 lbs; well broke to ride; very gentle; price \$60.

W. D. Roberts, Riverton, Ore.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received for the improvement and construction of a portion of the County Road in R. D. No. 30, Coos County, Oregon, according to the specifications on file with the County Clerk, and a copy of the specifications in the hands of H. E. Wilcox, Special Road Master for R. D. No. 30. The work to be completed on or before the 1st day of September, A. D. 1909. Five per cent of the amount of the bid to be deposited with the bid. All bids to be filed with the County Clerk on or before the 6th day of January, A. D. 1909, at 10 o'clock A. M.

The County Court reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Dated this 2nd day of December, A. D. 1908. H. E. WILCOX, Special Road Master R. D. No. 30.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, U. S. Land office at Roseburg, Ore., June 3, 1908.

Notice is hereby given that George Henry Fowler, of Rose Lodge, Lincoln County, Oregon, who, on June 3, 1908, made timber application No. 10120, for East 1/2 of South West 1/4, South West 1/4 of South West 1/4 of sec. 24, Township 27 South, Range 10 West, W. Mer., has filed notice of intention to make final proof, to establish claim to the above described, before register and receiver, at Roseburg, Oregon, on the 15th day of January, 1909. Claimant names as witnesses: Benjamin O. McGee, William M. McGee, and Israel Ketch of Roseburg, Oregon, and Andrew H. Hinkson, of Eugene, Oregon.

BENJAMIN L. EDDY, Register.

B. E. HAMPTON M. R. DUNN

Coquille Meat Market

HAMPTON & DUNN, Proprietors

We take pleasure in announcing to the people of Coquille that we have opened up and are ready to serve you any kind of meat at prices as reasonable as you can find in the county. We solicit a share of your patronage.

OUR MOTTO: "Live and Let Live."

One door East of Hersey's Store, Coquille, Oregon.

Sound Ring Flour,

Headquarters at Marshfield. Coquille Branch at Big Warehouse. SIG HANSEN in charge.

FRED SLAGLE

TAILOR

COQUILLE, OREGON

Knowlton's Drug Store

Suggestions for Xmas Gifts.

Ladies Purses	Books	Cuff Boxes
Hand Bags	Pyrography Sets	Jewel Cases
Music Rolls	Toilet Sets	Kodaks
Bill Books	Manicure Sets	Framed Pictures
Card Cases	Shaving Sets	Post Card Album
Vases	Infant Sets	Xmas Cards
Mirrors	Collar Boxes	Booklets
Stationary	Silver Candle Sticks	