

# The DesChutes Echo

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## TIMBER LAND NOTICE.

United States Land Office, Lakeview, Oregon, Oct. 17, 1902.—Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act 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, the following named persons have filed in this office their sworn statements, to-wit:

Agnes Harris of Prineville, county of Crook, state of Oregon, sworn statement No. 92, for the purchase of the ne 1/4 sec. 6, tp 29 s., r 10 e. w. m.

W. Louthan Harris of Prineville, county of Crook, state of Oregon, sworn statement No. 93, for the purchase of the ne 1/4 sec. 6, tp 29 s., r 10 e. w. m.

That they will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish their claim to said land before A. C. Palmer, U. S. Commissioner at Prineville, Oregon, on Tuesday, the 20th day of February, 1903.

They name as witnesses: W. Louthan Harris, Agnes Harris, John Combs of Prineville, Oregon; Francis J. Devine of Albany, Oregon; Donald F. Steffa of Bend, Oregon.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 20th day of Feb., 1903.

E. M. BRATTAIN, Register.

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Irwin D. Pike of Moro, county of Sherman, state of Oregon, sworn statement No. 98, for the purchase of the lots 5, 6, 11, 12, sec. 5, tp 26 s., r 11 e. w. m.

Alice M. Holder of Moro, county of Sherman, state of Oregon, sworn statement No. 99, for the purchase of the lots 1, 2, 3, 4, sec. 5, tp 26 s., r 11 e. w. m.

Nelly Z. Pike of Moro, county of Sherman, state of Oregon, sworn statement No. 100, for the purchase of the lots 1, 2, 3, 4, sec. 5, tp 26 s., r 11 e. w. m.

That they will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish their claim to said land before A. C. Palmer, U. S. Commissioner, at Prineville, Oregon, on Thursday the 26th day of February, 1903.

They name as witnesses: John Combs of Prineville, Oregon; Joseph Marcum of Rosland, Oregon; Irwin D. Pike, Alice M. Holder, Nelly Z. Pike, of Moro, Oregon.

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Eva Doak of Prineville, county of Crook, state of Oregon, sworn statement No. 479, for the purchase of the lots 3, 20, 21, 22, sec. 6, tp 25 s., r 11 e. w. m.

Marie Spinning of Prineville, county of Crook, state of Oregon, sworn statement No. 674, for the purchase of the nw 1/4 sec 18, tp 26 s., r 13 e. w. m.

J. Frank Spinning of Prineville, county of Crook, state of Oregon, sworn statement No. 673, for the purchase of the sw 1/4 sec 18, tp 26 s., r 13 e. w. m.

That they will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish their claim to said land before A. C. Palmer, U. S. Commissioner, at Prineville, Oregon, on Saturday, the 21st day of Feb., 1903.

They name as witnesses: Thomas H. Watkins, Francis J. Devine, of Albany, Oregon; Donald F. Steffa, William H. Brock, of Bend, Oregon; Parker Doak, Marie Spinning, J. Frank Spinning, of Prineville, Oregon.

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E. M. BRATTAIN, Register.

## Echoes Along the Deschutes.

P. B. Poindexter is out from Prineville spending a few days on the Deschutes hunting.

John Steidle's saw-mill which was shipped from Bemidji, Minn., last month has arrived in Shaniko and will be brought here as soon as the roads permit. Mr. Steidle expects to have the plant together with a shingle-mill in operation by the first of March.

Howard Dillon was a visitor from Prineville Wednesday.

W. H. Hollinshead was down from Rosland the first of the week.

School opened Monday after a vacation extending over the holidays. The new furniture was placed in the building during Christmas week and the new bell has added a few more echoes on the Deschutes.

Some people grind their axes by buying tin snuffers and jumping-jacks.

Ed Crabtree is here from Prineville on a duck hunt.

J. R. Brock has nearly completed the cottage he is building on the Deschutes.

## CONTEST NOTICE.

United States Land Office, The Dalles, Oregon, December 12th 1902.—A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by William P. Vandevort, contestant, against Desert Land entry No. 109, made October 4th, 1901, for N 1/2 SW 1/4 S 2 of NW 1/4 sec. 30, T. 17 S. R. 12 E. by James, C. S. Taylor Contestee, in which it is alleged that said entryman has wholly failed to expend the amount of \$1 per acre on said tract from October 4th, 1901, date of said entry, and October 4th, 1902, or at any time thereafter. Said party is hereby notified to appear, and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock a. m. on February 6th 1903, before H. W. Reed, U. S. Commissioner, at Bend, Oregon at his office and that final hearing will be held at 10 o'clock a. m. on February 21st 1903, before the Register and Receiver at the United States Land Office in The Dalles, Oregon.

JAY P. LUCAS, Register.

## TIMBER LAND NOTICE.

United States Land Office, Lakeview, Oregon, Oct. 18, 1902.—Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act 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, the following persons have this day filed in this office their sworn statements, to-wit:

America I. Boone of Prineville, county of Crook, state of Oregon, sworn statement No. 412, for the purchase of the sw 1/4 sec 33, tp 24 s., r 9 e. w. m.

Lizzie E. Hyde of Prineville, county of Crook, state of Oregon, sworn statement No. 454, for the purchase of the sw 1/4 ne 1/4, n 1/2 se 1/4, sw 1/4 se 1/4 sec 13, tp 25 s., r 10 e. w. m.

Walter S. Hyde of Prineville, county of Crook, state of Oregon, sworn statement No. 456, for the purchase of the ne 1/4 sec 18, tp 25 s., r 10 e. w. m.

Jacob W. Boone of Prineville, county of Crook, state of Oregon, sworn statement No. 457, for the purchase of the nw 1/4 sec 18, tp 25 s., r 10 e. w. m.

That they will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish their claim to said land before A. C. Palmer, U. S. Commissioner, at Prineville, Oregon, on Friday, the 27th day of February, 1903.

They name as witnesses: Jacob W. Boone, Edwin O. Hyde, America I. Boone, Lizzie E. Hyde, Walter S. Hyde, all of Prineville, Oregon.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 27th day of February, 1903.

E. M. BRATTAIN, Register.

## WANT A TELEPHONE LINE.

### Board of Trade Will Take Steps to Secure Communication between Prineville and Bend.

Pressure of business, which it is necessary to transact speedily with the outside world, has put Bend into a position where she demands telephone communication with Prineville. The idea is one which was discussed quite freely during the past summer while the timber filing was at its height and now the Board of Trade has taken the matter in hand and it is not improbable that the coming spring will see a line built from the Deschutes river to Prineville where direct connection can be had with Portland and other business centers.

At last week's meeting of the Board the suggestion was made that enough private capital could be mustered to build the line, but later it was decided to first invite the Pacific States Telephone company to enter the field under a guarantee, then if it refuses, to construct the line through private investment.

A number of business men of the Bend who were present expressed the opinion that such an enterprise would be placed upon a paying basis as soon as put into operation, for the reason that a large amount of the present business which is carried on through the mails would turn in preference to a quicker mode of transmission.

Another feature brought up is the fact that as soon as the Columbia Southern builds its extension to Bend a large amount of business will be transacted over the line from Prineville to this place which will be its nearest railroad point.

It is believed however that a guarantee sufficiently large can be made to the Pacific States company to induce them to build without taking into consideration outside facts which will have their weight in the future when the railroad extension is completed.

## Investigation of Timber Claims.

According to the Lakeview Examiner, Uncle Sam has sent one of his critical eyes to the land office in Lakeview, and any of the claimants who has filed on a claim during the past six years is subject to a call to show cause why his claim shall not be canceled, provided any irregularities are found. The following is taken from the Examiner:

"Mr. Grygla, the special land agent who is here investigating land matters, has over 500 claims to look over. Every entry made in this district within the past six years will be investigated, and it doesn't matter whether a patent for the land has been issued or not. No one will be overlooked, and any claim that is found to be irregular the entry will be revoked on the advice of the special agent. Every claimant will be notified to appear on a certain day to show why his claim should not be canceled.

"Special agent Grygla has completed his work at the Roseburg land office, and out of 36 claims in

that office where patents had been issued; six were annulled.

"It is to the interest of every person having timber claims in this district to appear before the special agent when summoned."

## Antelope's Argument Faulty.

In putting up an alleged argument in support of the creation of a new county from the northern portion of Crook, the Antelope Herald says the trend of business is toward the north to the railroad which is the natural outlet for the produce and the market also for supplies, "while the transaction of business at the county seat requires a special trip in the opposite direction."

The statement sounds very logical inasmuch as it is a summary of present existing conditions, and is probably true in every particular. As a general rule the business of any given community naturally centers at the nearest railroad point. The travel, freight, and, in fact, traffic of all kinds radiate from and converge toward the common center of railroad communication. As a natural sequence the vicinity immediately surrounding the terminal point of a railroad running into the interior becomes isolated to a certain degree from the more remote sections; both the business interests and the trade of the former community are peculiar to its own conditions, and in conformity with the closer relations which it holds with regard to railroad communication and connection with outside business centers.

The Herald admits these facts and uses them in support of the claims which the residents of that place are about to demand. No thought is given to the future; it is not even conceded as a remote possibility that the Columbia Southern will extend its line, making use of Antelope merely as a convenient place to build a water-tank.

Consequently, the fact has been lost in the fog that in the event of railroad extension and the establishment of a county seat in the buckskin town, the residents of the community farther south, where the business and industries will be twentyfold greater than at Antelope or its vicinity, will be compelled to transact their business at the county seat which will "require a special trip in the opposite direction" from the natural trend, outlet and marketing point of their business interests and produce.

In other words, let Antelope apply the same argument she is now using to the inevitable conditions which will govern the northern portion of Crook county after a period of three or four years has elapsed.

Development of Crook county is pretty close to the first item on the schedule of "futures." Along with it will come the railroad, new settlers, wide and diversified industries, and a population which will be governed solely in its concentration by the proportions and direction of the county's progress and advancement. It is fitting, therefore, that time alone be allowed to designate what portion or portions of Crook county be made into a new one and where the county seat shall be. Hasty action now

can be only a source of regret in the future when there are new residents, new industries and vastly different conditions to govern the now raw and practically undeveloped territory which it is proposed to cut off into a separate district.

## Crook County Is Growing.

It has been estimated that Crook county's population would have been augmented last year by at least 10,000 persons had irrigation been started on a permanent basis, but the latter development is coming slowly and in the meanwhile the rush for timber claims, especially during the past summer, has been the means of securing to Crook county scores of homesteaders who have become permanent residents.

As an example of the remarkable speed with which the county is gathering settlers the Deschutes Valley is one of the best districts from which to draw conclusions. Only a year ago thousands of acres of government land were lying vacant along the river, and it has been only since last May that this enormous tract, which is miles both in length and width, has passed into private ownership. Homesteads, timber, and desert entries have claimed every available spot, until now a vacant forty of land is almost impossible to find elsewhere than on the summit of a butte or some other equally inaccessible location.

Homestead cabins have dotted the country during the last eight months and plowed fields and fences are no longer rarities. One of the railway immigration bureaus gives out that 25,000 persons have settled in Oregon in the past year, and it is safe to say that if the number were equally divided among the counties of the state Crook could claim considerable more than twice her share. The Deschutes Valley and the Haystack country have each received about an equal number and there is still room for more. The latter district will soon be settled, but the upper valley under irrigation will continue to offer an unlimited amount of territory for years to come.

Bend is suffering from a lumber famine at present which threatens delay of further building until some of the promised saw-mills are in operation. Lumber is being hauled now from the mill below Sisters, a distance over thirty miles.

With the mystic senatorial grab-bag wide open and inviting, it will be great wonder if magician Hermann does not demonstrate a new trick.

Charlie Willey opened his new meat market the first of the week and is enjoying a good trade. The present supply of meats and provisions will be greatly increased as soon as the addition to the market is completed.

The school board will hold a special meeting Monday afternoon, and a special voters meeting has been set for Saturday, Jan. 17, at which it is expected a tax will be levied for the general school fund.