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TIMBER LAND NOTICE.
Readvertisement.

United States Land Office, Lakeview, Oregon, Nov. 19, 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, Jessie Gray of Prineville, county of Crook, state of Oregon, has filed in this office her sworn statement No. 441, for the purchase of the se ¼ of sec 9 tp. 25 s r 10 e. w. m. and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish her claim to said land before A. C. Palmer, U. S. Commissioner, at Prineville, Oregon, on Saturday, the 11th day of April, 1903.

She names as witnesses: Edna I Hadley, Archie Powell, Bruce Gray, Edwin A. Davenport and Eliza Parker 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 11th day of April, 1903.

E. M. Brattain, Register

TIMBER LAND NOTICE.

United States Land Office Lakeview, Oregon, Nov. 12, 1902—Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of congress 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, william Parker of Pelhi, county of Redwood, state of Minnesota, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 1590 for the purchase of the w ½ nw ¼ sec. 26, s ½ ne ¼ sec. 27, tp 21 s r 11 e. w. m. and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before A. C. Palmer, U. S. Commissioner, at Prineville Oregon, on Saturday, the 11th day of April, 1903.

He names as witnesses: F. H. Marson of Prain, Oregon; George T. Sly, Louis M. Anderson of Rosland, Oregon; Donald C. Stella 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 11th day of April, 1903.

E. M. Brattain, Register.

FOR SALE.

We have for sale several good farms, a fine fruit ranch, choice timber lands, residence properties in Prineville and lots in Deschutes. A few choice timber claims for location. Palmer Bros., Prineville.

MORE ABOUT IRRIGATION.

The Oregon Development Company is one of the three companies that have large holdings under the Cary act in this valley, and as it proposes to reclaim its land with the least possible delay it may be of interest to our readers to know something definate about it.

Inquiries are being constantly received concerning this and other irrigating schemes and desert lands in general to many of which it is impossible to reply to in detail, and while much has been published about these lands during the past two or three years, it will bear repetition. This company has about sixty-five thousand acres capable of reclamation located principally in townships 22, 23 and 24 South, of ranges 9, 10 and 11 East, and from eighteen forty to miles south of this place. It covers the principal part of what is known as Walker Basin a nearly level tract forming the valley drained by the East fork of the Deshcutes and through the northern portion of which the main river runs. Appearences indicate that this valley was at one time a lake formed by a vast flow of lava which dammed the river raising the water about one hundred feet above its present level in the river.

Well-digging and other investigation shows that the entire tract is underlaid with sand and gravel containing an inexhaustable amount of water; above this is a bed of clay covered by a stratum of alluvial soil of varying depth but sufficient to show that at one time vegetation flourished there. On this lies the volcanic ash and disintegrated pumice which was probably distributed over the valley dy the action of water during its submergence and after which the valley was completely drained by the river cutting through the volcanic obstruction where now appears what is known as the Benham Falls. These facts show that the geologic conditions of the valley are entirely different to those existing in other portions of arid sections of the valley where the soil rests on and is underlaid by the great lava sheets through which water finds its way as through a sponge and which precludes the possibility of obtaining water by digging unless it is carried to a depth sufficient to penetrate the lava sheet. In this basin water may be had in abundance at a depth varying from two to twenty feet, water as pure, soft and cold as can be found anywhere. This one fact, all other things being equal, renders the land more desirable for homes than any other part of the desert. In the strict sense of the term this land is not desert. It is generally covered with a growth of black, or lodge pole, pines which seldom attain more than twelve inches in diameter, but owing to the light rainfall and the excessive porosity of the soil it will not produce agricultural crops in paying quantities without irrigation.

Thg land can be cheaply cleared, the light soil permitting the largest trees being easily pulled out by the roots with a team of horses or with block and pulleys. The pine grows straight and slender and makes excellent fencing and fire wood.

A large per cent of the land is devoid of timber which has been destroyed by fire. The elevation is about 4000 feet which with its proximity to the mountains renders frosts of frequent occurance during the late spring and early fall months

But the removal of the timber will reduce the liability to frosts to a great extent by allowing the snows to melt earlier in the season and giving the soil a better chance to be heated during the day by the direct rays of the sun which by radiation at night will tend to keep off the frosts. The soil is naturally productive and is proven by instances where a spontaneous growth of native grasses producing at least one ton to the acre has followed irrigation. It is unquestionable that here are conditions highly favorable to grass growing and all foms of the stock industry including dairying.

The mild, dry climate, abundance of pure cool water, and the certainty of plenty of good grass and hay, filling every requirement essential to that branch of agricultural pursuits.

All the cereals, the hardy vegetables and fruits can be grown and are now grown where irrigated, so that on the whole the situation is extremely favorable to those who are seeking a place to make homes.

The basin is surrounded by immense tracts of yellow pine that will with the advent of the railroad, be converted into lumber and will furnish a local demand for years to come for everything that the farmer can produce. The tract is on the line of a projected railroad from Coos Bay to Salt Lake as well as on the line of some road that will eventually be built from somewhere on the Columbia river to northern California.

The company's contract with the state has not yet been approved but it certainly will be in the near future, and when approved the work will be pushed to early completion. This is assured by the fact that the stockholders are wealthy business men of Minneapolis, Minn. who do not hesitate when once they make up their minds to do a thing.

MEN WANTED.

From the present outlook this sign will adorn every employment agency in the United States, within a few months and still the supply will not equal the demand. If only three-fourths of the work is carried out that is now under way, or projected for the coming season, there will be a greater demand for laborers than has existed for years.

The Hood River Strawberry growers and Fruit Packing Companies have held meetings to devise some plan to secure competent help during the coming season.

Governor McBride of Washington has vetoed the Lewis & Clark Fair appropriation of $50,000. It was an unfortunate thing, that the bill had been championed by the Anti McBride element, and although the governor had previously spoken in favor of appropriating a liberal amount, he tried to make the excuse of economy, but it is very plain to all concerned that his motive was revenge. He also vetoed a number of other worthy bills.

A Timely Warning.

The farmers of Crook county should look ahead and prepare for what is certain to come again, a good demand, and good prices for hay, grain and farm produce.

They should increase the acreage as much as possible for there is but little chance of a surplus. Not only will the regular trade call for an increased amount of feed but owing to the fact that there are several irrigation propositions upon which a certain amount of work must be done each year, that the law demands 10 per cent of the cost of such works to be expended in actual construction every year until completed. The amount to be spent this season should reach at least $100,000, and a nice share of this must be spent for hay, grain, flour, butter, eggs, meat, lard, fruit and vegetables of all kinds.

This taken together with the emigration that will flow into the country, to say nothing of the possibility of railroad work. The producer is surely in a position to reap a reward in the next few years.

Castro has Resigned.

President Castro of Venezuela, has tendered his resignation, but there is some doubt as to his intention to really withdraw from his present position. The Venezuelan Congress has asked him to reconsider his decision. Those who are in a good position to judge are of the opinion that it is only a political move on the part of Castro.

So far in the fight for Congressional nomination, Mr. Herman seems to be doing some quiet, but very effective work and is in a fair way to succeed.

President Roosevelt expects to start west on a brief tour of the Pacific Coast, unfortunately his time is so limited that he cannot get even a fair idea of this vast territory, its wealth of importance.

The start west was to have been made this week.

Death of J. N. Poindexter.

Prineville, Mar. 20.—J. N. Poindexter of this city, died at his home after a lingering illness of months.

The funeral services will be held at the Union Church, on Sunday Mar. 22.

Mr. Poindexter was in his 74th. year and had been an invalid for a number of years. He came to Oregon from Illinois in 1852, and settled in Lane county, where he lived until he came to Prineville several years ago, where he has been a respected and substantial citizen and served one term as County Treasurer. He was married in 1855, to Eliza E. McCord, who, with Six children, are left to mourn his loss

The children are, Mrs. Nellie Lemley of Hope, Ida., Mrs. Samantha Hadley of Lane Co., John C. Poindexter of Camas, Wash., P. B. And Ora Posndexter of this city.

TIMBER LAND NOTICE.

United States Land Office, Lakeview, Oregon, Jan. 30, 1903:—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, towit;-

George Schlecht
of 281 Fourth St., Portland, county of Multnomah, State of Oregon, sworn statement No. 1768 for the purchase of the SE¼, Sec. 20 T. 24 S. R. 13 E. w. m

Frances C. Swartwood,
of Moscow, county of Latah, State of Idaho, sworn statement No. 1769 for the purchase of the NE¼, Sec. 21 T. 24 S.R. 13 E. w. m.

Ethel M. Swartwood,
of Palouse, county of Whitman, State of Washington, sworn statement No. 1770 for the purchase of the NW¼, Sec. 21 T. 24 S.R. 13 E. w. m.

John W. Olson,
of Moscow, county of Latah, State of Idaho, sworn statement No. 1771 for the purchase of the SW¼, Sec. 21 T. 24 S. R. 13 E. w.m.

Arthur R. Patton,
of Palouse, county of whitman, State of Washington, sworn statement No. 1772 for the purchase of the SE¼ Sec. 21 T 24 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 M. R. Biggs U. S. Commissioner at Prineville, Oregon, on wednesday the 3rd day of June 1903.

They name as witnesses: George Schlecht of Portland, Oregon; Frances C. Swartwood, John w. Olson of Moscow Idaho: Ethel M. Swartwood, and Arthur R. Patton of Palouse washington.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 3. day of June 1903.

E. M. Brattain, Register.

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, Louise M Crisman of Moscow, county of Latah, state of Idaho, has this filed in this office her sworn statement No. 1719 for the purchase of the se¼ of sec. 17, tp 23 s, R 14 E., w. m., and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes and to esher claim to said land before W. A. Bell U. S. Com. at his office at Prineville, Or. on Monday, the 4th day of May, 1903.

She names as witnesses: William W. Collins of Moscow, Idaho, Low E Allingham, Ora Poindexter, John C L Elder, 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 4th day of May, 1903.

E. M. Brattain, Register.

TIMBER LAND NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of congress 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 o August 4, 1892, Frank F. Townsend of Shaw, county of Marion, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 1155, for the purchase of the sw¼ sw¼ sec. 28, nw¼ nw ¼ s½ nw¼ sec. 33, tp 23 s, r 12 e. w. m. and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before R. W. Reed, U. S. Commissioner, at Bend, Oregon, on Monday, the 13th day of April, 1903.

He names as witnesses: C. G. Richardson, G. w. Townsend, F.E. Townsend and Frank Bogue all of Lava, Oregon.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 13th day of April, 1903.

E. M. Brattain, Register.