

# HAPPENINGS HERE IN OREGON

## GRANT CATTLE ARE DYING,

Heavy Snow Falling and Temperature Drops to Zero.

John Day—A snowfall of more than a foot occurred last week in the higher valleys of this county. The storm is quite general, but the fall is not so great in the larger valleys. The temperature fell to 14 below zero at this place. It is almost zero in the colder sections. With very few exceptions this is the coldest weather of the year.

In some of the higher valleys the stock situation is decidedly serious. Bear valley stockmen are entirely out of feed. Although cattle are generally strong, grave fears are entertained.

A disquieting rumor has been growing, started by messages over the telephone. In some places, herds being moved to better feeding grounds, have been overtaken by the storm and are now strung along the public roads, staggering and falling dead. In one instance the road supervisor found it necessary to give orders to owners to remove carcasses from the road.

Stockmen are grimly whetting their skinning knives, preparing to save the hides. Only a speedy raise in the temperature can save enormous losses. Sheep and horses have not suffered much loss yet.

## BAKER GETTING OUT OF DEBT.

Economy in Expenditures Brings Warrants Nearly to Par.

Baker City—Baker county is fast getting out of debt. Four years ago the bonded and floating debt of the county was over \$250,000. County warrants were way below par and the county burden was increasing fast.

By practicing economy and calling a halt on reckless expenditure, the floating debt has been almost wiped out. At the present rate the entire indebtedness will be discharged next year. County warrants are now worth 90 cents on the dollar, which makes them practically as good as cash, because investors do not care to handle them on such a small margin.

Last week the indebtedness of the county was reduced about \$30,000 by the payment to Union county of the amount due on account of the "Panhandle" annexation. A portion of Union county, known as the "Panhandle" was annexed to Baker county by the legislature four years ago. Baker county had to pay Union county about \$40,000 in settlement of various claims. All this debt has now been paid.

## DISEASED HORSES TO BE SLAIN.

Domestic Animal Commission Orders Slaughter in Umatilla.

Salem—Six hundred horses, afflicted with contagious diseases, will be killed in Morrow county in pursuance of an order made by the domestic animal commission. The horses are owned by Indians living on the Umatilla reservation and are afflicted with mange. The state board has made repeated efforts in the last two or three years to induce government authorities in Washington or at the reservation to take steps to stamp out a disease that threatens to spread to all parts of the state. All efforts proving fruitless, the board has at last determined to take radical measures, and the state veterinarian has been ordered to kill the diseased animals and bury them. The horses are declared to be valueless because of their diseased condition.

## Warner Settlers Prepare to Sue.

Salem—J. L. Morrow and other settlers in Warner valley, Lake county, are in Salem perfecting their papers preparatory to bringing suit to regain, if possible, the lands which were awarded to the Warner Valley Stock company by the department of the interior. The suit will be brought in the federal courts and will raise the question whether the lands were swamp in character in 1880. The Warner Valley Stock company holds under deeds from the state, while the settlers claim as homesteads.

## Change Union County Seat.

La Grande—A petition has been filed with the county clerk by Recorder William Miller, to be presented at the next meeting of the county court, asking the court to make the petition an issue for the June election that the county seat be removed from Union to La Grande, its former site. This petition was signed by 2,570 of Union county residents.

## GOOD ROADS FOR LANE.

Association Formed at Eugene to Forward the Work.

Eugene—A meeting was held at the courthouse which was well attended and had for its object a consolidation of interests and energies in the direction of road improvement in this vicinity. About 150 interested citizens were present, and the meeting organized by the selection of M. Svarverud chairman and F. M. Wilkins secretary.

Professor J. M. Hyde of the university, who has long made a study of road engineering, made the first address on the subject and gave much valuable information for consideration. President Campbell also made a good address, as did a number of others.

A committee on organization made its report, and the Good Roads association of Lane county took tangible and permanent form. A constitution was adopted and a good membership secured at once.

It is the intention of this association to take active steps toward the securing of first-class highways in all parts of the county, and to work in the direction of securing judicious and scientific returns for the money annually expended for road improvement. The association declared itself in support of the Brownlow good roads bill now before congress and will use its influence in its behalf.

## Timbermen Must Pay Taxes.

Astoria—All the holders of large timber tracts in Clatsop county, with the exception of three, have paid their taxes on the 1903 roll. Representatives of these three syndicates were here and tendered the sheriff 60 per cent of the tax, but the tender was refused, although the sheriff said he would accept 50 per cent as a first payment, as is allowed by the state law. The timber men now assert that they will appeal to the county court for a reduction, although the chances of getting a rebate are small.

## PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Walla Walla, 75c; blue-stem, 81c; valley, 81c.

Barley—Feed, \$23 per ton; rolled, \$24@25.

Flour—Valley, \$3.90@3.95 per barrel; hard wheat straights, \$4@4.20; clears, \$3.85@4; hard wheat patents, \$4.40@4.60; graham, \$3.50@3.90; whole wheat, \$3.65@4.05; rye flour, \$4.50@4.75.

Oats—No. 1 white, \$1.15@1.17½; gray, \$1.10@1.12½ per cental.

Millstuffs—Bran, \$18@19 per ton; middlings, \$24.50@26; shorts, \$19@20; chop, \$18; linseed, dairy food, \$19.

Hay—Timothy, \$15@16 per ton; clover, \$10 @ 11; grain, \$11 @ 12; cheat, \$11@12.

Eggs—Oregon ranch, 17½c.

Butter—Sweet cream butter, 30c per pound; fancy creamery, 25@27½c; choice creamery, 23@24c; dairy and store nominal.

Butter Fat—Sweet cream, 28½c; sour cream, 26½c.

Poultry—Chickens, mixed, 12½@13c per pound; springs, small, 10@17c; hens, 13@14c; turkeys, live, 15@16c, dressed, 18@20c; ducks, \$8@9 per dozen; geese, live, 8c.

Cheese—Full cream, twins, 12@13c; Young America, 14@15c.

Vegetables—Turnips, 80c per sack; carrots, 80c; beets, \$1; parsnips, \$1; cabbage, 1½@2c; lettuce, head, 25@40c per dozen; parsley, 25c; tomatoes, \$2@2.25 per crate; cauliflower, 75c@ \$1 per dozen; celery, 85@80c; squash, 2c per pound; cucumbers, \$1.75@2.25 per dozen; asparagus, 8½@11c; peas, 9c; rhubarb, 9c; beans, 10c; onions, Yellow Danvers, \$2@2.35 per sack.

Honey—\$3@3.50 per case.

Potatoes—Fancy, 90c@ \$1 per cental; common, 60@80c; new potatoes, 3½c per pound; sweets, 5c per pound.

Fruits—Apples, fancy Baldwins and Spitzenbergs, \$1.50@2.50 per box; choice, \$1@1.50; cooking, 75c.

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