

HAPPENINGS HERE IN OREGON

DECISION ON SWAMP LAND.

Governor Receives the Text From the Interior Department.

Salem—Governor Chamberlain has received the full text of the decision of the secretary of the interior rejecting the claim of the state of Oregon to the swamp lands within the Klamath Indian reservation. Briefly stated, the decision quotes the swamp land act of 1860, which specifically provides that the grant to the state shall "include any lands which the government may have reserved, sold or disposed of (in pursuance of any law heretofore enacted) prior to the confirmation of title to be made under the authority of the said act."

The treaty creating the Klamath reservation was not made until 1864, but the decision holds that the right or title of occupancy of the Indians existed prior to that time, as recognized by the act of 1848, establishing the territorial government of Oregon, wherein it was provided:

"That nothing in this act contained shall be construed to impair the rights of person or property now pertaining to the Indians in said territory, so long as such rights shall remain unextinguished by treaty between the United States and such Indians, or to affect the authority of the government of the United States to make any regulation respecting such Indians, their lands, property or other rights, by treaty, law or otherwise, which it would have been competent to the government to make if this act had never passed."

The secretary of the interior, holds that this provision recognizes the title of right of occupancy of the Indians to all the country occupied by them, and that the treaty of 1864 operated merely to cede to the United States the rights the Indians held in lands other than those set apart as a place of residence—the Klamath reservation. In other words, the treaty of 1864 but reduced the extent of the possession of the Indians, whose right existed prior to the swamp land act of 1860 and still exists.

MILLION SHEEP EN ROUTE.

Going to the Blue Mountains for the Summer Range.

Pendleton—Tens of thousands of sheep are en route to summer range in the Blue mountains across various parts of Umatilla county. Between 20,000 and 30,000 traveled last week up the Walla Walla river road through Freewater and Milton, numerous bands went up the Umatilla, and flocks are moving southward up Birch and similar creeks into Southern Umatilla. The mountain range of this county, and portions of Union and Grant counties, are the ultimate destinations.

The annual protest is also beginning to go from water users in the irrigated sections, who are afraid that the flow of their various streams will be lessened through sheep eating out underbrush at the headwaters of these streams. Whether the increasing deficiency in flow during the dry seasons is due to extra demands made by the constantly growing number of irrigators, or to the disappearance of mountain shrubbery and consequent lack of anything to retain the snowfall is a disputed issue between sheepmen and water users, an issue which brings up the old contention about whether sheepherders burn out the undergrowth to help grass for the next season or not.

Meanwhile, the bands whose aggregate will fill the Blue mountains of three counties mentioned with nearly 1,000,000 sheep are pouring in, and can be encountered on any mountain highway.

Hay Crop Is Short.

Hillsboro—The Washington county hay crop will not be more than a half yield this season, owing to the extreme dry weather during the month of May. In the lowlands along the Tualatin and other small streams the timothy is much better than on the plains, where in many places there is not a third of a yield. The way things look, Washington county, which has always sent out thousands of tons of timothy each season for Philippine shipment, will not be able to enter the markets to any appreciable extent.

No Word of Land Office Change.

Oregon City—Register A. S. Dresser, of the Oregon City land office, in reply to an inquiry concerning the proposed removal of the land office from Oregon City to Portland, said he had received nothing of any official nature from Washington as to the proposed change. People of Oregon City are surprised at the proposed change in location of the land office, and will strive to retain the office here.

Union County Seat Fight.

La Grande—The complete election returns of Union county show a majority for the removal of the county seat. The vote on the removal of the county seat from Union to La Grande was 2,562 for removal and 1,203 against, making a total of 419 more than the 60 per cent required.

200,000 POUNDS OF WOOL.

Gwinn-Isaacs Livestock Company Disposes of Immense Clip.

Pendleton—Two hundred thousand pounds of wool have been sold by the Gwinn-Isaacs livestock company, of which J. H. Gwinn, secretary of the Oregon Woolgrowers' association and a resident of Pendleton, is a partner. The Gwinn-Isaacs company is considered an Idaho sheep firm, although a large portion of its animals range in summer in the western spur of the Blue mountains in Grant county. The company is one of the largest sheep concerns operating in the Northwest.

Late as it is, some of the Gwinn-Isaacs bands are not yet even sheared. Eight bands were trailed into summer range in Grant county from the Snake river country in Malheur county. Here the company has over 50,000 acres leased from the old Dalles military land company which secured control of an immense area in Grant and one or two other counties for cutting a road through the interior in the early days, and the Gwinn-Isaac people have 80 sections on a long lease. As government sections alternate with each section granted to the military road company, the sheepmen have an immense territory available. In spite of the normally overcrowded condition of the Grant range, no trouble is experienced with settlers by the Gwinn-Isaac people, partly because their land is leased and partly because there are few or no settlers in the district they occupy. In addition to this, their sheep trail is through sparsely settled and barren country.

The remaining five bands of this company are in the Wood river country in Idaho.

Asks for Receiver.

Eugene—R. McMurphy, one of the stockholders of the Willamette Valley Woolen Manufacturing company, has begun suit for sequestration of the Eugene woolen mill property and appointment of a receiver. This action is the result of top small capital to begin with and mistakes in building the mill, so that by the time the mill was in condition to become productive and profitable the capital and resources were so nearly exhausted that it suffered for operating money. This caused the mill to be unproductive.

Wool Sells at High Price.

Pendleton—Practically all the remaining wool of Umatilla county was disposed of at the second wool sale under the auspices of the State Woolgrowers' association. Eleven growers disposed of clips, aggregating 198,000 pounds. The clip of Isaac Knots of Pilot Rock, consisting of 16,898 pounds, topped the market at 15 1/2 cents. The average price was 14 cents.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Walla Walla, 70c; bluestem, 78c; valley, 79c.
Barley—Feed, \$23 per ton; rolled, \$24.50@25.
Flour—Valley, \$3.90@4.05 per barrel; hard wheat straight, \$4@4.25; aleas, \$3.85@4.10; hard wheat patents, \$4.40@4.70; graham, \$3.50@4; whole wheat, \$4@4.25; rye flour, \$4.50.
Oats—No. 1 white, \$1.25; gray, \$1.20 per ton.
Millstuffs—Bran, \$19@20 per ton; middlings, \$25.50@27; shorts, \$20@21; chop, \$18; linseed, dairy food, \$19.
Hay—Timothy, \$15@16 per ton; clover, \$8@9; grain, \$11@12; cheat, \$11@12.

Vegetables—Turnips, \$1.25 per sack; carrots, \$1.50; beets, \$1.25; cabbage, 2@2 1/2c; lettuce, head, 25@40c per doz; cauliflower, \$1.75@2 per doz; celery, 75@90c per doz; cucumbers, \$1.25@1.50 per doz; asparagus, 50c; peas, 5c per pound; rhubarb, 3c per pound; beans, green, 12 1/2c; squash, \$1 per box; green corn, 60c per doz.
Honey—\$3@3.50 per case.
Potatoes—Fancy, 75c@81 per cental; new potatoes, \$1.75@2 per cental.

Fruits—Strawberries, Oregon, 4@5c per pound; cherries, 50c@61 per box; gooseberries, 6c per pound; apples, fancy Baldwins and Spitzenbergs, \$1.50@2.50 per box; choice, \$1@1.50; cooking, 75c@81; canteloups, \$5 per crate; apricots, \$2.25 per box.
Butter—Fancy creamery, 17 1/2@18c; store, 18c per pound.
Eggs—Oregon ranch, 18@18 1/2c per dozen.
Poultry—Chickens, mixed, 12@12 1/2c per pound; small, spring, 20@22c; ducks, 12@12 1/2c; geese, live, 16@17c per pound; dressed, 18@20c; ducks, \$7@8 per doz; geese, live, 7@8c per pound.

Cheese—Full cream, twins, new stock, 12 1/2@13c; old stock, 10c; Young America, 14c.
Hops—1903 crop, 23@24c per pound.
Wool—Valley, 19@20c per pound; Eastern Oregon, 11@15c; mohair, 30c per pound for choice.
Beef—Dressed, 6@7 1/2c per pound.
Mutton—Dressed, 4@6c per pound; lambs, 8c.
Veal—Dressed, 6 1/2@7c per pound.
Pork—Dressed, 6@7c per pound.

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