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"As long as friendship is held above the law, lawlessness will thrive," observes the Silver Lake Bulletin; and it is a truth that none will gainsay.

Second crop berries and things are getting into the newspapers in the usual autumnal abundance. It will be noticed, however, that Bend supplies none of these chestnuts. No, indeed!

That Central Oregon is an unreasonably healthy country is attested by the fact that there is not business enough to support a doctor or a drugstore in all the vast expanse between Prineville and Lakeview.

Clackamas county steps up and doubles the total of its taxable property this year, and yet it is safe to say no man in the county would sell for the assessor's figures. The whole state will show an increase of about \$25,000,000, one-fifth of which belongs to Clackamas.

A good deal of noise has been made over appointments for the Lakeview land office but the old officials are still doing business at the old stand. It seems to be easier to find fault with present methods than to obtain a cure, which is a truth of very general application.

The melancholy days have come, but they are by no means the saddest of the year in the metropolis of the Upper Deschutes. They are altogether mellow and delightful, with enough crispness in the morning and evening atmosphere to brace any set of nerves. And then have you noticed our gorgeous moon the past week? These sunny days and moony nights leave nothing to be desired in their line.

The high price of feed tends to bring down the price of stock in the cattle country and there is a very marked movement toward market this fall. If there should be a hard winter it is likely that the livestock losses in Eastern Oregon would be large. The loss of 7000 tons of hay on the Chewaucan marsh is not the least of the influences that affect livestock prices in Central Oregon this season.

The great law of supply and demand will govern the timber land and lumber business. The market value of land today is what can be obtained for it today. Unquestionably the value of timber land will rise, probably quite rapidly. Its intrinsic value is constantly increasing and the question of title is becoming less and less as time passes—to those who have had their proof accepted. Others are in no condition to sell. Those who can hold their land will profit from it. Those who cannot afford to hold their claims for an advance must suffer the loss that comes from such conditions. This is one of the disadvantages of poverty. Much as it is to be hoped that claim holders will get good prices for their property, the hard fact cannot be disguised that if they sell at all they must sell for the price prevailing at the time of sale. No pool or combination can break the force of this

law. Of course, the man who is a natural trader will do better than the man who is not, but this is regardless of any attempt to make or control the market. Other things being equal, a man can make his own arrangements for handling his claim better than others can.

One who ascends the Deschutes valley only to the vicinity of Bend, misses the most charming part of it. Beginning a dozen miles above Bend is a series of natural meadows, level and green and bordered with evergreen forest. The river winds its labyrinthian way through these fields and at this season of the year gives no hint of flooding them. Cattle graze on the meadows and the river swarms with ducks. Whatever irrigation may do for the neighborhood of Bend, the up-river meadows are now most attractive to homeseekers and it would be difficult to find a more beautiful section anywhere. The only cause for regret is that the acreage is too small to satisfy all comers. And what has not been taken is locked up in the withdrawal.

The enterprise of the Columbia Southern Irrigation Company is in every way commendable, so far as can be judged from surface indications. The company has shown its faith in the future and its own good faith of the present time by going ahead with irrigation improvements before its formal contracts are fully approved. It can afford to take the risk. Through a number of local people who are interested in its enterprise it commands a favorably local public sentiment and anything can be done where everybody is agreed. It is, perhaps, to be regretted that there is not a larger local representation in other reclamation enterprises of the Deschutes valley—sufficient to make public sentiment favorable. Great results come from united, harmonious effort. This country needs just such efforts.

It is all right to protect, preserve and defend the timber supply of this country. But the strict construction that would deprive a humble applicant of his claim on the ground that he does not expect personally to use the timber upon it, but may sell it at some future time, does not exactly save the forest to the government or the general public. It operates merely to save the timber from the scrippers, who, surely, are not more entitled to it than the average individual claimant. This is the flaw in the new timberland policy—if certain tendencies in the land office may be said to have crystallized into a policy. Scrip has been made the instrument of the most gigantic and indefensible public land rape this country has ever known and the people have no patience with any practice that shall give the scrippers further advantage, over the humble citizen claiming by right of his citizenship and the laws.

Dr. Edwards Moves.

Dr. Charles S. Edwards, who was in Bend nearly five months, has moved to Prineville and entered into partnership with Dr. H. P. Belknap. About the time Dr. Edwards had made arrangements for building a drug store here and branching out in the drug and medical business, the opportunity in Prineville opened up and, upon examination, it proved so attractive that the doctor finally accepted it. He thus enters at once into an extensive practice in a growing community. The formal partnership was formed yesterday under the style of Drs. Belknap & Edwards, Physicians and Surgeons.

Two rooms are to be built on the

east side of Dr. Belknap's present office adjoining Winnek's drug store, for the accommodation of Dr. Edwards.

Dr. Edwards is fortunate in getting this opportunity to step into an active practice and Dr. Belknap is fortunate in getting an associate so competent professionally and of such clean life and wholesome principles as a man. Dr. Edwards has had the best professional training and considerable practical experience. He is sure to do well in his new field and everybody who knows him will be glad to see him succeed. The stock of medicines, toilet articles, fishing tackles, stationery etc. that was in the drug store here was sold to the Bend Mercantile Company, which will hereafter handle such goods.

"Dad" West went out to Paulina prairie last Saturday after beef cattle for his market, returning Sunday afternoon. He bought five head of young beeves. He encountered a severe storm which, after whitening the prairie with snow, turned to rain and left the roads bepuddled away down this side of the Allen place. There the water gave way to dust, but before Mr. West reached Bend, the rain began wetting down the dust here and by Monday morning the soil was pretty well drenched. The record shows a fall of .19 of an inch. This rain extended across the desert to Prineville.

R. E. Warner and his son, Ross, of Brownsville, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lucas at the Pilot Butte Inn, a few days the past week. They are taking a general look over this country, with a view to taking permanent location here. The Warners were neighbors of the Lucases at Hooper, Neb., several years ago. The Warners came west first and through their representation the Lucases followed. But the Lucases like Eastern Oregon better than the valley and they may soon draw their old friends across the mountains.

Deputy Sheriff Jack West and his aid, John G. Saxton, a Burns attorney, were killed in a fight with a desperate criminal named John Frost, alias Harry Egbert, in Wild Horse Valley, 135 miles south of Burns, Harney county, on October 4. The murderer escaped. A reward of \$500 is offered by the Harney county court for his capture. He is believed to be the man wanted for burglary in Drain several months ago. He is an ex-convict.

T. Casey of Powell buttes was in Bend today with a load of prime apples which he disposed of to the Bend Mercantile Company. He raises all kinds of temperate-zone fruit, wheat and other crops on his 300-acre ranch and says the productivity of the soil increases with cultivation and he thinks the same results will follow cultivation of all the desert. He has been on his Powell buttes ranch 20 years.

The very unusual phenomenon of a rainbow at night—after sunset and by moonlight—was witnessed in Bend Monday evening at 7:35. The full moon was just fairly up in the eastern sky when a light cloud swept over Bend, dropping a brief shower. The moon rays through this cast a very distinct rainbow in the west and it was clearly visible several minutes.

The stork brought a second son to the home of Blacksmith Triplet last evening, to make more company for the three girls of the family. He is a lively little chap and is bound to like it in Bend.

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There will be rhetorical exercises every Friday afternoon hereafter at the Bend school. Mr Rowan, the teacher, thinks this, besides lending something of variety to the school work, will give valuable training that could not otherwise be had, and the children take kindly to the notion. The public is invited to visit the school on Friday afternoons and thus give encouragement to the efforts of the scholars.

After a week of comparative quiet the birds have returned—blackbirds, robins and jays—but the grosbeaks remain silent and invisible. Ducks are becoming numerous on the river.

Joe Kelsay went up to Vandevort's at the Big Meadows to get some bucks for Hamilton, the Ashwood sheepman today.

The Triplett boys find ducks plentiful about their up-river ranches—as their Bend friends have good reason to know.

J. N. and Ora Hunter went to Prineville today on a business trip of a day or two.