

A FOOL TRICK.

Boy Accidentally Shoots Playmate, Inflicting Very Serious Wound.

Paulina was thrown into a state of nervous excitement Sunday evening by the accidental shooting of the 11-year-old son of Lee Miller, says the Prineville Journal.

It seems that the 15-year-old boy of Dell Eades and the Miller boy were having a good time during the holidays playing Indian and otherwise making merry with 22-caliber rifles. They would extract the bullets and fire blank cartridges at each other, to the consternation of onlookers.

Sunday evening the Eades boy and a companion were out hunting jackrabbits and as they were coming home met the Miller boy driving into town. The Eades boy remarked to his companion, "Watch me scare them." He hurriedly took the ball cartridges out of the magazine of the rifle, slipped in some blank ones and opened fire at the three seated on the wagon. The second cartridge fired contained a ball and it struck the Miller boy a couple of inches above the navel, its course ranging upward and lodging in the base of the left lung. It was thought that the boy had received a mortal wound and would be dead before medical aid could be secured, so physicians were not notified until Tuesday morning. Drs. Belknap and Rosenberg were summoned by telephone and immediately left in an auto. They found by the use of a stethoscope that no blood vessels or arteries were injured but that the base of the left lung had been wounded. No probing was done for the bullet as the boy was suffering no pain and could move all parts of his body at will. The doctors say that if the bullet did not carry any infectious matter, young Miller stands a good chance of recovery.

The Eades boy was put under arrest pending the result of the affair, although Mr. and Mrs. Miller concede that accident was due to a boyish prank and would not prosecute him even though their son should die.

More Money in Sagebrush.

Over a quarter of a century ago, Thos. Edison, when in the West, remarked to some friends that the Lord Almighty never put so much sagebrush or anything else in one place unless He meant it for some economic use.

As a result of the correspondence on the subject a company has been incorporated in Chicago known as the Chemical Produce Company, having a capitalization of \$1,500,000, fully paid up and non-assessable, with a view of putting up plants for the extraction of wood alcohol, tar, creosote, pitch, acetic acid and charcoal from sagebrush.

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George P. Putnam Writes.

Bend people were somewhat surprised when they received in Monday evening's mail copies of Putnam's Magazine, on the front cover of which appeared a neat engraving of A. M. Drake's residence at Bend. Prompted by the curiosity thus aroused, a further search of the magazine brought to light an article by George Palmer Putnam under the caption, "Opening up Central Oregon." The article discusses in an interesting manner the long-time railroadless condition of Central Oregon, the promise that is now held forth for the speedy termination of that condition, and is illustrated with seven scenery and industrial views in and around Bend.

Tumalo Items.

TUMALO, Jan. 2.—A small blizzard made its appearance here Saturday and made things look like the new year was going to be a bad one.

P. A. Wooley made a business trip to Bend Friday.

A. C. Lucas of Bend was in Tumalo one day last week on business.

Jess Root and Elmer Peterson passed through here today on a sleigh riding trip.

Chas. Wimer was doing business at Bend Friday. He reports the roads in fearful shape from the rains of last week and a few cold nights afterward, causing ice to form in the roads.

A large number of the old and young people of this vicinity met at the Bayley school house New-Years eve and enjoyed themselves playing games and watching the old year out and the new year in. Light refreshments were served and all enjoyed themselves immensely.

J. H. Wenandy of Bend was in this vicinity last week purchasing hay. He bought 84 tons from Geo. W. Wimer & Sons, 70 tons from I. E. Wimer and Chas. Spauld, and some smaller lots, paying a fancy price for it on the ranches. He will haul it with his teams to Bend as fast as possible.

Summer School for 1910.

The Oregon Agricultural College has planned an extensive Summer School for 1910. In addition to the technical courses in agriculture, domestic science and art and manual training with methods of teaching each, there will be offered special courses for public school teachers in primary, advanced and high school methods. A special feature will be a two weeks' school and conference on supervision and management. City Superintendent Rigler of Portland and Superintendent Churchill of Baker City will join the instructional force for the session.

Hill Gives Better Freight Rates.

A general revision of rates on the North Bank road that is favorable to the shippers of the Northwest has been announced and will go into effect February 1. The new rates will apply between points on the road in Washington and between all stations and Portland. New and more favorable rates will be made on packing house products and fresh meats in carloads. These concessions by the Hill line will add to the business of Portland livestock packing plants and increase the prestige of Portland as a packing house center.

LOCAL NEWS NOTES.

Remember the wrestling match Friday evening in Lara's hall.

The Bend band has recently had built a set of lockers in the hose house, for their general use.

Bea Wilkinson, in a letter from Honolulu to Bend friends, says: "The temperature here goes up to about 85 during the day, but the nights are pleasant and I do not notice the heat much."

O. C. Cardwell is a new comer to Bend, having arrived about three weeks ago. He has purchased a forty of ditch land about six miles east on the Prineville road. The Bulletin bids him welcome.

J. H. Wenandy has the lumber on the ground for an addition to his barn which will be 20x140 feet. Business has increased to such an extent that the big barn is not large enough and hence the addition.

A freighter hauling a load of dynamite for the Oregon Truck people had a runaway down Cow canyon one day last week, and wasn't the least bit uneasy. The dynamite was frozen.—Prineville Review.

Subscriptions are coming in very liberally for the new Redmond-Prineville road fund. About \$200 is already subscribed and more coming. Redmond intends to make the new road to Prineville the best one in the county.—Hub.

C. S. Benson will leave tomorrow night for Lakeview, where he goes to represent Walter L. Wing, a Silver Lake homesteader, before the U. S. land office, on the 11th. Mr. Wing's homestead has been contested by the U. S. government.

Last week Armand Shearer had a piece of extreme bad luck. He bought a freighting outfit, purchasing a team of browns from Aupe Bros. for which he paid \$425. Last Friday, on his first trip out to Shaniko, one of the browns fell and was killed while descending the grade at O'Neil. The accident was

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Wm. Orcutt has received a letter from Mrs. Orcutt in which she stated that she reached the old home at Pittsburg, Indiana, safely, but found her mother in a very serious condition, her death being expected at any time. Mrs. Orcutt will probably remain East during the winter.

John E. Ryan of the Tuilles passed through Prineville on his way to San Francisco, on a business trip. Mr. Ryan has disposed of all of his cattle interests, something over 900 head, and feels pretty good over the matter. He expects to be in San Francisco a week.—Journal.

The Bend Concert Band continues to improve and the "boys" tells us that there are good prospects for an excellent band in Bend during next summer. John Luster has ordered a new instrument—a double bell euphonium—for which he is paying \$124. Fred Lucas will take the instrument which John has been playing, a baritone trombone. Chas. Brown has ordered a new slide trombone and this, together with the one played by Prince Staats, will give the band quite a trombone section.

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