

F. C. Lusk of the French-Glenn Live Stock Co., is in Burns, accompanied by Thos Sharp, book-keeper at the P-ranch. Mr Lusk has just lately come up from his home in California to look after some business in this section. The gentleman is very much in favor of public land leasing and says he finds public opinion changing in favor of the proposition right along as people begin to understand it and what it means to the public ranges of the west. It had been the intention of the Harney County Live Stock Association to call a meeting while Mr. Lusk was here in order that he might address that body on the leasing question. When so informed the gentleman said he regretted that business called him to Lakeview next week and he could not meet with them this time. As soon as he reaches home he will send a communication to THE TIMES-HERALD on the subject, explaining as fully as possible the proposed measure, its objects and advantages. He feels that the local association will favor such a law when once understood. Mr. Lusk will visit Burns again in July when he would be glad to meet the stockmen of this section and address them. At that time in all likelihood, the proposed bill will be framed. He also expressed a desire to join the local association.

The gentleman also informs us that the French-Glenn Co. has never had a surveying party in the field for the purpose of getting plats and lines that they might have an advantage should the land leasing bill pass. The Company had surveyors running lines of the land already owned by them.

D. C. O'Reiley, who has been connected with the Columbia Southern Railroad, is visiting this section. Mr. O'Reiley is here for the purpose of looking into the possibilities of a road into this section. We are informed by parties who claim to know that the gentleman is a thorough railroad man and has financial backing for any such project as he may see fit to launch. Mr O'Reiley is favorably impressed with this section, although he does not think a railroad would be a paying business at this time. He is not connected in any way with any of the proposed lines into or through this section and should he decide to build a road it would be independent of all other lines.

The gigantic undertaking of French-Glenn Co. to build a canal and turn 25,000 acres of worthless swamp into good pasture and hay land, shows that that company intends to stay in this county and have confidence in its future. This does not mean that it will only be of benefit to the company, but will increase our assessment roll to considerable extent. The water drained from this ground will be turned onto sagebrush land farther down the Blitzen river, which with such irrigation will increase its value to considerable extent.

We find it necessary to again devote a little valuable space to our delinquent subscribers. We have reminded a number of them by a personal communication but it has not been as effective as it might. We don't mind waiting 10 years but when it goes beyond that we draw the line. We have obligations to meet and must have a part of which is outstanding on our books. In a few days we expect to place all outstanding accounts in the hands of a collector with instructions to collect at once.

One bad feature about the "egg" ordinance is that cattle

from the outside wander into town and are immediately nabbed and put in the pound without the owner's knowledge. In some instances it has cost considerable to get the stock released and it, of course, gives our town a black eye. The authorities should be as reasonable as possible in this matter, as outside stock are likely to wander in frequently, especially at this time of year.

There were no firing of anvils, skyrockets turned loose, or in fact any demonstrations in Burns upon receipt of the news of the Baker City-Burns railroad. Our citizens have become used to railroad building on paper and we already have nine or ten railroads of that kind. Of course we are to receive the Baker City-Burns road with open arms but we don't propose to stretch them clear to Baker.

Oregon's portion of the 5 per cent of the public land sales of this state this year amounts to \$11,763.45. Harney county leads in the apportionment, which is divided among the counties on a basis of acreage. Treasurer Miller will receive \$1,308.42.

We had occasion to visit our sister city, Harney, the first of the week. That place is doing its share of the business of this county and we found considerable improvement under way. The crops in that vicinity look well.

**SUICIDE AND HOMICIDE THE VERDICT.**

Findings of the Coroner's Jury in the Death of Wyatt and Maher.

The terrible tragedy which occurred at Harney last Saturday will always remain a mystery to a certain extent. While everything points to temporary insanity of John Maher being the cause, just how it happened will never be known. Had there been a third party present it would likely never have occurred.

The fact that a weekly Oregonian was lying on a chair in the kitchen open at the page where a long account of the suicide of the two defaulting bank officers at Vancouver was given, and Maher having shot himself in the same manner as they did, goes to show that Maher's mind was somewhat unbalanced and that he had been reading of the terrible affair.

Since the tragedy a number of things have come to light that indicates that he had not been right for some time. In conversation with a citizen of this place a few days before, Mayer said that some one was trying to put up a job on him to have him adjudged insane and sent to the asylum in order to get his property. The evening before the shooting occurred he had drawn up an agreement leasing his property to Richard Martin and told the latter to take care of his property as though it were his own until his brother came, saying that he never expected to return from Baker, where he was going to enter the hospital.

The known friendship of long standing between the two men precludes the idea of any trouble. From the existing evidence it appears that John Wyatt was getting breakfast and Maher had gone out and watered one of the horses, but had left the other in the barn. It is thought he had been brooding over his ill health and decided to take his life. He had gone to the store room near the house, opened his trunk and taken out his pistol, then going to the door of the house told Wyatt of his intention. The latter no doubt started to interfere and possibly the shot in his breast was accidental. It is thought the first shot did not kill Wyatt instantly and in the excitement of the moment Maher shot him again in the head, then placing the barrel of the pistol in his mouth shot himself. The bodies were found about four or five feet apart, Wyatt lying on his back and Maher on his face with the pistol under his body and near his hand. The weapon used was a .38 calibre double action pistol. The shot in Wyatt's breast entered between the second and third ribs in his left side and ranged slightly down, the ball being taken out just below the shoulder blade. The second was just in front of the right ear and ranged down and back, having been done

after he fell. The right side of his face was powder burned showing the shot had been fired at close range. The ball which entered the roof of Maher's mouth lodged just under the skull on top of the head, shattering the skull.

From the autopsy held Dr. Marsden reports that Maher was not suffering from heart trouble as he believed. The coroner's jury made the following report:

We, the undersigned, Jurors, sworn to inquire the death of John Maher & John T. Wyatt on oath do find that they come to their death as follows: The said John T. Wyatt by means of pistol shots fired into his body and head by the said John Maher and that said John Maher came to his death by means of a pistol shot fired by himself with suicidal intent, both said deaths occurring this day, and that said John T. Wyatt was a resident of Harney County, Oregon, of the age of thirty-eight years, and said John Maher a resident of same county of the age of about fifty-three years.

- F. M. JORDAN.
- H. B. MACE.
- M. H. BRENTON.
- J. E. LORGAN.
- L. M. SEAWARD.
- H. W. GIBSON.

John Maher was buried at Harney last Sunday. He was a native of Ireland and had been a resident of this county for a number of years. He was a very quiet peaceable man and was well liked. He has a brother somewhere in the northwest but his address is not known.

The remains of John Wyatt were buried at Harney on Monday, Harney Lodge, No. 77, I. O. O. F., of which deceased was a member, conducting the funeral ceremonies. Rev. Black of the Baptist church of this city preaching the sermon. Mr. Wyatt was well liked and popular, having lived near Harney for about 13 years. He leaves brothers and sisters to mourn him and they have the heartfelt sympathy of a large circle of friends.

**Religious Services.**

There will be preaching services at the Poison Creek school house every 4th Sunday at 2:30 p. m. Rev. A. J. Irwin, pastor.

Rev. A. J. Irwin will preach at Harney the 2nd Sunday of each month at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sabbath school every sabbath at 2 p. m.

At the Presbyterian church Burns, Rev. A. J. Irwin pastor Devine services the third and fourth Sundays of each month at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sabbath school at 10 a. m. every Sabbath morning.

Preaching services at the Baptist church every 1st and 2nd Sundays, morning and evening Sunday school every Sunday at 11 a. m. prayer meeting every Thursday evening.

**Petition for Liquor License.**

To the Honorable County Court of Harney County, Oregon.

We the undersigned petitioners, residents, taxpayers and legal voters of Wild Horse precinct, Harney County, Oregon, most respectfully petition your Honorable Court to grant license to Clarence Putman to sell spirituous, malt and vinous liquors in less quantities than one gallon in said precinct for a period of three months.

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| W E Albersen     | Joseph Pedro    |
| N J Lewis        | John Gates      |
| Bent Embree      | Edward Stepney  |
| Andrew Graf      | Dave Bachman    |
| Joe Rayalez      | John Smyth      |
| W V Dikeman      | Chas. Green     |
| J Brady          | Joseph Caldwell |
| J C West         | J E Carlson     |
| Ed Carlson       | Henry Scoubes   |
| J A Vest         | C E Finnerty    |
| P Andica         | G Lorzana       |
| F L Pedon        | Robert Doan     |
| Chas. Turner     | Arthur Barnes   |
| Solomon Albersen |                 |

**Notice of Dissolution.**

Notice is hereby given that the co-partnership heretofore existing between Almer Robbins, John D. Daly and R. A. Miller, under the firm name of R. A. Miller & Co. has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. The accounts due the firm must be settled at once. R. A. Miller is authorized to receive and receipt for all accounts due at the old stand.

Dated this 6th day of April, 1901.

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JOHN D. DALY,  
R. A. MILLER.

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**Notice of Sheriff's Sale.**

Notice is hereby given that under and by virtue of an attachment execution and an order of sale, duly issued out of and under the seal of the Circuit Court of the state of Oregon, for the county of Harney, dated the 11th day of May, 1901, in a certain cause wherein M. H. Brenton was plaintiff and Frances B. Brenton was defendant, upon a judgment duly rendered and given in the above named Court and cause on the 23rd day of April 1901, for the sum of Twenty-One Hundred Eighty-Nine, and Fifty one-hundredths dollars (\$2189.50), and the further sum of Forty-Four and Twenty one-hundredths dollars (\$44.20), costs and disbursements, which judgment was duly enrolled and docketed in the office of the Clerk of said Court on the 23rd day of April 1901. I have this day levied upon the following described property, also described in said order of sale, and therein ordered to be sold, that is to say:

Lots Three (3) and Six (6) of Block six (6) and that lot or parcel of land beginning at the south-west corner of lot Two (2) Block Six (6) thence running north ten (10) feet, thence east thirty (30) feet, thence south ten (10) feet, thence west thirty (30) feet to point of beginning; all of the above property being situated in the City (formerly Town) of Burns, in the County of Harney, State of Oregon.

Public notice is hereby given that I will on Monday, the 17th day of June, 1901, at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, at the front door of the court house in Burns, Harney county, Oregon, sell at public auction, to the highest and best bidder, for U. S. gold coin, all of the above described property, and all the estate, right, title and interest the said Defendant Frances B. Brenton had on the said 23d day of April, 1901, or has since had or now has of, in and to the property above described, or so much thereof as shall be necessary to satisfy said judgment, costs and the costs of and upon this writ.

Dated this 11th day of May, 1901.

GEO. SHELLEY,  
Sheriff of Harney County, Oregon.  
By SAM MOTHERHEAD, Deputy.

**CONTEST NOTICE.**

U. S. LAND OFFICE AT BURNS, OREGON. April 3, 1901.

A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by Nannie Byrley, contestant, against Charles C. Kirkland, T. C. entry No. 68, made August 11, 1899, for ne 1/4 sw 1/4, nw 1/4 section 8, tp 24 south, R 22 east, in which it is alleged that the said Charles C. Kirkland has not complied with the law respecting timber-cultivator, in any manner; that he has not resided upon the lands nor cultivated the same, and is now a non-resident of the state, and has not planted the same to seeds or cuttings, said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock a. m., on May 18, 1901, before Register and Receiver at Burns, Oregon.

The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, filed March 23, 1901, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice cannot be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.

GEO. W. HAYES, Register.



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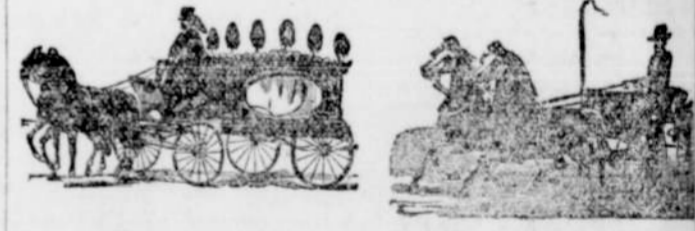
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