

Secretary Long is going to resign the Navy portfolio, says a Washington dispatch. His too bad. The people will regret his retirement. (?)

In this issue will be found the ordinance passed by the city council last Wednesday evening granting a 25 year electric franchise. If the terms are accepted by Mr. Arville Burns will be lighted with electricity in a very short time. The ordinance will meet the approval of our property owners.

The article on our first page last week read as though our friend J. B. Huntington was asking the Portland chamber of commerce to use its efforts to have a lease law passed. The error was not noticed in the proof. The chamber of commerce is opposed to the land leasing scheme, as is also Mr. Huntington.

The county court made the tax levy last week, the total levy for all purposes being 24 mills, a reduction of 7.7 from the year before. The 6.7 mills for state purposes may be changed, however, as the state levy is made under the new law. The 5 mill road tax is a good thing and will enable the supervisors to do some much needed work, besides there will be funds to do much new road building.

An article on our first page in regard to rabbits increasing as coyotes decrease, is intended to throw cold water on the possible continuance of the scalp bounty law. It is, nevertheless, a fact that coyotes destroy many rabbits but if the people would organize and make "drives" they would get more rabbits in one day than the coyotes kill in a week. The country can be rid of rabbits in a few seasons if only a determined effort is made.

At least 95 per cent of the schools of the state are now supplied with the new text-books adopted by the commission appointed for that purpose, says the Oregonian. The 5 per cent of schools in which exchange has not been effected are those in the remote part of the state. In many of the school districts no winter sessions are held, and for this reason there has been a tardiness in exchanging old text-books for new ones.

However, the saving effected by reduced prices will result in small hardship to delinquents, it being estimated that there will be a saving of nearly 10 per cent on the total cost of school books for the year. While in individual cases this economy will not be of great value in the aggregate, the amount will be considerable. J. Gill, who was named to effect the exchange, says that during the past five years an average of \$60,000 had been spent annually for text-books, and with a growing population the demand will probably increase.

ELECTRIC LIGHT.

At a meeting of the city council on last Wednesday evening, the following ordinance was read and passed:

The City of Burns does ordain as follows:

Sec. 1.—That F. N. Averill of Portland, Oregon, be and is hereby granted the right, privilege and franchise to erect, construct, maintain and operate electric light and power, wires and supports therefor on any and all the streets and alleys with the corporate limits, in the City of Burns, and to erect poles and stretch wires on the said streets and alleys for the purpose of furnishing and disposing of electricity and to do all other acts and things necessary for the successful operation of an electric light power plant for the purpose of generating, furnishing and

disposing of electricity for general electric purposes.

Sec. 2.—Said F. N. Averill the exercise of the right and privilege granted to him, shall erect said poles and place his wires at such height and construct all other apparatus in such manner as shall least interfere with the public travel and use of said streets and alleys and to the satisfaction of the council of the City of Burns.

Sec. 3.—It shall be unlawful for any person or persons, without authority from the said F. N. Averill or the council of the City of Burns, in any manner to interfere or meddle with, injure, repair or remove any of the electric light or power wires, poles, lights, lamps, fixtures or other apparatus belonging to said F. N. Averill or connected with said plant, except in case of fire and other similar emergencies, when such interferences shall be necessary, and any person violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall, upon conviction thereof, pay a fine of not less than \$5 nor more than \$50 for each offence and the cost of his arrest and prosecution.

Sec. 4.—The rights and privileges herein granted shall expire at the end of 25 years from the date of the approval of this ordinance, provided said F. N. Averill shall, within thirty days of such approval, file with the City Recorder a written acceptance of the terms and conditions of this ordinance and shall within six months of such approval have said electric plant, wire, lights and other apparatus fully completed, constructed and ready for operation and provided that the said F. N. Averill shall furnish to the City of Burns during the continuance of this franchise the necessary electric current free of charge for the operation of 2 50-candle-power street lights and for not more than 5 16-candle-power incandescent lights to be located in the city council chamber or in other city buildings, provided further, if at the expiration of one year after approval the City of Burns should desire to purchase said plant they shall have the privilege of doing so.

Sec. 5.—A failure, neglect or refusal on the part of the said F. N. Averill to comply with or perform any of the terms, requirements and conditions of this ordinance shall work a forfeiture of all the rights, privileges and franchises herein granted and this ordinance may thereupon, be immediately repealed by the city council.

This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its approval by the mayor.

COUNTY COURT PROCEEDINGS.

Judges and clerks of election appointed. Jury list for the year 1902 made up.

J. H. Neal appointed county surveyor and filed official bond of \$5000 with C. F. McKinney and Geo. Fry as sureties.

A. E. Brown re-appointed stock inspector. The tax levy for the year 1901 was made as follows: State 6.7 mills, school 5 mills, road 5 mills, building 0.3, county 7—total 24 mills.

Semi-annual settlement with the clerk, sheriff and treasurer. Books examined and all found to be correct.

Sam Hill granted a liquor license for a period of three months from the 8th day of January.

Drs Marsden & Geary retained as county physicians until July 1.

W. D. Baker filed official bond as justice of peace of Drewsey precinct with E. Olson, A. I. Johnson, Geo McDowell and J. D. Daly as sureties.

PROBATE.

R. H. Brown appointed administrator of the estate of Ralph Brown deceased.

Date of final hearing of account of A. L. Vanderpool, administrator of the estate of J. B. Craig, deceased, set for January 15.

C. F. McKinney, guardian of estate of Carlson, insane, made final settlement and was discharged from further duty.

L. W. Shepard appointed administrator of the estate of Janie Sheperds deceased.

Martha Marrs appointed administratrix of estate of William Marrs deceased.

JAIL BIRDS HAVE FLOWN

WILL JORDAN AND CHARLES SMITH MAKE THEIR ESCAPE.

Were Being Held for Trial at Next Term of Circuit Court on a Charge of Stealing Cattle—Letter Found.

This evening between 5 and 6 o'clock, Will Jordan and Charles Smith, who were confined in the county jail on a charge of stealing cattle, made their escape by tearing out the brick in the corridor on the west side of the steel cells. Sheriff Shelley had been at the court house about 5 o'clock and at 6:20 Deputy Mothershead took their supper but found them gone. It is supposed they got out immediately after dark.

The prisoners were allowed the liberty of the corridor only during the day time. Deputy Mothershead always locking them in the cells of an evening after they had eaten their supper.

The sheriff went immediately to the telephone office and called up Lawen, asking for Lou Sitz and the operator, Mrs. Gray said she would get him to the phone in a short time, but directly afterward they could get no communication with the office. It is thought the wire was cut somewhere at the other end. A letter written by Smith to C. L. Wilson, and addressed to the Dalles was found outside the jail, in which he states that he and Will were going to attempt a jail break tonight and says they would be in the Dalles in about eight days. Smith stated that they could easily prove their innocence but rather than lay in jail all winter they were going to try to get away. Deputy Mothershead thinks this letter a blind and is under the impression that the men have gone in another direction. Sheriff Shelley started immediately in pursuit. There has been no reward offered as yet, but should the sheriff find no trace of them it is likely a reward will be offered.

The stock association offers a reward of \$750 for the arrest and conviction of any one stealing stock and the county court offers an additional \$250. This would be worth getting. However, there is a question as to whether this reward would be paid to the party securing their arrest or those who were instrumental in having them arrested in the first place.

The season for range cattle in the Eastern market has about ended and it shows that the number are very much below what they were a year ago. In fact there were only about one-third. The highest price paid was \$5.75 on October 9th. This is the best price that range cattle have known since 1883.—Northwest Pacific Farmer.

Dissolution Notice.

The co-partnership heretofore existing between Geo. W. Hayes and John G. Saxton has been dissolved by mutual consent. All persons indebted to the aforesaid firm will settle with John G. Saxton.

Dated this 11 day of January 1902, GEO. W. HAYES, JOHN G. SAXTON.

Notice of Final Settlement.

In the matter of the estate of J. B. Craig, deceased:

Notice is hereby given to the heirs of J. B. Craig, deceased, and to all persons having an interest in the estate, that the administrator has filed his final account, and the court by order made and entered January 31, 1902, fixed Saturday, February 15, 1902, at 1 o'clock p. m. of said day, at the county court room, in Burns, Oregon, as the time and place of having such objections as may be made or filed thereto, and for the consideration and settlement of the administrator's account.

Dated January 4, 1902. A. L. VANDERPOOL, Administrator.

Petition For Liquor License.

To the Honorable County Court of Harney county, State of Oregon. We the undersigned legal voters of the precinct of Lawen, said county and state, most respectfully petition your Honorable Court to grant a license to N. J. Lewis & Co. to sell spirituous, malt and vinous liquors at their place of business in said precinct, in less quantities than one gallon, for a period of six months, commencing on the 9th day of February 1902: N. J. Lewis, Albert Cawfield, C.

W Drinkwater, Geo W Clark, Walter Gray, Robert Drinkwater, P L Oard, J T Oard, L B Hayes, J L Sitz, A C Spurluck, Joe Reclar, J P Cochran, Wm E Gray, M V Smith, E D Jordan, Wm L Clark, I B Clark, P F Heinz, G E Parker, N O Oard.

Notice is hereby given that on Wednesday, the 9th day of February, 1902, we will apply to the above entitled court for said license as specified in this petition. N. J. Lewis & Co.

Notice of Sheriff's Sale.

Under and by virtue of an Execution and Order of Sale, issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Harney, on the 9th day of December, 1901, and to me directed and delivered on said day, upon certain judgments duly rendered in said Court and duly docketed in the office of the Clerk thereof on the 30th day of October, 1901, in a suit wherein John Ott, John D. Daly and Abner Robbins, co-partners as John Ott & Co., were plaintiffs and R. M. Needham, R. B. Carey and J. P. Gearhart were defendants, one of said judgments being in favor of John Ott & Co. for the sum of One Hundred and Thirty-four and 22-100 dollars with 6 per cent interest from the 30th day of October, 1901, and Twenty-five dollars attorneys fees and Fifteen dollars costs, and one of said judgments being in favor of Deft. R. B. Carey and against Deft. R. M. Needham for the sum of One Hundred and Seven and 28-100 dollars with 6 per cent interest from October 31st, 1901, and Twenty-five dollars attorneys fees and Fifteen dollars costs, and both of the above described judgments being declared by said Court to lien upon the following described real property:

Starting at the north-west corner of the south-west quarter of the southeast quarter of Section twenty three, Township 29 South Range 35 E. W. M.; running thence 450 feet east, thence 26 1/2 degrees west of south 82 feet to the north-west corner of the land herein described for a beginning point, thence with said beginning on the west line of said premises 25 1/2 degrees, west of south 208.7 feet; thence 25 1/2 degrees south of east 208.7 feet; thence north 25 1/2 degrees east of north 208.7 feet; thence 25 1/2 degrees north of west 208.7 feet to the point of beginning. Containing one acre and situated in the south-east fourth of the south-east fourth of Section Twenty-three Township Twenty South Range Thirty-five E. W. M. in Harney County, Oregon, together with the one and one-half story house and other improvements situated on the above described premises.

Notice is hereby given that I will on Monday, the 20th day of January, 1902, at the front door of the Court House in the City of Burns, Harney County, Oregon, at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, sell all the right, title and interest of the said R. M. Needham of, in and to the above described property for U. S. Gold Coin in hand, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said judgments, together with interest attorney fees, costs and the costs of and upon this Execution.

Dated this 12th day of December, 1901. GEO. SHELLEY, Sheriff Harney County, Oregon. BY SAM MOTHERSHEAD, Deputy.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

The matter of the Estate of William Marrs, deceased. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed Administratrix with will annexed, of the estate of William Marrs, deceased, by order of the County Court, for Harney county, State of Oregon, made the 7th day of Jan. 1902. All persons having claims against the said estate shall present them, with the proper voucher, within six months from the date of this notice, at the law office of John G. Saxton, my attorney, Burns, Oregon.

Dated this 11th day of January 1902, MARTHA MARRS, Administratrix.

NOTICE.

Is hereby given to whom it may concern that by order of the County Court of the State of Oregon made and entered July 6th 1902 the undersigned was appointed administrator of the estate of Janie Sheperd dead, and all persons having claims against her estate are hereby notified to present the same to the undersigned at the residence of Walter Cross on Trout Creek in this county within six months of the date of this notice.

Dated at Burns, Oregon January 11th 1902. L. W. SHEPARD, Administrator.

Notice of Final Settlement.

Notice is hereby given that Thornton Williams, Administrator of the Estate of Jacob Lutz, deceased, has filed his Final Account or said Estate and that Wednesday, the 15th day of January, 1902, has by an order of the Honorable County Court of Harney County, Oregon, at the hour of 1 p m, been appointed as the time for the hearing of said Final Account and the Final Settlement of said Estate at the Court House in Burns, Oregon.

Therefore all creditors, heirs and persons interested in said Estate will take notice hereof and on or before the said day so appointed, appear and file objections, if any they have, to the allowance of said account.

To be published as by said order provided in The Times-Herald for four full weeks and five publications said order being date the 24 of Dec. 1901.

Dated December 2, 1901. THORNTON WILLIAMS, Administrator Estate of Jacob Lutz.

DESERT LAND, FINAL PROOF.

—NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. Land Office at Burns, Oregon, Jan. 4, 1902. Notice is hereby given that Mary E. Johnson, of Harney County, Oregon, has filed notice of intention to make proof on her desert land claim No. 34, for the said, SW 1/4, Sec. 23, T. 29 S., R. 35 E., W. M., before Register and Receiver at Burns, Oregon, on Saturday, the 8 day of February, 1902, and that the following witnesses to prove the complete irrigation and reclamation of said land, N. J. Shiloh, W. E. Johnson, and A. L. Vanderpool, all of Harney County, and J. T. Garrison, of Burns, Oregon, and W. H. Hayes, Register.

A New Ad for The CITIZENS BUSINESS COLLEGE ...AND... CORRESPONDENCE SCHOOL Will occupy this Space Next Issue.

THE CAPITAL SALOON, TRISCH & DONEGAN, Proprietors. Burns, Oregon. Make This Headquarters.

CITY MEAT MARKET P. G. SMITH, Proprietor. Burns, Oregon. Fresh Beef Pork etc. in any quantity desired. Head Cheese Bologna and Sausage of all kinds always on hand Your patronage solicited.

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HOTEL ONTARIO... FRANK SMITH Proprietor, ONTARIO, OR. The Largest Hotel building in Malheur County. Best equipped, best managed and most popular hostelry in Eastern Oregon. HEADQUARTERS FOR HARNEY COUNTY PEOPLE. First-Class Bar in Connection.

Harry C. Smith, Contractor and Builder. BURNS, OREGON. Draws plan, makes estimates, etc. Buildings put up within the amount of figures given in estimates. Satisfaction guaranteed. My Specialties are Brick Laying and Plastering. Brick and lime always on hand at the yard. Residence Hanley house.

RESERVED FOR MILLER & THOMPSON. They will have something to say next week.

Now that the spring season is on us we naturally turn toward looking after our machinery and see what is needed for the season's work. We wish to announce at this time that we have Wagons, Buggies, Mowers, Hay Rakes, Twines, Binders, etc., and are sole agents for Dain Trucks. You should profit by this windy weather and buy a Windmill from us. Call and examine goods, get prices and terms. We can save you money. Seer & Cummins

White Front Livery, Feed & Sale STABLE. McClain & Birge Proprietors. Burns, Oregon. This Stable is located on the corner of First and B Streets, and keeps hay and grain on hand. Has competent help. Runs a Job Wagon, Takes passengers to any part of the Country.