

The Times-Herald cannot take the credit for the article referred to by Col. John P. Irish in a communication on our first page. The whole should have been credited to the Evening Capital News and was credited at the bottom instead of the first of the article. However, we are glad he has given his views on the land leasing question, as our readers were curious to know if the supporters had any new argument in its favor.

We have not the honor of knowing Col. Irish personally but find since investigating that the "personal characterizations" to which he refers fit well. It seems his character is like the land lease bill—won't bear investigation.

The gentleman has had the same opportunity to read the many articles in this great religious weekly on land leasing as the one he refers to and what seems strange is that he did not answer some of the hundreds of questions and arguments against the proposed measure. We do not "prefer personalities to a discussion of the question" and our files will bear us out in the statement.

How much of the six-hundred million acres of public domain west of the Missouri river is actually grazing land? Col. Irish assumes that all vacant public land is grazing; he does not make allowance for the extremely arid sections, thousands of acres which would not keep a jackrabbit alive; the rocky hills, the alkali deserts, the vast regions that are inaccessible on account of the great distance to water. Will statistics bear him out in his figures on Texas? Please refer to the census report.

What is to become of the thousands of settlers who have filed homesteads and desert entries and not yet proved up? These settlers have stock, but under the provisions of the bill would not be entitled to a leasehold. Would they be shut out?

How is the reclamation going to be accomplished without fencing? If the stock is allowed to roam at will they will naturally stay near watering places. Would fencing be profitable for the small stockman? Read Mr. Fenwick's article in a recent issue.

Is Col. Irish in the stock business, and if he is disinterested why is it that the Cattle-Growers' Association publishes his speech in pamphlet form and sends it out from Washington like he was a congressman or amounted to something? It is a well known fact that he is a paid lobbyist in their employ.

If land leasing is such a good thing why don't the small stockmen of Oregon clamor for it and ask their representatives in congress to get it for them? Why don't their local and state papers advocate it? How does it happen that the political organizations of this state have passed resolutions condemning the proposed measure? Was not Representative Moody turned down on account of his "milk and water" stand on this one proposition? See the editorial comment of the state press. Was it not state legislation that stopped the trailing of sheep eastward in 1900 and cannot state legislation stop the roving bands or migratory sheep in the same manner?

Is it not a fact that the object of this proposed measure is for the purpose of destroying completely one great industry to build up another?

The Times-Herald would be pleased to hear from Col. Irish, F. C. Lusk or anyone else on this matter. They can have many more questions on the same line if they desire to discuss them.

W. O. White has completed the plans for the proposed city hall and has interviewed almost all of our business men in regard to the best plan for putting up

the building. He found most of them favorable to bonding the city for \$8,000 and owning the building instead of a joint-stock company. The plans call for a building of stone and brick, to cover all the lot except that occupied by the bell tower. It is suggested that the building be made the full size of the lot 50x100 feet and the bell be placed over the engine house. We need the building and its up to the property owners to devise ways and means. If a city hall is to be built this season there is no time to be lost.

The Lakeview Examiner says that the Indians at that place who were quarantined for smallpox had made their escape and headed for Warner Valley. It is possible they will come on to this county and we caution our citizens to look out for them. This section has been very fortunate and so far has escaped the terrible disease. By using the proper diligence we will remain free. The authorities at Lakeview must feel good over the escape.

We wish to impress upon the minds of the voters that they must register in order to take part in the election in June. If you are registered you can vote the democratic ticket and place the best set of officers ever before the people in power.

If other counties in Eastern Oregon had one-half the fight in them that Harney has, the land leasing bill would be put so far "under the table" it could never be resurrected. Harney county has led the fight from the start.

Republican Convention No. 2.

A large number of delegates have arrived to attend the second republican county convention. A caucus was held last night, but what was accomplished we are unable to say. Those attending are not very talkative, but we understand the proposition of nominating the same ticket put up March 26th had nothing to do with the matter under discussion. While it is certain there will be opposition to such a step, a majority of the delegates favor such action and beyond a doubt the same ticket will be nominated. We may be able to give the ticket in full if the work is accomplished early enough.

Harney Locals.

Mr. Sam Gould started for the railroad last Thursday to bring in an eight-horse load of goods for Mr. Brown of Burns.

Bert Bower, who was elected a member of the second congressional committee, and the other delegates sent to Portland from Harney county by the republicans returned this week.

Mr. E. Cays, who started to the railroad last Sunday, left the Harney Hotel in charge of his sister-in-law, Mrs. Cays.

Mr. A. K. Richardson is at Portland this week attending the democratic state convention and transacting other business.

Mrs. A. K. Richardson, who had twenty-four teeth extracted last week, has just received a temporary set which she is using under difficulties.

At this writing a great many of our people, especially the children, are suffering with severe colds.

Messrs. Cays, Pool and Crawford started with heavy freight wagons to the railroad last Saturday.

Mr. William Hanley was shaking hands with his friends in Harney last week.

Mrs. Alice Graham, a former teacher of this place, passed through here this week on her way to Burns.

Mr. Win Russell has just moved to his Canyon home where he expects to sow grain.

Mr. Robt. Irving, his wife and daughter, Stella, were in Burns this week having teeth extracted.

Coas. Rand and family are now occupying the house lately owned by Robt. Everett. The latter's family has moved to the Russell property in west Harney.

DEMOCRATIC STATE TICKET.

The telephone line seems in poor working order today and our reports from the democratic state convention are somewhat meager. However we are able to give the ticket nominated:

For governor, Geo. E. Chamberlain of Multnomah county; U. S. Senator, C. E. S. Wood of Multnomah; supreme judge, B. S. Bonham of Linn; secretary of state, H. W. Sears of Polk; state treasurer, Henry Blackman, of Morrow; Attorney General J. H. Riley, of Umatilla; state printer J. H. Godfrey, of Marion; supt of public instruction, W. A. Wann of—; congressman for this district W. F. Butcher of Baker; congressman for first district, J. K. Weatherford of Linn; joint senator Harney, Malheur and Baker, Wm Smith of Baker; joint representative Harney and Malheur E. H. Test, of Ontario. No further particulars.

Necrosis Happenings.

Mr. S. S. Litchfield, who is traveling for Levi Strauss of San Francisco, was here this week. Mr. Litchfield says he enjoyed his trip very much and will be back again this summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Allen and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Catlow passed through our town on their way home last Friday. Tom and Ed both seemed very happy.

Mr. John E. Harper has been quite ill at his home for the past week.

E. T. Haley is again driving the Burns-Diamond stage. Pete is the real thing for a stage driver, and understands his business.

Mr. D. L. Shirk, who has been visiting Burns for the past few days, stopped over night with us, leaving Friday morning for his home in Catlow valley.

Mr. Fred Blundell, who has been making his home in and about Diamond for the past two years, left Thursday for Idaho, where he will make his future home.

Mrs. Warren Curtis arrived home from Burns Thursday.

Mrs. J. L. Henbree left Monday for Lawen, from where she will go to Portland to join her husband. Mr. and Mrs. Henbree will make their home in Portland this coming summer.

Miss Mint Simmons is visiting her sister, Mrs. Jeff Crawford, of Happy valley.

Mr. Maupin, ditch boss for the F G L S Co., will start work on the ditch, near Rock Ford, this week with fifteen men.

Taylor Simmons of this place left a few days ago for the mountains, where he will be employed by P. C. Peterson as overseer this summer.

Henry Swant says he has the inside track of Willie Higgins. Don't get gay, Henry.

Mr. Jack Collins has quit the dredger and will cook for the ditch crew. Mart Headley of the Sod House will succeed Jack as cook on the dredger.

The boys were in from the Sod House last Sunday, among them the village blacksmith. The smithy says he has a kick coming, as he has no chestnut tree to stand under as in days of yore.

Mr. Charles McKenzie will leave in a few days for Catlow valley, where he will take charge of the Roaring Spring ranch for the F G L S Co.

William Corbell left Friday for Diamond valley.

James Simmons left for Sheep Camp the early part of the week.

Miss Julia Greely was a welcome visitor in our town last Thursday.

Mr. P. H. Ware and his brother Paul, accompanied by his mother and aunt, Miss Sarah Bailey, will leave soon for Idaho, where they make their future home. We will miss them when they are gone, but wish them joy and happiness in their new home.

Mr. Fred Cook will drive freight team for George Curtis the coming summer.

Manuel Clark of the P Ranch met with an accident last week, which resulted in the injury of one of his hands. Mr. Clark passed

through here Wednesday on his way to Burns for treatment.

Gust Hulbert was over from Warin Springs last week.

Mr. P. L. Dutcher will start for the railroad on the 18th inst.

County Court Proceedings.

The county court decided to give a reward of \$500 for the arrest and detention of Pat Moore, the murderer of George Simpson.

J. W. Crawford was appointed Justice of the Peace for Diamond precinct, to serve until his successor is elected.

T. J. Shield was appointed Justice of the Peace for Curry precinct, to serve until his successor is elected.

James Paul was appointed Justice of the Peace for Happy Valley precinct, to serve until his successor is elected.

Sam Hall was granted a liquor license for three months in Pueblo precinct.

The official bond of A. E. Brown, as stock inspector, in the sum of \$1000, with C. Cummins and P. G. Smith as sureties, was approved.

C. A. Haines and A. McKenzie were awarded the contract for grading Meander line road for the sum of \$2937.60.

F. Crowley was given the contract to build the approaches to the Lawen bridge.

The petition of J. H. and Dorcas N. Neal, to change the county road where it crosses their lands, was granted.

C. A. Burk of Wild Horse precinct was granted a liquor license for a period of three months.

W. E. Huston was given the contract to expert the books and accounts of the county for the year ending June 30, 1902, for the sum of \$150.

J. E. Johnson was awarded the contract to grade and build culverts on parts of the county road, as follows: Road leading south from Harney for \$1945; Howser lane, \$565; road near Mrs. Emerson's, \$560; road east from Lawen, \$675.

It appearing that the assessments of the south half of south half, section 27, township 33 south, range 34 to Mrs. F. A. Wilson was erroneous, and that the said land belonged to the J. S. Devine estate, it was ordered that upon receipt of the taxes for 1895, \$661, which included cost, a quit claim deed to the property be made to the present owner, Jennie Devine. The scalps counted and destroyed numbered 2033.

L. G. Ross was accepted as a county charge from February 27th.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

Notice is hereby given that by an order of the County Court of date March 26th the undersigned was appointed and has since duly qualified is now acting as Administrator of the Estate of Joseph Warren Curtis deceased. All persons having claims against the said Estate will therefore present them with the proper vouchers as by law required to me at the office of Attorney Thornton Williams at Burns, Oregon within 6 months from the expiration of the publication of this notice.

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JAMES F. MAHON

Administrator

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NOTICE.

The co-partnership heretofore existing between James Colwell and C. W. Hays, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent.

C. W. HAYS, JAMES COLWELL, Burns, Ore., March 31, 1902.

Petition for Liquor License.

To the Honorable County Court of Harney county, State of Oregon.

We the undersigned legal voters of the precinct of Saddle Butte 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 May 1902.

S. E. Jameson, J. L. Siz, D. L. Roen, R. R. Siz, N. O. Oard, P. F. Holiz, N. S. Oard, G. E. Parker, Wm. Egbert, Ben Jordan, J. C. Gray, I. P. Cochran, John Carey, G. W. Clark, Ira Clark, Ed Silver, R. Brookhouse, Ed Jordan, J. A. Oard, J. W. Kelo, P. L. Oard, J. T. Oard, John Jordan, J. H. Jordan, D. W. Jordan, M. V. Smith.

Notice is hereby given that on Friday the 9th day of May, 1902, we will apply to the above entitled court for said license as specified in this petition.

N. J. LEWIS & CO.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR. Land Office at Burns, Oregon, April 13, 1902. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver at Burns, Oregon, on May 2nd, 1902, viz: John G. Ryd, H. E. No. 124 for the SE 1/4 of Sec. 28, T. 33, S. 34, R. 34, W. 34. This notice the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: W. C. Ryd, A. L. Hunter, Frank Hoffmann, John Ryd and V. J. Hoffmann, all of Burns, Oregon.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Land Office at Burns, Oregon, April 7, 1902. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver at Burns, Oregon, on May 2nd, 1902, viz: John F. Chandler, of Riley, Oregon, the SE 1/4 of Sec. 14, T. 33, S. 34, R. 34, W. 34. This notice the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: P. M. Chenevix, of Riley, Oregon, O. B. Howe, Richard King and Le Roy Chenevix, all of Burns, Oregon.

DESERT LAND, FINAL PROOF.

Land Office at Burns, Oregon, March 4, 1902. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver at Burns, Oregon, on May 2nd, 1902, viz: H. E. No. 124 for the SE 1/4 of Sec. 28, T. 33, S. 34, R. 34, W. 34. This notice the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: W. C. Ryd, A. L. Hunter, Frank Hoffmann, John Ryd and V. J. Hoffmann, all of Burns, Oregon.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Land Office at Burns, Oregon, March 17, 1902. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver at Burns, Oregon, on May 2nd, 1902, viz: H. E. No. 124 for the SE 1/4 of Sec. 28, T. 33, S. 34, R. 34, W. 34. This notice the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: W. C. Ryd, A. L. Hunter, Frank Hoffmann, John Ryd and V. J. Hoffmann, all of Burns, Oregon.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Land Office at Burns, Oregon, Feb. 19, 1902. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver at Burns, Oregon, on May 2nd, 1902, viz: H. E. No. 124 for the SE 1/4 of Sec. 28, T. 33, S. 34, R. 34, W. 34. This notice the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: W. C. Ryd, A. L. Hunter, Frank Hoffmann, John Ryd and V. J. Hoffmann, all of Burns, Oregon.

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