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A MAN'S TOWN.

The Astoria Budget has the following very good suggestions with reference to town patriotism:

Next to a man's family, his personal friends and his business, nothing should arouse his energies in its behalf more thoroughly than the town in which he lives. It is his home. It is the place in which he earns his competence and educates his family.

If a town is worth anything it is worthy of our greatest energy, whether we receive an immediate dividend in dollars and cents or whether we merely take our share of the common benefits according to the town and community we call home.

The Oregonian in a recent issue states that the stock conditions of the interior were deplorable and that in Harney County loss in some instances would reach 70 per cent.

According to the advice of horticulturists we should not fail to spray our fruit trees and shrubs this month. They claim it is an absolute necessity as they are all more or less infested.

It looks to us as if residence is the essential part. What would become of a new section if the large majority of entrymen were living out of it?

The Jordan Valley Express reports railroad surveyors quite active in that section. This is the road out from Caldwell toward Winnemucca and will traverse the southern part of this county.

New Spring Samples A Magnificent Line to Choose from Ladies and Gents Furnishings and have the latest and best styles in stock Call and look over our fine display SCHENK BROS. THE MERCHANT TAILORS AND OUTFITTERS Burns, Oregon Odd Fellows' Building

would be to give the holders a chance to speculate. The tracts or claims would not be homesteads, in the full meaning of the word, but speculative opportunities. There are about 100 men in Woodburn whom the passage of this bill would please. They prefer to remain in this city, but are anxious for homesteads, and such a snap as Senator Bourne proposes would be eagerly seized by them.

Because of the prospective cut in the Federal appropriation for special investigations of land affairs, the local staff of special agents is already being reduced. The number of men lopped off the payroll is variously stated to be from five to nine. Other deprivations are probable when it is learned exactly what the available funds are to be, as is understood that a cut of 50 per cent is to be made in this class of work, and it is natural to assume that Oregon's reduction in special agents will be in the same proportion.

TELEPHONE LINE SOLD.

The Union Telephone & Telegraph Co. yesterday acquired the lines from Lawen south formerly belonging to the Eastern Oregon Telephone & Telegraph Co.

This line was promoted by M. L. Lewis and associates some time ago and was to be made a

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part of a system that would cover a wide territory in the interior. Mr. Lewis now owns the line from Burns to Buck Creek, the Union people owning all other lines in the county aside from that east from Harney.

DAVEY WILL NOT ACCEPT.

TO THE EDITOR:—Pursuant to promise last evening I want to give a final answer on the matter of city politics. I wish to thank the friends who nominated me for Mayor of Burns, but upon mature consideration I find it impossible to stand as a candidate and do justice to other duties that cannot be shirked. Whoever is elected Mayor will have my hearty support for a progressive city.

FRANK DAVEY.

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Job printing—The Times-Herald

THE CITY ELECTION.

Several petitions for the nominations to various offices to be filled at the city election next Tuesday have been circulated during the past week and more interest has been shown.

A mass meeting was held at the court house yesterday evening and some 50 voters were present. It was called hurriedly and no program was mapped out in advance, therefore a free discussion followed with no slate. Hon. Frank Davey called the meeting to order and he was made permanent chairman without opposition. C. H. Leonard was chosen secretary. Mr. Davey, Mr. Irwin and others spoke of the necessity of securing good, conservative men for the coming year and the urgent need of a vigorous campaign of cleaning up. It was thought the incoming administration should look particularly into the possibility of water works and sewerage and likely take preliminary steps toward installing such a system.

It seems a large majority do not desire office in the city as when the nominations for councilmen were proposed several of the men named declined most emphatically to be considered. Ike Schwartz and Simon Lewis were the choice of a large majority of those present for councilmen on the first ballot but each

stated it would be impossible for them to serve if elected. These statements were not permitted before the ballot was taken, therefore another ballot was necessary which resulted in Geo. W. Young and Dell Dibble being nominated. W. C. Byrd was the choice of a majority for recorder and J. C. Welcome Jr. had no opposition for treasurer. R. L. Haines was the choice of the meeting for marshal.

A visit to the Recorder's office this morning shows the following petitions for the various offices on file: For Mayor, G. W. Clevenger; Councilmen, Geo. Young and Dell Dibble; recorder, Platt T. Randall, M. L. Lewis, W. C. Byrd; marshal, R. L. Haines, Joseph Lupton, Harry Spry, M. F. Williams; treasurer, J. C. Welcome Jr.

It is quite likely some of these names will be withdrawn before the ballots are printed and it is also quite probable that other names will be added for councilmen and probably mayor.

THE PARTING OF THE WAYS.

Change is the universal law of nature.

Time was, and not so far distant, when our hill tops were crowned with forests, unscathed by the ruthless ax, and the towering pines gazed on the pristine loveliness of our valleys with nought of man's handiwork to obstruct the view.

The antelope grazed on the succulent grasses and drank from the limpid streams. Lo, the Indian was monarch of all he surveyed. Then came the white man; perhaps in quest of gold; but the luxuriant grasses of Harney Valley stayed his steps, and as he loitered, the temptation to remain became too great to withstand. The plains were soon dotted with cattle; houses appeared here and there, and the ranchman living like a feudal baron, counted his stock by the thousand and his retainers by the score. Then came the homesteader with barbed wire cutting up the range and enclosing the springs. Now, with the near advent of the railroad, another great change is impending and Southern Oregon, the last bulwark of the Frontier, must prepare to embrace the conditions that obtain in the effete East. We may regret the change, we may sigh for the conditions that were

but the Westerner never looks back; his slogan has ever been FORWARD. The sentimental must give way to the practical. The large influx of settlers is a sure index of a change, and it is the duty of each one of us to lead the van in this march of progress. The Busy Corner Store will do its part. Mr. Schwartz ever mindful of the welfare of his patrons, has ordered the largest and finest stock of goods for Spring delivery that he has ever had; a stock commensurate with the rapid growth of Harney county in population and culture. These goods will arrive as soon as the roads are open, and room must and shall be made for them. The shelves of The Busy Corner Store are going to look as though a cyclone had struck them. Read the advertisement of The Busy Corner Store every week and learn how it will be done.

A SUICIDE NEAR WAVERLY.

Last Thursday a 'phone message from Waverly announced that Charles Hagerman, a homesteader near there, had been found dead in his bed and indications pointed to a case of suicide as there was blood on the bed clothes, a pistol lying near and also a pocket knife on the table covered with blood.

Coroner Geary went out to investigate and it was found to be a case of suicide. The man had slashed himself in the body with a knife but apparently did not bleed to death and had later shot himself twice.

Hagerman lived alone and according to neighbors had been acting queer for some time. They feared his mind was not right. He was a man about 70 years old and was supposed to have considerable money out on interest.

They found his watch and some silver in the stove and suppose he had burned his papers and other valuables but the watch and silver were not destroyed.

Dr. Geary left there this morning for Burns and the body is being brought in. We could not get in communication with the Doctor this morning to get any particulars and the above information was secured from other sources.

COUNTY COURT PROCEEDINGS.

The regular March term of County Court adjourned yesterday evening. The following business was transacted: L. M. Hamilton road ordered surveyed.

Assessor allowed \$300 for a deputy.

M. Horton granted a liquor license for six months.

John Osborn family appropriated \$50 for the month of March.

Frank Michaels family given \$30 a month for two months.

Hugh Harris was appointed janitor at the court house for this season.

Road district no. 1 was given \$600 for road work.

Harney county fair was given an appropriation of \$500 for this year. The county made a like appropriation for the 1909 fair but the money was not used, the association having sufficient funds to pay all premium awards without drawing on the county fund.

NOTES FROM SUNSET.

—ANANIAS— B. F. Riggs of Narrows was circulating among friends in Sunset the first of the week.

Ben Tone, one of the jolly boys from the P Ranch, passed through the valley Tuesday on his way to New York to consult a specialist, his health not having been good for some time.

On Monday Henry Luig moved about 400 head of cattle over to Mr. Blackmer's pasture and on Wednesday he brought a crew of men over and turned them out into the country south of Dog Mountain. It is reported that the snow is all gone in that locality.

There is plenty of water here now. As one of the new comers said while out wading in the water trying to locate his corners: "You can call this dry farming if you want to."

Some of the children have been unable to attend school on account of high water.

Bob Settlemire has been hauling lumber the past week with which to do some improving on his ranch.

Clarence Harmer is hauling lumber to the J. D. Stewart place. It is reported that a man of family has secured this place and will move there immediately.

The grade on the north side of

Wrights Point is in bad shape on account of the melting snow.

The stage has been compelled to change the sleigh for the hack between Burns and Narrows as the snow is nearly all gone.

The following Sunsetters attended the masquerade ball at Narrows last week: Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Dawson, Mr. and Mrs. I. S. Tyler, Porter Nash, Jim Reed, Fred and Ray Barron and Clyde and Van Embree.

By special request we mention that Charley Wade, foreman at the Sod House ranch, was present at the Narrows dance on the 22nd of February and never took a drink. How strange.

Lee Carpenter has moved his mother up to her homestead. They are prepared to make a permanent residence here.

CONTEST NOTICE.

CONTEST NO. 10. UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, Burns, Oregon, February 15, 1910. A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by U. L. Love, contestant, against Homestead Entry, No. 1247, made December 21, 1897, Serial No. 6246, for 1/4 Sec. 20, Township 27 South, Range 20 East, Willamette Meridian, by John W. Patterson, Santeee to which it is alleged that said John W. Patterson has wholly abandoned said entry for more than six months last past and has changed his residence therefrom continuously for a longer period of time, and his present whereabouts is so unknown that said entry is hereby notified to appear, respond, and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock a. m. on April 15th, before the Register and Receiver at the United States Land Office in Burns, Oregon.

The said contestant having in proper affidavit, filed February 15, 1910, 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.

W. W. FARRER, Register.

Clyde Embree was up from Sunset Monday and stated he was looking for his mother and sister up from Dallas on a visit, but they had not arrived on the date he expected. His father sold his home near Dallas and contemplated moving to Harney county, but has since changed his mind and is building in Dallas.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, Burns, Oregon, February 15, 1910. Notice is hereby given that the State of Oregon has filed in this office its application Serial No. 6246 to sell, under the provisions of the Act of Congress, Approved August 15, 1896, and acts supplemental and amendatory thereto, the

LANDS, S.W. 1/4, Sec. 24, T. 26 N., and Lot 10, sec. 2, T. 27 N., R. 20 E., W. M., both of Malheur Lake.

And all persons claiming adversely the lands described, or desiring to object because of the nature of the tract, and, or for any other reason, to the disposal of said lands, should file their affidavits of protest in this office on or before the expiration of the period of publication.

W. W. FARRER, Register. First publication, February 15, 1910. Last publication, March 19, 1910.

CONTEST NOTICE.

CONTEST NO. 7. UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, Burns, Oregon, February 10, 1910. A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by A. M. Nelson, contestant against Desert Land Entry, No. 6190, made December 10, 1908, for 1/4 Sec. 17, Township 20 South, Range 10 East, Willamette Meridian, by Edward M. Platt, Contestee, in which it is alleged that said Edward M. Platt has failed to make annual proof of expenditure of any amount for improvement and reclamation of said land, and the same has been wholly abandoned by him, said entry is hereby notified to appear, respond, and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock a. m. on March 25, 1910, before the Register and Receiver at the United States Land Office in Burns, Oregon.

The said contestant having in proper affidavit, filed February 10, 1910, 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.

W. W. FARRER, Register.

The OVERLAND HOTEL Burns, Oregon AGAIN UNDER OLD MANAGEMENT Afford the Best Accommodations to be had in Harney County CLEAN ROOMS, CLEAN LINEN, PALATABLE VICTUALS We are again in charge and will be pleased to see our old-time friends and customers—Come and see us. FRANK A. COLE AND WIFE

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COLONIST RATES to OREGON and the Great Northwest The management of the Oregon Railroad & Navigation Co. takes great pleasure in announcing that the low rate from Eastern cities, which have done so much in past seasons to stimulate travel to and settlement in Oregon, will prevail again this Spring DAILY from March 1 to April 15, inclusive. PEOPLES OF OREGON The railroads have done their part; now it's up to you. The colonist rate is the greatest of all home-builders. Do all you can to let Eastern people know about it, and encourage them to come here, where land is cheap and home-building easy and attractive. Fares can be Prepayed at home if desired Any agent of the road named is authorized to receive the required deposit and telegraph ticket to any point in the East. Remember the Rates—From Chicago \$33; from St. Louis, \$32; from Omaha and Kansas City, \$25. This reduction is proportionate from all other cities. WM. McMURRAY, General Passenger Agent, Portland, Oregon