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One Year..... \$3.00
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JULIAN HYRD - - - - - Manager

"THE PROMISED LAND."

R. G. Callvert, a staff correspondent of the Oregonian who toured this section with Louis W. Hill's party, wrote his paper from the P. Ranch. Among the interesting things he said of this "Promised Land" as he calls it we take the following:

The topography of Blitzen valley and the country directly surrounding Burns, is adapted more to a north and south than east and west railroad line, and it is Wm. Hanley's idea that the country could best be served and a railroad profit most by the construction of a line from Winnemucca, Nev., northward through the center of the state and down the John Day river. Either this plan will be followed or branch lines built from an east and west line that will pass south of Burns and north of the Blitzen Valley. That the Hill system will build an east and west line is almost beyond question. Mr. Hill told the people of Burns that their building into the country was up to Mr. Hanley, their representative in this district, and that he did not think Mr. Hanley would go back on his home town. Oregon Trunk Line surveyors have been working eastward from Bend for several months and another party has been working westward from Ontario and is now in the vicinity of Malheur Lake.

The possibilities of the country with railroad development are almost bewildering and the wonder is that it was not served by railroad transportation years ago.

Now tributary to Burns in the Silver Creek and Harney Valleys are 500,000 acres of tillable lands, most of which may be irrigated. Four miles from Burns is the Hanley home ranch, which is typical of the country. In the home ranch there are 9000 acres on which nothing is grown but wild hay. This land has abundant moisture and produces about one ton of hay to the acre annually. It would grow immense crops of wheat or alfalfa, but now the productive qualities of the soil are devoted only to that which can be fed to stock. With no rail transportation there is no inducement to the ranchers to grow much of anything that cannot be driven out of the country on foot. It is a typical country, with cattle, sheep and horses ranging on the mountains and hills in the summer and wintering on the hay and grass in the valleys. Some of the ranchers have put out small orchards and are producing for home consumption apples, plums and apricots. Others are growing wheat and oats in limited quantities, selling what is not fed to stock to the grist mill at Burns.

The valleys have a kind of natural irrigation as a rule, which in the meadow lands is more or less of a spring overflow. Yet experiments that have been made with alfalfa on lands not subject to overflow have brought unexpected returns. In the draws and valleys in the surrounding mountains the establishment of storage reservoirs is possible and hundreds of thousands of acres

of land can be made to produce uniformly bounteous crops. Private enterprise is now engaged in surveys on Silver Creek and plans are under way for the watering of 60,000 acres in that district in the near future.

South and west of Harney and Blitzen River valleys are areas of Government land which may be taken under the 320-acre dry land homestead act. In plats prepared by the Burns Commercial Club are shown 50 townships of this land in Harney County that are open to entry, and there are 40 more townships in the vicinity that are unsurveyed. Of this 2,000,000 acres, approximately one-half is tillable land, while the balance is good bunch grass grazing land. Burns residents say this land will produce 25 bushels of wheat to the acre.

In the dry farming districts the soil is not quite so well adapted to the conservation of moisture as that of Sherman, Gilliam and Morrow counties, according to tests made at the Oregon Experiment Station at Corvallis, having more sand in the composition, but the average annual precipitation is probably a little greater. For four years ending December 31, 1907, the annual rainfall in Harney County was 12.4 inches.

The county, like other sections of Eastern Oregon suffered a partial drouth in 1908 and the early part of 1909, but this year the rainfall has been unusually heavy. The average rainfall is considered ample for dry farming where proper methods of cultivation are followed.

In the northern part of Eastern Oregon ten inches is declared to be sufficient to produce annual crops when rotation and scientific moisture conservation are adopted. There is apparently no reason why the table lands of Harney county should not deliver as good results with more than 12 inches of rainfall annually.

Descending Buck Mountain the first view of the Burns country is obtained. Silver Valley is spread out below with here and there a comparatively small cultivated area. Here lies 160,000 acres of the 500,000 that can be irrigated in the Burns country and down the valley it is a gentle fall to the seeming illimitable Harney Valley. As William Hanley says, "It is a big country and won't run out."

Burns is now a town of perhaps 1500 population. Entering it the first thing that strikes the attention is the number of windmills. Apparently nearly every home draws water from wells operated by mills and as a matter of fact there are more than 100 in the town.

Burns is now developing in a substantial way. Thirty thousand dollars of \$50,000 that will be expended on a new stone hotel building has been subscribed. This year the Masons will erect a \$20,000 stone temple, and a large mercantile establishment to be of stone is also under construction. Burns is the trading center of all the great stock country described. When development comes it will not only be in the subdividing of the big ranches but in the sale and cultivation of the land in the Willamette Valley and Cascade Mountain road grant. Ir Harney County this company owns 247,938 acres. Burns with its present start will probably remain the trading and distributing center and there is ample ground for believing that it will become a great and substantial

city, although in a country of such great extent and resources cities now unthought of will spring up with the upbuilding and development of the Interior Empire.

LOCAL OVERFLOW.

Cremona—the children cry for it. Tom Allen was in from the P. Ranch this week for a few days.

WANTED—Girl to do general house work for small family. Good wages. Inquire at this office.

Cortes Elliott and wife left here early last week for Portland and coast points to be absent an indefinite time.

Phil Smith's big Black Percheron stallion arrived this week and has been much admired by lovers of horseflesh.

Hole Proof hosiery, is the best made. We are the Burns Agents and have a large line. The Busy Corner Store. I. Schwartz, Prop.

L. H. Van Dorn and J. A. Maddux are in the city today making the final transfer of the recent real deal whereby Mr. Van Dorn purchased the holdings of Mr. Maddux near Windy Point.

I have re-opened the Red Front Barn and will run as a feed stable only. I am going to take the best of care of horses and make my charges as reasonable as possible. My men will have nothing to do but care for your teams and I am going to see that it is done. I will appreciate a share of your patronage and will strive to please.

M. L. LEWIS.

Mrs. L. M. Brown and two little sons, Miss Mary Godfrey and Miss Lelia Egli left Thursday morning in Frank Dibble's auto and reached Dixie before the Sumpter Valley train arrived at noon. Mrs. Brown goes to San Francisco for a visit to her mother, Miss Godfrey to spend the vacation period with her mother in Portland and Miss Egli for an extended visit with relatives at Eugene and other points.

DISSOLUTION NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the co-partnership heretofore existing between V. C. Gibson and W. W. Drinkwater has been dissolved. Mr. Drinkwater has purchased his former partner's interest in the blacksmith shop and will pay all outstanding debts of the firm and also collect all bills.

V. C. GIBSON
W. W. DRINKWATER

CONTEST NOTICE.

A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by Albert Gibson, contestant, against Homestead Entry No. 302, made under the provisions of the Act of Congress, approved August 14, 1862, and amended thereto, in Section 22, Township 22 South, Range 25 East, Willamette Meridian, in which it is alleged that said Albert Gibson has wholly abandoned said land for more than six months last past, and other evidence tending to show that said land is in the hands of the United States Land Office in Burns, Oregon.

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Good morning! Did you have Cremona for breakfast?

If you want to make a trade, sell your relinquishment for other property the Inland Empire Realty Co. will be of great assistance to you. They have sold others and can sell yours.

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REED BUILDING OPPOSITE, POST OFFICE
Twelfth Night, No. 41906
TRIAL RECORD 2:11-1-4
Sire of Night of Strathmore 2:11 3-4; Mark Night 2:10 1/2
Sired by Onward 2:25 1/4. Sire of Onward Silver 2:05 1/4; Pearl Onward 2:06 1/4; Bonetta 2:06 3-4; Gazetta 2:07 1/4; Platons 2:07 1/4; Colburn 2:07 1/4; Miss Ophelia 2:09 1/4; Major Mason 2:09 1/4; Col. Thornton 2:09 1/4; Carnella Belle 2:10 and 191 others with records below 2:30.
Dam: Miss Reta 3:08 3-4; Dam of Leslie Allen 2:15 1/4; Phebe Thorn 2:24; Miss Aurelia 2:24 1/4; Alice W. Lewis 2:24 3-4 and Alma Seebly with a two-year-old record of 2:20 3-4.
Onward is by Geo. Wilkes. Miss Reta by J. J. Audahon, sire of Audahon Boy 1:50 1/4. J. J. Audahon is by Alcayona, he by Theo. Wilkes.
Have enough mares booked to warrant the keeping of Twelfth Night at home and will stand him at Harriman, Oregon for the season of 1910. Fee \$30 with return privileges if mare proves not in foal; mares pastured and cared for free of charge. For particulars write
H. DENMAN, Harriman, Oregon

The Standard Bred Stallion
PROGRESS
Trial 2:20
Will stand season of 1910
ELLIOTT BARN, Burns, Ore
PROGRESS, No. 41459, is a magnificent bay standing 16 hands high. Sired by Diablo, 1:49 1/4; sired by Sir Albert 2:03 1/4; Sir John 2:04 1/4; Clipper 2:06; Diabolita 2:35 1/4; 9 others in less than 2:10, and 11 others better than 2:25. Dam Remember Me, by Waldstein, 1:56 1/4.
Bertha, grandmother of Progress, is the mother of 19 colts all in the list. The Limit, her 16th colt, was sold as a green pacer at \$10,000. In his three-year old form he made a record of 2:10.
Terms: \$15, 20, 25
GEO. D. HACEY, Burns, Ore.

SIDNEY WILKES, 2:41
Sire Marvin Wilkes 2:12 1/2 who trotted 3 heats in one afternoon in better than 2:09 and sold and shipped to Australia and is now the champion race colt of his day in California.
Dam, Kitty B. 2:24 1/4 a stake winner and unbeaten as a two and three year old. She by Sidney 2:19 1/2, grandsire of Lou Dillon 1:58 1/4. Sidney Wilkes was very fast as a two year old and trotted 1 mile barefooted at a 2:40 gait. Last year with 60 days work he rec'd better than 2:40 and is the fastest trotting stallion in Harney County and will take a low record this year.
He is a dark brown 15 1/4 hands high weight 1200 lbs and a model harness horse.
Will make season 1910 at Fair Grounds, Burns, Oregon. For terms address,
Claude McGee, Burns, Oregon

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