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FALL TERM OF CIRCUIT COURT CONVENED MONDAY

Anjourned Session Was Held Last Week.

GRAND JURY FINDS NINE TRUE BILLS

Nutley Awarded \$376.50 Damages in Highway Right of Way Suit; One Criminal Case Tried.

The regular fall term of circuit court convened last Monday morning following an adjourned term of the previous week, during the time the grand jury was in session.

The report of the grand jury appears elsewhere in this issue, together with its recommendations to the county court for certain improvements and repairs at the court house. Circuit Judge Biggs supplemented these recommendations with a few remarks of approval.

Although the grand jury found nine true bills of indictment, but three of them have been placed upon the records, the others being against people who have not yet been served with a warrant or brought before the court.

The case of Harney county against Frank E. Nutley for right-of-way through his farm for the highway between here and Lawen was tried. The jury found damages for Mr. Nutley and we are informed this will be taken as a basis of settling such other disputes as are now pending of the same character. From the evidence it appears that Mr. Nutley was given a fair damage for the ground needed for the road. He was given \$376.50 damages.

Other suits disposed of during the week were:

I. M. Davis vs. W. T. Vanderveer—Red-deliver of personal property. The jury found a verdict for the defendant.

J. R. Jenkins vs. John Madriaga—Damages, was tried yesterday before a jury, which awarded plaintiff one dollar damages.

In the criminal cases: the State vs. N. H. Klein—Wanton injury to animals. The jury returned a verdict of guilty as charged and recommended mercy.

State vs. Elias and Martin Ramirez—Larceny of wagon wheels, rack and 1 1/2 cords of wood. Set for trial at the April term of court.

Another trespass case in which damages is asked is being tried today, that of H. H. Brown vs. Donald McCleod.

THE TIMES-HERALD SHARES ITS PROFITS

Staff Taken in on Efficiency Stimulating Basis; New Advertising Rate.

The Times-Herald has entered upon a profit sharing basis with its staff. This arrangement was made the first of the present month for the purpose of promoting the interests of the paper, giving the boys working on it such additional interest as to stimulate their efficiency. Whether there will be any profits to share is still speculative, as the boys were found in the past that the boys were better off than the business in some instances. However, we're going to try out the plan and believe it will result in a better paper. There is to be no change in the management—the same (nominal) boss retains the entire ownership of the plant. One new feature, though, is the increase of advertising rates effective with all new contracts from this date and old contracts upon renewal, all to be advanced by the first of the year. By carefully following the cost system and noting advanced prices on everything used in the printing office, including postage, it was found the plant could not continue under the old rates and take care of its obligations. An advance should have been made at a much earlier date, but it was anticipated that war prices would decrease almost immediately on the cessation of hostilities. The old rate was maintained with this thought in mind. As is commonly known, peace brought rather higher prices than lower, with the end not in sight.

Advertisers will be furnished with the new rates on application. Rates on local advertising, not carried under contract, will be increased in accordance with the new schedule on December first.

The management has an attractive proposition to put before local advertisers in the way of an annual contract, that is believed will be of mutual advantage.

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Photographs to Help Convict Omaha Mob Leaders



MAYOR E. P. SMITH



MOB APPEARING AT COURT HOUSE DEMANDING NEGRO

CENTRAL OREGON WILL BE OPENED TO OUTSIDE WORLD

Aim of State Chamber of Commerce.

BETTER FACILITIES IS OBJECT

Improvement in Mail Service and Transportation to Be Sought by Those Behind Undertaking.

Establish better mail service and transportation facilities for Central Oregon and bring the towns of Burns, Vale, Ontario, Herford, Unity and the Burnt River valley into closer contact with the outside world, says the Oregon Daily Journal in its issue of October 8th.

This is the most vital idea to be worked out during the next few months by the State Chamber of Commerce. Information of the conditions that exist in that section were related by F. S. Bramwell, vice president of the chamber, who returned from a tour of the state this week.

"Commercial clubs of Bend, Burns, Vale, Ontario and Unity have passed resolutions," says Bramwell, "asking for the establishment of mail routes. These resolutions have been sent to the fourth assistant postmaster general and the state chamber has pledged its support in the effort to obtain better service."

Mail Many Hours Late
"At Burns, for instance, I bought a Portland newspaper from an incoming stage only to find it was 48 hours old and that I had read the same paper at Bend the day before. This condition exists all over Central Oregon."

"It is the intention of the state chamber to push to a successful issue the establishment of new stage lines for mail service to these remote counties. We are trying to get a mail route established from Prairie City to Burns and also from Bend to Burns."

"The people of Burns have requested an extension of mail service out of Canyon City to reach them, and the town of Baker, believing that their neighbors should have better service, have taken up the fight also. Baker citizens propose a stage line to be run from their city."

"The Herford and Unity citizens have petitioned that a postal route be run from Baker to Unity by way of Herford."

Campaign Is Favored
Bramwell included Southern, Eastern and Central Oregon in his itinerary and says that all counties that he visited are in favor of the advertising campaign as proposed by the State Chamber of Commerce for the agricultural resources of the state but one.

"Oregon," said Bramwell, "has 1,000,000 acres of land under irrigation this year and contemplates over 1,400,000 additional acres. The state needs 1,000,000 more people and, although larger cities are congested, farming communities are suffering for lack of labor. In some cases great losses are occurring through labor shortage."

SILVER CREEK BOY MARRIED

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Williams were registered at the Hotel Levena last evening. This discloses a recent marriage for the first time to many of the friends of the contracting parties.

The fore part of this month Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Williams and their son Edgar went to Ontario. From that point the boy went over into Idaho where he met his bride. She was formerly Miss Bessie Haynes and was until a year ago a resident of the Silver creek country. Edgar and his bride have been enjoying a honeymoon trip to different points since and are now on their way home. They are receiving the best wishes of their many friends.



WHERE NEGRO WAS HANGED



MOB ABOUT BURNING NEGRO TO GRUESOME TO SHOW BODY

Old "John Lynch Law" has a new enemy. It is the camera. Omaha, Neb., mob leaders know this now. And when they are dragged before the court—a remarkable collection of photographs will be there—mute but convincing evidence of guilt. These great pictures are exclusive and the first from the Nebraska city where a negro was taken from the sheriff after a desperate fight, hanged, shot and burned; where the mayor was twice "strung" up in attempting to perform his duty and prevent it; where a new million and a half dollar court house was gutted by fire from torches of the mob, and over 50 persons wounded. Regular soldiers and martial law were necessary to restore order. Mayor Ed Smith was twice hauled out of the ground, but each time rescued by battling police and sent unconscious to a hospital.

Odd Fellows Grand Officers Here Thursday

The local Odd Fellows and Encampment members are looking forward to an official visit from the Grand Master and Grand Chief Patriarch of the order in this state on next Thursday night. These officers were expected last month, or rather the date was confused and it was announced they would pay their visit at that time.

M. R. Biggs, of Prineville, formerly a member of the local lodge, was elected Grand Warden at the last meeting of the grand lodge of the order. "Dick" has sent word that he will be over from Prineville to meet with the boys at the same time, thus making three of the highest officers of the order present in one evening, a distinction not often enjoyed by the order in such remote places.

Several candidates are in readiness for the visit and the degree team is grooming the "goat" preparatory to giving the new candidates a good show for their money.

CAPT. GOWAN HOME FROM G.A.R. MEETING

Visited Haunts of Boyhood Days on Eastern Trip.

Capt. A. W. Gowan arrived home this week from attending the national G. A. R. encampment at Columbus, Ohio. During his visit to the eastern states he took advantage of the opportunity to visit his old home and the haunts of his boyhood days. He spent some time with relatives in Pennsylvania, seeing there a sister whom he had not seen for more than 48 years. He reports having had a fine trip and an enjoyable vacation, traveling much during the time and viewing old places of former years. The Franklin and Oil City News-Herald has the following to say of the Captain's visit to that place:

After an absence of nearly half a century from this section of Pennsylvania, during which time he has retained vivid recollections of the days when the Civil War fever and the oil excitement were at their height, Captain A. W. Gowan, of Burns, Oregon, his hair a bit gray because of his age, has returned to Franklin for a few days and is the guest of Charles Glenn, a member of Mays Post, No. 220, G. A. R. The visitor's present home is at Burns, Oregon.

Neither had seen each other until August 1918, when at Portland, Oregon, during the Grand Encampment of the G. A. R., they happened to meet each other, and lost no time exchanging reminiscences of the days when both were members of Langdon's famous Battery M of the 1st U. S. Artillery during those stirring years of the war 1864-5.

At the time they enlisted they were residents of Crawford County. Mr. Gowan's home being at Cambridge Springs. So when both of the old veterans attended the Columbus encampment this year, Captain Gowan was determined to repay the visit of his comrade, and is now here for that purpose, exchanging reminiscences of a half a century and more ago.

"I can remember," he said today, "when I came here with my father, walking barefoot from Rockdale, in Crawford county, that we might see a man who was stopping at the old Ridgway house, where the Galena-Signal office building now stands. That was in May, 1861, and the town has changed a great deal since then."

Captain Gowan, as well as Mr. Glenn, enlisted in the Federal Army during the Civil War before either of them had reached their twenties.

Since going west the former has served a term in the Kansas legislature, helping pass the St. John's prohibition measure, and two terms in the Oregon house and senate, voting for prohibition resolutions there—a stand of which he feels proud.

Captain Gowan spoke last night at the regular meeting of the Sons of Veterans, and gave an address that was greatly appreciated by all those in attendance.

BURNS LIBRARY CLUB MEETS

By Miss Lula Hayes.

The opening meeting of the Burns Library club was held at the home of its worthy president, Mrs. W. E. Huston, on last Saturday afternoon.

About twenty members were present. More than a dozen applications for membership were presented, all of which were warmly received.

Business discussions occupied the greater part of the afternoon and plans for the coming year were made. Among other things decided upon, was that of making October 11th Tag Day, the purpose being to raise money to secure new books for the Burns Public Library.

Refreshments were served at the close of the meeting, Mrs. Frances Clark presiding at the tea table. This was one of the features of an altogether pleasant meeting.

The next meeting of the club will be held at the home of Mrs. John Biggs on October 18th.

PLAN FOR IRRIGATING 90,000 ACRES NEAR MALHEUR LAKE MADE

Henry L. Corbett of Portland Files Application for Water for that Purpose.

The irrigation of 90,000 acres of land adjoining Malheur lake on the south, involving an expenditure of approximately \$400,000, is contemplated in an application filed with State Engineer Copper Tuesday, by the Eastern Oregon Livestock company. The application, which was filed by Henry L. Corbett of Portland, covers the appropriation of 1125 second feet of water from Donner and Blitzen river and its tributaries in Harney county. Part of the land in the project is already under irrigation.—Oregon Daily Journal.

SUPREME COURT MANDATE ON IRRIGATION NEVER SENT DOWN

County Court Can Not Act Till Ordered.

PROJECT IS ONE IMPORTANT QUESTION

People Should Turn Their Attention to This Problem and Demand Action.

The mandate of the supreme court in its decision on the irrigation district matters appealed from this county has never been handed down for action by the lower court. It had been expected the county court would be in a position to take some action as early as its July term, but it was then delayed, pending the arrival of the mandate. Later it was said by supposedly well informed parties that the court was waiting until the arrival of the attorneys interested before taking the matter up. Yesterday a reporter consulted Judge Biggs of the circuit court as to why this matter had not been pushed, and it was learned the mandate had never been handed down, and that the county court could take no action until the circuit court ordered it.

The irrigation project is the one important matter before the people of this valley, and the one that must have first consideration. It was suggested that the matter be rushed through the supreme court in every possible manner that it might be brought to an issue as soon as practicable. Why is the delay? Why is it that these matters of such wide spread interest to the people have to drag along days and months and years with no apparent cause?

The people should turn their attention to this one big problem and demand action. They should brook no further delay. The country at large needs this big valley at work producing feed for stock and mankind and the government itself would be justified in taking a hand in the opening up of such a big territory of productive land. It could even finance such a scheme if it would let precedent go to the devil and get a little common sense mixed into its highfalutin way of doing business.

However, it is believed the cause of this delay is closer at home and is fostered by selfish interests who are taking the only active part in the game. If the people would once become aroused to their own best interests and stand together, they would likely get some action.

To Take Higher Masonic Degrees

A party consisting of Grover Jameson, Ernest Musick, Nollie F. Reed, Chas. M. Faulkner, V. G. Cozad and Fred Williams will leave this afternoon for Canyon City where they will attend a meeting of the Masonic chapter lodge. Some of these boys are while others are going along to be of what assistance they can in making the journey through the higher degrees of the order.

Other Masons may join the party tomorrow.

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