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## MILL SITE DEED PASSES; RAIL EXTENSION SOON

### Condemnation Suits Right of Way Remove Obstacles To Track Laying.

The deed for the Fred Herrick mill site at the Warm springs was placed on record the fore part of this week. It was understood that this was being put forward as a reason for delay in the development of the big timber concern in this vicinity, so now that this formality is completed it is expected that active work will begin on extension of the railroad from Crane and work begin on the mill site. Engineer Girard had informed local men that he had teams ready to begin work at the mill site as soon as the deed had passed.

W. B. Skogerson, engineer in charge of material for the Union Pacific, was up from Crane during the week and stated to inquirers that so far as his knowledge went they were ready to begin the construction of the line but that he was awaiting orders. It is understood the Fred Herrick Lumber Co. is to do the work but under the supervision of the Union Pacific. However, this is merely rumor and this paper does not give it as authentic.

The condemnation proceedings before the circuit court in some right of way cases are having attention this week and it is hoped that this may be the last obstruction to immediate work.

Men who should know have stated to groups of citizens in this city that the laying of rails will begin in the immediate future and there was no question but that the line would be completed to Burns before the first of July. This information, when verified, will mean that Burns will get busy toward giving a celebration here on the 4th of July that will surpass anything ever before attempted. The advent of a railroad into Burns will be an event in its history and the citizens are ready to make one to be remembered. This interior center, so long isolated from the outside world, will be host to the largest gathering of people ever within its gates at any time.

### VOTERS SHOULD REGISTER

The Times-Herald would call attention to voters to the fact that they must be registered before the 15th of this month in order to take part in the primary election on May 14. The registration books close 30 days prior to the date of the election. This should be kept in mind by voters who have neglected this necessity, especially in this matter called to the attention of the ladies who now enjoy the privilege of voting. Most of the men have registered but it is possible some of the ladies have overlooked this important matter and since they have some of their own sex up for preference in the primary it is likely they will take a greater interest in it.

### FRANK HOLDS HIS JOB

University of Oregon, Eugene, April 8, (Special.)—Frank Logan of Burns, has been reappointed sales manager of the Emerald, the student daily newspaper at the University of Oregon, by Leo Munly, manager of the paper. At the end of each term the business staff of the Emerald is reorganized, but Logan's work has been so satisfactory manager Munly has decided to keep him in his old position. He is a sophomore in the school of business administration and a member of the Phi Sigma Pi fraternity.

### WELCOMES DISPOSE OF ACREAGE

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Welcome have recently disposed of their eighty acre farm adjoining town, situated just below the Voegtly field, to Mrs. Anna Haines. The consideration was not given out but it involved considerable as this is a valuable tract of land besides the new home is modern and most conveniently arranged. We understand the Welcomes are to give possession of the property before the first of the coming month.

Chas. McPheters and Charley Culp have gone to Portland with two ear loads of fat cattle.

## Right of Way Suits Being Heard in Circuit Court.

The regular spring term of circuit court convened last Monday. Up to yesterday afternoon but two jury cases had been before the session, both condemnation cases in which the O. W. R. & N. Co found it necessary for right of way for railroad extension from Crane to Burns. The first case was against Frank Nutley in which the jury brought in a verdict for \$250 damages and valuation for the land. This was exactly the amount the railroad company had tendered as payment before the suit was started.

The second suit, in the hands of the jury at the time this is written Friday afternoon, was against R. L. Rasmussen. No verdict had been handed in up to the time this is put in type.

A few civil cases have had attention, some continued for service and for other reasons, some settled and dismissed, others passed pending settlement.

Laura McFadden was granted a divorce from Harold McFadden.

No criminal cases have been taken up. None of the indictments returned by the grand jury last week had been docketed at the time the records were examined at noon yesterday.

The trial of Joe Cavender charged with shooting R. L. Haines, has been set for next Tuesday morning when Judge Anderson of Baker will preside. It is understood James Henderson, accused of larceny of a steer, has also filed a motion for another judge, although no official record was found of this request, and that his trial will also be heard by Judge Anderson following the Cavender case.

In all likelihood the session will not hold longer than the trials above mentioned, as Judge Biggs will likely leave on Monday of next week.

### FORMER BURNS BOY WINS ORATORIAL CONTEST

With his original oration "One Step Forward," H. William McHose former Burns boy won the Southern Idaho Conference Oratorical Contest for the College of Idaho. The oration was a justification and an appreciation of the World Court as advocated by late Pres. Harding and Secretary Hughes. Mr. McHose treated it from a standpoint of international obligation and as a distinct step forward toward Peace for the United States as well. By virtue of his winning first place in oratory, the College of Idaho for the first time since 1911 won the Championship of the S. I. C.

This is the second victory that young McHose has been instrumental in bringing to the College this year. In the Conference Debate which was also on the World Court question the College affirmative won a two to one decision from Ricks College on the latter's home floor, a thing which has been done only twice in four years. Mr. McHose was the first speaker on this winning team. Besides his interest in forensic activities, he has taken an active part in the various musical productions of the year, taking a leading part in the sacred Cantata "The Crusaders" which was presented by the Glee Clubs early in the winter. As football manager for the 1924 season he has been successful in scheduling many games for the Coyote Gridders.

This season has been a very successful one for the College of Idaho so far. Our list of victories include S. I. C. football championship runners-up in basketball, a tie for the S. I. C. wrestling championship, and the S. I. C. championship in Declamation-Oration. Track and baseball prospects are brighter than for some years past. Baseball games have been scheduled with Idaho Tech, Albion Normal, Ricks College, and Gooding College. C of I entertains the Southern Idaho Interscholastic Trackmeet in Caldwell on May 10th besides the dual meet with Gooding the date of which has not yet been definitely settled. The Glee Clubs are now practicing faithfully for the presentation of the "Chocolate Soldier," the annual spring opera. Commencement is scheduled for June 4, 5, 6.

The Burns Power Company is adding new poles and making other improvements preparatory to giving service for a greater number of hours in the near future.

## HIGH SCHOOL TEAMS DEBATE BEFORE PUBLIC

### Young Men Make Favorable Appearance Before an Appreciative Audience.

The Harney County High school debating teams held a try-out at the Liberty Theatre last Tuesday evening. There was a good gathering of friends present to listen to the young men present their respective sides of the question under discussion. They handled the subject well and made a good appearance. Burns McGowan and Harry Loggan presented the affirmative side of the question and Edward Brown and Charles McConnell the negative. The latter were given the decision of the judges.

Sidney Hotchkiss, another high school boy presided at the meeting and in addition to the debate there were some musical numbers given by Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Eggleston and the high school glee club, as well as a trio rendered by three high school girls. The talent displayed at this entertainment was a credit to the institution and one that Harney county may well be proud. The young debaters are all manly in appearance, displayed excellent stage presence and showed they were able to compete with any that might be placed as opponents.

The two boys who held the affirmative side of the question left Wednesday afternoon, accompanied by Miss Walker of the faculty, for Union, Oregon, where they meet the debating team of that school. The successful team at this contest will be pitted against another team comprising the eastern Oregon section of high schools for the championship of eastern Oregon. This debate may be staged in Burns.

### ODD FELLOWS TO CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY

Harney Lodge and Sylvia Rebekah Lodge, I. O. O. F., have issued invitations to all members of the Order in this county to be present at the one hundred and fifth anniversary of the founding of the Order on April 26. There will be a banquet at 6 o'clock in the lodge rooms where all members of the orders will assemble and which will be followed by a program. Geo. W. Wright, a Past Grand Patriarch of the Encampment branch, also a Past Grand Representative to the sovereign grand lodge, will deliver an address on Odd Fellowship. There will be other speakers and features on the program.

At 9 o'clock there will be a public dance at Tonawama.

Bill Fiser was among those up from Crane during the week.

## BIG WAREHOUSE BURNS AT CRANE THURSDAY

### Will Fiser Sustains a Heavy Loss; Personal Effects go With Other Contents.

The Mullen-Fiser warehouse at Crane was completely destroyed by fire Thursday night. The fire was discovered about 10 o'clock and seemed to have started from about the center of the building and had gained such headway that nothing could be saved. Mr. and Mrs. Fiser having lost their personal belongings as well.

In conversation with Mr. Fiser over the telephone yesterday morning this paper learns that the loss is estimated at about \$40,000 which is partially covered by insurance. The warehouse had just received about 30 tons of coal and a quantity of grain besides the general line carried by the concern. It is a serious loss and Mr. Fiser stated he was undecided as to the future. It will require time to get an adjuster out from Portland and pending that time nothing is under consideration.

Fortunately the big warehouse was isolated from other buildings in Crane and nothing else caught from the flames, except a garage belonging to Mr. Fiser, which caught fire but was saved.

### MRS. OLSEN SINGS AT PUBLIC SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

The public school exercises in connection with Arbor day were held in the auditorium of the school yesterday morning. The children acquitted themselves with credit in their efforts, the chorus work, folk dance and unison readings being well rendered.

Several of the parents and patrons of the school were present and showed marked appreciation of the program.

Mrs. Olsen was prevailed upon to give two vocal selections that were most heartily encored. Mrs. Olsen has an exceptional voice and her rendition disclosed her wonderful talent to good advantage, although she frankly admitted she was nervous and not in practice. The lady has been heard in grand opera, but that was several years ago and before she left the land of her nativity in Sweden. She gave "A Perfect Day" and followed with "Silver Threads Among the Gold." So insistent were her hearers that she finally responded with a selection from Il Trovatore that brought out the remarkable quality of her voice. Her selections were much lauded.

Many of our citizens from different parts of the county are present this week doing jury duty in the circuit court.

## Geo. L. Baker Speaks at The Liberty Last Night.

Mayor Geo. L. Baker, of Portland, who is a candidate for United States senator on the republican ticket, is in Burns. He gave an address at the Liberty Theatre last night. The forms of The Times-Herald are closed on Friday evening for the regular edition on Saturday, therefore there is nothing given as to this address in this issue.

Mr. Baker is one of the prominent men of the state and has a remarkable personality. He is very popular in Portland and where he is well known and with such a following is a formidable contender for the position to which he aspires.

The Times-Herald desires to give such men as Mr. Baker their just due in their ambitions; it is not averse to giving credit for achievement to an individual who has accomplished big things, but cannot comment at length upon Mr. Baker's candidacy at this time. However, the subject will be given attention in its next issue.

Mr. Baker is accompanied by his wife.

### FRANK WILLIAMSON DIED

Word was brought up from Denio Sunday morning that Frank Williamson had died the night before. They came here for a suitable casket and to notify relatives. Chas. Rohn and wife went down with the casket and prepared the body for burial. On Monday, J. N. Williamson, post master at Prineville and a half brother to the deceased passed through Burns on his way to Denio where it is understood interment was made.

Frank Williamson was one of the pioneer successful sheep men of this county. He and Bill Jones were partners in the business and had their headquarters at Lawen. He is well remembered by the pioneer people of this vicinity. After disposing of his stock interests Mr. Williamson went to the Denio section where he acquired large real estate interests, later disposing of much of it but still retained an interest in the community. He had been living a rather retired, quiet life for several years, spending a portion of his time in California and other parts of the northwest. He was a man well liked by all his acquaintances.

### ENTERTAINMENT FOR THE CHILDREN

The Eastern Star Chapter and Masque Lodge are joining in an evening of entertainment for the children of Masons and Eastern Stars on Friday, April 18, at the Masque Lodge rooms. The parents are cordially invited to come and bring the children. This invitation includes all Masons and Eastern Stars. By order of the Worshipful Master and Worthy Matron.

## HARNEY COUNTY PIONEER DIED TUESDAY

### Robert Drinkwater Came to County in '80's; Closely Identified Since.

Robert Drinkwater passed away at the home of Harry Withers at Harney on Tuesday night of this week following an illness of several months. Mr. Drinkwater had been in poor health for several years but had been able to be up and about until recent months. He was 78 years old.

Robert Drinkwater was born in Missouri in 1845 and crossed the plains in 1852, coming to this state. In 1877 he was married at Eugene in Lane county and the family moved to Harney county in 1886 where he had since resided. He was engaged in the hotel business at Harney in the late 80's and later resided in Burns. After disposing of the interests in this city the family lived at different places in this county. He had not been engaged in any particular line of business for several years. Mr. Drinkwater was a man of high principles and was esteemed by his many friends. He had his own idea of life and of the hereafter and lived that life consistently, being honorable in all his dealings with his neighbors and business associates.

It was his request that John Biggs, an old friend of many years standing, take charge of the service at his funeral and this was carried out. Mr. Biggs leaving a case in the circuit court to go to Harney Wednesday afternoon to conduct the service which was held in the community church. Mr. Biggs read a service that had been prepared by the deceased. A quartet of singers from Burns, consisting of old time friends of Mr. Drinkwater, took part in the service and there were many friends and relatives present to pay their last respects.

Mr. Drinkwater is survived by his wife and the following children: C. W. Drinkwater of Drewsey; W. W. Drinkwater, Robert Drinkwater, Mrs. Alice Clemens, all of this city, and Mrs. Edna Harlan, of Crane. All his children were present at the funeral. Interment was made in the Harney cemetery.

### FRESHMEN COOLIDGE SAYS STOP FIRES

President Coolidge has set aside April 21 to 27 as Forest Protection Week throughout the United States. His official proclamation has just been released to the press in which he strongly urges the governors of all states, organizations, schools, and all citizens, to join in giving thought to the very heavy but preventable annual loss from 56,000 forest fires in the United States.

"Plans are laid for an extensive participation in Forest Protection Week in the states of Oregon and Washington," said Geo. H. Cecil, District Forester, in calling attention to the President's proclamation.

"The interest of the public generally was never so keen in forestry and forest protection as it is today. This is timely, for as a nation we are cutting and letting burn our timber supply five times faster than we are growing it," said Mr. Cecil.

"Here in Oregon and Washington that is not strictly the case, but when we realize that these two states may be said to be the last great stand of timber, it certainly is good business to keep what we have from needless burning," the District Forester remarked.

Mr. Cecil called attention to the fact that President Coolidge has shown where he stands on forest protection and conservation in no uncertain terms.

### ESTABLISH A BRICK YARD

J. W. Faubion, a recent arrival from Idaho, is making preparations to begin the manufacture of brick in this city within a short time. Mr. Faubion announces he has been offered several suitable locations for this enterprise and when weather conditions will warrant he will begin operations. The gentleman will not confine his activity to the mere manufacturing of brick but is prepared to do contract work and hopes to be ready to erect some substantial brick structures as soon as his product is ready to leave the kiln.

## KEEPING A GOOD MAN DOWN

