

FOUR MILE

By CLEM

Roy Jones and Walter Matheny who are working at the Dafeo mill, spent Sunday at home.

Frank Wilson who contemplated starting for California Saturday, last, has delayed his departure for a time.

About every available man in the valley seems to have a job at the Richert mill.

The Upper Four Mile farmers are nearly all following the plow this nice weather. Oats will be sown as fast as weather will permit. We aim

to make 1918 a banner year for productive Four Mile.

Harry DeLong and Eddie Lewis, high school students at Bandon, spent the week-end at the DeLong ranch.

County Commissioner Geo. J. Armstrong has been superintending the planking of some of the nearly impassable mud holes on our new road the past week. The last heavy rain made a bad washout at the South Two Mile fill but not so as to delay traffic to any extent.

A special school meeting was held Monday in District No. 64, occasioned by the vacancy of a directorship. C. F. Waterman was elected to fill the vacancy.

A dance at the Four Mile hall last

Saturday evening was well attended and a fine supper was provided. Music by the Davis orchestra. According to all reports some of the boys imbibed too freely in fust oil and rainwater, and became involved in fistfights. Black eyes and swelled noses are very much in evidence.

A Homestead Map of Interest

The City Library has received a few copies of a map of Oregon, published by the United States department of the Interior, which shows all lands that may be entered in the state under the enlarged homestead law. The lands all lie east of the Cascade mountains, and the homesteader may secure 640 acres under the latest homestead laws. Anyone interested in the information contained in the map should consult with Librarian F. Amelia Henry.

Real Estate Man Here

F. I. Kinney, real estate man of Corvallis, Oregon, was in Bandon on Monday inspecting the J. L. Foster property which was exchanged thru his firm for a ranch near Corvallis. Mr. Kinney is much pleased with the Coquille valley and opportunities of this section, and plans on making another trip to Bandon during the summer.

Rich Find Near Myrtle Point

William Broome came in from Rusty Creek, says the American of Myrtle Point, with some samples of quartz that sure looked good (under a glass) but which the average prospector would pass by without even a second glance. He says he has had good assays for gold, platinum and iridium, and after examining the specimens, we do not doubt it.

Oppose Ferry Tolls

Resolutions have been passed by the Coquille Commercial Club, condemning the proposal of the County Court to operate county ferries on a toll basis after August 1. Coquille gives us the reason trade injury, and inconvenience to ranchers living on the west side of the river. The Coquille ferry cost \$120 per month to operate during 1916, \$155 during 1917, and best bid this year, \$180 per month.

Was Feeling All Run Down

Louis Buckner, Somerset, Va., writes: "I was feeling all run down; tired with pains in my back. After taking Foley Kidney Pills I felt like a new man." Backache, rheumatic pains, stiff joints, sore muscles, swollen ankles, and sleep-disturbing bladder ailments yield quickly to this time-tried remedy. Sold everywhere. J

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CURRY COUNTY

SHEEP RAISING IS VERY PROFITABLE

M. Doyle, Curry County's Pioneer Wool Grower, Predicts Prices Will Increase Greatly.

(Gold Beach Reporter)

The sheep and wool industry thru-out this county will prove much more profitable to sheep men the coming year than the past season which was an exceptionally good one as far as prices are concerned, according to our pioneer sheep man, M. Doyle, who is owner of one of the finest sheep ranges in Curry county, and who has just returned from a two months' stay in Portland. The point in which the wool buyers are losing out, declared Mr. Doyle, is that they must sell their wool individually, to middlemen, whereas if they had an organization or association which would handle the entire output and secure topnotch prices. For instance Mr. Doyle says he sold the greater portion of his 1917 crop at 46 cents per pound, later receiving 58 cents for a small batch, but states that the former price is a good average of the price paid in this county last year. While in Portland he visited many of the wool buying concerns and was especially well treated by the officials of a very reputable firm, who, among other things, permitted him to look over their books, which showed the prices actually paid by them for wool in different sections of this state. One item, which he noted in particular, was the payment to Russell Dement, the big stock man of Coquille valley, of 76 cents a pound for his 1917 wool crop; and he also noted that the average price paid last year over this state was in the neighborhood of 75 cents per pound; and Mr. Doyle claims that the wool raised in Curry county is equal to the best. In addition, the price paid for spring lambs is due to take another big jump the coming season, possibly to \$15 per head, and a news dispatch says that sheep men in eastern Oregon are making fortunes.

Therefore, Mr. Doyle is very enthusiastic over the present outlook for a big year in the sheep business in Curry county during the present year, but believes the sheep men should take steps at once to organize for their benefit.

Mr. Doyle is a great booster for this section and we almost believe his many years in Curry county have made him forget the "auld sod," but he still retains the rich Irish brogue which he brought with him when he

first landed on America's shores. While in Portland he took advantage of the opportunity to visit many of the business houses and concerns in the Rose City and although most every line of business was rushed with work, the war as seldom mentioned except when Red Cross girls buttonhole one for a subscription.

During his short stay he made many friends in the neighborhood where he resided and never lost a chance to put in a good word for Curry county. He was accompanied home by his daughter, Mrs. Alf. Caughell, and children. Mrs. Caughell recently underwent an operation and it was to be with her during her illness that took Mr. Doyle north. The many friends of Mrs. Caughell will be glad to hear that she has recovered and is well enough to make the trip down here. Mr. Caughell expects to go to Alaska where he will have charge of cannery work for Johnny Hume. Another daughter, Miss Winnie, is a stenographer in the Portland Chamber of Commerce.

"SUCH A MAGNIFICENT RED FIR TREE!"

J. L. Bean of Lampa Has Enlightening Experience With One of the New Inspectors.

If you want to see J. L. Bean of Lampa, exhibit all the symptoms of apoplexy, all that is necessary these days is to mention having heard of his latest experience.

It appears however, that Mr. Bean had a most convincing contributory reason for his frame of mind along certain of these lines.

The spruce production board of the government had obtained information that there was a splendid tract of spruce timber in the Lampa vicinity, and wrote Mr. Bean, asking if he would guide an officer of the signal corps to the timber and aid in making a survey of the available trees suitable for airplane stock. Mr. Bean who is a thoro' patriot and holds most decided views along that line, rushed a reply to Portland, to the effect his services were at the command of the government in the matter, and advised them to send a timber cruiser immediately.

In a few days a representative arrived in the county and commandeered J. L.'s services. Mr. Bean was enthusiastic to be of service to the government and on the way up a steep and brush-clad hillside expended much valuable breath in telling his companion about the splendid spruce trees that grew on the land they were on their way to visit. He led the officer straight to a fine up-standing spruce, one of the largest in the Coquille valley, and said, "There, what do you think of

FROM Morris Heights

By J. J. MORRIS

REGISTERED BERKSHIRES

that one?" "Oh, what a magnificent red fir!" exclaimed the representative of the government airplane stock production department with enthusiasm. J. L. fairly radiated disgust as he whirled in his steps and started for home.

Father and Son Week

Governor Withycombe has issued a proclamation urging the people of Oregon to observe Father and Son week, February 11 to 17, the date set by the Y. M. C. A. The governor urges all fathers and sons to strive during the week to further strengthen the bonds love and sympathy and mutual encouragement.

Butter: \$2.25 lb.—Sugar 56c

Butter is selling in Berlin, Germany, at \$2.25 per pound. Sugar is 56c per pound; ham and bacon \$2.11, and soap (5 ordinary bars) for \$1.12. These prices were prevalent October 1, according to reliable information obtained by the U. S. Food Administration. These prices are from four to five times as high as those now obtaining in the United States.

Mothers' Club Meets

The Mothers' Club met with Mrs. Agnes Neygren Thursday afternoon, January 17th. The reading, "Supplying Your Child With Proper Nourishment," was very interesting and beneficial. Another very interesting topic was, "Spoiling Your Child." After a delicious lunch, music and singing was enjoyed by all. The next meeting of the club will be held with Mrs. Chas. Trumbull today, January 24th.—Correspondent.

Government estimates of the production of petroleum in the United States in 1917 place it at nearly 13 per cent greater than any previous year.

Lend Uncle Sam \$4.12 Today

Five Years From Now He'll Pay You \$5.00

You know the value of thrift. You believe absolutely in putting aside a little money each month for a future rainy day. Here's a chance to INCREASE your savings and, at the same time "do your bit" toward helping the boys "over there." This is a chance to be both thrifty and patriotic at the same time. And it's offered by the biggest, safest, richest bank in the world—the United States government. It means ABSOLUTE SECURITY for your money and A GENEROUS RATE OF INTEREST.

The War Savings Plan

The new war savings plan offers every man, woman and child in the country a chance to open a savings account with the United States government. It is made so easy that you don't have to go out of your way. You don't even need to begin with a large amount. As small a sum as 25 cents will start you on the road to greater savings. As small a sum as \$4.12 will buy a War Savings Stamp, Series of 1918. That price holds good until February 1, 1918. After that date the price will advance one cent each month. In February, 1918, you will be asked to pay \$4.13; in March, \$4.14; in April,

\$4.15, and so on. Each War Savings Stamp Series of 1918, has a cash value of \$5.00 on January 1, 1923. It is then worth \$5.00 instead of \$4.12. At the time you buy your first War Savings Stamp you will be given a War Savings Certificate which has spaces on it to hold 20 of the War Savings Stamps. Thus when full, your War Savings Certificate will have a cash value of \$100.00 on January 1, 1923, though if you fill it out before February 1, 1918, the stamps to fill it will cost you only \$82.40. You will then make a clear profit of \$17.60 on your investment.

4% COMPOUNDED QUARTERLY

Interest at 4% is compounded QUARTERLY on the War Savings Stamps. Uncle Sam is such a generous relative that he doesn't ask you to be satisfied with merely a high rate of interest, but he compounds this interest for you quarterly—four times a year. This is a gift-edged proposition—just about the safest, surest, highest-paying, soundest investment you ever heard of!

YOUR MONEY BACK WITH INTEREST ANY TIME

If the time should ever arise when you need the money—simply must



have it—you can get it back, WITH INTEREST, by simply taking your War Savings Stamps to the nearest money order postoffice and presenting them for redemption. The interest will be paid you on the sum already deposited, be it only one War Savings Stamp or a lot of them.

Start With 25c Buy Thrift Stamps

You can begin with the purchase of a Thrift Stamp for as small a sum as 25 cents. You don't necessarily

have to start your investment with the outlay of \$4.12 for a War Savings Stamp. Ask, instead for a Thrift Stamp. Uncle Sam will sell you one for 25 cents. These Thrift Stamps are to be attached by you to a Thrift Card—just as you put trading stamps in a book for that purpose. Each Thrift Card has spaces for sixteen of the Thrift Stamps. The Thrift Card when full, represents a value of \$4. When the Thrift Card is filled, take it to the nearest post-office and exchange it for a War Savings Stamp, paying the few pennies difference between the \$4.00 represented by your filled thrift card and the selling price of the War Savings Stamp. In this manner you can start the purchase of War Savings Stamps not only for yourself, but also for your entire family. Encourage your youngsters to buy Thrift Stamps for themselves. It will encourage them to save their pennies—in still in them patriotism—make them feel that they are helping to win the war.

On Sale Everywhere

Thrift Stamps and War Savings Stamps are obtainable at any money-order postoffice in the country—at

nearly all the banks, and at various other places. You won't have to go far to find your nearest stamp sales station. Make it a point to buy these stamps regularly. Let them go to work for you. Let them begin drawing interest TODAY.

You Must Act Quickly

In the whole United States but \$2,000,000,000 worth of War Savings Stamps, Series of 1918, are to be sold. You must act quickly to make sure of getting your share. Remember, too, that the longer you wait the less interest you earn. You will want to earn the greatest amount possible, of course. You'd rather have 4 per cent interest from January 1, 1918 to January 1, 1923, than just from June or July or September this year. Therefore, buy TODAY. Don't postpone it. Act now. If you can't afford to spend \$4.12 for a War Savings Stamp, at least begin buying Thrift Stamps at 25 cents apiece. Get one before you sleep tonight. And don't forget to tell your neighbor about this good thing, too! He may not have noticed this announcement. Tear out this page and show it to your friends. Pass the good word along.

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