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SEVEN YEARS.

Forced to Retire Because of Poor Health—Nothing Is Known as to His Successor.

Charles W. Wilkins, who for the past 7 years has been in charge of the Indians of the Umatilla reservation, has forwarded his resignation to the interior department, and on July 1 will step out of his present position into private life.

Mr. Wilkins is taking this step on account of his health, and will engage in business more suitable to his condition. Mr. Wilkins is one of the old-time residents of the county, having come here about 20 years ago. He was connected with the East Oregonian for some years, and later edited the Pendleton Tribune for a while.

In 1897 Mr. Wilkins made an application for the position of postmaster of Pendleton, but failed to get the appointment, and was offered the appointment of Indian agent by President McKinley. He accepted the proposition, and about 2 1/2 years ago the office of superintendent of the reservation and agency was created and put under civil service. Mr. Wilkins went to Washington and satisfied the authorities of his fitness for the place under civil service regulations, and has since that time held the position. He was recommended for appointment in 1897 by Congressmen W. R. Ellis and Thomas Tongue, and Senator McBride.

Mr. Wilkins has the happy faculty of getting along with his charges that is possessed by few men, and is very popular with all of the Indians on the reservation, men, women and children. His long service and close study of the conditions surrounding Indian life made him a valuable man at the head of the reservation, and his departure will be a loss.

It is not known whether or not Mr. Wilkins' successor has been selected by the department.

TRAIL OF DEVASTATION.

Large Army of Grasshoppers Invade the Alkali Country.

An army of grasshoppers has invaded the country in the vicinity of Alkali, a wheat raising district about 20 miles southwest of Pendleton, and the damage done by the festive insects is said to be enormous, says the Tribune. A stretch of country a mile wide and several miles long was visited, and when the busy grasshoppers were through with their nefarious work the grain in many places had been damaged to such an extent that nothing but bare stalks were left. In a few fields the wheat was almost completely eaten down and rendered unfit even for hay.

Monrad Fix, of Pendleton is the heaviest loser from the visit of the hungry parasites. A field of 500 acres, which a week ago was a large stretch of waving grain, has been rendered practically worthless. Mr. Fix secured a number of laborers and took them to his ranch to assist in cutting the damaged wheat for hay. The hay, of course, will be of an inferior quality, but it will be much more valuable for feeding purposes than straw. The estimated loss to Mr. Fix's wheat is somewhere in the neighborhood of \$7,000, but if he is able to sell the largest portion of the hay the loss will be reduced probably \$1,500.

Other farmers living in the stretch of country visited by the grasshoppers have also suffered large losses. Some of the fields were slightly damaged while others were not overlooked at all by the grasshoppers. The total damage to the growing wheat in the Alkali country will amount to several thousands of dollars, but it will be difficult to estimate the exact loss.

A SECTION TO EACH.

Homesteaders in Nebraska Will Get 640 Acres.

Seven million acres of land in central and western Nebraska are to be given away in homesteads of 640 acres each on June 28, when the Kinkead law, named after its author, Congressman Kinkead, of Nebraska, will become effective.

Under it the size of a homestead in any county of the Fifth and Sixth Congressional district of Nebraska will be increased from 160 to 640 acres.

Whether the land will go to settlers or will be turned over to the great cattle raisers who for many years have grazed their herds on it, and even fenced it off, is the interesting question out in Nebraska.

Three years ago it was discovered that the big cattlemen had fenced in areas as large as some states in these particular lands. When the effort was first made to drive them out they defied all opposition, but in the end, under stress of inducements and menace of the federal penitentiary, they surrendered.

Following the fencing scandal, an agitation started in favor of the 640

acre homestead act. Congressman Kinkead of O'Neill, representing the Sixth district, including 33 counties and more than a third of the entire area of the state, took the lead in the passage of a bill to provide this.

Under it, for fees of less than \$20, one who has not previously used his homestead right, may pre-empt, after June 28, 640 acres of these grazing lands.

RANGE WAR CONTINUES.

Sheepherder Shot at While on Duty in Wheeler County.

The scene of the range war between cattlemen and sheepmen has been transferred to Wheeler county. Last Sunday a band of sheep were attacked by three masked men on the summit between Spray and Lone Rock, about 8 miles west of the George Robinson place.

The sheep, however, were not injured, as the herder was the target of the outlaws who emerged from the woods heavily masked and when about 60 yards distant opened fire on the herder, who escaped without serious injury, although his clothing was pierced in two places by the leaden messengers. The outlaws then retreated to the woods where they had left their horses and made their escape.

The sheep belonged to Nat Wallace of Arlington, who was on his way to the Greenhorn mountains for summer range.—Spray Courier.

Tournament is On.

Pendleton, June 28.—At 9 o'clock this morning the twentieth annual tournament of the Sportsmen's association of the Northwest will begin at the grounds on the hill south of the city. Over 200 shooters are now in the city from every state on the coast, and when this morning's train arrives it is expected that fully a hundred more will be on hand.

Worst of All Experiences.

Can anything be worse than to feel that every minute will be your last? Such was the experience of Mrs. S. H. Newson, Decatur, Ala. "For three years," she writes, "I endured insufferable pain from indigestion, stomach and bowel trouble. Death seemed inevitable when doctors and all remedies failed. At length I was induced to try Electric Bitters and the result was miraculous. I improved at once and now I'm completely recovered." For liver, kidney, stomach and bowel troubles Electric Bitters is the only medicine. Only 50c. It's guaranteed by McBride, druggist.

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1 Second Prize	1,000.00
2 Prizes—\$500.00 each	1,000.00
5 Prizes—200.00 "	1,000.00
10 Prizes—100.00 "	1,000.00
20 Prizes—50.00 "	1,000.00
50 Prizes—20.00 "	1,000.00
250 Prizes—10.00 "	2,500.00
1800 Prizes—5.00 "	9,000.00
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