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REALTY MARKET OPENS LIVELY

After Quiet Period One Day's Sales, \$313,000 Looks Good

That the quiet period in valley realty which has prevailed for the past several months is coming to an end is evidenced by one day's sales reported during the past week in which sales aggregating \$307,000 were reported. The biggest deal was that of the Suncrest orchards near Talent, owned by Dr. Page, who sold to Mr. Campbell, of Minneapolis. The property contains 481 acres of which 440 are planted, 140 in bearing. The price was \$250,000. John Sisty, of Willow Springs precinct, two miles northwest of this city, sold 23 acres to E. W. Stone, of Albuquerque, N. M., for \$15,000. This is one of the most desirable small places in the valley and is considered a splendid bargain at that figure. The Whitney ranch, formerly owned by T. C. Law, containing 65 acres, was sold to W. A. Thompson and S. H. Purcell, of Alberta, Canada, for \$30,000. This is also considered an excellent buy at the price. M. C. Worrill, a former Medford newspaper man, also sold his 20-acre place in Sams Valley for \$12,000. Robert Kyle has also sold 20 acres just across Bear creek from this city to H. A. Latta, the consideration being reported as \$8,000. Mr. Latta, a few months ago, bought the C. C. Hall place, adjoining the Kyle place, and so pleased is he with the valley that he is glad to thus increase his holdings.

Heatherly

Owen Heatherly, a young man well known here, died at Fresno, California, Friday, December 8th, aged about 24. Deceased was a grandson of Mrs. Juli Owen and brother of Mark Heatherly, of this city, Mark being the only surviving member of the immediate family.

The remains were brought to this city for burial, arriving here Tuesday evening. The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon from the residence of Mrs. Owen, being conducted by Rev. W. Austin Crane of the Christian church.

Hanby-Campbell.

Miss Lauretta May Campbell and Prof. A. J. Hanby, well known residents of this city, were married at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. Broadbent, at Medford, at 3:00 P. M. Tuesday, Rev. Eldridge, pastor of the Medford M. E. Church officiating. Only a few close friends of the couple were present to witness the interesting ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Hanby returned to this city after the ceremony and are now at home in their fine new home on Fifth Street. Many friends of both parties will join in congratulations and best wishes.

Parker Pens ink the point and not the finger. At England's. 35tf

OPTION TAKEN ON COAL MINE

Seattle Men Take Option on Property Will Push Development

Of interest to all who are interested in the development and material prosperity of this valley is the news that Messrs. Pierce, Manley and Wallace of Seattle, have taken a ten year option of the Cascade coal mine a short distance east of this city and that active development work will be undertaken at once. The men are now in the valley and it is understood that no time will be lost in getting work started on an extensive scale. The purchase price of the property, as named in the option, is \$300,000.

The option is to run ten years and a royalty of \$4,000 is to be paid the first year and \$8,000 per year thereafter; this amount due and payable whether the mine is operated or not.

The first work to be undertaken will be the sinking of a 1,000-foot incline shaft, and for this and other work about the mine there will be installed a complete new outfit of modern machinery. There are five and one half feet of coal now showing in the principal vein and it is expected this will widen to twelve or fifteen feet as the vein is gone down on. The coal is said to be of an excellent quality, but the former owners were unable to handle the mine as it should have been handled to properly market the products and make it an altogether paying proposition. The new owners, however, are said to have plenty of money and are experienced in coal mining and it is expected they will make of this a splendid revenue producing mine. The Pacific & Eastern railroad company will, in all probability, build a spur track from the main line to the mine, a distance of two miles, thus giving the coal company easy and cheap transportation.

Table Rock.

Only seven voters appeared at the special school meeting held last Saturday. The clerk's report showed fifty children of the school age and a property valuation of \$240,000 in the district. A one mill tax was levied by unanimous vote.

At a public meeting held last week it was decided to have a Christmas tree entertainment Christmas eve and the necessary committees to take the matter in hand were appointed. Our people are subscribing liberally and success is assured. Everybody invited.

Our school board has engaged the services of Prof. V. A. Davis for a four months term to begin January 8th, 1912. The present term will close December 22nd.

WANTED—To buy Central Point lots, improved or unimproved, well located if price is right according to present conditions. State all facts in first letter. Oliver B. Brown, 1427 E Main, Medford

COMMERCIAL CLUB HOLDS MEETING

Few Present But Considerable Good Business Done

There was a meeting of the Commercial club held last Monday evening at which the subject of irrigation was up for discussion with special reference to the Hopkins' ditch extension, which every business man in town admits is of the highest importance to the future growth and prosperity of Central Point. At a meeting held two or three weeks ago there was a fair attendance of business-men-members and considerable enthusiasm manifested in the project. The club at that time undertook to boost for this project and to make an effort to help in its consumation.

At the meeting Monday evening there were eight members present, as follows: One county fruit inspector, one small farmer, who lives outside the city limits, one marble monument manufacturer, one dentist, one civil engineer, one newspaper publisher, one bank cashier and one railroad agent. Although all members were notified of the meeting by postal card there was not one general merchant, hardware merchant, lumber merchant, grocer, confectioner, druggist, blacksmith, meat market man, baker, hotel keeper, nor commercial orchardist present, although some of these are the men who are doing the big business of the town and making about all the money that is being made here just now. And yet many of these men wonder why so much trade goes away from home and why so many farmers and orchardists living within a stone's throw of our boundaries pass the town up like a white chip and go elsewhere with their business.

But there was some good business done Monday evening. The old indebtedness of the club was reduced by one-third, current business was attended to and the club decided to secure the services of Prof. Scudder, chief agronomist of the Oregon Agriculture college, to come here and make a report on the soils of this section of the valley relative to irrigation. This, it is believed will prove of great value to land owners who are not familiar with irrigation or with the amount of water the different soils require.

It was also decided to co-operate with the people of the Willow Springs district in arranging for an irrigation meeting at the Willow Springs school house during Prof. Scudder's visit here.

The Ladies Aid of the M. E. Church will hold their Market on Saturday, December 23, instead of the last Saturday of the month. It being the last Saturday before Christmas we will have on sale a few bags and other articles suitable for Christmas presents. 35t2 Mrs. SMITH, Chrm. Com.

McDonalds Chocolates at England's. The best on the coast. 35tf

VALUE OF IRRIGATION

General Freight Agent of S. P. Gives Views, Makes Comparison

The following letter from H. E. Lounsbury, general freight agent of the Southern Pacific, addressed to R. H. Cornelius, local agent for that company, is of interest:

"Acknowledging receipt of your letter of November 23rd, advising that movement is on foot to induce the farmers to subscribe for water rights from the Rogue River Valley Canal Co., so that the latter would be induced to extend their irrigation ditches to the vicinity of Central Point.

"Without any knowledge of the Rogue River Valley Canal Co.'s project or interest, but dealing with the subject of irrigation, beg to state that there is no question as to its immense benefit in the production of the soil. As an illustration, take the Yakima valley, the principal crops of which are fruit and alfalfa hay. The productive land is practically all under irrigation and the fruit crop from that section last year was something over 4,000 cars and the hay crop 8,000 car loads. In the Hood River district, which is also under irrigation, the fruit shipments amounted to slightly better than one carload to every two acres, while in the Rogue River valley, for instance, where the fruit is not generally irrigated, the production was several hundred per cent less to the acre as a general rule. Also in the Hood River valley from irrigation the strawberry production is a commercial industry and the shipments from that point in carloads alone amount to from 60 to 75 carloads per annum.

"I know of no reason why the land tributary to Central Point should not produce just as heavy crops of fruit, alfalfa hay, strawberries, vegetables, etc., under irrigation as are produced in any other section in the northwest, and I sincerely hope that the proposition to bring the land under irrigation will be successful. Yours truly, H. E. LOUNSBURY.

A Pleasant Affair.

A pleasant social affair was that of last Friday afternoon when Mrs. J. W. Myers, assisted by Mrs. L. C. Robnett and Miss Alice Hanley, entertained their friends at the Myers' home on North Fourth street. Forty-six guests were present and the afternoon from two to five was most pleasantly passed. A pleasing program of music and readings, guessing contests, and an old fashioned spelling bee was the entertainment during the afternoon. Tempting refreshments were served during the afternoon and all who were present declare it to have been one of the most delightful affairs of the present season.

Christmas gifts at the Pasadena Shop.

Among the Churches.

Christian Science services are held every Sunday morning at 11:00 in the lodge-room, second floor of the G. A. R. building. Sunday-school at 9:45 A. M. All interested are cordially invited to attend these services.

PRESBYTERIAN

Rev. J. P. Hearst, Ph. D., pastor. Sunday school, 10:00 a. m.; preaching service, 11:00 a. m., each Sunday, in A. O. U. W. hall, corner Second and Pine streets. All are invited to attend these services.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL.

Sunday School 10:00 a. m., preaching at 11:00; Junior League at 3:00 p. m., Epworth League devotional service 6:45; preaching service 7:30, each Sunday. Prayer meeting Thursday at 7:30 p. m.—Rev. Horace N. Aldrich, pastor.

Morning theme for next Sunday: "Our Lesson from the Wise Men." Evening theme: "He Came to Himself."

BAPTIST.

Sunday school at 10:00 a. m.; morning service at 11:00; evening service at 7:30 each Sunday.—Rev. R. B. Shoun, pastor.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

W. Austin Crane, Pastor; bible school, 9:45 a. m.; W. E. Alexander, Supt. Preaching Service, 11:00 a. m. Subject:

I carry a complete line of oak, fir, yellow pine and pitch pine wood at reasonable prices, and "I deliver the goods." R. H. Ellsworth, Central Point Feed Store.

Heartburn is a symptom of indigestion. Take a dose of HERBINE in such cases. The pain disappears instantly. The bowels operate speedily and you feel fine, vigorous and cheerful. Price 50c. Sold by Miss Mary A. Mc.

QUICK RETURNS ON BOND SALE

Eastern Buyers Wire Acceptance Paying Issue In Record Time.

The First National Bank, of Cleveland, Ohio, has wired its approval of the recent issue of municipal paving bonds, after only a brief interval of time since the receipt of an abstract of the record of the bond issue proceedings. Not a single flaw was found in the proceedings, which, on account of the necessity of holding several elections on the question of intersection paving bonds, is somewhat remarkable. The excellent record in this matter shows something of the careful work of City Recorder Jacobs, who kept track of the various intricacies of the record, and of City Attorney Withington who has engineered the entire bonding proceedings for the city from the dawn of municipal improvements until the present time. Mr. Withington has made something of a specialty of municipal corporation law for several years and is considered one of the most thorough attorneys in that line in the state.

F. H. Madden May Build Cannery

Most of F. H. Madden's orchard lies above the line of the proposed extension of the Rogue River Valley Canal Co.'s extension but so thoroughly convinced is he that irrigation is necessary to successful fruit growing here that he expects to take water for his holdings and install an electric pump to raise it to his orchard. A statement to this effect was made by Mr. Madden a few days ago before leaving on a trip north.

Mr. Madden made the further statement that he stands ready to establish a cannery at Central Point of sufficient capacity to take care of all fruit and vegetables offered as soon as a sufficient acreage is planted to insure a reasonable amount of produce.

Mr. Madden has had wide experience in the cannery business in the east and he has unbounded faith in the commercial success of such an industry here as soon as the valley is put under irrigation and intensive tillage.

G. P. WATER BONDS ARE GILT EDGED

Local Bank Advised Are Acceptable Security for Postal Bank Funds

The Central Point State Bank has been advised by the treasurer of the United States that Central Point municipal water bonds are considered gilt edge security by the national government and are acceptable as security for Postal Savings Bank funds which are deposited with that institution. The Central Point bank was some time ago designated a regular depository for postal savings funds.

Beagle Briefs

Norman Gage and Bird Johnston made a business trip to Medford, Jacksonville and Central Point last Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Quite an accident happened to Luther Simmons last Thursday while working with his brother, Elmer, in a well for Dr. Kirchgessner. While Elmer was lowering his brother into the well the rope gave away when within about twelve feet of the bottom. His injuries were such that he could not return to work for several days.

Dr. Kirchgessner was called to the John Walker place above Asbestos last Saturday night to set a dislocated elbow for little Frances Simmons.

The Debenger Gap school closed last Friday, December 8th, when Miss Eva M. Hall has taught a very successful term of three months. Miss Hall will lose no time in teaching as she will begin teaching at the Central school district Monday, December 11, where she will teach another three months term.

Prof. Arthur R. Rowley, of Eagle Point, passed through Debenger Gap Sunday evening on his way to his home a few miles north of Eagle Point. He stopped to visit friends at the Debenger Gap ranch Sunday evening and as he is a very fine musician his visit was very much enjoyed.

Right Jewelry at right prices at England's. 35tf

Santa Claus advertisement with text: Has already made his appearance at our store. One look at our windows and you will know that he is making his headquarters here. That the most useful things can be found here. Don't put off your Christmas shopping until the last day and expect to get what you want. THINK QUICKLY ACT QUICKLY Remember the Place "The Old Reliable" GRANFILL & ROBNETT

Central Point State Bank advertisement with text: REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF CENTRAL POINT STATE BANK AT CENTRAL POINT, OREGON, AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS DECEMBER 5, 1911. Includes financial statements for LIABILITIES and RESOURCES, and a closing statement for Central Point, Oregon.