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Some Notes on Wool Situation

The Commercial Bulletin of Boston, an authority on the wool business, says: "Of the 58,000 bales withdrawn at the last Colonial wool sales at London, it is heard here that fully one-half has been sold privately between sales satisfactory to the sellers, which means an advance on the closing rates at the public sales."

Thirty million pounds is the estimate now made of the supply of wool that will be available in Oregon after shearing time. The mohair production of that state has increased materially, and in the section tributary to Portland there will be marketed this year over 500,000 pounds. Oregon sheepmen at last accounts had not decided whether to hold their wool or sell.—Commercial Bulletin, Boston.

There has been a rise of 1 cent per pound in South American wools since the close of the London auctions.

The program for the year's London wool sales is as follows: The next series will be held April 30th, to be followed by the July series, opening on the 2d, the September on the 17th and the final series on November 26th.

The O. R. & N. has given Oregon lower shipping rates on wool. The old tariff from Arlington, Or., to Boston has been reduced from \$1.65 per hundred to \$1.50, while the rate from Arlington to The Dalles has been cut from 65 cents to 35 cents per hundred.

An English opinion of the wool situation is as follows: "We can only repeat to-day the opinion we have often expressed—that the statistical position of fine wools is a very strong one. As the year progresses and consumption once more becomes normal, it will be seen that supplies are very moderate, and even scanty. To the many reasons which we have advanced as grounds for this opinion we may add another. The destruction of sheep in South Africa during the last eighteen months has been on a colossal scale, and when the war is over it will be found that there are far fewer sheep in the various South African colonies than before the war commenced; and, of course, this means a decreased export of wool. These considerations seem at last to be having some influence on the market."

"During the recent London auctions prices for wools of merino and fine cross-bred qualities have steadily hardened. This is especially the case with merinos, which are now on an average about ten per cent higher. It is said that manufacturers both here and on the continent are better off for orders than they have been for many months past; and at Bradford the price for a 60's top has advanced about a penny a pound, and even at the advance most makers are very unwilling sellers. The improvement in the price of both wool and tops has come in spite of the unfortunate breakdown in the negotiations for peace. Had those negotiations succeeded, we think the advance would have been much more marked."

Coming to the Races.

The Lake County Agricultural Association advertises four days racing, beginning July 2d, 3d, 4th and 5th, and offers purses aggregating \$1,100. There will be nine races in all, free for everything except the saddle race, which is for Lake county horses only. Lakeview has always displayed great enterprise in the encouragement of racing, with the result that the county has more fine horses than any other in the whole upper country. There are several horses now being fitted up in Alturas for the Lakeview meeting. They are well-bred animals, but are young and untried.—Alturas Plaindealer.

Rousing Reception Promised.

A letter from Lakeview informs us that the "Uncle Josh" company will not be here on the 27th. Several members of the company found it impossible to leave their business at that time. This is to be regretted, as our citizens were determined to give them a rousing reception.—Alturas Plaindealer.

General News of the Week

Things That Have Happened Here and There and Everywhere Since the Last Appearance of This Paper--Dished Up Briefly For Our Readers.

Musselman is Awarded a First Grade

EDS. LAKE COUNTY EXAMINER, Lakeview, Oregon: Permit me through the columns of The Examiner to make public apology to W. H. Musselman for an injustice which was done him a few days ago by the report that he had failed to pass successfully the examination for County Teacher's certificate.

Upon looking over his papers a second time it was discovered that the Examining Board erred in three particulars:

First—A mistake was made in summing up the total number of credits in Physiology. Second—In History an answer was passed over without receiving any credits whatever. Third—In Theory some errors were made in not giving proper credits for correct answers.

These corrections having been made, the general average showed that Mr. Musselman was entitled to receive a First Grade Certificate and it was granted.

Hoping the explanation will atone for any injury to Mr. Musselman, I am very respectfully,
J. Q. WILLIAMS,
County Superintendent.

P. S.—The papers of all the applicants have been re-examined, but no other errors were discovered. J. Q. W. Lakeview, Or., April 22, 1901.

Returned From Missouri.

Wm. Farrell returned to Lakeview last Monday night after an absence of five months, most of which time he passed with relatives in Collinsville, Mo. He was the guest of his brother Ed. O'Farrell, and his family, and speaks in glowing terms of his delightful visit and trip. Collinsville is about nine miles from St. Louis and Mr. Farrell visited many old landmarks in and about that bustling city. He returns much improved in health and looks younger by many years than when he left. Before going to Missouri he visited San Francisco and took in all the sights of the California metropolis. Before returning from the East he visited Kansas City, and found much of interest there. He speaks of his visit with his brother's interesting family as one feature that will ever remain a pleasant memory through life. Mr. Farrell will remain in Lake county for the present, at least.

A Lime Mine.

We understand that E. H. Loftus and C. H. Dalrymple have leased for five years a piece of mountain land on the property of S. J. Prose, three miles north of Lakeview. Some time ago while riding over this land John W. Loftus ran onto a ledge of lime stone. The ledge has been prospected and found to be very extensive, as well as of fine quality of lime. A stipulation in the lease is to the effect that S. J. Prose is to receive a certain per cent of the receipts for lime sold from the mine for five years. Experts who have examined this lime say it is as good as that shipped in from Santa Cruz. As the sale of lime in Lake county amounts to several thousand dollars annually, the gentlemen who have taken hold of this new enterprise are likely to do a profitable business.

Grand Ball Friday Night.

Great preparations are being made by the committee of ladies in charge of the grand ball to be given in Lakeview on the night of April 26th (next Friday). It has been some time since lovers of the dance have enjoyed a night at the mazy whirl, and an elegant supper, and a large attendance is expected. The affair is for the benefit of the cemetery, and many who do not usually attend balls and parties will doubtless patronize this enjoyable affair. The supper will be donated by the ladies of Lakeview, which is a guarantee that it will be a grand feast. Buy your tickets now. Ball and supper, \$2.50.

To Bore for Water on The Desert

Messrs. Garrett & Wilson, two young men from Surprise valley, where boring for artesian water is no longer an experiment, but a complete success, were in Lakeview last Sunday en route to the desert in the vicinity of Juniper mountain. One of the gentlemen is well acquainted with the desert country, and he believes that artesian water can be found in various places on the great desert of Lake county. Especially is his faith profound in making a successful experiment at Juniper. The young men went there equipped to make a thorough test, and if successful there will be many locations of desert land made in that section. The Examiner hopes that the young men will find what they are looking for, as it will prove an incentive to others to try the same experiment in other localities on the desert. With water on the great desert what a garden spot we would have in Lake county! Water is all that is needed to make that particular portion of our county the home of hundreds of new people.

It is the opinion of many observing people that beneath the desert lands is a chain of lakes, which once tapped would provide a great irrigation system.

Miss Smith Recovering.

From a private source we learn that the opinion expressed by The Examiner last week, regarding the mental condition of Miss Millie Smith, who was reported insane, was correct, and that her derangement was of but a temporary nature brought on by overwork. Miss Smith's many friends in Lakeview will rejoice to know that she is rapidly recovering, and is on the way to Ft. Bidwell, her former home, where she will take a much needed rest. Her duties are said to be arduous, and Miss Smith has continued at her work despite the warning of her physician. She holds the position of book-keeper in the big establishment of Goldstein & Cohn, hair-dresses and costumers, 822 Market street, San Francisco.

Red Bluff Wool Market.

Red Bluff Sentinel: About 1200 bags of wool have been sold in Red Bluff during the last two days, which is one-half of this spring's clip. About 600 bags were secured by Maj. Kimball and C. H. Greene, about 250 bags by Edward McAdam and George Abbot, and the remainder by John and Frank Lee. Prices ranged from 12 to 14 cents, and the latter was paid to Money Hickman for 34 bags, which was a particularly fine clip. Mr. McAdams went to Corning to secure the Mitchell wools, about 100 bags.

A Correction.

Our Warner correspondent was in error in stating that the wife of Frank Riggs had given birth to a ten-pound son, and The Examiner hastens to apologize to the parties interested for giving publicity to an unconfirmed report. Of course, we rely on our correspondents for the news and expect it to be reliable, and if we are imposed upon, maliciously, it shall be our aim to bring the unreliable correspondent to terms.

Lakeview's Reputation Abroad.

John Hall, advance agent for Fleming Bros.' moving picture show, says that in all his travels west of the Mississippi river, he has never seen as substantially a built and as good a town of its size as Lakeview. He says the building up of an inland town like this in less than one year after a terrible fire is simply wonderful, and speaks volumes for the enterprise of the people of Lakeview.

Wool Market.

St. Louis, April 20—Wool quiet, unchanged; territory and western medium 14 @ 16; fine, 11 @ 15; coarse, 11 @ 14.

Big Excitement Over Oil in Modoc

A special dispatch from Alturas dated April 18th, announces the fact that there is much excitement in Modoc county over the finding of oil on the ranch of J. H. Hornbeck between Cedarville and Eagleville, in Surprise Valley, and it is said a flow has been found that burns like a candle, only much brighter. There is also considerable stir in the Coal Stone Valley, where first-class prospects for oil have been discovered. It is very evident that oil exists throughout various portions of Modoc and Lake counties, and there will be a boom in this industry here very soon. There is said to be an oil expert in the Surprise Valley district who is bonding all the fields he can.

A Good Entertainment.

Fleming Bros. pleased the people of Lakeview on Monday and Tuesday evenings of this week with their Edison Waragraph or moving picture entertainment. The gentlemen gave Lakeview people an agreeable surprise, as their entertainment is right up-to-date, and is given as advertised. Heretofore our people have been victimized by fakirs with alleged first-class moving picture entertainments. Fleming Bros. are to be complimented for breaking the monotony, and giving us a thoroughly good show. Their illustrated songs, among which is "Just as the Sun Went Down," are well worth the admission fee. The Sharkey-McCoy prize fight given in the full 10 rounds, with a knockout, the destruction of the Spanish fleet, the "Passion Play," Carrie Nation's saloon smashing expedition, and dozens of other moving scenes fully justify us in pronouncing the Fleming Bros. show as far the best of its character ever presented in this country. Besides, the proprietors, and advance agent John Hall, are honest, generous and affable gentlemen. They had big houses here for two nights.

A Light Sentence.

Robert Oglesby will spend one year in the Oregon State Penitentiary, as told exclusively by The Examiner last week. There were two charges against Oglesby, one for cutting the mail pouches open and the other for robbing the mail, to which he pleaded guilty, but Judge Bellinger dealt lightly with him and sentenced him to one year on each charge, the sentences to run concurrently, so that he will spend but one year behind the bars.

A Quartz Mine.

A. Bieber and Dr. Dewey have a man developing a prospect recently discovered on the hill just east of Lakeview. The find is an extensive ledge of genuine quartz, a sample of which after going through the mortar showed a small quantity of gold. It is to be hoped that after thorough development the mine may be found good enough to warrant working with a stamp mill.

Brome Grass a Success.

There is no doubt of the success of brome grass for fodder in this section. Dick Kingsley of the West Side has experimented with this grass, and after a year's trial is well satisfied with the result. The grass grew all winter on dry sage brush land, and a sample left at this office is tall and ripe enough for cutting. Kingsley is preparing to grow brome extensively next season.

Sheep Poisoned.

Kingery Brothers, Lake county wool-growers, lost about 200 head of sheep last week at the Public Shearing corrals at Clover Flat. Joe Ambrose, also, lost a few while coming through Crooked Creek valley. It is presumed the sheep found a poisonous weed or were "alkalied."

A Word to the Wise is Sufficient

A letter from Lakeview intimates that the Nevada, California and Oregon is likely to change its plan in the matter of the extension from Terro (Cal. to Lakeview). The general opinion has been that the road would build along the east side of Goose Lake, through a thickly settled farming and horticultural country, to Lakeview, and make a terminus. It has been hinted to the business men of Lakeview and the farmers along the lake that if they do not accept proposals soon to be made the road will be built on the west side of the lake, where there is no settlement except at the northern end. If the line follows the west shore of the lake, Lakeview and a good farming country will be left in the cold.—Oregonian.

And this is not the first intimation The Examiner has had regarding the probable move of the N. C. O. people. A well-known friend of The Examiner forwarded us a letter from Reno some time ago, in which the writer, after an interview with the N. C. O. management, asserted as his positive belief that "Lakeview will be left off the railway schedule if a feasible route can be found on the west side of Goose Lake. The line would go through Surprise Valley if it could get out at the north end. A route is (or was) being figured on for the West Side, which would mean that Lakeview would be left to herself by several miles. Should this happen it will be the fault of your 'croakers' in opposing the extension of the road to your city." Our correspondent, also, offers the advice that "if a railway line is to pass Alturas, Lakeview must be on the route or she will suffer a lingering death."

We do not quite agree with our friend regarding the horrible fate that awaits Lakeview. This will continue to be the best point in Southeastern Oregon with or without a railroad. The leasing of the public domain has more horrors for Lakeview than any fate that may befall us from a railroad standpoint. Still, if a railroad is to pass Alturas, as our friend says, it would be far better for Lakeview to encourage it than throw stumbling blocks in the way. Railroad companies as a rule do not pander to the wishes of a people opposed to them. On the contrary, railroad people usually leave their enemies off their line just far enough to do them damage, as was in the case of the pioneer towns of Yreka (Cal.) and Jacksonville (Oregon). It has been suggested by a gentleman, who is credited with having good foresight and can see considerably farther than the end of his nose, that should much opposition be shown the N. C. O. company by the people of Lakeview, that a fine site for a new railroad town could be found in plain sight of our town, eight miles away, at the edge of the timber, where the waters of Thomas Creek emerge from the mountain fastnesses.

Mr. Dunaway, Vice-President and General Manager of the N. C. O., is expected in Lakeview soon, and it might be well for the opposition to not crop out too plainly while the gentlemen is here.

Miss Snelling's Success.

Miss Laura Snelling, who is attending St. Mary's Academy at Jacksonville, is another Lakeview girl who is making rapid strides in the educational line. The young lady, who is but 16 years of age, recently passed a successful examination before the board of examiners of Jackson county, and was awarded a teacher's certificate. Her percentage was 78. It is something unusual for a girl of sixteen to pass a successful examination in Oregon, and Miss Snelling's many friends here, as well as her parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Snelling, are very proud of her achievement.

Pelton Water Motor.

Frank Duke has gone to the railroad after a big load of merchandise for Lakeview business men. Among other freight Mr. Duke will carry a big load of paper and stationery, and a Pelton Water Motor for The Examiner. The motor is to be used as power in driving The Examiner presses.