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TRIES TO KNOCK LAKE COUNTY.

Would Stop People En-
route to This Place.

THEIR EFFORTS TRANSPARENT.

Lake County Has Advantages
That Homeseekers Will Not
Overlook.

A gentleman who came to Lakeview a few days ago, accompanied by a party of homeseekers, says that Klamath Falls real estate men are as hungry as California fleas. He said he could hardly get away from the "boosters" long enough to eat a meal or take a nap. They would say to him "Oh, come now, you don't want to go to Lakeview, there is nothing there to go for or to see. The people there are 'dead ones' and their land is worthless," and a thousand other "knocking" remarks. They would say "you won't like it over there just stay here and get in on the ground floor, etc." But this gentleman could understand them and let their prattle go in at one ear and out at the other. He was determined to come to Lakeview and did come, and was glad of it. He stated to The Examiner that "This country is far ahead of Klamath. Why it seems to me that those people are living in air castles. They have overdone every thing there, and can't quit." "I tell you," he said, "you have no idea how hard they knock Lake county, and how hard they work to dissuade people passing through there destined for Lakeview from coming on." But we do know, for others have told similar stories of their experience in Klamath Falls. They can't disturb Lake county, nor they haven't disturbed many of the outsiders enroute here from the looks of our hotel registers the past summer.

Lake county is out of debt and has money in the treasury; Lake county has the best agricultural, and grazing lands in Oregon and as good timber as any part of the state east of the Cascades. Lake county has more vacant land than any other county, it is one of the largest counties in the state, has more money according to its population than any county in Oregon a fewer people who are continually knocking some other county. Drummers say Lakeview is the best town they sell goods in; they sell more and a better quality of goods, and that this town has a wonderful future. What knocking Klamath Falls can do won't hurt Lake county much, so keep your hammers going if it suits you, its about the biggest noise you can make.

From our Exchanges.

Silver Lake Leader:—It is reported that the beavers are becoming so numerous in the Sycan river, that the dams they build cause the water to overflow the banks, spreading over the low ground, making it worthless. Beavers are protected by law, and they appear to know it, and are getting their work in unhindered.

A radish is on exhibition at this office, that measures 27 inches around, and was grown upon the homestead of Charles Buick.—Paisley Correspondent.

Cy Brattain of Springfield, was in our city to visit his brother T. J. Brattain.

Tracy Blair came in from Abert Lake Friday, to see the doctor. He, and a broncho got tangled up, and Tracy came off second best. His shoulder was bruised quite a little otherwise his injuries were slight.

We understand that O. E. Campbell has sold his 80 acre tract of hay land to W. H. McCall, and his sheep to W. H. McCormick, and will leave in a few days for Placer County Cal.

Mrs. J. S. Elder purchased a tract of land from W. Y. Miller last week and will have a residence erected thereon this fall.

Silver Lake Oregonian:—Miss Rachel Partin of Summer Lake this week sent to S. A. Lester's store two small branches taken from a crab apple tree in the Partin orchard which go a long way toward proving that Summer Lake is an ideal fruit growing

locality. The branches are each a little over two feet long and together bear 70 fine apples.

J. H. Strain, of Madras, arrived in Silver Lake Saturday afternoon with a load of watermelons, which he brought all the way from a point on the Deschutes river a few miles this side of the Warm Spring Indian reservation. He sold them at eight cents per pound.

H. B. Stephens was a caller in Silver Lake Friday. He and W. H. McCall had just returned from Bly, where they went to deliver the sheep recently sold to McKendree Bros.

Z. G. Harris came up from Summer Lake Monday, bringing a bunch of saddle horses, preparatory to beginning his fall ride.

F. W. Silvertooth left yesterday for Lakeview and Northern California points, on business.

Cedarville Record:—L. E. Smith, of Sacramento, has been in the valley for some days looking for alfalfa seed, and has already engaged seven or eight cars of it. He says the seed crop in the lower end of the valley is good.

At the Irrigation Congress at Sacramento last week Judge Baker, of Modoc, was elected second vice President.

It is said that two big new hotels are soon to be built at Lakeview. That country must be booming.

Klamath Republican:—Mr. and Mrs. Archie Johnson left for Vancouver, British Columbia, Monday, where they expect to make their permanent home. With Mr. Meservy, Mr. Johnson will engage in the timber business, it being understood that the timber barons are turning their attention towards Canada.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Emmitt, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Biehn, Mr. and Mrs. K. D. North and Mr. and Mrs. John Hamilton went to Crystal Creek Monday, where they expect to remain for the next two weeks. The party is a jolly one and sure of a good time.

L. F. Willits has sold his 100-acre ranch located near Bonanza, to P. O. Parsons, a recent arrival from Imperial Valley.

Burns Times-Herald:—W. A. Gowan and family arrived here Sunday from Lakeview where Win has been clerk in the land office for the past four years. This is the first outing during that time and he expects to take the full time. He is looking well. The family will go over to Grant county to visit other relatives next week.

Rufus George, a young man who has been working at the White Horse ranch, came in Tuesday with David Jones for medical assistance for a case of blood poisoning. He had been burning warts off his hand with concentrated lie and the wounds became infected. His physician believes there will be no serious results unless possibly he may lose the use of one finger.

David Jones, one of the business men of Andrews, is here having come over to see his new son. Mrs. Jones and the baby will remain here for a time yet but Mr. Jones will return in a few days.

Alturas New Era:—Last Monday L. G. Clark, the wealthy stockman and rancher of Jess Valley, was running a mowing machine on his ranch. when the team became frightened and ran away, throwing him from the machine and injuring him so badly that he passed away at five o'clock yesterday. Mr. Clark was aged about 67 years, and has for years been considered one of the leading men of the county.

Last Wednesday the State Board of Equalization fixed the state tax rate at 44 1/2 cents on \$100, the various funds being provided for as follows: General fund 22.6 cents; school fund 17.3 cents; State high school fund 1.8 cents; interest and sinking fund, .08 cents; University of California fund 2 cents The state tax rate this year is much lower than for last year.

J. Todd Bonner and family moved to Davis Creek last week, and J. N. Jones and family are now residing in the house formerly occupied by them, Mr. Jones having purchased the place a couple of weeks ago.

C. M. Taylor, the fruit raiser, was up from his fruit farm near Pine Creek last Saturday. He has been running a wagon to Bly most of the summer, making weekly trips. Mr. Taylor says that his pear trees are all right now and bearing. It will be remembered that last year he thought he would have too cut a lot of them down, as some sort of disease seemed to have attacked them, but he delayed cutting them down and the trouble has disappeared and the fruit is abundant and healthy.

JUDGE BENSON OVER- RULES DEMURRER.

Sustains Warner Valley Stock Co's Cause
In First Instance.

In the case of the State of Oregon vs. Warner Valley Stock Company et al., argued on demurrer last week at Klamath Falls, before Judge Benson, the Court sustained the demurrer to the complaint, on the ground that all the causes of suit set out in the complaint except the last were

barred by the Statute of Limitations. The Court overrules the demurrer as to the last cause of suit as set out in the complaint, which asked for the cancellation of the State Deed to the Warner Valley Stock Company. The Court intimates that the State has a cause of suit for the cancellation of that deed.

Celebration at Pine Creek.

Today, Thursday, the big celebration at Pine Creek begins.

The event is termed the "Oregon-California, New Pine Creek Base Ball Tournament and Mineral and Agricultural Exhibit. The affair opens today, the 19th, and closes the 21st.

There will be ball games each day, and a dance each evening. Prizes will be given for the best mineral and best Agricultural exhibits. A rock drilling contest has been added, which will be an interesting feature. Ring races have also been added. Excursions on the lake in the gasoline launch will be given each day.

Gold Day, Friday, will be filled with amusements, and a grand ball will be given in the evening.

Music for the occasion will be furnished by the Lakeview Brass Band and Orchestra.

Every town needs, and must have its day to celebrate. In a sparsely settled country to accomplish this in the fullest measure the different towns should appoint their day of celebration so as to make it convenient for neighboring towns and communities to attend.

This, Pine Creek has done, and a full attendance is expected from Lakeview. Pine Creek's rapid growth brings that little city in line for just recognition by all its neighbors, and it should, by all rights, be extended every courtesy. Every one who can, not conveniently, but possibly, should attend this celebration at our neighbor city.

Wallace-Chandler.

A pretty home wedding was solemnized at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Chandler, in Lakeview at noon last Sunday September 15, 1907. The contracting parties were Miss Lottie L. Chandler and Mr. Axel E. Wallace of Lakeview. Judge B. Daly was the officiating magistrate who tied the nuptial knot pronouncing the ceremony which united the lives of these estimable young people of our little city. The wedding was a quiet one, witnessed only by the immediate relatives of the bride and groom, and a few intimate friends. Promptly at 12, o'clock, noon, the young people took their places at the matrimonial altar where the Judge with an impressive, but yet simple and exceedingly pretty ceremony made them husband and wife. The bride was becomingly attired in white crape de chine, and looked very sweet and winsome. The groom wore the conventional black. After congratulations a sumptuous wedding dinner was served. They received a large number of handsome and valuable gifts. Mr. and Mrs. Wallace are well and favorably known in and about our city.

Mr. Wallace is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wallace, of the Lakeview Furniture Store, and is a partner in the business.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Chandler, who have resided in this county many years Mr. Chandler being one of the wealthiest sheep owners in the county.

This office joins the many friends of the happy young couple in congratulations and good wishes as they embark on life's rugged voyage together.

A tent show gave a performance on the vacant lot north of the Masonic block Monday night to a good sized audience. One man played the fiddle and another one jumped in a barrel and out again without touching the barrel with his hands. It was worth double the price of admission to see the three boys standing in the barrel, too. The whole crowd just laughed fit to kill when the showman said he was going back into the peanut corner and get another boy to stand in the barrel. Then he fairly took the house down when he told the boy to pull his Oregon coat off. Another performance Tuesday night. The crowd was not so large, because they had so much fun the first night they could not stand it.

Stock and Land.

Harry A. Hunter and J. J. Hewitt arrived here last week for the purpose of looking over the old wagon road grant. It was stated in The Examiner a few weeks ago that the Hewitt people, who are already largely interested in Lake county, were contemplating buying 500,000 acres of the grant with a view of developing it and making homes for five thousand more people in this county. This statement was neither denied nor confirmed by Mr. Hewitt, nor has the result of his visit been made known to those not directly interested in the deal.

F. M. Miller returned from the T ranch last week, where he had been for several days looking after the starting of the T beef for Merrill, where they will be delivered to C. Swanson, the Sacramento buyer. Mr. Miller bought a few head of beef in Warner and in this valley to add to the band. The beef are on the road to Merrill now in charge of Dan Malloy. Mr. Miller went along with a rig, and will bring his wife home when he returns.

Mr. J. A. Brown the Corning mutton buyer starts his bands for Corning this week. Nine of his men were in town Saturday preparing to start with the sheep.

The W. T. Cressler beef cattle are on the road to Merrill, under the charge of W. Winer, where they will be delivered to C. Swanson, who purchased the beef last spring.

J. H. McInnis, the Red Bluff sheep buyer, writes The Examiner from Lookout Modoc county, that he will go to Red Bluff at once. He will probably return to the Devils Garden to receive a band of sheep he bought there some time ago.

Mr. J. A. Brown, the Corning sheep buyer, has started one band of sheep for California, and goes to Crooked Creek this week to receive 7000 head of the Chandler sheep, which he will start on the road some time soon. Mr. Brown informs us that he will likely buy 80 head of bucks from S. P. Moss. He will mutton about 4000 of the 10,000 sheep he is taking down, and will keep the rest till next spring.

F. M. Miller has disposed of his interest in the ground on which the big new livery barn stands to the other owners, C. D. Arthur and H. L. Chandler.

We understand that Mr. M. Swartout, of Everett, Washington, who was here a few weeks ago with his wife, is negotiating for the property from the Bernard store south to J. S. Lane's residence and if he makes the deal he will erect a large hotel on the ground.

Farnk Barnes has sold his Ana River ranch to McKendree Bros. The deal was made some weeks ago, and the boys have been preparing to carry out the irrigation project mentioned in The Examiner last week.

Mr. Thos. Peebles, representative of John E. Andrus, U. S. Congressman from Yonkers, New York, and one of the wealthiest men in the country, who is heavily interested in the Hunter Land Co.'s Road Grant, arrives here this week to inspect a portion of the Grant in order to report on the advisability of constructing canals, etc., to utilize the valuable water rights controlled by the Military Road Co. here and elsewhere, and to consult with their engineer on irrigation propositions that they have been working on for the past few months.

Mr. Hewitt, who is here from Tacoma to look at the Hunter Land Co's Road Grant through this section of country, is in Warner in company with Phil Lynch, who will show him over the grant in Warner and Catlow valleys.

W. L. Pope came over from South Warner first of the week on land business Mr. Pope purchased some land from J. C. Dodson in April, and is here having the deeds to the land made over. Mr. Pope says they have the largest crops in Warner this year they ever had and have had a great deal of difficulty in getting it harvested, on account of the scarcity of labor. He finished haying a few days ago.

Mr. F. L. Randall, representative of Marshal Field & Co., of Chicago, and J. C. Huyck, representing Meyers Boot and Shoe House, of Milwaukee, were in Lakeview the fore part of the week. In addition to working for their companies they were looking over the country, and having letters of introduction to H. W. Drenkel, that gentleman drove them over the valley. They were well pleased with the country, and Mr. Drenkel thinks they will return here and make investments. They believe there is a great future for Lakeview and Lake county.

Free Vaccine for Disease.

A communication from the Forest Service dated Washington, Sept. 11, says: Further evidence of the government's concern over the improvement of range conditions in the National Forest is shown in the announcement just made that stock owners will be furnished free of charge supplies of vaccine for the treatment of stock afflicted with black leg, tuberculosis and other animal diseases. This arrangement has been made by the Forest Service with Dr. A. D. Melvin, chief of the Bureau of Animal Industry.

Stockmen holding permits for grazing the National Forests will now be furnished with an effective means of combatting without cost all of the most dangerous disease to which stock is subject. The vaccine can be obtained simply by applying to the supervisor of the Forest upon which the stock is grazed who will at once forward the approved request to the Bureau of Animal Industry where it will be filled. Full directions will be furnished for its use.

West is Prosperous.

John F. Kelley of the Booth-Kelley Lumber company of Eugene, who is at the Imperial hotel, stated this morning that Oregon is the most prosperous state in the country at the present time.

"There is more money," said Mr. Kelley, "to be had in Oregon than anywhere I know of. Crop conditions are excellent and general conditions could not be very well improved upon. Our chief difficulty is to procure labor. Since my arrival in Portland several days ago I have been trying to secure five laborers—men to do the commonest kind of work. I have not been able to employ any at \$2.50 a day.

"Talking with employment agents I find that a dearth of laborers exists in Portland. One man told me he could not get men for love or money. He said he secured one laborer the other day who promised to work for \$2.50 a day, but the most of them demanded \$3.

"We are confronted with the worst crop shortage we have experienced. Instead of improving as we expected, conditions along this line of commerce have grown worse."

In commenting on the lumber trade, Mr. Kelley said that the California traffic has fallen off in the past six months and that the outlook for improvement with the southern states is not bright.

Referring to land sales, the Eugene man said the transfer of the 400,000 acres of grazing and agricultural land sold by the Booth-Kelley interests to H. C. Hunter has not yet been made and probably would not be for six months or a year.—Portland Journal.

Braultacht Commits Suicide.

The Oregonian of Sunday says that Nicholas Braultacht, a teamster in the employ of the Western Clay Co., of that city, during a fit of insane jealousy and despondency because of domestic troubles took carbolic acid in the presence of his family on Saturday evening Sept. 14, and died a few minutes later. Mrs. Braultacht tried to prevent him from drinking the poison, but only succeeded in spilling the acid over her hands and arms, burning her severely. The Braultachts were once residents of Lakeview, he having been employed in the Lakeview brewery. Their domestic troubles here will be remembered. He was 43 years of age and had five boys and one girl. His Mother lives at Yreka, Calif.

HOMESTEADS IN RESERVATIONS.

Government Furnishes a
New Application Blank.

AIDS APPLICANTS IN RESERVES.

Application Can be Made Either to
Supervisor or Direct to the
Interior Department.

A letter from the Forest Service at Washington, D. C., dated early in September, but not permitted to be published until now, describes the manner of procuring homesteads within forest reserves as follows:

"The application for listing of agricultural lands in National Forests may be made as easy and simple as possible for the homeseeker, the Forest Service has issued a blank form which is expected to prove of much benefit to those applying for land under the Act of June 11, 1906.

Intending settlers were formerly informed that no set form of application was necessary, but that they should describe the land accurately in a letter to the Forester. In attempting to comply with these instructions, applicants would frequently omit some very necessary facts and sometimes the descriptions of the lands were so indefinite that an examination was not warranted because forest officers would not have been able to locate the claim from the description.

The new form is very simple and will assist persons as much as possible in order to avoid the necessity of a return of application because of indefinite descriptions. It is a two sheet folder, with the first page reserved for the application, the second and third for the Forest Service regulations under the act and the amendments. On the back of the form is a township map which will make it easy to make an accurate location of the claim.

Applicants who fill out this form will avoid delay in the examination of the land they wish to enter. They may be obtained either from the Supervisors of the various National Forests or upon application to the Forester, Washington, D. C.

The work of examining lands for which applications have been made is progressing rapidly in all the National Forests and all of the applications now of record will be acted on during the next two months. When National Forests are created, agricultural lands are carefully excluded from the boundaries, but it is impossible to cut out small patches of agricultural lands and these areas are opened to settlement under the Act of June 11, 1906.

Newspaper Man Here.

Mr. T. B. Barnett, who started and conducted for five years the Daily News, of San Francisco, arrived in Lakeview last Friday in company with Jas. L. Skiffington, of Sonoma, H. W. Docker, of Mendocino and D. L. Elliott, of Paso Robles, Calif.

The gentlemen are here to try to secure some of Lake county's valuable lands. Mr. Barnett was one of the heavy losers in the San Francisco earthquake, which swept away the Daily News plant, just as it was being recognized as one of the powerful newspapers of the city. He says they went to Oakland and got out a paper six hours ahead of any other paper in the city after the earthquake. The S. F. Examiner claims that destination, but Mr. Barnett says his paper, of which he was manager, was the first to issue. The other partners in the paper bought a new plant and are conducting the paper. Mr. Barnett has been living at Lakeport, California of late.

Sixty strangers registered at Hotel Lakeview last Saturday and Sunday. A pretty good run for two days. There has been a great rush of strangers to Lakeview all summer long. A great many of them enquire when they arrive here if there is an information bureau or chamber of commerce here to which they can go for information about the country. Can't our people see the need of such an organization, when the plain, fact is buried into their faces twenty times a day?