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## FINE FREE HOMES CAN BE HAD HERE

The Last and Best West  
of Uncle Sam

A VERITABLE LAND OF PROMISE

A Soil That Has Demonstrated  
Itself With Every Sort  
of Crop

The Examiner believes that this section presents better and more advantages for the homeseeker or business man than any other section of the United States. In no other section do we find a fine climate, coupled with such richness of soil which is capable of yielding products of such fine quality and varied nature as right here in beautiful and productive Lake County.

In looking into the merits of this section the contemplating settler should understand that this is no new and untried land but one in which diversified interests have been successfully tested for over fifty years; where the finest and sleekest of cattle; horses of strength, endurance, beautifully proportioned; sheep in such number as to produce 3,000,000 pounds of wool per annum; where grain, unirrigated, produces from 35 to 60 bushels of wheat, barley and rye in similar proportion; and when the finest, most luscious of strawberries, small fruits of all kinds, besides cherries, peaches, plums, apples, English Walnuts, all grow, thrive, and produce abundantly and of the very highest grade. All these things in the not too distant future will make those coming here a contented and prosperous people. Such things have happened elsewhere, with but a tithe of the help of sunshine, rich, and productive soil, and sufficient rainfall—really's here, and all of which tend to work these wonders witnessed here on every hand.

The new comer will find here ready at hand, towns, villages, schools, churches, telephones, electric lights, cheap and plentiful supply of lumber, unlimited fuel with prospects of coal near at hand—all necessary in this age of civilization. The only thing lacking is railroad transportation, and that now is only a question of a short time in becoming a reality.

In addition to all these advantages, all ready established, there are almost unlimited opportunities for securing land here, under the government land laws, that in a few years will command prices, because of their productiveness, which will astonish some of the people now here who imagined they have taken the best. Some of the large stock owners will later subdivide their holdings, some are now doing so, at prices that will enable those of the smallest of purses to secure a few acres which, with fruit, poultry and vegetables, will give a family good living.

In the Great Warner Lake valley there are thousands of acres of as fine land—sage brush desert—now open for settlement that only needs careful cultivation to be made to produce handsomely in all sorts of grain, and fruits, free homes and right up to what will prove one of the richest and biggest gold mining camps in America—the famous and long sought "Lost Cabin" district.

In other points of this county, containing an area larger than the whole state of New Jersey, rare other tracts said to be as good as the Warner Lake Valley lands capable of producing grain and fruits in abundance and of superior quality, all free to the wide awake and hustling man who knows a good thing when he sees it!

In short Lake County is in itself a small empire embracing 5,130,240 acres of land classified as follows:

Agricultural and alfalfa land—1,122,964 acres. Timber land—1,124,350 acres. Grazing land 2,877,240 acres. July last, 2,414,500 acres of this remained unappropriated. 681,105 acres of which has not been surveyed—of these lands not appropriated, is about 1,000,000 acres school land for sale by the state at \$2.50 to \$5.00 per acre.

There are at the present time approximately 250,000 sheep, 60,000 cattle and 25,000 horses and mules, pastured in the county—the income the past year from live stock alone was in excess for \$350,000 per capita, in addition we should add 2,225,000 pounds of wool exported.

All these things point conclusively to the greatness now and prospective of Lake county, Oregon.

Do you want a share in all these things that lead to prosperity? If so, come and join us, and secure a foot hold in this Great Inland Empire, while lands are free, and a glorious opportunity beckons you on every hand

## C. O. Metzker and Family Leave For California

### Take With Them Best Wishes of a Host of Friends

C. O. Metzker, and family left town Monday, for California. They will stop for a short visit a Sierraville Plumas County, and will then go to San Francisco, where they will decide upon a location.

Mr. Metzker was raised here, and since growing to manhood has occupied a prominent place in the affairs of this county as the able and painstaking editor of The Examiner. It seemed a hard thing for him to break away from old friends, and after a change, among new scenes, we believe he will come back to Lakeview. He is a fine type of a man, one whom any one can tie to in perfect confidence. He and his family will be missed here, and the friends they leave all wish them the best of luck and prosperity in their new home; and among their well wishers is the new management of The Examiner.

### Big Profit in Cherries

As an indication of what our fruit growers will be doing when the railroad gives us quick transportation we clip the following item from an exchange: A hundred tons of the best Royal Ann cherries grown in the immediate vicinity of Salem will be taken this year by a San Francisco firm for bottling by the maraschino process, and the same persons will also purchase large quantities of the fine blackberries, loganberries and raspberries, they to be used in making fruit juices and crushed fruits for soda fountain beverages.

## THE STAGE HELD UP TUESDAY MORNING AND EXPRESS BOX TAKEN

A bold hold-up of the Likely and Lakeview stage occurred at about three o'clock Tuesday morning, at a point about three miles this side of Likely.

The driver was commanded to stop and did so, whereupon two armed and masked men ordered the passengers out of the stage and stood them in a line. One of the road men then got out the express box, while the other covered the driver and passengers with his gun.

It was evident that the express was all they wanted, for with that secured the passengers were told to take their seats, and gave the driver the word to go. Neither the passengers nor the

### NEW TELEPHONE LINE PROJECTED FOR LAKEVIEW

J. Frank Adams, of Reno, and Alfred Karge, of Carson, Nevada, came up Saturday to interview the business men of the town relative to the putting in a long distance line. Dr. Adams is president and Mr. Karge secretary of the Western Pacific Telephone Company.

These gentlemen want to put a copper wire from here to Reno and on to San Francisco. They were taking coupon contracts in order to ascertain if they could secure sufficient business, and if not, will not build to this point.

The line would be an expensive one, and will cost in the neighborhood of \$35,000 to construct.

The Examiner was not advised as to the result of the visit of the gentlemen.

## THE LAND LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES

### What You Must Do to Get Hold Of Uncle Sam's Domain

Every single person and every married man is entitled to 160 acres of a homestead. The laws are strict and must be complied with. You must live continuously upon the property. You must cultivate and improve the property. You have six months in which to build your house and move to your property. You pay \$16.00 filing fee to file on a homestead. You are only entitled to 160 acres of land under the homestead laws.

After 16 months continued residence you can commute a homestead by paying \$200 cash. If you do not commute it requires 5 years to complete your title.

If you are not holding government land by some other method you are entitled to file on 320 acres of desert land. Desert land is land you must reclaim by placing water upon it.

You are required to pay 25c per acre for this land when you file and you then are compelled to spend at least \$1 per acre each year upon the land in reclaiming it. You have four years in which to get water upon the same. Fencing, clearing, building ditches, putting down wells for irrigation purposes, etc., are allowed by the government and you are credited with the money spent and the work done toward the annual payments. At the end of four years you pay \$1 in cash to the government. You can take any amount of this land up to 320 acres.

Timber and Stone Land:— Per acre \$2.50. Ninety days after application must be proved upon and paid for. One can only take 160 acres or less of this class of land; a wife can also acquire title to these lands.

Homestead:— Of 160 acres or less, costs for filing \$16 and advertising fees.

### TERRIBLE ACCIDENT NEAR CEDARVILLE

A terrible accident occurred on a farm about 5 miles from Cedarville, California, last Thursday, in which Thomas Sweet lost his life.

It seems he was working in a hay field all alone, his family being absent from home. He had a team hitched to a hay-rake. The team must have become unmanageable in some way and ran. His brother living on an adjoining farm noticing no stir went over Friday evening and upon investigation discovered the rake in one place smashed to splinters, and in another part of the field, in some sage brush he discovered his brother in a terrible shape. One leg was broken, both arms, three or four ribs on one side, and one on the other piercing his lung, and his skull was badly fractured. Strange to relate the man was still alive, but unconscious. He did not recover consciousness, and died soon after he was found.

Mr. Sweet was a prominent farmer and was constable of the town. He was about 48 years old. A wife and two children survive him.

### CHILDREN SCALDED IN HOT SPRINGS

Two small children, a boy and a girl, belonging to J. M. Currey were very badly scalded Tuesday evening by falling into the creek running from the hot springs at the Hot Springs Bath House in the south part of town. The water is scalding hot as it escapes from the ground.

It seems the children were playing along the edge of the brook and the boy fell so that hands and arms were immersed. He screamed with pain and so alarmed his little sister that in the attempt at getting him out she also slipped into the water to her armpits, scalding lower limbs and body so badly that it is feared she will die. She is in a very critical condition. The little boy may recover.

The children are under the care of Dr. Smith.

The free lumber plank in the Democratic national platform does not suit the local democracy, but of course it will be swallowed in the interest of the party in other sections where the pine tree furnishes not as it does in Oregon!

## REPORTS OF FROST VIEWED WITH ALARM BY THE OUTSIDERS

Some of our correspondents take a doleful view of the government reports which indicate more or less frost here during the growing months.

It is a singular and unexplained fact of this climate that frosts, which would utterly ruin anything in other sections of the country, do not in the least injure any plant life here. Since the writer came to Lakeview we have noticed one frost early in the morning and "viewed the same with alarm" only to be laughed at by the old timers. "When we expected to see black cucumber vines, dropping fruit, and the like, everything came out as clear and bright as though there was no

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Mr. John Cobb, a prominent Rawhide, Nevada operator, arrived in camp Thursday and is looking over the mineral showings. Mr. Cobb is very much pleased with the geological formation and strength and richness of the veins in Goldrun district, and he does not hesitate to say that with the adjacent timber and fine water power, extensive mining operations can be advanced on very economical scale. Mr. Cobb will spend the summer in this section and take over as an investment such properties as appeal to him.

### Activity In Full Blast at Gold Run

### A New Find Is Reported North of the Original Discovery

R. R. Cunningham, one of the prominent mining operators of Goldrun, was in town Monday, looking up a timber supply for the mines.

He reports activity there and many new men coming in every day. Upwards of 80 men are now working in various capacities in the district and others will be put on as fast as place can be made for them.

New finds of merit are reported, one of them at a point three miles north of the original discovery, which gives great promise from surface indications.

Mr. Cunningham has had wide mining experience and in view of that fact he is highly pleased with the present outlook at Goldrun, and believes that it will develop into something exceedingly good in a very short time.

### Illness of Mrs. Lester Kelsey

Lester Kelsey, of Plush, started for Lakeview last Friday with his wife for medical attendance. When he got to Mud Creek station the lady became so ill she could go no farther by team so Mr. Kelsey phoned to Banker Cressler to come with his auto. The gentleman complied, and made the 20 mile run up and down the mountain in an hour and ten minutes.

The lady was taken to the home of Mrs. Miller and placed under good care. She is now reported on the road to recovery.

On Monday, a light shower, with some thunder and lightning, cooled off the air to a comfortable degree.

## GOLDRUN COMING TO THE FRONT

Development Work Is  
Rapidly Pushed

### THE BUTTE CROSS-CUT TUNNEL

Account of Some of the Work  
That is Going on in the  
District

There is every indication of considerable development of the mining resources of this section the present season, and with this end in view a lot of supplies have recently been shipped into Goldrun district. There are 25 or 30 men now at work on different properties and the result of these labors will determine the exact line to be advanced on an extensive scale.

During the week several loads of timber have been laid on the ground for the cross cut, which is being advanced to cut the vein in the Butte group, and a car and track have already been ordered for this work. This crosscut tunnel is already in about 60 ft. and will be advanced about 240 ft. further at which point it will intersect the rich chate opened up in the bottom of the 50 ft. shaft. Work was temporarily suspended in the shaft from the fact that the vein can be more expeditiously and economically opened up at a depth by tunnel rather than by shaft. In the bottom of this shaft the vein is 3 ft. wide and carries general average gold values of \$197. per ton.

W. Z. Moss is rapidly pushing the work of development of the Edna Group. Some real good milling values have been taken from the vein on this estate.

Edgar F. Shultz has been doing location work on the Taft and Taft No. 1 claim.

Those new mining men from British Columbia, Nevada and Colorado who have recently come into this district will at once prosecute active exploitation work on the Jumbo Group which was bonded by them from J. W. Loftus et al.

A strong Eastern syndicate has recently taken over the Mona group, consisting of 5 claims, and work will be commenced within the next ten days.

W. M. Wyatt and Lou Reed have commenced work on a group of three claims which is proposed to thoroughly develop the present season. There is a strong outcrop on this group and high gold values have been secured at the surface. Mr. Watt left Thursday Morning for St. Joe, Arkansas, where a strong corporation will be formed for the purpose of handling this valuable property. Legitimate development is fully warranted by the present showing and there is every reason to believe that at a comparatively nominal expenditure will put some shipping ore on the dump in this mine.

Fred Beuchner, who has spent several weeks examining this field, has gone to Denver on Mining business. Mr. Beuchner is a very careful and conservative mining operator and from the very fact that he has thought well enough of the camp to take several groups of claims, is full warrant for believing that he has great confidence in Goldrun district. Among the claims secured by him is the Princess, Tonic, Mand and the Ellen Fraction. On the Princess there is an especially good outcrop which can be traced for 1000 ft. on the surface and several samples have been taken which returned good milling values. The ore of this district is free milling and the formation is porphyry, rhyolite and andesite. Considerable quartz is mixed in these formations and it is the latter which seems to carry the high gold values.

Leo Erenhaus and Paul Webber are doing assessment work this week on the El Paso and Merry Widow groups, and so far as development work has been prosecuted the showing is gratifying.

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mail were molested. It was thought at first that a big haul had been made, but the Likely agent reports that the box contained only one package, at a value of about \$3 or \$4.

No clue as to the perpetrators of this bold act of highway robbery.

It is the first case of the kind on this line for some years, as the last act of this sort proved to be the driver himself, and the fact that he was always robbed when alone, gave rise to suspicion and he was arrested convicted and sent to prison.

The authorities are active in attempt to ferret out these men, as there is no desire manifested to allow them to repeat the attempt.

### Enquiring for John F. Guthrie

G. G. Guthrie, of Inboden, Arkansas has written the sheriff's office of this county enquiring for his brother, John F. Guthrie. He is reported to have been in both Harney and Malheur counties the past five years, and may be in Lake.

He is described as being 40 years old; about 5 ft. 10 in. high, and usually weighs about 130 to 140 pounds; hair very gray for his age; beard light, but usually clean shaven.

His brother and old mother are very anxious about him, and will liberally reward any one who succeeds in locating him.

He is reported to be a sheep-herder, or was in that line when his whereabouts was known to his relatives.

One alleged "race-horse" was sold at Alturas last week for \$50. He must have been in it—nit.

### SUDDEN DEATH OF A YOUNG MAN AT KLAMATH

A sad and untimely death was reported yesterday from Klamath Falls.

A young man named Fred Biehn, accompanied by his wife and small party of friends went out on a camping trip. He took along a lot of soft drinks, and the weather being hot, drank freely. The result was a severe attack of cholera morbus which led him to drink some brandy, and ginger. The contraction caused his death in a very short time.

He leaves a young wife and child. The wife is a daughter of Postmaster Emmitt of Klamath Falls.

Mr. Biehn was about 27 years old, and was one of the most popular and prominent young men of that city.

He was well to do and leaves an estate of about \$15,000, mostly acquired through his own efforts.

### Prospector Hill in Town

R. J. Hill, of Lovelock, an experienced prospector arrived in town Wednesday from an extended trip through Northern Nevada.

He was at Seven Troughs, and considers that a good camp, and one that will be permanent. He did not think much of Rosebud or Sawtooth, and said these camps were nearly deserted.

The best prospect he saw on his trip at National, Willow Skull and Rebel Creeks in Northern Nevada, all of which are within a radius of about 15 miles from each other. At Skull Creek a Reno man has put in a 5 stamp mill, which he brought in from Yerington, and expects early and rich results. There will be plenty of water but timber will have to be hauled a distance of 10 or more miles. The country is all located in that section, but property can be secured on reasonable terms.

Mr. Hill left at once to prospect the country between here and Gold run.