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## The Sheep of Oregon Are in a Healthy and Flourishing Condition

During the year 1908, a total of 4,440,969 sheep were inspected by the federal inspectors working under the direction of Dr. S. W. McClure, chief of the bureau of animal industry in the northwest. As there are only about two million sheep in the state, it will be seen that the sheep have all been inspected at least twice and some of them more than that.

The last inspection has been made since October 1, and during that time more than a million and a half sheep have been inspected. Of this number but 725 sheep were found to be infected with scabies and these have all been dipped twice since that time. By 725 infected sheep, it is not meant that many individual sheep actually had the disease, for when one sheep is the best is found to have the disease the entire band is declared to be infected and is subjected to the double dipping regulation. It is therefore more than probable that the actual number of diseased sheep is not more than 100.

It was just two years ago today that Dr. McClure and his assistants undertook to eradicate scabies from among the sheep of the state. The first inspection showed that 318,252 sheep were infected, which compared with the insignificant number found this fall shows that the work has been thorough. All infected stock has been dipped twice under federal supervision.

Practically all of the cases of scabies found this time were in the southern part of Malheur and Lake counties. Dr. McClure has been unable to account for this, but he hopes to find that the disease has been completely eliminated there also when the next inspection is made in February. Dr. McClure says the sheepmen of the state have co-operated with his department to the fullest extent in the war on the sheep diseases and he is particularly loud in his praises of the services rendered by the state sheep commissioners and the state sheep inspectors. He says a large share of the credit for the cleaning up of the state is due to the state board and inspector Lytle for co-operating

to the greatest possible extent and rendering aid in every way possible. The flocks of the state are in much better condition now than they ever have been since the state was settled according to Dr. McClure, and he feels confident that the general inspection to be made in February will be the last that he will have to make.

The bureau of animal industry now has the situation well in hand and he believes it will now be able to keep the flocks of the state free from disease. Federal inspectors are stationed in Oregon as follows: One each at Lakeview, Eugene, Albany, Portland, Heppner and McDermott, while there are four at Pendleton.

According to Dr. McClure, sheep are being cleaned up in every part of the union. Most of the states have similar laws to those of Oregon and the same reports as to conditions are being made. Idaho, Nevada and Utah are practically as clean as Oregon, and while Washington has no state law compelling the dipping at present, dipping under federal supervision is being made. California had an annual dipping last fall, so that the sheep of that state are in better condition than they have been before.

## SALT AND BORAX DEPOSITS HERE

In discussing the opening of the borax deposits at Alkali lake in this county the Bend Bulletin, evidently posted, remarks: "There is also an enormous deposit of borax at Summer Lake which was all satked out into claims and filed on several years ago. And in addition to the borax and gypsum deposits, the Bulletin might mention another prospective industry for this section, that of salt mining. Though it may not be generally known, there is a generous deposit of this useful article in northern Lake county, not far from Alkali lake, from which stockmen who knew of this deposit have supplied their stock."

## FINE NEW ENTERPRISE

Lakeview is Soon to Have An Up-to-Date Steam Laundry In Operation

Lakeview is to have a first class Steam Laundry, to be built and equipped in the most modern and up-to-date lines.

The manager, Mr. Bernard C. Sitz, late of Grand Forks, N. Dakota, has canvassed the field thoroughly, and has concluded that such an enterprise is needed, and that present patronage will warrant its establishment. In consequence he has just awarded the contract for one of the complete outfits that money can buy. Some of the plant will come from San Francisco, and some from Troy, N. Y., the center of laundry equipment. The shipment from each place is timed so as to arrive at Alturas at the same time. It will require a month or so for the machinery to get here. Meanwhile the work of construction of a building to contain the same will go forward as rapidly as men and material can do it. The plant will be located at the lower end of town, near the flour and planing mills, as better water drainage could be secured there. Delivery wagons, and an up-town office will secure and deliver the work, so that the location of the laundry is immaterial.

The bare plant will cost \$4475 in the factory. \$2000 was added to the cost of usual outfit in order to bring the laundry up to the latest ideas, and to fit it for turning out work the equal of the best obtainable anywhere. It will be the best and most complete plant in southern Oregon or northern California, and few of the larger cities possess a larger establishment, while none can do better work. It is sufficiently large to take care of a \$6000 a week patronage. It can handle routine work as received, so that any order can be finished and delivered in from one to three days.

The laundry will employ 15 to 20 hands. It is the intention of Mr. Sitz to secure all his help here, unless at first he may have to engage experienced help from the outside. In this way the town will be benefited, and all business interests will profit thereby.

The Examiner was shown the plans for the building to be erected at once to contain the machinery. It is de-

signed so that when a piece of work is entered it goes in a circle until it comes out finished and ready for delivery at place of entrance. There will be no back tracking, and no danger of loss, or misplacement of garments. The building is designed to insure absolute cleanliness, and also with a view to the comfort of employees.

The establishment of this enterprise will fill a want here, and should meet with a hearty support from every body.

It will take the drudgery of the household, and will give the women folk opportunity for rest or more congenial labor.

It will also be a great convenience to our neighboring communities on each side of the State Line, it being the intention of Mr. Sitz to look after the need of all within reaching distance of Lakeview by means of agencies and the stage service.

## DAYLIGHT ROBBERY OF KLAMATH BANK

A Klamath Bank was robbed in broad daylight by two masked robbers at noon Saturday. At the point of the revolver they compelled the cashier to hand over \$3,500 in currency and gold. Two men were in the bank at the time with the cashier and all had to hold up their hands. After an exciting chase the two men were captured; one under a lot of hay in a barn, and the other under a hay stack. Both had been hanging around town for a year or so. One was an 18 year old boy. The money at last accounts had nearly all been recovered.

## Price of Wool to Advance

That the price of wool at the opening of the coming season will show an advance of about three cents per pound over the price which prevailed last year is the prediction of Charles H. Green, dean of the wool buyers, as reported Jan. 8th in the Pendleton East Oregonian.

## Goldberg Mining Camp Moving Along With Its Development Work

J. J. Reilly, of Reno, and F. H. Oliver, of Spokane, the men engaged in opening up the Goldrun mines, arrived in town Tuesday, after a hard trip of three days in getting over the mountains from Plush. Mr. Oliver is suffering from a rheumatic attack, and was somewhat dismayed on learning that the narrow-gauge between Alturas and Reno is practically wiped out, and it will require a month or so to place it in operation.

The gentlemen are very well satisfied with the result of their labors at Goldrun. The tunnel on the Butte property is now in over 500 feet. The edge was struck, and is between 4 and 5 feet wide. The average value of the ore is about \$6 to the ton, though some of the ore is much higher grade. The tunnel is still being driven, and is now in rock full of sulphides and quartz. It is believed that when the hanging wall is reached in some 60 or 70 feet that much richer ore will be found.

It is probable that this property will be sufficiently proved within the next 30 to 60 days so that a company will be organized. It is now in the hands of the Big Four Development Co. Work is being crowded as fast as possible on the Butte property with this end in view, and then the attention of the Development Co. will be turned to other properties they hold in the district.

The Loftus Bros. the discoverers of the district, are pushing work on their

Discovery claim, and are now taking out a lot of native copper, and some fine looking ore.

Other claim holders, since the work in the Butte tunnel has disclosed the ore body, are taking heart, and are bringing in supplies with a view to resumption of the work of development.

The gentlemen believe Goldberg has the making of a camp, and are spending their own money freely to determine whether or not their faith therein has been misplaced.

The Examiner wishes them success.

## CHAMBERLAIN ON THE FIRST BALLOT

It is reported, as we go to press, that the legislature elected Gov. Chamberlain U. S. Senator on first ballot.

The gymnasium deposits up in Crook county near Bend, according to the Bulletin are attracting attention of St. Louis capitalists. Evidently the gymnasium will develop into a great enterprise, as one mine in California employs 5,000 men. If the deposit is put under development it will mean much for Crook county. It will also make immense traffic for railroad.

## Good Cooking Essential to Happiness.

By ARCHBISHOP IRELAND.

WOMEN, beautify your homes. I say women because men have no sentiment for such. Keep your house in order, the grass cut, the shrubs trimmed and everything in the best condition. Then, the most important of all, STUDY COOKING. Make that a real study. Good cooking in the home will bring economy, more love and happiness in the homes. Besides, it will do away with much of the intemperance.

A MAN NEEDS A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF VEGETABLE ALCOHOL, AND IF HE DOES NOT GET IT IN DAINTILY PREPARED COOKING HE WILL TAKE THE PURE STUFF.

If you want to keep LIQUOR out of the home life, be a GOOD COOK. But, above all things, be a teetotaler. Teach the child to hate liquor in all forms. Teach him to live an upright and pure life and, above all, be a good Christian.

## Desperate Effort Is Being Made to Kill Off All Predatory Beasts

It is obvious that there is an enormous loss every year, not only to sheepmen but to stockmen and farmers generally, by reason of the ravages of coyotes and other predatory wild animals. These pestiferous animals are increasing so rapidly as to become an alarming menace to the raising of sheep, pigs, poultry, calves and even colts, not to mention the wild game, such as deer and elk, killed by coys and wolves in the mountains. Following the successful killing of coyotes under a similar motion and method in January, 1908, passed at The Dalles Convention, the Oregon Wool Growers Association against its Eleventh Annual Convention in Heppner, Ore., Nov. 18, 1908, unanimously adopted the following:

"We, the sheepmen of Oregon, hereby set aside the month of January, 1909, for the purpose of making special efforts to destroy coyotes and other predatory wild animals throughout Oregon; that every possible effort be made by all sheepmen to destroy coyotes with poison, traps, dogs and other methods; that we will induce our neighbors and everyone possible to assist us in this crusade against coyotes. That special precaution may be taken in putting out poison; that poison be not placed near dwellings or public highways, so that dogs passing would be liable to reach it; that poison be put out only on our own premises and ranges."

The Oregon Wool Growers Association earnestly urges all to assist and take an active part in this crusade by complying with the above, and make a strenuous effort during this month and also February to kill coyotes. It proved a big help last winter, and all interested can make it a big success now by joining in. Do not wait or neglect this, but start today on an active campaign, and report your results to the office at Pendleton.

A bulletin issued by the Oregon Board of sheep Commissioners on "Practical Methods for the Destruction of the Coyote" and any other information desired, will be sent upon application.

A coyote bounty law will be urged before the coming legislature. Every sheepman can very materially help in securing the passage of this law by writing personal letters to each one of your members of the State Legislature, or any personal friend who happens to be a member. Get your neighbors to do likewise. Help in this coyote fight. It means much to the sheep industry and Oregon.

## STARTS ORCARD AT NEW PINE CREEK

Dick Kingsley made a trip to Pine Creek last week to see about his orchard tract. He has 10 acres there, right in town. He is preparing to put the entire tract in Yellow Newton Pippins, Winter Bananas, and Red Astrachan apples. He believes these are the best varieties for this section. He had a number of years experience in apple production in the Rogue river country, and shipped the first full carload of apples that went out of that region. It is his intention to sink an artesian well on the tract, for irrigation purposes. He thinks that New Pine Creek with its farm lands, hay lands, garden lands, dan mines, has a future second to no other locality in the west.

No trains are running on the S. P. west of Ogden. That is where part of our eastern mails are tied up.

## Oregon Valley Land Company Negotiating for Big Stock Ranches

Klamath Herald, 12: The Oregon Land Company, which had such a phenomenal success in the sale of their lands in Lake County, is reported as negotiating for the purchase of the lands of the 70 Company. The 70 Company recently acquired the holdings of the XL Company and owns approximately 65,000 acres, all of which is in Lake County with the exception of one small ranch in Modoc Co., Calif.

With the acquisition of these holdings the Oregon Land Company will secure some of the richest lands in Lake County, and the sale in small tracts is assured as the Company is said to have on file contracts for more than the amount of land in their original holdings, which comprised nearly 600,000 acres. With the arrival

of all these new settlers who have purchased lands, Lake County people will be kept busy the next few years receiving their future neighbors.

## WARNER VALLEY NICE AND WARM

The mining men from Goldberg report fine weather over in the Warner valley. No snow has fallen. It is warm and nice. There is plenty of rain, so that the feed is good. It looks, from all reports, that the Warner valley for fine weather this winter leads the whole United States.

## Jury List of Lake County for This Year

Joe Ambrose, Geo. H. Aldridge, C. L. Beecraft, C. C. Bethel, C. S. Benedel, E. B. Bremer, W. C. Buick, A. M. Baxter, A. W. Bryan, J. K. Canister, Walter Butler, P. S. Benborn, G. G. Boydston, D. M. Bryan, H. A. Brattain, L. A. Carriker, Fred S. Fisher, P. M. Corey, Henry Newell, Walter Howard, C. C. Cannon, Geo. Down, Ira Bishop, Thos. Grant, Ed. Tatrow, Jas. McDermott, W. R. Bernard, John Noble, K. A. Hawkins, J. W. Mikel, Martin Lauritzen, Jas. Young.

Albert G. Morris, B. W. Farrow, R. N. Phelps, J. O. Bull, Miles Anderson, Ed. Hartzog, Hurley Vernon, Frank Wilson, L. C. Meyer, Chas. Palmerlee, J. C. Oliver, T. H. Sherlock, Lee Emerson, Geo. Lynch, H. L. Chandler, Tom Hastings, Sim Arthur, Gil Arthur, Frank Bowers Jr., E. E. Kinchart, E. N. Jaquish, J. E. McCout, Ed. Rains, Geo. Wright, G. W. Harlidy, Geo. Stevens, H. C. Northup, J. B. McNew, Elmer Harvey, A. M. Smith, D. G. Funk, J. K. Furgeason, E. Pollett, W. D. Tracy, R. K. Funk, Dan Graf, H. H. Hahn, J. L. Hampton, A. M. Hardisty, Frank Loveless, C. S. Morris, A. P. Rooser, E. Keller, G. C. Lapham, C. H. Little, Albert Landley, J. S. McLaughlin, E. S. Morris, A. N. Stanley, Will Rehart, L. T. Rhodes, C. A. Rhodes, E. R. Patch, W. M. Paxton, O. T. McKendree, E. O. Lamb, W. H. Blurton, R. A. Ballard.

## WORSE WEATHER EVERYWHERE ELSE

After reading of the terrible storms raging up in Western Canada, and the number of deaths therefrom and our own central west with its cold, and its flood, we are glad we live right here in Lakeview where our coldest weather was only 7 below, and that only for a night, and where what snow does fall is so heavy and wet that it soon melts and seeps into the ground for the production of a bumper crop of everything next harvest.

## Poking Fun at the Narrow-Gauge Line

The Alturas Republican gives this sarcastic and caustic fling at the Narrow gauge which is irritating to everybody that uses the line in anyway: Upon the advent of the railroad to Alturas, the people may well feel complimented on the increase of time and efficiency in freight, mail and passenger service, and also incidentally, at the increase of cost of the foregoing luxuries. We have considerable to be thankful for. In the delivery of mails, it only now requires

ten hours longer than it did when the stage hauled the mail from Alturas. In coming in from Medeline, the train only loses about ten hours over the old stage time.

The N-C-O is a regular avalanche of swiftness and at the rate it is going will surely inaugurate a new era of activity for this country.

In spite of storm and flood, a lot of strangers manage to get within our gates these days.

## Now is the Most Opportune Time to Poison Coyotes

Pendleton East Oregonian: With the whole of eastern Oregon wrapped in a mantle of snow, State Sheep Inspector Lytle is of the opinion that the warfare just started against the pestiferous coyote is most timely. The snow has not only driven the sheep into corrals but it has covered up the dead carcasses of birds and animals upon which the coyotes have been wont to feed, causing them to go to greater extremes in their hunt for food than usual. They are hanging around the sheep corrals as close as they dare and at the same time are more susceptible to poison than usual, says Dr. Lytle.

The pamphlets recently sent out by the state board of sheep commissioners will be of great benefit now for the state sheep inspector says the bait of tallow smeared with blood will be easily discernible to the coyote and will result in their destruction by the hundreds if the sheepmen and ranchers take advantage of their opportunities.

Lytle figures that if the snow remains on for any considerable length of time that last year's record of 10,000 dead coyotes will be exceeded during the two months that the crusade is to be carried on this year.

The longer the snow remains on the ground the more desperate will become the coyotes. They will be driven out of the hills entirely and watching for the slightest opportunity to pick up a stray sheep, they should easily fall a prey to the hunter's rifle or the poisoner's bait. Traps can also be used to good advantage.

## THE OLD SETTLER IS BUSY AGAIN

Last summer while it was dry and hot, the tenderfoot at the head of the old-settler that "It never rains here, no sir, never!" Now the same old chap comes in and says: "I have seen it rain and snow here for 52 days and nights, without no let up, yes sir, lots of times!" That beats Noah's time, some! And this old-settler must have existed about the time that Lake Lahontan covered this entire region, a million or so years ago. We did not think he was so old, but maybe so, maybe so!

## The Whole Country Suffering from Disastrous Storms and Floods

Oda Cravens, the government land locator, returned Tuesday from a trip to Portland. He says the weather there was something terrible—6 below zero, which felt colder to him than 18 or 20 below in higher and drier altitudes. In addition to the intense cold which has closed the Columbia river with ice, there was a foot and a half of snow up there. Traffic is practically tied up. The floods have washed out the main line near Duns muire, and Red Bluff, and the big new, costly bridge of the Western Pacific at Sacramento has gone down to ruin in the flood waters. Judging from the reports of travelers and the few newspapers we get, this section is freer from cold, storm and flood than any other parts of the Union. Even the south is getting it hard, and our readers in Oklahoma, and near by states are getting it so low as 10 to 14 below zero. The U. S. government weather report elsewhere shows a heavy rainfall but no cold weather in Lakeview.

It is reported that the floods have washed out miles of track on the nar-

row gauge our only railroad dependence, and that it will take weeks to repair it. Freight of all kind, including a big shipment of print paper for the Examiner are held up along the line, which may compel us to cut down the size of the paper to one half, in order to tide over the present condition. No eastern mail has been received since Friday, and no telling when more will arrive. In addition the telegraph lines are all down. The little mail we do get comes in by way of Klamath Falls, and that is mostly local and from Portland. Fortunately, with the exception of kerosene oil, there is a plentiful supply of everything in town for those now here, but should there come a rush as is expected, of homeeekers, we fear they will be in hard lines unless they bring tents and food supplies with them.

The extreme cold weather in northern latitudes has driven the red cross-bill, a bird of the swallow kind so far south as central California. Its natural habitation is high northern altitudes, and it has never before been seen further south than the Columbia river.