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## PUMPING PLANT AT FLAGSTAFF LAKE Early Irrigation Now Probable In Warner Valley

There is a scheme on foot now, whereby eastern capitalists are planning to establish a big pumping station on Flagstaff lake, in the Warner Valley, with a capacity for irrigating thousands of acres of the rich lands of that valley.

Such enterprises wherever established in Western Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas have proven a great success, and have made lands that before such establishment were utterly worthless, except for scanty grazing and held at a price of a few cents an acre, are now worth hundreds of dollars, and produce crops worth from \$100 to \$1000 per acre each year.

The April number of the Technical World, of Chicago gives a concrete instance of a pumping plant at Garden City, Kansas where there is a splendid soil, and all climatic conditions extremely favorable for production of fruit and other crops, but there was no water. This had to be secured from an underground flow and from deep large wells, at a cost of about a million dollars, but the results in making the district blossom as a rose have justified the faith of the promoters and the money expended.

The pumping plants of the Louisiana and Texas rice fields have made possible the successful and profitable culture of that valuable food product, while the pumping plant on the Rio Grande river, in southern Texas, of our friend Conway, and others, have made fertile and valuable almost beyond comprehension, the most waste places of that section.

So it will be in the Warner Valley, situated in a sunny climate, at an altitude of about 4,000 feet, and where neither frosts nor snows come,

there is a future that will in a short time make it famous the world over for fruit and other productions. All it needs is the fruiting influence of water.

The capitalists having the matter of the pumping plant under consideration, first wanted to know the nature of the water of the lake and ascertain whether it was suitable for purposes of irrigation. A quantity of the water was sent the Iowa Agricultural Experiment Station, at Ames, Iowa, for analysis, with the following result which will be gratifying in the extreme to everyone interested:

I have finished at last making my examination of the water sent, and was very agreeably surprised at the results. I have made qualitative tests of the water for alkali, and find rather less than I anticipated. The quantity received was scarcely enough to permit of the most accurate determination, but plenty for my purpose. As you are aware, the alkali of our western country is of three types, common salt or sodium, sodium sulphate or white alkali and sodium carbonate or black alkali. I had expected to find the second in some quantities, but find only a trace, not more than 10 or 15 parts per 100,000. Irrigation water should not contain more than 100 parts per 100,000. Of common salt there is not more than 10 parts per 100,000. Of sodium carbonate I am not quite sure but tests show between 10 to 20 parts per 100,000. In other words, if the sample sent is thoroughly representative of the lake, it should make first class irrigation water as the amount is far lower than that which is regularly used in many localities.

## HOME BOYS WIN

### Lakeview Ball Team Wins First Game of the Season

Even a blinding snow storm did not prevent some 35 of Lakeview's enthusiastic base ball fans from attending the game at Pine Creek last Sunday and they saw a game worth the trip. Up to the middle of the game the Pine Creek team led in the scoring, and then the home boys did all of the home coming, winning by a score of seven to four. The hotel keepers of our sister city did themselves proud, filling their guests with such good dinners that they all wished to go again. Lakeviewites are famous eaters. While we won, it was no walk over, and the home team will have to be up and coming to win the return game, which will be played here next Sunday afternoon. A satisfactory and amicable arrangement has been

completed whereby we are assured of several games with Pine Creek this season. Each team will pay its own expenses, and the home team of each town will take the gate receipts. Thus the Lakeview team will get the receipts of the games here, while Pine Creek will get those of the games there.

The lineup of the last game was as follows:

Pine Creek	Lakeview
Smith	C. Bills and Ford
Broiley	P. Haden and Drenkel
Ballard	IB Faulkner
Mulkey	2B Carroll
Gibbons	3B Heard
Amick	SS Judge
Smith	CF Musben
Stevens	RP Storkman
Cook	LP Mahan

## DRY FARMING

### Homesteads Allowed of 320 Acres Under Restrictions

Following is the text of the Mondell dry farming act, approved Feb. 19, 1909, and providing for enlarged homesteads of 320 acres:

"An act to provide for an enlarged homestead:

"Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That any person who is a qualified entryman under the homestead laws of the United States may enter, by legal subdivisions, under the provisions of this act, in the states of Colorado, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington and Wyoming, and the territories of Arizona and New Mexico, 320 acres, or less, of non-mineral, non-irrigable, unreserved and unappropriated surveyed public lands which do not contain merchantable timber, located in a reasonable compact body, and not over 1 and one half miles in length; provided that no lands shall be subject to entry under the provisions of this act until such lands shall have been designated by the Secretary of the Interior as not being, in his opinion, susceptible of successful irrigation at a reasonable cost from any known source of water supply.

"Sec. 2. That any person applying to enter land under the provisions of this act shall make and subscribe before the proper officer an affidavit as required by section 2290 of the Revised Statutes, and in addition thereto shall make an affidavit that the land sought to be entered is of the character described in section 1 of this act, and shall pay the fees now required to be paid under the homestead law.

"Sec. 3. That any homestead entryman of lands of the character herein described, upon which final proof has not been made, shall have the right to enter public lands, subject to the provisions of this act, contiguous to his former entry, which shall not, together with the original entry, exceed 320 acres, and residence upon and cultivation of the original entry shall be deemed as residence upon and cultivation of the additional entry.

"Sec. 4. That at the time of making final proof, as provided in section 2291 of the Revised Statutes the entryman under this act shall, in addition to the proofs and affidavits required under said section, prove by two credible witnesses that at least one eighth of the area embraced in his entry was continuously cultivated to agricultural crops other than native grasses beginning with the second year of the entry, and that at least one fourth of the area embraced in the entry was continuously cultivated, beginning with the third year of the entry.

"Sec. 5. That nothing herein contained shall be held to effect the right of a qualified entryman to make homestead entry in the states named in section 1 of this act under provisions of section 2289 of the Revised Statutes but no person who has made entry under this act shall be entitled to make homestead entry under the provisions of said section, and no entry made under this act shall be commuted.

"Sec. 6. That whenever the Secretary of the Interior shall find that any tracts of land, in the state of Utah, subject to entry under this act, do not have upon them such a sufficient supply of water suitable for domestic purposes as would make continuous residence upon the lands possible, he may, in his discretion, designate such tracts of land, not to exceed in the aggregate 2,000,000 acres, and thereafter they shall be subject to entry under this act without the necessity of residence: Provided, That in such event the entryman on any such entry shall in good faith cultivate not less than one eighth of the entire area of the entry during the second year, one fourth during the third year, and one half during the fourth and fifth years after the date of such entry, and that after the entry and until final proof the entryman shall reside within such distance of said land as will enable him successfully to farm the same as required by this section.

Approved February 19, 1909.

## SEMI-ANNUAL STATEMENT.

Of the County Treasurer of Lake County, Oregon, for the six months ending April 1st, 1909, of the money received and paid out, from what source received and what account paid out.

GENERAL FUND	
To amount on hand from last report	\$20,177 88
" " received from taxes	28,749 64
" " " overcharge on tax	1 05
" " " Clerk's fee	964 05
" " " liquor license	200 00
" " " sheriff fees	37 50
" " " sale of lumber	9 49
" " " sale of land	35 00
Total amount received and on hand	\$50,175 12
By amount paid for state taxes	6,152 50
" " " redemption of warrants	9,911 76
" " " to building fund	5,413 41
" " " to library fund	93 72
Balance on hand in general fund	\$28,603 73
ROAD FUND	
To amount on hand from last report	\$9,054 23
" " received from state	6,337 89
" " " taxes	3,015 00
Total amount received and on hand	\$18,407 12
By amount paid for redemption of warrants	7,939 02
Balance on hand in road fund	\$9,608 10
SCHOOL FUND	
To amount on hand from last report	\$3,589 07
" " received from taxes	11,487 88
" " " justice fees	25 00
Total amount received and on hand	\$15,101 95
By amount paid for redemption of warrants	3,458 05
Balance on hand in school fund	\$11,643 90
CITY OF LAKEVIEW FUND	
To amount on hand from last report	\$ 69 08
" " received from taxes	2,057 41
Total amount received and on hand	\$2,126 49
By amount paid city treasurer	2 127 09
LIBRARY FUND	
To amount on hand from last report	\$ 84
" " received from taxes	12
" " " general fund	93 72
Total amount received and on hand	\$194 08
By amount paid Oregon library commission	93 72
Balance on hand in library fund	\$ 96
BUILDING FUND	
To amount on hand from last report	\$11,241 34
" " received from taxes	2,783 67
" " " sale of material	20 15
" " " general fund	5,413 41
Total amount received and on hand	\$19,458 57
By amount paid for redemption of warrants	19,059 17
Balance on hand in building fund	\$399 40
SPECIAL SCHOOL FUND	
To amount on hand from last report	\$6,250 22
" " received from taxes	806 62
Total amount received and on hand	\$7,056 84
By amount paid for interest on bonds	235 00
" " " school clerks	5,307 99
Balance on hand in special school funds	\$1,493 85
" " " institute fund	21 50
" " " all funds	\$1,515 35

I, F. O. Ahlstrom, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true statement of the amount received, paid out, and remaining on hand in the County Treasury of Lake County, for the six months ending March 31st 1909.

F. O. AHLSTROM, County Treasurer.

Expense of Election	
Expense of Election	420.08
Expense of Eighth Grade and Teachers Examinations	41.00
Total amount of expenses	\$36734.13
Amount of outstanding County Warrants	\$224 90
State of Oregon	188.
County of Lake	I. F. W. Payne, County Clerk of the County of Lake, State of Oregon, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct statement of the expenditures of Lake County for the six months ending March 31st, 1909, and of the amount of County Warrants outstanding and unpaid on the first day of April, 1909, as shown by the records of my office.
In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the County Court this 1st day of April, 1909.	
F. W. PAYNE, County Clerk.	

SEMI-ANNUAL STATEMENT.	
Showing the financial conditions of Lake County, Oregon, on the first day of April, 1909.	
RESOURCES:	
Money in hands of County Treasurer, belonging to all funds, as per Statement of F. O. Ahlstrom, County Treasurer	\$51831.44
Uncollected Taxes, on 1908 Roll, as per Statement of Albert Dent, Sheriff	10290.86
Total resources	\$62124.30
LIABILITIES:	
Outstanding and unpaid warrants	224.90
Balance	\$6197.40
F. W. PAYNE, County Clerk.	

LAKEVIEW CITY FINANCES GOOD	
The city of Lakeview is now practically out of debt. After paying all outstanding bills there is a balance of \$720 in the treasury. However needed street improvement is now being done which probably will cost in excess of the surplus. But, even so, it should be done, and done right, now at the start of the city's growth. Grades of walks and streets should be established and all building made to conform therewith.	
A Railroad surveyors are at work again down in Harney Lake valley, headed towards Susanville, California.	

SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT:	
Of the County Clerk of Lake County, State of Oregon, showing the expenses of Lake County, Oregon for the six months ending March 31st, 1909, also showing the amount of warrants outstanding and unpaid on the 1st day of April, 1909, as follows to wit:	
Salaries and Deputy hire of County Officer	\$4330.11
Expenses of Circuit Court	389.80
Expenses of Justice Court	59.45
Expenses of Coroners Court	249.00
Expenses for rent, Wood, Janitor, etc.	374.66
Amount paid for Office Supplies, Stamps etc.	440.43
Amount paid for Clock, Vault Furniture etc.	3196.99
Amount paid for Printing and Publishing	224.30
Amount paid for material and labor for Court House Construction	18008.64
Amount paid for care of insane and board of prisoners	49.50
Amount paid for expense on County Roads and Bridges	7941.17

## KLAMATH ROAD IS NOW BEING BUILT Work Being Rushed and to Be Completed in June

Messrs Masinell, Light and Florence, who went to Klamath Falls as representatives of the Board of Trade, in the matter of establishing and maintaining a good road between that city and Lakeview, met with a most hearty reception from the business men and the county officials, and were accorded treatment that could not have been better had they been princes of the realm. They were given assurance that the work of repair and construction should be undertaken at once, and rushed to completion to the county line, so that it would be ready for the transportation of freight and passengers by the 1st of June. A fund of \$10,000 is now available for that purpose, and more can be had if needed to put the road in first class shape.

The County Court of Lake County, also is wholly alive to the importance of this road to this community and will at once set a force of men at work on the road from Lakeview to the county line.

The road decided upon as the best for all purposes, and one that can be depended upon the year round, is known as the "Reservation Road," it leads out from Lakeview, up Drews valley through the Gap and Quartz valley to Hwy then to the Reservation and crosses the mountains and will go either by way of Dairy or Bonanza, whichever is deemed the best road. The road is somewhat shorter than that now used and with improvement

will make a road that can be traveled with some degree of comfort all the year.

The construction of this road will reduce the cost of freight very materially, and as such will be a blessing to all our business interests as well as to the people of the county.

But, it is not enough. There is now strong talk of an electric railroad from Klamath Falls to Bonanza in the near future. When in operation that far it should, and will, be continued to Lakeview. But that is another chapter, of which more will be said later by The Examiner.

## ROBERTS NOW A REAL FARMER

Al Roberts, who has taken up a homestead in the Chewaucan valley has been out on his claim for several weeks, and has returned rugged in health and full of anticipations of future joys in a farmer's life. While on his claim he dug a well, only 14 feet deep and secured two feet of splendid water. Now, that the O. V. L. Co. has secured the Heryford holdings Mr. Roberts thinks he has a snap, and will some day not too far distant be the owner of a fine ranch.

## BEET SUGAR

### Wisconsin Farmers Get \$60 to \$120 per Acre Profit

The Prairie du Cheu, (Wis.) Press, of the 10th ult says that the U. S. Sugar Co., has contracted for 500 acres of sugar beets on the lands adjoining that city.

The company will furnish 50 experienced Belgian beet raisers for this vicinity, to plant and care for the sugar beets. This labor is contracted and paid for by the company, and the laborers board themselves. This plan insures success in the care and proper handling of the beet crop. This labor is furnished to beet raisers at nominal cost and deducted at time beets are delivered during the fall. This system has been the most successful financially, to beet raisers, yet devised.

The first planting expects to be put in about the 25th of April and continue to the 25th of May.

The United States Sugar Co. furnishes the seed, and the cost of the contract labor where desired, is deducted on settlement in the fall. They settle all accounts for contract labor during the summer. The average yield on the prairie soil, is from 16 to 18 tons per acre.

The company offers the inducement that the raising of sugar beets is a sure crop to grow, as hail or frost will not injure them, and that they do well in wet or dry weather. The crop is sold at a guaranteed price before planting. The delivery is in the fall when other work is not rushing, and paid for in November and December. All beets are weighed at the home station and checks drawn on the home banks at once. The estimate profit is from \$60 to \$120 per acre.

It will be observed from the above that Golden Goose Lake valley and Lake County will become future producers of vast quantities of sugar beets with great profit to all who engage in such culture.

## MCINNIS BEGINS SHEEP SHEVRING

RED BLUFF, March 23.—Sheep shearing commenced this morning. Two large bands of Sard Wilcox and A. H. McInnis are the first to loose their wool. Mr. Wilcox engaged shearers yesterday. They were taken to his range where the shearing of 4200 head of sheep with a year's clip commenced this morning. Another band of shearers will be taken to Elder Creek where 3000 head of sheep belonging to A. H. McInnis will be relieved of a year's fleece.

## IMPROVEMENTS

### City of Lakeview Will Have Many New Homes

Through the courtesy of "Seagers" we were given a ride around town yesterday, just to show what is going on in the building line, and that, too, in spite of the scarcity of lumber, through the short sightedness of our saw mill men. On Drenkel & Payne's Addition, Messrs Rice and Claude have fine cottages completed. While E. C. and L. E. Seager are erecting fine residences, and others contemplate building just as soon as the lumber famine is relieved.

On Sberlock's addition Messrs Snelling and Faulkner have fine homes

completed and Dr. Boyd and Mr. Downs are busy at work on fine houses. Most of the dwellings are of the bungalow type, and are of handsome design.

On the Watson addition there are a number of cottages, and a fine dwelling being erected.

In other parts of the city much building is going on, and it is said that if lumber was obtainable that 60 or more buildings now would be under construction on Drenkel's and Sberlock's additions and as many more on Watson's addition.

## LEASE OF RANGE

### Sheepmen Secure Large Tracts For Grazing Purposes

J. T. Kimball, the manager of the Weyerhaeuser timber interests in southern Oregon left Tuesday for his home in Klamath Falls.

He has rented the lands for grazing to a number of the sheep and cattle men hereabouts to the satisfaction of all parties.

Dave Edler, the sheep king secured a lease on 51,590 acres in the Goshute Mountains, and expects to secure 50,000 or 60,000 more acres in the Pokeyama forest.

Inasmuch as the price of mutton is very low this year, Mr. Kimball has suggested to Lake County sheep men that they pool their interests on

mutton sheep, and secure of the Syndicate an immense tract of grazing land in the Po Kegema forest, for ranging the sheep during the summer. By so doing, when the time for shipment is at hand, the flocks will be right at the railroad. This plan will have the sheep in prime condition for market and will eliminate long drives.

While Mr. Kimball is not a sheep man he feels confident that their range in that vicinity will provide feed for at least 25,000 head.

It is believed that the sheep men will see that it is to their interest to accept this offer.