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COUNTY NEWS

PAISLEY AND SUMMER LAKE

The announcement that beginning with July Sol Chandler for the next four years will carry the mail between Lakeview and Paisley brings to light a long standing feud between Crooked Creek and Clover Flat over the delivery of the rural mail.

It looks as if Crooked Creek has won, or rather its offspring, Valley Falls. Is this the climax of the story or is it but an incident by the way? Is anybody going to quit and be good for the next four years, or will the fight still go on?

The fact that Chandler had secured the contract would indicate that the mail route is to be changed by way of Valley Falls and that W. A. Bryan who for twelve long years has carried the mail over the mountain as to be left out in the cold with a dinner station in Clover Flat and no travel.

Some time ago a petition was circulated by Valley Falls to have the route changed to accommodate that future metropolis. It was unanimously signed in Lakeview before Clover Flat became wise to the contemplated raid. Then Bryan circulated a remonstrance and sent it in hot haste to Washington. He had Postmaster Miller of Lakeview to certify that there was no county road by the narrow on the Valley Falls route and that for the present seemed to have cooked the latter's goose.

Then Sol Chandler who owns the old Rehart ranch of 2,250 acres five miles south of Valley Falls and contemplates subdividing it stole a march on the Clover Flat by underbidding Bryan for the mail contract.

The trouble commenced three years ago. In the fall of 1907 the Crooked Creek road got so bad that Bryan refused to travel it until it was fixed. For six weeks he went over the old mountain road and Crooked Creek was without mail. Chandler put in a good sized kick over the alleged delinquency of the contractor. It is said he threatened to have Bryan prosecuted and his pay stopped. Chandler wrote to Washington that he had himself hauled forty hundred over the Crooked road with four horses and that Bryan was only bluffing. Bryan came back with the statement that the road commenced where it left Crooked Creek to cross the mountain and that Chandler with his forty hundred and four horses had never been over it.

At any rate Bryan won out and he

wasn't prosecuted nor was he fined. The Crooked Creek road was repaired before the inhabitants of the valley again received a daily mail.

Once since that time has the thoroughfare become unruly and again Bryan abandoned the patrons old Antlers post office to their fate. It looked to Crooked Creek as if Bryan thought he had a clutch and could demand a macadamized pike.

But a day of reckoning came for Crooked Creek and now Sol Chandler is the hero of the hour. With his twenty thousand acres of land in Lake county he could afford to put in bid that Bryan couldn't meet for the sake of having the mail go by way of Valley Falls. It is expected that he will put on an automobile and make a round trip by way of Valley Falls in a day. The small obstacles at the narrows that caused the delay can easily be removed by an order from the county court. It is much feared that Valley Falls intends to retaliate and give Clover Flat a taste of what it means to live on a dry trail.

However, Abaz Washington Bryan, relative of the peerless William Jennings Bryan, has a ranch and stock and a drove of turkeys and two fine unmarried daughters who are already beginning to deplore the fact that they may die old maids, though still in short dresses, and he isn't broke yet by any means.

The change will work a hardship on old man Moss, William Holder, W. H. Roush and the rest of the thirteen families on the Clover Flat road but they can console themselves with the knowledge that it would be only a matter of two years anyway until the route would be abandoned when Southern Pacific trains gets to running on the Goose Lake Southern.

There is a new bath house this spring at the Woodward Hot Springs.

The loco weed has out in its vernal appearance and W. A. Currier the past week has been out gathering in his horses from the low desert before they get poisoned.

The boys are out battling up flies which is a sure sign that spring is here or will be here.

Paisley was quite lively last week with four drummers in town.

The 11th of February should become a memorable day in the history of the Chewaucan basin. It was on that day that C. L. Withers turned on the electric lights at his flour mill on

Hampton creek. This is the beginning of the time when the whole valley will have electric lights. The new dynamo besides illuminating Mr Withers' house furnishes lights for Bonefel and McCombes.

Edward Robinson when last heard from a week ago was down 75 feet with his well borer. As the machine makes forty feet a day some days it doesn't take long to dig a well. Robinson solved the problem of the hard pan. He would pour in a barrel of water over night and next day move right along.

There is an artist not far from the Ana river school were Miss Louise Bosworth is teaching. Invitations for the basket picnic on the 25th came out out of cardboard and pencilled to look like the school house. It was poor diplomacy, however, for only one in a family received one. All the rest were jealous and would not go.

David Woodward now that spring has come has resumed attendance at Paisley school.

Carl Ewing and Clifford Johnston, forest rangers, were down last week from the ranger station back of Ralph Foster's. They are getting ready to putting in a crop of grain at the station this year.

There is a new telephone on the Summer Lake line. Roy Woodward has secured his new phone and has returned the one he borrowed to the Newby place.

Grows Fine Potatoes

J. C. Oliver of the West Side has experimented with the ordinary farm crops there without irrigating and finds that he has fine success with almost everything that he has tried, especially in growing alfalfa, wheat and potatoes. Mr. Oliver's ranch near Drews Creek is a fair sample of the ranches in the valley and if the Eastern man could see the soil and compare it with what he is in the habit of trying to cultivate "Back East", he would wonder why no one had ever told about this country before. Mr. Oliver finds that he has had excellent success growing Blue Centennial, White Centennial, Early Ohio and Stray Beauty potatoes which he thinks are the best varieties adapted to his soil in this climate. In growing alfalfa he has tried seedings heavily but finds that from six to seven pounds to the acre on unirrigated land is productive of the greatest results. This compared to the twenty pounds that is used in some places is quite an item and there is an increase in the yield with the lessened use in the seed.

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BY "THE VERDANTONE"

The he "gossip" is just as much of a nuisance as a female gossip, only there may be an excuse for the latter.

It seldom takes a receiver long to high-priced land anywhere, and the future will give you a competency lasting and of generous proportions!

The man who can't give a negative answer when asked to take a drink is apt to be regarded as having trouble with his no's.

If any one wants to spoil all that God has given him, make himself miserable and be a misery to others all he has to do is to be selfish.

Mules and Religion

A subscriber wants to know if a man can retain his church membership if he raises mules. Well, knowing something of the uncertainty of mule nature we should say not. Then too, it might make a difference as to what Church one belongs to in a case of this kind. For instance, protestant ministers might not approve of mule-raising at all; while, on the other hand, in case of a real out-break in profanity because of the mulish action of a mule Bishop Paddock or Father O'Malley might make the way to the future smooth for such a sinner; But you better first see Carricker about it.

Alturas Plaindealer, II: We are informed that a large force of railroad surveyors are at work this side of Amaltee. They are working this way.

M. E. CHURCH SERVICES

Preaching every Sunday at 11 a. m. Sunday School at 10 a. m. Epworth League at 6:45 p. m. Prayer meeting every Thursday evening. Preaching at 7:30 p. m. G. J. WENTZELL, Pastor.

COINCIDENCE!

"Now, Tommy," said the teacher, "you may give me an example of a coincidence." "Why, er," said Tommy with some hesitation—"why, er, why—me fadder and me mudder was both married on the same day." —Harper's weekly.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

REMOVAL NOTICE!

The Lakeview Development Co., finding that their interests are located in Modoc County, California, and from experience gained by attempting to do business away from the county-seat and where mails are delayed in transmission to and from Alturas, have decided to locate their main offices in that town. The business of the company will in no way be changed or affected, and the contracts made by the company with their patrons will be carried out to the letter. Contract holders in their Lakeside orchard tracts will please take notice of the change, and here-after address their communications to

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