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PROSPECTS OF WOOL SEASON

As Usual, First Reports of Bearish Nature

LIGHT STOCKS ON HAND

Political Situation Said To Be Disturbing, Causing Hand-to-Mouth Buying

Under date of March 1 Justice, Bateman & Co., of Philadelphia, write as follows concerning the wool market outlook:

The wool market, since the first of the year, has been quiet, and prices have declined, particularly on poor staple unattractive territory wools, of which there is a larger supply than usual in dealers' hands at this time of the year. The stock of unconsumed wool in the country is believed to be light, but owing to the fact that manufacturers are carrying very much smaller stocks than a year ago, and the bulk of the wools are now in dealers' hands, and are being pressed for sale to make room for the new clip at a time when the demand is light, prices have been forced to a lower basis than is usually justified by conditions in this country, or the cost of competing foreign wools.

The wool market and the goods market are unfortunately closely tied up with political conditions and vitally affected by them, and the rapid shifting and changes which have taken place in the political outlook during the past few months have upset all calculations based on commercial conditions and precedents. The proposed reciprocity agreement with Canada, brings with it an extra session of Congress in the near future, with the opening of the tariff discussion much sooner than had been thought likely.

Manufacturers are un-entirely discouraged; they are simply buying wool from hand to mouth until the clouds in the goods situation pass away and activity resumes. The continued agitation for a revision of schedule "K," is declared by buyers of goods to be a veritable nightmare.

As the new clip is rapidly approach-

ing, wool growers are interested in the prospects at shearing time, and we are daily receiving letters asking our advice.

Prices today are lower than at any time since the panic prices of 1908; but in spite of the low basis on which the market now is, we do not anticipate materially improving prices, until there is some settlement of the present political unrest. Statistically, wool is in a strong position; but with buyers of goods afraid to contract for any stock ahead, for fear they may be caught with high-priced goods at the time of a reduction of the duty, and with manufacturers unable to get orders to keep their machinery running, stocks of wool are more than sufficient, and the supply exceeds the demand.

Our imports of foreign wool are very much smaller than in an average year, and the coming American clip will undoubtedly show a decrease from last year, so that a return to good business on the part of manufacturers, could no doubt mean a sudden change in the wool market.

The territory clip of 1910 was below the average, both as to condition and staple, owing to the severity of the preceding winter. Reports from all sections now indicate splendid winter weather on the range, which promises a much improved clip this season.

Our advice to growers would be to put their wool on the cars and forward it at shearing time, as buyers' ideas of value will no doubt be very low in the early spring, and it will not be possible to sell to advantage at home.

Fine Catalogue

Without a doubt the finest piece of jobwork ever executed in South Central Oregon is the 24-page catalogue of Ahlstrom & Gunther, just off the Examiner press. It is particularly appropriate inasmuch as it fittingly represents the superior quality of their saddles and various outfits for which the firm has gained an almost priceless reputation throughout the entire West. The catalogue contains half tones of all their famous saddles, both men's ladies', and boy's and affords the prospective purchaser an opportunity to know at once the appearance of the desired saddle. Prices range from \$40 to \$62, and every saddle is worth the money.

Bishop Robt. L. Paddock came in last evening on the Western Stage on his regular spring visit. While the trip was not so enjoyable as later in the season, yet the Bishop wore his usual smile and seemed pleased to be with us again.

FORMER LAKEVIEW BOY DIES AT RENO

Archie Burrus Succumbs to Effects From Exposure in Storm

Reno Gazette. Archie Burrus, the well known Reno boy who was badly frozen some weeks ago, while traveling through a cross-storm in the northern end of this county, passed away at the home of his parents on South Virginia street Wednesday afternoon, March 1, after suffering intensely for weeks. Archie was going from one cattle camp to another in the north on horseback when he became lost in a storm. For several days he laid in the snow, exhausted and gradually freezing. Finally friends who had missed him managed to find him and took him to a ranch some distance from the point where he was found. Later he was brought to Reno on a special train chartered by his parents. He was given every attention and despite the fact that he lost a part of both feet for a time it was believed that he would get well. Several days ago he became worse and all efforts to save his life proved unavailing.

The young man was a native of Lakeview, Oregon, and was about 22 years of age. He leaves a father, mother, sister and two brothers.

C. D. Bartrum, of the Forest Service with headquarters at Eugene, arrived in Lakeview the first of the week to secure data from the U. S. Land Office concerning forest lands in the northwest corner of this district and which are included in the Cascade Forest.

PLOWING BY AUTO IS LATEST STUNT

Chas. Barnum Uses Machine for Farming Purposes in Catlow

Ben Daly, who recently came in from his sheep camp out near Catlow, reports having seen things in that valley last fall that if told in Baron Munchausen's time would have put him to shame as a romancer. During the past year quite a number of homesteaders have located in that section, among them being Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Barnum, formerly of Lakeview. Readers of the Examiner will remember that mention was made of their using an auto for the removal of their household goods, which among other things included a modern 6-hole range, and it required two trips of the machine to carry all of their effects. In view of the later reports that stunt was simple, for according to Mr. Daly, last fall Barnum just hitched his auto onto a riding plow, mounted his better half on the latter, turned on the gas and proceeded to turn over the soil in a manner that was truly astonishing.

Before the cold weather put a stop to further operations Mr. Barnum succeeded in getting quite a large tract ready for seeding and will resume work again this spring as early as possible. The outfit is said to work most satisfactorily and Mr. Barnum's performance may possibly be followed by others.

A public reception will be given Bishop Paddock this evening in the old skating rink. Refreshments will be served. All welcome.

BOLT FROM CLEAR SKY

Important Announcement by Southern Pacific Possible in Near Future

KLAMATH-LAKEVIEW LINE LATEST RUMOR

Contracts Signed for Commencement of Work in Near Future and Line to be Completed Within Three Years--Route a Speculation

It is almost certain that official announcement will be made in the very near future of the building of a railroad to Lakeview. While it is reported that the contract for building the N. C. O. extension to Lakeview has been let, yet the report lacks confirmation, and it is not to that proposition that reference is had. Last week the Examiner stated that recent developments indicated that the Southern Pacific Co., was behind the N. C. O., and the delay in making the official announcement in the building of the proposed extension only makes stronger the belief that there is likely to be a bolt from a clear sky, as it were, hurled at us in the very near future. On the best of authority it can be stated that a big railroad contracting firm expects to begin work on a railroad from Klamath Falls to Lakeview just as soon as the snow is off the ground, and that is mighty shortly. Although the route is not known by the Examiner, yet it is stated upon the same authority referred to above that the contracts have been signed, and that the

contractors expect to complete the line in three years.

Parties here in Lakeview, who are familiar with the situation believe that the route will be south by way of Alturas to a junction with the proposed road from Fernley to Klamath, while others seem to be of the opinion that the route will be up through Langell Valley, over to Dress Valley and thence to Lakeview, a survey of the same having been made about four years ago.

Should the route be by way of Alturas, that would account for the delay of the N. C. O. in making official announcement of the letting of the contract for the Lakeview extension.

An Associated Press dispatch sent out from Reno last week states that as the result of the visit of Judge Lovett and the head officials of the Harriman system to the coast, it is announced on reliable authority that within 30 days work will begin at Wadsworth which will result in the completion of a direct route from Portland to Los Angeles, via Stenzen.

O. & C. LANDS NOT SUBJECT TO ENTRY

Valuable Timber Lands Not Likely to Ever Pass To Individuals

Even should patent to the railroad grant lands be cancelled it is not at all likely that private individuals ever will be permitted to gain title thereto. Practically all of the land not covered with timber has already been disposed of, and the remaining lands are chiefly valuable for the timber thereon. In the event that the title thereto is cancelled, in all probability the lands will be withdrawn and a new national forest established to include them.

In view of the fact that many persons have been guilty into attempting to secure a preference right to some of the lands in the event that the railroad's title thereto was cancelled, the Interior Department has issued the following instruction relative thereto, which states unequivocally that the lands will not be subject to settlement and entry until the title to the lands has been cancelled on the records of the local land office. Following is a copy of the instructions received Monday by the local land office officials:

"In accordance with departmental instructions of February 24, 1911, in the matter of the suit instituted by the government against the Oregon and California Railroad Company et al., to obtain a judicial declaration of forfeiture of the company's grant, you are hereby directed to advise all applicants and inquirers for lands involved in the pending litigation that in the event a decision favorable to the government is rendered upon the demurrer heretofore argued and submitted, the lands will not thereby be restored to settlement and entry, because under the rules of the Department, lands covered by outstanding patents or other claims of record, are not subject to other disposition until, under the authority of this office, notation of the cancellation of the outstanding claim is made on the records of the local land office."

For Watch Repairing, try A. Kaufmann, the New Jewelry Store.

HOMESTEADERS GET A TIME EXTENSION

Have Until May 15th in Which to Make Settlement On Claims

All homesteaders who have made application since June 1, 1910, will have until May 15, 1911, in which to make settlement upon their claims, according to instructions received Monday by the local U. S. land office. This is in accordance with an act of Congress passed February 13, and prevents any person contesting such entries until after May 15.

It also applies to soldiers' declaratory statements filed in the States named after June 1, 1910, and such declarants are given until May 15, 1911, to make their homestead entries and establish their residence on the land. If any payment is required to be made in connection with the entry under the declaratory statement, as in the case of ceded Indian reservations, the act also operates to extend the payment until the entry is made.

The first proviso of Section 1 of the act provides that the period of commutation or of actual residence shall not be shortened. Entrymen who have taken advantage of this extension can not submit commutation proof until they have maintained substantially continuous residence for 14 months from the date same was established and in 5-year proof can not claim credit for constructive residence for more than 6 months prior to the date actual residence was established.

Under the second proviso of section 1 the act will not be held to defeat the adverse claim of one who has prior to the approval of this act made entry over a soldier's declaratory statement where the six months allowed the soldier for making entry and establishing residence has expired prior to February 13, 1911. Nor will it be held to defeat a contest against a homestead entry filed after the expiration of six months from date of entry and prior to the passage of this act.

The second section of the act grants a leave of absence from February 13, 1911, to May 15, 1911, to all homestead entrymen or settlers in the

States named in the first section of the act. Entrymen who avail themselves of this leave of absence can not claim credit for residence during the time they are absent under such leave, such period of absence being simply eliminated from consideration in cases of either final or commutation proofs.

That Abert Lake Deal

Lehman & Bishop seem to have been beaten to it, as it were, in the reported sale of the Abert Lake property deal, wherein the O. V. L. Co. was to transfer its rights therein for property in Goose Lake valley. From documents and papers from the O. V. L. people shown an Examiner representative it would appear that there was no question but the deal would be consummated, and all that was necessary was to sign the papers in accordance with the agreement. When it came to a show down the O. V. L. people failed to come through, having in the meantime transferred their rights to S. B. Chandler.

The ranch in question is a valuable piece of property, and more especially to Mr. Chandler, inasmuch as it greatly enhances the value of his other holdings, lying as it does midway between other large tracts owned by him.

Had Pleasant Trip

Silver Lake Leader: Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Currier who live below Summer Lake came in Saturday evening from the north and left for their home Sunday morning. While away from home they visited Mr. Currier's father, who is 84 years old, at Corvallis, going from there to Portland where they spent some time at the home of Mrs. Currier's sister, Mrs. Dolly Hayes. From Portland they went to Bellingham, Wash., and their daughter there, Mrs. Latz, started with them for Lake county for a visit, but was taken sick in Portland and stopped off there, where she will remain until able to complete the trip. Her little son accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Currier home.

Busy Homesteaders

Anton Schuster and Frank Ballett, who with several others have homesteads on the Upper Otawaucan, were in Lakeview this week on business before the land office. They report about 10 feet of snow in their section, and expect it to be some time before it all disappears. During the winter they were engaged in getting out fencing material and otherwise improving their homesteads.

POPULAR YOUNG COUPLE MARRIED

Delayed Announcement of Event Finally Reaches The Examiner

A large amount of delayed mail reached the Examiner this week, and included in it were many new subscriptions, as well as renewals, and several interesting news items. Among the latter was an account of the marriage of Andrew Deter and Miss Jessie Lewis, which was solemnized at Eugene January 29. While it is somewhat late, yet it will prove none the less interesting to the many friends of the contracting parties, Mr. and Mrs. Deter reached their home near Lakeview several weeks since after enjoying their honeymoon in California and on their return were warmly welcomed by their many neighbors and friends. The account of their wedding follows:

"A very pretty wedding occurred at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis, of Eugene, Sunday evening, January 29, at 6 o'clock, the contracting parties being Mr. Andrew Deter, of Lakeview and Miss Jessie Lewis, of Eugene.

"Mr. Deter is one of Lakeview's young farmers, having his father's ranch leased, while the bride is formerly of Yreka, Cal., and is loved by all who know her. Mr. and Mrs. Deter left immediately after the ceremony for Santa Rosa, Cal., on a visit to Mr. Deter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Deter, for a couple of weeks. Then they will return to their home at Lakeview, where they will be at home to their many friends who wish them a long and happy wedded life."

BIG BOOSTER IN HAWKEYE STATE

Writes Knowingly of Conditions in Lake

RAILROAD GREATEST NEED

Says People Will Not Come Here Until They Can See An Outlet for Their Produce

Des Moines, Iowa, Feb. 27.—To the Editor:—For the last few months I have been a subscriber of your paper, and have been reading it quite thoroughly in regard to the railroad question in Southern Oregon. In one of your recent issues I note that it was said the "N. C. O. will help Boost," and that "Land Commissioner Cor is preparing for Colonization Movement." I read such items with much interest, and certainly do look for a great future for Southern Oregon. It certainly does seem to me that Lakeview should do all in her power to encourage such movements, but as yet I have not seen or heard of any inclination or active inducement for any company to go ahead and build a road through to Lakeview. It cannot be that a stage coach line is more remunerative to the community than steam and rail.

Southern Oregon should be opened to the world in such a manner that it will be easily accessible to those wishing to come to that section. Take for instance those that draw tracts of land in the fall of 1909 during the opening of the Oregon Valley Lands. There you have Lake County and know what wonderful gifts it is endowed with by nature, and it only needs a little steam to make it an inducement for thousands of people to come there and develop its resources, and yet very little action apparently, seems to have been taken thus far to make it what it should be. I am in Iowa where it is only a few hours' ride by rail from any small village to some good shipping point for grain and stock; and people will not go from these conveniences to cope with long hauls by wagon on

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BIG LOT OF FURS FROM SILVER LAKE

B. J. Deadmond Brought In 102 Coyotes and 40 Bobcats

B. J. Deadmond, who has a very excellent little ranch near Silver Lake, was in town this week and added his name to the Examiner's rapidly increasing list of subscribers. Mr. Deadmond had been trapping during the winter and brought down 105 coyotes and 40 bobcat skins, for which he received in the neighborhood of \$500. After receiving the bounty he expected to ship the skins east, but prices offered by local dealers were so attractive that he sold them here. This is the largest lot of furs to be brought in at one time and shows Mr. Deadmond to be an expert hunter and trapper.

Mr. Deadmond is engaged in truck farming on a limited scale, and has been unable to come anywhere near supplying the local demand. He finds a ready market for everything he raises right at home, and the prices realized are quite satisfactory. Mr. Deadmond states that no where is the quality of the vegetables raised by him equalled so far as his experience goes, and he has lived in a number of places where the quality was considered very high.

Mart Hopkins has been sporting crocuses in full bloom during the past week. The warm sunny days have caused the flowers that bloom in the spring, tra-la, to put forth their buds and it is perfectly proper that Mart should be the recipient of their first smiles.