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## WILL MAKE TEST ON SUGAR BEETS

**W. H. Wyatt Has Entered Contract for Five-Acre Cultivation**

The offer of the Nevada Sugar Company, of Fallon, Nevada, to assist the Lakeview Commercial Club in conducting an experiment as to the value of Goose Lake Valley beets, has been accepted. A. H. Hammersley has donated the use of 5 acres of land, and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wyatt have signed the Sugar Company's contract. Mr. Wyatt is to receive \$3.75 per ton f.o.b. Lakeview, for the beets, less 15 cents per pound for the seed furnished by the company. This is a better price than can be expected in a larger commercial way, for shipment to Fallon, as the freight rate of \$2.50 per ton makes the price offered equivalent to \$6.25 at the factory, while the Fallon growers receive but \$4.50 per ton delivered at the factory.

Mr. Wyatt is to keep an accurate record of all time and labor expended, and the results accomplished will demonstrate beyond doubt the truth or falsity of the oft repeated slogan that this is the finest sugar beet country in the world.

## "CLEANUP DAY" TUESDAY, MAY 21

**L. C. I. C. Will Superintend A General Cleanup Of The City**

"Cleanup Day" will occur two weeks from next Tuesday, May 21, when all that will be necessary for you to do in order to get rid of the rubbish in your back yard will be to deposit it in a place where it can be reached by a team. The ladies of the Civic Improvement Club have taken the matter in charge and they will provide the necessary teams to remove the rubbish. If refuse from stables is included it would appear that some one would have a job along about the 21 inst. There is certainly a need for a general cleaning up, and if the movement meets with the success it deserves there will be a great improvement in the looks of not only backyards and alleys but also in the appearance of some of the principal streets of the town as well as vacant lots, and perhaps some that are not vacant.

Harry Utley, republican candidate for County Clerk, was in town during the past week looking after his political interests.

## GOVERNOR WEST OUSTS OFFICIALS

**Makes Big Slash In Cost Of Maintenance Of Penitentiary**

Salem Statesman: One of the most sweeping changes ever put into effect by a governor of this state in the middle of his term of office, became operative on Wednesday of last week, when Superintendent James of the state penitentiary and the heads of several other departments were suspended, and one head officially discharged by Governor West. The suspensions are effective until after January, 1913, and were made for the purpose of "retrenchment" and "economy" in order to prevent a deficiency in the appropriation for the institution.

The officials affected, exclusive of Mr. James are: Patrol Officer Bauer, Mrs. Curtis, matron of the woman's department, and Rev. Father Moore of St. Joseph's church, one of the chaplains. The other chaplain was Mr. Bauer, who officiated in addition to his position as patrol officer, and as chaplain he is also suspended. W. H. White, head farmer, is relieved of further duty, while Chief Engineer Laberee will act in the double capacity of engineer and superintendent of new cells in the state prison. According to

statements made yesterday outside the governor's office, the appropriation for the first year was over expended by several thousand dollars, and the same authority held Governor West to blame for it.

The salaries which the suspended officials had received from the state were: Mr. Bauer, \$75 a month as parole officer and \$25 a month as chaplain; Mrs. Curtis, \$40 a month as matron; Rev. Father Moore, \$25 a month; Superintendent James, \$2000 a year, the state also furnishing him a cottage free of rent and provisions necessary for himself and family. Mr. White received \$75 a month, while Engineer Laberee receives \$100 a month.

Warden Curtis will officiate as superintendent in Mr. James' place, holding, however, the title of warden, and doing a warden's duty as well as that of superintendent. This technically leaves the penitentiary without an official head. For the double duty, however, Warden Curtis will not receive extra pay.

## DATES FOR WOOL SALE ARE NAMED

**Second Annual Sale Will Be Held In Lakeview On July 22**

The second annual sale of Lake County wools will be held in Lakeview July 22, that date having been fixed by the Wool Growers Association so as not to conflict with dates already fixed at other places throughout the State. The success attending the sale held here last year will no doubt result in larger offerings on the part of the sheepmen at the forthcoming sale inasmuch as the prices received last year were all the market could stand, as was evidenced by the results on some of the shipments that were made by parties who did not accept the price offered at the sale. The results were practically the same, no matter whether the wool was sold here or shipped on consignment, thus attesting the fact that there was no collusion among the buyers and that they paid the top price. A Prineville dispatch of last Friday says that dates for the Eastern Oregon wool sales have been fixed by the State Wool growers' Association by the various county associations and by the wool buyers. These dates conflict in some respects but the differences will probably be adjusted in a few days.

The following list of dates, are arranged by the buyers:

- Echo, May 29.
- Fendleton, May 30.
- Pilot Rock, June 3.
- Heppner, June 4.
- Baker, June 8.
- Ontario, June 10.
- Vale, June 11.
- Shaniko, June 18.
- Metolius, June 21.
- Bend, June 22.
- Joseph, June 25.
- Enterprise, June 26.
- Shaniko, July 6.
- Baker, July 16.

Several large sales of wool have been made during the past week, the total being about a quarter of a million pounds. Frank E. Rickey, representing the Eisemans of Boston, is the man who put the deals through, he having purchased the clips of S. B. Chandler, W. K. McCormick, J. C. Shellhammer, Dan Graf and F. A. Fitzpatrick. He arrived in Lakeview last evening and it is understood that he is about to close deals with other sheepmen. He is said to be paying an average of 14¢ cents.

The warm days of the past week have caused the snow in the mountains to commence melting, and as a consequence the streams are now pouring their muddy contents into the lake. Both Deadman and Bullard creeks are very muddy, indicating that the snow is melting rapidly on the divide between here and Camas Prairie.

## POSTOFFICE WILL MOVE

**NOTICE SERVED TO VACATE PRESENT QUARTERS BY JULY 1**

**Vast Amount Of Business Handled Through Office And Clerical Assistance Inadequate To Take Care Of Work**

It would appear that local postal affairs are rapidly nearing a crisis, inasmuch as notice has been served to vacate the present quarters by July 1. The Department seems loth to make any change where an increase in rent is necessary, and unless the situation changes a very material advance in the present cost will no doubt result. The business of the office is rapidly increasing, it being practically double now to what it was when Postmaster Ahlstrom took charge some two years ago. In order to properly perform the duties of his office Mr. Ahlstrom finds it necessary to violate the 8-hour provision in regard to working hours, but he avoids the penalty therefor by working two eight-hour shifts daily and them some. It not infrequently occurs that his office force puts in 18 hours working-time in one day, as it is necessary to commence distributing the mail at 4 o'clock in the morning in order that patrons of the office can be properly accommodated. To handle the money order business and delivery of mails two persons are necessarily on duty the greater part of the day, and then it being necessary to receive the mail on the arrival of the train makes the full allotted two eight-hour shifts all too short, especially when the train happens to be late.

In order to gain an insight into the work of the office it is only necessary to state that during the quarter ending

March 31, there were issued 3912 money orders while 1489 were cashed during the same length of time. In addition to that there were many registered packages handled, the total for the year being 7590, counting all that were dispatched, received and passing through the office. Any one not familiar with the vast amount of bookkeeping in connection therewith, including reports, etc., has no idea of the great amount of work necessary in connection therewith. And not only that, but the Postal Savings Bank also requires more or less time, and taken altogether the life of the Postmaster cannot be termed a happy one.

Many of the patrons of the office fully realize the conditions existing, and it is likely that petitions will soon be circulated requesting that additional clerical aid be allowed. As high as 30 sacks of mail are received in one day, and with one clerk it is necessary for everybody to get busy and distribute it as quickly as possible. At least one additional clerk should be provided for, and it will be urged upon the Department as strongly as possible at the needs of the office fully require the additional service. The present service is all that could be desired, but in order to render such service it is necessary for Postmaster Ahlstrom and his clerk, Eldon Curry, to work almost constantly, and it is not expected that such conditions can continue indefinitely.

## SOME INTERESTING FEATS PROMISED

**Elks Will Exhibit Some Of Latest Stunts In The Dancing Line**

The Elks' dance Friday night of next week promises to be a recherche event, at least that is the word Vince Snell, general uses in attempting to give a general description of it. An effort is being made to have Jim Herford give an exhibition of the "Turkey Trot," while H. H. Riddles is said to be an expert in the "Grizzly Bear." One of the latest dances is the "Jelly Wobble," and Pete Grob will probably show his many admirers how it is performed. However, Dick Richardson is likely to prove a close second to Mr. Grob, as it is said that he has the "wobble" part down to perfection.

## COUNTY COURT HAS A BUSY SESSION

**Many Petitions Were Presented to Official Body for Consideration**

The County Court has been in business up to "its neck" during the past week, and with the consideration of road petitions and other incidentals the members of the Court are of the opinion that the laborer is certainly worthy of his hire. The road petitions were perhaps the most disagreeable part of the work, as the Court found it necessary to dismiss the petition of E. L. H. Meyer and others for the establishment of a road leading from Valley Falls to an intersection with the Paisley road, and also rejected part of the road pe-

## ILES TROUPE ON WAY TO LAKEVIEW

**Company Will Appear At Snider Opera House Sunday Night**

The Lakeview theatre goers will be pleased to learn that the Margaret Iles troupe will open a five nights engagement in Lakeview at the new Snider Opera House next Sunday night. The Company is coming to Lakeview by way of Paisley, after having finished an engagement at that place.

It is said the troupe is composed of eight members and Mr. Meade is still associated with the cast. Mr. Thompson, who for many years has traveled with the Iles Company, is not with them this season. Some changes have been made in the makeup of the company since last seen in Lakeview, and the public is promised some of the latest attractions in the theatre line at the opera house during the engagement of this popular company.

## MRS. SIB HARBER TAKEN TO SALEM

**Supt. Steiner Came Here to Accompany Patient to State Asylum**

Dr. R. E. Lee Steiner, accompanied by an attendant from the State Hospital, arrived in Lakeview Saturday evening for the purpose of accompanying Mrs. Sib Harber to that institution. The doctor is an old-time friend of Mrs. Harber's and he considered it a special privilege to be able to render her every assistance possible in her hour of need.

Incidentally it might be added that Dr. Steiner met with a hearty greeting from his host of friends here in Lakeview. Some six or eight years ago he was a practicing physician here,

and during his residence here he had innumerable friends, and he was compelled to leave without nearly all his engagements. The doctor is now superintendent of the State Hospital for the Insane, which position he has filled for several years with credit alike to the State and himself. He started on his return Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Seager last evening returned from California with the intention of again making Lakeview their home. They came by auto and were accompanied on the trip by Mrs. Edward Mason of Sacramento and Norman Lombard of San Francisco. Mrs. Mason is the wife of the superintendent of the Western Pacific and Mr. Lombard is a representative of the Lombard Investment Co. Both Mrs. Mason and Mr. Lombard started on their return home this morning.

New Pine Creek is now desirous of becoming an incorporated town, and this week the County Court walled a special election for June 1 to enable the voters of the proposed town to decide the momentous question. There is scarcely a doubt but what the town will incorporate, and then the question that will doubtless bob up is whether it shall be wet or dry. Under the recent influx of strangers it is generally supposed that the wets will easily win out, and hence the dries are already planning as to how they can defeat the wet element.

## CURRIER NARROWLY ESCAPES FLAMES

**Fire Consumed Hay Stack Of Geo. Jones Near Paisley**

W. A. Currier, of Paisley, came near meeting with a serious accident Tuesday while engaged in cleaning up some rubbish and ruts on the Geo. M. Jones place near Paisley. He has the place leased and was burning the rubbish, when the wind changed and the fire was directed towards a haystack. Mr. Currier considered himself somewhat of a fireman and started in to save the hay. If reports are true he made not only a miserable failure in attempting to stop the fire but came near losing his life as well. For a time he was hemmed in by the flames and received a number of serious and painful burns before he was able to make his escape. The stack of hay was destroyed, and some other damages resulted. Mr. Currier had on a pair of rubber boots and they became so hot that he jumped into a ditch, and the result was somewhat unexpected. The water forced the heat to the inside of the boot, causing intense suffering on the part of the wearer before they could be removed.

Inasmuch as the Winter has been mild and besides having sold his cattle last year, Mr. Jones will not feel the loss of his hay to any great extent, although it is not likely that he cares to have the practice of burning up his hay continued. Only a few weeks ago Chief Fitzpatrick of the ZX ranch let a fire get away from him and cross into Mr. Jones' field, resulting in the loss of a stack of hay, and if this thing is to continue indefinitely Mr. Jones is likely to want to move his ranch into some other neighborhood.

## Much Travel On N.-C.-O.

Travel is very heavy on the N.-C.-O. at present, both incoming and outgoing trains carrying many passengers. And not only is such the case here at Lakeview, but the same is true of all the stations along the line. This perhaps is in a way accounted for by the excellent service, for men who have ridden over the numerous narrow gauge railroads of the West, will tell you that the N.-C.-O. is in the front ranks in point of time, service and equipment. The daily train consists of a baggage car, smoker, day coach and Pullman sleeper, with buffet dining service. The meals are excellent and served at prices lower than the same service on the main lines.

The ladies of the Catholic Altar Society met this afternoon at the home of Mrs. C. C. Lofftus. Refreshments were served, and a pleasant social time was had by all present after the necessary business matters had been attended to.

## O. V. L. PREPARING TO FINISH WORK

**Holdings Mortgaged To Raise Necessary Funds For Purpose**

One more chapter in the O.V.L. work was completed this week, when the Goose Lake Valley Irrigation Co., successors in the interest to the O.V.L. Co., had placed on record in the County Clerk's office a blanket mortgage for the sum of \$2,000,000. The mortgage is drawn in favor of Thorpe Bros., a firm of Minneapolis capitalists, who will probably float the mortgage with other capitalists.

The document is quite voluminous, covering 63 pages of typewritten manuscript, the filing fee for which was \$39. Included in the mortgage are the Cottonwood reservoir site, canals, ditches, etc., besides considerable acreage property still held by the company, in fact about everything the company is supposed to be possessed of in this neck of the woods. When the money is received on the mortgage it will doubtless be used in completing the system, when a large acreage will be susceptible of irrigation, all of which is now in private ownership.

## COUNCIL POSTPONES NEW CITY CHARTER

**No Action Will Be Taken Until Regular Election Next November**

The proposition of a new charter has been abandoned by the Council owing to the question as to whether such action can be taken at other than a regular election. An amendment to the charter was therefore passed in lieu of such action, and under its provisions a bonded sewer indebtedness of \$75,000 is provided for.

As the matter now stands a special election will doubtless be called to vote on the bonding proposition, which will be held in the manner provided by law. At any time within 30 days before the election arguments either for or against the proposed bond issue may be filed with the recorder, and after the 30 days and at least 8 days before the election takes place pamphlets containing the proposed bonding ordinance, together with the arguments for and against it, will be printed and generally circulated, thus affording voters information concerning the same. The Council will meet tonight when the time for holding the election will doubtless be determined.

## DEPOSITS GOOD FOR U. S. BONDS

**Local Savings Deposited To The Amount Of \$297**

By applying on or before June 1, 1912, depositors of the Postal Savings system may be exchanged the whole or part of their deposits for United States registered or coupon bonds, in denominations of \$20, \$100 and \$500, bearing interest from July 1, 1912, at the rate of 2 1/2 per cent per annum, payable semi-annually and redeemable at the pleasure of the United States after one year from date of issue, both principal and interest payable twenty years from that date in United States gold coin.

Postal savings bonds are exempt from all taxes or duties of the United States, as well as from taxation in any form or under any state, municipal or local authority.

The conversion of deposits into bonds at a date less than one year after the certificates began to bear interest or deposits, as in case of withdrawal for any other purpose.

Postmaster Elmer C. Ahlstrom met that on the last day of April there was on deposit at the local office money to the amount of \$297. These deposits draw 2 per cent interest.