

OUR "BOOSTERS" IN PORTLAND

Baldwin, Carroll and Delzel Exploit the Advantages of this Section

SOUNDS LIKE A DESCRIPTION OF HEAVEN

They Tell About the Land Which Boasts of the Finest Cattle, Sheep, Hogs, Horses, Alfalfa, Pumpkins, Sugar Beets and Irrigation Ditches in the World

Portland Telegram:
Reading about Heaven in the Bible and then listening to Judge George T. Baldwin "boost" his home town for a while raises a reasonable doubt as to whether the bright and shining shore is any more desirable place for permanent residence than the shimmering alfalfa belt of Klamath county. Judge Baldwin and J. D. Carroll, another Klamath Falls booster, who is also in town, say they have no intention of changing their postoffice address and will pass the glad hand to anybody that comes their way.

According to Carroll and the Judge, the whole country down there is built out of corn. Everything and everybody lives in the open. Cattle, sheep, hogs, horses, alfalfa, pumpkins, sugar beets and irrigation ditches have no other roof over their heads the year round than the high seat of Heaven, and in the Summer time, when the long warm days come, the sun shines so brightly and continuously that it is hard to find a place dark and shady enough, so man and beast can get a little sleep. They don't have much rain down there and they don't get it, quoth the Judge. In fact it rains and showers so rarely that if the farmers don't cut enough alfalfa the first crop to round out the tops of their haystacks, they leave 'em unfinished till it is time to cut the second crop—and four or five tons to the acre, worth \$10 a ton of any man's money, when cured.

And they don't slop the shoats nor sell the pigs down in good old Klamath county, ruminated the Judge for the porkers take to the alfalfa feed like a monkey to a prune, and the Winter

bill of fare for the fine hunky brood sows consists of alfalfa hay and water, and more of the same. And they get fat on it; they farrow twice a year and the figures show that last year's increase in the pig population of the Klamath basin was 1100 per cent, which calls to mind the famous story "Pigs is Pigs."

Summed up briefly the average farmer's menagerie in Klamath county runs this way—two crops of pigs a year and two crops of lambs in the same time. Some of the 10-month-old lambs weigh 70 pounds at 10 cents a pound, \$7 apiece, with a dollar fifty for the pelt. Then there's the two crops of alfalfa a year and then they turn the stock out on the stubble and they live and fatten on that.

One of the objects of the Klamath Falls boosters' visit here was to close arrangements with the Rose Festival for a magnificent float representing agriculture, irrigation and stock raising. Klamath Falls has already raised \$600 for the float. With Judge Baldwin and Mr. Carroll, is also W. A. Delzell, cashier of the First National bank of Klamath Falls.

Judge Baldwin is vice-president of the National Irrigation Congress, for Oregon, and through his great interests resulting in the record-breaking display of irrigation products at the recent Sacramento convention, Klamath county carried off \$1500 in prizes for the finest irrigation products exhibited.

Al Kubes has returned from Merrill where he went for a load of seed potatoes. He expects to grow a big "spud" crop on his ranch this summer.

WILL SELECT COUNCILMEN

Vacancies To Be Filled at a Special Meeting Called for Monday Night

A special meeting of the City Council has been called for Monday night for the purpose of filling the vacancies in the Council in the Second and Third wards due to the resignation of Mr. Schallock and the death of Dr. Maston.

Councilman Schallock of the Second Ward expects to remove to Dorris and has tendered his resignation. This will leave a vacancy until after the city election in May as Mr. Schallock's term expires at that time. It is believed that it would not be good policy to appoint either Silas Obenchain or H. Boivin as they are both candidates for the office, and the friends of C. B. Criser are urging his appointment and it is very probable that he will be named by the Council. Mr. Stilts will have one year left to serve after the election and if he should be elected mayor, this will make another vacancy, which will have to be filled by appointment.

The vacancy in the Third ward caused by the death of Dr. Maston will temporarily be filled by appointment, but an effort is being made this afternoon to have one or possibly two names put on the ballot by petition, and allow the people a chance to vote on them along with the other officers at the election in May. Marion Hanks has been urged to allow his name to be used and a petition is being circulated in his behalf. So that there will be no discrimination in the matter another petition has been prepared and an opportunity will be given for anyone to name another man.

Councilman Stilts offered his resignation at the last meeting but was persuaded to withdraw it on account of so many vacancies and absentees.

All members of the A. O. U. W. are requested to meet at the hall at 1 o'clock Sunday afternoon to attend the funeral of the late Dr. G. W. Maston. The lodge will attend in a body.

Wm. Martin, Master Workman.

FIRE STARTS IN DRY KILN

Controlled By Employees Until the Arrival of the Fire Department

A small blaze in the drying room of the Long Lake Lumber Company resulted in the summoning of the fire department this afternoon at 3:30. Quick work on the part of the employes at the mill kept the fire under control until the arrival of the department, when the additional stream promptly extinguished it. The damage was slight.

Death of Dr. Maston

While the death of Dr. G. W. Maston had been expected for several days yet the announcement of his demise was a severe blow to his family and close friends. After lying in an unconscious state for five days suffering from congestion of the brain the end came at 5:45 last night. He took sick on April 14th, and from that time on he was in a very critical condition.

Dr. Maston was a native of Louisiana, having been born at New Orleans on December 1, 1851. He studied medicine at Cincinnati, Ohio, and graduated from the College of Physicians and Surgeons in 1877. In 1887 he graduated from the Chicago Polyclinic. He was an army surgeon during the troubles in Utah and Arizona, and during his life he visited nearly every part of the world. He has been in Oregon for 25 years and most of this time he spent in the practice of medicine at Albany. While there he was surgeon for the Southern Pacific Company for a number of years. He located in Klamath Falls in July of 1903.

On April 21st, 1904, while out on a call he met with an accident which resulted in the loss of his leg, and his sickness dates back to that time. He was a man of powerful will and nerve, and it will be remembered by many people that he amputated his own limb at the time the accident occurred in order to extricate himself from the wreckage of his vehicle. This injury gave him more or less trouble ever since he suffered it and caused a gradual failing of his health.

He was a member of the Eike, Knights of Pythias, A. O. U. W., Masons and W. O. W. The Knights Templars will have charge of the funeral which will be held at the residence at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. Rev. Geo. T. Pratt of the Presbyterian church, will conduct the last sad rites at the residence.

Nothing of importance transpired at the adjourned meeting of the Civic Federation last night. The organization expressed itself as being satisfied with the nominees for the city offices, and consequently will take no action on the matter. Several members addressed the meeting urging the members to see that a full vote was out on election day. The matter of filling the vacancy on the council caused by the death of Dr. G. W. Maston was discussed, and it was decided that the third ward residents should get together and select some suitable man, whom they will nominate by petition.

All members of Klamath Lodge No. 77, A. F. & A. M., are requested to be at the lodge hall at 1 o'clock Sunday afternoon to arrange for attending the funeral of our departed brother, Dr. Maston. By order of W. A. Delzell, W. M.

Special call meeting of the W. O. W. at 7:30 this evening, regular hall to arrange for funeral of deceased neighbor, Earl Whitlock, C. C.

Dr. F. M. White has gone to Dorris to be on hand for the installation of the K. of P. lodge. The first fraternal order to make its appearance in the new town.

Miss Jessie Bibee, daughter of George Bibee, of Portland, receiver of that land office, is visiting her friend, Miss Faye Hogue.

Miss Georgia White returned last evening from an extended visit with friends at Astoria and other Oregon points.

ARE DOING EXPERIMENTAL WORK

Klamath Farmers Planting Small Tracts With New Varieties

OF GRAINS, GRASSES AND VEGETABLES

The Record Made Last Year at the National Irrigation Congress Has Whetted the Appetite of the Farmers for Further Conquests, Locally and Abroad

One of the promising conditions for the highest agricultural development of the Klamath Basin is the great number of progressive farmers who are doing experimental work this year. Throughout the irrigating districts many farmers are planting small tracts to select varieties of grain, vegetables and grasses that have not been here before, or that are known to excel in quality and yield and to ascertain the results that can be secured under the very flattering soil and climatic conditions of this region. Likewise a great number of trees and small fruit roots have been set out this Spring and within a very few years this basin will be producing fruits far in excess of local demands and will be shipping to other markets.

Through missionary work done along this line by a few of the farmers who have appreciated that this region excels in most agricultural products, others have become interested and no less than 15 farmers will grow test fields of sugar beets this year, several will grow small areas of new varieties of oats, barley, wheat and other crops. Will Mason has secured a new variety of oats which he is having seeded on a tract of land in the Enterprise tracts; Frank Ira White has made arrangements for testing several varieties of grain and will have several acres of the land owned by the Enterprise Land and Investment Company planted for experimental crops. J. Frank Adams has done more or less experimental work each year and will make further tests of beets, other root crops, melons and vegetables not usually known in Klamath gardens. The record made last year in winning the first prizes at the National Irrigation Congress has whetted the appetite of farmers for further conquests both locally and abroad.

Next year at the Seattle fair Klamath must make a showing with products grown this year, therefore it behoves our farmers to get the best possible, and if that is done it means that we will make a showing of cereals, forage and vegetables generally and of root crops that cannot be surpassed by any other

irrigated or non-irrigated district of the country.

Every farmer would do well to plant things that have not been grown here before. It pays to try things out in the plant line, and such general experiments by a large number of persons is of greater value in showing the actual possibilities of a country than more elaborate experimenting work on a single tract. Klamath ought to have an experimental farm operated by the Department of Agriculture, but while we have no such farm let each farmer do his part and we will have effective experimental work on a broad-gauge plan that will benefit the public and pay the men big who improve their own crops and methods by such work.

C. A. Cogswell Dead

News of the death of Charles A. Cogswell, at Portland yesterday afternoon was received here last night. He died very suddenly and the cause of his death is attributed to heart failure.

Deceased was well known throughout the entire state and especially in this section where he practiced law for several years. He was located at Lakeview for a number of years, and while there he acquired large property interests, and at the time of his death he was the president of the Warner Valley Stock Co., a corporation whose lands have been in litigation for a number of years. These cases caused Mr. Cogswell to make semi-annual visits to Lake County to look after the company's interests in the courts.

Mr. Cogswell was recognized as an able lawyer and participated in many of the most important cases that this section of Oregon has had. He represented this district in the state senate for two terms, going there the first time in 1888, and being re-elected at the expiration of his term. He was a veteran of the Civil war and participated in many of the big battles.

He has been in poor health for several years, but in the last year he had regained considerable of his former strength and the end came when it was least expected. He was 64 years of age, having been born on January 4, 1844. He is survived by his wife and three children.

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