

ANOTHER BIG LAND DEAL

**S. B. Gardner Sells
800 Acre Ranch**

**On Pelican Bay Road in the
Wood River Valley**

Another big land deal was closed today which is believed to have more significance than appears on the surface. This was the purchase of the S. B. Gardner stock ranch in Wood River Valley by John Ellis, of this city. This ranch contains 800 acres and it is considered one of the finest hay and stock ranches in that section. It is about five miles from Fort Klamath on the west side of the valley, and is located on the Pelican Bay road adjoining the Forest Reserve.

Mr. Ellis stated that he did not care to say what price was paid for the land and would not state for what purpose the purchase was made further than to say that a considerable amount of money would be spent next year in improvements. It has been reported that Mr. Ellis was buying property in the Wood River country for and by orders of E. H. Harrison, but the report cannot be verified.

FIRST SECTION OF KENO CANAL NEARLY COMPLETED.

The Keno canal from the head of the river to the gates where the water will supply the Moore Bros. power plant has been finished some time, and the government is now completing the cement work on the spill way and working on the intake above the headgates. The completed portion of the canal is over 5000 feet long and a great portion of the excavation contained heavy rocks and stone. Embankment had to be built along the entire side of the canal, as it follows along the side of the mountain the whole distance.

The spill way for the overflow of water above the Moore plant, has been built and the men will finish the cement covering within two weeks. The heaviest and most difficult work remaining to be done is

the building of the intake at the head of the river. The head gates have been completed for several weeks, but a channel is now being cut for a distance of over 500 feet to allow the flow of the water from the mouth of the river to the headgates. The bed of the river at this point is one mass of heavy boulders and rocks, and it is necessary to remove these to a depth of several feet for the length of the intake. The rock is used for embankment on either side of the channel, and as fast as it is placed the walls are being cemented.

The entire construction of this section of the Keno canal has been done by the government by force account. This is the biggest piece of work done by force account on the Klamath project, and it will be a matter of interest to the farmers, when the government makes public the cost of the work, to compare it with the contract work. The work will be completed within about three weeks, and the water will be turned on as soon as Moore Bros. get their plant finished and ready to start up.

ALL THE SAME IN KANSAS.

The Herald is in receipt of the following enquiry from Kansas. As we have no positive information on the matter, it would be appreciated if some one of our readers would volunteer the information so that we may answer the inquiry correctly. Of course Midland and Whitelake do not count.

Editor Evening Herald:
Dear Sir: Would you please let me know if there is any no-saloon town in Klamath county. I would like to find some place where farm land is cheap and near a no-saloon town which had some church society. Have they given up getting the irrigation water on part of the county? If too much trouble to answer please send me a copy or two of your paper. Respectfully,

W. A. WRIGHT,
Doniphan, Kansas.

Game Warden Gibson has received instructions from H. C. McAllister, Master Fish Warden, authorizing him to arrest anyone catching salmon by any means except hook and line, or making a practice of buying or selling fish without a license. There have been a number of salmon speared in the Klamath River, and minimum penalty for each offense, is a fine of \$50.

LAND IS PRODUCTIVE

**Soil Survey Practically Complete
in Main Klamath Valley**

ARE DIVIDED INTO THREE CLASSES

**Soils of the Area So Far Surveyed Are Light, Sandy, Easily
Cultivated and in General Productive--The Upper
Country and Swamp Lands Being Surveyed Now**

The soil survey, which is being made by A. T. Sweet, of the Bureau of Soils of the Department of Agriculture, has been practically completed in the main valley between Klamath Falls and Merrill and covering the lands adjacent to Tule lake and there yet remains to be surveyed Poe, Yonma and Langell valleys and the marsh lands along the Lower Klamath Lake. If the weather is favorable the entire field work of the survey will probably be completed by the middle of November.

Mr. Sweet states that the soils of the area surveyed so far, are, as a whole, light, sandy, easily cultivated and in general productive. They are largely basaltic in origin, having come from the weathering and wearing down of the hills surrounding the valleys and may be divided into three rather broad classes. Sands, sandy loams and loams.

The sands are loose and incoherent and when exposed to the action of the wind, blow and drift rather badly, but when well set to grain or alfalfa, it sufficiently supplied with moisture, are very productive and seem especially suited to alfalfa, being of good depth and easily drained. The largest body of this soil occurs between Stuckel bridge and the Henley ranch and in Sand Hollow, north of Tule Lake, but smaller bodies of it occur throughout the area.

The sandy loams occupy the slopes of the hills and extend well down into the trough of the valley, in many places entirely crossing it. These are the sage brush lands, for before being cleared they usually supported a dense growth of black sage and where uncleared do so still. The surface of this soil is usually very

light and sandy, in many places varying but little from the sand, but below the few inches of surface soil, it becomes heavier and stickier, and at a depth of from two to five feet is often underlain by the white or yellowish chalky material which underlies the entire valley. In considerable areas, however, the chalky subsoil is not found within six feet of the surface, the light gray or brown surface soil being underlain by a yellowish rather sticky sandy loam. In other smaller areas at a depth of from two and one-half to five feet the surface soil is underlain by a layer four to six inches of small pebbles and gravel somewhat cemented together, below which the chalk occurs.

This sandy loam, especially when of good depth, is a productive, durable soil well adapted for all crops suited to the climate, but on account of the tendency of underlying chalk, or the slightly cemented layers in the lower parts of the subsoil where the chalk is not found, to restrict under drainage, especially in the flat parts of the valley, more care is necessary to handle it successfully when irrigated.

The third class of soils occupies the lower and poorly drained portions of the valley; the lower part of many of the depressions which have no outlet, and in a few places, slopes on the hills where the chalky material comes to the surface. This soil usually has a surface covering of sandy soil varying in depth from only a few inches to one or two feet under which is found the chalk. It is not so productive as the other soils, but the better portions of it, under favorable conditions, produces fairly well when sown to grain and when once well seeded to alfalfa it gives fair yields. It is more difficult to handle, especially where poorly drained, puddle and bakes, and often carries injurious amounts of alkali.

Mr. Sweet is familiar with most of the large agricultural sections in the United States through his work with the Bureau of Soils. When asked as to his impressions of the Klamath country, he replied: "I may say that I appreciate fully the difficulties which must be overcome, in changing a stock country into one of extensive farming, and an inland country cut off from markets, into one with accessible markets for everything which can be produced. Such change must necessarily take place gradually, but the sooner people come to realize the opportunities of the changed conditions, the greater will be the benefit to the people themselves and to the country in general."

"You need new settlers, but you need very much more, it seems to me, to find out along what lines the country can best be developed. If you do this and proceed along those lines intelligently, you may be sure that settlers will come. You have a wonderfully rich, productive country, an abundance of water which will soon be available by the completion of your irrigation system, a wealth of natural scenery of which few countries can boast, and other attractions in the form of open range, abundance of fish and game, and cool summer climate, which will attract both home-seekers and tourists for many years to come."

LANGELL VALLEY NEWS.

James Malone is chief cook at the government camp.

Allie Vinson is putting in his fall crop of grain.

Someone that had more time than brains threw a lot of old rubbish in Allie Vinson's new well. There was at the time eleven sticks of giant powder at the bottom of the well at

a depth of 21 feet. It is miraculous that the powder was not exploded. Had the explosion occurred it would have blown the party into eternity.

School commenced at the Vinson school house last Monday with Uel Bussey as teacher.

One of Dave Vinson's dogs was given a dose of poison and died from the effects. When a man degrades himself sufficiently to administer poison to his neighbor's dog, he has attained for himself the hatred of all mankind and is only a beast.

Mr. and Mrs. Williams started to Rogue River after fruit last Thursday.

Fish that were put in a well four years ago, only about one inch long, at the time, are still alive and doing well. They are now about one foot long.

Mrs. Nova and Mrs. G. W. Noble started to the Valley after fruit on Monday.

The cry of murder! help! was heard last week and it was thought that a crime was being committed, but upon investigation it was ascertained that a lady was endeavoring to remove a porous plaster from her better half's person.

Allie Vinson purchased eight head of Jennets from Don Nichols last week.

Now is a good time to invest in Langell Valley real estate. We have plenty of room for a great many families and anyone of industry and a little capital can do well here as this is one of the finest places for dairying in the county.

H. H. Burnham and W. W. Warren sold their beef cattle to Mr. Mitchell. The price paid was 5 cents for cows and 6 cents for steers.

Geo. Cline and Elmer Walter started their new thresher this week.

Jessie Malone was visiting in Merrill the first of the week.

WATER USERS' DIRECTORS HAVING LONG SESSION.

The directors of the Klamath Waters Users Association held a special meeting yesterday to consider matters of importance to the land owners under the project. The meeting was continued until today and the directors have been in session all day. Nothing could be learned as to the particular matters under consideration, but President Martin stated that the session would probably last the remainder of the week. He said that nothing of importance had been accomplished yet, but that something would be before the end of the session, when whatever was done would be made public.

AT THE OPERA HOUSE.

New tonight—Scenes from a Lunatic Asylum, Bobby's Practical Jokes, His First Cigar, Caddy by the Hour, and by request, the great Spanish Bull Fight. New Songs.

Now is the time to buy a lot in the Hot Springs addition, which includes sewerage, cement sidewalks and good roads. See D. B. Campbell. 14-1wk

FORGES CHECK ON W. O. WEBB

**Buys Suit and Gives
Check for Pay**

**Also Tries to Cash Check for
Two Hundred at Bank**

The sheriff and deputies have been scouring the surrounding country today looking for a man, who has been forging checks and passing them on the public. The authorities state that the man's name is Johnny Larrison, but that he has been using several other names.

He purchased a suit of clothes yesterday from the Boston Store and gave in payment a check on the First National Bank and signed with the name of W. O. Webb, the proprietor of the O. K. Feed stables. The check was made out to Thearda Ramsey and was for \$41.25.

A man who is believed to be the same party, presented a check to Cashier Delzell, of the First National Bank, just before closing time last evening. The check was for \$200, with the signature of W. O. Webb attached and made out to Frank Clute. Mr. Delzell felt satisfied that the signature was genuine but told the man that he would have to be identified. The man left with the check and did not return.

When the matter was reported this morning it was found that the man had left town. John Schallcock started on the road toward the gap and Wm. Wagner and J. A. Hance went down the Summers road on the south side of the valley. A telephone message was received about 3 o'clock from Mr. Wagner stating that they had caught the man at one of the government camps and had started for town with him.

REBUILDING THE CANBY FOR PASSENGER SERVICE.

The steamer General Canby is being rebuilt and will be used for carrying passengers and mail between Klamath Falls and Blidel. The Canby is a flat bottomed boat and can go over the bar without any trouble.

The steamer has recently been equipped with a new boiler and two 18 horse power engines made especially for stern wheel boats. A neat cabin is being built which will accommodate about thirty-five passengers. It is expected to have the steamer ready for business tomorrow or Friday.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Marriage licenses were issued today to Thomas A. Grubb and Nellie E. Gordon, both of Keno. Also to Elbert Hillman and Delora Crance, of Fort Klamath.



Ladies'

**Newest Fall Coats
Silk Cravenettes
Sweaters, Pony Jackets
Walking Shoes, Etc.**

Men's

**Latest Fall Styles Suits
Overcoats, Cravenettes,
Sweater Coats,
Underwear, Etc., Etc.**



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