

DANGER OF HAVING NO NEW CHARTER

MEMBERS UNABLE TO HOLD MEETING

TOO MANY ON COMMITTEE... SOME ALWAYS ABSENT FROM CITY.

The seven members of the charter commission have been unable as yet to get together to do any business. Several of the members have been unable to give any attention on account of cases with which they were connected in Court and Mr. Benson is now absent in Lakeview. Mr. Reames and Mr. Harris have both had to take a trip to California, and thus not enough members were free to form a quorum. The result has been, unfortunately, that only little over a month remains before election and nothing has been done in preparing a new charter to be voted upon by the people.

Mr. Reames, chairman of the committee, has endeavored since his return to get the committee together so as to begin work and it is expected that a meeting will be held before the week is out. It has been suggested that the Council ought to reduce the number of the committee to three or five members, as with less numbers it would be easier to get a quorum together to do business.

So much depends on the adoption of a new charter at the coming election that the citizens and business men are very anxious that no further time is lost so that there will be no chance of the new charter not being ready in time. Improvements are absolutely necessary and these cannot be made without bonding the city. To enable the city to do this a new charter is necessary.

There has also been considerable talk of extending the city limits. A special election will be necessary to do this and there is very little time left in which to secure the necessary petitions and order the election, so if the additions are taken into the city the new charter can provide for the boundaries. The City Council should take the matter up at the next meeting and see that there is no further delay. If members of the commission find it impossible to serve their places should be filled or the number of the committee reduced.

Something should be done and that at once.

"KNOCKING" vs. "HOOSTING" IN THE WEST.

All the West hates a "knocker." In the East people seem to take a delight in "running down" their own communities, but public opinion in the great West will not stand for this. A man there who hints that there is any fault to be found with the climate, the soil, or anything else, is looked upon as a common enemy, and he might as well pack up and go East at once. In the West it is a part of the unwritten law that everyone shall praise up his own locality and never say anything against it.

A wagon recently passed through northern Kansas, says a Missouri paper, bearing the following inscription: "Colorado and irrigation, Kansas and starvation. I'm going to my wife's relation and make no demonstration." A Missouri editor took the matter up and answered as follows: "They ought to come to Missouri where there is no irrigation, and a man with education can engage in speculation, bring along his wife's relation, have a good time and free salvation with no danger of starvation. This is worth consideration."

That made a Kansas editor warm under the collar, and he is responsible for this outbreak: "The above narration is a short prevarication that has obtained circulation among people of vivid imagination. Such fabrication has hindered immigration, retarded education, prevented irrigation, the same of civilization, and is absolutely without foundation. The population mentioned in the above narration are the scum of creation, are beyond salvation, deserve starvation, and can have free transportation to that land of speculation, or to the Indian nation, or to hell-damnation upon application."

ALVA LEWIS APPOINTED.

Alva Lewis has been appointed superintendent of the Klamath Game Preserve by the Audobon Society. He will assume his duties the first of April.

LADIES ATTENTION.

Fine line of Tailored and Dress Hats on display at The Vogue Millinery Parlors, just opening south of the Houston Hotel. March 11, 12, and 13.

Read Paris news—See Paris fashions. Watch the Millinery Department of the Brick Store.

T. A. Balls and wife and W. R. Wilson are in the city from Merrill.

COUNTY JAIL NOW WITHOUT A TENANT

FOR FIRST TIME IN NEARLY EIGHT MONTHS COUNTY JAIL IS EMPTY.

Today, the eleventh of March, 1909 is the first day since the twenty-sixth of last July that the county jail has been without one or more prisoners. Sheriff Barnes says it seems rather lonesome around the court house with a big empty stone building without a single occupant. But his hands are full with the collection of taxes and it is probable that the loss of his boarders will be soon forgotten in the rush of business.

Melton, Hale and Thompson were placed in the jail a few weeks after Mr. Barnes assumed his duties as sheriff and ever since that day the jail has been occupied and at times the accommodations were overcrowded. There is not much prospect of the jail being used again before the June term of Court, but Sheriff Barnes has earned a reputation for hospitality and there is no telling what might happen if some of the citizens of the county should forget that there are laws which must be obeyed.

STRUBLE MARES ARE RETURNED

ANIMALS STOLEN AND SOLD BY VESTAL ARE BROUGHT BACK BY BUYERS.

Wm. Hillis and Mr. Oden arrived yesterday from Woodville, in Jackson County, with the team of mares belonging to Hans Struble. This is the team that was stolen from Mr. Struble by Roy Vestal and sold to Messrs. Hillis and Oden for \$170. These gentlemen are out the money paid for the horses unless they can get it back by attaching any property that may be owned by Vestal. It is stated that Vestal owns five horses in this county and it is quite probable that they will be attached and sold.

FUNERAL TOMORROW.

The funeral of the late John Wesley Masten will be held tomorrow afternoon. Services at 2:30 at the Methodist Church.

WANTED—Woman for general housework on ranch; family of two. Phone B5. 9-1w

DISPLAY OF SPRING MILLINERY.

We wish to invite the ladies to our display of Spring Millinery on March 12th and 13th.

STILTS DRY GOODS CO.

FACTS ABOUT THE MERRILL GOLD MINE

S. C. EASTWOOD GIVES INFORMATION IN REGARD TO HIS DISCOVERY.

Merrill, Ore., Mar. 7th, 1909. Sir: As I am the originator of this gold excitement (at Merrill), I receive a great many inquiries about it, I write you in reply for the benefit of all.

We have an extra large body of low grade gold bearing ore which ranges from \$4.40 to \$10.33 per ton, according to my assay returns average \$7.40 at present writing.

It is in a cement gravel deposit (or gouge), with a chalk and sandstone wall on one side, and I have no idea yet what the other wall is, as I have not reached it yet. I have crossed cut the deposit with a tunnel a distance of 20 feet and no change apparently yet in the formation.

It is a very disagreeable ground to drill, but easy to handle with steam shovels on a large scale.

There has been a great many locations made already, but I have advised everyone that this is no poor man's mine or mining ground, but still like all gold excitements, they all want a gold mine, and the majority are like the boy with the elephant—don't know what to do with it after they have it.

Very respectfully,
S. C. EASTWOOD,
Mgr. A. B. C. Mining Co.
Merrill, Oregon.

NEWS FROM DAIRY.

Jacob Rusek went to the Falls Friday to attend the meeting of the directors of the Water Users Association. On his return trip he will bring out some freight for himself. He reports the Low hill in very bad condition.

C. C. Pearson and sons, Glenn and Jerry, W. L. Simpson, Joseph Welch and son, Ivan, went on a fishing trip to the Upper Gap Sunday.

Mrs. Truax, of Bonanza, who is ill is expecting her mother from Ohio to come to take care of her.

Bert Shelley was a business visitor to Bonanza Saturday.
M. P. Nelson, of Yonna, went to the Falls Sunday to meet his wife and children who have been visiting relatives in Minnesota.

Wm. Uhrmann has been busy the last few days making improvements on his place.

J. F. Wallis, John Logue, John Donnell and W. C. Sherman, Sr., were in Dairy Sunday.

A great deal of wood cutting is now going on in the timber near the Hildebrand school house. Jesse Drew and Dock Pool are working with the wood saw, Harrison Gray is making posts and Chas. McCumber is making pickets. If this slaughter of the timber continues much longer the timber will all be cut away near this school.

Walter Simpson was at the Wm. Welch place Saturday.

The weather has been uncertain lately but not very disagreeable. The roads are still very bad but a few days of good weather will dry them up considerably.

Mrs. A. L. Michael, of Pine Flat, was in Dairy Saturday.

An excellent dinner was enjoyed by friends and relatives at Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Drew's home Sunday. At the dinner were: Mrs. L. M. Fitch, Mrs. N. S. Drew, Miss Nott Drew, Jesse Drew, Waive Drew, Miss May Robinson, David Shook and Harrison Gray.

Godfrey Beck and Otto Hoppe went to Dairy Saturday to meet Mr. Hoppe who had returned from Sacramento, where she has been visiting. Mr. and Mrs. Hoppe spent Saturday night at Mr. Beck's, going to their home in the mountains the next day.

John Anderson went to Bonanza Monday to get medicine for Mrs. Perry Randles.

L. M. Mills is cutting wood for his own use this week.

C. C. Carlson is getting timbers to put up his windmill this week.

Earl Beckdolt, of Bonanza, was visiting in Yonna Sunday.

Geo. Smyth is busy this week hauling hay from Mrs. Della Colahan's. C. C. Pearson has been clearing land lately.

The witnesses in the horse stealing case are beginning to come home from the Falls. Some of them have

KLAMATH SHOULD EMULATE MEDFORD

been absent for quite a time and are glad to get home. Among those returning this week were: Mrs. L. M. Fitch, David Shook, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Smyth and daughter, Anna, Mrs. Alf. Wallis and Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Wallis.

While building a fence on his timber claim this week Fred Beck found a beautiful pair of deer horns.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wight were visitors at J. G. Wight's place Sunday.

HAVE YOU PAID YOUR DOG TAX

CHIEF OF POLICE HAS INSTRUCTIONS TO RIGIDLY ENFORCE THE LAW.

The Chief of Police has been busy since the first of March collecting dog taxes. Licenses for the keeping of dogs within the city of Klamath Falls are due on and after the first day of each March, and the new ordinance provides a penalty for the non-payment of the tax. The dog can be taken up and sold or killed and a fine can be imposed upon the owner. It would be well for the owners or keepers of dogs to attend to the paying of the tax without delay as the officers have announced that the law will be strictly enforced in every case. The law was carefully drawn up so that there would be no question of its legality, and it was made to be enforced.

HOUSTON HOTEL LEASED FOR TERM OF YEARS.

Mrs. A. B. Livermore and sons, of Redding, have leased the Houston House for a term of years and will take charge the twentieth of this month. Mrs. Livermore has conducted the Golden Eagle Hotel at Redding for a number of years and is thoroughly acquainted with the hotel business. The hotel will be completely refitted and improved and will be known as the Livermore Hotel.

ONLY TWO DAYS MORE FOR REBATE ON TAXES.

Only two more days remain in which the three per cent rebate is allowed on the payment of taxes, according to the sheriff. Taxes must be paid before the 15th and that only leaves tomorrow and Saturday in which the rebate will be allowed.

The large number of people that have taken advantage of the rebate by paying their taxes promptly speaks well for the financial condition of the property owners of the county.

Local headquarters of the International Correspondence Schools are in Frank Ira White's office. 11

REAL ESTATE MEN FORM ASSOCIATION

TO ASSIST IN ADVANCEMENT OF CITY'S INTEREST AND CO-OPERATE IN SALES.

An organization has been effected in Medford which the real estate dealers of Klamath Falls would do well to emulate. It is getting so that a real estate man in this city is looked upon with suspicion, but the blame for this is with the real estate men themselves. Men who are engaged in the business should take more pride in their profession and endeavor to place it on a more reliable basis. This would work a great benefit to themselves as well as obviate the great wrong being done the town and country.

The real estate men have built Medford and it is mainly due to their efforts that the town is so well and favorably known and is receiving so many new settlers. They have now formed an association, the objects of which, according to the by-laws, are:

"The object of this association is to bring the real estate men of Medford together to assist in the advancement of the city's interests in general and of the real estate business in particular; to procure from owners written contracts of sale, and, as far as possible, for the broker the exclusive agency of all property listed or offered for sale by him; to effect a uniform rate of commission to be charged in real estate transactions; to create and maintain among Medford real estate men a high standard of business methods and integrity, a spirit of fair and honorable competition, and to assure to the buyer and seller the services of responsible and trustworthy agents upon a definite and uniform standard of contract and charges, to the end that the interests of buyer, seller and broker may be alike protected.

"It shall be the special object of this association to assure its members co-operation in real estate transactions, protection as to reasonable commission for producing the buyer, and at all times to promote the welfare and growth of Medford and the Rogue River Valley."

See the millinery announcement of Runk & Schneider on page 4.



Your Easter Suit

Easter falls on Sunday, April 11th, this year. It is the day of all days to show fine plumes. The time to prepare is NOW. Let us make your clothes for you and you will be absolutely certain of satisfaction in every particular.

GOODS, WORKMANSHIP, FIT, and PRICE

WE HAVE ALL THE TRIMMINGS TO GO WITH FINE CLOTHES — FURNISHINGS, HATS, SHOES, ETC., IN THE NEWEST OF THE STYLES.

K K K STORE

A Good Pair

At this season of the year everyone is liable to take cold and in these cases there are two things which should be on hand in every home.

RED STAR WHITE PINE WITH TAR for COUGHS AND BRONCHIAL TROUBLES, and RED STAR COLD TABLETS, for a laxative and to relieve the general symptoms of a severe cold. These preparations are made from pure and harmless ingredients and are sold on a positive guarantee.

GET A SUPPLY NOW AND BE PREPARED.

Star Drug Store

"They Have It"