

LOCAL NEWS.

Rev. Mr. Younglove has been on the sick list this week.

Hay is reported very scarce and the price has accordingly gone up.

Roy Hamakar has been confined to his bed by illness since Sunday.

Ernest Taylor is suffering from pneumonia at his home near Merrill.

H. L. Boggs is at work this week improving the interior of his residence on Ewauna Heights.

Testimony in the contest suit of Snowgoose vs. Connolly was given before County Clerk Driscoll this week.

A bill removing the bounty on coyote scalps, passed the house last week and is likely to pass the senate.

Bert Withrow, until recently employed in Reames & Jennings' store, is now doing clerical work in his father's office.

A number of the young friends of Kelson Gunther will help him celebrate his tenth birthday anniversary at his home this evening.

G. W. Smith who had served several years as chief of police of Ashland, died in that city Saturday morning, being aged nearly 68 years.

John Taylor who recently arrived from Alturas, has been installed as successor to Miss Eva Stearns in the central office of the local telephone exchange.

Remember the ball to be given under the auspices of the M. W. A. in Houston's opera house tomorrow night. A good time is assured all who attend.

G. W. Morine, proprietor of a hotel at Bonanza, is preparing to give a dance in the hall there tomorrow night. Supper will be served at an appropriate hour at his hotel.

In spite of the unusual cold and snow in the mountains, the undaunted railroad men continue to come nearer every day. In a few weeks the road will be at Pokegama.

Last Monday Louis Gerber started 800 head of mutton sheep from the Ball ranch for Montague. W. Buckmaster was in charge. Mr. Gerber still has one more drive left at Merrill.

William J. Bryan has announced his positive determination not again to be a candidate for the democratic presidential re-nomination. He says he proposes to remain a common laborer in the democratic ranks.

Yesterday Chauncey Arant was arrested on complaint of Mrs. Taylor Wilson of Olene, charging him with rape. The defendant's preliminary hearing has been set for tomorrow at 2 o'clock p. m. before Justice Graves.

Mr. McArthur of Fall River, Calif., was here last week to close a contract with the Little Klamath Ditch Co. for work which he has been employed to do in dredging a channel from Lower Klamath Lake to the company's irrigating canal.

Several new arrivals from Minnesota, mostly timber men, reached here this week. They seem pleased with the outlook, the pure air, clear skies, unbounded health and beautiful country, which though cold, is warm compared with the polar region they came from.

The teachers' examination for county papers resulted in the granting of two second grade and three third grade certificates. Messrs. Musselman and Worden who tried for state certificates, will not know the result of their work for a few weeks, as their papers go to the state superintendent for inspection.

Lakeview Examiner: J. L. Yadin, the western stage man who was here last week, said that when the railroad was completed to Pokegama, the other side of Klamath Falls, he intended putting on four-horse rigs between Klamath Falls and Lakeview. Our mails from that way will be one day earlier over the new railroad.

The value of timber is steadily advancing with the growing demand, and there is promise of numerous sales of such property in Klamath county during the coming spring and summer. Pine of the Klamath variety is particularly scarce and desirable and cannot be bought at prevailing prices. Timber will never be cheaper than it is now.

We have received a letter announcing the intention of a San Francisco company to establish an ice manufacturing plant at this place. Any acquisition to the manufacturing industries of the county is desirable and always welcome, though considering the weather of the past few weeks, we may add that there are some things we need worse than ice factories.

That Klamath county is to have a wonderfully great future, is shown by its tens of thousands of acres of rich farming lands, its abundant and unfailing rivers and water powers, and its immense bodies of valuable timber. These facts declare that this will soon become a country of mills and manufacturing, of vast agricultural wealth and production, and the home of a

large and prosperous and rapidly increasing population.

D. L. Slesper and Frank Grygra, special agents of the general land office, were here Sunday on their way to the railroad from Lakeview where they had been investigating the records of the local land office. As we understand, they found the affairs of the office in a perfectly satisfactory shape and that the register and receiver had performed their duties thoroughly and efficiently and strictly in accordance with the requirements of the general land office.

According to late reports irrigation is to go forward in the Deschutes valley on a big scale. It is announced from Washington that President Roosevelt has approved of the map and contract with the state of Oregon permanently segregating 84,707 acres of land in the Deschutes country, to be reclaimed under the Carey act by the Pilot Butte Development company. This gives the company right to proceed immediately with the construction of its irrigation system.

Miss Maud Baldwin gave a Valentine party at her home Saturday evening and carried out a program of entertainment that was very interesting and made the hours pass swiftly and pleasantly. Excellent refreshments were served at the proper hour. Following are the names of her guests: Misses Alice Magilton, Lena Applegate, Nellie Boyd, Bertha Sawyer and Zilphia Graham and Mrs. Mollotte Jennings, and Messrs. F. W. Jennings, W. O. Smith, L. Condon, Thos. Kinney, Fred Schallack and Chas. Baldwin and Dr. H. B. Hargus.

Virgil Strang, a 13-year-old son of Druggist Chas. Strang of Medford, was accidentally shot and probably fatally injured by a 15-year-old brother, last Friday afternoon. The two brothers were spending the day with their grandfather, six miles north of Medford. Virgil was on a horse when a 22-caliber rifle in the hands of his brother accidentally discharged, the bullet entering below the abdomen and ranging upward through the body. The wounded boy was immediately taken to Medford and everything possible done to save his life. His recovery, however, is very doubtful. The older brother is nearly distracted over the accident.

The people of Langell valley have had several rabbit drives lately, being the source of much excitement and merriment and causing the destruction of many hundreds of rabbits. The drive reported to us took place on Monday of last week, when 500 rabbits were killed. In the organization for the drive were twenty-six people on horses, six sleigh and two buggy loads and several on foot. They started from the residence of Robt. Williams. The area covered was two by three miles. A half mile of woven wire was stretched and an inclosure, sixteen feet square, made for the final reception, captivity and death of the pests. Last week 1200 rabbits in Langell valley took their exit from earth as a result of the drives.

Louis Gerber and T. J. Offield who are probably as well posted on the size of alfalfa crops as any citizens of the county, have figured out for the REPUBLICAN estimates of the amounts grown by different ranchers the past year. They find the total to be about 12,400 tons, worth at least 85 per cent, making the crop aggregate a value of \$62,000. There are not 200 tons of alfalfa for sale in the county at present. Here is the list furnished by Messrs. Gerber and Offield: Mitchell Bros., 400 tons; G. W. Smith ranch, 1,000 tons; Mr. Cantrell, 400; Sam Summers, 500; E. R. Reames, 200; Miller ranch, 250; Mr. Roberts, 400; S. Low, 150; Mrs. Henley, 400; Melhase Bros., 300; Bloomingcamp Bros., 300; Silas Kilgore, 300; Mr. Lewis, 200; Mr. Griffith, 100; S. Stukel and sons, 200; Mr. Hartery, 300; Mr. Pope, 150; Mr. Barrows, 250; Mr. Lerley, 150; Gowen ranch, 600; D. Van Brimmer, 400; C. Van Brimmer, 200; Whitney Bros., 800; John Colwell, 500; C. Bunting, 300; T. J. Offield, 350; N. S. Merrill, 700; C. Merrill, 400; Ball Bros, 600; H. Anderson, 300; Mr. Kenedy, 250; F. Adams, 300; Mr. Sims, 400; Mr. Hammond, 150. Total, 12,400 tons.

APPLES: 6000 lbs Apples at 2 cts. UNNEEDA MEAT MARKET

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ENLARGED IRRIGATION ASSURED

The proposed enterprise of the Merrill Mutual Canal Co. has reached a point for definite action, and in the spirit of willingness and co-operation displayed at the meeting in Merrill, Monday, the unanimous favor accorded the proposition presented by E. Brong of Portland, we are led to believe that one of the most practicable and profitable irrigating projects in the West will soon materialize here and that thousands of acres of fertile land will be added to the watered and highly productive area of Klamath county. It is a gigantic undertaking and its success means more than any other one thing for the future growth and prosperity of the county. It will not only transform vast sage brush tracts into luxuriant fields of alfalfa, but will cause a large influx of new settlers and new capital, will bring in a variety of new enterprises, will stimulate industrial and commercial life on every hand, and, last but not least, will hasten railroad building from two or three directions into this county. The proposed irrigating project is now well under way and it looks as though nothing could prevent its consummation at an early date.

The meeting at Merrill, Monday, was largely representative of the farming community to be benefited by the proposed ditch. It was called for the purpose of considering the proposition of E. Brong of Portland, representing heavy capitalists, who are experienced in irrigating enterprises and seek new investments of that class. The hall was crowded when N. S. Merrill stepped for order at 1 o'clock and rattled briefly the object of the gathering. Then short, appropriate speeches were made by S. E. Phillips, Judge Geo. T. Baldwin and Rev. J. B. Griffith, each setting forth Klamath's natural advantages and emphasizing the imperative need of more irrigation.

At the conclusion of these talks, Mr. Brong was introduced and read a contract which he proposed to enter into with ranchers, but which would not become effective until the completion of the ditch. This is the plan, as we understand it: Ranchers wanting water must buy water rights which are perpetual and become inseparable from land titles. The promoting company will accept in payment cash or mortgage on the real estate, running five years at five per cent interest. At the end of that time extensions will be made if desired. In addition, a rate of not to exceed \$1 per acre per annum will be charged. In time, when all water rights have been paid for, ownership of the ditch will pass into the hands of the ranchers interested. In cases wherein lands, to be under the ditch, are already mortgaged, the company will assume such mortgages at the same rate of five per cent. Only those owning water rights can use the ditch. Cost of water rights will be determined by the cost of construction and the number of acres to be irrigated. To ascertain these facts, the first necessary step will be a survey by an expert civil engineer. For this purpose the stockholders have guaranteed ample funds, and a man, experienced in similar service elsewhere, will soon be here to undertake the work. If the enterprise succeeds, as now seems assured, the builders agree to reimburse the ranchers for all money they have expended for surveys and other preliminary work.

All land owners present heartily endorsed the plan by unanimous vote, showed their willingness to unite in promoting the enterprise and seemed enthusiastic over the prospect of soon accomplishing their long-cherished hope for more irrigation. Mr. Brong was a guest of N. S. Merrill for more than a week and became acquainted with many people interested in his project and familiarized himself with the country to be benefited by irrigation developments. He left for Portland yesterday morning and will immediately take steps looking to a furtherance of the enterprise.

A TRIP TO MERRILL. We visited the town of Merrill on Monday, and while this is not the most agreeable time of the year for such a trip, the satisfaction amply justifies the slight hardship. While there we enjoyed the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. N. S. Merrill, whose large, neat residence and other well kept buildings and surrounding ranch of over 600 rich and highly improved acres show the persevering thrift and energy of past years. The hospitality of Klamath county ranchers is proverbial, and this worthy trait was exemplified by the Merrill household in the cordial welcome and generous repast tendered their guests on Monday.

The Tule lake valley is one of the most fertile stretches of country in Oregon and only needs more water added to that of the Little Klamath ditch to increase its productiveness and widen its good reputation. The town of Merrill presents an appearance more favorable than we had anticipated. It is larger than we expected to find it, its site is ideal,

its buildings are substantial and well kept and the surrounding mountains, with Mount Shasta's hoary head in the distance, combine picturesque and attractive scenery. There is every reason to expect that Merrill will enjoy a lively growth in the near future.

PERSONAL.

N. L. High of Forest was in town Monday.

C. C. Lewis of Olene was in town Saturday.

C. C. Low of Olene was in town this week.

J. D. Dieckman of Dairy was in town Tuesday.

J. L. Calvert arrived from Grants Pass Saturday.

G. W. Morine of Bonanza was in town Saturday.

J. I. Fuller of Merrill was at the Falls Saturday.

John Shepherd of Lost river was at the Falls Monday.

John Hugelstein of Naylox was at the Falls Saturday.

A. T. Wilson, the Olene merchant, was in town Monday.

J. F. Adams of Merrill was in town the fore part of the week.

H. E. Momyer was down from Klamath Agency Saturday.

John Connolly and son of Keno were at the Falls yesterday.

H. Snowgoose who lives southwest of Keno, was in town Tuesday.

J. W. Hamakar returned from his visit in Portland, Sunday evening.

Mr. Swingle of Langell valley was here Tuesday en route to Ashland.

Miss Anna Butler of Ft. Klamath was here Saturday to prove up on a homestead.

A. L. Leavitt and son arrived home the first of the week from their trip to Nevada.

E. N. Colson and W. A. Allen were in town Saturday from their Lost river ranches.

Jas. Emery, Louis Brannon and Ed. Hoyt of Fort Klamath were at the Falls Saturday.

Judge H. L. Benson arrived last Friday on his return from a trip to Salem and Portland.

Mr. Spink, merchant at Yainax, arrived here last evening on his return from a visit to Nevada.

C. C. Pearson and Geo. Smith of Dairy arrived at the Falls Tuesday on business, returning home yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Wescott started Monday to visit friends at Coeur D'Alene, Idaho, where they formerly resided.

J. A. McIntire, manager of the Ashland-Klamath Falls stage line, arrived from Ashland yesterday morning.

Mrs. F. D. Reames arrived last evening, via Ager, from Astoria to settle the affairs of her late husband, Dr. Reames.

Win. J. Mitchell of Chippewa Falls, Wis., and Wm. W. Carmichael of Alpena, Mich., have been here on business the past week.

Judge Geo. T. Baldwin, Sheriff Summers, T. H. Moore and E. W. Huse of Klamath Falls attended the ditch meeting in Merrill Monday.

Liveryman Hazen returned last week from a month's trip through Northern California and Southern Oregon with a knight of the grip.

Judge Thos. Drake arrived last Friday after a month's absence in San Francisco. He expects the return of his law partner, N. D. Walking, in the near future.

Ashland Tidings: Miss Ivy Emmitt, daughter of Hon. R. A. Emmitt of Klamath county, arrived in Ashland Monday evening, on her way to join her father at Salem. She was accompanied from this city by her sister, Miss Charm Emmitt.

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NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

Notice is hereby given that I have, as administratrix of the estate of Leonard A. Lewis, deceased, filed my final account of the administration of said estate, with the Clerk of the County Court for Klamath County, Oregon, and that said Court has appointed 10 o'clock, a. m., of Monday, March 2, 1903, as the time for the hearing of objections to such final account and the settlement thereof. This notice is published by order of said Court entered January 27, 1903. MARY A. LEWIS, Administratrix.

TIMBERLAND, ACT JUNE 3, 1878, NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

RE-ADVERTISEMENT.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, Lakeview, Oregon, February 3, 1903.

Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An Act for the sale of timber lands in the states of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892, the following persons have filed in this office their sworn statements, to-wit:

William H. Flagg, of Ashland, county of Jackson, state of Oregon, sworn statement No. 1486, for the purchase of the N 1/2 of N 1/2, section 24, township 40, S., range 7 E., W. M.

John W. Dyar, of Ashland, county of Jackson, state of Oregon, sworn statement No. 1487, for the purchase of the S 1/2 SW 1/4, NE 1/4 SW 1/4, and NW 1/4 SE 1/4, section 1, township 40, S., range 7 E., W. M.

Emma Dyar, of Ashland, county of Jackson, state of Oregon, sworn statement No. 1488, for the purchase of the S 1/2 NE 1/4 and N 1/2 SE 1/4, section 2, township 40, S., range 7 E., W. M.

Florence L. Trefren, of Ashland, county of Jackson, state of Oregon, sworn statement No. 1489, for the purchase of the SE 1/4 NW 1/4, SW 1/4 NE 1/4, and W 1/2 SE 1/4, section 12, township 40, S., range 7 E., W. M.

That they will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish their claim to said land before C. H. Withrow, U. S. Commissioner, at Klamath Falls, Oregon, on Monday, the 8th day of June, 1903.

They name as witnesses: Florence L. Trefren, John W. Dyar, Emma Dyar, William H. Flagg, of Ashland, Oregon, and J. S. Bailey, of Shake, Oregon.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 8th day of June, 1903. E. M. BRATTAIN, Register. (1st pub. Feb. 12.)

TIMBERLAND, ACT JUNE 3, 1878, NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, Lakeview, Oregon, November 25, 1902.

Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An Act for the sale of timber lands in the states of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892, Charles Wilton Stone, of P. O. Box 1407, Seattle, county of King, state of Washington, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 1611, for the purchase of the W 1/2 of E 1/2 of Section No. 32 in Township No. 37 S., Range No. 13 E., W. M., and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before J. W. Hamakar, U. S. Commissioner, at Klamath Falls, Oregon, on Tuesday, the 24th day of April, 1903.

He names as witnesses: Everett L. Peck, of Portland, Oregon; Benjamin F. Jones, of Portland, Oregon; Etta Jones, of Montaville, Oregon; Milton J. Jones, of Portland, Oregon; Christian L. Loug, of Portland, Oregon. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 24th day of April, 1903.

E. M. BRATTAIN, Register.

TIMBERLAND, ACT JUNE 3, 1878, NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, Lakeview, Oregon, November 28, 1902.

Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An Act for the sale of timber land in the states of California, Oregon, Nevada, and in Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892, the following persons have this day filed in this office their sworn statements, to-wit:

Walter Anson, of Klamath Falls, county of Klamath, state of Oregon, sworn statement No. 1614, for the purchase of the S 1/2 NE 1/4 and N 1/2 SE 1/4, Sec. 1, T. 37 S., R. 9 E., W. M.

Charles C. Essig, of Harrison, county of Kootenai, state of Idaho, sworn statement No. 1615, for the purchase of the S 1/2 NW 1/4, Sec. 1, and S 1/2 NE 1/4, Sec. 2, T. 37 S., R. 9 E., W. M.

That they will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish their claim to said land before J. W. Hamakar, U. S. Commissioner, at Klamath Falls, Oregon, on Thursday, the 23rd day of April, 1903.

They name as witnesses: Charles C. Essig, of Harrison, Idaho; Walter Anson, of Klamath Falls, Oregon; Wesley O. Smith, of Klamath Falls, Oregon; H. H. Wescott, of Klamath Falls, Oregon; Joseph C. Smith, of Klamath Falls, Oregon.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 23rd day of April, 1903. E. M. BRATTAIN, Register.

PETITION FOR LIQUOR LICENSE.

To the Hon. County Court of the State of Oregon for Klamath County.

We, the undersigned, residents and legal voters of Plevna precinct, in said county and state, respectfully request that a license to sell spirituous, malt and vinous liquors in less quantities than one gallon in the precinct aforesaid, for a period of six months, from the 4th day of March, A. D., 1903, be granted to F. Fiock of said precinct, and your petitioners, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

Said petition will be presented to said court on the 4th day of March, 1903. Chas. Woodard, A. W. Shur, Daniel R. Doten, William H. Harrington, D. S. McCollum, Geo. C. Way, Walter Look, Walter Anderson, Geo. G. Kerns, J. W. Doten, W. F. McCollum, M. Barrett, Ray Anderson, L. W. Anderson, W. L. Stonebraker, Oliver Sly, Wesley Cole, D. L. Gordon, John Snowgoose, Chester Wilson, F. J. McCollum, A. D. Gillman, A. Craddock, H. G. Chapman, H. F. Ringe, L. H. Doten, W. V. Teters, G. B. Chapman, Albert Orey, N. L. High, Geo. L. Chas. J. Ager, J. P. Lee, L. O. Stearns.

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