

TWO DOLLARS THE YEAR IN ADVANCE.

Klamath Falls, Ore., Thursday, August 24 1905.

MESSAGE FROM THE WEST the crop now on the same land looks well. I have seen rye which I am told is volunteer and the sixth crop

J. B. Mason Writes Entertainingly of Klamath County.

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light crop and with more rain it would have been good. Also volunteer potatoes which promise a fairly good crop. I am told that potatoes on the slopes of the hills and moun-Klamath Falls, Or., July 3, 1905.

since sowing, I have also seen volun

teer wheat which promises a fair

Dear Editor-Having promised tains next to the valley without irri-erral of my Greenwood County gation, yield well, but not heavily, friends, that I would write them a and that very little cultivation is reescription of this part of the country, quired. This much I know, that and finding that a description which there are plenty of last year's pota would give anything like an intelligent toes here now, and the quality I have dea of what is to be found here, never seen excelled. I am informed would require such lengthy letters, 1 that the yield can be largely increashave concluded to ask The Herald to ed by irrigation, but unless it be judipublish a letter which they all and clously done, it will be at the exmany more may see. I have waited pense of the quality.

in order to get better acquainted with The cereals grown are wheat, oats, be country and conditions here, be- barley and rye. I have been told of o writing, and still hesitate, as I some very large yields of these grains never like to pass on a case until the under irrigation, the truth of which I have no reason to doubt, the largest evidence is all in. Realizing in this case however, that being 63 bushels of wheat to the acre.

be evidence will continue, and in- Corn is not grown-at all except the d not cease to accumulate, I will sweet corn, which seems to do well.

herefore now try to tell as nearly as In dry farming, i.e., without uri-I can what this section of country has gation, stockmen grow a great deal of to offer the immigrant, as I see it on rye for hay, as it is easily produced, this short acquaintance. growing a volunteer crop year after

It is possible that I may make some year. Alfalfa appears to be very fine mistakes, but I do not mean to, and on irrigated lands producing in two to if anyone shall come from there here three cuttings from four to six tons to make these lands as rich as soil a Methodist church which have reguand will bring the paper containing per acre according to best reports ob- can get. is letter with him, I think he will tainable, and the feeding quality is it to be substantially correct. So of a very high order: Timothy is far at least as the statement of facts also excellent in these valleys, prois concerned. Klamath County is 72 ducing, it is said, two to four tons to alles wide from east to west in the the acre.

central and southern part, by one Blue grass and white clover have hundred miles north and south only been grown on lawns and in small patches where they got started through the central part.

It is more than four times the size apparently by accident, but where I the state of Rhode Island. It con- irrigated I have seen the tallest and ins within its borders a marvelous I think the heaviest growth of both riety of mountains and valleys, of especially the white clover, that I lakes and streams, of hot springs and ever saw anywhere. I showed this springs that are ice cold, of sage blue grass and white clover, to three brush plains and tule marshes, of pine strangers from California and Colora-forests abounding in wild game, and do. Men who understand irrigation, the season.

lakes and streams teaming with fish. and I asked them if this land seeded In the north west part of the county like that would not support one good it is not subject to sudden changes, about one and a half miles below the more work. If this is true it is point on two or three mornings only, ower end of Upper Klamath Lake, on doubtless due both to climatic condi- but it has been known to be as low as Link River and the beautiful little tions and feed. They have the finest eighteen below. I have seen no hard them, and as they have been reported while the outlet of this lake is Klamath river.

The town has a population of about 200 and it has a beautiful location, the foregoing that the writer means free from summer complaints. It very reasonable prices. assing as it does in a cove of the foot to convey the idea that here is to be would seem that the marshes would of which are snow capped, the most with its beauties and wonders, and prominent Mount Shasta about one the ample provision made in it by "the good soft water is very easily obtained, or promotion of the corps of competent engineers. Peo. in that reserve.

Water More Land. coloring and quality, they are very none under the irrigation system ex-The Interior Department tempohard to beat. The same tree has ap- cept several thousand acres of the ples on now, but not nearly so many marsh lands, which have been with-as last year. This is the 8th day of drawn from entry, and when they are one pres of land on Umatilla River July and these look like they might restored they will probably come in be kept until those on the tree shall like the "Rosebud Agency," in Dako- with a view to determining the feas-

become ripe. I have heard of the ta. Also according to the irrigation ibility of its irrigation. soundness of the apples here, and act, the Secretary of the Interior their freedom from worms remarked may cut down the amount of each 2, 3, 10 to 15, 21 to 28 and 33 to 36 in upon and I speak of these at length entry under any irrigation project to township 4 north, range 28 cast; secin order to show that in this case at not less than 40 acres. Under irrigaleast there is truth in it. It seems to tion here one does not need so much tions 9 to 16, 21 to 27, 34 to 36, townbe confidently expected here, that land as the farming will be more in- ship M in range 28 east; all townships when the valley shall have been all tensive, and it seems to me that the 3 and 4, range 29 east 6; sections 4 to irrigated, the danger from frost will intelligent, industrious farmer in these valleys will within a very few 9, 16 to 21 and 28 to 32 in township e materially decreased. Some of the sage brush land can be years occupy a very enviable position. 5, range 30.

plowed without doing anything to it. The hulls and mountains abound in The larger sage brush will cost from the fihest saw timber awaiting the \$2.00 to \$5.00 per acre to hire it mills to turn it into lumber. While which 4, 6, or 8 horses are hitched and vinced especially since seeing what part of them, but preliminary examit takes a swath 6 or 8 feet wide, blue grass and white clover will do, inations made by John T. Whistler in-Then the brush is raked with a re- with no mid-summer drouth to cut dicate that such a project will likely olving rake and then burned. The it short, that this locality is undoubt- be feasible. It is on his recommenland can be put in perfect order the ediy adapted to a dairy business of a first plowing. Irrigation was begun very high order. This also seems to dation that the withdrawal is made here some twenty years ago, and what be the home of the bee. Certainly Further investigations are to be made it will do on these sage brush lands is the quality of honey produced here of the lands withdrawn. well known to these people. There is cannot be excelled.

cultivation however.

spring they get very muddy.

only a small per cent of these lands in The people here are of an intelligent enterprising and kind hearted The tule marsh lands are low level class, most of whom are Americans, several small private enterprises are

ands along the river and lakes in with a few English, German and under construction or are contemplaces, which are covered a part of Scandinavians. the time, and some of them all the The sparsely settled state of the time, with water from a few inches community has necessarily rendered to a few feet deep, and have grown schools and churches somewhat scarce the plan is subject to the acceptance up in tules-gigantic brushes. These but the fact that, in spite of difficul- or rejection of the people interested. immense crops of vegetation decaying ties incident to lack of transportation, and mixing with the silt which is be- there is now under construction, in ing continually carried in from the the county seat, a county high school mountains by the water, together building at a cost of \$29,500 and a with the myriads of water fowl, building for the grades at a cost of which have for ages at certain times \$18,000 speaks well for the people reservoir site. A dam there to hold in the year literally swarm in these bere from an educational standpoint. the water, 90 feet deep, will impound marshes, combine, it would seem to There is a Presbyterian church and ar preaching, and I am told that the acres. About 18,000 acres of good

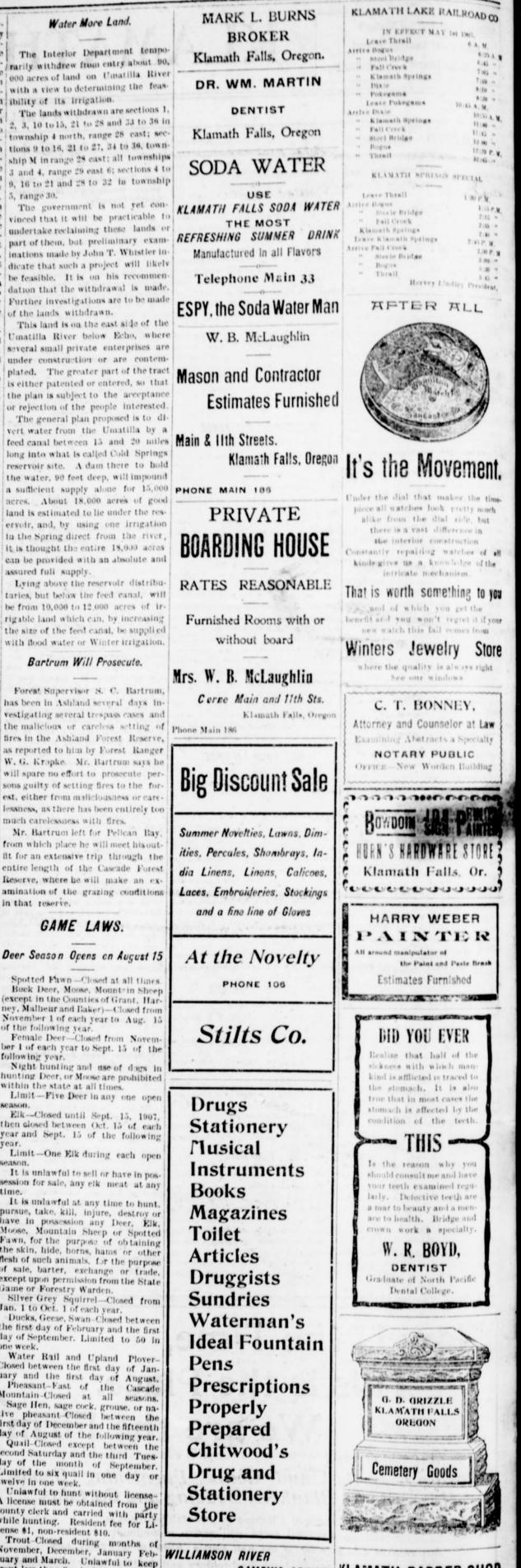
The tests of the government soil ex- Baptists are getting ready to organ- land is estimated to lie under the respert show the marsh soil to be eight- ize and build. Other towns in the ervoir, and, by using one irrigation een feet in depth in many places and valley are Merrill, Whitelake City, in the Spring direct from the river, nowhere it is shallow. It is believed Bonanza and Davry. I am sorry to that these lands will excel in the pro- say that all of the towns here seem to it is thought the entire 18,000 acres think it necessary for them to have can be provided with an absolute and duction of timothy hay, red clover, oats, cabbage, celery, asparagus and saloons, but I hope to see the time assured full supply. root crops including sugar beets. when they will realize their mistake

The roads are quite dusty and I am and be willing to correct it. I am told that in the winter and early told that a majority of the country people are in favor of this change, be from 10,000 to 12,000 acres of ir-There are mosquitoes here, but no One of the great needs of this valley rigable land which can, by increasing chiggers nor chinch bugs. There are for all these years has been transpor- the size of the feed canal, be supplied but few flies as yet, but I am told tation. Now that Government irrithey will be quite plentiful later in gation is assured, there are two railroads preparing to build in here. One

As to climate, the people here claim of these the California northeastern has purchased land for an addition to is Crater Lake National Park. Crater dairy cow to the acre, during the pas- and thus far. I have found that to be the town, and announced a few days Lake is one of the wonders of the ture season. They said "It will sup- the case. The summer weather is de- since that it is now ready to begin Pacific slope. The lake is said to be port more than two." Cows seem to lightful. Just now we are having the work of constituction. This road has been in Ashland several days inabout ten miles across and the water do exceedingly well here on the native some hot days, but it is pleasant in comes from Weed, about 80 miles vestigating several trespass cases and about 2100 feet deep, the rim from grass, and the milk and butter is fine. the shade and the nights are cool. It south of here on the Southern Pacific. 1000 to 2000 feet above the water, All stock-scem to do well. Horses in is said that the snow fail is somewhat The McCloud road is now under contires in the Ashland Forest Reserve, and 9400 feet above the sea. Klam- a general way seem livelier than they larger here than in Kansas and for struction and has about 40 miles to ath Falls, the county seat, is situated do elsewhere that I have been. It is the last two winters the mercury has build, to reach Lairds, at the lower as reported to him by Forest Ranger in the south west part of the county claimed by some that they can stand not fallen below zero, and to that end of the lower lake, where it will W. G. Kropke. Mr. Bartrum says he meet transportation by water. will spare no effort to prosecute per These are some of the facts as I see sons guilty of setting fires to the for-

Lake Ewauna. Link River flows from and cleanest threshed oats that I ever storms here and it is claimed there to me from what seem to be reliable est, either from malicloasness or care Upper Klamath lake into this lake, saw. Stock is said to do well on the are none, and very little thunder and sources. This country and climate lessness, as there has been entirely too range seven to nine months in the lightning. The country is claimed to will not suit everybody, but here is much carelessness with fires.

year. Poultry does very well indeed. be and seems to be quite healthful. Now let no reader conclude from The doctors say that children are very abundance of water to irrigate it, at from which along he will not the abundance of water to irrigate it. abundance of water to irrigate it, at from which place he will meet his out-The fact that the government is fit for an extensive trip through the hills, which are "rock ribbed and found a place of perfection, or even produce malaria, but there seems to willing to expend in these valleys entire length of the Cascade Forest ancient as the sun," while in the dis-tance are to be seen mountains, some this world, the more I am impressed it thought to be due to the elevation.



hundred miles to the south of us, in Giver of every good and perfect gift," many wells being only from 10 to 20 ple are coming in every day by "alifornia, towering aloft in his white for the sustenance and development feet in depth and no rock. The Govmantle 14400 feet high and reminding of man, but he who expects to find ernment has decided to put in a sys- large immigration is confidently exone of ghostly sentinel keeping guard perfection in country or people, this tem of irrigation in these valleys, lo- pected. The vast amount of money over all around him.

Then there is the lake and the val- disappointment. ley in front. Across the valley to cast The worst drawbacks which I have of \$4,400,000,00. The project em- ple opening up farms will undoubtedbout twelve miles distant, we can see been able to find here so far aside from braces also the drainage of the marsh iy make times lively here. The gov-Lost river gap, where Lost river flows drouths, which are to be over-come by lands and the irrigation of them. The ernment engineers are now making brough between the mountains on Government irrigation, are late whole cost is estimated to be \$18. 60 surveys for the permanent location of nearly the same level as this valley. springs and liability to frost. The per acre payable in annual payments the canals, and it is expected that This is the gap where Captain Jack in late spring of course shortens the without interest. This will amount they will soon be ready to let the time of the Modoc War, after having growing season, but I am told the to less per acie, per year than is paid contracts for the work of construcscourged the valleys above, brought autumn is fine. The frost seems to by farmers in many localities to ir. tion. Possibly I have omitted the his warriors through and, skirting vary with different localities, and one rigation companies as water rent; around the foot of Stukel mountain time it will affect one place and at an- whereas in this case at the end of the know. I shall be very glad to answer scurried away down the valley to the other time another place. Some ten years, when all have paid up, the any inquiries the best I can. Please

a beds, where there are great caves people say that it is useless to try to farmers will own the system. The bear in mind the fact that if I am with springs in them and where these raise garden stuff on account of frost, Government builds it in the best and away out here at the edge of the Indians had cached food, and were while others say they are mistaken. most substantial manner and the far- earth, 1 am not forgetting the dear able to hold out indefinitely.

comparitively level plain across which they say that industry and persever- being interstate waters, the Governwe can see for about twenty-five ance in this direction, is usually well ment has appropriated the use of these iles. On either side are hills and rewarded. One thing I have noticed streams, and the immense water power

mountains rising abruptly from the wherever I have been, and that is, in them becomes a part of this enterplains, and back of which open out people who do not plant things are prise, so that the owners of the land from this, other valleys as beautiful not apt to grow them. There are a under this irrigation system, will also and fertile as this one and all comb-ing in a scene which for beauty and some of them, the growth of vege-picturesqueness is really charming. There are in the provide the some of them, the growth of vege-but for klamath size is really charming. But for Klamath river these valleys most exacting. They are simply im- in Klamath river from where it leaves would be a lake. Upper Klamath mense. While there have been cases the valley, is 1800 feet in twelve miles United States was sold last week to Moose, Mountain Sheep or Spotted would be a lake. Upper Klamath mense. While there have been cases the valley, is 1500 feet in twelve lines in which there was material damage to say nothing of the rapids in other the Co-operative Christian Federation Fawn, for the purpose of obtaining the skin, hide, horns, hams or other the skin, hide, horns, hams or other

Riamath lake is about 12 miles south resident farmers, if they have ever As a matter of fact, the amount of iner. The ranch is 60 miles long and flesh of such animals, for the purpose of Klamath Falls and is part in Ore- known in the fifteen or twenty years electrical energy which may be develgoa and part in California and some in which they have lived here, any-15 or 20 miles long. There is a thing like a failure from frost, and possibilities as to what may be done acres. The price paid was \$1.800,000. Game or Forestry Warden. steamboat on the upper lake large they have each said they have not. with it are so vast that one fails to The land lies in Harney county around enough to carry 200 passengers or I have seen no effect of the frost on appreciate them. And this is all se- Stiens mountains about 100 miles east Jan. 1 to Oct. 1 of each year. more and there is another now being but some fifteen or twenty miles from ers of land under this system of irriiver between. here I saw three or four fields of rye gation. No one person can get a

The lands in these valleys are of about the 28th of May in which there water right for more than 160 acres, sition of this immense property is only one week. two classes, viz., sage brush lands were perhaps ten per cent of the heads as the intention of the Government in a drop in the bucket to the Federand tule marshes. The soil of the turned white by having been frosted. this irrigation law, is to prepare land ationists. It is said the company con- Closed between the first day of Janage brush lands is a sandy loam, We arrived here on the 18th of May for homes and not for speculation. varying from a darker heavier soil and after that time saw frost which Therefore men who have large tracts with not much sand to a soil lighter seemed to me must kill all garden of land may deed 160 acres to their erations within the state, among them Mountain-Closed at all seasons, a color and more sandy. Some places stuff and fruit, and I beleive it would wives, and 160 acres to each child, the purchase of what is known as the

Prof. W. S. Slough, who was form- only was damaged. The people here ceed with the work of construction-Supt. of public schools of Green- say that the fruit crop is short, much At least 95 per cent of the land under wood County, Kansas, and myself shorter than last year, but notwith- the project must be subject to such the large saw mills belonging to the second Saturday and the third Tueshave engaged in the real estate busi- standing this, I have seen several an agreement. Improved irrigated companies now in possession of the day of the month of September. ness together and as I had much to apple and cherry trees which were land is held at from \$50 to \$80 per lands, and the construction of railroads Limited to six quail in one day or learn about these lands we got a two very full and a few pears, peaches and acre. Unimproved sage brush land, inch auger and had a shank put on it other fruits. The raspberries, black- irrigable by government project is four feet long and I take it with me berries, gooseberries and red currents selling at from \$12 to \$30 per acre ac- rail facilities. when I go to show land to anyone nearly all I have seen are very full. and we bore down into the soil. Usu-ally there is very little change in the they are by the garden, many have soil so far down as that will reach, it been afraid to plant trees on account simply growing lighter in color as we of frost and also lack of rainfall. Now go down. A small per cent of this many of them wish they had planted and is now being farmed and has years ago. As I write, there are approven itself to be exceedingly pro-ductive in favorable seasons, and I Mr. Slough, on the only tree he had, have been told of wheat making 15 which is about eight inches in diamoushels per acre with no rain after it eter and from which he gathered ten was started in the spring. Grain bushels. Four bushels of these he can be seeded to crops as soon as they dustry, anp it is proposed to maintain here is almost all spring sowing except wrapped in paper and put in the celrye. I know a farm 4 miles from lar and says he has found only one de-

town on which I am told the wheat cayed apple among them. I do not raising, with plenty of outside range last year make 35 bushels to the acre know what variety they are. They can be had for, improved \$10 to \$20 ties, etc. The finest line in Klamath L. Alva Lewis. and oats 90, without irrigation and look somewhat like the maiden's blush, per sere and unimproved \$5 to \$10 County. L. Alva Lewis.

loads to look at the country and a side of the millennium, is doomed to cally known as Klamath Basin, emto be expended here by the governbracing about 250,000 acres at a cost ment and the railroads and by peo

While these do not deny but that mers have to pay back only what it friends in Kansas. So long as I live To the southeast the valley is a sometimes somethings are injured, cost, without interest. These waters they will always have a warm place

very thing which someone desires to in my heart. With kind regards and best wishes for everybody, I am Yours Very Truly, J. B. Mason.

French-Glenn Property Sold.

being quite sandy. It works as fine as one could wish. Prof. W. S. Shurch, where, so far as I have seen, fruit but here, so far as I ha the route of the military wagon road,

in the interior district now without twelve in one week. cording to quality and location. The Federationists announce that county clerk and carried with party These can be put in first class con- they will establish a modern colony on while hunting. Resident fee for Lidition for crops at once. There are the French-Glenn ranch and place 10, Cense \$1, non-resident \$10. come marsh lands to be had at \$10.00 000 people there. It is also proposed per acre but they will probably not last long at that price. The marsh to procure 800,000 acres from the ruary and March. Unlawful to keep lands will require more time to pre- Willamette Valley and Cascade Moun- trout less than five inches in length. pare them for crops as they contain tain Wagon Roal Ce., which will Night fishing prohibited. Limit 125 such a mass of tule roots except where make home for 40,000 more. Diver- in one day. the water is deep enough so that there are no tules, in that case they sitied farming will be the principal invarious other enterprises.

Ranches for dry farming and stock-Silverware, cut glass, clocks, novel-

are drained.

GAME LAWS. Deer Season Opens on August 15

Bartrum Will Prosecute.

Spotted Fawn-Closed at all times. Buck Deer, Moose, Mount-in Sheep except in the Counties of Grant, Harney, Malbeur and Baker)-Closed from November 1 of each year to Aug. 15

of the following year. Female Deer-Closed from November 1 of each year to Sept. 15 of the following year.

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then closed between Oct. 15 of each year and Sept. 15 of the following

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capital of \$50,000,000, and the acqui- day of September. Limited to 50 in

Water Rail and Upland Ployertemplate other and more extensive op- uary and the first day of August, Pheasant-Fast of the Cascade Sage Hen, sage cock, grouse, or naday of August of the following year. Quail-Closed except between the

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