

## 1000 POPULATION BY NEXT FALL

This Is the Watchword of  
the Thriving Town  
of Merrill.

The writer had an occasion to visit the town of Merrill last week and was greatly pleased and surprised at the flourishing condition of the metropolis of the southern part of the county.

The town of Merrill has had a wonderful growth the past summer. The number of new buildings and the grade and quality of these is equal if not superior to those of any town in the county. Merrill now has three good sized hotels and they are crowded all the time. The town also has the best streets in the county.

One drawback which the town has had since its birth has been the lack of good water. This, however, has now been remedied by the residents digging deep wells, which has resulted in a beautiful supply of pure cold water. The town needs an electric light and water system, but the business men declare that they are going to have these improvements before a great while.

Many of the ranchers living in the surrounding country are building residences in town and intend moving there for the winter. This latter move is the result of the action of the school district in putting up a modern \$10,000 school building. The building, which is now nearing completion, will be one of the handsomest in the town and will be a great drawing card for Merrill. The building is two stories and contains four large rooms.

The town of Merrill is working to increase its population to 1000 during the next year. This seems to the outsider an impossibility, but an acquaintance with the people who compose this little town, will impress one with the fact that they mean business and that there is no such thing as impossible.

## "Where Are We At?"

We happened to overhear a very curious conversation the other day between two Klamath Falls citizens. We were neither dining nor sleeping, so we have good reason to believe that it actually occurred. The conversation was public and we do not think the citizens would have been horrified or abashed if all the newspapermen in town were present. It sounded good and we took the whole thing down verbatim and this is what they said:

First Citizen—"Did you read that piece of Taylor in the Express about the two old citizens discussing the new town charter?"

Second Citizen—"Yes, where one of them was so familiar with the charter that he could repeat section after section. What do you think of it?"

F. C.—"I think it is a D & M lie."

S. C.—"So do I."

## Blue Luncheon.

A "Blue Luncheon" was given by Mrs. C. D. Willson to a few of her friends Friday evening at her home on Conger Avenue. The china and all the decorations were in blue. Songs, music and what were the entertainments of the evening.

Among the guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Dunham, Mrs. Rapp, Mrs. E. R. Reames, Mrs. F. W. Jennings, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Leavitt, Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Krause and Misses Berle Ballard and Bertha Hammond and Mr. E. Dunham.

## HUNTERS NEED NOT APPEAR IN PERSON

Attorney-General Crawford Has  
Rendered an Opinion on  
License Law

Attorney-General Crawford, of Salem, in an opinion rendered on request of County Clerk Smith, of Crook County, says that it is not necessary for a person to appear in person before the clerk to obtain a hunter's license. The law says the clerk shall give description of license holder in license. Many clerks have insisted on applicants appearing in person. This works hardship in large interior counties.

The Attorney General says the manner of obtaining description is optional with the clerk, and suggests that clerks have printed blanks covering requirements which applicants can fill out and forward to the county seat.—Telegram.

## Irrigation Project Notes.

Messrs J. and R. W. Short, through whose half section the first section of the main canal runs, have signified their desire to give the necessary rights of way.

The stock holders of the Van Brimmer Ditch Company will have a meeting soon and it is expected that action will be taken in regard to making arrangements with the government. As noted in this paper last week the water now used carries considerable alkali and most of the farmers recognize the fact that the land is being ruined by the alkaline deposits.

Salton Sink, in Southern California, is rapidly becoming Salton Sea, and the waters threaten to permanently cover a large area of the farming lands of Imperial Valley. The corporation owning the system, which covers the Imperial country, endeavored to obtain a large supply of water from the Colorado river and cut the bank. The river, in flood, cut around the low lands and the entire flow now enters the valley, which is below sea level. All attempts to turn the river back to its former course have been and probably will be futile. This is the natural effect of heavy and ill-considered engineering. The government engineers cannot afford to make such mistakes. All plans are very carefully considered by competent engineers, and while the care employed gives rise to a complaint that the reclamation service is slow, the land owner can feel assured that the delay is worth while.

All are looking toward Washington whence counsel our help. The local representatives of the reclamation service as well as the people, while they know that work will proceed, will have a sense of relief when the advertisements for bids actually appear.

Harry Weber, the artist with the paint brush, has been devoting his summer evenings to the cultivation of cabbage and he now has some prize winners which he will exhibit at the Fair. Mr. Weber has a pair of twin cabbages grown on one stalk which weigh fifteen and twenty pounds respectively.

Claud Kirkpatrick came in Tuesday from Pockegama with a new planer, sticker and other machinery for a new saw and door factory, which Pritchett & Son are erecting on the property recently purchased in the Biehn addition. The plant will be run by steam power.

Wm. Carmichael, the timber cruiser, returned Saturday from the Klamath Reservation, where he has been engaged the past two months by the government estimating the timber lands on the military road grant belonging to the Booth-Kelly Company.

## REPUBLICANS FOR HARMONY

Leaders Want To See  
the Party in Oregon  
United

"Harmony" is the watchword among the leaders of the Republican party in Oregon. The columns of the Republican press throughout the state contain interviews with prominent republicans who are advocating harmony. It is believed that much will be accomplished at the big gathering which will be held in Portland on October 12th, toward uniting the party. Ex-Governor T. T. Geer, of Salem, has the following to say in the Oregonian:

"I can see no reasonable objection to the Republican reunion, and, since the movement has been set on foot, I trust it may result in much good. I am persuaded that many Republicans who at first were doubtful of the expediency of the proposition look with greater favor upon it since your outspoken declaration that its object will be not only not to interfere with the fullest working of the direct primary law, but rather to assist in carrying out the intentions of that law in every way possible.

"Presuming that you use the word 'impel' in the sense to 'induce' the effect of the conference, if it shall succeed, will be worth many times over the effort it will require, since the political history of the entire United States has furnished no instance of a similar factional fight, without some excuse, as that which has rent the Republican party in this state during the past 10 years or more.

"Oregon has not cast its electoral vote for a Democratic candidate for President for more than 20 years, yet in the meantime it has had Democratic governors during 16 years of that time. A Democratic Attorney-General, State Treasurer, supreme Judge, entire Republican Legislative tickets in strong Republican counties—disregarding openly, aside District Attorneys, Sheriffs and Clerks have been politically nurtured almost without number, because Republican voters were not properly 'impelled' to support the nominees of the party." Whether a conference of Republican leaders can cure this habit, remains to be seen. I sincerely hope it may."

## New Malt House.

Klamath Falls is to have a new malt house, a lager beer brewery and a bottling works.

Tony Castel, of the Klamath Falls Brewery, recently returned from San Francisco, where he investigated plants and placed an order for the machinery. Mr. Castel states that he is planning to bottle his own beer and that he will probably use the new aluminum bottles which have been recently patented.

The members of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union will hold their regular meeting at the residence of Mrs. Seeds, Friday, Sept. 29th, at 2:30 p. m. A Memorial Service will be held in the Presbyterian church on Sunday, at 7:30 p. m., in memory of our promoted leader, Frances E. Willard. Songs and recitations by the L. T. L., and an address by the Pastor Rev. W. G. Smith. All are cordially invited.

Emma Grigsby,  
Recording Secretary.

H. H. Van Valkenburg and wife, left this morning for Portland to attend the Lewis & Clark Fair.

## OUR COUNTY HAS ANOTHER TOWN

Clinton Is Located on South Bank  
of Lost River Opposite town  
of Merrill.

Klamath County has another new town.

The plat for the town of Clinton was filed and approved by the County Commissioners at their adjourned meeting Saturday.

The new town is located on the south bank of Lost river and directly opposite the town of Merrill, in the southern part of the county. In reality it is only an addition to Merrill, but on account of the streets not conforming to those in Merrill, according to the new law, it was found necessary to plat it as a separate town.

The town consists of 11 blocks, one of which is not subdivided, and contains 72 lots 60 x 120 feet. The streets are 80 feet wide. The town was platted by Clinton D. Van Brimmer and wife.

## Direct Primary Law.

The new primary law will be generally applied in the State of Oregon in the selection of officers next year and also in making nominations for the city offices in the ensuing elections in cities having 2000 or more inhabitants.

All nominations will be made by the direct primary method, including those for Governor, the Legislature and other offices in the state, and for county offices throughout Oregon. The nomination election will be the first general test of the direct primary law.

Candidates for a given nomination must have their names placed on the primary ballot, on petition of at least 2 per cent of their respective party vote last cast for Representative in Congress in their electoral district, and the one who shall receive the highest number of votes in the primary will be the nominee of his party for the office, and will be voted on in the usual manner in the June election.

The number of signatures required on a Republican primary petition for a state nomination will be 1000, the maximum required by law; on a Democratic petition, 500. Candidates for a Republican nomination in the First Congressional District must each secure 475 signatures and in the Second District 543. Candidates for the Democratic nomination must each obtain 343 signatures in the First District and 255 in the Second. These numbers are based on the vote of each party a year ago for representative in Congress.

The signers of a state petition must represent at least one-tenth of the precincts in each of at least seven counties in the state, and the signers of a Congressional petition must represent at least one-tenth of the precincts in each of at least one-fourth of the counties in the district. A petition for a county nomination must contain electors residing in at least one-fifth of the precincts in the county. In a district comprising more than one county, the signers must represent at least one-eighth of the precincts in each of at least two counties in the district.

It will be seen, therefore, that the circulation of nominating petitions for state nominations will be no small task, because they will have to be circulated in a number of counties and in many precincts.

## Obituary.

Nelson Wells Dunn was born on a farm near Stontsville, Ohio, June 11th, 1866. He lived there with his parents till 1870, when he removed with them to Indiana, where he completed the course in the common schools, and the Crawfordville Business College, after which he took up the work of teaching. In 1886 he united with the United Brethren Church. Two years later he went to South Dakota where he taught for several years. In May 1897 he came to join his sister, Mrs. A. D. Harpold, then residing at Bonanza, Klamath County, Ore., and the following year was united in marriage to Miss Jessie B. Patterson, of which union two children were born, a little girl who died in infancy, and Clifford S. Dunn, who survives him.

Nelson was a loving son, and an affectionate husband and father. He departed this life after a brief illness, Sept. 21st, 1905, aged 39 years, 3 months and ten days. He leaves a wife, and three sons, a father and mother, four sisters and one brother, and a host of warm friends to mourn his loss.

The funeral services were conducted at his late residence, by Rev. W. G. Smith of Klamath Falls, in the presence of a large company of friends and neighbors, at 1:30 P. M. Friday, Sept. 22nd, 1905.

## Died.

In Klamath Falls, Sept. 18, 1905, Charlie, infant son of Charles and Minnie Vetterlein, age 7 months.

A precious one from us has gone.  
A voice we loved is stilled,  
A place is vacant in our home,  
Which never can be filled.

A Friend.

Winter Knight, of Fort Klamath, arrived in the city Wednesday evening to attend the fair.

## ASK COUNCIL TO GRANT FRANCHISE

Citizens Want Langel Valley  
Company to Have  
Phone Franchise.

A petition is being circulated this week and is being generally signed by the businessmen of this city, which will be presented at the next regular meeting of the city Council on the first Monday in next month.

The petition asks that the franchise asked for by the Langel Valley Telephone Company be granted by the Council and that the original ordinance be passed without any change or amendment. It is a case of conjecture as to what effect this petition will have on the action of the City Council in regard to the telephone franchise. At their last meeting the majority of the members expressed themselves opposed to the ordinance in its present form.

## FROM WHITELAKE CITY.

Many strangers have been within our gates during the past few months and after a careful survey of our favored Klamath basin predicted its great future.

We all know the place in commerce occupied by the Sugar Beet. The Sugar Beet King of Colorado tells us there are no better conditions in the world for the growth of this necessary article than exists here in Klamath county, and this is destined to be one of the leading enterprises of Southern Oregon. Then again, pay a visit to the fruit farm of Mr. Elvy, northeast of town and see with what success his efforts have been rewarded. Peaches, pears, plums, cherries, small fruits and melons are grown in abundance, and "what man has done, man may do" certainly can well be applied to this region.

Throughout the crowded east the people are clamoring for a newer country where they can spread out on a 160 acre farm, and win out or lose in the great struggle for existence. The west is the place for the man with limited means and plenty of energy to make a home and surround himself with comforts.

In the whole category of enterprises you could not mention one which would not yield a handsome profit to the man with nerve enough to begin before this great Government Irrigation scheme has been completed and Klamath county, like the east has become over crowded and the opportunity of the investor with limited means is lost.

If current reports are true we will soon see the first ten miles of the Government canal construction work begun. Although this has been a long weary, uncertain wait, yet now that the doubt has cleared away and we see our hopes about to be realized we can but think "c-o-l-e-h-a-m" is a fine old fellow even if he does move slowly.

Strangers continue to appear on the streets of Whitelake City, all with the same comment, "what an opportunity for business."

It is not often a town in its infancy can boast of such a building as is just getting its finishing touches of paint. This new building would be a credit to any town in the state and when filled with a stock of general merchandise will be appreciated by the farmers as well as by the towns people.

Whitelake City School District No. 33 is the title the district bears which has just been created by the District Boundary Board upon the petition of the legal voters of Whitelake City and vicinity.

Chas. Shuck has sold his ranch and was in town last week to purchase lumber and hardware for his new homestead near town.

## WHITELAKE.

Miss Brookins, the Christian Science lecturer, held a reception in the parlors of the Lakeside Inn Friday evening at which there were about twenty ladies of the city present. The doctrine of the Christian Scientists was explained and many questions answered.

Prof. and Mrs. Ford and daughter left Tuesday morning for Gold Hill. Prof. Ford will later go to Weed, California, where he has leased a hall for two months and will conduct a dancing school. He may return here later in the season.

J. L. Jones, who has been logging for C. S. & R. S. Moore, has been on the lake for the past three weeks trying to sail a raft of 300,000 feet of logs to the lower end of the lake. He is expected to get down sometime this fall.

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