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THE SECRETARY

Now that it is settled that the Secretary of the Interior and Chief of the Reclamation Service are going to be here, it is time for the people of the project to get together and plan for their reception. Heretofore we have been to recant in these matters. Last year when every one of the chief officers of the service were here, they were passed up like cold biscuits. This was due to the fact that everyone was waiting for the other fellow to act. This error should not be repeated this year. The two chiefs are to be here, and when they come let them be met with a heartiness that will take them off their feet.

It is an old maxim that you can catch more flies with honey than you can with vinegar. This should be the motto that should govern every act during the presence of these gentlemen in this county. Klamath is in need of many things, most of which are just now to come through the Secretary of the Interior and the head of the Reclamation Service. Everyone has been saying: "Oh! if we could only get at the Secretary and explain matters to him, he would see what we want!" Now is your opportunity, but in presenting your request, it should ever be borne in mind that the request must stand on its own bottom. It must not be surrounded by props that have been used to rap someone's head. The Secretary has no time for petty grievances. He is here for business, and if the people of this county can show him that the Klamath Project is in need of special considerations, he will accede to the request; but if he finds that he is made a tool of or that someone is misrepresenting things to him, then he will drop it all, and the result will be that no further attention will be paid to the Project and it will have to take the usual course demanded by the routine of the department.

The Board of Directors of the Association and Construction Engineer Murphy should take up at once the matter of entertaining these guests. No detail should be overlooked. As soon as the date is definitely set for their arrival and departure then the arrangements should be crystallized and brought into perfect order. In the reception committee every portion of the Project should be represented and if a committee is to wait on the Secretary that committee should have its affairs well in hand so that it can be presented in a manner that will demand his attention. Above all perfect harmony should prevail. Whatever is to be done it should be done in unison. Everyone knows what we need here and with this knowledge there ought to be no difficulty in bringing matters property to the attention of the Secretary and Chief.

A subscription paper was circulated Monday asking for contributions to a reward that is to be offered for the arrest and conviction of the person or persons guilty of setting out the poisoned meat last Sunday. We hope that the amount offered will bring about the desired result. This reward should be supplemented by one from the city. There is an ordinance taxing dogs \$2 a year. Thus far the only good derived from the payment of this tax is that gained by its addition to the funds of the city. If a man is made to pay a special tax such as this is he should be accorded some special service in return. The city should afford him ample protection and adopt rules and regulations that will insure to the owner of each dog freedom from persecution and abuse. This attempt at wholesale poisoning is another instance where the mayor and council should take a determined stand in the matter of apprehending the criminal. A liberal reward should be offered and every resource of the city used in bringing the guilty party to justice. If this is not done, then the time is at hand for repealing the tax ordinance or the refusal of owners of dogs to pay it.

Artesian Water

H. V. Mitchell, who is in charge of the Abner Weed ranch in Wood River valley is the first man to bring in a genuine artesian well in Klamath County. Considerable sickness has existed among the employees of the ranch, and it was attributed to the drinking water that was secured from the river. Mr. Weed instructed Mr. Mitchell to put down a well until he found good, pure water, and the result of this is an artesian well that flows from a pipe fourteen feet above the ground. The flow was struck at a depth of 216 feet. A great deal of interest has been manifested in the well, and if it maintains its flow it will result in the sinking of a large number in the valley.

One of the most important pieces of news that has been handed out for a long while is the information that Archie Mason secured the contract for the roadbed for the California North-eastern through the marsh lands and that the work will be completed by December 31. This assures the arrival of the railroad by next spring and sets at rest all stories to the contrary.

The inauguration of the street car service should be attended by something more than the ordinary. It has been discussed so long and waited for so patiently that the people seem to accept it as a matter of fact and indications point to its commencement without any special ceremony. This should not be so. When the first car makes its trip it should be occupied by the officials of the city, representative business men and prominent citizens of the county. It should be made an event equal, if not surpassing, anything that has been arranged for the celebration of our National Holiday. The plan proposed by the committee is a good one, but it should be made to include the dignitaries indicated.

The people of the Upper Project are made of the right kind of stuff. They all pull together and always in the interest of their section. There is no knocking or kicking about anything in or about the Upper country, and as a consequence that section is growing notwithstanding that it has a heavy handicap in having to wait for water. When the time came for the commencement of work on the Clear lake dam it was found that a good road would facilitate matters. It was simply a suggestion, but it was sufficient to get every man shouting for it, and from all over the Upper project came offers of money and labor. The result is that work was commenced this week on a new road from Bonanza to Clear lake, all expense and labor being met with voluntary contributions. When water is turned on in the Upper project the rapidity of its growth will surprise everyone, and it is all due to the unity existing among the people of that section. If all parts of the Klamath Project moved along the same lines things might be different here today.

DAIRY

Dairy is pleasantly situated on the west side of Yonka Valley, near the center of Klamath County. It has two good general stores with enterprising, up-to-date dealers who enjoy a large trade from surrounding valleys; a hotel and feed barn, and a school house. It is surrounded by a rich farming community with which it is connected by a farmers' telephone line and also a long distance line. Is on the stage line, twenty miles east of Klamath Falls.

Miss Abbie Welch returned to the valley last week from Ashland, where she has been attending the Normal school during the past winter. She expects to go back to the Normal again this fall.

Theo. Hammersley has been hauling the lumber and getting the materials together for the building of a new and commodious dwelling house, on his claim in the northern part of the valley, which he has been improving this spring.

Chas. E. Drew, who lives four miles north of Dairy, has concluded to remove and has removed his residence to higher ground, northeast of the old site.

E. E. Fitch of Merrill was in the valley last week, escorting some prospective land buyers from Santa Cruz county California, Messrs. Ellis and Davenport, who seemed well pleased with what they saw.

August Liskey of Swan Lake valley, has begun making hay.

J. O. Hamaker of the Bonanza Bulletin was a Dairy visitor one day last week. He was engaged in the pastime of trading horses.

Mr. Dunn Bursell, who has been living on a homestead timber claim northwest of the valley, during the past winter, is about to remove to Bonanza. He reports that all of the homesteaders up the mountain in his vicinity will lose their claims, as he has lost his, because of a late decision of the Secretary of the Interior, in which a former decision was reversed, thus validating the location of this timber land by some timber syndicate which had formerly located on the land by means of script. This script was formerly declared illegal, and some twenty or more settlers had made homestead claims on the land in question,



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and some had made quite extensive improvements on their claims, which will now all be lost to them. Dairy precinct thus loses some twenty citizens from its voting list, and these men are set adrift to make new homes for themselves. They were a daring, thrifty lot, and will be missed in the community.

Henry Jackson, the wealthy Klamath Indian, was in Dairy Saturday last, en route for northern California.

The school directors of the Dairy district held a meeting Saturday last, and approved the bond of the district clerk, and in response to a petition, unanimously signed, agreed, if possible, to hire a male teacher for the coming year, agreeing to offer such an one \$75 a month for ten months' school. The matter of securing a site for the new school house was discussed at some length, and they looked over the ground to some extent.

The recent indictment of Joe Coburn for cow stealing was a surprise to many people in the valley.

The tenth anniversary of the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Rueck was duly celebrated on the 23rd at their comfortable home in Yonka valley. A houseful of their friends were present, and with music, singing, dancing and partaking of some of the richest of earth's bounties most appetizingly prepared, the day and evening was very pleasantly passed. Many beautiful and substantial presents were received by the host and hostess in token of the good will and esteem felt for them by their guests. Among the guests present were Messrs. and Meadames Jacob Rueck, Hans Stoehsler, George Ritter, Wm. Uhrmann, Fritz Heilbrenner (of Klamath Falls) Peter Petersteiner, M. P. Nelson, Orrin McCumber with their families and Otto Hoopes and wife and, several gentlemen friends from Klamath Falls and the valley. It was a most happy event for all concerned and one long to be remembered.

The song of the sickle will soon be heard all over the valley, and present indications point to an unusually heavy crop of hay.

Wm. Wight has purchased a new carriage.

Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Briggs arrived here Wednesday evening on a visit to Mrs. Briggs' parents, Judge and Mrs. H. L. Benson.

The dance given by C. T. Oliver Tuesday evening was one of the most pleasant and successful affairs of the season, as might be expected under the direction of Mr. Oliver. It was largely attended and the Military band seemed to be in special trim for the music was the best.

Dog Poisoner

There is a fellow living in Klamath Falls who would wish to be in Jericho, or some other warm climate, if he were only found. That individual is the dog poisoner. A more detestable human, so-called, never existed than the one who will stoop so low as to scatter indiscriminately poisoned meat, knowing full well that it will result in the death of valuable dogs. And even if the dog is not a valuable one. It may be the meanest, mangiest cur that ever stood on four feet, but it is a dog and deserves consideration—more consideration than should be shown the fellow who will undertake to poison him.

To Dairymen

I have for sale a complete cheese making outfit, consisting of a 50 gallon self-heating cheese vat, hoops, presses, curd grinder, curd knives, cheese bandages, remet tablets, circles, etc. that can be had at less than half factory prices, as I am out of the business. Call on, or address me at Klamath Falls, Oregon.

7-4 O. A. STEARNS.

Wanted-Bids for Clearing

Persons who will contract to clear sagebrush and plow ground are invited to submit bids for doing the work on an acreage basis. Land to be cleared along Macadam Road. FRANK IRA WHITE.

Machine Shops

Messrs. Perry & Peck, the gentlemen who recently announced their intention locating a machine shop in this city are making good. Already their building is nearing completion and most of the machinery is here. They came here without having their hands out for a donation and went to work at once to carry out their promises, and the fact that they are doing just as they agreed has had the effect of securing for them the respect and confidence of the entire community. That every man in the city will give them a boost goes without saying, for it is recognized that they are deserving of it. As to their success there is no doubt, for they are made of the right kind of stuff to assure it.

Attention Veterans!

All soldiers, of all the wars, are invited to take part in the coming 4th of July celebration at Klamath Falls. Please report as soon as you can do so, in person or by letter, to Captain J. W. Siemens who will have charge of the veterans on the Fourth.

O. C. Applegate,
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O. A. Stearns.

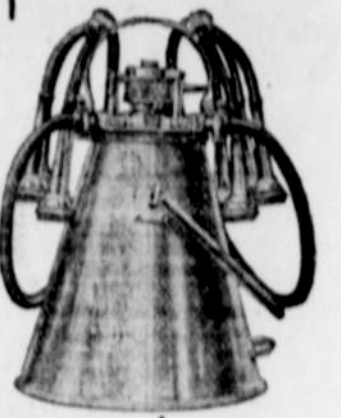
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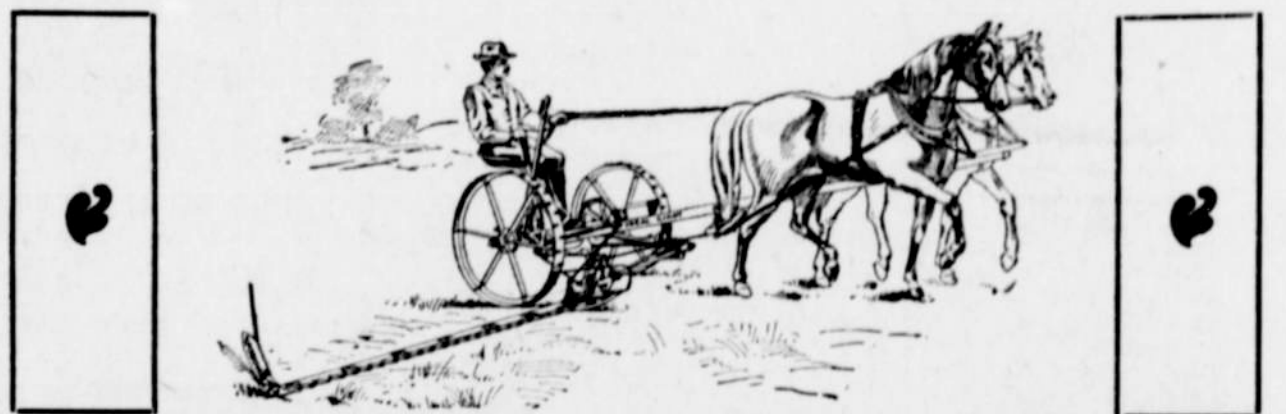
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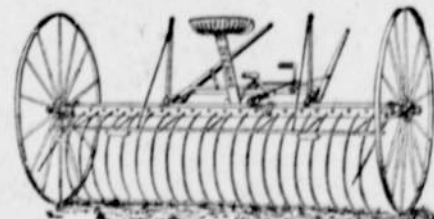
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