

ANOTHER DENIAL OF CATTLE STORY

FT. KLAMATH MAN SAYS THERE IS NOTHING TO IT

HE IS AMUSED AT MEDFORD EXPEDITION

Says All They Have to Do to Get the Information Is to Drop Over to the Port and Inquire

Fort Klamath, Ore., Feb. 25. Editor Herald—Will you allow me the courtesy of your columns to hold my hat in my hand, while I turn my face toward Medford?

A recent issue of the Medford Sun, in a half column article, takes Messrs. Ericsson, Hicks, etc., of the forestry service (salary paid regularly) on a winter trip to Crater Lake that they herald to the world the wonders of this miniature inland sea, and incidentally remarked that their "will be the first account of this, Nature's most wonderful creation, as viewed from a snow drift, twenty-five feet deep.

Of course, the trip is commendable, and will probably add much valuable information to government statistics, but the fact that the Sun, the stellar light that has shown over the world in general and Medford in particular for less than a year should announce this as a maiden voyage, would be humorous if it was not so pathetic, and we, who live about twenty miles from the lake, can save those heroic gentlemen their arduous trip, by just calling us up on the telephone.

Captain Applegate and Elmer Hirschberger gazed upon the lake in all its winter grandeur twenty years ago.

J. H. Wheeler, while trapping in the Diamond Lake country, visited it often in the winter for several years.

John Burns and Albert Gibson were there last week and stayed over night, and a party consisting of Messrs. Momeyer, Tom White, John Utter and John Burns are there now. Hence, Mr. Sun, send your party, by easy stages, to Fort Klamath, and they can get all the information they desire relative to winter delights at Crater Lake, as it is just over our back fence, and this is the only sensible way of approach.

And again, the Klamath Chronicle mentions cursorily that our cattle are dying for want of feed.

Now, Mr. Chronicle, I surely pull off my hat to you, and "ki-ti" to the ground to your correspondent, for NEWS as news as that is not only important, but very valuable.

Mr. Chronicle, just imagine how badly we of the Wood River Valley would feel to get up some morning and find our stock dying, and just for the want of hay. And, again, for it to be heralded abroad that we are too shiftless to garner enough sustenance to protect our poor, dumb brutes through the long, cold, arduous winter, for everyone knows that we have a pretty little valley here, about twenty miles long and ten miles wide, and the hay, Hay, HAY covers over every foot of it, and the poor dumb brutes get enough to eat in the summer time—at least, they don't complain—and, Mr. Chronicle, if they appeal to you for help, just refer them to—

Dr. Best . . . 200 tons of hay to sell
Mr. Copeland . . . 200 tons of hay to sell
Mr. McDonough 130 tons of hay to sell
Geo. Loosley . . . 40 tons of hay to sell
And they will be guaranteed a "cud" that has the buyers sitting up nights, figuring how to get them, and the consumer smiling with joy, for, Mr. Chronicle, we turn off, absolutely, the finest beef on earth.

Now, Mr. Sun, tell your people that, honest Injun, you were mistaken, and the only logical entry to Crater Lake at any season of the year, is via Fort Klamath, Klamath county, and only twenty miles away.

And you, Mr. Chronicle, deal kindly with your Assorted Press correspondent, for he doesn't intend to be rude, only he doesn't know a hay stack when he sees it, and just don't like to ask questions.

And, Mr. Chronicle, for further reference regarding the condition of stock here we will kindly ask you to interview Mr. L. Gerber and Mr. Arthur Langell, who have recently been in here buying beef for the southern market.

We fear, Mr. Chronicle, the frost has gathered on your correspondent's glasses, and we surmise he has mistaken some one's call, "Hello, Central," for the howling of starving cows. Mr. Correspondent, those are not loads of carrion hides which you see drawn through our town almost daily—those are loads of nutritious meadow hay, sold by our prosperous ranchers to the Indians and others who are

less fortunate than we, who have "an abundance, and to spare."
FT. KLAMATH CITIZEN.

LAND PRODUCTION AVERAGES NEARLY \$30 PER ACRE

On Account of the Influx Following Reclamation Project, Ten New Towns Were Built

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Statistics are usually dry reading, but a recent census of crop results on the Huntley Irrigation project in Montana for 1910 is exceedingly interesting to those who have been watching the development of the West.

It was on May 1, 1907, that the project of 30,000 acres was formally opened. Since that date 429 farmers and their families have settled on the land, four towns have been established, and ten school houses have been erected.

Farmers are not prone to boast of their successes and it is usually difficult to secure statements from them of crop yields. The project engineers who sent out requests to the settlers on the Huntley project for crop returns received 283 replies covering an area of about 7,500 acres.

A compilation of these reports shows crop yields for 1910 valued at more than \$188,365 or an average of \$25 per acre exclusive of revenue from dairy or poultry products or increase and sales of live stock. It is probable that the gross returns from all sources average more than \$30 per acre.

These returns are remarkable in view of the conditions on the Huntley project. The lands in 1907 were absolutely virgin desert. Untouched by plow, unleached by rain, they were most unpromising. A large percentage of homeseekers proved to be men without experience in farming and totally unfamiliar with irrigation.

It has therefore been a matter of exceeding gratification to the Reclamation Service that the number of actual failures has been really negligible.

A perusal of the letters from the farmers furnishes very interesting reading to those whose thoughts are turning from the city toward the open country. C. O. Stout, formerly a clerk in the Post Office at Washington, D. C., writes as follows: "I filed on 47 acres in July 1907 and am delighted with the country. My expenditures for buildings and water right have been about \$2,000. In 1909 I realized from crops taken from 22 acres a gross return of \$1,235. In 1910 I received from the sugar beet factory the sum of \$3,170 for my crop of sugar beets in 31 acres. I believe the well cultivated land in this project is worth from \$200 to \$250 per acre."

John Harrison, formerly a miner from Arizona and California, has a 40 acre farm near the town of Huntley. He estimates that he cleared \$1200 this year from the farm.

Alex Nimmouth, a former Iowa farmer who never saw an irrigating ditch before 1907, now has 11 head of horses worth \$1,600; 15 head of cattle, 600; 20 head of hogs, \$500; 10 head of sheep, \$200; chickens, \$50, a farm worth \$8,000 and is out of debt.

JAMES J. HILL SAYS GRONNA'S ATTACK WRONG

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 27.—Answering the attack upon him by Senator Gronna because of his attitude on reciprocity with Canada, James J. Hill said:

"If Gronna is sincere in what he says, he is ignorant of the fact. If he is insincere, he is a damogogue. The reciprocity with Canada is the most important matter before the citizens of this country since the Civil War. If, after keeping Canada waiting for 4 years, we turn her down on our own invitation to participate in a reciprocity pact, our country will suffer. England has been waiting and watching for just that thing to happen."

MEDFORD ELKS WILL PRODUCE "FRA DIAVOLO"

MEDFORD, Feb. 25.—The Elks of Medford have made all arrangements for the production of "Fra Diavolo", and rehearsals are well under way. The cast contains a number of professional actors and singers, among them being Ed. Andrews, Mrs. Charles Hazelrigg and A. C. Burgess. Goldstein, of San Francisco, will furnish the costumes and the special scenery for the production will be painted by Tuzar. March 7 and 8 will be the dates of the performances.

Robbers Overlook \$50,000

ATLANTA, Ga., Feb. 25.—Five masked men held up fast train No. 36 on the Southern railway at White Sulphur Springs, Ga., blew open the safe of the Southern Express Co. in the express car and escaped with \$700. The train was northbound from Atlanta to New York. The robbers overlooked a safe containing \$50,000.

NEW "DAY LETTER" SERVICE

WESTERN UNION INAUGURATES A CONVENIENT FEATURE

Fifty-Word Rate, Similar to "Night Letter" System, Goes in Effect on March First

SEATTLE, Feb. 27.—The Western Union Telegraph company makes a still further announcement of the establishment on March 1st of the "day letter," the companion of the "night letter." The night letter was established one year ago; and the day letter now comes as an additional telegraph facility; which secures to the people of the United States the cheapest telegraph service in the world, and enables the business man to conduct his correspondence by wire with every advantage which may be gained from a saving in time, the elimination of distance, and the immediate attention always accorded to telegrams.

The day letter has finally been made possible by the economical and efficient use of the telegraph company's surplus facilities, when such facilities are not utilized by the more urgent traffic. The day letter will be transmitted and delivered with promptness and care at all points, and the fifty words may be transmitted at a cost of one and a half times the regular full day rate for ten words.

All day letters will be handled with such dispatch as to secure reasonably prompt delivery; the full paid message will still exist at the regular rate and will be given an expedited service, which, of course, must be maintained in order that its value as a quick and specialized, but short, message may be continued. As in the case of night letters, the day letters will be written in plain English, to avoid the delays and complications of code words and code language, which will not be accepted. The day letters may be handled by telephone, the same as all other messages now collected and delivered through this service by the telegraph company.

The inauguration of the day letter service will be especially serviceable upon the Pacific Coast, where, because of the difference in time between this territory and the East, business may be consummated in one day where now two may be required. The telegraph wires after March 1st will be placed at the disposal of all in such a manner, and by such classes of service that every character of enterprise may be handled with economy and rapidity by the use of any of the three classes of service tendered by the telegraph company, viz: the regular day rate rapid service, the day letter and the now very popular night letter.

MUCH PREPARATION FOR SEVENTH ANNUAL BALL

Great are the preparations being made by the volunteer fire ladders for their Seventh Annual ball, which will be given St. Patrick's night in Houston's opera house. Jess Hunsaker, Judd Low and James Mongold are in charge of the arrangements, and they declare that it will be an event long to be remembered.

During the past the dances given by the firemen have been well attended, and the coming affair should be no exception, as the organization giving the dance is one of the most necessary parts of our municipal system, and one that gives its services without receiving any remuneration for its work. At any and all times, the volunteer firemen are ready to do their utmost to save life and property from loss by flames, and the very least thing the people of the community can do is to give the coming dance their hearty support by purchasing tickets, even though they do not attend.

EXPOSES PLOT AGAINST ROCKEFELLER; IS KILLED

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Convinced that Hugo Karos, a Hungarian banker, was murdered as a result of his exposure of a plot against the life of John D. Rockefeller, friends of the dead man have asked the police department to make an investigation. In November two Hungarians, strangers to Karos, had him translate two letters into English. Karos was amazed to find that they contained a demand for \$50,000 from Mr. Rockefeller upon penalty of death. The police were notified and arrests were made. On February 8 Karos was set upon by two assailants and beaten so badly that he died.

Return From the East

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Capron, who came here last summer and made some heavy investments in Klamath Falls property in addition to leasing the Campbell building, returned Sunday from a two months' visit with relatives in Minneapolis, and are stopping at the Livermore. They will reside in Klamath Falls.

DEMANDS BETTER PENSIONS

TAFT RECEIVES STRONG LETTER FROM SICKLES

Congress Warned That Failure to Act May Affect Volunteers in Future Wars

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—Gen. A. B. Nettleson, chairman of the executive committee of the National Association of Surviving Union Volunteer Officers of the Civil War, has made public a strong letter, addressed to President Taft and congress by Major General Daniel E. Sickles, U. S. A., retired, urging the prompt enactment of the pending civil war volunteer officers' retirement bill.

"Our nation," he says, "maintains a small permanent army and relies upon the several states to furnish on call for great emergencies volunteers to constitute the bulk of its fighting force—in the civil war 96 per cent. The vital importance of keeping faith with such volunteers and with the states which contribute them is well set forth by the house committee on military affairs in their report on the pending volunteer officers' retired list bill, when they say:

"The present measure is in part designed to remedy this unfair and unjust discrimination between regular and volunteer officers. It is believed that the defensive power and prestige of the nation, as represented by its ability to raise great armies hereafter, and by the self-respect, military spirit, ambition, incentive and efficiency of its citizen soldiery when called into the federal service in future wars, is to a large extent involved in the present exercise of fair dealing as between our regular volunteers, and hence in the giving of a rightful answer to the pending reasonable request of these surviving volunteer officers for simple legislative justice."

"In conclusion," urges Major General Sickles, "allow me to say that the record of service made by the volunteers in the civil war has no parallel in any other war, modern or ancient. A nation that fails to be just to its defenders in battle does not deserve to have defenders—and may not have defenders in its next war."

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS RENDER EXCELLENT PROGRAM

In Honor of Lincoln and Washington Yesterday's Numbers Were Mostly Patriotic

A splendid program was given Saturday by the students of the Klamath County High school Friday afternoon, at which, in addition to the students and faculty several visitors were present. These programs are given every three weeks by the High School Literary society, and are always excellent.

The exercises were of a patriotic order, in honor of Lincoln's and Washington's birthdays. The program:

Music—Orchestra.

Paper—"Causes of Revolutionary War, With Issues Involved." Ada Carvel.

Reading—"Washington's Farewell Address." Glen Garrett.

Reading—"George Washington's Birthday." Clyde Parton.

Oration—"Abraham Lincoln," Clarence Motschenbacher.

Reading—"Oh, Captain! My Captain." Alta White.

Paper—"History of Slavery in the United States." Edith Rutenic.

Music—"Girls' Quartet: Lillian and Josie Van Riper, Pearl Boivin and Vera Houston.

Reading—"Lincoln," Selma McReynolds.

Paper—"Lincoln's Anecdotes," Alla Ballis.

Reading—"The Kansas Immigrant," Rena Clement.

Lincoln-Douglas Debate—Douglas—Rhinehart Motschenbacher, Fritz Markwark; Lincoln—Fred Dunbar, Glen Beals.

Music—Chorus Class.

Critic's Report—C. A. Howard.

TENNESSEE JURIST, LIFE LONG CRIPPLE, IS DEAD

LEXINGTON, Feb. 25.—Judge John M. Taylor, 72 years of age, of the court of civil appeals of Tennessee is dead at his home here, after an illness of several weeks. Judge Taylor had been a member of the court of appeals since its creation four years ago. He had previously served twelve years on the court of chancery appeals, which was abolished when the civil appellate court was established. He was a confederate veteran and a lifelong cripple.

MARYLAND NEGROES ARE LOOKING TO OREGON

MEDFORD, Feb. 25.—A colony of colored agriculturalists in Maryland have offered to come out to the Rogue River Valley to help harvest

the apple crop. Manager Malbouef, of the Medford Club, is in receipt of a letter from the negroes who are anxious to work in the orchards in this section of the country, having become discouraged with the decrease in fruit production in the East.

Dies While Awaiting Train

MEDFORD, Feb. 25.—While sitting on the freight platform at Gold Hill waiting for the motor, Henry Mitchell, of that town, died before a physician could be summoned. He had just purchased a ticket to Tolo and had sat down to rest after a long walk to the station, when he was stricken with apoplexy and died in a few minutes. Mr. Mitchell was 65 years of age, and leaves two daughters and a brother at Gold Hill.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO CHANGE QUARTERS

The Chamber of Commerce is making preparations to leave its present quarters in the Jennings building, and expects to be located in the Heiderick building, next to the Livermore Hotel, by the 1st of March. This location is more central than the present one.

DEPUTY WARDENS OUSTED

GOVERNOR WEST SENDS NOTICE TO THAT EFFECT

All Are Given Chance to Get Jobs Again by Passing Required Examinations

SALEM, Feb. 27.—On March 1st every deputy game warden in the state will be minus a job, according to a notice sent out by Governor West, but the notice also carries the information that they can apply again for their old positions, and if they pass the examinations required by the new fish and game commission.

In his circular the executive states that the deputy game wardens now in the service of the state are the men who were appointed by previous governors, and that the present step is being taken to insure the game laws' enforcement by competent men. The new fish and game commission will hereafter pick the master fish and game wardens as well as the deputy wardens.

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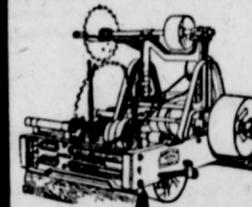
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