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All communications submitted for publication in the columns of this paper will be inserted only over the name of the writer. No non de plume articles will be published.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

The following realty transfers, contracts, deeds, mortgages, etc., recently filed with the county clerk, are furnished by the City and County Abstract company:

H. E. Hansberry to Geo. E. Shaver and Lena C. Shaver, warranty deed, \$10, SE 1/4 SW 1/4, lots 7, 10 and 11, Sec. 19-38-8.

United States to Jas. Arthur Hawkins, patent, E 1/2 NE 1/4, Sec. 29-38-19.

The Klamath Development company to Frank Dickey, warranty deed, \$10, lot 4, block 38, Hot Springs addition.

Klamath Corporation to Maggie Rogulie, warranty deed, \$10, lots 3 and 4, block 23, Mills Addition.

United States to Frank M. Dayton, patent, SW 1/4 SE 1/4, Sec. 11-41-7.

Frank M. Dayton to Bulah Otey, warranty deed, \$10, SW 1/4 SE 1/4, Sec. 11-41-7.

United States to Chas. B. Otey, patent, S 1/2 SW 1/4, Sec. 12-41-7; SE 1/4 SE 1/4, Sec. 11-41-7; NW 1/4 NW 1/4, Sec. 13-41-7.

Paul Breitenstein to Mrs. Clara Beach, warranty deed, \$125, lots 3 and 4, Lakeside addition.

Ira C. Johnson to Carrie V. Lundy, warranty deed, \$10, lot 791, block 105, Mills addition.

Carrie V. Lundy to Tim Brown, warranty deed, \$10, lot 791, block 105, Mills addition.

W. C. Davenport to W. T. Shive, warranty deed, \$1,000, lot 6, block 37, First addition.

American Bank and Trust company to Fred and Gus Melhase, warranty deed, \$10, lot 5, block 37, original town.

William Durlinger to David D. Brooks, warranty deed, \$10, S 1/2 NE 1/4, Sec. 34-39-10.

American Bank and Trust company to Schollock & Daggett company, warranty deed, \$10, lot 6, block 74, Klamath addition, 1/4 1/2 SEN, SW 1/4 NE 1/4, Sec. 26-39-9.

The Klamath Development company to H. A. Bell, warranty deed, \$10, lot 1, block 27, Hot Springs.

Wm. S. Worden to C. C. Bray, warranty deed, \$10, lot 2, block 27, Worden.

Blanche L. McDonald to Ernest D. and Eva M. Hitchcock, warranty deed, \$10, lot 2, block 16, First addition to Bonanza.

The Klamath Development company to Abner Weed, warranty deed, \$10, lot 1, block 61, Second Hot Springs.

Aval Barnes to Algoma Lumber company, warranty deed, \$10, E 1/2 SW 1/4, N 1/2 SE 1/4, Sec. 32-37-9.

United States to Louise G. Stiles, patent, W 1/2 NE 1/4, SE 1/4 NE 1/4, NE 1/4 SE 1/4, Sec. 23-37-10.

Joseph Taylor to United States, deed, SE 1/4 SE 1/4, Sec. 13-39-10, lots 9 and 10, Sec. 19-38-11 1/2.

United States to Frank E. White, patent, W 1/2 of E 1/2, Sec. 29-37-13.

Jos. Kahont to Vaclar Drozil, warranty deed, \$50, strip along east side of SW 1/4 SE 1/4 and lot 3, Sec. 8-41-12.

E. D. Hitchcock to B. L. and L. L. McDonald, warranty deed, \$10, E 1/2 SE 1/4, Sec. 20-38-13, and W 1/2 SW 1/4, Sec. 29-38-13.

United States to Wm. McOneer, patent, NW 1/4 NW 1/4, Sec. 32-37-9.

Jerry Sullivan to A. J. White, warranty deed, \$1,700, E 1/2 SE 1/4, Sec. 30-37-9; NE 1/4 NE 1/4, Sec. 31-37-9, and NW 1/4 NW 1/4, Sec. 32-37-9.

The Klamath Development company to Fred H. Gilman, warranty deed, \$10, lot 1, block 7, Second Hot Springs.

The Klamath Development company to J. F. Howard, warranty deed, \$10, lots 4A and 4B, block 7, and lot 1, block 20, Second Railroad addition.

Perry O. De Lap to Marion J. Barnes, warranty deed, \$10, block 52, East Klamath Falls.

M. J. Barnes to Allen Sloan and C. F. De Lap, warranty deed, \$10, block 52, East Klamath Falls.

H. S. Robinson to Wm. McKean, warranty deed, SW 1/4 NE 1/4, lots 4 and 5, Sec. 20-40-9; NW 1/4 NW 1/4, lot 9, Sec. 2-41-9.

The Klamath Development company to R. A. Broyles, warranty deed, lots 2 and 3, block 1, Hillside addition; lot 6, block 23, Hot Springs addition.

Klamath Corporation to R. A. Broyles, warranty deed, lot 2, block 209, Mills Second addition.

O. I. G. Co. to K. V. Larsen, warranty deed, \$1, lot 21, block 3, Orindale addition.

WORDEN GLAD INVESTIGATION MADE

In a further letter to the people, County Judge Will S. Worden states that the investigation of the affairs of the county court by the grand jury is of great benefit to the county, on account of the thoroughness in which the investigation was conducted. He believes the expense of the investigation was money well spent.

"I have read with interest the second report of the grand jury, and wish to say publicly that I appreciate to the full the fact that they had the hardihood and good business judgment to make a complete and exhaustive investigation of the affairs of the county court," says the letter.

"It is unquestionably true that the reports made by them were really without their province in the law, their chief and important duty was to search for crime, and if they found it, to indict. Nevertheless, they did their duty as they saw it, and by so doing met conditions and brought about results that will, in proper time, be regarded as of great value to the people of this county.

"For over a year divers reports about the county court and its policies have been scattered broadcast over the county. They were of a serious nature, and, of course, excited much comment. The more they were repeated the bigger they got, and as a result much damage had been done to the county itself, as well as to greatly hamper the accomplishments of the court.

"Therefore, I say that the grand jury showed excellent judgment in going to the bottom of these reports and proving to the people of Klamath county, as to use their own language, 'We can find no proof of criminal intent.' This should convince the most skeptical that while the county court has made mistakes, it is not guilty of the many charges and insinuations charged against it.

"No matter what this investigation has cost the county, it has been money well spent, and no criticism should be attached thereto."

The matter of the county court's policy in road building is also taken up in the letter.

"Two years ago, at the inception of our term of office, the demand for improvements all over the county was well known. The criticism existed that very little work had been done in the outlying precincts and too much near and in the vicinity of Klamath Falls.

"We had to meet this, and prepared for an extensive campaign in these outside localities, believing that the inhabitants thereof had as much right to be considered as those living in the more thickly settled districts.

"We followed this plan, intending later to unite the different projects into one, and forming the foundation for an excellent system of roads in Klamath county. This necessitated the doing of a great deal of work outside the centers of largest population which many people in Klamath Falls did not see and have not yet seen.

"During 1911 we did considerable road work of a permanent character out of this general fund, and created the debt as we anticipated.

"At the beginning of 1912 we made a heavier road levy and used the general fund to a less degree than we had the year before. This was exhausted during the summer of 1912, and instead of going to the general fund, as we had done the year before, we continued to over-run the road fund, expecting to levy sufficient tax at the January term of 1913 to cover the most of it, and thus to be enabled to accomplish a further improvement during the season of 1912. In fact, we felt that we could accomplish during the years of 1911-1912 the largest percentage of the work we expected to do during our term of office, since we had our forces organized and could do the same much better and more economically than we could to organize new forces and attempt to do the same amount of work during 1913. In other words, from the grand jury's report we gather that the indebtedness at the close of the year was \$266,496. Taking from this \$100,000, approximately covering our indebtedness at the beginning of office, we find that we have spent in the neighborhood of \$266,000 for the construction of roads and other improvements. The report gives more particularly the amount spent for roads and bridges at \$241,653.82.

"For the expenditure mentioned above, we have constructed during two years over 130 miles of heavy grade. This means roads from twenty

to thirty feet wide on top, crowned in the center, sloping to the sides, with large and sufficient ditches on either side for drainage, with various ditches and canals leading away from the sides of the roads through fields where necessary for drainage, with ingot iron culvert pipe and cement for road crossings. In addition to this we have constructed approximately 400 miles of mountain road, which suggests the removal of high centers, straightening and reducing curves, removal of trees and rocks, installation of culverts and bridges, reducing of grades, etc. Adding the two, we find that we have, during the last two years, constructed about 530 miles of road in Klamath county, most of which is of a permanent nature.

"This amount of road has been constructed in every part of the county, and the idea was during 1913 to spend about \$60,000 in coupling up and bringing together the various units which we have already built. Our big stunt in road building is over. There never will be a time when the same amount of push and energy will be displayed in road building as has been in the last two years. We had a court which was willing to work, and who gave its time and tried to bring about desired results."

E. C. GREELEY FILES LIEN

CLAIM IS MADE THAT A PLUMBING BILL OF \$750 HAS NOT BEEN PAID—SPECULATION IS RIFE

Can it be that Sammy has killed the goose that laid the golden egg? Can it be that the California gold mine has petered out?

Is it possible that somebody has tired of the antics of the pampered youth who has taken it upon himself to conduct the affairs of Klamath Falls and the residents thereof?

Well, here is the story:

By his attorney, W. H. Shaw, E. C. Greeley, a plumber, Tuesday filed a lien against the Northwestern building. The amount is but a trifle, at least to Sammy, who cannot talk in sums of less than five or six figures, but to ordinary newspaper men it is tremendous, \$750.20.

It appears that Mr. Greeley provided the sheet metal work, metal frames, etc., for the new Northwestern building. For this he claims he was to receive \$1,500.20. He admits that he did receive \$750, but claims that he has been unable to secure the balance, hence the lien.

TO COMPLETE DITCHES LATTER PART OF JUNE

Work of excavating the North and South Poe Valley, Griffiths and Nuss Lake laterals and the other sub-laterals and ditches of the second unit of the Klamath project provided for in their contract, will be completed by the 1st of July, according to L. A. Keshner, local representative of Maney Brothers, who have the contract.

"The contract with the government called for the completion of 10 per cent of the work last fall," said Mr. Keshner, "but at the time work was suspended, owing to snow, the contract was at least 30 per cent finished."

The work is being done by local contractors, sub-contracting different schedules under Maney Brothers. The members of this concern are supervising the work.

MICKLER PLEASED WITH NEWSPAPERS

That The Herald and Republican compose the greatest newspaper combination in Southern Oregon was easily demonstrated last Friday, when the public auction sale of the property of M. P. Mickler occurred.

News of the sale was published exclusively in The Herald and Republican. The result was that instead of about 100 people being present, as expected by Mr. Mickler, there were almost 300 there, and instead of being obliged to keep some of his property because of the failure of buyers to be present, every article offered was sold and at prices about 25 per cent above what had been expected.

Practically every part of the county was represented at the sale, thus demonstrating that The Herald and Republican thoroughly cover the Klamath country.

ELKS WILL NAME OFFICERS SOON

The annual election of officers of Klamath Falls Lodge No. 1247, B. V. O. Elks, will be held Thursday evening at the lodge room. A great deal of interest is being taken in the outcome of the election on account of the many matters, such as the Rodeo, building of the Elks' home, etc., to be considered during the ensuing year.

Thomas Barrows of Merrill is a Klamath Falls visitor.

WOOD RIVER SEES BIG YEAR AHEAD

DAIRYING INTERESTS COMING TO FRONT, AND PROSPECTS FOR PROSPERITY NEVER LOOKED BRIGHTER

FOT KLAMATH, March 3.—Winter still holds forth in this little valley the same as in other parts of the county, yet it has not been a severe winter, as we have had excellent roads and but very little storm since the 15th of January. Everybody seems to have enjoyed the winter, as there has been a succession of surprise parties and entertainments given since the 1st of November. They are still being pulled off every few days, to the great satisfaction of all who participate.

The millions of feet of timber being put into Wood River, the increased quantity of cream that is coming to the creamery, and the large herds of excellent beef cattle that are to be seen over the valley are evidences of the good times that prevail in this locality, which is estimated to be one of the best and richest dairy locations in Oregon.

There are a number of herds of milk cows to be brought to this valley this season. John Ellis of the firm of Albright & Ellis, and manager of the Seven Mile ranch, has been improving his big ranch for the purpose of going into the dairy business, and is now ready for operations as soon as he gets the cows. He expects to have 100 head on the ranch by the 1st of June. He will purchase none but the best, and he may go East for them. He has decided on the Holstein, which is, no doubt, the best breed of dairy stock for this location. Mr. Ellis is also arranging to have a milking machine installed in his new barn, and expects to have it in operation by the time his cows arrive.

E. M. Chandler, who is an expert dairyman, is preparing to rent a large tract of land for the purpose of going more extensively into the dairy business. Mr. Chandler has a very nice herd of milk cows which he is milking for the local creamery. The way his cows produce shows that Mr. Chandler is an expert in the dairy business.

With two feet of snow, and the prospects of a warm month of March, everybody looks for spring and an abundance of green grass by the 1st of April.

FOUNDRY PERMIT STILL IN DOUBT

The reading of an application to build a foundry and garage building on Sixth street, near Walnut, caused a great deal of discussion at last night's meeting of the council, and in addition to lengthy arguments, pro and con, two petitions, one for, the other "ferriest," were read, each of them signed by property owners in that section of the city.

The application was made by B. F. Shepherd. He asked to be allowed to erect the building to be used for a foundry, machine shop and garage, or in case of too serious objection, as a blacksmith shop or some other purpose.

The police judge then read a remonstrance signed by property holders residing near the proposed building. They stated that the application did not clearly state the purpose of the building; that its use as a foundry and blacksmith shop would endanger the neighboring property on account of sparks, and further by supplies of gasoline and other combustibles; that it would be a menace to the peace of the neighborhood on account of the noise, often being kept up until midnight, and a menace to health on account of noxious gases, etc., etc.

Shepherd supplemented this with a petition signed by property owners on Sixth street, stating that the proposed enterprise was a benefit to the city, and an improvement to all property on the street.

There was considerable discussion, with Doty favoring Shepherd and Crisler defending the residents, before the matter was put to a vote on Doty's motion to grant the petition. This was lost, but later, the matter was reconsidered, and Shepherd was instructed to bring in a more specific application.

CITY HALL MAY BE MOVED SOON

Instead of being in the second story of the building occupied by the First Trust and Savings bank, the office of the police judge and meeting place of the city council may be in the room on the ground floor, formerly occupied by the bank.

This was discussed at Monday night's meeting of the council. Councilmen Crisler, Goeller and Owens were named to look into the matter.

MELHASE MADE A COUNCILMAN

On account of the continued absence of Fred D. Miles from the city without leave of absence, the council Monday declared vacant his office as long term councilman from the Second Ward. Fred Melhase was named as his successor.

A resolution declaring the office vacant was introduced by Crisler and adopted. Upon motion of Savidge, Crisler, the other Second Ward representative, was asked to name his colleague, and his recommendation of Melhase was acted upon favorably.

NEW CRAFT FOR UPPER WATERS

A new boat is to be added to the Upper Lake fleet this summer, as J. H. Hamilton has commenced work on a large motor boat for use by the Doak ranch. The craft will be thirty-seven feet in length, with an eight-foot beam.

There is much logging activity at the Doak ranch this winter, and it is believed that Superintendent James Douglas plans to use the boat in towing log rafts to the Upper Lake saw mills.

BURRELL WINS HIS HOMESTEAD

RECEIVES PATENT AFTER FIGHT LASTING MORE THAN FIVE YEARS—IS IN THE FORT ROCK VALLEY

David E. Burrell has received notification that his homestead entry on 320 acres in the Fort Rock Valley has been allowed, under an order of February 28th. Burrell has been fighting for the claim for five years.

Burrell first settled on the land in 1908, two years before it was surveyed, and ordered thrown open to entry. His application was denied by the Lakeview land office, the general land office and the department of the interior on different features before Burrell was finally given the homestead.

A. E. Bensinger was here Monday from his Swan Lake ranch.

Francis Freuer is here from his famous "Seven-Springs" ranch in Poe Valley.

Desertion Is Charged

Suit for divorce has been commenced by Alice Conrad against Charles C. Conrad. The complaint filed Monday by Horace M. Manning, charges desertion.

O. B. Dollarhide of Algoma is here attending to business matters.

Mrs. Jane Richardson left Monday for a visit with Red Bluff relatives. She is accompanied by her two small grandsons.

Miss Sybil Elliott left Monday afternoon for Sacramento, where she has a position as stenographer awaiting her.

Mrs. D. Ellis Young, who has been visiting friends in the Willamette Valley, returned home Monday. She and Mr. Young left today for their ranch.

Henry Bagby, who has been here for several days attending to business matters, has returned to his Spring Lake ranch.

J. M. Holman, in charge of the Yainax sub-agency, is here on matters of interest to the Indian service. He is accompanied by Mrs. Holman, and the two are stopping at the Hotel Hall.

MERRILL HORSES SOLD TO DEALERS

Seventy head of Klamath county horses were sold Monday to San Francisco men. J. Frank Adams disposed of twenty to McNab & Smith, Bay City transfer men, and an equal number to Abner Weed.

County Commissioner Guy Merrill also made a sale of horses Monday. He sold thirty head to a representative of the Western Horse company. All of the animals will be shipped south in a few days.

The stock sold Monday are all large horses, mostly for use by transfer companies. All are in splendid shape, and good prices were realized.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank Adams, who have been in the city for several days, returned to their Merrill home Wednesday afternoon.

A. L. Bragg, who has charge of local construction work for the Klamath Development company, returned Tuesday from San Francisco, where he spent the winter.

Ben Robb, who is employed in a logging camp near Olene, is here for a visit of several days.

SCHOOL FAIR WILL BE FEATURE

PREMIUM LIST IS BEING DISTRIBUTED

Much interest is being taken by the School Children in Coming Domestic Science and Agricultural Competitions—Attractive Prizes Will Be Awarded to Winners in the Different Classes

Encouraged by the success attending the school fair held in connection with the county fair last fall, County School Superintendent Fred Peterson and other Klamath county educators have commenced work for the second annual school fair, which will be held this coming fall.

A preliminary premium list has been prepared, and is being distributed throughout the county for the guidance of pupils and teachers. The list shows the various entries for which provision will be made.

Among the departments included are agriculture, woodwork, poultry, cooking, writing, sports, spelling contest, bread making, etc.

The agricultural competitions will be in charge of Max A. McCall, instructor in agriculture at the high school. The list is chosen from crops adaptable to local conditions that are also suitable for exhibition. In the premium list Mr. McCall gives valuable suggestions to youthful farmers.

Mrs. A. J. Carpenter, head of the domestic science department of the high school, is in charge of the domestic science competitions. Like Mr. McCall, she also has suggestions included in the premium list for the help of contestants.

All exhibits will be divided into two classes, those above 12 and those under that age. Separate prizes will be awarded for the two classes.

A new feature of the school fair this year will be the field meet. The following tentative program of events has been arranged:

50-yard dash; three classes, under 12, between 12 and 15, and free for all.

220-yard dash; three classes, under 12, between 12 and 15, and free for all.

220-yard dash; free for all.

440-yard dash; free for all.

One-half mile relay race four entries.

Running broad jump. Standing broad jump. Running high jump. Javelin throw. Tug of war. Football game. Boy Scout stunts. Girls' races.

FIRE LIMIT ORDINANCE IS TO BE ADHERED TO

W. H. Mason was Monday refused a permit to repair the wooden structure at the corner of Seventh and Main streets, which was burned some weeks ago, the council adopting a report as to the building tendered by Councilmen Underwood, Doty and Hamilton.

This committee was appointed to ascertain the damage to the building, for which a repair permit was asked. The members reported that the building was damaged more than 50 per cent.

They also added that in their opinions, even if the building was damaged to a less extent, they would not recommend the granting of a permit, stating that they "deemed it wiser to establish a precedent in reference to repairs to frame buildings within the fire limits, believing it would have been contrary to public policy to recommend a repair permit."

Mr. Mason stated that he believed the damage was over-estimated, and said it could be repaired with \$115 worth of lumber. The council, however, adopted the report of the special committee.

An application was made by Thos. Hampton to erect a corrugated iron garage. This was denied, as the application did not specify that wood studding would not be used.

Project Engineer W. W. Patch has returned from California points, where he has been attending to matters of import to the reclamation service.

Mrs. George Whitney of Woodburn is here to visit friends.

SAYS MALIN WILL BE DAIRY CENTER

A co-operative creamery is a possibility at Malin, according to Frank Zumpfe, a well known resident of that thriving Bohemian colony, who spent Tuesday afternoon in the county seat, attending to business matters.

The Malin farmers are purchasing pure blooded Holstein cattle from the herds imported by McCoy and Osborne," said Mr. Zumpfe. "At the present rate it may be necessary within a year or so to establish a creamery at Malin to take care of the cream produced in the colony."