

IRRIGATE BY PUMPING Get Exhibits Ready for the Fair TO KLAMATH STREET

Fred Melhase Will Install Plant and Set Out Orchard on Tract Along Foothills Near Town—Pump the Water from the Main Government Canal

Fred Melhase is making arrangements to put in a private pumping plant to irrigate about 60 acres of land east of town, which is above the main government ditch. There are about 3000 acres of high land along the foothills between this city and the gap which is to be eventually covered by the government pumping system. This includes some of the best land for orchards and gardens in the county.

As it will be some time before the government builds this portion of the system, Mr. Melhase is making arrangements with the Reclamation Service for use of water from the main canal and will put in a pumping plant this fall. He will build his ditch along the government survey so that it can later be used by the government. The water will have to be pumped about 70 feet and electric power will probably be secured from near here.

Mr. Melhase estimates that the cost of the plant will be about \$1000, but he says that where the land is practically worthless now, it will be worth \$200 an acre with water. He will plant the tract to fruit trees and also have a garden put in. Fred T. Higgins, who has ten acres in the enterprise tract, will also secure water from the same ditch.

The establishment of the plant by Mr. Melhase will demonstrate what can be done with the land along the foothills and will encourage others to put in temporary pumping systems.

BIG AGGREGATION OF POPULAR ARTISTS.

In the bill at the Opera House on Thursday night, October 1st, with the Norman Comedy Company, will be seen Angus McPhail, the famous female impersonator, better known as the male Lillian Russell. He is without doubt one of the best in his line in the world, and in his marvelous makeup, his beautiful gowns and wonderful voice, so great is the deception that more than once the callow youth at the stage door have

been seen waiting for "her" to come out, never recognizing in the manly looking young fellow who passes them the beautiful woman they saw on the stage a few minutes before.

In the six other acts are Eddie Lang, the Dutch comedian, O'Day and Gold, Harold Yates, Blanchfield and Fisher, late of the Orpheum Circuit; Jack Hayes, and Alexis, the well-known Spanish dancer.

The sidesplitting farce comedy, "Who is Who," which is a scream from start to finish, will complete the bill. The engagement is for one night only. Seats 25 and 50 cents.

LARGE ALFALFA SALES IN THE MERRILL COUNTRY.

Some of the large alfalfa growers in the Merrill country have made a reduction in the price of hay, which has resulted in several large sales during the past four days. F. M. Miller, of Lakeview, C. Swanston, Lewis Gerber and J. Frank Adams have purchased over 2000 tons of alfalfa hay. The average price paid was \$7 a ton fed out.

There are still several thousand tons left in the Merrill country, but as it is held at a price which is considered too high, the beef feeders will not buy more than is absolutely necessary for immediate use. There are at present 4000 head of beef cattle that will be taken to the Merrill alfalfa fields within the next 20 days.

RECEIVED A TREAT.

The patrons of the picture show at the Opera House received quite a treat in the way of music by Lamb Brothers, the novelty musicians. They made a hit with their violin, banjo and piano playing, and as they will play again tonight, they no doubt will draw another big house.

On Saturday night, in connection with the regular picture show, they will give a special concert from the stage, introducing trick banjo playing, violin solos, etc., and after the concert will furnish music for a social dance.

Don't forget the County Fair in your enthusiasm over the Carnival. The Fair is going to be an important feature of the Carnival, especially so when it is remembered that there will be given in premiums \$300 in cash. These premiums are for fruits, vegetables, grasses and other products of the farm, field and orchard. One of the principal reasons why the farmers of this county should take an active interest in the collection of these exhibits is that the best is to be preserved for exhibition at the Seattle Fair. No effort seems to have been made for the gathering together of a collection for this great Pacific Coast exposition, and it is up to the individuals of the county to see that something is done along this line. If an exhibit had been placed in the Agricultural Building of the Lewis and Clark Fair it would have resulted in incalculable good for this county. The failure to do so has been recognized as a great mistake. Do not let

the same thing happen again. Klamath county is known throughout the west and there will be thousands of visitors at Seattle who will look for something from Klamath and if they do not find a proper exhibit they will be disappointed and it may cause them to turn their attention to other localities.

Inasmuch as there are no funds left for the gathering of an exhibit, all the available cash having been appropriated for the Sunset magazine advertising, the farmers must be depended upon to aid in this work. There will be a slight remuneration in the way of premiums, but greater than this will be the fact that you have taken part in the promotion of a worthy cause—the proper representation of this county at Seattle. Therefore, do not forget to gather in the best you have and deliver it to George T. Baldwin, who will see that it is properly cared for and exhibited both here and at Seattle.

HOLD TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

Interesting Program Has Been Arranged and Will Include Instructors of Portland and Salem.

County School Superintendent Swan has completed arrangements for the annual Teachers' Institute which will be held in Klamath Falls on October 22, 23 and 24. The program arranged promises to be a most interesting one. Those from the outside who will assist in the program are: County Superintendent R. F. Robinson, of Multnomah county; Miss Cornelia Marvin, secretary of the State Library Commission, and State Superintendent J. H. Ackerman.

Others on the program who will discuss special subjects are: Prof. Butcher, Faught, Howard and Miss Beadle Applegate, of the High School; Principal R. H. Dunbar, of the City school, and Miss May Robinson; Supt. Swan, Prof. Lee, of Merrill, Prof. Cooper, of Bonanza, and Prof. Hall, of Dairy.

The program will be followed by a reception in honor of the visiting instructors. During the reception an opportunity will be given for the people to meet the instructors and the teachers.

CHESS GROWING IN FAVOR.

Big Weekly Tournaments Favored With Many Distinguished Visitors.

The chessplayers of Klamath Falls were happily surprised to have ten strangers call at their place of meeting last Thursday evening to participate in their weekly chess tournament. Mr. Wagner, of San Francisco, remarked that in all his travels from British Columbia to Arizona he never met so many chess players as at Klamath Falls, and he enjoyed himself immensely in playing four games of the good old national game, respectively winning and losing two games.

Mr. Schmidt was accompanied by his wife and three other ladies, all lovers of the game. Mr. Schmidt remarked that every member of their family, father, mother, sisters and brothers, all play the game. "My seven year old brother plays an elegant game," he said.

Mr. Kern, second cousin of the Democratic vice-presidential nominee was delighted to be present and played a few games. Messrs. Wilson and Gifford from our county attended their first chess tournament in Klamath county. The gentlemen play a fine game. Mr. Wilson thinks Dr. Hemenway at Yainax plays the best game of anyone in the state. Mr. Hemenway will have a chance to defend his title next spring at the county chess tournament.

The chess players of the city meet at the American Hotel dining room every Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. All friends of the national game, ladies and gentlemen, have a cordial invitation to come.

Those who, having had a good opportunity to learn the game and having lost it, should not send another opportunity after a lost one.

LANGELL VALLEY NEWS.

Freight teams are being worked to their full capacity in delivering material to the reservoir site.

Eugene Hammond is buying cavalry horses in Langell Valley and vicinity.

Ben Pickett is riding after stock for Tom Offield.

Several loads of lumber were hauled to the government works last week by Frank Nichols.

Monday evening the Aurora Borealis (commonly called the Northern Lights) was a beautiful sight. Commencing with the resemblance of a light from a large fire and then changing to many shapes and colors. Wm. Copeland will dispose of all of his surplus goods by public sale on the 10th.

A great many different modes of travel may be witnessed along the road at present. Some afoot carrying their bed, bicycling, buggies, freight wagons, autos, etc., all en route to the dam site.

An examination of the soil in our vicinity is being made by one of the government officials.

Dr. J. B. Hall is reported as improving and we hope for a speedy and complete recovery.

Some people believe that a very grave mistake was made in voting the county dry. It does begin to look that way. Here it is the first of October and no rains to speak of. Although we have small hope of

Recent Developments Would Indicate that the Business Section of Klamath Falls Had Reached Its Eastern Limit and Would Now Spread Southward

making any very large showing this season at the County Fair on account of the extraordinary dryness of the season, still we all wish it to be a great big success.

A. Cowley bought a load of barley Saturday for which he paid \$1.50 per hundred.

We hope that our readers will pardon us this week for not sending in all of the news, for in our hurry we possibly missed a number. Of course we did not have much to do. Get up at 5 o'clock, make a fire and cook breakfast (for we are batching), milk the cows, feed and water the horses, cut wood, draw up water for 25 or 30 head of stock, then work till noon, come in and get dinner, take a chew of tobacco, go to work again until time to cook supper and chore around until bedtime. An animal called a "Devil," is employed in the construction of a newspaper, or rather in some branch of the trade. That may be me, for that is the kind of a time that one has in batching.

FAVORS CRATER LAKE ROAD.

H. T. Anderson, Director of the Water Users Association and one of the prosperous land owners in the Merrill country, is in the city today to attend the marriage of his daughter. In speaking of the proposed road to Crater Lake, Mr. Anderson said that he was heartily in favor of it and believed that it would be approved by the majority of the farmers throughout the county. "I have had some experience," said Mr. Anderson, "of the benefit of good roads and believe they are the salvation of the farmers. The \$50,000 that Klamath county might spend would come back more than double in supplies and labor during the building of the road. The advertisement itself would be a great benefit to the county. I believe it should be extended through the entire county so that every section would be benefitted alike."

WANT NEW SCHOOL BUILDING.

The property owners of the Barks' district, four miles north of Merrill, will hold a meeting tomorrow to vote on the question of bonding the district for \$1200 to be used for a new school building for that district.

DEATH OF BABY ROBBINS.

Hazel Mary Robbins, the four months old baby of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Robbins, died this morning at the family home on High street. The burial will take place at 5 o'clock this afternoon.

From present indications it would seem that the extension of the business district in Klamath Falls had about reached its limits in an easterly direction and was about to spread out in other directions. Heretofore all of the business houses have been practically confined to Main street, but it is believed that future extensions will include Klamath street to the south.

In every city there is usually a heart or center around which the permanent business section is formed. The present court house property is permanently located and in the near future a handsome structure will be erected. This will always be a point of business activity, and it is claimed that this location will form the center of the permanent business section of the future.

Already property owners on Klamath street in that locality are planning to convert their property into business blocks. By petition the owners have had several blocks included in the fire limits. This will prevent any wooden structures being erected and of necessity will compel any future building to be for business purposes.

Several important transfers of property have taken place on this street recently. It is reported that Major Worden is having plans drawn for a brick block to be built next year on the property one block east of the Telephone office and opposite the court house grounds. There undoubtedly will be considerable building in this locality next year. The recent buys on Klamath street were at prices ranging from \$22.50 to \$50 a front foot.

It is claimed as an advantage for Klamath street as a business street that it is 15 feet wider than Main street and is not encumbered with street car tracks. It is also on a direct line or the proposed location of the depot of the California North-eastern railroad.

CONTRACT LET FOR COLD STORAGE PLANT BUILDING.

The contract was let this afternoon for the construction of Crisler & Stiltz' new meat market and cold storage plant, which is to be built on the corner of Main and Seventh streets. Childers Bros. will do the brick work and Cunningham & Humphrey the carpenter work.

The work is progressing satisfactorily on the excavation contract, and it is expected to commence the foundation within a few days. The building will be rushed so as to be completed this fall.



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