

A redletter day in Prosser was the occasion of the opening of the Palace hotel here on Monday evening.

Messrs Bush and Finn, the proprietors, received hundreds of guests who were delighted with the beautiful house now open for the firsttime tothe traveling public.

Wright's orchestra was in attendance and the entire affair was pronounced one ofthe most successful ever held here.

The building is a fine structure costing \$20,000 and is modern in all appointments.

It was furnished in an elaborate manner by the Coffin-Rundstrom company of North Yakima--Yakima Herald, January 18, 1911.

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Telegraph poles have been set to the top of the Prosser hills leading to Horse Heaven.

There the Prosser Telephone company expects to attach their wires to bob wire fences and extend their line to Portland, and possibly by sub-marine routes around the world.

Mr. Lape, in speaking about the new laundry to be started in this city about the first of the year said that \$250 a month was not an over estimate of the money paid out by Prosser every month for washing. The Lape hotel bill is \$100 per month alone.

Kennewick, Sunnyside, Mabton, Kiona and other towns have signified their willingness to patronize the Prosser laundry and it looks as though it would be a paying proposition from the start--Prosser Falls Bulletin, November, 1902.

The Prosser bank has reached the \$100,000 mark. Cashier Lloyd prophesied some time ago that the deposits would reach \$100,000. Prosser Falls Bulletin, November, 1902.

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Sale of the Prosser Flouring Mill--The Prosser roller flour mill, one of the best properties in the county, was sold this week by Mr. Heinzerling to George Taylor of the Wenas for \$12,500. Emery Taylor will at once move to Prosser and take charge of the mill. The Horse Heaven country, which will ultimately become one of the most extensive and best grain producing areas in the territory is directly tributary to Prosser, and will insure that point becoming in time a flourishing town.

Burning of Kinneyville--Jas. Kinney, of the might-have-been town of Kinney, located a few miles from Prosser, experienced quite a loss from fire Wednesday night, February 14, when his dwelling burned to the ground. Mr. Kinney was in the house and asleep when the fire started and barely had time to get out, let alone save any of the contents of the building. The fire was evidently the result of sparks thrown out from the stove.

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From H.W. Creason, lte county commissioner, it is learned that parties are coming within a few days to begin the work of boring the artesian well , for which the territory appropriated \$1,000 and the county a like amount. Horse Heavenites are anticipating great things from this well and some seem to think it will supply the whole country with water.

The well known sheep man, Mr. Kemp has given the information that this spring's wool clip will far exceed that of last year as the sheep have come through the winter in etter condition.

I hear that Mr. Estes has sold his ranch to Frank Lyons, a sheep man from Umatilla and that Mr. McIntire of Pendleton has gone to Sunnyside to look up range for his band of 4,000 sheep. Mr. McIntire clai s that there will be 50,000 head of Oregon sheep driven into this part of the country between now and shearing time.

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An incident which might have ended seriously occurred here yesterday. Mr. and Mrs. Henshaw, immigrants, were encamped near

Prosser and Mrs. Henshaw was standing near the camp fire when a breath of wind shot the flames in her direction and almost before she could realize it her clothing was in a blaze. Fortunately her husband was near and enveloped her in a quilt, smothering the fire, but not before her clothes were destroyed and she received a few slight burns.

Minor Webster will give notice this week of his intention to move up on his homestead in Horse Heaven. Mr. Webster is one of the pioneer settlers in the Horse Heaven country. He has recently been operating in real estate in Tacoma and with rather better results than met those eastern capitalists who were so summarily ejected from Yakima by Marshal Cock, after parting with their wealth in Ellensburg. Herald, February, 1880.

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Prosser is to have a saloon and the thirsty wayfarer will soon be able to quench his thirst , independent of the water supply.

Prosser has had the service of a member of the learned profession of medicine in the person of Dr. Hord. Until that time Mr. Jensen's drug store kept us in pretty good health. A drug store with a good laboratory attachment for mixing drugs to suit the various diseases of the patients is pretty good in itself.

There was a largely attended meeting of the Columbia river stockmen held at Jade Switzler's March 18 for the purpose of organizing a stockman's association. Mr. Switzler was elected president. The spring round-up starts to-day. Yakima Herald, March 2^d, 1889.

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Emory Taylor has his new elevator nearly completed. It will have a capacity of between two and three thousand bushels of wheat. Additional machinery has been ordered for Mr. Taylor's roller mill which will make the mill's capacity from sixty to seventy five barrels of flour per day.

Horse Heaven has at least one man who is in luck. He is known as the Lost Dutchman and he lives 22 miles from Prosser. For the past four years he has been hauling water for his stock and house from the river, a distance of eight miles.

A few days ago while making preparations to start after water he noticed a badger hole around which the dirt was moist. Concluding that he could get along until the following day without going after water he commenced to dig around the badger's quarters. He had gone down but four feet when he struck water in abundance which now reaches within eight feet of the surface and the well defies all efforts to empty it--C.A. Jensen, Yakima Herald, August 8, 1889.

Prosser Falls

James Kinney, one of the best 8 to 7 talkers in Yakima Valley and the original settlers at Prosser Falls has spent the week in the city.

He informs us that Mr. Chamberlin, the merchant has built a hotel near the depot at the Falls and that a proposition has been made to him, Kinney, to move his large warehouse to the same place.

Nelson Rich has entered 40 acres of land intervening between Kinney's and Prosser's claims. The houses of the old town will be moved to the new and as the immense stretch of land from Kattlesnake across Horse Heaven is settling up, it is expected a good sized village will soon take form. When Mr. Kinney located he was the first settler down that way.

He lost some horses and found them in the magnificent table land that extends from his place to Umatilla. The animals were thriving on the tall bunch grass in mid winter by running down to the river and breaking the ice by pawing, they would drink and then race back to the hills, the exercise warming them up.

At a glance he saw the adaptability of the range to horses and observed that they would do much better than cattle, for the reason that bovines cannot break the ice and are not disposed to run and warm up.

Hence, he named the range Horse Heaven. Later as travelers wandered that way Mr. Kinney directed them through Horse Heaven via Bed Rock Springs (copy) which is 12 miles from his place to Umatilla. By a good deal of persuasion some were prevailed on to enter claims for agricultural purposes and this winter there are some 2,000 acres of winter wheat luxuriating, it being at present six inches high. The district is now known to be one of the best in this

territory for production of grain without irrigation.

Mr. Kinney went to Prosser for a town and a county and he hoped to name the county after Blaine, but as he intended to ask the next legislature to call it after the next president, he expects it will be organized as Cleveland--The Washington Farmer, Feb. 14, 1885.

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Prosser Pennings. Editor, Farmer, March 16, 1885.

Old Prosser is soon to be moved to the newly laid out town near the depot. We have to move only about 1,300 feet still we dread it as much as though it were so many miles instead of feet.

Chris Schwansen and Isaac Wright have gone to Goldendale for the apparatus and will, we understand, proceed with the work of moving immediately.

Everybody seems happy at the prospect of getting definitely located soon ago and we believe that it will give our town an impetus which nothing else has done heretofore.

Little Mable, youngest daughter of Mr. H. W. Creason was buried the 13th. This makes four burials here since the 15th of December. We think it is time that our citizens aroused to the fact that a burial ground is necessary. We have two or three good locations to select from. Let us not forget this important fact.

Col. Prosser has sold quite a number of lots since he came back. Only \$100 for choice corners or \$50 for inside lots.

Our J. P. Mr. Ira Van Antwert purchased two lots a short time ago and is busy improving them. He contemplates moving his residences soon as he completes his well. Mr. H. J. Jenks is digging a well in that vicinity and as soon as completed will remove his feed yard and improve it, thereby making his accommodations better if possible than they were at the old yard.

Col. Prosser has several men busily engaged in improving his premises. And sowing and planting. He contemplates quite extensive improvements this season. His improvements are of a substantial character. A. C. The Washington Farmer, March 21, 1885.

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Benton county

Prosser--courthouse

Prosser, April 21, 1926-Although the Benton county commissioners announced that they narrowed the field in the bids for the construction of the new court house down to two contractors and expected to make the award today, they had not done so at a late hour.

They spent all day yesterday considering the figures and held a night meeting. A bond issue for \$1,000,000 for the new building was authorized at a recent election.

Fourteen bids were submitted, ranging from \$77,439 by Ernest White of Twin Falls, Ida. to \$96,620 by James Allen Engineering company of Seattle.

Prosser Mill

The Kittitas Localizer says that two moneyed men from Michigan are about to build at Prosser Falls a roller flouring mill equal in capacity to that just completed at North Yakima...

— Times-Mountain er, Jan. 29, 1887

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Prosser Falls has shed its baby clothes and now steps into the ring a full-fledged fighter for cultivation and development.

Three thousand acres of splendid fruit, hop and vegetable soil is now being shorn of its sage brush mantle and tickled by the plow.

The jack rabbits and coyotes have been notified to leave, closely pursued by men, women and children with plows, rakes, harrows, household goods, lumber and other implements of civilization.

The officers of the irrigation company which has accomplished the great work are: J.G. Van Marter, president; G.B. Hayes, vice president; W.B. Dudley, secretary and treasurer; Fred R. Reed, manager.

The engineer who drafted the plans is Frank Bartlett and Frank McCurtie is superintendent of buildings.

A pumping plant has been put in to irrigate 4,000 acres and arrangements have been made to furnish water power to different factories soon to be erected. North of Prosser Falls across the river lay 65,000 acres covered by the Sunnyside canal and above the Sunnyside canal 100,000 acres which will be watered by the High Line of the same canal. The larger part of this land will be tributary to Prosser.

South of Prosser lays the great Horse Heaven wheat and cattle country. Prosser is the nearest railroad station and is the natural outfitting point for this country. On the north side of the falls water is taken out for the Leadbetter canal to irrigate land on the lower Yakima and Columbia rivers.

The Prosser Falls Irrigation company controls the south side of the river. The land on this side is too high to be covered by any gravity system and though it is as productive as any in the state, it would, without water, be worthless.

The power of the falls is utilized to raise water 100 feet high to cover this land. The water power here is the best on the Yakima river. The fall is twenty feet in half a mile and during the dry season in October, 1893, the river discharged 2662 second feet, equivalent to 6050 horse power.

The headgates are placed in the rock on the south side of the river.

The headgate frame is made of 16 X 16 timber, is 22 feet high and 36 feet wide and has six openings for gates, each four feet wide in the clear. In front of the headgate frame is a rack frame made of 12 x 12 timbers on which rest the racks which will keep floating timber and ice out of the wheels. These racks consist of flat iron bars fourteen feet long which are placed an inch apart in the clear.

A wing dam has been built from the headgates out into the river to direct the current towards the flume.

The headgates supply two flumes each ten feet deep and 12 feet wide in the clear and the water will be six feet deep in the flumes when water is lowest. One of these flumes will supply water to the factories and the other furnishes water to the irrigation canal.

Water from the flume enters a forebay 10 feet wide, 17 feet deep and 65 feet long and from the forebay enters three pen stocks from which it is discharged through the turbines.

The turbines are 48-inch special Vectors and develop 135 horsepower each under 12 feet head. Each turbine drives a duplex power pump, 25-inch cylinder, 24-inch stroke. Each pump has a capacity of 4,000 gallons per minute. This is the discharge at an 80-foot per minute piston speed. Two pumps and two turbines are now in successful operation and when the third pump is in the plant will have a daily capacity of 17,280,000 gallons.

From the pumps the water will pass through 2800 feet of 28-inch steel pipe to the pen-stock at the head of the

company's canal.

Three hundred feet from the pen stock the canal divides into two branches. The west is nine miles long the east is now three miles long and it is expected to continue it down the river and to cover a fine piece of land several miles beyond.

The water supplied to the canal is 27 second feet which is 150 at a duty of 150 acres to the second foot will irrigate 4,000 acres--Yakima Herald, April 12, 1894. (Prosser American)

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Prosser will celebrate the completion of the irrigation enterprise on the 15th of April. About a thousand invitations will be sent out to prominent people of the state.

The jubilation will close with a ball at the new hotel, The Riverside, which will be opened on the 1st by Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Scatchard of this city- Yakima Herald, March 22, 1894.