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MANY VALUABLE HORSES DYING

Unnamed Disease Causing Heavy Losses.

For some months past there has been an unknown disease among the horses of Morrow county, and many of the farmers have been suffering heavy losses. The attention of the State Veterinarian has been repeatedly called to the infection, and he has made the county a visit of inspection, but has so far been unable to suggest any relief or offer a cure. It is presumed that he does not know what the trouble is, and it is a well known fact that he has not taken the trouble to find out. In the meantime many good animals have died. Charley Huston, of Eight mile, is the heaviest loser so far reported, and eleven head of his work animals have succumbed. Emmet Jones, of Heppner Flat has already lost two head, and his other horses are infected. John Olden suffered the loss of his fine imported Shire stallion, and there seems to be a general infection of all the horses over the county.

Assisted by a number of men, Dr. Winnard killed and dissected one of the Jones horses on Tuesday and is going to make a thorough test of the disease and determine what it is and prescribe a remedy. The brain, spine and lungs of this horse are all diseased, the lungs being entirely filled with pus cells. The results of this investigation will be made known later.

It would seem that the office of

State Veterinarian, so far as these cases are concerned, is about as much use to Morrow county as a fifth wheel to a wagon. There has been much ado made over the fact that this office has found a remedy that will cure a dog that has been poisoned from eating salmon, but the appeals of our people here for a thorough investigation of this disease that is taking off the valuable work horses of the farmers, have been turned aside lightly, and nothing has been done.

It might be a good idea to work the recall on this office and put it out of business entirely.

Notice.

To whom it may concern:

From this date on all orders for wood and coal must be accompanied by the cash or orders will not be considered. Those in arrears must pay up or no orders taken. Prices for fuel at present: \$9.50 per ton for the best Rock Springs coal, nut or lump; \$5.50 per cord green slab, hauled direct from the car; \$6.00 per cord dry slab; \$8.00 per cord pine and fir cord wood; \$9.00 per cord oak; charges of 25c extra for less than cord or ton lots. I have on hand about 80 tons of Wyoming coal that I will sell for \$7.00 per ton as long as it lasts. Leave all orders at Slocum Drug Co. store, where you will be given a receipt for the same, or order direct from me.

Respectfully yours,
Elmer Beaman,
Heppner, Oregon, August 8, 1911.

Remember school books are strictly cash. No one favored. This means you.

MEETS DEATH IN JOHN DAY RIVER

The Potter Dam Is Scene of Fatality.

Intelligence reached Heppner on Sunday morning of the death by drowning at the Potter dam just above Spray, on the John Day river, of Ben Cochran, only son of Emmet Cochran, of near Monument.

Young Cochran, in company with his father and a couple of other men from the ranch, rode down to the dam on Saturday evening to spend a few hours in fishing. They reached there after dark and lighting a lantern, placed it in a prominent place on the dam to light up the water as it passes over onto an apron just below. The water falls with great force over the dam, and a strong whirl is created below. Ben was fishing on the dam pretty well to the opposite side of the river from the others, and losing his footing, slipped into the river and was lost to sight. He was not missed just at the time, but a moment later he was heard to utter a cry and his companions were made aware that he had fallen into the stream below the dam. The roar of the water made it impossible to hear a call for help, and as Ben had always been used to the water and was known to be a good

swimmer, his father and the other men did not have a thought but that he would get out alright. He failed to show up, however, and his companions began a search, being unable to locate him. The work of rescue was continued for four hours before the body was finally recovered.

It is thought he must have sustained some injury which caused him for the time to lose control of himself, for it is thought he should have been able to get out, the water not being very deep where he went over.

The sudden taking off of this young man in this manner comes as a terrible shock to his parents, and to the entire neighborhood where he has lived all his life. He was a model young man, just coming into his majority, as he would have been 21 years of age in January. He was a graduate of the Monument schools, and had spent two years in O. A. C., to which institution he was preparing to go the first of this week to take up his studies as a Senior in the commercial department.

His mother, Mrs. Emma Cochran left Heppner on Saturday morning to go to Corvallis to prepare to keep house for her boy during the school year and the sad intelligence of his tragic death called her back on Monday. The blow falls very heavy here as he was the only child of the family and the idol of his mother's heart.

Burial took place at his home town on Tuesday afternoon.

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Some Press Comment

J. C. Ware, manager of Tally Bros. Dairy, has proved conclusively that dairying in Wallowa county is profitable. During the month of July Mr. Ware sold \$460 worth of cream, besides supplying three families with milk, butter and cream. The only feed the cows had was the wild grass pasture in the uncleared land along the river bottom. The herd consists of two, three and four year old heifers, and has not been fully selected as yet. The best record was from one four-year-old which netted \$18 during July. Mr. Ware says the cows will average \$10 per month for nine and one-half months each year. They have a registered bull and Mr. Ware is confident that he will be able to improve the herd so that the average production per cow will be more than \$10 per month.—Rural Spirit.

butter and cheese by the carload where now they are unable to get even enough home productions of these kinds to fill an average size wheelbarrow.—Salem Statesman.

Jackson county figures that if it can bond itself in the sum of a million and a half for road improvements that it can sell the bonds at a premium of a hundred thousand dollars, half the sum already being offered in advance by one bonding company. If Lane county, which has been spending money on county roads at the rate of over a hundred thousand annually and has but few miles of permanently builded high-ways to show for it, had bonded itself in the sum of a million dollars and had spent it in building macadam roads we would have some solid, substantial roadways for the next half a century with little expense for keeping them in repair. Bonding and systematic construction is the correct solution of the road building problem in this county.—Register.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED

AS STATED in the last issue of the Gazette, a couple of committees were left to be appointed by Chairman Woodson, to get the Creamery proposition on the move. Mr. Woodson desired to take a little time in naming these committees, in order to ascertain who might best serve.

We are therefore authorized at this time to announce the following:

Committee to canvass the farmers and see how many will keep cows, Vawter Crawford, Frank Gilliam and J. L. Wilkins.

Committee to procure data as to where dairy stock can be procured, prices, etc., Clyde Brock, Oscar Borg and E. D. Brown.

These committees promise to get busy at once. The first named will call upon the farmers and ranchers, and hope that prompt response will be given to their inquiries. They expect to be able to make a very flattering report at an early date, and ask that they be encouraged by hearty cooperation on the part of all those interested.

It is needless to say at this time that the creamery is being heartily endorsed. So far as we have been able to learn there is no one disposed to do otherwise than give it a boost. This is as it should be; a commercial creamery at this point means a great deal for the farmers and ranchmen in the vicinity of Heppner; it furthermore means much in the industrial development of the county.

This As A Suggestion:

Why not get up a School Fair at Heppner? Morrow county had an exhibit at Pendleton the past week to be proud of but comparatively few of our own people got to see it.

Get a suitable place, get up a little fair of our own and educate the children and older people a little in regard to our resources.

**MORE THAN HALF OUR OWN PEOPLE
DO NOT KNOW WHAT THIS COUNTY CAN
PRODUCE. WE SHOULD BE SHOWN.**

The great space and prominence given by city papers to dirty scandals such as the Astor-Force wedding and the Beattie murder trial, calls attention to the bill of Senator Works of California to prevent or restrict the publication of horrible crimes and seditious details of society's whoring. Papers excuse themselves for such pandering to depraved tastes by saying the public demands it, but the abnormal growth of that taste is due to the papers. The more such details are printed the more the public "demands" more details. The Portland papers don't dare to publish the details of the North End hobo's lechery; why should they be allowed to do so when the lecherous brute happens to be named Astor and has the spending of millions when he never earned an honest dollar in his life. Los Angeles prohibits it and Toady Otis of the Times has run foul of the law. He is making a big hullabaloo about being arrested for his crime. This is the same multimillionaire Otis that is trying to have the McNamars judicially murdered for an accident they had less to do with than he.—Enterprise Record Chieftain.

"No better dairy cattle are to be found on the Pacific coast than those occupying stalls in those barns over there," said Dr. James Withycombe on the state fair grounds yesterday, "and so far as quality is concerned the display is far ahead of the dairy stock exhibited at either the Lewis and Clark exposition at Portland in 1905 or the A. T. P. at Seattle in 1900. Really, there could not be a choicer lot of the several dairy breeds. Oregon is sure to become a great dairying state."

Dr. Withycombe is director of the Oregon experiment station at Corvallis and an enthusiast when it comes to boosting the agricultural possibilities of this grand "Oregon of ours." He knows whereof he speaks—for he is thoroughly acquainted with the conditions in every part of the state and fully knows just what can be accomplished on the farms if modern methods of agriculture are used.

There should be many times the number of registered dairy cattle on the farms of Oregon than there is now. The demand for dairy products is ever increasing. The rapidly growing population must have milk and cream and

In line with the Register's contention that you cannot make people honest politically or otherwise by legislation, the Polk County Observer, in taking issue with a Portland publication on the recall, very wisely says:

"A Portland newspaper in defending the recall declares that 'it will hold a discreet official to a full sense of his duty.' The Observer takes issue with this statement. We maintain that a discreet official doesn't need the recall and will hold to a strict discharge of official duties without the menace of removal from office. The crook who, by subterfuge or other means, becomes a trusted official of the people, should be recalled and probably will be so soon as his shortcomings come to the surface. But the recall will never make a man honest any more than the penitentiary prevents crime, or the hang man's noose a murder. A man must be honest and straightforward by nature. You can't legislate honesty into his heart."

Sand Hollow Items.

(By Sol)

Arthur Finley and wife attended preaching Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ritchie have gone to the Pendleton fair.

School is progressing nicely with 14 pupils, and more to start.

J. A. Miller is taking care of Mr. Ritchie's stock while they are away. Mr. Roy Campbell, of Eight Mile, attended church here on Sunday.

Miss Winnie Smith expects to attend school at Corvallis this winter.

Several of our farmers are preparing to haul wood from the mountains this week.

Rev. Cross was with us again last Sunday and we are glad to say he will remain with us another year.

W. L. Copenhaver and O. S. Hodsdon made a trip to Irrigon last week and brought home a load of fine watermelons and grapes, grown by L. B. Kicker and his partner.

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