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## GREETING

With this, the first issue of The Maupin Times, we greet you and wish you well. We will refrain from making promises as to its future excellence but let each issue, as it appears from week itable consideration and approval. In this introductory statement we do not wish to phrase a high sounding editorial, but to make a plain statement, a straightforward business talk to the people of southern Wasco county-such a statement as we would wish to make to each one of you personally if the writer could be battle of life. And life is a battle at every turn. Soldiers in the sitting in your home as you read this.

The name selected for the paper was chosen because it seemed to be suggested by our idea as to a newspaper in this section. It will work with all good citizens in developing the natural resources of the country, in uniting the different sections on matters of common interest, in encouraging the local trade and good a record run to port. We are not put out by these struggles. Exfeeling between merchants and farmers, in discovering and advertising whatever is best for the commercial, mental and moral advancement of the people; and first, last and all the time, publishing all the local news-all that our own efforts and the assistance of our kind readers and friends can secure.

To boost for desirable changes in the great work of the age. and to aid in this work is our one delight. This town, Maupin, offers exceptional advantages to southern Wasco county as a railroad point. It has already become an important shipping center. Through the columns of The Times attention will constantly be called to these advantages. The down hill haul, the good grades, the warehouse facilities and other advantages will each be dwelt upon at length from week to week in the solumns of The Times. There are other community centers in southern Wasco county which will also come in for their full share of attention and ad-it in exactly the proportion of its participation. Certain people of Tygh Valley. city. Like Maupin, you people in the Valley have many exceptional advantages. It will be a pleasure and a duty for The Times to boost for the fair which you have announced, as well as any other worthy enterprise that you may undertake-and for your community, as such. What we ask for our part is your cooperation. The writer was impressed by the splendid country around Wapinitia and the advantages that locality offers. You people up on the flat are our brothers, our fellow CITIZENS, and shall receive a full share of our attention. Smock, Wamic, the Bakeoven country and Criterian are invited to join us and allow us to join them in boosting them and advertising their interests separately and collectively. We are ambitious to reach still other more dis-an exhibt to the Southern Wasco County Fair September 16, 17 tant communities with our work and our influence. If you are of and 18. You are sure to bring home a bunch of prizes. an exceedingly narrow and jealous disposition you will not be interested in the work of The Times.

On the commercial side, we expect to give you a first class local newspaper and render first class service in each department; and we expect to charge a reasonable, living price for subscriptions, advertising and printing, and expect to prove worthy of your continuous and liberal patronage. We look upon the business of making a living as a solemn and honorable duty. Let us, then, put our hands and our heads and our hearts together and make common cause for a better, a happier and a richer Southern Wasco County.

There is a diversity of opinion as to what is news.

What

creature, to a real live editor, is one who wishes to suppress the

## IT IS THE USUAL GAME

Europe is engaged in a war that is daily costing thousands in human life; and unbelievable suffering. It is wholesale murder of human life and all that life and hope stands for. Why do men do that? Everywhere among every class and creed we hear men ask that question-and offer an answer, each framed according to its author's special viewpoint. The usual explanation is patriotism. Yet how inconsistent is a man who goes about to eat up his country's food, use up its supplies of medicine and clothing, trample down its grain fields and strew them with the bloody re-mains of battle, end his own usefulness as a citizen, empty the a few days ago from a visit to public treasury, invite utter ruin to his government; and offer Dufur. love of country as his excuse.

It is an interesting fact that, so far as our national experience is concrneed, years of warfare wrought little change in the turned Saturday night from a to week, speak for itself; and trust that it may receive your char- private soldier as a citizen. And, indeed, why should it? From month outing in the mountains. his birthday every one is engaged in a mighty struggle. His life and health are at stake-and he risks no more than that on the battle field. The one who escapes the measles, the death laden milk bottle and the other ills of infancy, then fights out the from huckleberrying in the desperate war of early youth, is pretty well trained for the grim mountains.

> American rebellion tell of how they would exchange pleasantries with the sentries of the enemy if picket duty chanced to bring land. them together. There is no objection to a sociable game with

our neighbor, though he may seek to beat us, and us him, in a business transaction next day. Aboard ship we are sociable with the sea captain altho he may be risking our lives in order to make

there is no longer hope of victory—when there is nothing to fight for—is life "but an empty dream." So men go to war and fight the public enemy so long as there is a chance to fight him, and then return home and resume the fight among themselves. Aside from the unusual methods employed and the utter unworthiness of the cause, we see little difference that the battle field

makes in the usual course of life.

## SOUTHERN WASCO FAIR

The Southern Wasco County Fair deserves, and doubtless will receive, the support of every person interested in the agri-cultural development of this part of the state. It proves enterprise and industry on the part of the promoters, and they have selected a most beneficial method of giving expression to these progressive qualities. Each portion of the community will bene-train Monday. Mrs. Filamu is seariously ill been enjoying a visit from Mr. Kelly's brother and wife, of Portland. When the visitors rehave little to do with the good results that are to come from it. Exhibition space is open to all people and all communities in the county. The community which makes the best display will at- school. tract the most favorable attention and prove itself the most progressive. Its farmers will be the most encouraged and benefited by seeing their best efforts on display and in comparison with display of other farming communities.

The grain producers, the fruit growers, the stock men around Maupin on both sides of the river have an excellent opportunity to prove the worth of their land and their skill at produc-tion. The people at Tygh Valley, who are backing the fair, will tion. be glad to see the producers from this section there with their visited the scene of the Bevis-exhibits. Let each one do himself a good turn and at the same May oil drilling operations. She

Bright men are not so scarce as is generally supposed. The not been over stated. darkest mind is occasionally illuminated by a bright idea, original or reflected.

accounts, for the publisher first and then for all men who patron- two six horse teams, and will sale near Tygh Saturday. J. T.

The Southern Wasco Fair is the big coming event of the sea- house. son for this end of the county.



Mrs. A. Locke and children are visiting in Portland.

Miss Fischer returned last week from a visit to The Dalles.

Bates Shattuck and wife re-They report a delightful time.

Frank Crager returned Sunday

Jack Staats has gone to Port-

Mrs. Canfield, the popular postmistress of Criterian, was a visitor here Tuesday of last days ago from Elburn, Ill., and week.

to Emmons the Jewler.

H. L. Brown was among the W. E. Hunt, a prominent Wapinitia visitors here Friday. sheep man of Criterian, was a J. M. McCorkle, who is drilling visitor on business in Maupin a well on his ranch, expects to Saturday of last week.

complete the job this week All kinds of jewelry repaired

Mrs. W. H. Staats was a Port- by Emmons the Jewler. land bound passenger on the L. D. Kelly and family have

train Monday. been enjoying a visit from Mr. turned home they were accom-

Harold Moad left Monday for panied as far as the County seat Portland where he will attend by their host who returned home He was accompanied last week, Tuesday.

by his cousin, Annie Henderson who has spent some time visiting from Friend and has opened a here. shoe repairing shop here. He is

Mrs. W. H. Staats re- a first class workman. returned home from a visit to J. T. Hardy, traveling freight Dufur recently and while there and passenger agent for the Oregon Trunk, was a welcome May oil drilling operations. She visitor in our city last week. was favorably impressed with Mrs. G. R. Burtner and son,

what she saw and believes the reports of oil prospects have of Tygh Valley, who have been visiting the lady's parents at

Fhrest Grove, returned home George Malett, a prominent Saturday. Bakeoven farmer, was in town

last week. He is hauling wheat As many as three hundred One of the primary objects of a newspaper is to build bank here with one four horse and people attended the Sam Miser require more than twenty days Harper was very successful as to get his wheat into the ware- auctioneer.

> I carry all kinds of stones for a visitor here Saturday night. rings and pins-Emmons the

L. W. Walker, of Wasco, was

Douglas Mullarky, publisher of

Best price for wheat at Bank.

No Kick Comimg if

**Once** Tried

Moad

Making, General Repair Work and all Work is done

Neat Strong and Guaranteed.

Wagon

Horse Shoeing,

Mike Listol and family are among the new arrivals in this section. They arrived only a few will engage in stock raising on

Bring your watches and clocks the Gobel place. Messers. Listol and Gobel are brothers-in-law.

Geo. S. Gray recently arrived

