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A DUTY PERFORMED

When Sheriff A. E. Thompson put a stop to the Anderson-Edwards fight to have been pulled off at Rainier on Labor Day, it is probable that he made enemies where before he had friends, but it is also a certainty it works the other way, and that there will be many who will commend him for the action he took in the matter. But the way in which people would look at it seems to have been farthest from the Sheriff's thoughts, as he was there as an officer of the law, and performed only what he thought to be a duty, even though it was perhaps a disagreeable one, as doubtless Mr. Thompson is in the same boat as the editor of the Mist in one respect, and would have enjoyed a fast fight between a couple of fast lightweights, such as Edwards and Anderson.

The bout was to have been a fight. Of that there is no doubt in the mind of any one who has watched the affair, and who knows the principals. They were not allowed to put it on in Astoria. One fight in Rainier would not have been so bad, even though it would have given the county a lot of unenviable notoriety, but as soon as this one was over there would be attempts made to have others. The town is located close to Portland and would be handy for the pugs. The game is not allowed in the city any more and every time there was a desire to have a finish fight it would be staged down this way. Sheriff Thompson, in saying that the exhibitions that are not permitted in any other community cannot be staged in the county where he has been elected to enforce the law, undoubtedly took the right stand.

The exhibitions that were allowed to go on were entirely harmless and at the first sign of roughness would have been stopped. At one time in the opinion of the Sheriff, Anderson was opening up a little too much on his opponent and was at once cautioned and instructed to go slower, which he did. Boxing of this kind is a good thing, and such bouts can be pulled off without violating the law in the slightest. The boys went but six rounds, and were as fresh at the finish as when they started. Boxing is a sport that should be indulged in by every boy, and if exhibitions were held in the right way there is no doubt but that they would be a big drawing card and that there would be no objections raised, as there is a method provided for holding such exhibitions under the state law.

OUR PORTLAND LETTER

Portland, Or., Sept. 5 (Special) Steps have been taken by Central Oregon people to exploit one of the greatest resources of that region that has heretofore been neglected. This is the useful horse. To stimulate breeding of fine animals, the Central Oregon Livestock Sales Association has been formed, with headquarters at Redmond, and hereafter sales of horses will be held on the 3rd Friday of each month at that point.

The object is to establish a big horse market, where breeders will come in touch with buyers and find fair prices for their stock. The organization is not for the benefit of Redmont alone nor is it for the profit of association members, but it will help every section and community of Central Oregon, even the rancher in the foothills.

The outside buyer, it is believed, will come to a sale where he can pick from a bunch of 400 or 500 head, when if he has to travel from ranch to ranch he is not attracted. All classes of horses, from bronchos to the finest riding and draft horses, will be offered. Central Oregon has exploited its sheep, alfalfa, wool and cattle, but little has been

said about its horses. Yet it produces thousands of fine animals; climate and all conditions being favorable to the best development of the horse, and the new plan will probably add to the importance of the industry.

Bigger prizes and better exhibits than ever before are expected to bring crowds to the annual apple show to be held in Portland November 15-17. The apple crop of the state is excellent, and it is thought the various fruit districts will make a splendid showing. Big prizes will be offered by the Northern Pacific and the Great Northern railroads for the best district displays, a purse of \$250 being hung up by each line. This will be open to competition by any fruit district of the Pacific Northwest. Oregon communities will get in line and make fine displays of the fruit that is making the state famous and a treat is in store for those who like to see artistic displays of beautiful apples.

Irrigations of Oregon will meet in Ontario September 28 and 29, during the progress of the Malheur County Fair, The State Irrigation Association has called the meeting on those dates and there promises to be a large attendance from all parts of Oregon. Governor West expects

WELCOME TO OUR CITY

Careful inquiry among the residents of the district proposed to be annexed to the city on the 16th of this month, leaves little doubt as to the result of the election, in fact overconfidence on the part of the friends of the movement, resulting in a large stay at home vote seems to be the only danger at the present time.

The wide awake people of this territory realize that this will comprise the residence district of the St. Helens to be, a city of consequence, a realization of their expectations when they built their homes among the stumps, depending on the future to bring forth improved conditions, water, light and the things which only an organized community can supply.

The people of St. Helens will welcome this addition with open arms. The substantial homes completed, and the character of improvements under way is criterion enough of the quality of the people living in this territory.

The city of the future depends very largely on the manner in which we of today build; we of today should build our town in such a manner that as we grow we will at all times know that our foundations are capable of accommodating an unlimited growth without costly changes in grades, streets and what not often found necessary in cities, the result of shortsightedness on the part of the founders.

A city should at all times keep its growth well within itself, to the end that permanent grades may be established, that improvements may be of uniform character and that the health of its people may be properly cared for.

These things can successfully be carried out only with the co-operation of all the people, the getting together of the interested parties: the exchanging and merging of ideas: in other words a united people with one purpose, the building of a city the heritage of which our posterity will be proud.

COMPETITION; A LOST WORD

What has become of the housewife's old friend "competition"? No more do we hear Mrs. Jones tell Mrs. Brown, "You can buy butter cheaper at Smiths." Of course you can buy cheaper butter at Smiths, "butter" "near Butter" and "far from butter." But the education along "same business" lines seems to have had the same effect as did civilization on the Indian. Statisticians are promising a further advance in the price of meat for the coming winter, this doesn't mean that Smith is going to raise the price, it means that every piece of meat sold to the American people will command a higher price.

And so it goes with everything else, we no sooner become accustomed to what is termed a "high level" in the price of a commodity, than the "price fixers" warn us of an impending rise in price. The fixed prices of commodities has robbed the American housewife of one of her most cherished prerogatives, when she goes to market she knows just how far her money will go and that no amount of bargaining will increase its purchasing power; however she still has "near butter" and "far from butter" to fall back on, for which we suppose she should be duly thankful.

The Directors of the St. Helens School District have emerged from a labyrinth of instructions and counter instructions with flying colors. The position of school director is an unenviable one at the best, and the successful manner in which these gentlemen have handled what seemed to be a hopeless tangle, is proof positive that much painstaking work has been done.

to be present, as does Dr. James Withycombe, director of the Oregon Experiment Station at Corvallis, and the Portland Commercial Club hopes to send a delegation.

When the gates of the State Fair swing open on September 11 for a four-day meet, visitors will find condition on the grounds vastly improved. A number of alterations that make for the comfort and convenience of visitors has been made. The camping grounds have been enlarged, the capacity of the stables has been doubled, the water system so improved that there is an abundance of water for all purposes, and the driveway from the railroad station to the entrance has been paved. This is the semi-centennial year of the State Fair and an unusually large attendance is expected.

SUNDAY SERVICES.—

Sunday school	9:45
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CITATION

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Columbia County

In the matter of the Estate of John D. Birdall, deceased.

To Alfred Ward Birdall, son and sole heir of John D. Birdall, deceased, and all other unknown, if any such there be, greeting.

In the name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby cited and required to appear in the County Court of the State of Oregon for Columbia County on Monday, the 2nd day of September, at one o'clock in the afternoon of said day, at the Court room of said County Court, in the Court house in the city of St. Helens, Columbia County, Oregon, then and there to show cause, if any there exist, why an order should not be made granting to E. E. Quinn, the administrator of said estate, permission and directing him to sell the real property of said deceased at public sale, said real property being located in Columbia County, Oregon, and described as follows to-wit:

Lot number twelve (12) in block number (2) and the lots or parcels of land, including Old lands, lying between the strand and the Columbia River, East and directly in front of lots numbered 4 and 5 in block number 11 in Columbia City, Columbia County, State of Oregon.

Witness the Hon. James Dart, Judge of the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Columbia County, with the seal of said Court attached this 30th day of August, 1911.

(S.E.) Attest: H. E. LaBarre, Clerk.

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