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POLK COUNTY HEADS LIST

More Prizes at Salem than Any County Wins

BEST STOCK IN OREGON HERE

Cattle, Sheep, Goats, Hogs and Horses Best to be Found in Pacific North West

There is an old saying that, "The proof of the pudding is the chewing of the string," which means that to be really good you must get it all and like it. Polk county went to Salem with her sheep, goats, cattle, and horses and comes home with the principal prizes of the fair. She has no entry in the county exhibits but covers herself with laurels by her individual returns. Even in bread making she wins first prize, in butter making she excels all competitors, in grains and grasses she takes first prize, and in the racing events she comes out with her full quota of winners. It is worth producing the Polk county individual winnings and we publish them this week. They are as follows:

Wm. Riddle & Sons first on Lincoln ewe under one year, on Lincoln flock, champion Lincoln ewe, on angora buck, buck one year old and under two, aged angora doe, doe one year old and under two, doe kid, angora flock, get of one sire, produce of one doe, breeders premium, champion buck and champion doe, and cotswoold aged ram; second on get of one sire, Lincolns, pen of lambs, aged angora buck, buck one year old and under two, aged angora doe, one year old and under two, doe kid, aged Cotswoold ram, ewe one year old and under two; third on Lincoln lamb, ram under one year, ewe under one year, buck under one year, Cotswoold ram one year old and under two, ewe one year old and under two and flock.

John B. Stump of Monmouth took thirteen first prizes out of a possible fourteen with his fine herd of cattle. The first were on his junior yearling bull Peer of Fair Acres, senior calf bull Noble Merchant of Fair Acres, junior bull calf Noble Mason of Fair Acres, two year old cow, Pauline Chrysanthemum, junior yearling cow Noble Mindette, senior heifer calf Noble Ruby of Fair Acres, junior heifer calf Pride of Fair Acres, young herd, calf herd, get of one sire, and the produce of one cow; second on junior bull calf Lord of Fair Acres, aged cow Pauline Le Comer, senior cow calf Welcome Lass Hoopa, junior heifer calf Noble's Nurse of Fair Acres and on calf herd; third on junior yearling heifer Peerless of Fair Acres.

Hawley & Sons of Mc Coy secured first on Lincoln ram one year old and under two, lamb ram under one year, get of one sire, pen of lambs, champion ram; second on ram lamb under one year, ewe one year old and under two, ewe under one year, and flock; third on ram one year old and under two.

Albert Teal of Falls city was awarded all the prizes on milch goats.

F. A. Koser of Rickreall secures first on champion Cotswoold ram, ram one year old and under two, ram lamb under one year, ewe under one year, get of one sire, pen of lambs and flock.

C. P. Hembree of Monmouth won first on his bull Rochett's Noble, which was awarded the senior champion bull prize, and the grand champion bull prize, second on the jersey yearling Rozel's Brightness and third on Owenoco Emmert junior yearling bull.

F. E. Lynn of Perrydale took first on his senior yearling jersey

Lucy West, which was also awarded the prize as the junior champion heifer, second on Zuluco of O. G. junior yearling. Third on Cowslip's Ashley, aged bull, and fourth on cow two years old and under three, senior yearling Marial's Awarda, junior yearling Jennie Wren of O. L. and Ashley's Grace junior calf.

W. O. Morrow of Independence took first prize on his jerseys as follows, Oxford You'll Do, senior yearling bull also awarded first as the champion junior bull and first on his aged herd; and on Pretty Rose of Kilburn, awarded senior champion and grand champion female, and first on Cleero's Oxford cow three year old and under four; second on two years and under three cow Golden Auly's of S. B. and third on La Croles Lettys Boy senior bull calf, Morrrows Select aged cow, also third on calf and the produce of one cow.

Burge & Evans of Rickreall took first with their Percherons on the one year old mare Frenchette and they won second on Henrietta's colt stallion under one year old, and third on Universe aged stallion.

Charles Black of Dallas secured first on the English Shire aged stallion Albion, who was declared senior champion and grand champion stallion.

W. R. Coulter of Monmouth got first on his pair of draft horses weighing between 2800 and 3500 pounds and third on Prince gelding or mare four years or over.

Guthrie Brothers of Dallas got second on angora buck under one year, flock and get of one sire, produce of one doe and breeders premium, third on aged buck, one year old and under two aged doe, doe one year old and under two and doe kid.

R. P. Dickinson was awarded second on his stallion, Sepulveda for thoroughbred.

G. G. Hewitt of Monmouth awarded third with his junior calf bull Golden Ferns Noble Jr.

Mrs. Wolf of Falls City, who formerly had charge of the Polk county blue ribbon exhibit at the state fair won first prize for the display of grasses and also on plate of red astrican apples.

Mrs. Sara Irvine of Independence won first on embroidery shirt waist, night dress, towels, corset cover, and pillow slips.

Polk county won first prizes on her exhibit of hogs and we are informed Thos. Brunk carried off most of these winnings this year.

At the state school exhibit Polk county won thirty prizes. Those winning and the school representing being:

Winnifred Bennett, Crowley, Ray Ground, Buena Vista, Rose Jennings, Perrydale, Helena Dielam, Smithfield, Helena Rumpel, Perrydale, Arthur Ziner, Spring Valley, Floyd Henry, Elkins, Frank Laughley, Elkins, Manley Coates, Oak Grove, David Rumpel, Perrydale, Mabel Wilson, Popcorn.

Blanch Gibson, Mountain View, Hazel Purcell, Mistletoe, Verna McKee, Cherry Grove, Lucile Keyt, Perrydale, Evangeline Jennings, Spring Valley.

Ruth Bennett, Crowley, May McDonald, Dallas, Teddy Ridgeway, Baell, Glen Lewis, Falls City, Meri Putnam, West Salem.

NEW FIRM IS FORMED

John R. Taylor has taken the interest of F. C. Schow in the Pantorium on C street and goes into the place at once to take an active interest in the business. John is one of the best hustlers in the city and we prophesy a growing business for the new firm of Johnson & Taylor. Mr. Schow will take a position with the Herzog gents furnishings and clothing house of this city, commencing about the 15th.

GOLD MEDAL BUTTER BEST

Independence Creamery is Winner at Fair

FIFTY SEVEN TRY TO WIN

More and Better Butter is Made in Independence than in any Creamery in Oregon

The Independence Creamery not only puts out the most butter of any creamery in Oregon but it puts out the best grade of butter. There were 57 entries at the state fair by the principal creameries this year and in open competition the Independence creamery took first prize on its butter.

Professor Farrington who was judge, deciding on the grades and awarding the prize winning contest is probably the best expert on butter in the United States. He is from Madison, Wisconsin, where he comes from the dairy school of that place. He was selected as an expert to make decisions at the fair in the dairy contests and chose the Independence butter as best, there being no labels on the butter to show what creamery made it, giving all the exhibitors an equal

chance to win.

he butter in the contest consisted of ten rolls wrapped in plain butter paper unmarked in any way. Besides the butter entered in competition the creamery at Independence had a sixty pound display for exhibition purposes which attracted a great deal of attention.

The Independence Creamery is making giant strides and during the last year has added several thousand dollars worth of new machinery displacing some of their machinery with larger machines and also adding all the latest improvements that go towards making a creamery a more paying institution. Cream is received at Independence from California, practically every county in Western Oregon and every train brings a truck load of cans for the creamery here. This creamery has been in existence since 1900 and has been increasing its capacity and floor room every year until now, any further improvement will probably require an additional building or the use of a second story to make it possible to take care of an increasing trade which every indication now seems to warrant the owners of the creamery to expect.

No industry pays more certain profit than dairying and more farmers are going into this business every year in the Willamette valley, and the creamery at Independence is continually helping them to get started in this business in every way possible.

WILL SAVE BIG PERCENT HOPS

Growers Getting Hops in Fast This Weather

FINISHING IN SOME YARDS

Less than 25 Percent of the Total Crop Around this City will be Lost Grain is Lost

It is now estimated that less than 25 per cent of the hops in Independence district will be lost. The growers are working over time gathering their crops in and as every day is making more and in yards every effort is being made to get through as soon as possible. Some of the yards will be through this coming week while others will be picking for probably two weeks more. Some yards have cut out small sections of their yards as they are going through, but as the wet weather seems to have affected all sections of the country as it has this, the general opinion is that the loss in crop will be offset by the returns in increased price.

The largest yards report but little mould and seem to think they will save most of their crop. Those yards that have not sprayed thoroughly are in the worst condition.

ble to save their crops most claim loss.

The continued rain followed by the hot weather sprouted much grain this week. Last week we were able to report practically no loss in grain or hops, but this week there is much more announced in both.

In the Wellsdale section some of the late oats will be saved but the wheat is practically all second grade if able to be saved at all. Mr. Carter states that he will probably be able to save his 100 acres of oats but that his wheat is practically lost; Simpson and Stump both report heavy loss in their grain and figure it will be fit mainly for feed now.

Some may endeavor to save their grain by drying in hop houses as soon as any of these get cleared of the hop crop so they can be used. Several farmers have bought grain to tide them over for the winter stating they did not expect to save enough to see them through.

NORMAL WILL OPEN MONDAY

Plan for Increased Attendance this Year

Under the new regime the Oregon Normal School will begin the second years work on Monday, September 16th. Many improvements have been added since the closing of the summer school in the way of rearranging the interior building with view of making it more convenient, as well as improving its appearance. New chairs have been ordered for the assembly room, and will be in place shortly after the opening of the term. They are adapted to the work of note-taking as well, so that when lectures may be given the students will have an opportunity of gathering their notes in the assembly. The faculty will meet in regular session on Saturday to arrange for all preliminaries for the opening on the following Monday. Two new members will be present, Miss Jessica Todd, of New Jersey, who takes Miss Louise Davis' place as critic in the fifth and sixth grades of the training school, and Miss Butler head of the Department of Domestic Science and Art.

From correspondence it is confidently expected that a large enrollment will mark the beginning of the year work. Some will not be able to enter the first week by reason of a delay in summer's work, etc., but arrangements will be made so that they will not lose but little in their school work proper for the first week.

The plans are almost ready for the beginning of the new dormitory, and while this will not be available the first part of the school year, the citizens of the town have most generously opened their homes so that all students will be well provided for in the meantime.

A new department has been added in the chair of Domestic Science and Art, and Miss Myra H. Butler, of Cheney, Washington, has been secured for this place. Miss Butler has had much experience in this line and comes most highly recommended for this special work.

HARRY LANE IS COMING

Dr. Harry Lane, ex-mayor of Portland and candidate for the United States Senate from Oregon on the democratic ticket will be in Independence Saturday, September 14, to address the people of this place on the political issues of the day.

FINE SHEEP ARE SHIPPED OUT

Smythe Brothers of Pendleton Get Them

ARE PRIZE WINNER BUCKS

About 500 Head of Cotswoold Rams Shipped to Heppner, Arlington, and Pendleton

That Polk county raises the best sheep in the Northwest is a self evident fact. Not only do they carry off the prizes at the state fair but they send to other sections of the country fine bucks to be used in improving the large herds of the Eastern Oregon and Idaho wool men.

This week Smythe Brothers of Pendleton came into this county and took approximately 500 head of sheep from Independence and McCoy. Dan Smythe, one of the Smythe Brothers, was secretary of the Oregon Wool Growers Association for several years, is a prominent Eastern Oregon man, and a man who keeps in close touch with the sheep industry and knows good bucks when he sees them.

For a number of years this firm has been purchasing all the bucks they could secure from Riddell, Stump and Hawley and have then placed them with their own herds and the herds of prominent Eastern Oregon growers. This year both of the Smythe Brothers were down, Dan going into Corvallis to secure a small bunch there, and the older brother stopping here to get those of John B. Stump, I. M. Simpson, Riddell Bros, Mr. Lavec and Mr. Alexander, aggregating about 200 head of fine sheep. From here they went to McCoy where Hawley had assembled about 250 head of sheep for them. These bucks are all Cotswoold and most of them are registered stock or capable of being registered, there being about 20 head of grade sheep in the whole band.

They are young stock most of them being lambed in April and being extra stock, sell at fancy prices. While the quantity a farmer of this section can raise is limited a great sheep industry is possible by the collective work of the different farmers in this county working together and raising small herds, because there is a ready market for every buck raised as soon as it gets large enough to deliver and the sheep men on the large ranges have their orders in a year ahead for the coming years supply, keeping the market a live one every day of the year.

Dr. Lane is a man of strong personality and following and will be a formidable candidate for the November election to succeed Senator Jonathon Bourne. His opponent is Ben Selling, a man who has been generally known as a Progressive Republican, and who was nominated this spring by the republican party of the state over the present incumbent, Jonathon Bourne.

Oscar Haytor, of Dallas, is the Chairman of the Democratic county central committee, and was in Independence Tuesday making arrangements with the democrats here for the meeting Saturday at the Opera House.

Mr. Haytor will act as chairman of the meeting, introducing the speaker and making an address of short duration.

Ex-Senator Milton A. Miller accompanies Dr. Lane on this trip and will be in Independence with him. Arrangements were made to have the brass band out and a regular old fashioned political meeting is promised. The democratic wheel horses will be there.

The Butter that Wins First Prize over All Makes in Oregon



Receiving Cream in the Independence Creamery

HOP HOUSE CAUGHT FIRE

Walker Brothers came near sustaining a heavy loss Wednesday forenoon in their hophouse. A fire started from the sparks from the smoke stack, catching on the roof of the house and the blaze started towards the cupola when the fire was discovered by the fireman. He climbed up on the roof and with the assistance of others put the fire out. There were four dry houses, two cooling rooms and other buildings near that would have been lost if the fire had got away from them. There was a dry kiln of hops on at the time.

Indications are that Independence will ship more hops this year than all other sections of the state combined. The big warehouse has been cleared of everything and put in readiness to receive the crop. Already five or six crops are commencing

A CASE IS REVERSED

Dallas Observer

Reversing the decision of the Polk County Circuit court, in the action brought on by Jesse T. Irvine, et al, respondent vs. Temperance Beck, appellant, the supreme court has decided that Temperance Beck have and secure judgement against the administrator of the estate of Nancy Brouse, the sum of \$578, and cost taxed at \$86.90 additional. This case has been on the docket for some time and has attracted considerable attention.

In another column of this paper Mrs. M. W. Wallace announces her fall and winter opening of street and dress hats for Saturday afternoon and evening. The ladies are welcome.

DIVIDEND IS DECLARED

September 4, the stockholders of the Independence National Bank held their semi-annual meeting. They declared their usual six percent semi-annual dividend. Their resources for the date September 4, showed a total of \$426,852.33, of which the cash on hand and in banks totaled \$169,531.23. Cashier De Armond in reporting the matter to the editor of the Monitor stated they had paid \$105,000 in dividends to their stockholders since their organization in 1889. This report speaks well for this community and shows there is an abundance of wealth in the territory tributary. It is often stated that the business of a community can be gauged by the stability and strength of its banks.

While some report it is possi-