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THE MEETING OF WOOL MEN

Important Matters Are to Be Discussed--The Live Stock Show.

The official call for the third annual convention of the Malheur-Harney Counties Wool Growers Association, to be held in Ontario on December 15, has been sent out by Elwood L. Clark, secretary of the association.

The call states that the citizens of Ontario are preparing to treat them royally and urges all to be present.

Interest in the meeting is growing and the indications are that the meeting will be the most representative ever held by the association.

George McKnight.

Anyone who has ever met Mr. McKnight knows he is always good for a story, and he is naturally a great favorite with the newspaper boys.

Mr. McKnight was in the city the first of the week to consult with the committees having in charge the meeting of the wool growers to be held in Ontario on Dec. 15, and he had many valuable suggestions to offer.

He was quite enthusiastic over the stock show feature to be held at that time, and said it should be made a permanent one, as nothing could promote the welfare of stock growers more than the holding of fairs where the different animals could be shown and inspected, the good points thus brought out and a general upbuilding of the herds is sure to follow.

The sheep industry is his strong suit, and he stated that Malheur county stands first as a sheep county, having about

450,000 head, and Harney about half as many, making 675,000 head in this district, and this does not take into account the many thousand head driven in to these counties from Idaho and Nevada, contrary to the license and quarantine laws.

These sheep averaged about eight pounds of wool each and the total wool product was over 5,000,000 pounds, which sold at an average price of 20 cents per pound, bringing over \$1,000,000 to the two counties.

These two counties are unique in being practically the only ones where the ranges are on the public domain.

The rate question is being threshed out and a decision is expected before the meeting. At present the rate from Portland is \$1.00, while from Ontario it is \$2.13 per hundred. This is an unjust discrimination and will probably be righted.

There are over 150 wool growers in the district, and they will be well represented at the meeting here.

Live Stock Show.

The citizens of Ontario are meeting with the hearty co-operation of the stockmen of the district and such well known firms as the Butterfield Live Stock Company, of Weiser, and Charles Thebo, of Vale, have promised to bring some of their best show animals.

The chicken show will be well worth a visit, many fine birds will be on exhibition from the best yards in this section.

Local News.

Use Wilson & Duffy's Rational Cold Cure.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Forth, of Pendleton, are visiting their daughter Mrs. J. E. Sharp.

Would it not be a good thing to have signs placed at the corners giving the names of the streets, for the guidance of the visitors and residents?

The great prescription No. 1, for coughs, at Wilson-Duffy Drug Co.

Married--At Weiser, Thanksgiving day, Bert Wann to Miss Francis Morrow. Both young people are well known in Ontario and the usual congratulations are extended for a prosperous married life.

Rider Bros. & Lampkin's display advertisement appears on the second page of this issue. Read it.

Mrs. Sarah McCarthy left for her home in Nebraska on Wednesday after a delightful visit with her daughters, Mrs. Ward Canfield and Mrs. John Landingham.

Henry Bier had the old creamery building on Main street, moved to his property in the northern part of the city and will use the same for a barn.

A woman in Nampa, Idaho, left her husband because he threw eggs at her. That would be going some where hen-fruits is worth 40 cents a dozen. But Ontario husbands don't throw eggs--they throw bricks.

Local News.

Jewelry, the ideal Christmas gift. C. C. Payne carries the largest and most select in this section.

Dr. H. T. Hoople has left for New York. He will take a post-graduate course in surgery before he again returns to the west.

A big cut on all men's, ladies', boys', misses' and children's shoes. Come and get shod. R. L. Griffin.

Geo. Vanderhoof wants a Hamburg rooster and wants the bird at once. Let him know if you have such a fowl, as he has the price.

The Misses Jessie and Maud Hicks, who are attending school here, were summoned to Elko, Nev., Tuesday on account of the dangerous illness of their father, Harry Hicks, who is well known in Ontario.

The K. S. & D. and Keisel ranches have been leased to the Utah-Idaho Sugar Company for a period of five years. These ranches comprise about 2,000 acres, forty acres of which is in orchard. The land will be used to raise beets, alfalfa and grain.

Oregon apples won the grand prize at the National Apple show at Spokane in competition with apples from all over the United States. Oregon apples take the lead in the markets of the world and the supply is far below the demand. The soil and climate of the Snake river valley is just right for apples growing.

Water Contracts.

The Kingman colony water district held a meeting Tuesday to go over the preliminaries necessary to have everything in shape to form the district and will be in Vale Monday to carry the district organization to a success. They have retained Attorney Brooke to see that the legal part is properly complied with.

All the dry lands in the district have been signed up.

The local committee are still working to secure signatures of the few who have not signed up, and are meeting with success. From all they can learn the road lands will be signed up soon as some red tape can be unwound. The lands are owned in France, but it is thought that the New York agents will be able to sign the contracts without submitting them to the owners.

Many who are under some of the present ditches are realizing that the drainage feature of the proposed district organization is of great importance to them and will be worth more to them than the cost of the water and drainage under the district plan.

Many will be at Vale Monday. When a tile factory is established at Ontario and tiling placed in the market at a reasonable price thousands of acres of lands in this district will be drained.

New Plymouth.

From our Staff Correspondent.

A. M. Jordan has moved to New Plymouth and taken a position with the Hinchliff cheese factory, taking the place vacated by J. W. Johnson, who has gone to Alberta, Canada.

Practically the whole bench from Ontario to New Plymouth is being set to fruit trees and berries. Several hundred acres were set to trees last season and many more will be added the coming season. The New Plymouth Land Company has ordered 12,000 trees for spring planting. They set out 60 acres this fall.

The new bank building is nearing completion and will be a credit to the city.

New Plymouth schools have 215 children enrolled, with Prof. C. A. Strong as principal, Miss Ruby Smith seventh and eighth grades, Miss May Miller fifth and sixth, Miss Ethel Ensign third and fourth, Miss Stefiel first and second and Miss Maggie Mason in charge of the outside school.

Range Good.

The showery weather of the past few weeks has caused a good growth of grass on the ranges and a few more weeks of this open weather will enable the sheep and cattle men to get through the winter months with little feeding.

Dead Ox Flat.

The Malheur Irrigation Company are arranging to make a thorough test of the under flow on the Malheur river above the bed rock, with a view of supplementing the natural flow for supplying lands on Dead Ox Flat.

The Willow Creek system is to be completed in the near future if satisfactory contracts can be made with the land owners.

The present officers of the company are J. B. Moss, president First National Bank of Payette, C. E. Leonard, president New Plymouth Land and Colonization Company of Payette, and Peter Pence, vice president, with a strong board of directors.

The Stock Business

John Robertson finally got cars and left for Omaha with a train load, and the same day F. B. Ball shipped cars to Tacoma, Seattle and Portland.

R. H. DeArmond made a shipment to Portland Monday.

Baker Ball is feeding an exceptionally fine lot of bulls. Mr. Ball has under consideration a proposition from Dick DeArmond for an interest in the bulls. In case the deal goes through Dick agrees to break the bulls and work them on the Brogan railroad grade. If any of the animals refuse to work they will be turned over to the camp butcher.

SAYS HE IS AN ANARCHIST

Colonel Wood So Designates Himself in a Speech at Portland.

The Portland Evening Telegram says that Col. C. E. S. Wood, while defending the rights of free speech, which he declares is menaced by the action of the Spokane authorities toward the members of the Socialistic I. W. W., imprisoned for an alleged effort to cause a riot. Qualifying his advice by advocating the use of brains and the ballot instead of the bomb and revolver, he urged his hearers to fight for the Spokane Socialists and the principles which they hold dear.

"The streets are primarily for traffic, says Col. Wood, "but if traffic is not impeded the people have as much right to talk in them as to walk in them."

Saying there is always a time when great reformers stand alone, he added that he wished the pulpits preached freedom instead of morality, "for there is no morality except freedom, and through freedom comes the elevation of the human race." In closing his speech Mr. Wood said:

"I work with the democratic party because it is nearer my ideals than others. Yet that party would be the first to deny to me the title of democrat. I don't want it. I am an Anarchist. That is my ideal. I believe in the anarchistic theory that land should be held only by those who use and possess it, and so I work with the single-taxers."

Atherton-Wann.

Mr. Roger Atherton and Miss Nellie Wann were united in marriage Thanksgiving day in Ontario.

The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Atherton and is a young man of sterling worth, and the bride is one of Ontario's sweetest young ladies, beloved by a large circle of acquaintances.

The many friends of the happy couple wish them bon voyage as they journey through life as one, and that their path of happiness will be garlanded with roses of the choicest hue.

Well Known Play--9th.

"In Wyoming," one of the finest productions of the present day will be seen here at the Opera House Thursday, December 9th. Perhaps not since

"The Virginian" has the stage been offered a hero at once so human, so manly and so irresistible as Mr. Mack's Bob Rickards. The glorified cowboy has appeared in fiction and stage again and again with his sombrero and his wild antics with a six shooter. The thing about Mr. Mack's cowboy that has appealed so forcefully is that he is real. He is a man. He does some things that society does not sanction as proper, but his instincts are sound, his heart is big, he is generous and honorable, and a man to be trusted with a woman. He has lived the wild, elemental life of his kind, but he knows and loves the better way when he sees it.

35-Acre Apple Orchard.

E. J. VanCourt is preparing to set out thirty-five acres to winter apples. He has selected the Rome Beauty, Jonathan and winter banana varieties.

His place is about three miles west of Ontario.

Mr. VanCourt believes this section can produce as good apples as the Rogue and Hood River valleys.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior, United States Land Office at Burns, Oregon, Nov. 29, 1909.

Notice is hereby given that Arthur E. Dadds, of Weiser, Idaho, who, on December 31 1904, made homestead entry No. 2988, Serial No. 01851, for SW 1/4, Sec. 30, T. 16 S., R. 47 E., W. M., has filed notice of intention to make Final Five Year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before G. L. King, U. S. Commissioner, at his office at Ontario, Oregon, on the 12th day of January, 1910.

Claimant names as witnesses: Benjamin Joseph, John Green, Frank Underwood, Corlella D. East, all of Weiser, Idaho.

Wm. FARRIS, Register.

Public Sale.

W. T. Moody will sell at public auction next

Wednesday, Dec. 8, Commencing at 10 o'clock sharp

At his farm 2 miles west and 14 miles south of Ontario, the following described property:

14 head of work horses, 1 span filly, coming 8 years old, weight 2600 pounds; 1 span black mare, 8 years old, weight 2400 pounds; 1 bay horse, 8 years old, weight 1200 pounds; 1 sorrel mare, 13 years old, weight 1100; 1 gray mare, 6 years old, weight 1000; 1 iron gray gelding, coming 3 year old, weight 1100; 1 bay horse colt, coming 2 years old; 1 dark gray filly, coming two year old; 1 pair black mare colts, 6 months old; 1 sorrel filly, 3 years old, weight 950 pounds; 1 saddle pony; 1 Jersey cow, 3 years old; 2 fat hogs; 100 Plymouth Rock chickens.

Farm Implements.

Three sets good work harness, 1 single harness nearly new, 2 good saddles and bridles, 1 two-seated buggy and 1 single buggy, 2 hay wagons and one sulky plow, 1 Deering mower nearly new, 1 hay rake, one two-section steel harrow, one spring tooth harrow, one slip scraper, 1 large 30-gallon iron kettle, 1 pair standard scales capacity 8000 pounds, one tent 12x14, 3 large watering troughs for cattle.

Household Goods.

One \$400 piano almost new, 1 New Home sewing machine good as new, 1 New Home Comfort steel range, and other articles too numerous to mention.

TERMS--All sums of \$10 and under, cash; all sums over \$10, a credit will be given of twelve months, purchaser giving note with approved security, bearing 8 per cent interest 3 per cent discount for cash on purchase over \$10.

Free Lunch at noon.

W. T. MOODY, Prop.

Notice for Publication.

Department of the Interior, United States Land Office at Burns, Oregon, Nov. 29, 1909.

Notice is hereby given that Norwood O. White of Weiser, Idaho, who, on Dec. 30, 1904, made homestead entry No. 2822, Serial No. 01848, for NE 1/4, section 30, township 16 south, range 47 east, Williams meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Five Year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before G. L. King, U. S. Commissioner, at his office at Ontario, Oregon, on the 12th day of January, 1910.

Claimant names as witnesses: Benjamin Joseph, John Green, Jasper Burns, Corlella D. East, all of Weiser, Idaho.

Wm. FARRIS, Register.

Blue Prints of any Township in the Burns Land District, showing names of entrymen, kinds of entry, dates, etc., and topography. Price \$1.00. J. C. Turney, Burns, Oregon.

Fatal Shooting Affray at Jordan Valley.

A telephone message was received Thursday evening stating that a shooting affray had occurred at Jordan Valley in which Frank Clark was fatally shot by Lewis Franklin.

From what the Argus can glean Clark had been drinking and talking and when he saw Franklin coming from the hotel dining room to the office, drew

his gun and shot at him, the bullet grazing his chest.

Franklin immediately drew a gun and shot, the bullet hitting Clark in the neck, death ensuing in a short time.

Coroner Payne, District Attorney McCulloch and Sheriff Odell were notified and an auto engaged for the trip. The coroner deputized Robt. vanGilse,

of Nyssa, Attorney Bacon, representing the district attorney, and Sheriff Odell started for the scene of the trouble at once.

Frank Clark has been a resident of that section for about 20 years and was considered a quiet man, except when drinking.

Lewis Franklin has been a resident of the place only a few months and was not drinking.

Local News.

Use Wilson & Duffy's Rational Cold Cure.

J. E. Burke has decided to move to Caldwell.

Three pound cotton bats for 75 cents at R. L. Griffith's.

See G. A. Candland's two big advertisements in this issue.

Pickard's hand painted, the world's best, at C. C. Payne's.

A. N. Solis was in Mountain Home this week trying a case.

Ladies' suits and dresses 25 per cent off at R. L. Griffith's.

We have trunks, suit cases and telescopes on sale here. R. L. Griffin.

F. A. Kime, of Westfall, was in Ontario Thursday on his way to Baker City.

Fred Stewart and C. R. Hamilton have gone to Westfall with some Suffolk stallions.

Hot coffee and sandwiches served at the Bakery from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. each day.

G. Miller and family, of Medford, have been in the city this week looking up a location.

The latest in bags, combs, collar pins and neck wear received this week by Rader Brothers & Lampkin.

Miss May Graff, of Payette, was in Ontario several days this week straightening up the books in the telephone office.

The Artisans have had canvassers in the field for several days and initiated twenty candidates on Tuesday evening.

Local News.

Wilson-Duffy Co. for all kinds of drugs.

Mayor Pogue, and wife, have returned from Wisdom, Mont., where they visited their daughter, Mrs. Homer Utley.

J. J. Diess, the real estate man, this week sold to Mr. Nichols the Lemon dwelling and two lots on Virtue street.

The delightful western play In Wyoming is in Salt Lake this week. They will be at the Ontario opera house on the 9th.

The roads in this section are in good condition for autos, while in most sections machines have been laid up for the winter.

O. H. Elphick, formerly of Caldwell, has taken a position with the Empire Lumber Company and moved his family here.

Mrs. Wm. Hartley of Weiser spent Thanksgiving day in Ontario, the guest of her daughter, Mrs. D. H. Kerfoot.

R. J. Stone and wife are visiting in the city, the guests of Mrs. Stone's mother, Mrs. Henry Bier. "Jodie" has been located at Spokane for some time, but is thinking of again locating here.

T. A. Sullivan is again in Ontario registering at the Carter House from Cork, Ireland. Ted is Irish all right, but he has never been across the Channel or kissed the Blarney Stone. He spent Thanksgiving day in Baker City with a thousand bachelor friends.

Telephone to Burns.

The telephone line to Burns was completed on Thursday last and the first messages over the wires were received by J. R. Blackaby and Ed Fraser, who congratulated the people of Burns on the improvement and predicted it would not be long before a railroad would connect these thriving business centers.

Heretofore it was necessary to send messages around by Baker and Prairie cities and the toll was so high that little business was transacted.

The new new line will cement more closely the business and social life of the two cities.

New Train Service.

The O. S. L. announce that a new train will be placed on the run between Huntington and Boise Sunday and the pony will run to Huntington. This will give an east and west train in the morning and evening and be a great improvement in the service.

The new train will leave Huntington at 7:30 a. m. and return at 8:45 p. m.

Adjustment of Rates.

Conferences have recently been held by the management of the Portland stockyards and representative stockmen with the railroad officials looking to an adjustment of rates. Stock shippers should also get together and regulate shipments, to keep the supply equal to the demand and avoid a congested market.