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## KING CORN IS MARRIED TO QUEEN ALFALFA

### TOTAL VOTES CAST FOR CANDIDATES

The Amendments Snowed Under by Voters.

### ONLY TWO OUT OF 29 CARRY

For U. S. Senator: R. A. Booth, 1556; George E. Chamberlain, 1985; Wm. Hanley, 886.  
For Congress: N. J. Sinnott, 1965; Sam Evans, 1169; G. S. Cleaver, 1022.  
For Governor: James Withycombe, 2271; C. J. Smith, 1688.

REPRESENTATIVE VOTES  
W. F. Homan 1849  
Frank Davey 1803  
In Harney County Davey's majority was 575 votes.  
J. Edwin Johnson 452

SHERIFF  
Ben Brown 2566  
Robert Odell 2229

CLERK  
C. O. Gilham 1620  
J. P. Houston 2724

TREASURER  
D. P. Dearborn 1810  
J. R. Weaver 2394

COUNTY SURVEYOR  
B. F. Farmer 2093  
J. F. Miller 1923

COMMISSIONER  
E. H. Brumback 2011  
M. O. Kelley 2063

CORONER  
R. O. Payne 3206

COUNTY SEAT QUESTION  
Ontario Yes, 2359  
Ontario No, 2636

COUNTY DIVISION  
Yes 1242  
No 2946

BRIDGE BOND  
Yes 2618  
No 1285

PROHIBITION  
Yes 2410  
No 1749

### ELECTION AFTERMATH:

James D. Phelan, democratic aspirant to the United States senate, was elected in California.  
Phoenix.—Five thousand was the margin by which Arizona banished liquor from the state.  
Topeka.—Charles Curtis, republican, is going back to the United States senate from Kansas, after an absence of two years, to succeed Senator Brewster.  
Miss Marian Towne, of Talent, Jackson county, will be first woman member of legislature in Oregon. She is a democrat.  
The republicans will have two-thirds majorities in both houses of the 1915 Washington legislature.  
Complete Utah returns give Senator Smoot, republican, a majority of 2727 over James H. Moyle, fusion.  
Returns from every county show that prohibition has carried Oregon by at least 25,000, with each county voting itself into the dry column.  
Seattle, Tacoma and Olympia were the only cities of importance in Washington to go wet. Spokane, Bellingham, Walla Walla, North Yakima and Everett all went for prohibition.  
Lawrence Y. Sherman, republican, was re-elected from Illinois to the United States senate, defeating Roger C. Sullivan, his democratic opponent, by 17,030 votes.  
The prohibition majority in Washington probably will be about 14,000, and the plurality of United States Senator W. L. Jones, republican, over William W. Black, democrat, probably will reach 45,000. Ole Hanson, progressive, is a close third to Black.  
Only three of the 29 initiative measures on the ballot in Oregon carried. These were the measure providing that voters must be full-fledged citizens, statewide prohibition and the measure providing a means for the consolidation of cities and towns.

### ROBBERS ENTER THE GOLDEN RULE STORE

Money and Goods Are Missing Since Then.

### ONE MAN ARRESTED WITH SUIT

The Golden Rule store was robbed some time this morning of some money and other things.  
Entrance was effected by breaking a window in the rear of the store and when the force arrived this morning it was found that the cash register had been rifled of the change left in it and a suit of clothing was also missed.  
A store at Weiser and another at Baker was also robbed.  
This afternoon officer Noe found a hobo with a suit on under his outside suit and it was recognized by Mr. Barnett as having been taken from him, but it was not the one missed. It is thought there were others in the deal and these will probably be picked up. Night officer, Burgess did not go home until nearly six this morning and the theft was committed after that.

### RUSSIANS CROSSING PRUSSIAN FRONTIER

Petrograd.—The official statement issued from general headquarters says: "On the Eastern Prussian frontier our troops have dislodged the Germans from the region of Wirballen, which was strongly fortified, and have progressed as far as Stalluponen (15 miles east-northeast of Gumbien). In the region of Rominten forest and Lyck our troops continue to press on the heels of the rear guards of the enemy.  
On the left bank of the Vistula our cavalry has penetrated German territory, damaging the railway near Plechacz station, to the northwest of Kallisz.  
"In Galicia our troops are continuing their offensive movement. In the latest engagements on the San River we captured 125 officers and 12,000 soldiers, as well as rapid-firers and munitions of war. South of Przemysl, on November 6, we took more than 1000 prisoners."  
The rapidity of the movement on the battlefields in Poland has been unequalled since the days of Napoleon. Deducting the time spent in actual fighting the Russian pursuit has been pressed for more than a week at a rate averaging 14 miles a day over the Polish roads, which are heavy after the rainy season.

Death Penalty Wins in Oregon.  
Portland.—Returns on the amendment to prohibit the execution of the death penalty in Oregon indicate defeat of the measure. The majority as it now stands against the bill is 1067.

### BERLIN COUNTS ON VICTORY

3,000,000 Germans and Austrians Reported Ready to Crush Enemy.  
London.—It is asserted in Berlin that Germany and Austria-Hungary now have concentrated about 3,000,000 soldiers on the line from Thorn to Krakow, and this is considered sufficient to crush the Russian forces." says a dispatch from Copenhagen to the Times. The message continues: "Military authorities declare that the result of the coming battle is not in doubt and that the Russian army will be completely destroyed. They explain that it is necessary to allow the Russians to advance to the frontier, in order to prevent them from making a good retreat after their defeat."  
The present retirement of the Germans is necessary, they say, in order to have the railways immediately behind the army for the approaching main battle."

### The Pomona Grange Corn Carnival the Best Ever Held in the West.

Rigby, Davis, Holladay and McKnight only Vale Exhibitors, take no Prizes.

### Big Bend Carries off the Sweepstakes With 121.68 Bushel Yield.

Prof. French, of the Oregon Agricultural College, says it was the greatest corn show ever held in the west, the prizes given by the Ontario Commercial Club the most liberal ever offered for a County exhibit.  
A. G. Kingman, of the Pomona Grange, said: We are more than pleased with the success of the Carnival and realize it will greatly increase the acreage and yield of the county.  
O. D. Centre, the Illinois corn expert, who judged the corn, said: This Carnival has demonstrated that this valley can produce as good corn and as much of it as any other section.  
Mr. Tobias, the corn breeder who was awarded the \$1000 trophy at the Dallas, Texas, corn show, was an interested spectator and gave talks on selection of seed. He has promised us an article for next week.  
E. C. Roberts, president of the Oregon State Board of Horticulture, was here. He said he had often dreamed of an earthly paradise, but the Snake river valley was beyond his fondest dream. Your fruit, alfalfa and corn form the greatest money making combination in the world.  
J. H. Wolf, the Nyssa banker, says he is interested in everything that will make money for his depositors and corn is king, when used with alfalfa.

Prof. Jas W. Jones, director of exhibits for Idaho at the Panama exhibition, made a continuous talk on the excellent quality of the corn exhibited. He also gave a short talk at Dreamland.  
H. A. Ireland, farm adviser of Canyon County, was surprised at the showing made.  
Lou S. Smith, of the O. W. R. & N. Company, made a talk at Dreamland and urged the corn growers to make an exhibit at the Walla Walla show, assuring them that there is nothing better in the Northwest than was shown here.  
Mr. Meacham, who has charge of the Eastern Oregon exhibit at the Panama exhibition, was here arranging for an exhibit to be taken to San Francisco. He met with the county commissioners and the county will be represented.  
Prof. Petrie was here from Boise and assisted the judges.  
W. R. Shinn, considered the results attained remarkable. Another season more care will be exercised in the selection of seed and care of the crop. Varieties will be introduced suited to other sections of the county.  
A. G. Kingman said the Pomona Grange was more than pleased with the showing.

The above remarks are quoted simply to show how many prominent men were here to see the show and now it appealed to men who have spent years in the business.  
The first corn carnival held in the county has proven a great success and the members of the Grange who promoted it and the Ontario Commercial Club which furnished the money for the very liberal prizes are both to be congratulated.  
It is agreed that the fair will stimulate interest in the growing of corn in this valley that the acreage and yield will be greatly increased and the combination of alfalfa and corn, with cows and hogs will make this the wealthiest valley in the west. The fruit is an excellent side crop, but must have something else to help out on off seasons and the above combination will never fail to make good money to anyone raising them.  
The exhibition hall was well filled with the two bushelsamples and there was an interested crowd during the entire two days of the fair.  
In addition to the contenders for the district prizes, Fred Pillsbury had samples of his pop corn there. It is the white pearl variety and produces about 87 bushels to the acre.  
Clyde Beam, Fred and Ralph Conant, of Nyssa, took the prizes offered by the Nyssa business men for the best exhibit by the boys from that district.  
The two largest prizes for the Cairo district went to young boys and the third to a man who came here last fall from Nebraska.  
Most of the prize winners grew Iowa Silver Mine, white corn, and for a yellow corn Pride of the North seemed to be the best suited for this district.  
The home grown seed is worth far more to those who contemplate planting next season than any that can be imported.  
The fields from which the corn was taken aggregate 375 acres and there are no doubt many other growers in the county who could have made a creditable showing if they had brought in their best. To compete for the district prizes required ten entries and that kept some out, probably the Brogan and Snake River districts and there were several that wished to come in from Payette, but they could not get the required number.  
Another year boys corn clubs will be organized in as many school districts as possible and special prizes will be hung up so that all may compete.  
Harry Lewis was over from the Bench and said that his boy had taught him a good lesson this season in corn growing. He had ten loads of manure hauled onto the ground he planted and his yield was 80 bushels, while on similar ground, without manure, the yield was only 30 bushels.  
A. E. Gipson, of the Gem State Rural of Caldwell, was here and expressed himself as well pleased with the corn exhibited.  
John Rigby, Geo. E. Davis, Thomas Halliday and George McKnight were the only Vale exhibitors at the Pomona corn show this week. They took no prizes.  
A few years ago when A. E. Brown was reported to have grown fifty bushels from a half acre of corn on his place (Continued on page 2.)

### THE COUNTY BUDGET FOR YEARS EXPENSES

County Judge Wants \$1,000 For Automobile.

### WILL TAXPAYERS STAND FOR IT

The following budget has been prepared by the county court:  
County court and commissioners: Salaries of judge and commissioners \$2800, supplies and travelling expenses \$1300, total \$4100.  
Automobile for county judge \$1000.  
Circuit court, three terms, \$7000.  
Justice courts, \$1000.  
Sheriff's office, travelling expense \$1000, transportation of prisoners \$1500 salaries \$4300, office expense and supplies \$500, total \$7300.  
Assessors office, salaries \$6000, supplies, \$500, total \$6500.  
School superintendent, salary \$1000, assistant, \$500, traveling expenses and supplies, \$500, total \$2000.  
Clerk's office, salaries \$4740, supplies \$760; total \$5500.  
Treasurer's office, salary \$2700, supplies \$300, total \$3200.  
School trustee officer, salary and expense, \$300.  
County sealer of weights and measures, salary and expense, \$1000.  
Agricultural advisor, \$1500  
County veterinarian, salary and expense, \$500.  
Widows pension, \$2500.  
Court house, office furniture and improvements, \$1000.  
Current expense, lights, fuel, water, telephone, janitor, \$2500.  
Big Bend bridge, interest on bonds, \$1800.  
Stock inspector, \$300.  
County physician, \$300.  
County jail, board of prisoners and improvements, \$2000.  
Water master, \$2000.  
Care of poor, \$8000.  
Insane, \$200.  
Fruit inspector, \$2000  
Coyote scalp bounty, \$5000.  
Bounty on rabbits, \$25000.  
Experimental and poor farm as petitioned for by 1300 petitioners to buy 40 acres at \$200 per acre, described as follows: S. 1 of S. 1 of N. E. 1 Sec. 36 T. 19 R. 46, and one and one half miles from Nyssa, Ore., 40 acres, \$8000, building and equipment, \$7000, total, \$15000.  
For exhibit at Panama Exposition, \$1500.  
Road districts, \$20,000.00, Harper bridge, \$5000, general road fund balance \$15,000.00.  
Receipts other than by direct taxation, clerks fees, \$6000, sheriff's fees, \$300, interest on county money, \$800, circuit court fines, \$2000, total \$9100.

### CALIFORNIA SHAKEN BY EARTHQUAKE

San Francisco.—A week of exceptionally warm, clear weather was followed here Sunday by an almost imperceptible earthquake. Open doors in downtown buildings swung slightly.  
The disturbance was felt by the trans-bay region, including Oakland, Alameda and Berkeley, and at San Jose, 50 miles down the peninsula.  
According to Professor Charles Burkhalter, in charge of the Chapot Observatory of the University of California, at Berkeley, the disturbance was local in character and was what is known as a "number four" earthquake, which is a minor one.  
Los Angeles.—A slow, trembling earthquake shock rattled houses and windows here at about 3:40 P. M. Sunday. It caused several persons to telephone the police that their safes had been blown.  
Many persons living in lightly-constructed bungalows described the vibration as rolling and of sufficient force to cause closed doors to spring open and nicely balanced objects to topple over.

### COMMERCIAL CLUB IN SPECIAL SESSION

The Recent Campaign Discussed by Members

### MISREPRESENTATIONS UNFAIR

There was a special meeting of the Commercial Club on Friday evening, called for the purpose of completing arrangements for the Corn Carnival.  
Mr. Doolittle explained the plans of the committee having the Corn Carnival in hand and stated that it would require about five hundred dollars for expenses.  
Mr. Bailey gave more details of the amusement features provided by the club.  
Others spoke of the work the members of the Grange had been looking after and the yields of over a hundred bushels of dry corn produced by several of the growers who would exhibit here.  
Donations to meet the expenses were called for and in a few minutes the amount was raised.  
Committees were appointed to look after some of the detail work of the Carnival.  
The question of county seat removal was discussed and all were of the opinion that Ontario had done well in the preliminary skirmish we had recently for the removal.  
It was brought out that Vale had more men working in Jordan Valley precinct alone, than Ontario had in the whole county and it was also shown how some thirty thousand dollars was put in circulation by the Vale boosters. The results in the several precincts were discussed and the methods used, showing what friends had sent in accurate information of conditions.  
Much time was devoted to a discussion of what was best to be done with the thirty thousand dollars raised by bond sale for the new Court House. The bonds were voted with the provision that the money was to be used for a court house, if the voters favored the removal of the county seat to Ontario, so that it will be necessary to have another vote to determine this point. A number of those present advised the erection of the building at once, while others favored the cancellation of the bonds and action looking to a water system or the building of some industrial plants, with the belief that it would be better to vote the bonds some six months before the next election and have the building ready for the officers when the vote is determined.  
It was also suggested that committees be appointed to have charge of the matter, keeping it constantly before the public so they will be thoroughly familiar with all the features when it is presented to them again.  
The question will be brought up again at the next meeting of the club and definite action taken.

### Regional Banks Will Open.

Washington.—On November 16, the 12 federal reserve banks located by the organization in New York, Chicago, Philadelphia, Boston, St. Louis, Richmond, San Francisco, Cleveland, Kansas City, Minneapolis, Atlanta and Dallas will be established.  
At the same time the new reserve requirements for national banks, as prescribed by the law, will become effective, thus releasing, according to Secretary McAdoo, more than \$400,000,000 of reserve money and increasing the credit facilities of the banks of the United States by that amount.  
Will G. Jenkins and Cora Z. Taylor, of Boise, have taken out a marriage license.  
Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Kellogg have moved to Ontario to engage in business.—Weiser Signal.  
Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Fifer have moved to Ontario where they will engage in business.—Weiser Signal.