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HISTORY OF THE POTATO SHOW

Event was Conceived on the Night of "Railroad Day," September 30, 1911

FIRST SHOW HELD ON OCTOBER 2, 1911

Has Been Growing in Importance Ever Since Until Now It Is Recognized as One of Crook County's Assets

Now that the date for holding the Third Annual Redmond Potato Show and Fair draws near—October 23, 24, 25—it might be of interest to readers of The Spokesman to learn something of the history of the show and how it happened to be conceived.

September 30, 1911, was "Railroad Day" for Redmond, when the coming of the two railroads to the city was celebrated. It was made a gala day and many were the exhibits of agricultural products, root crops, etc., to show the railroad officials and others what this section of the state could produce. There were many Oregon Trunk and O.-W. R. & N. railroad officials here that day, among them F. W. Graham, western industrial agent for the Great Northern Railway. Mr. Graham was enthusiastic over the great display of potatoes shown in the exhibits, and about midnight of the above day, while conversing with the editor of The Spokesman in front of the Hotel Redmond, said it would be a good stunt for Redmond to hold an annual potato show—make it an event that would gain prominence in Central Oregon and the rest of the state. The matter was talked over between the two men and plans outlined to hold the first show at an early date. The Commercial Club was interested in the proposition, and the first show was held on November 2, 1911, in the Commercial Club's room, the same date that the demonstration train from the Oregon Agricultural College was here.

The exhibit of potatoes, other root crops and grains and grasses was so excellent that the people in Redmond, and the farmers especially, became very enthusiastic over the good showing made, and increased interest was taken in the event, and plans made for a better and larger show for the coming year.

The second show was held on October 11 and 12, 1912, in Anker's hall. The volume of exhibits was so large that the capacity of the hall—30x70 feet—was taxed to its capacity. Some of the exhibits from this show were taken to the county fair at Prineville, held the following week, and took 23 first premiums. The attendance at this event was larger than the first, many people coming long distances to see what the Redmond and Powell Butte districts and this part of Central Oregon could show in the way of prize winning potatoes. The success of the second show enthused the people in this section to such a degree that they planned to make the third one a record-breaker and, working along these lines, it has been estimated that the exhibits this year will be twice as large as last year. In order to get sufficient space for the exhibits the store room formerly occupied by Ehret Bros., 50x75 feet, has been engaged.

This year the show will be held three days, and already assurances have been received from different towns and localities in the county that large delegations will be in attendance.

O. A. C. HEN BREAKS THE WORLD'S EGG RECORD

The O. A. C. college hen that attracted world-wide attention by laying 99 eggs in 100 days has broken the world's record of 282 eggs in a year by having laid 283 nine days before the year expired, says a recent Corvallis dispatch. Since September 16 she has laid an egg every day, and the prospects are that she will continue to do so to the end of the year for which the record is kept—and other hens in the same flock may equal her record before the end of the laying year. The highest egg record in the United States previously recorded was made by a hen at the Missouri station that laid 281 eggs in one year. The previous rec-

ord for the world was made at Ontario Agricultural Station. The world's record held by the Oregon Station was made by the Oregon Station hen No. C 543. As she was kept in a flock with 50 others, this is not an isolated case of good laying, as the record of the entire flock gives strong evidence that the capacity of the American hen can be very greatly increased by proper breeding. One of these hens has laid 271 eggs, and another full sister 264 and they have more than a month each in which to finish the year's record.

DOES HOG RAISING PAY IN CENTRAL OREGON?

G. A. BRADLEY HAS PROVEN THAT IT IS PROFITABLE

He Now Has One of the Finest Dairy and Hog Farms in the County

In the spring of 1912 G. A. Bradley, who is farming north of the city, brought from Iowa a registered Duroc Jersey sow. Soon after his arrival she had a litter of 11 pigs. The five males from this litter were sold in the fall for \$25 each, or \$125 for the lot. The six females of this litter were bred to King Regus, a registered Duroc Jersey boar from the Ross Clark herd of McMinnville, Oregon. The progeny of these females now number 98.

This week Tuesday Mr. Bradley received by express a registered Duroc Jersey boar, nine months old, that took first prize at the State Fair at Salem, and came from the Primrose herd on the J. W. Fruit ranch at Brooks, Oregon. This boar was brought to head Mr. Bradley's herd of Durocs. Upon coming here Mr. Bradley also brought with him two imported Guernseys, and he has since then been increasing his dairy herd. He has an ambition to some day own the finest dairy farm in Central Oregon. He believes that hog raising and dairying go hand in hand, and that this combination can be successfully carried on with less expense and risk in Central Oregon than in any other section of the country.

MANY RABBITS WERE KILLED LAST SUNDAY

LARGE CROWD ATTENDS DRIVE AT LAMONTA

Women and Men Hunters Succeeded in Killing About 2,000 of the Little Pests

The rabbit drive that took place in the vicinity of Lamonta last Sunday brought out a number of hunters from all sections of the county. Redmond was well represented and the total number who went out to exterminate the troublesome pests was estimated at nearly 300. Some of the hunters had guns, though it was the intention to have but a limited number of guns used, the purpose of the drive being to herd the rabbits into a corral and kill them with clubs. The women folks were well represented and did their share in the day's campaign of extermination. It is estimated that the total number of rabbits killed was 2,000, over 600 being killed in the corral.

One of the pleasing features of the day, and to which all did justice, was the satisfying dinner served to the hunters. It was a great feast, so one of the hunters said, consisting of different kinds of meat, chicken, etc.

The rabbits had become such a pest in the Lamonta district that it was absolutely necessary for the farmers' protection to kill off as many as possible, and Sunday's work will go a long way toward relieving the situation. Another Drive It is stated that another drive will be held in the same locality on Sunday, October 26, the rabbits to be driven from an opposite direction than in the former drive.

"Woman," growled the villain, "the crime is on your own head!" "Is it on straight?" anxiously demanded the villainess.

FALL IN LOVE WITH CLIMATE

Outside People Coming Here Are Delighted With the Climatic Conditions

MANY CLEAR DAYS AND HEALTHY ATMOSPHERE

Scenery in and Around Redmond Unsurpassed—Seven Snow-Capped Mountains Can Be Distinctly Seen From City

For picturesque and interesting scenery, the country surrounding Redmond cannot be beat in any part of Oregon, and is worth going many miles to see. For an equitable and healthy climate this section has all other portions of the United States backed off the map.

Strangers coming to Redmond and this section of the county are always loud in their praise of the healthy climatic conditions that prevail. They are especially pleased with the clear, sunshiny days that obtain here, contrasting them with the rainy, disagreeable days to be experienced in other portions of the state, especially in the fall.

The scenic views from the city always appeal to the stranger coming in. From this city can distinctly be seen seven snow-capped mountains all the year 'round—Mt. Jefferson, Three Fingers Jack, Mt. Washington, North Sister, Middle Sister, South Sister and Snow Butte—an interesting and awe inspiring view.

From the city reservoir site on top of Forked Horn Butte a view of the surrounding country for 75 to 100 miles in all directions can be seen. The Warner mountains near Lakeview can be seen distinctly. This view gives an adequate idea of the immensity of the Redmond district and shows clearly the contour of the land.

Redmond's healthy climate and scenic wonders are bound to appeal to people seeking a locality where sickness is little known, and where the climate puts new blood and life into them and invigorates their whole system so they "want to do things."

RABBIT HUNT NEAR MADRAS

Over 900 Bunnies Were Killed By Bunch of Hunters

Madras Pioneer: The rabbit drives in this section have started again, and last Sunday the party that got together did great execution in the section that was hunted over. It seems that the pests have multiplied very rapidly during the past two years, and a united effort will have to be made to exterminate them so that the farmers may be able to sow their grain and harvest it themselves and not let the rabbits do it for them. The hunt Sunday was over at the Newell places about six miles to the east of Madras, and the party consisted of about 75 persons, many of them being ladies who showed their ability with the shooting irons, bringing home tailies that some of the men would have been proud of. In all that were killed, from the count of the individual members, over 900 were laid low, with probably half as many more that would eventually die, after being wounded. Some of the individual scores ran up around the 70's, which isn't to be doubted from the way the firing was going on—all the same as a young Fourth of July.

TWO DANCES DURING POTATO SHOW AND FAIR WEEK

One of the most unique features of the Potato Show will be the "Barn Dance" at the Sparks Theater on Friday evening, October 24. Mrs. Sparks is making big preparations for this novel event, and yesterday received a few sheep, pigs, etc., and the hall will be appropriately decorated. Everybody is to wear their old "farm clothes" and come to the good old fashioned dance. Saturday evening, October 25, another dance will be held at Ehret's hall.

The United States Consul at Aberdeen, Scotland, thinks that American manufacturers may have a chance to compete in furnishing staves for fish barrels. There has been a recent rise in the price of spruce and fir staves from Sweden and Scotland.

A Sign of the Times

A bank's deposits and the volume of business transacted by it make the best barometer you have by which to judge local financial conditions in the territory which the bank supplies.

It may be of interest to the people in this community to learn how the district surrounding Redmond has progressed in a financial way during the past few months. For your information we beg to draw a few comparisons between the last statement of the Redmond Bank of Commerce, dated on August 9, 1913, and our statement at the close of business on Saturday, October 4, 1913.

	August 9th, 1913	October 4th, 1913	Amount of Increase
Total Deposits.....	\$52,184.57	\$ 62,734.97	20 per cent
Total Cash.....	8,923.72	18,964.03	112 per cent
Total Resources.....	91,098.07	102,356.87	12 per cent

THESE FIGURES ARE SIGNIFICANT AND A SIGN OF THE TIMES

The people of this community are to be congratulated upon the fine showing which they are making. The reports from other sections of the country are almost if not quite as encouraging as the above. Don't knock about the hard times, but devote your time and attention to your business and you will have no occasion to knock. Besides, if you knock and complain about general conditions or the other fellow you lay yourself open to suspicion that there is some inherent weakness in you yourself.

If you are discouraged, if you wish business counsel, if you are in doubt about a proposed financial deal we want you to feel free to call on this bank and to feel that you are at home here.

NO RED TAPE, NO FORMALITY, NO WAITING.

All the resources of this bank are at your disposal. We cordially invite you to come in and get acquainted.

Redmond Bank of Commerce

REDMOND, OREGON

INSTITUTE LECTURES TO BE ILLUSTRATED

OBJECT LESSONS WILL BE GIVEN BY PROFESSORS

Pictures to Show "Value and Use of Manures" and "Poultry Raising," Etc.

Dr. Barr of this city, one of the executive committee of the Potato Show and Fair, has received the following letter from the Extension Division of the Oregon Agricultural College at Corvallis in regard to the Farmers' Institutes to be held here during the show:

Corvallis, Ore., Oct. 11th. Dear Sir: Replying to your favor of October 7, please be advised that Professor Hyslop will be prepared to illustrate with stereopticon slides his lecture on "The Value and Uses of Manures." We have not a sufficient number of slides completed to make the other lecture an illustrated one.

In this connection it occurs to us that you might be interested in making use of our moving picture film on poultry raising, during the potato show. We could send the film over by Professor Hyslop and you would have to arrange with a local picture house to have the film run. We also have a shorter film, "A Tour of the O. A. C. Campus," to which you will be welcome if it will add to your attractions.

Very truly yours, EXTENSION DIVISION.

"Why are you in such a hurry for the new currency?" "That little supply I had of the old is almost exhausted."

FARMERS IMPROVING HOGS AND CATTLE

ARE STOCKING UP WITH THE REGISTERED BREEDS

G. A. Bradley and Albert Schultz Both Secure New Prize Winning Stock

Farmers in this section of Central Oregon who are progressive and realize that the best results in hog raising and dairying can only be obtained by improving their stock are adding the best registered breeds they can secure.

This week G. A. Bradley, who has a hog and dairy farm just north of the city, added a registered Duroc Jersey boar to his herd. This boar took first prize at the State Fair at Salem this year. This bull will be one year old in December and now weighs 800 pounds. The animal comes of heavy stock, for his father weighed 2,800 pounds when four years old, and his mother 1,800 pounds when four years old. The mother has a record of 30 pounds of butter, and averaged between 28 and 29 pounds of milk during the year. Mr. Schultz is largely engaged in stock raising and is making a satisfactory success. His ranch is well improved and he has 250 acres in alfalfa.

ELECTRICITY COMING INTO GENERAL USE

MOTORS BEING INSTALLED IN MANUFACTURING PLANTS

The Handy "Juice" Takes Place of Old Faithful Gasoline Engines

Electric motors are fast taking the place of gasoline engines in Redmond since the installation of a 24-hour service by the Deschutes Power Company, who have an electric system in Redmond, Prineville, Culver, Madras and Metolius. At the present time nearly all the manufacturing establishments and concerns using power are coupled up with the electric company and use motors.

The following concerns have motors for power purposes: Redmond Feed & Mill Co., 15 horsepower.

Redmond Creamery Company, 7 1/2 horsepower.

G. W. Davies, wood and iron works, 3 horsepower and 1/4 horsepower.

The Spokesman, two motors, one 2 horsepower and one 1-3 horsepower.

Oregon Hub, 2 horsepower. Lynch & Roberts, for coffee mill, 1/2 horsepower.

While the gasoline engine was good enough in its class, electricity is so much cleaner, handier, and saves insurance risk that many users of power have discarded the engines and gone in for the "juice." Other power users in the city are contemplating the installation of motors at an early date.

The Spokesman for good printing.