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Crook County Historical Society City Hall

Mid - Summer Sale

KEEP COOL THIS HOT WEATHER

Here is Your Chance

Canvas Shoes

AT LESS THAN COST

Every pair of Lady's, Misses' and Children's White or Gray Canvas Shoes at less than actual cost.

- Kid or Patent Oxfords.
- Boy's and Men's White Canvas Shoes.
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- Patent Leather Oxfords.
- Child's Barefoot Sandals.

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42 White Duck Dress Skirts, in the best and newest styles at \$1 to \$1.20 while they last.

White Goods Sale

Actual cost goes on Muslin Underskirts, Night Dresses, Corset Covers, White Parasols, Fancy White Waistings, and Printed and Colored Lawns.

The above articles are going at a Fraction of their Actual Cost.

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The traveling public guaranteed careful attention and prompt service. Team and Saddle horses for rent. Horses for sale. General team work done. Country trips a specialty.

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Room we must have in order to set up my wood working machinery. Therefore my stock of Ranges, Stoves and Heaters, besides all furniture made on the Pacific coast will be sold at greatly reduced rates. Come in and see for yourself. If you need anything in the stove line between now and 1908 it will pay you to get my prices.

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SPLENDID CROPS IN CROOK CO

How Things Look to an Outsider.

A GREAT COUNTRY

A Region of Vast Possibilities Awaiting the Touch of the Husbandman.

"No stronger condemnation of Harriman's policy of bottling up the state or Oregon than is found in the magnificent crops which will be harvested this year off Crook county's broad plains, says the Portland Journal.

The agency plains alone will be compelled to haul about 300 carloads of wheat to Shaniko, a distance of about 50 miles, in order to secure an outlet."

This is the statement made by Charles P. Richardson of Spokane, who is at the Oregon hotel, having just returned from a trip into the Deschutes country. He brought with him a roll of grain samples and grasses that attest his assertions regarding the great crops which have been raised this year both in the irrigated and non-irrigated sections.

From the former tracts he has oats standing six feet high with heads up to 20 inches in length, 3-year-old alfalfa four feet high and red clover four feet, which made three tons to the acre the first cutting the last of June. Mr. Richardson thinks Portland should use its utmost efforts to encourage the building of transportation lines into the district. He said:

"The Deschutes country is a wonder, and with its proximity to Portland I do not understand how so little is known of it and so little interest taken of it here. If we had a tract of land of like size and with like possibilities as near Spokane the whole country would go wild over it.

"The Deschutes country today offers the possibilities that were offered the public when the Northern Pacific wheat lands were being sold at 50 cents to \$2 per acre, with the exception that the buyer of the railroad lands was taking a long chance as to whether his land would ever prove anything more than sheep range. The country was untried, dry-land farming was not understood as a scientific proposition, and the buyer was running hazards on his purchase. But those same lands are selling and paying big profits today at \$30 to \$50 per acre.

"The country along the Deschutes on the other hand, is a proven country of wonderful crop yields, even in its first crops, and far more wonderful possibilities when additional cultivation and cropping add the needed nitrogen and other ingredients to heretofore arid lands which have been lying dormant for untold centuries. The transformation is already being carried on at a surprising rate. The change is so marked since my first visit there last May as to astonish even a westerner who has seen the development of the bulk of the country west of the cornfield fences.

"Junipers and sagebrush are being uprooted, land cleared and plowed, little patches around the houses are in green crops, which were in the raw on my first visit, older settlers are harvesting and the newer ones clearing their land. Every one is busy and there is work for an army of men more than are now in the country. The Deschutes Irrigation & Power company, which is extending its canal system, could use many more men if they were available.

"Nearly 300 miles of canals and

laterals are completed and the work is being substantially and permanently done. The soil is proving a wonderfully good water handler. Last year the Pilot Butte canal, the oldest of the system and 30 miles long, showed only 12 per cent loss in evaporation and seepage.

"A man from the famous Imperial country in California was there during my stay making an exhaustive examination for a large party of settlers who will follow should his report prove favorable. After their disastrous experience with the Colorado river this man certainly was from Missouri on matters pertaining to substantial ditch construction, and he was more than pleased with the work being done in Crook county.

"In fact, the whole country is enthusiastic over the results so far attained and is a unit in support of the company whose policy seems to have been a broad and liberal one. I have been in many irrigated counties where there was constant complaint and bickering at the policy pursued by the company at work, but throughout the Deschutes district the settlers are uniformly back of the company and its efforts. It is an inspiration to a chance visitor to see the general optimism, hustle and earnest work to a common end—the development of a wonderful new country. One would have thought he was in a hornet's nest down there the first of the week when one of your Portland papers came out with a sensational attack on the company and its policy.

"Every rancher who came into town condemned the endeavors of a metropolitan paper to hamper and retard the development of the district. There was a delightfully frank and vigorous use of Anglo-Saxon in opposition to this course. You will not have to keep your ear to the ground to hear from the Deschutes country in the near future. It is a wonder and your Portland people should be more in evidence in its development."

Letter from Summit Prairie.

Summit, Prairie, Aug. 8

Haying is in full blast on the Prairie at this date. There are at present five crews at work with some twelve to twenty men in each crew according to the supply of men offering to work. Haying commenced right after the Fourth of July and will be continued at least another month. Most of the hay is put up under great sheds framed up on huge timbers hewn out of trees. It is well braced and roofed over.

Modern labor-saving devices are used in handling the hay. Low-wheeled wagons with framed racks are used for hauling purposes. Four nets are spread in each wagon and when loaded with hay the wagon is driven to one of the sheds or stacks where a cable is hooked into a ring at each corner of the net and then net and hay is hauled up and guided wherever wanted. A trip-rope opens the net from the under side and the hay is dumped into a twinkling. Such methods of storing are necessary where such great quantities are gathered.

To give you some idea of the business done here will cite the case of the Prineville Land Company. This company alone have nearly eleven hundred head of cattle and all are kept under fence at all times. Four hundred head are beef cattle and will be sent to Portland market during the winter months. This stock is fed around the immense barns and stacks on the ranch.

Steam Fittings Just Received.

We have just received a line of Steam fittings such as the Celebrated Jenkins Bros. Globe and Check Valves, Detroit Lubricators, Best Scotch Gauge Glasses. We have also a line of packing on hand. We have the agency for the best Gasoline Engine on the market. See one run at our shop. Don't forget that I carry Belting, Cap Screws, Shafting Boxes, Collars, and that I am prepared to make your planer bolts and any other kind of odd bolts and screws you may need. 2-14th PRINEVILLE MACHINE SHOP.

Saddle Found.

In the road between Prineville and Lamonta; owner can have same by applying to G. W. Miller, Lamonta, and paying for this notice. 8-8-3wp

CROOK COUNTY ANNUAL FAIR

Bigger and Better Than Ever.

FIRST-CLASS RACING

Wow is the Time to Save Your Choice Samples for Exhibits.

The premium list of the Crook County Fair to be held in Prineville October 15-19, has been printed and is now ready for distribution. In fact many copies have been sent out and many hundreds more will follow in a few days. If anyone is overlooked just drop a line to T. H. Lafolette, the president of the association, or Duncan Macleod, the secretary, and a copy will be sent you.

A comparison of the premiums offered this year with last shows a material increase, both in the size of the premium and in the number offered.

It is now up to the people of Crook County to make the fair the best ever. The association has done and is doing all it can for the success of this local institution: It is not a money making scheme, neither is it run for any individual's benefit, but for the good of the people of this county. It is the best kind of an advertisement. The products of the soil and the range are there to speak for themselves. You take nothing for granted. Then, again, the educational advantages it will afford our people must not be overlooked. The farmer and stockman can compare notes, and talk over methods and processes to their mutual benefit. Let all unite in making the 1907 fair in Crook County the best yet.

RIG PURSES FOR RACES.

Another feature of the fair that is better than ever is the racing program. Over sixteen hundred dollars will be hung up in purses. Mr. Wurzeiler is chairman of the committee having this matter in hand, and his assurance of a square deal for everybody is a sufficient guarantee to the public of what they may expect. The racing program is as follows:

FIRST DAY—OCTOBER 15.

Three-eighth mile dash, free for all \$125.
Five-eighth mile dash, free for all \$150.

SECOND DAY—OCTOBER 16.

Three-eighth mile dash, for Crook County horses \$75.
Seven-eighth mile dash, free for all \$150.

THIRD DAY—OCTOBER 17.

Three eighth mile dash, heats \$200.
Three-fourth mile dash, free for all \$175.

FOURTH DAY—OCTOBER 18.

Three-eighth mile, for Crook County horses \$50.
One-half mile handicap, free for all \$200.
Novelty race \$75.

FIFTH DAY—OCTOBER 19.

One mile dash \$200.
Consolation race, for non-winning horses \$125.

CONDITIONS.

All the above races are five to enter and three to start, but reserve the right to hold a less number than five by reducing the purse in proportion to the number of horses entered.

Entries close the evening before the race at 7 o'clock sharp. The Pacific Coast Blood Horse Association to govern all races. Entrance fees ten per cent of purse money to be divided as follows: 70 per cent to the first horse and 30 per cent to the second horse.

The Association reserves the right to change any of the above races, in the event of not filling or for other reasons. No money paid without a contest.

SUMMER NORMAL DOES GOOD WORK

A very successful summer normal and institute closed its labors Tuesday and the teachers in attendance are now busy with examinations.

Both the summer school and the institute have been better attended than ever before and the results attained justify the efforts made by County Superintendent Dinwiddie to have this summer meeting at the Crook County High School become a permanent institution in the school life of the county. This effort has cost him no little time, money and hard work. His duties as county superintendent of schools do not require him to take up this work nor does he get a red cent for it. His time and labor is given simply and solely to raise the standard of the county school. What is said of Mr. Dinwiddie can with equal truth be said of Prof. Gockenberry and Mrs. Elkins, instructors of known experience, who have practically given their time, as the compensation received is in no wise adequate to the service rendered. Because of this sacrifice on the part of the instructors our summer normal and institute work is self-sustaining.

The wisdom of holding this annual meeting becomes apparent when it is known that teachers are scarce, not only in Crook county, but all over the state, and it behooves us for our own protection to give as much encouragement to the teacher as possible. The work in the school room is of vast importance to the commonwealth and anything that will tend to raise the standard of the profession should be energetically promoted.

The students and instructors at the summer school have all worked faithfully during the past month and they feel that they have done their best. The instructors have labored incessantly to fit the students for examination and school room work and students have seen and appreciated the effort made to help them and profited thereby.

The work done by Prof. L. R. Travers was also very thorough and appreciated by the teachers and its effect will be felt throughout the county the coming year. Mr. Travers has conducted institutes all over this state and Washington and thoroughly understands his business.

One new feature of the institute was the introduction of practical instruction in music and the way it should be taught in the common school. The time will soon come when teachers will be required to give the rudiments of music as regularly as other branches and the progressive teacher would do well to prepare for the inevitable.

Good Crops in Northern Crook.

A two days' trip into the northern part of Crook county, and reports from all parts of this and adjoining counties, reveal the fact that crop conditions could not be better, with the exception of a few cases in widely separated localities where the wind and hail storm which swept over the country last week did considerable damage. The hail seemed to strike in spots, destroying almost completely fields of grain. In the Blizard Ridge country several crops were badly damaged as were a number in this vicinity. Otherwise the yield of hay and grain this year will be above the average. This will be particularly fortunate, if the prognostications of several weather prophets prove true, who claim that the coming winter will be early and severe.—Antelope Herald.

City Property for Sale

Desirable residence locations in different parts of Prineville, improved or unimproved, in lots or blocks. Also some choice business lots on Main street, near the center of the city. For particulars address Box 284, Prineville, Or. 7-25

If you want to buy a good second-hand sewing machine, inquire of Will Percy, at Barber shop. 8-8