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DRY-FARMING CONGRESS MEET

Colorado Springs, Oct. 16, 17, 18, and 19.

CROOK CO. TO BE REPRESENTED

J. H. Gray and Tillman Reuter Appointed to Attend by County Court.

At the September session of the county court, J. H. Gray of Prineville and Tillman Reuter of Madras were appointed to represent Crook county at the Sixth International Dry Farming Congress to be held in Colorado Springs, Colorado, October 16th, 17th, 18th, and 19th. This congress invites all nations, all states where dry-farming is practiced, all agricultural colleges, the Federal Department of Agriculture and all farmers of every nation, operating under dry farming conditions to participate in this exposition.

The National Association of Irrigation officials have prepared elaborate plans for organizing a "back to the farm" movement. This association is for the purpose of aiding all worthy persons to secure a home and profitable employment. Back to the farm clubs are to be organized in all cities where good teachers can be secured. In this way city people and foreigners will not only be encouraged to go to the country but will be prepared to cultivate the soil in an intelligent manner.

Sixty-three per cent of the remaining arable acreage of the world must, if tilled at all, be placed under dry-farming methods, and this fact gives the dry-farming problem much human interest from both the financial and social standpoints. Years of testing by various methods and systems have shown that drouth is practically overcome where farmers select seed and carefully utilize proper methods of tillage.

The progress of our nation rests upon the question of better agriculture and it is this great question that is claiming the attention of leading thinkers and scientists all over the world.

Among other helpful suggestions the program will be devoted to discussing plans for rapid enlargement of the necessary agricultural educational advantages; co-operative work between nation, state and farmer in developing a higher type of methods and production; exchanging reports between nations, states and farmers, as to methods of overcoming problems in the conservation of moisture, soil fertility and of breeding more drouth resistant plants and fruits; studying the rebuilding of soil and overcoming of diseases of plant life, tree and soils; enlargement of experimental methods; national and state legislation affecting the farmer from the standpoint of development and methods; and the subjects of immigration and the interests of the home.

A new feature of this dry-farming exposition is the International Congress of Farm Women. This organization emphasizes the movement for better homes, better sanitation, more practical education, more refinement and a greater advancement morally, spiritually and mentally in the homes of the rural districts of all countries.

Since Crook county belongs wholly to the dry-farming section it is hoped that many of our farm-



News Snapshots Of the Week

roof which was blown two miles by the gale. Upton Sinclair, the author, has brought suit for divorce, naming Harry Kemp, the Kansas poet, as co-respondent. It is reported that Captain C. A. Gove of the battleship Delaware will have to explain why 500 men on the repair ship Panther were endangered by the flying shells of the Delaware when the battleship was at practice.

Damaging testimony was given by Paul Beattie on taking the stand as the state's chief witness in the trial of Henry C. Beattie, Jr., his cousin, accused of killing his wife near Richmond, Va. Viscount Uchida, Japanese ambassador to the United States, has been appointed minister of foreign affairs. Charleston, S. C., and vicinity were the scene of a terrific hurricane, which caused the death of seventeen persons and a property loss of more than \$1,000,000. The photograph shows part of a tin

ers will find it possible to attend this congress. Scientists and other experts who have spent years studying this problem will attend this exposition and give farmers the benefit of their experiments. Agriculturists who have attended these conventions state that the valuable information gained therefrom has been worth thousands of dollars to them individually.

All who are interested in this dry-farming congress can get any information desired by addressing John T. Burns, secretary, Box 1098 Colorado Springs, Colorado.

County Court, September Term.

County Court met Wednesday, September 6, at the courthouse in Prineville; present, H. C. Ellis, judge, presiding; R. H. Bayley and James Rice, commissioners; Warren Brown, clerk, and T. N. Balfour, sheriff.

The following proceedings were had, to-wit:

Petition and affidavit to correct error. Now is presented to the court the petition of the Madras Townsite Company for correction of description in a certain plat more particularly described in said petition, the prayer of which is hereby granted. The county clerk is hereby directed to make a marginal notation and reference upon said original map to the petition and affidavit filed herein.

J. W. Lewis, et al. Now appears J. W. Webber, bondsman herein, and offers in open court to take the board of road viewers to said proposed road without expense to the county and if their report is favorable, to cause said road to be opened for travel without expense to the county; it is therefore ordered that the board of county road viewers view out said road forthwith and report thereon and that upon the filing herein of a statement by the local road supervisor that said new road is opened to the public and in as good condition for travel as the old road; that this court thereupon declare said proposed road a public highway and vacate parts of another certain county road, all of which more particularly appears in the petition on file herein. In the absence of road viewer Grimes, J. H. Gray is hereby appointed viewer to serve in viewing this particular road.

Scalp bounty. The report of the county clerk showing the payment of bounty on 159 coyote scalps and 17 bob-cat front feet, amounting in all to \$272.50; said scalps and front feet were then reduced to ashes in accordance with the code.

Viewers report on Oscar Cox, et al, road is presented to the court

and said report is read in open court for the first time.

Viewers report on G. R. Butts, et al road is presented to the court and said report is read in open court for the first time.

Viewers report on W. H. Ramsey et al road is presented to the court and said report is read in open court for the first time.

Petition for county road by Jacob Hoffman, et al. Petition presented and upon due consideration it is ordered that the county clerk forward all papers relative to said road to Fred Wilson, District Attorney, for his opinion as to their validity.

Petition for county road by J. A. Chase et al. Petition is presented and a remonstrance against said road is also presented, signed by R. M. Bishop et al, and it appearing to the court that there is a greater number of remonstrators than petitioners, said petition is hereby dismissed.

Petition for county road by Geo. Larkee et al. Petition is presented and it appearing to the court that the notices of posting in reference to said road is defective, said matter is hereby continued, county clerk to notify said Larkee of such defect.

Temporary appointment of road viewer. Owing to the temporary absence from Crook county of road viewer Grimes, G. W. Wells is hereby appointed road viewer, to serve as viewer during the absence of said Grimes.

Petition for county road by Henry Jensen et al. Petition presented and upon due consideration it is ordered that the county clerk forward all papers relative to said road to Fred W. Wilson, District Attorney, for his opinion as to their validity.

Petition for county road by Roy L. Kidder et al. Petition presented to the court and upon due consideration it is ordered that the county clerk forward all papers relative to said road to Fred W. Wilson, District Attorney, for his opinion as to their validity.

Viewers report on Mecca road. Report presented to the court for the first time.

Petition for county road by L. E. Baker et al. Petition presented and upon agreement of the counsel, said matter is hereby continued to the November term of this court.

Petition for county road by Walter D. Arney et al. Petition presented and upon agreement of the counsel, said matter is hereby continued to the November term of this court.

Petition for county road by Pearl M. Pruett et al. Petition presented accompanied by a bond of \$200.00 with Wm. W. Brown and E. V. Ammons as sureties, and it appearing by the opinion of the District Attorney herein that all papers are regular and in ac-

cordance with the statute, it is ordered that the board of road viewers meet at the beginning of said proposed road, view, review and survey said proposed road and report thereon at the next term of this court.

Petition for county road by E. O. Logan, et al. Petition accompanied by a bond of \$100, with Chas. E. Parrish and Clarence Ferguson as sureties and it appearing by the opinion of the District Attorney herein that all papers are regular and in accordance with the statute, it is ordered that the board of road viewers meet at the beginning of said proposed road, view, review and survey said proposed road and report thereon at the next term of this court.

Petition for county road by H. P. Wilson, et al. Petition presented, accompanied by a bond of \$100.00 with G. M. Slocum and H. F. Jones as sureties and it appearing by the opinion of the District Attorney herein that all papers are regular and in accordance with the statute, it is ordered that the board of road viewers meet at the beginning of said proposed road, view, review and survey said proposed road and report thereon at the next term of this court.

Petition for county road by T. H. Sherwood, et al. Petition presented accompanied by a bond of \$100.00 with Fred H. Sherwood and R. E. Sherwood as sureties, and it appearing by the opinion of the District Attorney herein that all papers are regular and in accordance with the statute, it is ordered that the board of road viewers meet at the beginning of said proposed road, view, review, and survey said proposed road and report thereon at the next term of this court.

Petition for county road by J. G. Edwards, et al. Petition presented, accompanied by a bond of \$200.00 with J. G. Clark and E. D. Gonsler as sureties, and it appearing by the opinion of the District Attorney herein that all papers are regular and in accordance with the statute, it is ordered that the board of road viewers, view, review, and survey said proposed road and report thereon at the next term of this court.

Petition for county road by J. A. Peck et al. Petition presented, accompanied by a bond of \$200.00 with E. Fulgham and I. V. Limbaugh as sureties. It is ordered that the board of road viewers meet at the beginning of said proposed road, view, review and survey said proposed road and report thereon at the next term of this court.

Petition for county road by R. M. Bishop et al. Petition presented and it appearing to the court that the sureties on the bond in said matter failed to qualify, it

is ordered that said matter be continued. County clerk to notify said R. M. Bishop that the bondmen failed to qualify.

Petition for voting Hat, Rock precinct. Petition of J. H. Moffit et al presented, asking that a voting precinct be created, the same is continued until the July, 1912 term of this court.

Public road for Warm Spring Indian Agency. Communication from Claude C. Covey, Indian agent, relative to a public road across part of said reservation, presented. It is ordered that the county clerk forward a copy of said communication to Ora VanTassel at Vanora, Crook county, Oregon. (Continued next week.)

Prineville Will Send Delegation to Burns.

The Central Oregon Development League will hold its next convention at Burns, October 2 and 3. This will be a most important meeting because the development program for the next five years is to be announced and the forces to carry it out enlisted. It will also be the occasion of an important gathering of railroad men who will discuss matters of development and transportation.

The Prineville Commercial Club is especially interested in this convention and the officers and members are putting forth every effort to send a large delegation to Burns. The interests of Harney and Crook counties are much the same and every individual who can possibly go, will contribute to the interests of Central Oregon, beside gaining much from a personal standpoint.

The officers of the Commercial Club report thirty-five who are going. Let us swell that number to fifty, if possible, and prove to Burns that Prineville is up and doing when the interests of Central Oregon are concerned.

Appointments for Annapolis.

Senator Bourne announces he has the appointment of one principal and three alternates to the United States naval academy at Annapolis. Dr. W. T. Foster, president of the Reed Institute, Portland, will direct the qualifying examination. Examinations will be held Saturday, October 14, at 9 a. m. Candidates must be between the ages of 16 and 20 and will be given a strict physical examination in addition to the mental test, and the one having the highest averages will receive the appointment.

Hay Baler For Sale.

Brand new Steel Beauty Hay Baler; capacity 10 or 12 tons daily, for sale at a bargain. Inquire at J. E. Stewart & Co.'s. 8-31-imp HERBERT RIDEOUT.

CROOK COUNTY HIGH PROSPEROUS

Largest Enrollment in History of School.

NEW TEACHERS EMPLOYED

Manual Training and Public Speaking Added. Great Interest in Athletics.

(By E. L. Coe)

The Crook county high school started Tuesday of last week with a rush. The enrollment is much larger than ever before in the history of the school and it is almost certain that many more will enroll shortly. Nearly all of last year's students, excepting the graduating class are back and several other upper classmen have joined us. The freshmen class while not as large as was expected makes up in quality what it lacks in quantity. A great many of the students who expected to enroll in this class from various parts of the county have not been able to do so because of a shortage of crops.

The new departments are receiving their share of attention. The class in public speaking is more than double the number expected. It was necessary to divide the class in order to do the best work. Manual training and mechanical drawing are also claiming the interest of a large number of the students.

It is with deepest regret that we learn that Mrs. Walker, who did such excellent work last year in the normal department, will not be with us this year because of sickness in her family. Her work was first-class in every respect and she was a friend of every student. But while we regret very much that we must lose her we are glad to announce that Mrs. Wood has been secured to take charge of the department. She is, we are certain, a worthy successor and the department will be made even stronger this coming year.

Miss Alma Gitchell, the new head of the department of English and public speaking is doing most excellent work. She has already won the hearts of her students. She has had wide experience, having held similar positions in colleges in various parts of the country. We are fortunate indeed to secure her.

Public speaking has heretofore been much neglected but it now bids fair to become one of the most popular departments of the school.

Mr. J. W. Smith, who will have charge of manual training and mathematics comes to us with an abundance of successful experience which speaks well for this department.

We want the interest and cooperation of every patron and invite them to call and investigate the work of the school. Taking everything into consideration the opening of the school is pleasing in every detail. We are in better position for effective work than ever before.

Our students were given a rare treat last Monday morning in the form of an address by Mrs. Unruh. She spoke in a forceful manner of the importance of an education and of the

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