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PARKPLACE HOLDS FAIR

ABERNETHY GRANGE DISPLAYS EXHIBITS TO HUNDREDS OF VISITORS.

TWONOTABLESPEECHES

County Judge Dimick and Mrs. Maggie Johnson Deliver Addresses and Are Cordially Received—Baby Show.

One of the most successful Grange Fairs held in Clackamas county this year, was that of the Abernethy Grange of Parkplace, which was the third annual fair of this organization, on Saturday. The morning session was taken up with a programme, which consisted of opening remarks by the worthy master, Captain J. T. Apperson, and was followed by a song by the grange. Mrs. Maggie L. Johnson, of Milwaukie, gave a very instructive and entertaining talk, which is published in part in this issue. Mrs. Johnson is well versed on the work of the grange, and what it should do. Her talk was highly commended by Judge Grant B. Dimick, a member of the grange, who followed with an address, his subject being "Taxation." Judge Dimick's talk was greatly appreciated by the members of the grange, as well as the many visitors, giving them an idea of how the money is used from the taxpayers. Judge Dimick, at the close of his speech, was given a hearty vote of thanks by the grange for his able speech, and upon enlightening them on this subject. The following is taken from his speech:

Dimick Talks on Taxation.
"Of the total amount of money collected each year the average citizen thinks that the county court expends the whole sum; but when we take in consideration that there are 9,000 school children in this county, and under the law the county court is compelled to raise, under our general levy, \$7 per pupil, making about \$63,000, that is collected each year, which the taxpayers are compelled to pay, with the other portion of their taxes, that sum alone takes out about one-third of the total amount collected under the county levy. Then, in addition to that, nearly \$40,000 is raised each year for state tax, making approximately \$103,000 for state tax and school tax. That sum the county court never sees and has nothing to say about that expenditure."

"In addition to that we are compelled to raise about \$40,000, which is for general county purposes, such as running the circuit court, prosecution of criminal cases, expense of elections, caring for the poor and general expenses of assessment and taxation, besides other incidental expenses too numerous to mention. Then there is a levy which produces approximately \$50,000 road fund, which the average man would naturally say is large enough; but when we take in consideration that the 364 bridges in Clackamas county, more than 75 feet in length and some of them, with the approaches, are one-sixth of a mile in length, together with about 2,000 smaller bridges, the sum of \$35,000 is required each year to keep them in repair and build new ones."

"Now in addition to that expenditure from the road fund Clackamas County is compelled to keep up the large number of mileage of plank roads that have been built in Clackamas County during the last 12 years, and the expense in keeping those plank roads in repair alone costs Clackamas County over \$20,000 a year, so to repair the bridges and plank roads alone causes us to overrun our road fund each year \$5,000, not saying anything about the last 12 years, our highways, so it can be easily seen the reason why our road fund goes behind each year. It is a matter that the county court cannot govern, unless we have a larger fund to meet those expenses which we are compelled to meet in order to keep up our bridges and plank roads. Then, in addition to that expenditure, the papers have petitioned us during the last year for \$2 miles of new road, and about two-thirds of that mileage has been granted, as there is no way of turning the petitioners down if they have complied with the law in getting up their petitions and presenting them in the proper way."

"Now, in order to open up those new roads petitioned for, so that they can be traveled, building bridges thereon, would cost the county, if they were ordered placed in condition for travel, more than the entire road fund raised in Clackamas County and paid into the treasury during the year 1908."

C. Schuebel, who was billed for an address, arrived late, but made a few brief remarks on the good of the grange work in the county and state, and said that the organization has a better opportunity at present than heretofore in accomplishing the work that is laid out. Mr. Schuebel believes that the work of the grange is one of the best things that are being done by its members to keep on with their labors in behalf of their rural communities.

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INDICATES INCREASE OF 5000 PEOPLE IN POPULATION OF CLACKAMAS.

THREE NEW PRECINCTS

In Abernethy and Oregon City No. 1 and No. 2, a Division Will Be Necessary As Roll Shows More Than 300.

The registration books of Clackamas County were closed at 5 o'clock Tuesday afternoon and every citizen who neglected to get his name in the poll and who desires to vote for President November 3, will have to get Nabokoff, Wash. The distribution of catchfish in the northwest is entirely experimental, and it is expected that the fish will thrive.

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NO OCCASION TO COMPLAIN

RAINS HAVE MADE SOIL DRY FOR FALL PLOWING IN WILLAMETTE VALLEY.

HOP MARKET IS QUIET

Vegetables are Still Active and Well Selected Apples Find Ready Demand—Butter and Eggs Still Up.

The farmers of the county have no occasion to complain now of the dryness of the soil, for the rain of last week has been a great benefit. There is an absence of Eastern orders for Oregon hops at the present time, and that the brewers are not in need of hops is shown by the instructions that are received to defer shipments of hops that are already bought. There is also a lack of foreign business, and as the speculators are idle, the Oregon market is exceedingly quiet. Many of the dealers and hop men, who have choice hops are holding until the prices are better. Many of the growers of the county, who have been engaged for many years in raising hops are to have the round plowed, and the ground planted to grain, which will be more profitable at the end of the year. New hops of good quality are worth today from 7 to 8 cents in all of the markets of the Pacific coast.

The fruit market of this city is moving at a good rate, and the markets are finding a ready demand for well selected apples, pears, and other fruits. The peach season is about over, except a few of the late varieties are to be found in the markets retailing at 50 cents per box. Grapes of different varieties, with an excellent flavor are to be found in the local markets, and the Concord variety is to be found in good demand.

Vegetables of all kinds are active. Cabbage and cauliflower are coming in more freely, and the price is gradually declining. Spinach is also to be found in the local markets, which is finding a ready market. The onion market is weak owing to the low prices prevailing in San Francisco. Potatoes are also somewhat affected in some degree by the weakness there. The corn yield this year was excellent, but at the present time there is none to be found in the local markets. The cold weather damaged the crop to some extent. Some of the farmers claim that the cold weather recently did a great deal of damage to the vegetables.

WHOLESALE QUOTATIONS.

Vegetables, Fruits, Etc.
SUMMER SQUASH—20@25c doz.
OREGON CABBAGE—40@90c doz.
OREGON ONIONS—\$1.25 per cwt.
BEETS—40c dozen bunches.
TOMATOES—50c box.
CARROTS—40c doz.
CELERY—40c doz.
CAULIFLOWER—40c doz.
PEPPERS—8c doz.
POTATOES—90c per sack.
Fresh onions40c doz.
Butter and Eggs
BUTTER—Ranch, 50@60c; creamery, 70c per roll.
EGGS—32 1/2 to 35c per doz.
HONEY—12@13c frame.
HONEY—Strained, 7c to 9c lb.
Fresh Fruits.
APPLES—40@60c box.
GRAPE—50c crate.

Dried Fruits.

DRIED APPLES—Quartered, sundried, 5 cents; evaporated 6 and 7c; prunes 3 1/2 to 4c, silver prunes 6c to 6 1/2c; pears 10c.
GRAIN AND MEAL.
WHEAT—90c.
GRAY OATS—\$26.00@27.00.
OATS—No. 1 White \$27.00@28.00.
\$1.40 per 100 pounds.
HAY—Valley timothy \$15 per ton; Clover, \$8@10; Chest, \$11; Grain, \$11.50@12.00.

Clackamas County Live Stock.

HIFERS—\$3.00.
STERS—\$4.25@4.50.
LAMBS—\$3.00@3.75.
COWS—\$2.50@3.75.
HOGS—\$4.25@4.75.
MUTTON—\$2.00@3.50.
HAMS—BACON—15c to 17c.
DRESSED VEAL—\$3.00.
DRESSED PORK—\$7.50.
Poultry.
OLD HENS—11c per pound, young roosters 12 1/2@14c; old roosters, 8c, mixed chickens, 11c.

AT THE MILLS AND STORES.

Flour and Feed.
FLOUR—Pat hard wheat, \$5.15; Valley flour, \$4.50; grain, \$4.40; whole wheat, \$4.60.
MILLSTUFFS—Bran, \$3.00; middlings, \$3.40; shorts, \$3.20; grain chop, \$3.1.

Drug Stores Close Early.

The drug stores of Oregon City will hereafter close at 8 P. M., and this custom will prevail through the winter months and until further notice. The exception to the rule is Saturday nights, and the two nights in the month that are pay nights at the paper mills. The rule will also be abrogated during the Christmas holidays for the benefit of the shoppers.

The famous physicians in session in Washington at present are studying tuberculosis cases now, but a week later they will be looking up cases for indigestion.

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