

LAND SHOW AIMS AGAIN SET FORTH

Practical Problems of Farmer to Be Solved in Time, Says President.

"WRONG IDEAS ARE HELD"

People as Whole Do Not Understand Real Function of Exhibit in Portland Nov. 18 to 23, Says A. P. Bateham, Who Explains.

That the people of Portland and the state at large have an erroneous conception of a land products show and fail to realize what may be done in the event stated for this city November 18-23 is the emphatic declaration of President A. P. Bateham, of the Oregon Horticultural Society. He insists that a new work is planned, and that this work is to be the most powerful educational influence along practical lines yet undertaken in Oregon.

"We have a multitude of new ideas for this Pacific Northwest Land Product Show," said President Bateham yesterday. "These ideas go to the very rudiments of agricultural and horticultural success in the Northwest. We intend to organize a plan of work which shall continue in the coming years, and give all land products shows and fairs a different meaning. The day for a dry exhibit of what has been taken from the soil has passed. We intend to give to the public here and throughout the country information about our land and its products which will be a more accurate guide to the man who is studying the state.

Aim Is Real Results.

"In carrying out the plan of work which we have adopted, such a land products show cannot be held elsewhere than near the scene of production. We want the men who produce, the experts of the land, to be present when we exhibit their handiwork, and have them tell us and the world what it has cost, what their difficulties are, what would improve the situation, and what the state at large and the entire Northwest must do in the line of co-operation, education and business simplification. The Agricultural College is pressing with highest success scientific study of agriculture and horticulture, but we want to start a movement which shall apply the science of business to the practical side of the work.

"In each of the prominent fruit districts of the Northwest there has developed an association or union which has accomplished wonderful things for the producer. We want to see this principle, if it is generally practical, applied to farm work, or if associated effort of that character is not feasible, we want to develop something that is.

"To do all this we must get the producers together. It is fitting that they assemble where their products are on exhibit. It will not be the purpose in the land products plan to go so much into the technical aspects of production, for that is now covered by the Agricultural College.

Practical Problems Sought.

"We want to concentrate upon the practical problems. Marketing, financing, transportation and like topics will be chosen. We also want to get before the world what the profit may be made in this Northwestern region. If the selling price of land is high, we want to show that its earnings on that valuation equal or surpass reputed cheap lands. We also want to bring into comparison the cost of getting out products to the markets of the world, as against the same costs in competitive parts of the country. All these subjects are of the deepest interest to the producer, to the business men of Portland, and to the country at large.

"We feel that when Northwestern products go East, there is often such scant information accompanying them that they do not yield a full harvest of immigrants. What we would do must change this order. We will see that the Eastern farmer knows how many apples of the kind shown can be grown on an acre, and what that acre is selling for; and how much hay and grain is yielded in practical work, what price the product brings, and what is the cost of the land on which it is grown. Such information will interest the Eastern farmer more than viewing choice specimens, which may have been grown to maturity by means of what may be impossible costs."

Young People Figure.

Directors of the Pacific Northwest Land Products Show are firm in the declaration that they will make this the most original effort of the kind ever attempted. They also intend to work it out along lines which cannot fail to be immensely popular with the people of Portland themselves. Taking cognizance of the broad wave of interest sweeping the schools of the state in agricultural matters, special plans are being formulated to make the exhibit a course of education for the children who are studying agriculture. The young people by the thousand will be drawn to the show, and put through an interesting lecture, which will be especially designed to instruct them.

No other land products show ever attempted has been developed along the lines projected for the first of the kind to be held in Portland. Tens of thousands of people in Portland are unable to get to Salem each year to see the State Fair. How to interest these people in agriculture and insure adoption of the broadest development policies has been a problem considered here often.

CHANGE OF VENUE ASKED

\$20,000 Damage Suit at Klamath Falls May Go to Federal Court.

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Oct. 12.—(Special.)—A petition asking that the \$20,000 damage suit brought against the California-Oregon Power Company by Maude M. Cox as a result of the death of Horace Cox be transferred to the Federal courts for trial was filed Tuesday by Kuykendall & Ferguson, the company's attorneys.

The suit was filed in the Circuit Court here, and the petition for the change to another tribunal based upon the ground of diversity of citizenship of the parties to the suit.

Cox was killed late in August by coming in contact with a high voltage wire, while he was engaged with other employees of the company in repairing a line.

Appeal to Reason Editor to Talk.

Fred D. Warren, editor of the Appeal to Reason, will deliver an address on "The Political Revolution of 1912" at the Gipsy Smith Auditorium tomorrow night, under the auspices of the Socialists of this city.

TRI-COUNTY DISTRICT TEEMS WITH FARMING POSSIBILITIES

"Advanced Methods in Agriculture" Is Slogan in Morrow, Sherman and Gilliam Counties—Portland Day at Condon Fair Will Be Observed—Special Train to Be Run from City.



Waiting Their Turn At The Heppner Warehouse.



O.C. Miner's Prize Herd At Heppner.



Gilliam County Sheep On Range



Driving Horses From Condon To Mountlains

"THEY'RE off for Condon" will be the cry next Wednesday night, when the Tri-County special pulls out of the Union Depot. Headed by J. D. Farrell, president of the O.-W. R. & N. Company, a large number of Portland business men will leave the city for a day at the Tri-County Fair, Thursday, October 17, having been named Portland day.

A special train, fitted with all the modern appointments, will carry the "boosters." The junket will be under the auspices of the Oregon Development League and the local headquarters, the Portland Commercial Club, is now making the final arrangements. The party will fill the train and will carry along the boosting spirit that has made the Portland Commercial Club famous.

Portland people want to see what these three counties of Sherman, Gilliam and Morrow are doing in helping along the state's progress. Having lately formed a Tri-County Development League, under the wing of the state league, this fair will be the first showing to be made by the united three counties. It will unquestionably demonstrate that as fine farm products can be grown there as anywhere in this favored State of Oregon. Answering the invitation of the Eastern Oregon sections, Portland people are going to see.

During the past year agriculture has taken a great forward step in the three counties. Demonstration farms have been established largely through the work of Portland business men, since the state failed to appropriate sufficient funds at the last session of the Legislature for this work. Agricultural experts, traveling about the country and helping the farmers to solve their problems. Many have been put on the right track in this way.

Deep Plowing Brings Results.

Indeed, an interesting and important discovery was made this year in this semi-arid section, where dry farming must be practiced to produce the best results. In a corner of one field over 80 bushels of wheat were produced to the acre, a somewhat remarkable showing, where the normal yield is less than half that on the average. It happened that a farmer was planning to buy a traction engine for use on his farm and he tried it out in the corner of this field. He hitched the engine to his gang plow and went up and down, tearing up the ground to see how deep he could set the plow without stalling the engine.

He bought the tractor and when he came to plow this field he went over the whole area, the plowed corner and all. Where he tried out the engine the ground was soft, allowing the heavy machine to sink well down, so

that the dirt was stirred for a short distance deeper than was the case elsewhere in the field. On that spot the heavy yield of wheat was grown, showing the value of deep plowing and how bountifully the land yields when properly tilled. In future it is likely there will be deeper plowing on the light lands of that section of the state.

Better things are expected from Morrow, Sherman and Gilliam in future than those districts have yielded in the past. They are capable of becoming some of the best farming country in Oregon and that they have not done as well as the best in the past is perhaps due to indifferent methods.

The Tri-County Development League was organized just for that purpose—to improve existing conditions. It was felt this could be done by proper treatment of the soil and expert agriculturalists were sought to make a survey of that section and recommend better methods. A fair was suggested, where prizes would encourage better products, as a means of stimulating interest in scientific farming.

This missionary work has been very successful. Slipped farming is said to be passing away and the new agriculture is taking its place. Of course, this year's good wheat yield in the three counties cannot be attributed wholly to the new methods, for a plentiful rainfall made the crops this season. But in a dry year it will be found that by following approved methods in the treatment of the soil, the yield will be far ahead of what could otherwise have been expected.

Farming Possibilities Big.

The possibilities in these counties of Northern Oregon, bounded by the Deschutes, the Columbia and Umatilla Rivers, are great. Gilliam County, alone, has almost half a million tillable acres, with a population of but 4500, and of these only a part are engaged in agricultural pursuits. Men are needed there to till the idle acreage,

which is adapted not only to wheat-growing, but to the planting of fruit and vegetables, dairying and the growing of poultry and livestock.

The growing season is long, with plenty of sunshine to encourage plant life. Corn and alfalfa are successfully grown and field peas are recommended as a crop for land that would otherwise be idle every other year by the summer fallowing system of cropping. The peas are a source of wealth when fed to hogs. Sheep are still pastured in numbers in Gilliam County, but as the settlers pour in the sheep range is being cut down steadily and the woolgrowers give way to wheat farmers.

Condon, the county seat, may well surprise many of the visitors from Portland who have not seen this thriving little city. It is well built and attractive. It has a fine courthouse, good schools and churches, water and sewer systems, splendid stores, two newspapers, two hotels. There is a telephone in practically every home in the county, both town and country. There are large warehouses at Condon for the receipt and storage of wheat and wool. There is also a flouring mill with a capacity of 400 barrels daily.

Sherman County lies in the great wheat belt south of the Columbia River. It has 300 acres of tillable land, mostly free from timber and easy of cultivation. In addition there is more than 100,000 acres of pasture lands lying along the "breaks" of the Deschutes and John Day Rivers.

In one year, Sherman County grew one-sixth of the wheat crop of the entire state. The average yield per acre can and will be increased. It is recognized that at present the farms are too large for best results, and farmers are trying to manage too large acreage. By giving their attention to smaller farms they would get much better results.

Smaller Farms Needed.

Diversified farming has never been tried to any great extent in Sherman County and herein lies a great future for this district. The soil will grow almost anything through proper treatment. As it is, the farmers till any where from a section to 2500 acres and give all their attention to wheat. On the ranges thousands of cattle feed, yet the owners use condensed milk and creamery butter. They are so used to wearing on a big scale that they pay no attention to these things.

Sherman County is finding out it is one of the best fruit-growing sections of Eastern Oregon. Orchards thrive and yield abundantly. The fruit industry is certain to become important, since soil, altitude and climate are favorable. Sherman County lays claim to more retired farmers than any other county on the Pacific Coast, according to population. These men have become wealthy through their land hold-

PROMINENT CLERGYMEN WILL PARTICIPATE IN CHRISTIAN ALLIANCE CONVENTION.



Rev. F. J. Potter, Evangelist, New York

Rev. J. C. Baker, Everett, Wm. Chorister

Rev. F. J. Potter, evangelist of New York, Wash., arrived yesterday to take part in the convention of the Christian Alliance, which opens today in the tabernacle on the corner of East Ninth and East Clay streets. Rev. Mr. Baker is a singer and musical director, and will conduct the singing of the convention. Other prominent ministers will be present. Rev. F. H. Sent, general superintendent of the Pacific Coast, arrived yesterday evening and will take part. He will preach this morning at 11 o'clock, and Rev. George D. Watson, D. D., will preach this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock on "The Coming of the Personal Anti-Christ." Miss Grace Allen, the great blind singer, will be heard at all these services.

200 COWS COMING

Dairy Show Promises Oregon Some Good Publicity.

O.-W. R. & N. OFFERS CUP

First Exhibit, a Quantity of Cheese, Arrives From Sherwood, Wis., for Fair Which Opens at Stockyards, November 18.

More than 200 dairy cows of various breeds and representing numerous communities in California, Oregon, Washington, British Columbia and Idaho, will be shown at the Pacific International Dairy Show at the Portland Union Stockyards, November 18 to 23.

Assurances already received by D. O. Lively, vice-president of the stockyards company having the show in charge, indicate that the exhibition will aid materially in presenting to the world the fact that Oregon and the North Pacific Coast country is a dairy country, and that its possibilities as such are equal to those of almost any other territory in the world. Professor Chamberlain, agricultural commissioner for the Great Northern, recently declared that the climate of Oregon is better suited for the development of superior dairy stock than is the climate of the Isle of Jersey or other famous dairy districts.

One of the main objects of the forthcoming show will be to advertise the fact that this state offers excellent advantages as a dairy country.

In addition to the prizes to be given by the managers of the exhibition, the O.-W. R. & N. Company will give a sterling silver cup, valued at \$75, for the best senior yearling heifer. The cup will be suitably engraved and exhibited at the Commercial Club next week.

The first exhibit arrived yesterday from Sherwood, Wis. It consists of a quantity of cheese produced in the dairy districts adjacent to Sherwood.

Much interest attaches to the competition among farmers for the best article written by a farmer on silos and silage, the same to be printed in the livestock journals in the Northwest. The nature of the silo has been extensively introduced on the Pacific Coast, and an effort will be made to encourage it.

Preparations have been made for cleaning the stockyards in which the cattle are to be shown so that they will be sanitary and comfortable. They will be disinfectant under supervision of employees of the United States Department of Animal Industry. The show will not be given for profit. There are no salaries offered to exhibitors, and no entry fees and no admission fees.

LISTER NOW THE NOMINEE

Washington Democrats Nominate Tacoma for Governor.

SEATTLE, Oct. 12.—The Democratic state central committee today nominated Ernest Lister, of Tacoma, for Governor, in place of Judge William Wilson Black, of Everett, declared ineligible by the Supreme Court because of holding a judicial position. Lister received every one of the 35 votes cast.

The committee will meet by proxy Monday to ratify today's action, as this is a legal holiday, Columbus day.

Mr. Lister was nominated by Arthur A. Lewis of Spokane and received the unanimous endorsement of all the committeemen present. Judge William Wilson Black, whom Mr. Lister replaced on the ticket, addressed the committee and gave assurance that he would support Mr. Lister and the entire Democratic ticket. Chairman Hugh C. Todd, who ran only a few hundred votes behind Mr. Lister in the September primary, declared at the opening of the meeting that he had previously announced himself in favor of giving the nomination to the second high man in case Judge Black was declared ineligible, and although many friends had urged him to seek the nomination again he would adhere to the principle that Mr. Lister, as second choice in the primary, should be given the place on the ticket.

Mr. Lister was born in England 42 years ago and came to Tacoma when he was 13 years old. In 1897 he was appointed by Governor John R. Rogers as chairman of the State Board of Control, which office he held for six years. He is engaged in the contracting business and is proprietor of a large planing mill at Tacoma.

Vice Conference Postponed.

The conference between members of the Vice Commission and the special committee of the City Council, which was to be held at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon, has been postponed one week, in the absence of Rev. Henry R. Talbot, of St. David's Episcopal Church, who is now out of the city.

C. E. S. Wood on Campaign Tour.

C. E. S. Wood will devote two weeks to campaigning Idaho, Nevada and Northern California in the interests of Wilson and Marshall. Mr. Wood will begin his two weeks' tour of speaking making this week, leaving tomorrow for points in Idaho.

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