

SCENES AT MORO EXPERIMENT FARM.

MORO EXPERIMENT STATION SUCCESS

Addison Bennett Writes of Great Good Being Done in Sherman County.

RESULTS ARE WONDERFUL

Trip to Model Farm Shows That Lessons Are Being Learned and Farmers in District Are Turning Station to Profit.

BY ADDISON BENNETT. MORO, Or., July 17.—(Special).—President Kerr, of the Oregon Agricultural College, accompanied by Regent Jefferson Myers, left Portland on the O-W. R. S. train Monday for this place to inspect the branch agricultural station here.

When President Kerr and the regents selected this tract, seven years ago, they did so after going thoroughly over Sherman, Gilliam and Morrow counties in search of a tract conveniently located for transportation lines.

The first crops were planted six years ago last Spring, so there has been time enough since the start to show what can be done by expert, perhaps more properly intelligent, farming methods.

When coming up through the county from Biggs on the train we passed through a portion of the wheat area of the county and had a good opportunity to see a great many fields of mature grain, and a few fields that were being cut.

Getting on one of the eminences, or hills, for this is a rolling country, and looking over the farm as a whole, it was not difficult to see the advantage of the experiment station.

I wish I could take up the work of a few dozen of these experimental patches and the thousands of variations made in treatment. Let it suffice to say that every tract is a separate account on the books of the superintendent.

Take, for instance, a dozen adjoining tracts or patches. Each was plowed or disked on a different day, each seeded on a different day, each harvested on a different day.

Time of Plowing Important. I might go on and on and describe the experiments in grasses, alfalfa, food plants, the emers, vetches, kales, bromes—everything that this farmer or that farmer might wish to know about in this dry-farming section.

Let us look at the facts as to plowing; that is, the season of plowing. The farmers, we will say, think any time from early April up to the middle of June will do for plowing the Summer fallow. For, I take it, the reader understands enough about dry farming to know that the method is to take a crop every second year.

Let us look at just that one point, and it is but a few minutes. There are 200,000 acres of grain land in this county, or about 150,000 acres seeded and harvested each year. Let us suppose that the plowing begins on an average on the first day of May and that the loss by this late plowing is five bushels to the acre.



Top—Looking Toward Moro, Over Field Peas. Below (Left)—D. M. Stevens, Superintendent Moro Experiment Station. Right—Farmer Smith in Field of Wheat on Experiment Farm.

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SHASTA ASCENDED EARLY BY MAZAMAS

Interesting Experiences of Camp Life Recounted by Anne Dillinger.

CLOUDS OFT HIDE PATHS

Mount Lassen Watched in Hope of Seeing Only Living Volcano in United States in Eruption. Bear Hunt Is Begun.

BY ANNIE DILLINGER. CAMP BRONAUUGH, Mount Shasta, Cal., July 14.—(Special).—The Mazamas have been making daily ascents of snowy Shasta ever since the arrival in camp.

Professor J. S. Burd, of the Sierra Club, of San Francisco, accompanied as far as Thumb Rock, F. C. Davis, also of the Sierras, made the first ascent to the summit on July 12. At an elevation of 15,000 feet they were enveloped in a mist of clouds which obscured the trail to such an extent that Mr. Davis thought it prudent to turn back.

At Colfax the night is cool and with the light rains of the last week the grain prospects of Whitman County are the best in years.

PRIZE CHERRIES SHOWN

FRUIT AT COVE'S ANNUAL EXHIBITION NEAR PERFECTION.

Frank Williams Wins Sweepstakes and J. B. Love, John Dean, E. S. Morris and Others Share Awards.

LA GRANDE, Or., July 17.—(Special).—Cove's annual cherry show this year won double distinction for in the face of almost a complete crop failure, measured in terms of former years, it did considerable damage through the county at 2000 tons.

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KLAMATH FALLS, Or., July 17.—(Special).—Klamath County's reclaimed land area is to be increased about 7000 acres this year.

ROSEBURG, Or., July 17.—(Special).—The fourth annual Chautauque closed here last night, after the most successful event of its kind held in Douglas County.



Step-Lively Sale

In Order to Close Out Remaining Sizes of

Summer Footwear

We Have Reduced Prices on the Following Styles of

Men's Shoes and Oxfords

NOTICE

THIS SALE TAKES PLACE AT OUR STORE, 308 WASHINGTON ST., WILCOX BLDG.

HANAN'S—Men's Tan Russia Calf Button and Bluchers, all toes; regular price \$7.50, now \$5.85. HANAN'S—Men's Tan and Black Russia Calf, Patent Colt and Patent Kid, also Vici Kid Blucher Oxfords; regular price \$6.50 and \$7.00, now \$5.35.



308 WASHINGTON, BETWEEN FIFTH AND SIXTH

RAILWAY WORK NEAR

Building of Roseburg Line to Begin by August 15.

ROAD TO COST \$800,000

MILL to Be Erected to Handle Logs From Timber Along Umququa.

City Joins With Kendall Bros. in Great Project.

City Votes Bonds.

The mill to be erected on the fair-ground near Roseburg will cost approximately \$250,000.

The contract calls for the completion of the railroad as far as Rock Creek, but the builders have agreed to extend it to the line of the forest reserve whenever it is necessary.

For every mile of road completed between Roseburg and Rock Creek the City of Roseburg will pay \$2000 to Kendall Bros.

The city recently authorized the issuance of bonds for \$200,000.

These bonds will be accepted by Kendall Bros. as soon as the terms of way for the railroad have been secured and a crew of surveyors is at present laying out the route of the proposed line.

The task is expected to be completed in two weeks.

The contract for erecting the mill has been awarded to the Allis-Chalmers Company, of Milwaukee.

The first installation of machinery is scheduled to arrive here December 1.

In addition to opening up a vast amount of timber lands along the Umququa River, the proposed railroad will prove of great benefit to the farmers residing between Roseburg and Rock Creek.

St. A. Kendall, J. L. Snyder and H. R. Johnson, who are associated in the construction of the mill and railroad, expect to arrive here and begin work as soon as the Supreme Court determines the validity of the bonds voted by the people of Roseburg.

Judge Skipworth recently passed on the bonds and held them to be valid.

Mr. Johnson has gone to Milwaukee, Wis., to make known to the Allis-Chalmers Company the final details regarding the plant.

Through at Junction City See Bell.

JUNCTION CITY, Or., July 17.—(Special).—Two thousand Northern Lane County residents witnessed the arrival of the Liberty Bell Thursday.

Business houses closed and all gazed in awe at the famous relic. The train stopped 15 minutes.

Gill's Mid-Summer

Book Sale

Rich in Opportunities

The sale embraces the widest range in variety—new books are reduced to a fraction of their original price—handled books and shelf-worn books are reduced from 25% to 50%—children's books, Bibles, fiction, etc., all cut for quick sale at this time.

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10% to 60%

Magnificent variety of Gift Books, Art Books, etc., handsomely bound and beautifully illustrated, now reduced 10% to 50%.

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