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HOME ENTERTAINMENT

A great deal of credit is due the ladies who took part in the home talent entertainment, "A Spinster's Convention," at Sanford's hall last Friday evening. The play was advertised extensively and people from Haycreek, Grizzly and other out of the way places were among the audience that filled the hall. Every detail of the performance was carried out without a hitch. The costumes were gorgeous, the jokes were classy, the songs catchy, the stage setting and wall decorations were grand; even the atmosphere around the convention seemed permeated with the emblem of single blessedness, while the actors sang or talked of only one thing that an old maid wants above all else in this world—a man.

This move on the part of the ladies to promote home entertainments has rounded itself into one large club to which every lady and gentleman in town is invited to become a member. The aim of the club is to rent a hall suitable for their purpose, and from time to time throughout the winter months give clean and wholesome entertainments. That the people want amusement of the kind given last Friday night was evidenced by the fact that the largest crowd ever gathered in Madras for a similar entertainment was present.

The ladies back of the movement are deserving of support

and encouragement in their undertaking.

A well known statistician of one of the principal stock yards of the country says the livestock of the United States numbers more than 200,000,000 head or an average of three animals to each inhabitant, and their value is approximately \$6,000,000,000, a sum greater than the value of all the gold ever mined in America, or than all of the money ever coined by the United States. It is by far the greatest single producing industry of the nation, furnishing meat, milk, clothing, and living motive power for the multitude of its inhabitants, and over 80 per cent of the enormous corn crop of the country is fed to livestock on the farms. He also says there is no over-supply of any kind of livestock in the United States.

The world series game between the New York Giants and Philadelphia Athletics has been delayed for almost a week now on account of bad weather and rain soaked grounds. Why don't the management of the big leagues in the east transfer their world's series games to Central Oregon where the warm sunshiny weather at this time of the year is always conducive to outdoor sports.

Redmond will hold a potato show on November 2. This is the date the O.-W. R. & N. demonstration train arrives at Redmond and the two events will undoubtedly bring a very large number of farmers from the surrounding country to Redmond. At the same time a meeting of dairymen will be held to organize an association.

An apple tree near Albany has been sold for \$600. It is ever-bearing, maturing fruit at all seasons of the growing period, with buds, blossoms and apples

on the tree at the same time. A nursery company has bought the tree and will try to establish a new ever-bearing variety.

Someone has suggested that the "Spinster Convention" last Friday night was the first gun in a big campaign the old maids are expecting to launch against the bachelors when leap year rolls around the first of next January.

Lakeview will add agriculture to its high school course as soon as its new building is finished. This is a new and important feature of the course of study and one that progressive communities are adopting.

25,000 COLONISTS COME TO OREGON

After Reaching Portland They Look
Around Before Deciding On
Permanent Locations

The last of the Fall colonists to reach local destinations for the current season of low rates arrived in Portland October 18, and from information received at railroad headquarters they are following the example of thousands of their predecessors who have come since the season opened in September, and will remain here several days looking over the field before deciding on where they will locate permanently. More than usually, this Fall, the immigrants are flocking to the terminal cities, no matter whether they have fixed destinations in mind outside of these cities. The human nature element has played a strong part in their decisions, for most of them have wanted to get all the transportation they could for their money, and so have flocked to the terminal centers.

This feature of the situation has rendered it practically im-

possible for the railroad officials or commercial bodies to determine just what sections of the state are receiving the greatest influx of new population. It also has added to the usual difficulty of determining just what proportion of the entire Coastward movement is to be a permanent population and what percentage has come out simply to see the country and take advantage of the low rates.

It will not be known just how heavy the volume of this class of traffic has been this season until all the transcontinental lines have checked over their ticket sales from the Eastern and Middle Western selling points and the passing of the immigrant tide through the gateways to the Pacific. The number of persons who have come to Oregon during the colonist period this Fall will probably run close to 25,000. This is a good business compared to former years, but is not up to the record-breaking tide of last Spring, which was so great that it caught the railroads napping.
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