

DRY FARMS SHOW EXCELLENT YIELDS

Eastern Oregon Land Company
Carries on Successful
Experiments.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Vale, Or., Aug. 22.—Walter S. Martin and P. D. Martin, of San Francisco, owners of the Eastern Oregon Land company, are making Vale their headquarters this week while on an inspection trip of their large holdings in Malheur county. The Eastern Oregon Land company also owns The Dallas Military Road tract which comprises in all about 430,000 acres of land in Oregon while 100,000 acres of this land is located within Malheur county. Their grants extend from Riverside Ferry through Vale and up the Willow Creek valley as far as Cow valley.

It is understood that these lands will not be placed on the market right away as the owners wish to make many improvements throughout their tract before it is put up for sale. Two demonstration farms have already been established by the company in the Cow valley, and Mr. Martin states that he thinks that dry farming will be successful in that valley. The crops on those farms at the present time look fine and he estimates that the grain will yield from 25 to 40 bushels to the acre. He also states that he has corn on one of these farms which measures over six feet high.

The Eastern Oregon Land company has just sold a tract of land comprising 14,000 acres, west of Ironside mountain on the Little Malheur, to the Melheur Live Stock company. This vast tract will be developed into a high class summer range for the sheep of the Melheur Live Stock company.

CLUB READY TO ADOPT PLANS FOR NEW HOME

The plans for the new home of the Multnomah Amateur Athletic club will probably be passed upon by the building committee this week. It is desired that work begin during the first week of September. The whole bond issue of \$200,000, which is to be expended in building, grandstand and equipment, has been sold. The buyers were all local business men and members of the club.

"The completed building is taking form in our minds, at least," said President Walter A. Holt, of the Multnomah club, yesterday. "We plan for a structure that will be both larger and better protected from fire than the building which was burned. We do not think with the funds on hand that we can erect a totally fireproof building. But we do believe that we can put up brick walls and so arrange the interior as to make it a building of what is known as the slow burning type."

"We must have a building which will provide for a much larger membership than we were able to accommodate in our old home. Recently the heads of the various departments met and submitted to our architects plans and specifications for a bigger gymnasium, swimming pool and billiard room. It was said at the time that the day would come when we would look upon the fire as the biggest and best thing that ever happened to us. Before the fire we did not know the position of respect and admiration that the club occupies in the community. We did not know the loyal fiber of our members and how they, with the business men, would rally to our aid in the emergency. We shall proceed to plan for bigger things and to build for them."

NEW YORK WELCOMES AUSTRIAN SINGERS

New York, Aug. 22.—One hundred students from the University of Vienna, in black velvet jackets, black boots, white breeches and gaily colored caps, attracted attention on the streets of New York today. They reached the city this morning, and during their stay here they will be elaborately entertained by the German singing societies of the metropolis. The chief mission of the student delegation is to start a movement that will lead to an exchange of professors between Austrian and American universities, such as has been in vogue for some years between this country and Germany.

The visiting students are members of the Academic Singing society of Vienna, and during their stay on this side they will be heard in a number of concerts, the first of which is to be given in Carnegie hall tomorrow night. From New York the students will go to Boston and later will visit Buffalo, Niagara Falls, Washington and Philadelphia.

PAYETTE-BOISE CANAL WILL BE COMPLETED

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Nampa, Idaho, August 22.—Government reclamation forces are becoming active for the fall campaign of completing the big feeder canal of the Deer Flat reservoir in the Payette-Boise project. One hundred and fifty men have been put to work during the past week and 500 are to be employed as fast as they can be secured. It is stated by the superintendent that 150 teams will be used.

The big canal is to be made wider at the bottom. Last season 10,000 feet of the canal was concrete and cement lined and this season it is intended to do line 12,000 feet more. This work is being done where the big canal leaves the canyon of the Boise river and passes along the hillside to the bench lands. Serious breaks occurred there before and the officials mean to provide against a recurrence of such disaster, which before occurred in the midst of the irrigation season.

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Princess Weenie Wee and Chimmie Fadden taking morning walk.

A more curious friendship can hardly be imagined than the one which is now interesting the 1280 members of Barnum & Bailey's big circus family and a considerable portion of the public which is attracted twice a day to the exhibition of "the greatest show on earth." The circus and the two afore-said friends will be seen in Portland next Thursday and Friday.

In the side show one of the principal objects of interest is a young woman who is described as "Princess Weenie Wee, the smallest living woman; age 19 years, height 17 inches, weight 7 1/2 pounds." Weenie Wee is, so far as records show, the smallest bit of humanity that has existed since the days of General Tom Thumb and Commodore Nutt.

Just outside the side show tent and to the right is the entrance to the big top by means of the menagerie. At the third cage to the left you will see Chimmie Fadden, a baby chimpanzee who has surprised his owners and trainers by exhibiting traits more like human intelligence than any ever evinced by a wild animal before. Chimmie Fadden and the dainty Princess Weenie Wee are sworn friends. Their meeting occurred in front of Chimmie's cage on the third day of the first week of the circus' run at Madison Square Garden, New York. There the young chimpanzee is in the habit of eating his dinner after the matinee audience has left and the menagerie tent is empty of curious sightseers and the other gentry whose main business in life seems to be to "rubber neck."

Clad in the average male human being's costume for that hour of the day, seated on a low chair before a dwarf table and armed with a fork in one hand and a knife in the other, Chimmie, the chimpanzee, on the day in question was enjoying his dinner in the presence of no one save Andre Zingari, when little Weenie Wee chanced by. They had never met before, Chimmie and Weenie Wee, and for a moment the situation was embarrassing, for the smallest woman was regarding the brightest chimpanzee in a way which showed that she desired an introduction. The trainer rose to the occasion and the two shook hands.

That was the beginning. The next night they ate together at the request—women are sly things—of the trainer and now if you happen to enter the circus when the general public is excluded you may often find the brightest chimpanzee and the little woman dining together or walking about hand in hand.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
San Antonio, Texas, Aug. 22.—Though the Texas, Arkansas & Louisiana railroad is only seven miles in length and does not figure on Wall street, it is the pioneer in the use of natural gas as a fuel for locomotives. The engine of the system, after burning coal and oil, is now using natural gas to get up steam, and it is claimed that the last is the best of them all. There are neither cinders, smoke or smell incident to its combustion and steam keeps up with a regularity that would be the delight of any engineer. More over a saving of 25 per cent is effected by the use of gas.

To the regular tender, now useless except as a carrier of water, a standard gas tank is attached. No pressure is used to fill it and after the round trip of 14 miles there is still some carbon left. The credit of the innovation belongs to J. S. Connelly, of Canthage, Mo. Whether natural gas can be used to advantage by locomotives making long runs has not been determined as yet.

**1 HORSETHIEF KILLED
AND ONE IS CAPTURED**
(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Lakeview, Or., Aug. 22.—Sheriff Albert Denning, of Klamath Falls, has returned from Klamath Falls, having in tow a young man named B. E. Kuhl of Silver Lake, who surrendered to the posse headed by Klamath's sheriff, after a hard chase, and after his companion, named DeMoss, of the same place, had been killed in a battle with the indignant ranchmen that overtook them with a large bunch of stolen horses and mules in the timber of Klamath county. The youth that surrendered is a mere boy and it is believed that he will throw himself upon the mercy of the court in the hope of securing a lighter sentence. The people of Silver Lake are considerably stirred over the matter, and it will probably not be healthy for horsethieves in that section of the state from now on.

LAKE AUTO CLUB TO BOOST FOR GOOD ROADS

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Lakeview, Or., Aug. 22.—Automobilists of the state will be glad to know that the Lake County Automobile club, just formed with a membership of 50, will place signs on all the roads of the county and will keep in repair, through the cooperation of the county officials, every road that traverses the county. Arthur W. Orton, formerly of Portland, is permanent secretary of the organization. Dr. Bernard Daly, county judge, has given his hearty support to the movement and is an enthusiastic advocate of good roads. It is also planned to commence a campaign of education to teach the value of the roads of the county and the additional benefits of improving them to every citizen.

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MINSTREL SHOW STILL POPULAR

Blackface Comedians Draw
Immense Crowd at Bunga-
low Theatre Last Night.

By E. I.
Exactly what inspired the minstrel show of 40 or 50 years ago, we could never tell from last night's exhibit by Richard & Pringle's Famous Georgia minstrels. What the ideal of beauty and art, what the test of wit and mirth, we may only dimly surmise from the discarded residue presented by the comedians of another decade last night.

It was a bumper crowd and an exhilarating one that jammed into the bungalow theatre, filling the lobby and thronging the aisles with enthusiastic standees. Every inch of available space was strained to its utmost to accommodate the crowd, indicating the tremendous drawing power of the black-face entertainment at popular prices. Toward peroxide and the gum chewing brigade predominated, but I am not going to try to describe that audience. I couldn't. I'm a perfect gentleman. It seems that these Georgia minstrels pride themselves on the fact that there are no novelties in their entertainment; they stick to original principles and entertain after the old plantation method. There are no spectacular features to light the way, nor gorgeous effects; it is just such a show as you would expect to see at the State Fair at Salem. "The Dance of the Chanteclers" is down on the program as a teaser, but nothing comes of it. The soloists were a hit with last night's audience, and the recalls were frequent and compelling. Major Daniels, Sidney Kirkpatrick, Billy King, John A. Watts and Kid Langford were among the favorites.

Humor of the grimy past and unappetizing jokes were swept across the footlights in sheets by Billy King, Clarence Powell and others, and the audience was thrown into paroxysms of laughter and loud guffaws, although the "Girl Who Sat Behind Me" confided to the grocer's boy with whom she's keeping company that "She knew just what he was going to say all the time, because she had seen a minstrel show in New Orleans once."

The engagement was concluded with a one act comedy absurdity, "The Black Villa Guards in the Philippines," which further tickled the risibilities of the black face enthusiasts.

CHAMBERLAIN DID NOT PAROLE PINK DOMINO

Senator George E. Chamberlain, upon his return to Portland, has pointed out the fact that it was not he who

paroled Ernest Lane, the notorious Pink Domino burglar, as was stated in a local morning paper in its issue of August 16.

"It was my successor who pardoned the Pink Domino," said Senator Chamberlain. "The petition for his parole

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