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ISSUED THURSDAY MORNING.

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Watermelons and muskmelons are now plentiful in the Heppner markets. The tone of the market is a little silvery.

The attendance at the Lewis and Clark fair from June 1 to last Saturday night was 816,907. The attendance shows a much better average than at Omaha or the California midwinter fair.

Every citizen of Heppner should read the announcement of Dr. Higgs, the county health officer in this issue. The health of the community is something in which every one should be interested. It should not be necessary to invoke the mandate of the law for the improvement of the sanitary condition of the city. The time of year has arrived when there should be a general clean up of the collection of a year. Heppner is favored with healthful environments. Clean up.

That Japan will in time become a splendid market for pure bred horses and cattle is what this journal predicted some years ago. That our predictions are coming true is shown by the fact that agents of the Japanese government are already in the United States buying both horses and cattle. Most of this stock has been purchased in the East, but the Pacific Coast, by location, will in time get this trade. In fact, one of our large breeding farms, Mr. Ladd's Crystal Spring Herd of Jerseys, made a sale to go to Japan from this noted herd, which is only the beginning of what we predict will be a good market for our pure bred stock in the near future. The little brown man is a progressive fellow, and as soon as he is through with Russia will turn his attention to industrial pursuits. We welcome them to our markets, and hope our breeders will deal with them in a way to gain their confidence and retain their trade.—Rural Spirit.

Will Improve Cattle Market.

James C. Lonergan, buyer for Frye, Brahm Co., of Seattle, is authority for the statement that a new era in cattle and stock industry has started in the Northwest. The change lies in the fact that the growers of the Northwest are now no longer shipping their stock east, but are getting prices in Portland and Seattle which induce them to sell here instead of the east. For some time past the northwest has been unable to supply the demand in Portland and Seattle, and Mr. Lonergan has just returned from a six month's trip through the cattle districts of California, during which time he bought 3000 head of cattle and 45,000 head of sheep, all of which was shipped to Seattle. Most of the buying was done in the San Joaquin Valley and in the country near Red Bluff. Four per cent of the San Joaquin Valley cattle were condemned by government inspectors as suffering from tuberculosis, but nearly all of the animals bought near Red Bluff were in fit condition.—John Day News.

The grand jury at San Francisco has Mayor Schmitz before it to answer the charge of malfeasance in office and neglect of official duties.

TERRIBLE EXPLOSION.

Many Killed by Blowing up of Bennington's Boilers.

San Diego, Cal., July 21.—Broken and blackened, with her flag flying at half mast, her hold filled with fifteen feet of water, the United States ship Bennington, now lies beached on the shores of San Diego harbor.

Thirty-nine of her crew lie dead at the city morgue, with the fate of a dozen more yet undetermined, while three score are stretched upon beds of pain in various hospitals.

This is the result of an explosion which wrecked the trim little naval craft and wrought such terrible havoc among her crew this morning.

The placid waters of San Diego bay have never before been the scene of such a disaster and San Diego city has never before been stirred by such scenes of death and suffering as those witnessed tonight.

Thirteen victims are stretched upon improvised biers at Johnson & Connell's morgue, while five others were to be seen at Woolman & Bradley's. At the two latter places the work of the explosion was terribly in evidence. The face of every victim was scarred and sealded, in many cases almost beyond recognition.

The cause of the explosion has not yet been determined. There is much talk among the crew, especially among the irresponsible members, of weakened and leaking boilers, but, until a thorough inspection of the wrecked boilers can be made, no definite official statement is obtainable.

At the time of the accident the Bennington was lying in the stream. The warship had received orders from the navy department at Washington to sail this morning for Port Harford, where she was to meet the monitor Wyoming, and convey that vessel to the Mare everything in readiness for sailing, when, without any warning, whatever, the starboard forward boiler exploded with a deafening roar. It was immediately apparent that an awful disaster of some kind had happened on board the warship.

The ferryboat Ramona was coming across the bay at the time of the accident. Captain Bertelsen of the Ramona hurried to the aid of the stricken warship. The tug Santa Fe, the launch McKinley, the government launch General Derrusey, and a large number of other launches and water craft rushed to the assistance of the Bennington and endeavored to lend every assistance possible.

By the time the Ramona had arrived many of the sailors of the Bennington, who had jumped into the bay to escape the scalding steam, had been rescued, and the removal of the wounded, which had already been commenced, was being conducted in perfect order.

At the time of the accident Commander Lucien Young and Surgeon A. E. Peck were on shore. On board the Bennington were presented terrible scenes. The force of the explosion had torn a great hole in the starboard side of the ship and the vessel already was commencing to list. A section of the upper deck was carried away from stem to stern. Blood and wreckage were distributed over the entire ship, the after cabin and the vicinity of the ship adjacent to the exploded boiler resembling a charnel house. Over it all hung a great cloud of white smoke, which drifted slowly toward the Coronado shore.

Within a comparative short time a dozen physicians were on the scene attending to the wounded. A dozen or fifteen men were blown overboard by the force of the explosion. Witnesses say they saw human bodies hurled over one hundred feet upward. The air was black with smoke which enveloped the ship. When it cleared away only a few men were seen on the decks, while a number were floundering in the water.

Independent and reliable—The Oregonian.

LOCAL NOTES.

Clyde Wells is building a new residence.

Ben Patterson returned from Portland yesterday.

Dr. M. A. Leach returned from Portland Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. George Vincent, of Butter creek, are registered at the Palace.

T. A. Rhea returned yesterday evening from Portland and the seaside.

Saturday and Sunday we will have fresh strawberry ice cream. The Palm.

Ben Patterson has purchased an automobile, the first one to be owned in Heppner.

Water melons on ice, lemons, bananas, oranges and ice cold temperature drinks. The Palm.

L. W. Briggs is behind the counter at Rhea & Welch's during the absence of Elmer Spaulding.

Don't forget that Sunday dinner is not complete unless you have ice cream. We have buckets to send it out in. The Palm.

There will be no services at the Baptist church on next Lord's Day. The pastor will be at Ione in a Fifth Sunday mass meeting.

Sheriff E. M. Shutt and family returned from Portland yesterday evening. Mr. Shutt says that the fair is grand, but advises people to stay away until it gets cooler as the heat drives away much of the pleasure.

W. P. Dutton has received his new wagon for the delivery of milk from the Alfalfa Lawn dairy which will be started on the first of August. Using the words of many people who have examined the vehicle it is a peach. The compartment for the carrying of milk will be thoroughly enclosed, with tight fitting sliding side doors for taking out and putting in the milk. This will keep out the dust where everything can be kept clean. The dairy will be run by experienced dairymen. All milk as soon as taken from the cows will be strained twice to insure cleanliness and will be immediately put on ice to eliminate all animal heat before delivery. The new wagon is of attractive design, made by the Studebaker people and was purchased through the well known implement dealers, Garrigues & Son.

The national bureau of forestry will hereafter be officially known as the "forest service," being hereafter divorced from any district association with the land office of the interior department.

Many towns of Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee, Arkansas and Texas are quarantining against New Orleans, and placing a rigid embargo against all passengers from that city.

Notice.

Back yards, back of store building, livery barns, slaughter houses, etc. must be cleaned up and kept clean. Waste from the kitchen or other material must not be thrown in back yards or alleys. All privies and urinals should be sprinkled with slacked lime once a week. As soon as an animal dies it should be buried or covered completely with strong alkali earth.

A. K. Higgs, M. D.
County Health Officer.

Milk Delivery.

W. P. Dutton's new dairy will be in operation and ready for the delivery of milk on August 1. Everything handled in a satisfactory manner and satisfaction guaranteed.

Always reliable—The Weekly Oregonian.

Teachers' Examination.

Notice is hereby given that I will hold the regular examination of applicants for state and county papers at the court house of Morrow county, Ore., as follows:

Commencing Wednesday, August 9, at nine o'clock a. m., and continuing until Saturday, August 12, at 4 o'clock p. m.

FOR STATE PAPERS.

Wednesday—Penmanship, history, spelling, algebra, reading, school law.

Thursday—W. arithmetic, theory of teaching, grammar, book-keeping physics, Civil government.

Friday—Physiology, zoography, M. arithmetic, composition, physical geography.

Saturday—Botany, plane geom. general history, English literature, psychology.

FOR COUNTY PAPERS.

Commencing Wed., Aug. 9, at 9 o'clock a. m. and continuing until Friday, Aug. 11, at four o'clock p. m.

Wednesday—Penmanship, history, orthography, reading.

Thursday—W. arithmetic, Theory of teaching, grammar, physiology.

Friday—Geography, M. arithmetic, school law, civil government.

PRIMARY CERTIFICATES.

Wednesday—Penmanship, orthography arithmetic, reading.

Thursday—Art of questioning, theory of teaching, physiology.

Yours very truly,

S. I. STRATTON,
School Supt.

Peculiar Disappearance.

J. D. Runyan, of Butteville, O., laid the peculiar disappearance of his painful symptoms, of indigestion and biliousness, to Dr. King's New Life Pills. He says: "They are a perfect remedy for dizziness, sour stomach, headache, constipation, etc." Guaranteed at Slocum's drug store, price 25c.

In future years the great Josephine county caves will attract the attention of thousands of tourists.

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