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BIG DAIRY FARM IS MONEY MAKER

L. J. Jordan Demonstrates A Very Profitable Use for Wallowa Valley Land

Two years ago L. J. Jordan and sons came to the Wallowa valley from the Grande Ronde, where they had lost three crops out of six by drouth or frost. They were looking for a place where there was water when it was needed. After a brief inspection of several places they bought the E. R. Bowlby ranch of 320 acres, 1 1/2 miles south of Enterprise for a low price. It may be said in passing the ranch is worth twice today what they paid for it and a like increase per acre within the next three years is as sure as the summer sun melts snow in the mountains. And the reason is not far to seek and it is the solidest of all foundations of values—the land under the use put to it by Mr. Jordan will return good interest on that valuation.

Mr. Jordan was looking for a good dairy farm and he found it. That is not hard to do in this valley. There are tens of thousands of acres of land in the Wallowa valley that will make the finest of dairy farms. And in a few years that is what it will be used for exclusively.

Mr. Jordan is, as far as the writer knows, the pioneer in the dairy business in this part of Wallowa. He had to import his thoroughbred Jerseys from the Grand Ronde. But with all conditions of soil and climate and water so favorable, combined with his practical knowledge of the business, he could not help making a success, and so much of a success that at least one of his neighbors already has followed his example and will hereafter receive monthly dividends in cash from the Wallowa Valley Cream company.

Mr. Jordan has not gone so very extensively into the dairy business judged by the standards of the counties in the East where the business is a half-century old, but for 16 cows feeding in a pasture still covered with willows and underbrush, his butter fat check for August amounted to \$80. A thrifty bunch of hogs has fattened on the skimmed milk, and he received \$11 a head for his calves. There are a half dozen great stacks containing 150 tons of timothy, worth on the Portland market over \$20 a ton. Then besides several nice fields of grain made big yields. Mr. Jordan rented his biggest pasture during the beef round-up and received \$200 for its use—a tidy little bit of pocket money for winter spending. Mr. Jordan is interested in horses as

well as cows as a couple of handsome registered Percheron stud colts, a registered Percheron mare and a big band of other horses testify. The three-year-old stud is a beauty and might have served as a model for Rosa Bonheur when painting the celebrated picture, The Horse Fair.

Cattle Off 1-4 Cent.

Cattle are off one-fourth cent in price and raisers and shippers are disappointed as many were expecting the market to go the other way. E. L. Wiley got notice to hold a big bunch he was taking out, owing to congestion in the yards at Portland.

Order Opening of School Street

Session of city council, Monday night, was short. The only business transacted was the orders opening School street, new sidewalks on River street and the allowing of bills. Mayor Boyd, City Attorney Dill, City Recorder Taggart and Councilmen S. E. Combes, T. R. Akins, J. C. Reavis and L. Berland were present.

Petition of G. H. Vest read asking that council order a walk built on River street in front of Frank Stubblefield's, G. H. Reavis', E. W. Steel's, Mrs. Lander's and L. W. Riley's properties. Council ordered that said owners build new or put present walks in good condition.

School street was ordered opened on west side of block 1 in Reavis addition.

The following bills were allowed:
Barnough & Mayfield, sundries... \$ 1 10
E. J. Forsythe, lights... 29 00
K. S. Pace, work on streets... 10 65
C. M. Lockwood, treasurer's salary September... 5 00
T. M. Dill, city attorney... 5 00
W. E. Taggart, recorder... 4 00
J. C. Reavis, street commissioner 60 00

Sheep Herder Bound Over

H. L. Moody after a preliminary hearing before Justice A. C. Smith, Monday, was bound over to the circuit court in \$300 bonds on the charge of assault with dangerous weapon. Moody is a sheep herder in the employ of Pete Beaudan. He got in an altercation with a herder named Joseph Meno, employed by a rival sheep firm. Moody claims Meno had his hand on deeded ground belonging to Beaudan. Moody struck at him and then took Meno's gun from him and struck him with the barrel. J. A. Burleigh appeared for the defense and T. M. Dill prosecuted in the absence of the deputy district attorney.

H. A. Sprague and son, R. L. Sprague, and A. F. Arnold of Innaba were laying in supplies at the local stores, Saturday. R. L. Sprague made final proof on his homestead.

ENTERPRISE DAY AT COUNTY FAIR

Citizens of County Seat Go En Masse Thursday Morning to Exhibition at Lostine.

Today, Thursday, is Enterprise day at the county fair and the whole town went to Lostine early this morning. Every conveyance, public and private, was utilized and hundreds of people are viewing the products of farm, garden and house that are tastefully arranged in the McCully building, admiring the fine stock in the big corral, or enjoying the excitement of the races.

The plan of Enterprise day originated with Enterprise merchants Tuesday and was enthusiastically taken up with by everyone. Arrangements were made so that all employes of mills and stores could go except one at each place to wait upon people who for lack of notice may come from a distance to buy supplies.

The business men secured a holiday for the school children and hired wagons to take them all to the fair. Mesdames Forsythe, Maxwell, Moss and Bell act as chaperons for the merry loads of school children.

A number of the members of the Enterprise Concert band went to Lostine Wednesday night to play for a dance. The remainder went this morning, and the band will give its services at the fair today.

While only two days' notice was given, the success of Enterprise day was assured from the start, as it was one of the most popular movements ever started in this city. Everybody recognizes that the county fair should be the big annual gathering and reunion of all the people in Wallowa county, when the ties that bind us together can be drawn more closely and life-long friendships formed. The citizens of Lostine who have worked so hard to make the fair a success deserved this recognition of their labors.

There is a grand fruit exhibit at the fair not only from the famed Innaba and Garden of Eden districts but from all parts of Wallowa valley as well. The registered live stock of the county is well represented and some sharp competition is sure in the draft horse classes.

Kenneth McKenzie was acting secretary in the absence of Secretary Mays the first of the week and he and several assistants were kept busy receiving entries. There are a number of amusement lay-outs on the grounds, including that never-ending source of joy for the children, a merry-go-round.

False Smallpox Rumors

Mayor Morelock and Dr. Gregg of Wallowa report there are several cases of smallpox in that town. The disease is supposed to have been brought to Wallowa by a man recently arrived from Idaho.

Mayor Morelock telephoned Mayor Boyd, Tuesday, stating there were three cases there and that it was thought the contagion had come from Mrs. H. C. Cramer of Enterprise, who called at the homes where the disease afterwards appeared, while on her way home from Idaho. This story was immediately investigated and found to be untrue. Mrs. Cramer has not been ill and has not been at Wallowa for several weeks. There was no smallpox in Idaho where she visited, and there seems not the slightest foundation for the story.

Another rumor was current the first of the week that there was smallpox at Lostine. This is also false. The origin of that falsehood is not known, but the Lostine people are trying to trace it down as it was started they think with the design to hurt the fair.

Idaho Land Drawing.

B. B. Boyd returned Saturday night from Jerome, Idaho, where he witnessed the drawing for the land on the north side of Snake river, opposite the Twin Falls country. Mr. Boyd, J. S. Cook and one or two other local men registered, but before their numbers were drawn the desirable locations were taken. The purchasers of the land pay

\$35 an acre, including water rights, in ten annual installments. There was a total of over 1700 names registered, and a like number of small cubes of wood on which were stamped the numbers, in sequence, were placed in a common wooden rotary churn. After a due amount of churning the cubes were drawn out one at a time. The person whose registration number corresponded to the number on the cube first drawn out was entitled to first choice of land. The next, second choice, and so on. Many of the ones whose numbers came out late did not file at all. Twin Falls, the great boom town of three years ago, now has a population of 3000.

3 Horses Missing; Probably Stolen

Two work horses and a two-year-old saddle colt broke out or were taken out of Jacob Bauer's barn lot Sunday night and no trace of the animals has been found.

The general belief is that the horses were stolen. The lot is surrounded by a high board fence and the gate was securely fastened on the inside, but Mr. Bauer says it would have been impossible for the horses to have unfastened the gate by rubbing or otherwise.

The tracks of the horses lead north from the city, and as far as traced indicate the horses were led, for the tracks go straight ahead in the road and not from side to side as when horses are loose.

Diligent search and inquiry so far fail to give any clue. Mr. Bauer offers a reward of \$25 for the animals and \$100 for the arrest and conviction of the thief.

All three animals are branded E. B. on the left side. The horses are bay, one weighing 1200 and the other 1350 pounds. They hold their heads high, are fresh shod, have trimmed tails, one branded A, with bar above, over left stifle, the other G. J. on left shoulder. The saddle colt mare is black in color, blocky build and has a bald face.

The work team was valued at \$350 and Mr. Bauer had refused \$75 for the colt.

Someone took a mare and five months old colt belonging to C. F. Graves out of Mrs. Maggie Bloom's pasture Friday night about 8 o'clock, but was kind enough to return the animals after riding the mare all night. Alta Davis heard the gate opened when the mare was taken out and spoke to Mrs. Bloom. Search all day Saturday failed to locate the animals, but on Sunday morning they were found in an adjoining field with marks of the saddle cloth and girth still on the mare.

Apples That Are Apples

Tom Rich of Fruita brought some splendid specimens of apples to Enterprise, Tuesday. His Mann samples were especially large and he had a variety called Banana that are of very fine flavor.

E. A. Hart brought in another branch from a tree in his orchard so loaded with apples that we frankly told him the readers wouldn't believe what we said, that they would all be from Missouri. However, we can show them at the office a branch where in a space 7 inches long 9 very large apples grew, apples larger than coffee cups. Several branches loaded with fine plums and prunes were also brought in by Mr. Hart.

Marriage Licenses

Oct. 3—J. W. Eddleman and Ethel D. Martin.

MOTHER RESCUES BABY FROM RIVER

Mrs. J. H. Parrott Plunges Into Icy Current of Wallowa After Her Child

At the risk of her life, Mrs. J. H. Parrott plunged into the swift, icy current of the Wallowa river and rescued her year and a half old baby girl from drowning, Tuesday afternoon.

The Parrotts reside near the Enterprise electric light power house, over a mile below town. The river flows just back of their house and the little tot reached the water through an open door of the kitchen or through the barn. Mrs. Parrott had gone for some wood when she heard the child scream. She had to climb over two fences and when she reached the river she saw only the baby's blue dress, the child's head being under water. She jumped into the ice-cold water which at that place was up to her neck. The swift current bore her off her feet but she clung desperately to her baby and finally with the aid of some bushes she succeeded in gaining the bank.

Mother and child were wet and chilled to the bone, but with energy born of a mother's great love she worked over her baby until the set jaw relaxed and respiration began. Then wrapping the tot as warmly as possible she put it and another child in a baby buggy and started over the hill for town and a doctor, two miles away. She had to lift the children and buggy over two high locked gates. Mr. Parrott was working on a new house in the northwest part of town and he hurried for medical aid, while the mother and children went to the home of W. M. Dishaw, where Dr. C. T. Hockett found the little one practically recovered and in no danger except of a cold from its icy bath.

Premature Explosion

Luther Greeno was badly hurt by a premature explosion of giant powder in a mine south of Joseph, Monday. Two fingers of his right hand were mangled and his face and body punctured by broken bits of stone. Dr. Thompson of Joseph dressed his wounds. The injured man is from Colorado and is a brother of Mrs. Wm. Rutter of Enterprise.

HIGH SCHOOL OPENS

The Wallowa county high school opened Monday with 11 students enrolled and 8 others reported who will start within a week or two. The principal, Prof. W. E. Moore, reports a splendid interest and an auspicious beginning in every way.

County School Notes

Sam Lovell of Promise, who works for J. H. Dobbin, was transacting business with Superintendent J. W. Kerns the first of the week.

Thomas Lathrop of Leap will teach this winter and was in to see Superintendent Kerns, Tuesday.

G. H. Daugherty, director in the Chico district, was at the superintendent's office one day last week.

Bud Fisher of District 27 was in seeing about a teacher for that district. Mrs. Fisher accompanied her husband and bought supplies at the local stores. Their daughter, Miss Jean, will attend school down on the Grande Ronde in Washington this winter, taught by Mrs. Viola Stocking.

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