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POLK BEATS THE WORLD

POLK COUNTY AGAINST THE ENTIRE WORLD FOR SHEEP

Farmers in this vicinity take first prizes on sheep at the wool growers' association.

At the National Wool Growers' Association held in Portland this month Polk County growers carried away first prizes in nearly every class and there were some highly bred animals on exhibition to compete with. Of the fortunate exhibitors at the recent stock show are named Fred Koser, Cotswold sheep; Wm. Riddle & Sons, sheep and goats; J. R. Stump, sheep and goats; Hawley & Son, sheep; Mrs. W. J. Farley, goats; and Guthrie Bros., goats. There may have been others from this vicinity who took first, but of these mentioned there were no animals that were nearly in their class.

Polk County was awarded first prize in all long wool sheep and a majority of prizes on other breeds. In winning first in the long wool competition against royal prize winners of England, this county has added another credit mark to its fame in the sheep industry, according to a statement made by Dr. James Withycombe of the Oregon Agricultural College at Corvallis.

The Royal Sheep Show of Great Britain, recognized as the world's greatest sheep show, last fall made an award to the best Cotswold yearling ram. The ram and several other prize winners were bought by F. W. Harding of Waukesha, Wisconsin, and brought to the United States. They have since been exhibited at national and international shows and invariably were prize winners. Mr. Harding had anticipated securing first on his stock exhibited in Portland this year, but instead he met defeat, and it was Polk county that did it.

CLIMATE THE REASON

"Well, Oregon wins against the best ram in England, and that is recognized as making it the best in the world," said Mr. Harding. "I bought this yearling at the Royal Sheep Show at Liverpool, when grand championship prize was placed upon it by the judges. I paid a fancy price for him and this is the first time I have met defeat since I put him on exhibition. You have a climate similar to that of England, and I attribute the result to climatic conditions more than anything else. You have an ideal country for the long wool sheep."

Mr. Harding employed a herder and professional handler of show sheep to care for his flock. Mr. Koser handled and cared for his own exhibit for the show without assistance.

PRESBYTERIAN SOCIAL

Members and Friends of the Presbyterian Church held a Pleasant Social.

A very pleasant social was held in the Presbyterian church on Wednesday evening, and although the condition of the weather was far from being pleasant, a large crowd was in attendance. An interesting program was given, consisting of readings, songs and recitations, all of which were heartily enjoyed, by the company. After the program the company indulged in social intercourse, and light refreshments were served. It is the intention of the Ladies Aid Society to have these social gatherings frequently, that all may become better acquainted, and for the promotion of sociability among the people.

OLD SOLDIER TORTURED

"For years I suffered unspeakable torture from indigestion, constipation and liver trouble," wrote A. K. Smith, a war veteran at Erie, Pa., "but Dr. King's New Life Pills fixed me all right. They're simply great. Try them for any stomach, liver or kidney trouble. Only 25c at all druggists."

MRS. DUNSMORE SPEAKS.

The following article was written by Mrs. Dunsmore and published by request.

Not the least significant of the movements of the past year has been the results of church unity. It is said that J. Pierpont Morgan is said to have contributed \$100,000 toward consummating the merger.

There seems therefore little now to hinder the long looked for Federation. Some hail it with delight as an evidence of christian unity—it is truly a most deplorable state of affairs—known only to the few who have their faith established on the Word of God. It is a most noticeable fact that all who favor this union do not accept the commandments of God for their creed—the bible is losing ground with many as an authoritative standard of doctrine, yet there are others who are rallying all the unreasonably around the sacred truths.

Since the beginning of creation there has never been such a campaign as is on at the present day now known to many, while the great majority is going on heedlessly as if all is well.

Peace, universal peace, is preached by the popular speakers. The Lord says by the prophet Isaiah that the people will say "They shall beat their swords into plow shares, and their spears into pruning hooks, nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more." This is what the people are saying and Carnegie is giving of his millions to bring it about—the great Peace temple at the Hague—the great peace processional to take place—shall there be universal peace. Let us read what the Lord says by the prophet Joel, Chapter 3:9. "Prepare war, wake up the mighty men, let all the men of war draw near, let them come up; beat your plow shares into swords and your pruning hooks into spears; let the weak say, 'I am strong.'" Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision, for the day of the Lord is near in the valley of decision.

Paul says in I Thess. 3:5. For when they shall say peace and safety, then suddenly destruction cometh upon them. There never will be universal peace according to the Word of God.

The day of the Lord is near in the valley of decision. People are undecided which law to obey, the law of God or the law of man. The great struggle is soon to take place—every man and woman will soon be obliged to make their decision. If they do not decide for the law of God they will have the mark of the beast. (Rome's Sunday.) Then they will receive the plagues that God has said he would pour on those disobedient ones.

Rome is standing by her mark of ecclesiastical power (Sunday) and protestants, so called, are looking towards Rome. The Lord says that all who worship him their names are not written in the Lamb's Book of Life. Rev. 13:8.

Rome is now urging a Catholic union so they may become powerful enough to demand their civil and political government—she will eventually get them. It was stated in the Temperance Advocate May 1891, that Archbishop Ireland, in a temperance convention in New York City, thanked God that the Protestants and Catholics stand together in demanding the faithful observance of Sunday. Thus the leaders of professed Protestants in the United States have joined hands with the papacy for the power of making this government advance their plans just as the Catholics did in Rome as soon as they got influence enough to do so.

They realize that the elements of skepticism and worldliness are becoming stronger, and the interest in attending worship in the churches is waning. They must do something to keep it alive. Self preservation is the first law of nature. They are ashamed of and not able to work in the way the Apostle worked—using the sword of the spirit and of the shield of faith and laying aside all carnal weapons. They have turned to the state and the world for help and they have fairly compelled the government to help them. But alas, this help proves to be their ruin instead of their salvation.

Thus we see what a strong power will wage opposition to the people who stand by the law of God their Creator. God is now calling for the Noahs, Eshahs, Shadrachs, Mesecks, and Abednezas to come out of this Babylonish confusion and preach righteousness. All of God's Commandments are righteous. Very few will stand by the law of God. It is

NEW CASHIER SHOWN HERE

NEW INVENTION PROMISES TO BE A SUCCESS

Portland Men Put on an Interesting Demonstration at the Hotel This Week.

Max H. Holmes and O. E. Gerner, Ass't. Managers of the United States Cashier Co. of Portland, were in the city Tuesday, and at the Hotel demonstrated the automatic cashier, which is probably the most convenient piece of machinery that was ever invented for the use of the busy merchant. They were interested in selling stock in the new invention which gives promise of developing into a big paying industry. The machine held on exhibition here is one of seven which these Portland men have invented and that there is going to be a great demand for each of them goes without saying.

The exclusive rights of the manufacture, sale and distribution of the two automatic cashiers are now owned

SINGERS COMING

Ye Old Towne Quartette Will Entertain Independence Monday.

At the Star Theatre next Monday evening the people of Independence will have an opportunity to hear one of the best quartettes on the road, commonly known as Ye Old Towne Quartette. This is one of the numbers put on by the Lyceum course and is the last but one in Independence this season. Probably at no time have the people of this city had

an opportunity to listen to such artists at home, and there should be a good attendance. All over the circuit they are known by their ability to sing, and by their singing they will be one of delight and a pleasant memory forever.

The price of admission is 25 cents. In other cities they are paying 50 cents for the same entertainment, the management of the Star Theatre succeeded in getting them billed for half price. Do not judge the ability of the artists by the price you are required to pay. Seats are now on sale and going rapidly.

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SNOW COMES TO OREGON

OREGON'S FIRST WINTER PUT IN APPEARANCE MONDAY

Heavy Snow Fall Throughout the Valley Affords Pleasure for the Young American.

Tuesday morning the inhabitants of this section of the state awoke to find mother earth entirely covered with a coat of the "beautiful," and its appearance was attended with a heap of delight on the part of the young American, who found pleasure in attacking everyone who was unfortunate enough to get near.

The inclement condition of the weather commenced Sunday evening with a severe wind and rain storm. Monday a cold wave followed and for the first time this season we felt winter upon us. At about 7:30 that evening snow commenced to fall, but it melted rapidly and there is but little on the ground at the present time. The storm continued all day Tuesday and Wednesday, placing the roads in a terrible condition and practically suspending business.

The novelty of the real winter in Oregon is hailed with delight. Boys and girls have contrived all sorts of means for a sleigh ride, and coasting on the sidewalks is a pastime enjoyed by many of the younger inhabitants of the city.

If the ground had been frozen before the snow came there would have been good sleighing now. Quite a depth of snow has fallen, but most of it melted away as soon as it reached the ground. The snow storm is general all over the state and in some parts of the valley the fall is heavier, according to newspaper reports, than it is in this immediate vicinity.

Independence has had the most moderate winter that has been known for years, and at this late period a prolonged cold spell is not looked for. The present condition of the climate has brought forth the prophet and all sorts of predictions regarding the crops, early spring, high water, etc., are heard.

The motion picture show is attracting wide attention this winter. The management has made every arrangement to give good service and the patrons of that place of amusement are showing their appreciation by giving each show a good attendance.

The Legislature convened at Salem Monday and the law makers are at work.

who love and obey God.

What about those who worship the beast (the earthly government)—those who stand by the papal Sunday? They will receive the plagues and the birds of the air will devour their bodies. Read Revelation 19:17-20. The angel cries to the fowls of heaven, "Come and gather yourselves together unto the supper of the great God, that ye may eat the flesh of kings and the flesh of captains, and the flesh of mighty men, and of horses and them that sit on them and the flesh of all men both free and bond, both small and great and the beast (Rome) was taken and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him with which he deceived them that had received the mark (papal Sunday) of the best and these were cast alive into a lake burning with fire and brimstone.

Dear reader where will you stand? Oh, be wise. Jesus invites you to a mansion, a robe and a crown of victory. Do not fear the world. It will soon pass away with all its lust, its folly, its persecution, all who will live Godly will suffer persecution. Read Isaiah 51 and verse 7 and 8. Harken unto me ye that know right righteousness (God's commandments) the people in whose heart is my law fear ye not the reproach of men, neither be ye afraid of their revilings for both shall eat them up like a garment and the worm shall eat them like wool; but my righteousness shall be forever, you will live as long as God's law lasts, if you obey it. Never mind the persecution. God's eye is

A BIG SHOWER

The Misses Nola and Mildred Owens and Mrs. C. Shenfield gave a miscellaneous shower last Thursday evening at the home of the latter in honor of Miss Erma Brown, who last week became the wife of Mr. Frank Whitesaker of Albany.

The early part of the evening was devoted to a guessing contest the first prize being won by Miss Nellie Damon.

In cutting the delicious cake made for the occasion Mrs. Clide Williams secured the penny, Miss Mabel Ellis the thimble, and Miss Hazel Bohannon the ring.

Miss Brown was the recipient of many very beautiful and useful presents, consisting of cut glass, linen, silver, and granite ware.

The following guests were present: Mrs. Clide Williams, Mrs. Olive Hodges, Mrs. Ethel Tripp, Mrs. Claude Johnson, Mrs. Willard Craven, Misses Katie Dunsmore, Nellie Damon, Rowena Sperring, Mabel Porterfield, Emroy Devitt, Gladys Irvine, Emma Henkle, Mabel Ellis, Hazel Bohannon, Bertha Bohannon, Bertha Thorp, Bertha Collins, Clara Purvine, Florence Buton, Grace Wallace, Genevieve Jameson of Portland, Nola Owens, Erma Brown, Mrs. Shenfield.

FRATERNAL UNION INSTALL OFFICERS

A very pleasant evening was spent in the lodge rooms of the Fraternal Union last Wednesday evening at which time new officers were installed.

After the regular work was over tables were spread for the fifty members and guests. The ladies are to be complimented on the repast they set before the male members of that order.

Following the supper the remainder of the evening was spent with music and games. Although it was well into the wee small hours before the party broke up, everyone present was disinclined to leave.

SAVES TWO LIVES

"Neither my sister nor myself might be living today, if it had not been for Dr. King's New Discovery," writes A. D. McDonald of Fayette, N. C. R. F. D. No. 8, "for we both had frightful coughs that no other remedy could help. We were told my sister had consumption. She was very weak and had night sweats but your wonderful medicine completely cured us both. It's the best I ever used or heard of." For sore lungs, coughs, colds, hemorrhage, grippe, asthma, hay fever, croup, Whooping cough, all bronchial troubles,—its supreme Trial bottle free. 50c and \$1.00. Guaranteed by all Druggists.

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YE OLD TOWNE QUARTETTE

unpopular with the world. They had rather persecute the faithful ones who love their maker and his law. Say they have a "hobby" when they show to the world the breach that has been made in the law of God. Jesus said if you love me keep my commandments.

He and His father are one. If people would study their bible they would see that the law was spoken by Jesus himself. God will honor the faithful few who stand firm for His law. He says His word is truth and His law is truth. May people get in earnest for the time is short. The civil power is advancing. God will not allow his faithful ones to be persecuted too far. He is watching the struggle; there will be such an opposition against the people who will not give their allegiance to the papal Sunday that they will not allow them to buy or sell. They will carry their

persecution to the extent of passing a decree to put them to death. Does the great Creator see all this? He does, and when this persecution gets to its height God will speak to the hour and Jesus will call to His righteous children sleeping in their dusty beds to come forth and they with their faithful persecuted ones will be caught up in the air together to meet their Lord. What a blessed transition from this world of sin. Parents will clasp their loved ones again the angels will bring that babe that was laid away so long ago and place it in the parents' arms, what joy on that resurrection morning? Jesus will take his loved ones in and present them to the Father and say behold I and the children whom thou hast given me; then they will be seated at the marriage supper of the Lamb and the Savior will serve them—what joy awaits the faithful ones

on the one who persecutes the man or woman who stands for His truth, they are precious to him and he will take vengeance on the one who offends them.

God's law will be the law in the new earth. The Lord will create a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness and all the people will be righteous. There will be no papal Sunday or as Sylvester Bishop of Constatine said, Lord's day—the Son of Man is Lord of the Sabbath not Sunday. Let no man deceive you.

Where is the minister today who will hold up the law of God as he spake it? People must arouse themselves if they would be saved. If the Lord be God follow him, Oh, be wise. There will be a few. As it was in the days of Noah so shall it be in the coming of the Son of man Jesus is soon coming. He is ever at the door. He is waiting for you to decide for Him. Will you stand the test? Can you not give up the world with its foolishness? Away with such a man-fearing spirit. A great reward is waiting for you—do not let any man take your crown. Whoever will do and teach God's commandments shall be great in the kingdom of Heaven. Will you teach them? God's service pays. If you teach only nine precepts you will never enter Heaven.

Blessed are they that do His commandments that they may have a right to the tree of life and enter into the gates into the city.

Dear reader, see that your title is clear and on the Books of Heaven.