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THE KORN KARNIVAL

One week from next Friday marks the opening date of the second annual Ko-Keel Korn Karnival. On the surface this appears to be merely an annual celebration in which the spirit of sport predominates; an occasion for merriment only. In reality it has a much deeper purpose; a purpose decidedly more worthy of the occasion. It is to broaden the influence of that most worthy friend of the dairyman—corn, and to promote a spirit of cooperation between that dairyman and another of his friends—the business man. With the first object in view it has been designated a Korn Karnival and this grain predominates in all the festivities. To accomplish the second object it is held in Coquille and the farmer has been made the guest of honor.

More worthy motives than those which prompted the people who conceived the Korn Karnival and who are working unreservedly to perpetuate it could not be found. All too often is the spirit of co-operation lacking between the small town and the surrounding country from which it draws its trade. The farmers in a great many communities feel, and sometimes rightly that the merchants with whom they trade are little interested in the many problems which confront the man who tills the soil. It is safe to say that this particular part of the Coquille valley is not one of those communities. A spirit of real cooperation was strongly apparent at the first annual Korn show, and as the corn of the Coquille valley matures and ripens, year after year, and the farmer and the merchant meet again and again to discuss their common problems; (for the difficulties of one is the concern of the other) as they come to know each other more intimately, and to realize how completely they are bound together, the bonds of this cooperation will grow and strengthen as only long service to each other on the part of those concerned can make them.—Rory O'Moore.

The Herald's expression of the opinion that Mr. Hughes stands as much chance of election as a rabbit seems to have stirred up considerable comment, favorable and otherwise. Today, with only half as many days before election we wish to reiterate our conviction that Mr. Wilson will succeed himself. We believe that he has it coming. The campaign against him has failed to bring out any good reason for a change. On the other hand, it has brought out the fact that he has an almighty bum bunch of old stand-by politicians against him in the larger field. The campaign of fault-finding and criticism has been tiresome, and Mr. Hughes has failed to place himself in an enviable light. The pitiable weakness of many of the "arguments" used has been very noticeable, and the attempt to work the old bugaboos has been ridiculous. The prophecies made of the dire calamities that will overtake us after the European war is over unless we erect a tariff a mile high is about the sickest proposition that ever came down the pike. Those who like that sort of gruel are welcome to absorb it, but if the American people in general have not done too much thinking about the tariff, we miss our guess. Against the fact that Mr. Wilson has actually kept us out of war there are marshalled—what? More comedy. Against the fact that he has refused to be drawn into the Mexican situation to the extent of an intervention that would add untold millions to the bank rolls of certain American high-rollers, we are told about the "American lives" that have been lost in Mexico. We are apparently expected to forget that it would cost any "American lives" to go in and pacify Mexico. But it is too late to argue the issues of the campaign. The people have made up their minds how they are going to vote; and a week from tonight it will be generally known that the "unterrified" will have another four-years' lease on the post offices.

If L. A. Liljeqvist is defeated next Tuesday, it will be very poor encouragement for future prosecuting attorneys to get in and prosecute. The careful listener will find that the objection to Mr. Liljeqvist really is that, as prosecuting attorney, he has prosecuted. The argument that he has not prosecuted every case that could possibly be drummed up is not sincere. It is the old dodge of finding something to hang an objection on in the case of prosecutions that have actually been made. "Why did he arrest these women now, when he did not arrest them a year ago?" Or, if we take the Agitator, why did he arrest them at all? Why did he send the only man he could convict to the pen for the Myrtle Point bank robbery, when others were concerned in the crime and he couldn't catch them? Why, when he has a booze case to prosecute, does he use witnesses of the kind that are likely to know something about it? Why does he try to convict when he has a case to prosecute, instead of acting also as attorney for the defense? Why isn't he always "fair" and courteous to witnesses on the stand when he has good reason to think that they are lying? Why, in fact, does he not act a namby-pamby, milk and water part? It rather looks

to the Herald as though the voters who want an efficient, energetic and able prosecuting attorney who has the nerve to do his duty and who will endeavor to enforce the laws as they stand, without regard to how many people are thereby offended, would do well to support Mr. Liljeqvist. Of his opponent no adverse criticism is to be made. He is one of the best men in the county. But we can't put all our good men in office. In this case, the right man is already there.

The Herald has no desire to act as any kind of a Moses, to lead the voters through the labyrinth of the official ballot. The advice it would give, if asked, would be to discard all political partisanship. The salvation of this government, if it have any salvation coming, lies with the independent voter who can not be led or bought or bamboozled with the old partisan claptrap; who can not be depended upon for a minute to "vote her straight." Rotten politics is only possible when the rotten politicians are backed by careless or ignorant or discouraged voters. We haven't a large proportion of those here in the West, and it is noted that all progress toward better government is being made west of the Mississippi. In county politics there is no great chance for irreparable mistake, as we have excellent men lined up against each other. This is one result of the independence that has been shown heretofore, as well as of the direct primary nomination which tends to bring out only men who are well known to be worthy of consideration. Of the many measures presented on the ballot the voters should form their own conclusions, after some earnest study. The best results from direct legislation will be shown when the voters take interest enough to find out what they are voting on. Then no fears need be felt as to the result. Study the pamphlet.

It is suggested for the consideration of the Corn Carnival committees that some arrangements for the opening of the livery barn during the carnival would be in line with the desire to attract and accommodate the farmers. Many of the farmers who drive to Coquille on business make complaint about the lack of hitching places for their teams. The matter has been discussed for the past several years, but the fact remains that the town is lamentably shy on hitching posts. During the Carnival we expect the farmers to drive in and stay all day. They would undoubtedly appreciate it if the feed barn were thrown open to them, as a place to put up their horses and feed them, either with their own feed or that which could be provided for sale.

It may be that W. C. Hawley will receive strong support from Coos county voters; but if he do it will be no great evidence of their intelligent appreciation of their own interests.

Coos County

The Herald's Special Coos County News Service

Random Rambles

(Herald's Special C. C. News Service)
(By a Rambler)

As we stated in our last letter we visited another thriving section the past week. We will pay attention to the Brewster Valley country mainly, but in passing we want to note an item or two of interest in upper McKinley.

Our first night was spent at the home of Chas. Heller. Mr. Heller and his eldest son have been out with a threshing outfit this fall and, having finished with this, they took the engine and ensilage cutter and went out to fill silos. They were still engaged in this on our visit there.

The next place we visited was the home of Louie Heller. He has a sawmill on the Frank Snow place and was busy with it. We had read some weeks ago of the sad accident that befell Mrs. Heller, who was thrown by a horse she was holding and had her hip dislocated and the bone broken. We found her still in bed, but looking bright and cheerful and able to sit up a little. Her many friends hope for a speedy return to health.

Next we visited the home of H. Bunch and found them all torn up ready to move to Gravel Ford where they intend to spend the winter to give the children a chance to go to school.

Wending our devious way over the hills, amid the autumn colored forests, we next came to the home of Edwin Marcy. The Marcys are located in the upper part of the Dora section on the main Coos Bay road. They have a nice farm here and Mrs. Marcy devotes much of her time to the open, looking after stock and poultry. Mr. Marcy made a trip to town to secure the new \$200 heating outfit that is being installed in their schoolhouse.

On again through more woods and autumn grandeur to the lower Brewster Valley. Here we met M. C. Miller and family, also the W. T. Culbertsons. Next is the home

of Chas. Shepherd who, with his boys, is working on the roads in this and neighboring settlements.

Sure, we forgot something—that is that the home of R. A. Easton lies between that of the Culbertsons and Shepherds. Mr. Easton is the Sage of the East Fork. There is a considerable area on the top of his cranium that is conspicuous by the lack of any perceptible growth of hair. We did not inquire as to the cause, though we chatted with him for a few minutes and incidentally, sampled some of his fine apples, but, if we were to guess, we should say that this was caused by too long-continued and deep thinking, thus overheating the head and scorching the roots of the hair.

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Riverton Briefs

(Herald's Special C. C. News Service)
Just lately arrived a ten pound boy at the home of Isaac Watson. The mother and child are doing well.

Have you seen Elsie Paterson lately? He is all smiles. Cause—arrival of Elsie Junior, on Oct. 18.

S. C. Sherrill, prin. and Miss Elsie Philpot, primary teacher, attended the county Institute held last week at Marshfield. They report a well attended and interesting session.

Mr. McGee, superintendent of the crew working in the coal mine, says that the demand for coal is so great that a double crew is working to try to meet the demand.

Mr. Shanks, who is the blacksmith for the Crane logging camp, in a short time will move to Bandon where he will have charge of a cabinet plant.

Isaac Watson donated a plane and bit to the manual training equipment of the school. He also loaned a level.

Mr. Floyd, our genial carpenter, who helped to complete Coquille creamery, is at home again.

The Riverton hotel is undergoing repairs. It is rumored that a boarding house is to be opened in the building. **NO PLUS ULTRA.**

East Fork Items

(Herald's Special C. C. News Service)
Lloyd Leatherman says John Near has the best piece of silo corn on the East Fork. E. K. Marcy

We Are Adding to Our Stock Continually

Just Arrived

We have just received the largest shipment of Canned Fruit ever made to the Coquille Valley. The greater part of this shipment has been sold and is now being delivered to our customers. We may have a few cases left at Bargain Prices. If you haven't bought, come and see us and we will take care of you if we can.

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gave him a close second. For corn Gearhart is said to have an extra good piece.

Pearly Crowley dug about 200 bushels of spuds from an acre.

School Dist. No. 32 voted to raise a two mill tax which gives close to \$1500. The estimate posted called for \$565.88 to be raised by special tax. Eight tenths of a mill would more than give it. To vote \$1500 is going some with other people's money.

Miss Zella Summerlin, teacher, and the pupils of Dist. No. 32 gave a good entertainment and basket social Friday night. Thirty or more baskets sold, receipts around \$40 or more.

Fred Baker rides in a Buick these days.

Had been wondering why the Herald man didn't say something about the delinquent taxes of the Kinney property, Frank Waite and his little old mortgage. Isn't the Mr. Hammond who wrote that spiel in behalf of this long suffering county (of course he did not write it in the interest of Frank Waite), the same Hammond who was the lawyer for a man by the name of Conroy, who sued Kinney for \$100,000 or more, and the suit went fluey and there was \$20 costs? He must have taken that suit on a spec. Did he write the letter for Waite on a spec? If Waite thinks that property is such poor stuff now, he must have different dreams than he had when he was unloading Plat B. Not Kinney but Waite got some of our money. We are still paying taxes and waiting for the rise. Funny, isn't it, that property would be of no value to the county but so valuable to the man who holds the mortgage.

Why should Eastern Oregon not have a normal school? My vote goes for the Pendleton normal, and with it a prayer, if that school is established, that its record will not make the shadow of a corkscrew look like a straight line.

R. A. EASTON

Bridge Briefs

(Herald's Special C. C. News Service)
Mrs. Allan McCready and little son Fay LeRoy have been visiting for a few days with Mrs. McCready's mother, Mrs. Mary H. Wadman. James Wadman was also at home for a day or two.

Mrs. W. J. Longston, of Coquille, addressed a number of the voters here Thursday night at the church in regard to the constitutional amendments.

Mrs. F. C. Rookard visited several days last week with Mrs. Lucy Cuiver.

Paul Wilcutt is clerking in the Farmers' store this week while A. Ford is gone on a hunting trip.

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