

We understand that the meeting of the Harney County Stockmen's Association to be held in Burns on the 6th of April, a proposition will be made that the organization be made to include all taxpayers of the county in order to give it more strength. This will be done more particularly for the purpose to fight the proposition of leasing the ranges. This is a matter that should be considered well. Since the only protection now is from local organizations, it should do its utmost to make the association of some consequence. While some say that a land leasing bill will never pass and are advising their friends to rest easy, there have been worse laws passed and with much opposition too.

Things have come to a pretty pass in Burns. The ladies have succeeded in giving two successful entertainments this season, without a man "in it." People will be saying pretty soon that the women run this town. Thank goodness there are none inclined to dictate Mrs. Nation or we would indeed be gone. Where are those fellows that voted against woman suffrage last election? Let 'em come forth now and show the superior stuff they are made of. What man in Burns could have presided over the milkmaids' convention last week in a more able manner than it was done? Women are "alright"—especially the women of Burns.

James Lackey of Ontario is instituting an inspection department calculated to guard the stock range against thieves. Mr. Lackey is organizing the association through the entire stock range in Eastern Oregon and Idaho. The plan is to have all stock moved on bills of sale and to institute inspectors, whose duty is to personally inspect each car of stock and see that those in charge are equipped with proper papers. One of these inspectors will hold a railroad pass and work the line between Omaha and The Dalles, Oregon.—Huntington Herald.

The new primary election law passed by the legislature applies only to counties of more than 50,000 population and of course Multnomah county is the only one that is compelled to use it. The law may be made to apply to any other county by resolution of all the political parties therein, and within such counties it governs parties having a strength of at least 10 per cent of the vote polled therein. It remains with the political parties of Harney county to say whether we hold primary elections or not.

The proposition of opening Snake river between Huntington and Ontario so that boats may ply, as suggested by the farmers of the latter section, would be a good thing. The matter is a little late, however, as both legislatures—Oregon and Idaho, have adjourned and if the proposition is not discussed and kept alive, it will be overlooked in 1903. There is no doubt but it would be given favorable consideration by the legislatures.

Commissioner Herman has filed with the secretary of the interior numerous applications for the establishment of new and enlarged forest reserves in Oregon Washington and Idaho. Taken in all it would amount to almost a million acres. The secretary of the interior doesn't take kindly to the scheme and will not grant the reserves. Binger, you heard of forest rangers and "poor" suckers must hunt another job.

One of the highest tributes ever paid the "country editor," is that

of Senator Hale of Maine. In discussing the subject of postage on newspapers the senator from Maine remarked of the country editor:

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Carnegie surely takes the cake when it comes to giving away his money. \$5,000,000 toward support of old and crippled employees of the company, is followed by a similar amount in a few days to building branch libraries in New York. Besides he will give \$100,000 to a number of places in the United States for similar purposes. Mr. Carnegie intends to give at least \$25,000,000 for the erection of buildings and for endowment of the proposed technical school of Pittsburgh. The mayor of Burns seems slow in asking for a few millions. Just as well have it. Come, wake up.

An ordinance has been adopted by the city council of Topeka which is believed will make it almost impossible for the "jointists" to do business in that city. The ordinance makes it unlawful to treat a friend to a drink of liquor in a private house. A man is declared to be guilty of violating the ordinance if he is found in a place where liquor is sold. The ordinance does not require that an actual sale shall be proven. Heavy fines and imprisonment from thirty to one hundred days in jail are the penalties for violation of the ordinance. Isn't that a shame?

Embellished by a verdict for \$41.50, the principal was laid down in one of the Common Pleas Courts at Cleveland, O., Thursday that the integrity of a pretty young woman's figure must not be publicly impugned nor the tightness of her corsets commented upon. Miss Clara Snyder, pretty and 19, sued Mrs. Annie Brickman, a neighbor, for \$5,000 damages for slander, the slander consisting of statements made in the presence of a number of mutual friends that Clara's corsets were tight.—Ex.

The stock inspection department being organized by James Lackey, of Ontario, should meet with the approval of the Stock Association of this county. The officers of the association should make it a point to interest themselves in this matter and have it brought up at the meeting to be held here on April 6th. Such a proposition has been discussed before and since Mr. Lackey has started it the association should take it up and help to maintain the inspector.

The main object of Eastern Congressmen to the reclamation of the arid lands through government appropriations is that such action would be in effect to tax the east for the benefit of the west. This objection is not valid, for the lands after redemption would be available for eastern home-seekers as well as for western men, and the upbuilding of that great region would benefit all sections of the Union.—Silver State.

Senator G. W. McBride has been appointed a commissioner of the St. Louis exposition, for which the recent congress voted to graft the people of the United States to the tune of \$5,000,000.

President Hadley, of Yale, says we will have an emperor at Washington within twenty-five years, unless we can create a public sentiment which will compel the regulation of the trusts.

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