

Every yard in Burns should be set in grass and shade trees. It not only adds to the beauty and comfort of our city but enhances the value of all property.

One thing is sure, if those opposed to the land leasing grab don't act they will always rue it. Everything possible is being done by the cattle kings to have a bill passed. With the administration in their favor they have a pull that will be hard to overcome.

The new morning paper for Portland will certainly be a go. The business men of that city, regardless of party or politics, are giving the movement support and look at it as a business proposition. They think another big daily paper there will be of much benefit to the state.

Senator Joe Simon, in an interview at Astoria, says he favored free trade with Porto Rico and will do the same in regard to the Philippines, believing it will largely increase Pacific coast trade. He thinks Gov. Geer will be re-nominated and that Hon. Chas. Fulton will be his (Simon's) strongest competitor for the U. S. senatorship.

It would take only a short time for us all to be servants after the lease law was put into effect. There will be nothing for new proprietors. The man who comes into Harney with a few head of stock will find no range. Even if he has no stock he can of course get a homestead inside of a lease, perhaps, which he must fence, clear and put into cultivation the first season, raise enough to keep him—provided he can find a market for his produce, which is doubtful. If he wants a few head of stock to help make his living what is he going to do? Perhaps he is fortunate enough to own a little land at the time the lease law goes into effect and has leased enough range to pasture 20 head of stock. That's all the stock he can ever have, no expanding, no progress, no increase in business. The rancher must stay in the same old rut. The new settler cannot start because he has no range. Oh, but then think of the revenue to the government from leasing the range. And all this will be put into storage reservoirs and all the arid land reclaimed. It will only be a short time and all this country will blossom with roses and range will be a thing of the past. The stockman who is doing all this will be crowded out. His future looks dark indeed. He is willing to do this though for the people, the homesteader. He is bringing on his own destruction, but he is helping to develop the country; that's what he wants, what he has always wanted in fact. The citizens of this valley can recall thousands of things the big stockmen have done to encourage them to settle up this country. For instance, back in the 80's when he claimed everything from the rim rocks that border our valley on the north to the Stein mountain, under the swamp land grant and extended the glad hand to the early settlers. "From the rimrock here to that mountain beyond is all mine; take your choice of what is left."

Well, but you want irrigation don't you? We'll help you, says the administration, but now we have to give all our spare change to rivers and harbors so the only way for you to get our aid for storage reservoirs and artesian wells is by leasing the range. The only argument in favor of leasing the range, that has any weight whatever, is that it will put a stop to migratory stock coming in and eating up our grass. Laws to prevent that can be passed by the state. Other states have laws of this nature. Wyoming and some of the adjoining states have

passed a law that has compelled the discontinuance of "trailing" sheep as it used to be done. How did they do it? Not by passing leasing laws. Uncle Sam was not called on at all. Their own legislatures were equal to the emergency. Now sheep have to be shipped.

Two Important Articles.

Mr. William Allen White has just returned from Lawton, where he went to write for The Saturday Evening Post, of Philadelphia, the story of the "opening" of the Indian lands. Mr. White's vivid account of the mushroom city that sprung up in a night is of striking and timely interest.

Lord Balfour, of Barleigh Secretary for Scotland, and Lord Rector of the University of Edinburgh, will contribute to an early number of The Saturday Evening Post, of Philadelphia, a paper of official significance on Carnegie's gift to Scotland. Lord Balfour is one of the trustees of millions Mr. Carnegie has given to the Scotch universities.

THE SECOND ANNUAL FAIR.

About \$1,700 in Premiums and Prizes is Assured.

A public meeting was held at the law office of Parish & Rembold last Thursday evening for the purpose of completing arrangements and appointing committees for the second annual county fair which will be held in Burns Sept. 30 to Oct. 5, inclusive.

J. J. Donegan was made chairman of the meeting and Henry Richardson acted as secretary. The general plan of the fair was discussed and with what had already been subscribed by business men of Burns and those that had promised to contribute later, it was found that the premium list, prizes, etc. would aggregate about \$1,700. How this amount will be divided up has not as yet been definitely settled. There will be horse racing, baseball games and other sports which have all been left to committees appointed to look after each particular branch. The following committees were appointed:

Speed Program—J. J. Donegan, Henry Richardson, Lee Caldwell. Exhibits—I. S. Geer, J. M. Dalton, Harry C. Smith. Financial Committee—C. N. Cochran, Chas. Johnson. Minor Sports—Isaac Schwartz, R. C. Angevine, F. D. Barrows. Advertising Committee—A representative from each of the newspapers.

The meeting adjourned to meet again this evening at 8 o'clock. We hope this meeting will be well attended by all our business men, as it is up to them now to make the fair a grand success. Don't wait on your neighbor. It's your duty to do what you can. There are generally some lagers in such undertakings, let there be none in Burns.

WILL PASS RESOLUTIONS.

At a meeting of the Harney County Stock Association last Sunday afternoon it was decided to pass resolutions condemning the proposed land lease law. White the meeting was not as largely attended as it might have, it appears that the sentiment of the association is almost unanimously opposed to the law and they will fight it. The chairman appointed a committee of five to draw up a memorial to congress and a meeting has been called for Saturday September 21st, for the purpose of hearing the report of the committee. In the meantime the committee will talk with stockmen in general and find the sentiment of all on the matter.

We understand the meeting to be held on the above date is for all stockmen in Harney county. It is the intention to have everyone present that can be there—not only members of the association—but all. That is materially an invitation to every citizen of the county, as all are more or less interested in the stock business.

This meeting should be well attended, not only by our stockmen and ranchers, but business men as well. If the land leasing bill is to be defeated it will take work.

The Burns Furniture Co received some new goods this week.

VIEWS ON RANGE LEASING.

D. H. Stearns Makes Brief Reply to Mr. Lusk.

After reading the communication of F. C. Lusk which appeared in THE TIMES-HERALD and copied in the Oregonian, D. H. Stearns, of Portland, sent the following reply to the Oregonian on the land leasing question:

"How very softly talketh Mr. Lusk in the Burns paper—just as though there was no case of a law breaker now defying the order of the United States Court and keeping his fences around the government land enough for a thousand settlers—just as though there was no man in jail awaiting the verdict of a jury in a case in which a homesteader, standing on his own ground, pulled a gun to prevent a sheepherder from driving his flocks across the homesteader's field, feeding by the way, with the result that the sheepherder shot first and the homesteader died."

"Leasing won't prevent settlement under the homestead laws," says innocent Mr. Lusk. Oh! how would a homesteader prosper going inside of Mr. Carr's fences to settle? Or how would one preserve his health while establishing a home inside of Mr. Lusk's leasehold tracts? Certain it is that he would be very sick soon after. But "We won't have to build fences," murmurs this gentle cattle king as he talks so softly over the Harney county situation, saying in effect, "You can keep out all those you don't want in."

"It is a leading question, but I wonder if Oregon is likely to be hoodwinked with Mr. Lusk's irrigation scheme. About as much of leasehold money would reach such a destination as would 'irrigate' one of his cowboys. Can Mr. Lusk come and convince younger Oregon that three horses and a saddle is a better outfit for a business trip to Washington City than the railroad trains in use? Will it be satisfied with the hue and cry after a few timbered sections falling into the hands of those that do not contemplate the 'home' part of their claim; and permit without protest, this largest and best area of agricultural land in the state to be held back from settlement under the false assertion that it is a desert?"

"There is not a square foot of land, not rock, in all Southeastern Oregon which, properly cultivated, will not produce 10 times the value in other crops that it will in range feed for stock. Remove the fear of trouble with the stockmen and thousands of people will rush in there to cultivate it. Intensify the fear by any leasehold scheme and Oregon will continue to fall behind her sister states in proportionate increase of population. Ways and means will be found to irrigate all of it that needs it as fast as settlers can come freely. Mr. Lyte is building a railroad toward it that develops a wonderful traffic for every mile. The Southeastern pioneer has done good service for the state and has grown rich himself, but he should not be encouraged in the idea that he owns everything in sight by such as follows from Mr. Lusk:

"The feed of Harney county should be for the sheepmen and cattlemen who own their ranches and have their homes and pay their taxes in that county. They could use all of it with property assessable in that county, and they should have all of it."

"This so called range country embraces about all the land in Oregon desirable by homestead settlers. It is settlement of just such land that is sending Idaho ahead in population so rapidly. Chief Joseph tried to hold the Wallowa valley; the range men are trying to hold Southeastern Oregon. The Indian had to give way and the white man must sooner or later to the advance of cultivation."

"The ill complained of by the range men, 'pulling up the grass and breaking the crust,' have been for years preparing the country for real settlement. From year to year more of the annual rainfall, or water from melting snow, which formerly slid off the crust as if it had been oiled, goes into the soil to loosen it and fit it for agriculture. Yet even the government itself seems to be in the league to preserve it as a desert, though it is a region seven times greater, equally rich of soil and blessed with climate as the Willamette valley; for the Land Office is so placed that if a settler comes into the immediate

Snake River part of it he must travel 150 miles away from the railroad to obtain the information on which to rely in selecting a location.

"All Oregon should oppose the proposition to impose an Australian leasehold system upon this country. For the purpose of its settlement the Surveyor-General should either establish a new Land Office at Ontario, or, next best attach the region along Snake River to the La Grande office."

Board of Equalization.

Notice is hereby given that the board of equalization for Harney county Oregon, will attend at the office of the county clerk of the said county, on Monday, the 21 day of September, 1901, and publicly examine the assessment rolls, and correct errors in valuation, descriptions, etc., and to increase or reduce the valuation of property assessed, in the manner, and perform the duties as now prescribed by law, for the board of equalization for such county. All persons interested are hereby notified to appear at such time and place.

J. W. BUCHANAN Assessor Harney County.

Notice.

All persons having open accounts with the late firm of R. A. Miller & Co. are hereby notified to settle said accounts with me by September 1, 1901. All such accounts unsettled at that date will be placed with an attorney for collection and have necessary costs added.

R. A. MILLER.

Additional Locals.

N. Comneys was a visitor from Wagonire, Thursday.

The nights are becoming quite cool in this section.

Wm. Gray, of Harney, was a visitor to our city Thursday.

Austin Goodman, our milkman, has stopped running his wagon.

Tom Cleveland was over from his home on Calamity creek this week.

R. C. Garrett and wife are in Burns the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Simon Lewis.

J. W. Kelso and John Oard were visitors from the Lawen section the first of the week.

J. C. Longerman, a cattle buyer of Tacoma, Wash., is registered at the Commercial.

V. J. Hopkins expects to leave in a short time for Portland where he will spend the winter.

You can't do better than get our prices on farm machinery at this time—Geer & Cummins.

Building still continues in Burns without interruption. Every carpenter in our city is busy.

The usual August deluge of drummers is on and they are doing our city "for further orders."

Boss—To Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Cawfield, last Tuesday, a boy Dr. Marsden was the attending physician.

Price Withers and family passed through here last Sunday, en route to Eugene where they will visit for about six weeks.

If you want sweet potatoes send Brass to buy them. He knows the genuine article when he sees it. You can't fool Brass.

G. W. Patterson, of Portland, land office inspector, has been in our city for the past week looking into the affairs of the local land office.

W. E. Haney, Chris Koling and F. W. Marshall, of Portland, are registered at the Commercial. They may locate in this section.

Dell Dibble and wife were in from Silver creek this week. Dell paid this office a call and told us everybody was dead on the creek. Dell still wears the belt.

Mrs. F. E. McGee and two daughters Lela and Ethel and son Marvin, will leave in a short time for McMinville, where the young ladies will attend school this year.

"Your face is very familiar," said the Congressman as he shook the calloused hand of a constituent, "but I really can't recall your name." "I don't wonder a bit at that," said the caller. "It's the fault of that dun fool editor of our'n. The time we had our last county fair he went and printed my picture with Bill Perkins' name under it." —Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Those Peacock, Ostrich and Turkey feather dusters at the Burns Furniture Co's. are beauties.

Religious Services.

Christian Science services at H. L. Brisco's residence every Sunday 11 o'clock a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday school at 10 a. m. Meeting is also held each Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. All are cordially invited to attend. Subject for tomorrow: "Christ Jesus."

Rev. A. J. Irwin will preach at Harney the 2nd Sunday of each month at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sabbath school every sabbath at 2 p. m.

There will be preaching services at the Poison Creek school house every 4th Sunday at 2:30 p. m. Rev. A. J. Irwin, pastor.

At the Presbyterian church Burns, Rev. A. J. Irwin pastor Divine services the third and fourth Sundays of each month at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sabbath school at 10 a. m. every Sabbath morning.

Preaching services at the Baptist church every 1st and 2nd Sundays, morning and evening Sunday school every Sunday at 11 a. m. prayer meeting every Thursday evening.

NOTICE.

To who ever buys hay of Mrs. L. Hembree, or takes possession of same, on the Smith place before the rent is paid up to October 9, 1901, must move hay off of ranch within 30 days after place is in possession of Sylvester Smith.

SYLVESTER SMITH.

We wish to call the attention of our local horse-men to the date of the race meet at Long Creek which commences September 23 and continues five days. There will be \$800 in purses. For further particulars write T. D. Williams, secretary, Long Creek, Ore.

JOIN GEMBERLING.

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NEXT DOOR TO P. O.

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SUMMONS.

In Justice's Court of Burns Precinct, Harney County, Oregon. N. Brown, Leon M. Brown and Ben Brown, Co-Partners as N. Brown & Sons, Plaintiff, vs. A. Gittings, Defendant.

To A. Gittings, Defendant: In the name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled action on or before the 21st day of August 1901, and if you fail to answer, or wait until plaintiff will take judgment against you for the full amount and delivered to you in Burns, Harney county, Oregon, at your special instance and request. This summons is published by an order of the Justice of the above entitled court, made and entered on the 17th day of July, 1901, which orders the first publication thereof to be made July 20th, 1901. D. JACKSON, County and Circuit Attorney for Plaintiff.

Justice of the Peace, Burns Precinct, said County and Circuit Attorney for Plaintiff.

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M. FITZGERALD, PRESIDENT F. S. REIDER, SECY AND TREASURER. BIGGS & TURNER ATTORNEYS Eastern Oregon Title Guaranty Co. INCORPORATED. Abstracts Furnished and Title Guaranteed. To all Lands in Harney County, Oregon. REAL ESTATE Bought and Sold on Commission. Office in Bank Building.

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