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## BEAUTIFUL HARNEY VALLEY

HOW PEOPLE FROM A DISTANCE SEE THIS GREAT SECTION.

Prof. J. B. Horner of the Oregon Agricultural College, Enthusiastic Over Future Of Inland Empire.

It takes people from the outside to see the beauties of Harney valley. We at home have become accustomed to it and many lack the enthusiasm and loyalty to enumerate our many advantages and resources when opportunity presents itself. Prof. J. B. Horner, who spent a few days here the first of the week was very enthusiastic and most pleasantly surprised to see the improvement of this valley after an absence of 15 years. He has confidence in a great future for Harney valley and found it such a pleasant and exhilarating climate that he proposes to return during his vacation next year accompanied by his family and spend his entire vacation in this section. Prof. Horner owns some very valuable land in this valley and last Sunday accompanied by C. A. Swock, visited it. In talking of this section and its possibilities to The Times-Herald man, Prof. Horner said:

"Last Friday afternoon, our driver halted the coach on the mountain, that we might see Burns, brilliant with its red roofs, delicious gardens and everlasting windmills. Then the eye slyly stole away—sixty miles or more—over a mantle of carpet which the driver called Harney Valley. A sheet of water on the further side arose like a mirage of quivering gray, and this he said was the Lake. A cycle of mountains enclosed the scene resembling the wall of the gods; and the humbled beholder reverently exclaimed, 'If one did this all in six days, what would he have done? he is labored a whole month?'

Not all the best things get into books; so I am not surprised that a valley so pretty, so rich, so promising in the new west has been overlooked by those who make the books. Accordingly a little later I assumed the role of student and engaged my friend, Judge Sweek, to give me a practical sermon upon the grandeur of the county illustrated with select views which he announced as our carriage sped from point to point of the largest valley in Oregon. This happened to be the day of normans, so he did not show me the busy mower, the stocking of hay or the queer antics of the buckaroos. But he gently led me into continual surprises of a milder sort.

"Almost every farmhouse is surrounded by trees and shrubs—and all have fine thrifty gardens. From my observations you are going to make a decided success of farming. I can see a most decided change in this section and climatic conditions are certainly more favorable, since I see fields of grain, thrifty young orchards and exceptionally fine gardens growing on spots where 15 years ago it was considered folly to attempt farming."

"Yes, you certainly have a bright future. Your only drawback being your isolation. Settlement would soon follow the advent of a railroad. Your water supply I am told is ample to irrigate the entire valley, so you may rest assured that some means will present themselves to utilize it. The government certainly will not allow all this vast valley of rich land to lie idle long. I am convinced that with proper irrigation this section would rank high as a grain producing section."

"If people in the east could realize what you have here—if they could but know what a great valley you have awaiting development where they could find homes—your population would increase ten, yes fifty fold in a short time."

"Another thing I wish to say in this line: Your farmers here of course have to contend with the difficulties common to new countries and would no doubt appreciate information, especially in regard to insect pests, in fact, plant pests in general. The Corvallis Experiment station is constantly making experiments along this line and

would gladly take up the station council. When you have trouble some plant, or pests that you would exterminate communicate with the station.

"There are unmistakable evidences that Harney valley is rapidly passing from a pastoral to an agricultural and horticultural region, with fences, homes, schoolhouses and towns. And no one knows how much analysis of soil, familiarity with climatic influences, and acquaintance with the peculiarities of plant life are necessary to a complete understanding of the possibilities of this valley. Farms in Grande Ronde valley now well worth \$75 to \$150 per acre were in the early days abandoned as squirrel ranches and sage brush land. Yet that land looks no richer to me than many an acre in this valley now unfenced and possibly unowned. It is said that the sugar beet doubled and even quadrupled the price of land in that rich valley of railroads, factories, and busy cities. Yet it is claimed that the sugar beet of Harney valley is richer than that of Holland or Germany; and that with transportation Harney valley promises better than Salt Lake valley did at the same stage of cultivation. It seems as if the various classes of soil should be analyzed; and that experiments might be carried on by local gardeners in a small way to ascertain the quality and the grade of sugar beets raised on the various soils. Then the attention of capital could be called to these facts, it seems to me, with satisfactory results.

"The sugar beet industry has been especially mentioned, because experience has shown that no other industry in the inland empire has raised the valuation of land and increased the wealth of the country faster than has this industry. But wheat, oats and barley and vegetables or many kinds are regarded as not fully acclimated are also awaiting cultivation in a soil much of which is thirsting for running streams and spreading water. With growing fields the whistle of the locomotive is assured.

"Your altitude is high, your atmosphere light and dry, your climate bracing, your life strenuous. Hence we find that students from this locality are quick to think. They stand well in their classes; and attain responsible positions, soon after graduation. President Gatch and the faculty of the Oregon Agricultural College are pleased with the quality of students you have sent us; hence you can understand why we want more of the kind. And it is very gratifying that the attendance the coming year from Harney will far exceed the attendance of the past."

A. L. Hunter returned last night from a trip to Shaniko. When going out Sunday afternoon he was caught in a cloudburst a few miles this side of Forest's. The two storms, one moving down the Deschutes and the other down Crooked, joined forces there and the road was hub-deep with water in a few minutes.—Bend Bulletin.

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Misses Myrtle and Villa Livingston were over from Willow creek Tuesday. Misses Maude and Hazel Boyce accompanied them home for a visit and will take part in the entertainment in the Willow creek school house this evening, the occasion being the close of school in that district.

Sorosis Underskirts at Brown's

## A POOR BUSINESS POLICY

### SHOULD REPAIR THE ROAD AND SIDE WALKS NOW IN USE.

The Opening of New Streets Should be Postponed Until Better Prepared Financially—It is Folly.

The proposed opening of C street, which is contemplated by the city authorities will certainly meet with the disapproval of the people, not only from those who own property on the street, the people in general. The street running east and west on each side of this street have been opened and sidewalks laid the whole distance to Brown's addition.

It is good business policy to open up new streets just at this time while the financial condition of the city will not permit the proper and needed work on streets already open? Such is the case at this time. Some of the walks even on the main street are in a dilapidated and even dangerous condition while many of the squares that need work are left in bad shape on account of lack of funds.

There are streets, too, that have been ordered open long since on which no work whatever has been done.

The road from the foot of the grade north of Foley's blacksmith shop to the grade leading in from the mill is almost impassable in the spring and farmers coming in from that direction have repeatedly and constantly made complaints and ask why it is not attended to. They are always answered that lack of funds prevents it.

It has been proposed to change the road or grade and bring it in over the hill, doing away with much grading along the flat below. This would perhaps meet with general approval if it would be done.

Something certainly should be done this road, but is it necessary to open C street in order to accomplish this?

The streets north and south of C are now open and have excellent wagon roads along each which would not cost the city or property owners one-fifth the amount as opened a new street.

The Two Orphans tonight promises to be fine and the company will be seen to good advantage. It will be costumed historically correct and has several very thrilling scenes. It deserves a good house, and will certainly be appreciated.

A thunder shower Wednesday evening made things cooler.

Quite a number of our ranchers are well along with their haying while others have not commenced.

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Trout—May be caught only with hook and line. Limit of size, not less than 5 inches. Limit of catch, 125 in a day. Night fishing prohibited.

The above covers the game of this county and is authentic. We find by examining the game laws of the state that this, with other interior counties have been discriminated against and do not get privileges of other counties. The local hunters kick against this law and they have a kick coming. The people who made the law know about as little about the game in this section as an Englishman and never intended to give us justice.

### HAZEL KIRKE.

The production of the above last Saturday night by the Georgia Harper Co. was exceptionally good and brought forth very favorable comment from those who witnessed it.

Hazel Kirke is not new by any means, but never grows old to those who appreciate a good drama and the Georgia Harper Co. can play it. Major Harper as Dunstir Kirke captivated the audience from the start. His build and make-up were perfect and he seemed well suited for the part. Miss Harper as Hazel was, of course, exceptionally fine and Joe Detrick as Pitticus played in his usual way in comedy—just right. The support all round was above the average with Glenn Harper as Sir Rodney, McDonald playing the part of Carrington, with Mrs. McDonald as Mercy. Miss played Dolly well.

Hazel Kirke is one of the best bills put on by this company and one that is well liked by all our people.

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### NOTICE.

In the Matter of the Estate of David Cary, Deceased—Notice of Final Account.

Notice is hereby given to all creditors, heirs and other persons interested in the estate of David Cary, Deceased, that I, the under-administrator of said estate, did, on July 6 1904, file my final account therein; and the 8th day of August, 1904 at the hour of 10 o'clock A M at the county court office, in the Court House in the city of Burns Oregon, has been set, by order of the Hon. H. C. Levens, County Judge of Harney County Oregon, as the time and place for hearing objections to said final account.

All persons having objections to said final account are required to present them on or before said day. Date of first publication July 9th 1904.

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