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There is a farm in the vicinity of Harney that has produced wheat every season for the past 15 years, with the exception of two, and this year went 30 bushels per acre. This shows the superior soil of Harney valley and is conclusive evidence that it is a farming section superior to many which are at a lower altitude.

A prominent educator of this city who has lived in various parts of the state for the past 25 years said that the location of the agriculture college and experimental station in the Willamette valley was unfortunate for Eastern Oregon, as conditions were entirely different. This is the proper place for an experimental station.

"The man who stated in your last issue that the higher foothill lands are the best for agricultural purposes in Harney valley, has certainly hit the nail," said Adam George to The Times-Herald the other day. "I have had experience right here and know what I am talking about."

Mr. George brought in some very fine peaches to add to the display now being arranged by I. S. Geer. He has one of the finest young orchards within the borders of Harney county and is making a success of farming on his foothill ranch.

The Times-Herald has been asked to examine the county road fund, it being reported that the entire fund had been used and nothing remained in the county treasury to the credit of the fund. We will state that the regular semi-annual statements of the county officers will be published in our next issue and the financial condition of the county shown as it appears upon the records Oct. 1st. Our readers will then be given the exact condition of the road fund along with other information that may be gathered in the meantime.

One farmer who has been raising crops in this county for the past 15 years, states that alfalfa is certainly the crop for this section. He has watched the growth and experimented with this valuable fodder and has made a success of it. His experience has led him to believe the best way to insure a stand is to get the ground in proper shape. It should be plowed in the fall and made absolutely level with the soil well pulverized. This should be allowed to settle and become firm before the seed is sown. He finds that new loose ground will not retain the moisture or give the roots the proper nourishment. It seems the roots will not go down on loose ground and as a consequence much of the crop dies.

The Times-Herald is in receipt of a copy of a suggested state irrigation code prepared for comment and criticism, by Morris Bien at the request of the state commission. The copy was sent by John T. Whistler with a request for editorial comment.

It is impossible for this paper to take this matter particularly for lack of space. It is pleased to note that this proposed code does not meet with the approval of the state commission. Such a law is not practical in any sense of the word and cannot be made applicable to the varied conditions existing in Eastern Oregon. Its proposed radical changes would complicate matters to such an extent that every one now controlling water would be thrown into court to defend their rights.

The creation of a state engineer together with water commission assistant to engineer, etc,

carrying a large appropriation of \$40,000 is another drawback and would kill the bill.

The supreme court has been unable to lay down any general rule to cover water suits, each case being decided upon its merits. The proposed code limits the amount to one cubic foot of water per second for each 70 acres. This would be impossible as certain soils require more than others.

THE TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

The teachers' institute which closes this afternoon has been one of the most interesting, as well as the best attended, held in this county, according to those who have participated. The Times-Herald is well pleased to learn these facts and to know that more interest is being taken in the educational affairs of Harney county.

The plan of Supt. Rigby to send programs to patrons and parents with an invitation to attend seems to have been quite successful—especially the evening session. While all the outside instructors did not attend that were expected, Supt. McIntosh of Grant county and Pres R. C. French of the Weston Normal did exceptionally good work assisted by local men, such as Profs. Yoder and Dillard of the high school, Prof. Finn, of the Burns public schools and C. C. Jackson of the Poison creek school. The local teachers all feel well repaid for their attendance as the session was very instructive.

The evening sessions have been attended by overflowing houses and the visitors were entertained with good programs.

Wednesday evening's session was held at the Baptist church where the teachers were greeted by Supt. Rigby. James Simerville made the welcoming address and in the absence of Dalton Biggs Supt. McIntosh of Grant county responded in a most happy manner. Some very good music was rendered by the singers.

On Thursday evening the session was held at the Presbyterian church and the speaker of the evening, Mr. Fitzgerald, gave a most interesting talk on the Lewis and Clark expedition. This lecture was well received and very instructive to the audience, although Mr. Fitzgerald had not prepared himself upon the subject as much as he had desired. As upon the former evening the music was good, Dr. Marsden singing a solo, a mixed quartet rendered a nice selection and The Times-Herald male quartet gave the audience one of its lively medleys.

Friday evening's program consisted of three short talks. Dr. Marsden on hygiene as pertaining to school rooms—particularly; Prof. McIntosh who urged the necessity of a school exhibit at the Lewis and Clark fair next year, and Prof. French, who made his remarks general. These were all interesting to a large crowd in attendance. Music was again good, a mixed double quartet rendered "Go Sleep My Honey", Mrs. Farre sang a very sweet solo which was roundly applauded and appreciated by her many friends and admirers. The Times-Herald quartet was again pressed in to finish out the evening.

Teachers in attendance during the institute were: Prof. R. C. French, of Weston, Supt. McIntosh, of Grant County, Prof. D. W. Yoder, H. A. Dillard, of high school, Prof. A. C. Finn, J. C. Bartlett, Misses Julia Greeley and Lena Harkey, Mrs. Dorothy Irwin, Burns public schools; Archie Dillard, Miss Letha Smith, Harney; Lester Hamilton, Lawen; Mrs. Gerald Griffin, Dist No 23; Lola Daugherty, Dist No 30; J. I. Cavender, Dist No 24; Mrs. Mary Marshall, Dist No 17; Delta Dillard Dist No 10; C. C. Jackson Dist No 3; Laura Newell, Dist No 35; Ora Williams, Dist No 37. The following who were not at this time employed, if so it did not appear on the register in what districts: Misses Alice Hamilton, Maudie E. Clark, Ethel McGee, Nannie Boyer, Vera Hendricks, Mary Zeigler; Mrs. E. Rigby, J. J. Simerville.

MR. HANLEY IS BUYING CATTLE Claims he is Paying as Much for Stock As Eastern Market Will Justify.

The Times-Herald interviewed Wm. Hanley the other day and was informed that he is in the market for cattle and expects to buy quite a number. Mr. Hanley said The Times-Herald was right to a certain

extent in stating he would pay one dollar per head more for stock, but prices would not be general.

He will pay \$14 for first class yearlings.

Mr. Hanley says he is offering all that the market justifies for cattle and asks that sellers investigate the market and see if he is not right. This is a matter that should be investigated by our stock raisers.

EXPERIMENTING WITH NEW PLANT.

Thomas Bain, a Pioneer Farmer. Has Fine Alfalfa Seed Crop.

Thos. Bain, who has been farming in this valley for the past sixteen years, was in the city the first of the week, having been subpoenaed to do jury duty. Mr. Bain informs us his crops are exceptionally good this season the yield being large and the quality very fine. He stated that he threshed 32 bushels of alfalfa seed from two acres this season and did not seem to realize what a phenomenal crop it was.

When from three to six bushels are considered a good crop in Utah, according to Mr. Hendricksen, and three bushels a paying crop, Mr. Bain's yield is certainly most flattering. Alfalfa seed is worth 20 cents per pound in this section—that being the price paid last spring. Mr. Bain will realize at least \$500. from these two acres and the seed is of an excellent quality and perfectly clean.

"There seems to be a wrong impression among the people of this section about alfalfa being easily killed by frost", said Mr. Bain. "They think early sowing undesirable on that account. I had a fine yield this season from a field that looked very discouraging. The alfalfa had just come through the ground and was up so that one could notice it by looking over the field when the ground froze so hard that I was able to drive an empty wagon over it without breaking through the frozen earth. When I cut it I was unable to follow the track of the mower of the previous year."

Mr. Bain is experimenting with a new forage plant seed of which he received from Northern Russia. He had forgotten the name of the plant, but it is an everlasting pea that is proving quite a success on dry land. He is sure the plant is perennial for it was sown last season and when first coming up it did not seem to do well and he paid no more attention to it. This season it made a wonderful growth and made such good showing that he allowed it to mature and secured considerable seed from it.

The plant is excellent fodder for stock and grows without irrigation. It grows very rank and clings together making a complete mat covering the ground.

C. C. Jackson of this city has been engaged as teacher of the Poison creek school near Burns. Mr. Jackson is an instructor of rare ability and the school board of that place should be congratulated in securing the service of a man like C. C. Mr. Jackson was prominently mentioned as a candidate for county school superintendent last June by the Democrat party of Lake county.—Silver Lake Oregonian.

V. B. Staples and wife, J. D. Billingsley and wife, and Edward L. King, of this city, Frank Seaward, of Cord, Mrs. Alva Springer of Narrows, and J. H. McMullen of Burns, took their departure yesterday for the St. Louis fair. They were joined at Nampa by Mrs. Thos. Jones of Boise.—Ontario Democrat.

A marriage license was issued to Charley Craft and Clara Jones, both of Pine Creek

THE MONUMENTAL BRONZE COMPANY, of Bridgeport, Conn., has appointed M. L. Lewis, their agent for Harney County. This old reliable Company makes all kinds of Monuments, Grave Covers, Corner posts Vases and Urns, out of pure refined Zinc, which is one of the elementary or virgin metals, the same as gold and silver, and is indestructable and cannot be affected by the climatic conditions. These monuments are cheaper by half than any kind of stone, more beautiful in design and cannot be broken. Mr. Lewis desires all who are contemplating the purchase of anything in this line to call on him at the office of Biggs & Biggs, and see designs sample of material and get prices.

CIRCUIT COURT IN SESSION

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well—attachment—dismissed on motion of plff.

Fred Lunaberg vs John McCoy—confirmation of sale—confirmed.

City of Burns vs Paul Locher—appeal from Justice court—motion to quash warrant of arrest overruled.

Transferred to criminal docket. Bennett & Son vs Geo. M. Tetrau—account—passed. No appearance.

Levens & Mace vs Geo. White—attachment—settled and dismissed.

Sam Bauer vs David Bouries—attachment—settled and dismissed.

John Weaver vs Chas. Cook et als—attachment—settled and dismissed.

Phil Metchan vs C. A. Sweek—attachment—Defaults and judgment \$30 Atty's fees.

C. A. Sweek vs C. F. McKiuney—Damages—Amended complaint filed.

First National Bank of Ontario, vs P. L. Oard—attachment—settled and dismissed.

Sarah C. Miller vs Woodmen of the World—Recovery of money—mandate not down.

L. B. Springer vs Jenkins Bros.—Recovery of money—Answer filed, demurrer to answer filed, argued and sustained.

A Miranda vs Ed Carlson—injunction—This testimony was taken by a referee and the reading of the 900 pages have been occupying the attention of the court the past two days.

Pauline Locher vs Thos. McCormick—attachment—trial to follow the Miranda & Carlson now being tried.

CRIMINAL

State vs Chas. Nelson—Bound over to keep the peace—Deft. discharged and bondsmen exonerated.

State vs Geo. W. Waters—Assault and battery—Pleads guilty to simple assault waives time and fined \$50

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