

ANNUAL FARMERS' VACATION SUGGESTED

Would Be Of Untold Benefit To All Concerned As Well As Direct Profit And Pleasure In Every Way Resulting In A More Satisfied Condition Of Their Surroundings

Farmers should so arrange their work as to take an outing each year. They will be benefited by getting out once a year from the routine of the work on the farm which will not suffer if properly planned. Relative to this subject an eastern paper says:

Most farmers are believers in the eight-hour system—eight hours before noon and eight hours after! It may be a good system when one is his own boss, but its rather hard on all concerned. Therefore, every farmer should have a sort of pitchfork arrangement which will throw everyone, himself and his wife included, off the farm at some convenient time to take a compulsory vacation. You need never fear that the work will suffer. It will not if it is properly planned. Never fear that anyone who thus has an outing suffers. On the contrary, everyone, and the work, too, will be benefited."—McMinnville News-Reporter.

Since there is no time of the year when the farmer can more easily leave his home duties than early in December, the authorities at the Oregon Agricultural College have this year changed the date of the annual one-week farmer's course to Dec. 7-14, instead of immediately preceding or following the winter short course, which this year comes Jan. 9 to Feb. 7. The agricultural instruction at the college, insofar as is possible will be boiled down to a single week of the most practical and helpful lectures and demonstrations, some 30 or 40 a day, covering the breeding and raising and care of all kinds sorts of farm animals, the growing and harvesting of grains, forage crops and fruits, the planning and erection of farm buildings, and the solution of a vast number of farm problems.

A Pleasant Amusement Place

Messrs. Hissner & Johnston have enlarged their pool and billiard parlors and added some new tables as well as providing a comfortable reading room. The place is now brilliantly lighted with a new gas system and the new equipment all around is neat and attractive. It is a very inviting place and has become very popular with those who like to play pool or billiards and the gentlemen are enjoying a good patronage.

Stock Men Organize

The Harney County Livestock Protective Association was organized last Saturday evening in this city. Judge Grant Thompson was made president; P. C. Peterson, vice-president; C. A. Byrd, secretary and Simon Lewis treasurer. The object of this organization is mutual protection and general advancement of the livestock industry. It is a good organization and should result in lasting benefit to its members.

Meetings are to be held every three months and any stock grower in the county is eligible to membership.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK BECOMES A \$100,000.00 INSTITUTION LAST WEEK

Its Steady Growth And Substantial Reputation Places It In The Foremost Ranks Of The Best Institutions In The Country And A Credit To The Community

At a meeting of the directors of the First National Bank held last Saturday, that institution was made a hundred thousand dollar bank. At this meeting the directors increased the bank's surplus fund from \$70,000.00 to \$75,000.00, which amount in conjunction with the bank's capital of \$25,000.00 gives it a working capital of \$100,000.00. The First National now carries the largest surplus fund of any National bank in the country of like capitalization.

The First National has long been recognized as an institution of undoubted strength, and its large capital not only insures absolute protection to its depositors, but also permits it to occupy a broad field of usefulness throughout this entire section.

Much of the success of this bank is due to the fact that its executive officers extend the same uniform courtesy to all its patrons, thus assuring the smaller customers of the same careful consideration as is accorded its larger or more influential patrons. This bank's ever conservative policy has brought to it an immense volume of business, as is evidenced by its large deposits, it having reported the largest deposits of any bank in Malheur, Grant, Harney, Crook and Lake counties, at the last official call for reports of condition on September 4th, 1912.

The First National has been a powerful factor in the development and upbuilding of Southeastern Oregon. We congratulate the institution on its success, gained through its clean, clear cut business methods.

Ladies' Afternoon Club

Entertained by Dr. Ellis. (Contributed.)

The ladies of the Afternoon Club held their first meeting of the season Saturday, October 5th, at the home of the president, Dr. Elizabeth Ellis. A number of new members were received, and Mrs. Sevick was present as the guest of honor. At this meeting the club launched upon the study of the Nineteenth Century, which will constitute its work for the ensuing year; "Presidents of the United States" being the special subject of the day. Each member present responded to roll-call by giving a sobriquet of some president who served during the nineteenth century. Dr. Ellis read a scholarly paper on "Our Presidents" after which she rendered "The Blue and the Gray" to the soft accompaniment of "Tenting Tonight", with Mrs. Rembold at the piano. Walt Whitman's poem "O, Captain, My Captain" was read by "Mother Whiting." After a few beautiful words of her own, "Auntie Lampshire" repeated that ever impressive poem "Lead Kindly Light"—President McKinley's favorite hymn.

Dainty refreshments were served and each lady went away feeling that the initial meeting bespeaks a pleasant and profitable year for the club.

Leap Year Dance a Success.

The senior girls of the High School were hostesses at a large gathering of dancers at Tonawana on Tuesday evening when they gave a leap year ball. It was a decided success and thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended. There was a four piece orchestra to furnish the music and the young ladies conducted the affair most pleasantly.

The Ladies' Auxilliary to the Fire Department served supper on the stage which was up to its usual high standard. The dance was attended by many of the teachers who were here attend-

CIRCUIT COURT NOW IN SESSION

Docket Being Cleared Rapidly But Is Now Delayed In Securing Jurors For The Murder Trial. Interesting Developments And A Hard Fight Looked For

The regular fall term of circuit court convened last Monday. Many equity and law cases had been disposed of before the opening Monday, however, as Judge Biggs had been looking after such cases last week while the grand jury was in session.

The regular jury panel was exhausted in securing jurors to serve on the case of the State vs. James Buckland, Frank Buckland and Burbank Clay, indicted on a charge of murder in the first degree for the killing of Z. H. Stroude at Harney. Five jurors have been selected and Sheriff Richardson has gone to the country to serve more subpoenas for jury duty. It was discovered yesterday morning that today is a legal holiday and as none of the jurors could be gotten here until late tonight Judge Biggs decided to adjourn court until Monday morning and telephoned the sheriff to have those summoned to be here Monday morning.

The following business has been considered up to this time:

CRIMINAL.

State vs. Emmett Kimble—abandoning sheep on the range. Plead guilty and fined \$50 which he paid.

State vs. Guy Dickenson—Larceny. Out on bail and set for trial first day of next term.

State vs. John Osborn—Assault with intent to kill. Jury returned a verdict of not guilty.

State vs. Ed. Larby—Larceny of a gelding. Jury found him guilty. This is a case where the horse was stolen in Crook county but brought into this county and the man was caught near Denio. He has not been sentenced.

LAW.

C. R. Peterson vs. J. R. Cunningham—Recovery of money. Default and judgement for \$1709.52 with interest from date at 10 per cent. Also \$150 attorney fees.

J. R. Jenkins vs. Ed Baker—Damages. Settled and dismissed without cost to either party.

U. S. National Bank of Vale vs. J. D. Bailey and Albert C. Fredricks—Attachment. Default and judgment for \$135 and interest from June 25, 1910 at 10 per cent against Fredricks. No service on Bailey.

I. Schwartz vs. J. E. Lupton—Attachment. Settled and dismissed.

J. S. Cook vs. E. H. McDonald Attachment. Settled and dismissed.

L. R. Bunyard vs. R. C. Goodlow. Attachment. Settled and dismissed.

W. L. Marsden vs. James Buckland—Attachment. Settled and dismissed.

Chas. Johnson vs. D. B. Clay—Attachment. Settled and dismissed.

J. E. Rounseville and Tusnela Rounseville vs. Geo. H. Pierce—Damages. Dismissed at plaintiffs motion.

Frank Aramburn et al vs. Antone Bernedo et al—Damages Settled and dismissed.

Superintendent Alderman Meets with an Accident.

Teachers and his many friends were disappointed this week when it was found that State Supt. Alderman could not be present at the institute. He was scheduled to take a prominent part in the institute work and the teachers were looking forward to the pleasant prospects. Supt. Alderman started from Salem on a motor-cycle to make the tour of the interior counties and came out as far as Lakeview. He with others left there for this city and when out some 35 miles Mr. Alderman was thrown from his motor-cycle sustaining a broken leg. He was taken back to Lakeview where he was given medical attention and will go from that point back to his home as soon as he is able to travel.

Supt. Alderman has not visited Harney county since his election to his present office. He was here with former superintendent Ackerman at one time assisting in conducting an institute and at that time made many friends who were in hopes he would make the trip and they have an opportunity to renew acquaintances.

Remember W. A. Goodman is prepared to roll your barley, bale hay and saw wood.

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FAIR AMUSEMENT WAS FINISHED LAST SUNDAY WITH FINE RACES ETC.

The Weather Was Fair And The Crowd Good While The Races, Riding And Band Was At Their Best—Resulting In A Good Time For All In Attendance

As the weather prevented the full program arranged for the amusement and entertainment of the fair visitors on the days advertised, a special program was arranged and pulled off Sunday afternoon. The attendance was very good considering conditions and the cards were particularly interesting. There were three races, a consolation running race with three entries which was taken by Seventy, with Smut second. A special three quarters of a mile was run by Seventy, Jerusha and Hush which proved one of the best of the week, all three horses coming under the wire in a bunch. Hush won with Seventy a close second and the mare right at their heels. A trot and pacing race with three entries, Doc Jones, Kate Murphy and High, the latter an outside horse entered by Starr. He was not fast enough to make it interesting for the home horses.

H. J. Sherburn succeeded in riding the bull that afternoon, but he had to pull leather like sixty to stay on. W. B. Shelly did some trick riding and rope spinning that was much appreciated by those present.

The fair was quite a success so far as the exhibits were concerned and was a source of much benefit. For the first time since it was started it did not pay expenses, therefore from a financial standpoint it was not a success. The Association will stand the loss and every obligation will be paid. The exhibits have been packed and shipped out to the big land shows in Portland, Minneapolis and the Great Northern exhibit trains. Other samples have gone to the Agricultural College, some to the high school where Mr. Leedy will use them in his agricultural work.

Will Ask For Liberty Bell

Miss Laura M. Dawson, who has been attending the teachers' institute in this city this week, has received a letter from Phil Bates in which he states that one of the missions of his party of young ladies who go east in February, will be a trip to Philadelphia immediately following the inauguration of the president at Washington and ask that Liberty Bell be allowed to cross the continent to the Panama-Pacific Exposition at San Francisco. If they are successful it will be routed over the North Pacific states and therefore come thru Harney county on the new trans-Oregon road now being built, as it will be completed by the time of the exposition.

Miss Dawson has been selected to represent Harney County on this "booster" trip and The Times-Herald hopes her many friends will give her liberal support, as it is necessary that she secure at least 300 subscriptions to The Pacific Northwest, the farm paper conducted by Mr. Bates. It is a good paper for the farmer and housewife, as well as general information to all who have the development of this territory at heart. The former trips of this character made by Mr. Bates and party of young ladies has proven of much benefit to the sections represented in the party and is one of the unique ways of bringing attention and publicity to Oregon.

Stock Prices Are Good

Cattle are the highest in Harney county they have ever been and there are a number of outside buyers here at this time as well as our local men who make it a business to buy cattle each fall. The small stock grower is having his inning at this time since the range has been so depleted of the large herds. With good prices prevailing Harney county is in a very prosperous condition so far as its livestock is concerned. The big yield of forage crops, grains and root crops has made that rather slow on the market, but since the livestock is the main product from which to derive ready money it will not work much hardship on the country.

Cattle prices are as follows: Three-year-old steers, \$60. Twos \$45. Cows and calves, \$60. Yearlings, \$32. There is big money in raising cattle at such prices and Harney county must again get into line as in the past with more cattle. The range has greatly improved in recent years and it is not likely to be overstocked for some time. In fact it never will be overstocked again as growers realize the folly of such methods and will use a different system in the future.

Can you beat it? Chain harness \$19.50 at Shelley's.

PRactical METHODS THE ONLY SUCCESS

So Says Traffic Manager R. B. Miller Of The O.-W. R. & N. In His Address To Portland Realty Board Recently—Declared Present Farming System Was Certainly Faulty

That the greatest problem before the people of Oregon is the adoption of practical and scientific methods of agriculture so that the farming industry can be made attractive not only to newcomers to the state, but also a large percentage of the urban population, is the opinion of R. B. Miller, traffic manager of the O. W. R. & N., who was the principal speaker at the regular meeting of the Portland Realty Board says the Oregonian.

Mr. Miller pointed out that the growth of the cities was immeasurably out of proportion to the development of the rural districts. He declared that the small increase of population in the country was due primarily to the methods followed in agriculture. The most important duty of the people of Portland, he said, is to co-operate with the railroad, the State Agricultural College and other interested institutions in the work of adopting a system that would increase the volume of soil products and bring the best possible returns to those engaged in agriculture.

"According to the last census the population of Portland was about one-third of that of the entire state," said Mr. Miller. "There were two men in the state, by this ratio, who were contributing to the support of one man in Portland. If the same conditions continue, it will not be long before there will be one man in the country supporting one man in the city. This is absolutely wrong and impractical. We must give the rural districts a chance to catch up. In order that this state may make proper development, it is necessary for the farming districts to produce more than can be used by local consumption.

Every year there is being shipped into Oregon and Washington millions of dollars worth of eggs, poultry, hogs, cattle and packing house products. This condition is bad. Instead, we should be shipping out of Oregon, all such products that we are receiving from other states.

"One factor in solving this great problem is more intensive cultivation of the soil. We need better and more practical farming methods. The big farms should be cut up into smaller tracts.

"In the Eastern part of Oregon and Washington, where wheat growing is the main industry, there should be a rotation of the crops. Half of that land is idle every year to permit of summer-fallowing. The time must come when such a system will be abolished and all that rich land be made to produce something every year. That method is necessary to increase the rural population in those districts.

"The Oregon Agricultural College is doing a great work, but it is handicapped seriously by lack of funds. Larger appropriations should be made so that the college extension work can be carried on effectively in all parts of the state. I urge the members of the Portland Realty Board to investigate the work (Concluded on Last Page)

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