

## MARCH TERM COUNTY COURT HAS ADJOURNED

Much Important Matter Taken up at Session. Road Master Appointed. County Fair Provided For. High School Board Meets and Part of Teachers Elected for Coming Year

County court adjourned for the March term on Wednesday. During this term many things of importance were under consideration but comparatively few orders were made. However each matter up for consideration was deliberated upon and the work of the term indicates that the present court is not going to act in a hasty manner upon anything of importance to the county.

During the week a meeting of the county high school board also, and Prof. H. K. Shirk was re-elected principal, Miss Locher and Miss Wilson were also re-elected to the positions they held in the school the past year. Mr. Leedy, instructor in agriculture, was not an applicant again as he will devote his time in future to his farm in the Willamette valley. This position and that of instructor in English are yet to be filled. There were other applications for positions in the school but the board deferred action until later.

The court also took up another matter during the term of quite an interest to the people, that of the county fair. It was pointed out by those experienced that the amount received each year from the regular source of state levy was not sufficient to provide premiums for the fair and unless a larger sum could be had it would be useless to attempt to hold a fair. The court considered the matter and appropriated from another fund which provides for a stipulated sum for advertising purposes, sufficient to make the premium list practically as much as it has been in the past, therefore the board appointed by the court under the law providing for it will have ample funds to gather an exhibit of the products of the county and award adequate premiums. It is the intention to take the best of the displays at the county fair and ship to the Panama Fair at San Francisco if suitable space can

be arranged for at the Oregon building.

Following are the proceedings of the court:

Road petitioned for by D. V. Wilfong and others was ordered viewed.

Roads petitioned for by N. E. Pardee, O. T. Stuart, H. G. Dieckman, Glen C. Edwards and B. C. Grove all continued for the term owing to incompleteness and other defects of the petitions.

A. O. Faulkner appointed road master for nine months at a salary of \$250 per month.

Report of the clerk on bounty paid for rabbit scalps approved. The records show that 74,279 scalps were received during January and the amount paid out was \$3,713.95. During February 138,141 scalps were received and \$6,907.05 paid as bounty.

W. Y. King appointed justice of the peace for south Burns.

\$1000 appropriated for the benefit of the agricultural extension work.

Clerk directed to publish notice to stockmen not to move stock over public highways while roads are soft and muddy.

Clerk ordered to publish notice to public concerning persons acting as bondsmen on road petitions.

Jap McKinnon appointed a member of the board of road viewers.

In the matter of reclassification of lands for assessment purposes, C. B. McConnell having appeared before the board and submitted data, it was considered and ordered that the data be filed with the assessor for the purpose of assisting in making the necessary reclassification.

For Sale—Registered Imported German Coach stallion, 11 years old mid dark brown in color. He is a sure foal getter, having more offspring than any other imported horse in Harney County.—O. L. Shingledecker, Burns, Oregon

## Too Much Roughage Dangerous For Cows

"Don't make the mistake of overworking the cow by asking her to handle too much roughage," was the suggestion of Ira P. Whitney when describing to the Jersey Breeders' association the system of feeding at the famous Waikiki farm near Spokane, Wash. "There is a limit to her storage capacity. Give her as much roughage as she can manage readily, then supply the balance of her ration in the form of concentrates.

"To the dairyman who is growing wheat and barley, and I believe nearly every dairyman in the valley should be doing so, I would suggest that you market them through the dairy cow. If she can't handle them for you at a profit, sell her. Don't act too quickly on my advice at the present time, for I realize that grains of all kind have soared out of sight, but this condition will not last always, and with normal prices for grain the dairy cow should be able to handle them at a profit for you. Bran and shorts are good but the demand is shorting the prices up and the quality down, and I would prefer to grind the grains as they are produced on the farm. Linseed oil meal, soybean meal, and other feeds rich in protein can be used to advantage, especially with heavy producers, but if used to excess they will do a great deal more harm than good. Peas grown and threshed with oats is an excellent source of protein when well ground, and no dairyman is justified in buying feed when he can produce it at a less cost at home."

Editor's Prices for "Puffs."

An eastern editor has come to the conclusion that those desiring "puffs" in his paper must pay for them, and has established the following prices:

For telling the public that a man is a successful citizen, when everybody knows that he is as lazy as a hired man, \$2.70.

Referring to the deceased citizen as one who is mourned by the entire community, when we know he will only be missed by the poker circle, \$10.13.

Referring to some gallivanting female as an estimable lady whom it is a pleasure to meet, when every business man in town would rather see Satan coming, \$8.10.

Calling an ordinary pulpit pounder an eminent divine, 60 cents. Sending a doughty sinner to heaven, \$5.00. Referring to a deceased merchant who never advertised in his life as a progressive citizen \$4.99.—Ex.

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Opposite Times-Herald Building

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Arrival and Departure Of Trains

Departs  
No. 2, Prairie 10:15 A. M.  
Sumpter 2:35 P. M.

Arrives  
Baker 4:00 P. M.

Departs  
No. 1, Baker 8:30 A. M.  
Sumpter 10:05 A. M.

Arrives  
Prairie 2:10 P. M.

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## SOME ADVANTAGES OF DIVERSIFIED FARMING

Some Excellent Suggestions That May Be Profitably Applied on Farms of This County. Combined Livestock Grain, With Good Rotations Have Been Found The Most Successful

Obil Shattuck, County Agriculturist

By diversified farming, we mean that the revenue from which the farm income is derived, is divided among several sources.

There are many advantages to be obtained by this system of farming. This is especially true in countries which have high altitudes and in which the climatic conditions are rather severe and variable.

Diversified farming lessens the risk of total failure. The farmer is so dependent on weather conditions, pests and prices, that he hesitates to take the chance of total failure that he must assume if he has only one product to sell. If there are several important crops from which the income is derived, they are not likely to all fail the same year.

A farmer must pay his living expenses, and a failure when he has but one cash product is a serious matter, as these accounts must be carried over to the next year.

Diversified farming will have a tendency to distribute the labor income throughout the year and this would be a decided advantage, as much better rates can be secured when it is possible to do a cash business.

This type of farming will afford a good distribution of labor, making it possible to keep the hired men, horses and machinery busy during the greater part of the year.

Under this system good crop rotations can be planned and carried on, thus keeping the land in a high state of fertility and at the same time good yields can be obtained.

Alfalfa as a hay and seed crop, combined with some of the spring grains, will work out nicely in the long rotation, as an example, alfalfa four years for seed, on the dry farm or for hay on the irrigated land; or if the frost happened to catch the crop in the blossom, in the former case, it could be cut for hay, then either wheat, oats or barley and summer fallow alternate years from two to four years would complete the rotation. For the short rotation, any of the leading cereals, fallow and field peas will make a very good combination for a three year rotation.

Diversified farming affords a splendid opening for quite a number of stock to be profitably handled on the farm. A few sheep work in very well as scavengers, that is, for clearing up fence rows, ditch banks, roads, etc. which afford insects and weeds ideal places for hibernation and growth. These sheep could be finished on grain and alfalfa, and marketed during the fall months at a good price, and doubtless the local market could handle quite a number.

The hog has always held quite an important place on the diversified farm and probably always will, for he fits in during the years when the price of cereals is low and affords the farmer an opportunity to market his crops at a fair price.

As horses are a necessary part of the equipment on every farm, they should also bring the farmer a profit over and above the labor they perform. A few good mares bred to pure blood sires will soon improve the standard and in a few years the owner will have some good grades for sale.

As has been shown by a survey of some three or four thousand farms in various states, that those farmers who combined livestock, and grain farming, with good rotations, have in nearly every case, been more successful and made larger incomes than those who tried either one alone.

Tonawama tomorrow night,

Ground feed at Hagey's.

## LATEST DEVELOPMENT LEAGUE NOTES

(From Our Portland Correspondent)

An event of great interest, not only to stock breeders of Oregon, but to those of the entire Northwest, will be staged in San Francisco on March 23-4-5-6 when the American Livestock Association holds its annual convention. This meeting will be attended by representative stockmen from all sections of the United States, matters of great importance to the industry will be discussed, and it is earnestly desired that every stock raiser in the West make a strong effort to be present.

That times are improving and business again reaching normal proportions is indicated by the demand which Western railroads are making on the lumbermen for material. The Union Pacific has recently placed an order for 1,200,000 feet of fir lumber to be delivered immediately to car shops in the east, and it is expected that a further order for 1,000,000 feet from the same road will be placed with mills in this section very soon.

The District Forester at Portland has announced that an area of brush land sufficient to accommodate 20,000 to 25,000 goats is now available on the western slopes of the Cascade range. It is believed that pasturing goats on these lands will lessen the chances of fire by clearing off the underbrush, and that it will go far toward clearing the land for other purposes. If the experiment proves a success other large tracts will be set aside for pasture.

At Independence, on May 12, about 150 head of Jersey cattle, many of them registered, will be sold at auction. The sale is to be held under the auspices of the Polk County Jersey Breeders Association.

Prospects Bright for Sale of Horses.

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## Injury to Potato Seed Caused by Blight

"Owing to the prevalence of potato storage rot, which in many cases at least in Eastern Oregon is due to the late blight fungus, questions are coming up in regard to the use of such potatoes for seed and concerning treatment of seed, said Professor F. D. Baily, research assistant in Plant Pathology, at the Oregon Agricultural College. "On examination of the diseased tubers one may find large irregular areas over the surface that are darkened and slightly sunken. The discolored part may be quite firm and on cutting it may be found to form a mere shell around the outer portion while the center remains white and sound, yet in most of the eyes the germ has been killed. Such potatoes are unfit for seed since their use will result in a very poor stand and will produce a few plants in which blight will be carried internally until weather conditions are favorable for the disease to spread. While it would not be possible to cull out every tuber containing blight this can be done carefully so that a stand may be secured and by following with timely applications of Bordeaux mixture, the disease can be prevented. It would be desired to use seed entirely free from blight yet this would not insure the crop against the disease since it is scattered by spores from one field to another.

The formaldehyde treatment that is used to control potato scab and certain other diseases will not control blight. The fact that the fungus penetrates into the tuber as it does makes it impossible to reach it with any treatment of this kind. A method has been devised whereby the fungus has been killed without killing the tubers by submitting them to a dry heat at 104°F. for four hours. This is not of practical use, however, and spraying would be necessary to prevent infection from outside in any case.

"Much of the tuber blight so prevalent in storage in Western Oregon at present is directly due to the fact that blight was present in tops when the tubers were dug. They were infected at that time. If the tops had been kept covered with spray up to digging time this loss could have been greatly reduced and many times the total of spraying saved."

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## Railroad May Extend to Harriman Says Paper

Indications that the O.-W. R. & N. Co. will continue into Harney valley during the coming summer, are gained from the fact that a surveying crew is now working west of Riverside and information received locally is to the effect that, unless some unforeseen obstacle arises, the company will extend its line at least as far as Harriman within the next few months, says the Ontario Argus. Harriman is only 37 miles west of Riverside, and the road bed to that point can be constructed at a comparatively low cost. It is said the only heavy grading will be in Crane creek canyon.

To the Housewife.

Madam, if your husband is like most men he expects you to look after the health of yourself and children. Coughs and colds are the most common of the minor ailments and are most likely to lead to serious disease. A child is much more likely to contract diphtheria or scarlet fever when it has a cold. If you will inquire into the merits of the various remedies that are recommended for coughs and colds, you will find that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy stands high in the estimation of people who use it. It is prompt and effectual, pleasant and safe to take, which are qualities especially to be desired when a medicine is intended for children. For sale by all dealers.

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