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## STOCKMEN WILL MEET NEXT YEAR IN BURNS

Result of Invitation From Local Men.

### OLD OFFICERS RE-ELECTED AT BEND

Phil Smith of This City First Man Named On Executive Committee For Coming Year.

Several of Harney county's stockmen and citizens attended the meeting of the State Cattle & Horse Raisers' association at Bend the first of this week and as a result of their invitation the next annual convention of the organization will be held in this city. This is a gathering of the real backbone of Oregon and means considerable to the citizens of Burns as it brings an aggregation of people who have not gotten over the hospitality of the old days and who are the kind of guests we desire to entertain.

The Oregon Cattle & Horse Raisers' Association includes in its membership almost every man engaged in that business east of the Cascade Mountains and there are generally some 600 or more delegates who attend these annual meetings. Burns must prepare to take care of these people when they come. The exact date of the gathering has not been determined as it is to be at a date in May when the roads are good for auto travel.

The same officers who had looked after the affairs of the association in the past were elected to continue the work for the coming year. William Pollman, of Baker, who has been the president of the organization since its birth, was re-elected as were also Geo. Russell of Prineville, first vice president; William H. Daughtry of Portland, second vice president; Wm. Doby of Baker was again chosen the treasurer and S. O. Correll, secretary. Phil Smith of this city was the first man named on the executive committee for this year.

Among those who attended the meeting at Bend from this county were: W. H. Robertson and Al Masterson and his wife, from the Drewsey country; William Hanley, A. R. Olson, W. H. Craven, C. H. Leonard, Judge H. C. Levens, Phil Smith and A. K. Richardson.

### THE FEDERAL HIGHWAY COUNCIL

Good for the farms, good for the towns good for the nation;—GOOD ROADS!

Every good road is a blessing to its locality. When the roads are in good shape intercourse between the town and the country tributary to it is facilitated. Perishable products from the farm, instead of being left to spoil on the ground, can be brought promptly into town, and either utilized there or shipped away to find their market. The town has the benefit of increased trade from the farmers.

To these manifest advantages we may add the lessening of wear and tear on horseflesh, wagons and automobiles which good thoroughfares bring, and the prevention of a thousand annoyances.

Social and civic intercourse are also made much easier for the farmers. If they can reach their nearest town in ease and comfort they will make friends there, take an interest in its improvements and business and become members—and most valued ones—of the community.

A new body called the Federal Highway Council has just been organized to further the building of hard roads in all states of the union. It will act as an advisory council to state and local organizations, working in harmony with them and striving toward the same end.

It will back the Townsend bill now pending in congress, which appropriates the sum of \$425,000,000, for national highways. This sum, if our legislators pass the law, will be used to further an improved system of roads for every state.

An excellent reason for carrying out this work at present is the amount of employment it would supply to returned soldiers and sailors. The benefits of this undertaking would be felt by every class of people in the nation.

## TICKLES TYPEWRITER DESPITE MILLIONS



Even though her father, Harry Payne Whitney is a multi-millionaire, Miss Flora Payne Whitney keeps right on pounding a typewriter in the capacity of stenographer. She learned stenography for Red Cross work but when peace came she went to work in the Republican Women's National Executive committee headquarters.

### YOUNG FRENCH VETERAN TO TRY BRONCO BUSTING

Enlisted At Age of Thirteen Has Seen Three And One-Half Years Active Service.

Pierre Forgeront, 17-year-old veteran of the great war, arrived in Burns the fore part of the week, and will be employed at the Island ranch. He wants to try the life of the American cowboy, believing it no more difficult to ride a bucking broncho than the deck of a submarine chaser.

M. Forgeront is a native Parisian, and enlisted in the French navy when thirteen years old. He has seen three and one-half years active war service chasing the Hun subs, been wounded at least twice by shrapnel fire, and spent over four months in hospital. During his service he attended a school for ensigns, and was stationed on the destroyers "Francis" and "Casar."

The young man carries scars on the back of his head and on his left arm, as a result of his wounds. A shrapnel ball that entered just below the elbow and passed out between the thumb and forefinger caused the arm wound.

He tells of an encounter with three big German submarines that his vessel and two others experienced not far from the port of Bordeaux, when it was not thought to the discredit of the French navy to "go away from there," and during which he received his second souvenir from the boche.

The uniform, M. Forgeront wears is the gayest Burns has seen for some time. Resembling in color the garb of our own jacksies, it is ornamented with scarlet sleeve decorations that dispel the least hint of gloom. It is set off with a small blue cap bearing a bright red tassel.

Although he enlisted for ten years in the French naval service, he was able to secure a leave of absence of three years, and expects to spend a good portion of his time in America.

### A BEAUTIFUL WEDDING.

(Contributed.)

Mr. Austin H. Honnold and Miss Hallie E. Morris were united in Holy Wedlock at high twelve, by Rev. John F. Mobley at the Baptist parsonage April 23, 1919.

As the couple entered the parlor of the parsonage, Mrs. Mobley played the Bridal chorus by Lohengrin.

They were united using the Wedding ring ceremony.

After congratulations, the young couple started to Bend, Oregon, accompanied by Mr. Caldwell, a personal friend to the young bride and groom.

Just as we go to press we are informed that Stanton F. Tyler died today out at Sage Hen. He took sick only this morning.

## \$100,000 NEEDED IN VICTORY LOAN QUOTA

Less Than Half Reported As Subscribed in First Week of Drive.

The Victory Liberty Loan campaign is on and from what can be ascertained from the collectors of this vicinity it would appear to be moving along satisfactory.

Manager Donegan left here Monday for his tour of the county, being accompanied by Secretary Farre of the executive committee, also by C. W. Ellis, another member of the committee, "Curly" Potter, Harry Howell, Tom Allen and I. Weinstein. At Crane they were met by an outside speaker who accompanied them from that point. Nothing has been heard as to the success of the party but they were prepared to take subscriptions and these would not come in to the banks in advance of their return.

A visit to the two banks this morning brought the information that the subscriptions are not coming in very fast and would appear there is apathy shown. It is going to take work to put Harney county over the top as it will require \$100,000 to complete our quota.

We must all do our best to keep our record good as in the past. Grant county has gone over early in the week with almost double its quota. We cannot afford to fall in this drive.

### RAILROADS SHOULD GO BACK TO PRIVATE OWNERSHIP

Not Successful Under Government Management; Taxes too High Already With Income Tax.

The railroads are broke. Their debts grow like rolling snowballs. Ever since they got out of the hands of private owners they have been as profitable as a soda fountain at the North Pole.

The private owners were not angels. Their motive was not philanthropy. Their inspiring purpose was to make money for themselves—all they could. But if they did not give some kind of service in exchange for it they could not make any.

They could not fall back upon taxation. The government perhaps feels that it can, but since filling their income tax declarations the people begin to think that there must be some limit to taxation.

The answer seems to be a special session of congress to deal with the problem. Without funds for extension, improvements and repairs the condition of the railroads when summer trade activities are timed to be-

## LAWEN PEOPLE BLAME BURNS FOR SURVEY

Feel They Were Slighted On Highway; Want Discussion at Loan Rally.

A few of the citizens of the Lawen neighborhood have been in town since our last issue and have mentioned the Highway route over which there is some contention. It would appear from conversation with some of the people that the Lawen folks think citizens of Burns are responsible for the survey of this route having been made in such a way that it does not go by their post office. The Times-Herald has assured those with whom it has had occasion to discuss the matter that it was not the wish of Burns that their town should be missed and pleads ignorance of any intentional slight. They feel that they should have had a say in the route, especially as it is to be a post road and is supposed to serve the post office.

The fact of the matter is the people have not shown the proper interest in this highway. If we are guilty of anything it is indifference and lack of public spirit in that we did not give the proposed route our attention and inform ourselves as to its location.

It has been intimated that the opposition to the route comes from but one or two citizens in that vicinity but The Times-Herald has made inquiry and finds the sentiment of the community strongly opposed to the route. Mr. Weinstein was asked on last Sunday to recommend the present route and he again refused as post master to give his support on the ground that it does not serve his office.

It is suggested by citizens of that neighborhood that the matter be discussed at Lawen following the Victory Bond meeting to be held there on the 6th of May. They feel they have a grievance and should be given some explanation. In fact they have not yet been given any excuse whatever for the road not going through that place. Perhaps if some valid reason is given they will withdraw their objections.

The health authorities have given the picture house permission to open again and the first program will be produced next Wednesday night.

gin will put the country face to face with a situation comparable only to a total crop failure or a devastating earthquake. The roads cannot be thrown back at their owners in their present shape, and only congress can formulate a plan for preparing them for this consumption.

## SENATOR'S DAUGHTERS IN DOUBLE WEDDING



Miss Grace Overman (above) and Miss Kathryn Overman (below), daughters of Senator Lee Overman of North Carolina, are holding the Washington social spotlight as the hour for their double wedding approaches on April 30. Both will marry prominent Carolinians.

### HABBITS DYING BUT SAGE RATS ARE STILL THRIVING

Harder to Combat Rats Because They Can Not Be Fenced Out; Should Observe Law.

Ed. Morgan was in town Monday and informed a representative of this paper that the rabbits were dying in his neighborhood just as they had a few years ago. This is not unusual as this has been the fate of the pests in past years.

Mr. Morgan states that the sage rats are thriving in that section and becoming very troublesome. These pests are not like the rabbits as they seem to multiply and thrive regardless of how thick they become. It is harder to combat the sage rat, too, because you can't fence them out like one can the rabbits. Harney county should take advantage of the law passed by the recent legislature in which it has been provided to make the owner take part in eradicating these troublesome little thieves. We need just such a law in this country to make the indifferent individual do his part toward such pests.

This law is made effective by means of the appointment by the county court of a person to have charge of the work, and this should be attended to at once. If any person does not undertake the destruction of the rodents, then it shall be the duty of the person appointed to proceed with their extermination and the cost is assessed to the property. This amount is carried to the assessment roll and collected in the same manner as taxes.

### ATTRACTIVE WINDOW DISPLAYS.

A unique window display at the Welcome Pharmacy is attracting much attention for the novelty and timeliness of its suggestion. Because of this feature it at once caught the eye of the sporting editor of this great religious weekly. In addition to an attractive line of fishing tackle and paraphernalia, a dolls' bed with two recumbent figures is shown. An alarm clock nearby is set for 4 a. m., that mystic hour when all disciples of Isaac Walton think it necessary to arise if they would be successful in luring the speckled beauties from their watery lair.

That the hands of the clock point to a few minutes past the hour is probably in recognition of the fact that even the most ardent disciples of the famous I. W. find it a trifle difficult to heed the first summons of modern sleep destroyers.

Credit for this display goes to Dorman Leonard, who shows real skill and ability in designing striking and attractive windows.

Another timely and appropriate window display this week is at the

## INDIAN OFFICIALS HERE TO INVESTIGATE SCHOOL

Twenty-Six School Children Found.

### NEW CAMP ON "NIGGER FLAT" VISITED

Establishment of School Would Improve General Health of Tribe; Doctor Coming Frequently.

O. L. Babcock, superintendent at the Warm Spring Indian reservation, accompanied by Dr. Eddleman, also of the reservation, arrived in this city Thursday evening for the purpose of looking further into the possibility of establishing a day school for the Indian boys and girls of the Plute tribe in this vicinity.

Mr. Babcock was here last fall and started an investigation having for its purpose the aiding of the local tribesmen. He secured some estimates at that time and had some plans and specifications of a suitable building. His particular object this trip is to get the number of pupils such an undertaking would accommodate and he finds there are about twenty-six school children. This would justify the establishment of the school and hiring a teacher as well as a matron.

### Indians Find "Plenty Ground Hog"

Mr. Babcock and Dr. Eddleman accompanied Sam Mothershead (who is the white chief of the local Plutes and looks after their welfare) out to "Nigger Flat" yesterday where most of the Indians were camped. This is on the hills just this side of Stenchesing Water Mountain where they find a quantity of roots, known as "Indian potatoes," also where there are a "plenty groundhog" which Captain Loule says "Indian heap like." The principal reason for this returning to the original custom of the Indian was not exactly from choice, however, but because there was too much Spanish influenza around among the whites and this would be rather hard on the Indian should an epidemic break out among them.

A representative of this paper met Mr. Babcock last evening and the gentleman spoke hopefully of the plans for the establishment of the school and stated it was merely a matter of funds.

He visited a tract of land in this vicinity in company with Mr. Mothershead where it is possible to lease a site for the school and it may be a reality in the near future.

### Reservation Doctor Here

Dr. Eddleman is here in his capacity as reservation physician and is looking after the health of the tribe. Dr. Eddleman stated that with the establishment of a school and some one to look after them regularly the general health of the tribe would improve. It is his intention to make frequent trips here from this time on regardless of the result of the present effort to establish a school. Should this be done he could have better assurance of the treatment as a matron could minister to them often and see that they made proper application of the medicine and sanitary instructions.

### J. E. WELLS

Died—Yesterday, April 25, at his residence in this city, J. E. Wells, aged 57 years. Deceased had been confined to his home for several weeks but had been a sufferer from ulcers of the stomach for years. He was a stone mason and had worked at his trade in this city for the past two years. His aged mother came to make her home with him last summer and was with him at the time of his death. Mr. Wells was a married man but his family had not been in Burns. A son arrived from Butte, Montana, the day before his death. The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon, interment being in the Catholic cemetery.

I. S. Geer & Co. store. Waldo Geer has an attractive window in keeping with the coming clean-up, week activities and presents many suggestions to the people to get busy.

There are other attractive windows along the street that are appropriately dressed but these two are particularly timely this week.

### THE NEW VERSAILLES SEPARATOR