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## FINE CROPS OBSERVED OVER ON SILVER CREEK

### Delegation of Burns Citizens Enjoy The Hospitality of Prosperous Section.

A representative of this paper made one of a party to visit the Silver creek country last Saturday. He was agreeably surprised to find some of the finest grain and grass crops it has ever been his privilege to view over in that territory and barring the depredations of rabbits Silver creek is going to be heard from this season.

County Agent McDaniels, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Cook, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Sutton, Miss Howell and Julian Byrd made up the party of Burnites to visit the favored Silver creek, the occasion being an invitation from W. L. Best to come over and see what the neighborhood thought about organizing a farm bureau. While it is a busy time with the people on the creek, they being now engaged in haying, there were quite a number gathered at the Grange hall near the W. B. Johnson place and discussed the advantages of organization.

Mr. McDaniels gave them an insight on the benefits of a farm bureau and other visitors discussed kindred subjects. Those present were unanimous in favor of organizing and Mr. Johnson is to consult with his neighbors and report to the county agent the date on which he is to go over and organize.

Mr. Sutton and Mr. McDaniels went over early Saturday but the other members did not leave until late in the afternoon. The last party first visited the J. S. Cook ranch on lower Silver creek to deliver some supplies to Mr. Fay who is in charge of the ranch. This part of the creek showed some very good crops but where the rabbits had a chance there wasn't much left for the farmers to harvest. Mrs. Fay has a nice lot of young chickens and pigs and the writer noted quite a lot of sunflowers that would be fine for ensilage if they were within distance of Mr. Peabody's silo.

After leaving that part of the creek the party drove to the Grange hall but as it was not yet time for the meeting they went on up to the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Johnson and there they were invited to supper. The newspaper man is not in the habit of refusing any invitations of this kind so insisted that the party go in. Mrs. Johnson was going to do what most women want to do—fuss about and get a lot of things for the visitors to eat—but this was not permitted upon threat of leaving the place. As it was we had a meal that was better than any of us would get at home and it was thoroughly enjoyed. The newspaper man believes in showing his appreciation of good food and demonstrated it by eating lots of it. As soon as the meal was over Mr. Johnson went to the barn yard and soon returned with a big pail full of milk. The newspaper man again disgraced the bunch by following Mrs. Johnson to the milk house and drinking a quart of fresh warm milk. As a means of punishment the party threatened to lead him behind the car to the grange hall, as thus they thought the milk would be churned into butter. (In spite of his disgraceful conduct he was very cordially invited to return.)

Mr. Johnson has one of the best ranches on the creek and in former years devoted much of his land to the growing of grain, but during recent years he turned it into a grass ranch mostly with alfalfa and similar crops. He explained this was necessary because of lack of farm help. Notwithstanding this handicap Mr. Johnson has developed a large acreage during recent years and is still one of the active producers of his neighborhood.

The party did not go up as far as Gerald Cecil's place but learned from him at the meeting that he has a fine lot of oats and rye as well as a fine quantity of wild hay. Following the meeting some of the visitors returned to Burns but the writer, Mr. McDaniels and Miss Howell returned to the W. L. Best home where they were most hospitably entertained for the night and the next morning a general inspection

of the ranch took place before we started home. Mr. Best has a fine crop. His fall and spring rye are not to be surpassed anywhere. The fall rye is of uniform height and stands better than six feet with small straw stems and large heads. The spring variety is one from seed at the Experiment Station and is as near perfection as one could find. The fine field of this variety is to be harvested for seed as it is valuable for that and perfectly clean. This side oats show up well and will make an immense crop as will also his wheat. Mr. Best will have some fourteen varieties of grains and grasses for exhibition at the fair this fall and the fellow who has better has to "go some."

The garden was the last place to visit and it proved equal to the big field crops in variety, quality and cleanliness. The potatoes, beets, carrots, peas, lettuce, radishes, beans, corn, tomato vines and all varieties show thrifty growth and care.

Mr. and Mrs. Best have the thanks of the party for their generous hospitality and it will not require any coaxing to get the visitors back at any time.

Fine crops were seen from the highway up and down the Silver creek, it being an inspiration to view the evidence of prosperity and progressiveness. We need more such progressive people in Harney county.

### SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT MAKES ANNUAL REPORT

School Supt. Frances Clark has recently made her annual report and some of the figures are interesting.

There are 1133 children of school age drawing school money in Harney county according to this report; 553 boys and 580 girls.

A total of 85 teachers were employed in the schools of Harney county during the year just closed.

Forty-nine pupils passed the eighth grade during the last school year.

The per centage of attendance is 94 plus which is a good showing considering circumstances.

There are 50 organized school districts in the county; 45 active and reporting this season.

The total number of library books on hand is 4175.

The average salary of teachers in one room buildings was \$104 per month; the average monthly salary of assistant teachers was \$101; average monthly salary of principals was \$155.

### CONDITIONS INDICATE HIGHWAY WORK WILL SLOW UP

Judge Wm Farrer and Commissioners McKinnon and Hass have returned from Portland where they went to attend a meeting of the State Highway Commission. According to these officials it is evident the road building program in Oregon is going to slow up for a time because of circumstances over which the Commission has not control.

One of the gentlemen who attended the meeting reports that the present market for road bonds is down, the price prevailing being in the neighborhood of 87 cents and with the high cost of everything the Commission feels it is not getting much more than 50 per cent on present expenditures.

Another feature causing the discontinuance of work in many places is the fact that several of the counties have voted bonds with which to assist the state in building highways and in some instances these bonds exceed the limit placed by law and the supreme court has decided they are not constitutional, therefore these counties have no funds with which to proceed on their road improvements.

### FORMER RESIDENTS VISITING HERE

Mr. and Mrs. James Albert and their daughter, Mrs. Lillian LeVine, with her little daughter, arrived here from Los Angeles Tuesday to visit former scenes. They formerly resided in this vicinity, Mrs. Albert being a sister to Jap McKinnon. The Alberts left here twenty-five years ago and have since resided in California. They have recently sold out their holdings and Jim is going to loaf around. He is one of the oldest members, in point of service, of the local Odd Fellows Lodge.

Fine haying weather.

## GOOD SHOWING MADE AT EXPERIMENT STATION

### Harney County is Invited to Inspect Season's Work On August 8th.

Supt. Shattuck of the Experiment Station, has issued the invitations to the annual farmers day gathering on August 8. This date is on Sunday and is purposely set for that day in order that there be no excuse upon the part of the majority of our citizens to be present.

Every man engaged in farming or stockraising in Harney county ought to be at the Experiment Station on that day. All the business men of Burns, Harney, Crane, Lawen, Narrows, Catlow, Diamond, Blizen Drawsey, Alberson, Princeton, Andrews, Denio, Fields and Suntex ought to be there on that day. It should be the biggest day in Harney county, because there is no other institution means more to the development and prosperity of Harney county than the Experiment Station.

Mr. Shattuck has just completed the harvest of his first crop of alfalfa and finds it is going better than three tons to the acre which means eight or more tons per acre for the year. He finds that irrigated crops are going to yield heavy and that he will get a much better crop off the dry land than in former years—prospects are much better than last year at any rate.

Mr. Shattuck has recently investigated and compared the figures on precipitation and finds the station has received about one inch more rain fall during the present year than last. This is a disappointment in some respects as Burns has received considerable more rainfall than last year, and this applies generally to the surrounding country.

Keep August 8 in mind and arrange to spend the day out at the Station where you will learn more about the crops of Harney county in one day than you will find out ordinarily in a year. There is the place to get first handed information and the right tip to the future of your country.

The clothing department of the Burns Cash Store is being moved today from the Levens building to the new additional just being completed adjoining the old stand of the store. This addition gives the store's much larger floor and shelf space and is a decided improvement. The plate glass front is not yet in, the glass not having been received.

## NOXIOUS WEEDS ARE DEMANDING ATTENTION

### Method of Eradicating The Weeds Provided by Law; Applies to Towns.

Noxious weeds are getting a start all over the country. They are observed on farms, vacant lands, along the roads and in the towns. Some complaint is being made and farmers have asked how to start a campaign to eradicate them. The law is published below:

#### Chapter 290 AN ACT

To amend Sections 6453, 6464, 6465, 6467, and 6468 of Lord's Oregon Laws.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OREGON, Section 1—That section 6453 of Lord's Oregon Laws be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Sec. 6453. It shall be the duty of each road supervisor in each road district in this state, in addition to the duties heretofore prescribed by law, to ascertain from time to time and know whether or not there is in his district any weed known as the quack grass (Agropyron repens), penny cress, French weed, fan weed, or scale weed (Thlaspi arvense), goat weed, Tipton weed or Eola weed, or St. John's wort (Hypericum perforatum), death weed, poverty weed, or marsh elder (Iva axillaris), Russian thistle (Salsola kali tragus) Canada thistle (Cardus arvensis), Chinese thistle, China lettuce or prickly lettuce (Lactuca scariola) tumbling or Jim Hill mustard (Sisymbrium altissimum), cocklebur (Xanthium spinosum), silver salt bush (Atriplex canescens), and he shall, as he ascertains that there is any of such weed, and before any thereof has shed its bloom or commenced to form seed, serve or cause to be served upon the owner of the land or the land adjoining a road or highway to the center thereof, if he be known and residing within the county, and if not, upon the occupant of the premises or to the center of the road or highway adjoining said premises upon which said weeds or thistle may be, a notice in writing notifying said owner or occupant of the existence of said thistle, weed or weeds, and in such notice shall give the name of such weed and the description of the land upon which same is growing, or in case said weeds or thistle are growing upon a road or highway, a description of the land adjoining said road or highway. Said notice shall

weed may be growing, then such notice shall be served by posting in three conspicuous places upon said premises a copy of such notice duly certified to be such by said road supervisor.

Section 2.—That section 6464 of Lord's Oregon Laws be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Sec. 6464.—If any person, persons or corporation owning, possessing or having care or charge of any land or lands, improved or unimproved, inclosed or uninclosed, in this state, shall knowingly permit or suffer any quack grass (Agropyron repens) penny cress, French weed, fan weed, or scale weed (Thlaspi arvense) goat weed, Tipton weed or Eola weed or St. John's wort (Hypericum perforatum) Russian thistle (Salsola kali tragus), Canada thistle (Cardus arvensis), Chinese thistle, China lettuce, or prickly lettuce (Lactuca scariola), cocklebur (Xanthium spinosum), silver salt bush (Atriplex canescens) to grow up thereon, or upon a road or highway adjoining said lands, and suffer the same to stand until its bloom falls or its seeds begin to form, such person, persons or corporation shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall, for the first offense, be fined not less than \$10.00 nor more than \$50.00 and for the second and each subsequent offense not less than \$25.00 nor more than \$100.00, said fines to be recovered with costs, in and action to be brought in the name of the state of Oregon for the use and benefit of the general fund of the county where the offense is committed, and such person, persons or corporations shall also be liable for all damages sustained by the neighboring land owners resulting from such neglect on the part of such person, persons, or corporation to extirpate and destroy such noxious weeds before the same shall mature, to be recovered in an action at law in the circuit court of the county where such lands are located.

Section 3.—That section 6465 of Lord's Oregon Laws be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Sec. 6465. It shall be the duty of each road supervisor in each road district in the State to call a sufficient number of laborers to cut down and destroy, before the same has dropped its bloom or commenced to form its seed, any quack grass (Agropyron repens) penny cress, French weed, fan weed, or scale weed by marsh elder (Iva axillaris) Russian thistle (Salsola kali tragus) Canada thistle (Cardus arvensis) Chinese thistle, China lettuce or prickly lettuce (Lactuca scariola) tumbling or Jim Hill mustard (Sisymbrium altissimum) cocklebur (Xanthium spinosum) silver salt bush (Atriplex canescens) found growing at any time hereafter upon any public lands in his road district, and the county court shall audit and allow the amount of expenses and just and reasonable charges of such work as other claims or bills filed by the road supervisors.

Section 4.—That section 6467 of Lord's Oregon Laws be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Sec. 6467.—It shall be the duty of all municipal corporations in this state to provide for the extermination of said quack grass (Agropyron repens) penny cress, French weed, fan weed, or scale weed (Thlaspi arvense) goat, Tipton or Eola weed or St. John's wort (Hypericum perforatum) death weed, poverty weed, or marsh elder (Iva axillaris), Russian thistle (Salsola kali tragus) Canada thistle (Cardus arvensis) Chinese thistle, China lettuce or prickly lettuce (Lactuca scariola) tumbling or Jim Hill mustard (Sisymbrium altissimum) cocklebur (Xanthium spinosum) silver salt bush (Atriplex canescens) within the limits of such corporation; and any city or town incorporated within this state neglecting or refusing to comply with the provisions of this act shall be liable to a forfeiture to the county in which said municipal corporation is situated be served by delivering to the occupant or person serving in charge of said premises or land adjoining said road or highway, a copy thereof duly certified to be such by the person serving same, and if there be no occupant of such land upon which such

## STATION IS ENTITLED TO MORE SUPPORT

### Former Superintendent Says The Harney Farm Shuld Have More Money.

John Martin, former superintendent of the Experiment Station at this place, says the Harney Station is receiving less support than any other station in the United States for the scope of work done.

Mr. Martin came in Saturday afternoon and spent a few days looking over the station and viewing crops in general. The gentleman is now located at Washington D. C. connected with the Department of Agriculture. He is out on a tour in an official capacity which takes him all over the Pacific coast and middle states where he visits the experiment stations and substations in the interest of wheat culture. Mr. Martin was agreeably surprised at finding the station in such fine shape, as he experienced a very dry year during his incumbency here, therefore did not expect to find such crops as Supt. Shattuck showed him.

"Farm day at the station should see at least two thousand people there," said Mr. Martin in discussing the importance of the work at the station with a representative of this paper. "The people of Harney county should turn out on that occasion and really see what is being done in the interest of the development of this country. Few realize what it means to the country."

It was during this conversation that the expression was made that the station does not receive the support it is entitled to. Mr. Martin said the Federal appropriation had been cut off because of shortage of funds; the appropriation was cut by congress and some of the field work had to be curtailed, and since this was not so much a wheat section it was one of the stations abandoned by the government. However, Mr. Martin said it is of great importance to the central part of the state that this work continue and therefore we should get the ear of the legislature for a greater appropriation. Mr. Shattuck is handicapped because of lack of funds and it is up to the state to provide it.

### COUNTY NURSE RETURNS FROM CONVENTION

Miss Sara Howell, community nurse, arrived home Friday from Portland where she had been attending a meeting of community nurses called by the State Tuberculosis Society. During her visit in Portland Miss Howell gained much valuable information that will aid her in her work in this county, especially with the babies.

The young lady returned to Silver creek the day following her return and has since been looking after local cases in Burns. She hopes to get an opportunity to again visit the southern part of the county within a short time. She desires to devote her time to any part of the county she may be needed during the vacation period of the schools and upon the schools resuming this fall she will be able to devote much of her time to the children and from the school to the homes of the people.

### NEW ORDINANCE COVERING SANITATION

The city council passed an ordinance on July 3 with an emergency clause attached that should have the consideration of the citizens. It deals with the sanitation of our town and covers restaurants, groceries, hotels, etc., but particularly toilets.

The writer had been given to understand it was most stringent and would require a big outlay and much trouble to comply with this ordinance, but upon reading it the proposition seems within reason. At any rate it is up to the citizens to get busy and comply with it, which means a cleaner town and a healthier place.

Those interested should read this ordinance and make preparations to comply with its provisions within the time limit.



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The greatest of these—according to authoritative surveys—is the town that can be depended upon.

This town of OURS is a dependable town.

"I like to deal in your town"—a country shopper remarked to a business man the other day. "I can get anything on earth I want here—no change or change there anywhere else."

That unqualified testimony shows that the town can be "DEPENDABLE" upon—that shoppers are learning the value of the real SERVICE the merchants and business men are daily striving to establish.

In this bustling day, a man's too busy to stand for very much LOST MOTION. Show people, dependable transportation facilities—substitution articles for the use of—... —DISAPPOINTMENTS, are some of the actual and daily buying and selling—... —DE LOYALTY of taking to support your town and community TRADE.

If you can buy a ANYWHERE, you can buy it right here.

There is EVERYTHING here—and the catching is OUT on every business and public door in this town.

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