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COUNTY FAIR COMMITTEES ARE BUSY

Premium List Augmented by Liberal Special Prizes By Business Men.

Active work has begun toward making the county fair this fall a success. Several committees are at work. The grounds and barns, fence, pavilion, etc. are to be gone over and put in repair. It is a stupendous job because everything has gone so long unkept and the thieves have carried off so much material. Even the windows and sash have been taken from the pavilion.

There is a disposition shown by citizens of Burns to give this important matter their support and with a united bunch the difficulties can be overcome. Men have volunteered to supervise much of the work with out compensation and these are the men who are going to make this community put its best foot forward.

The premium list is being compiled and put in readiness to be issued. The job is a big one as the funds are very limited. However, with the liberality being shown by individuals and firms of this city in offering special prizes in several departments, the list will be quite attractive, even though it will not be up to former lists in size of premiums. The interest shown by the producers is another aid toward the success of the undertaking. Many know circumstances and are not asking or expecting large prizes.

The entertainment committee will soon have an announcement of what they will offer in the way of amusements during the week. There will be horse racing, games and sports that will entertain fair visitors during each afternoon. In the evening there will be dances, shows, etc.

Several communities have signified their intention to make a community exhibit and a special premium has been offered for that exhibit. The individual exhibits of farm and garden products will be up to standard, as crops generally are good and the people are ready to bring the exhibits to the fair.

Supt. Shattuck of the Experiment Station will have one of the best exhibits from that station that has ever been collected.

The live stock show is where there is going to be the best showing, as the recent importation of pure bred stock by the Boys and Girls Pure Bred Club, as well as individual purchases, brings new blood into the community to compete. This has caused a greater interest in the live stock industry and will be felt more and more from this time on. The live stock exhibits this fall should surpass anything ever seen in Harney county before. We have the material and the ambition to go with it.

Every citizen in Harney county should take a personal interest in the coming fair and do something toward its success. If this is followed out there isn't any question but it will not only be a success but a great benefit to the entire country.

COMMUNITY NURSE CONFERENCE COVERS WIDE SCOPE

Miss Sara Howell, Harney County's public health nurse, brought back some interesting clippings from newspapers when she returned from the conference of nurses at Portland the fore part of this month. The discussions covered a wide scope and were of much importance to those attending the conference and therefore will be likewise beneficial to the communities where the several nurses are stationed.

One important matter considered with the proposed law to segregate tuberculosis; another matter was the discussion of a report system of the work of the public health nurses in their work in the schools and homes. Under this system the nurse is to make a duplicate report inspecting a school building, one to the school board, the other to the county school superintendent.

It was brought out that the demand for community nurses in the several counties of the state were greater than the supply of nurses.

Gas Supply Adequate.

C. T. Furrer, agent of the Standard Oil Co., at Crane, reports the arrival of four tanks of gas at that point last week. This was shipped from the east and assurance is given that sufficient will be supplied right along to meet the demands.

Burns is the largest consuming community from this supply center and Mr. Furrer desires the customers of his concern who live in this neighborhood to know their demands will be met. An increase of one half cent per gallon is announced on kerosene which is explained as being necessary because of having to ship from the east rather than from California as in the past.

Census Figures Show Harney County Population

The following figures are taken from the government report of the census taken the first of this year. Harney county lost population during the last ten years, the total population according to the report for 1920 is 3,992. The 1910 census showed 4,059.

The figures are given by precincts as follows:

Alvord precinct	74
Anderson precinct	37
Andrews precinct	135
Crane precinct	156
Crane Creek precinct	209
Curry precinct	155
Denio precinct	210
Donstedt precinct	74
Diamond precinct	178
Drewsey precinct including Drewsey town	250
Egll precinct	38
Happy Valley precinct	35
Harney precinct, including Harney city	100
Lake precinct	193
Lawen precinct	132
North Burns precinct, including part of Burns city	564
North Catlow precinct	148
Pine Creek precinct	149
Poison Creek precinct	90
Saddle Butte precinct	16
Silvies precinct	19
South Burns precinct, including part of Burns city	677
South Catlow precinct	30
Sunset precinct	33
Valley View precinct	33
Virginia precinct	67
Warm Springs precinct	70
Waverly precinct	18
Incorporated places:	
Burns city	1,022
Drewsey town	83
Harney city	23

Burns has gained slightly in population as it has 1,022 in 1920 as against 904 in 1910. Drewsey shows a gain of one having 83 at this time. Harney had 58 in 1910 and now has 23.

AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE MAN HERE FOR CONFERENCE

A. M. Nelson, doing special extension work for the Oregon Agricultural College, arrived in town Thursday evening and spent yesterday conferring with county agent McDaniels. Mr. Nelson was formerly under Prof. Potter in Animal Husbandry, but is now working in conjunction with the several county agents throughout the state. The gentleman may return to take part for the fair this fall and take part in judging the live stock.

Mr. Nelson paid a hurried visit to the Experiment Station while in this vicinity and is much pleased with the work there, although he found Supt. Shattuck was devoting his entire time to field work because of lack of help, when he should be looking after details.

CALF CLUB MEMBERS GET PAPER FREE

The American Hereford Journal, published at Kansas City, Mo., has written the County Agent McDaniels that the paper is entering the names of the Harney County Calf Club members who own Hereford calves for a period of six months free. This is a distinction and shows the interest taken in such movements by outside people. We should appreciate this recognition and make the best of it.

STOCKRAISING HOME-STEADS DESIGNATED

Land Office is Notified That 1,401,600 Acres Open For Entry July 30.

U. S. Land Department has recently notified the local land office that 1,401,600 acres of land within the boundaries of this land district have been designated as open for stock raising homestead entry.

This decision is good news to many applicants in this territory and shows a decided victory for the contention of Wm. Farre who took the matter up on appeal for many applicants. Mr. Farre's contentions have prevailed in the decision handed down which certainly redounds to his credit.

There are 224 applications affected by this decision and this will mean quite a change in grazing lands in the Steins Mountain section where a considerable amount of the land is located.

The government men who were sent here to classify this land reported it unsuitable to enlarged homesteads on the grounds that it would not support a family. Mr. Farre showed the real state of affairs and pointed out the errors of the field men in drawing such a conclusion.

The brief submitted to the department by Mr. Farre in taking the matter up was general in character and covered the entire territory without confining the subject or reference to specific cases. The result is that a larger area than asked for has been designated as suitable for enlarged homestead entry.

The new order takes effect on July 30.

COUNTY AGENT GETS LIBRARY FOR FARMERS

County Agent McDaniels is arranging to have at his office some 70 volumes for the benefit of the farmers and stock men of this county. These books are loaned to those who ask for them and they will be found of great benefit. The books cover such subjects as breeding, farm management, feeding, soils, irrigation, dairying, horticulture, bee culture, home economics, etc.

The county agent is in a position to get other books for the benefit of the farmer and stock raiser. He can secure any book desired from a library of several hundred volumes on any subject along the line of agriculture or stock.

O. A. C. VISITOR BOOSTS FOR FAIR

Extension Service Man Says Right Spirit Behind Will Assure Success.

Gran M. Nelson, who holds the position of Field Husbandman of the Extension Service of the Oregon Agricultural College, was a visitor at the Commercial Club luncheon yesterday. The gentleman was not called upon to make any remarks at the luncheon, but later he discussed matters to a representative of this paper in which he gave some valuable hints on the conducting of the fair.

Mr. Nelson was impressed with the interest shown in the fair and the spirit of cooperation manifested. He is very favorable to the county fair movement as an educational institution and stimulus to greater production and better stock. During his talk with the newspaper representative Mr. Nelson said he hoped to return at fair time and give his personal aid in whatever capacity he could.

"You have the facilities for a good fair this fall, from my observation and from what I learn of the livestock industry through talking with your county agent.

"Harney county is strictly a live stock county. According to the 1910 census there were in the county some 100,000 cattle, 13,000 horses, 200,000 sheep and one goat. In all probability the goat was the proverbial goat. The question is, did he show up at the last census? Laying all joking aside the success of Harney county depends to a large extent on her live stock. Stockmen should be encouraged to breed a better class of stock through the use of better bred sires. With the present high cost of feed only good stock is profitable. It costs no more to raise a good well bred beef steer and he produces more than a poorly bred one. The day of the scrub sire is past. Better bulls, bucks, and boars bring bigger bank balances.

"One of the greatest means of promoting better stock is the county fair. The Harney county Fair should receive support of the Commercial Clubs, business men and every individual of Harney county. Remember it is your fair and everything should be done to make it a success. While it is a recognized fact that a fair cannot be held without amusements, care should be taken to keep out the rank games of chance and the trashy shows of questionable character.

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Indian Agents Confer.

Supt. Babcock of the Warm Springs Indian Reservation, accompanied by his daughter, arrived in this city Thursday night where he met representatives from the Klamath Indian Reservation on yesterday afternoon for a conference. The Klamath party included Supt. W. G. West, B. Martin and Mr. and Mrs. Howarth.

The nature of the conference was not given out and the men left for their respective homes following the meeting before a representative of this paper had a chance to interview them. The local tribe of Putes was the matter under advisement.

Former Burns Citizen In Business At Pendleton

J. C. Clemens and A. C. Ebert, of Clemens & Ebert, holders of the International Harvester Co. agency, including the Deering and McCormick lines are now installed in their new building on East Court street. The building is a modern one of reinforced concrete and hollow tile and is 150 by 50 feet in size.

The building is occupied by the offices of Mr. Clemens and Mr. Ebert and by the sample room and repair room. In the sample room are shown Titan tractors, P. & O. plows, Kentucky drills, grain cleaners, two-ton International motor trucks, Deering and McCormick binders, mowers, headers and combines, International gas engines, feed grinders, Racine threshing machines, Osborne disc, spring tooth and peg tooth harrows, Dexter washing machines, International Primrose separators, and other farming supplies, including oil and accessories. The repair room contains the parts for the various machines.

The lines carried by Mr. Ebert and Mr. Clemens are among the oldest known. They state that there are now in use in Umatilla county machines purchased through the International, Deering and McCormick 22 years ago and still giving good service.

Mr. Ebert has been with the International Co. for the past 18 years, coming to Pendleton four years ago. Mr. Clemens was formerly in the stock business in Burns, entering business association with Mr. Ebert during the past spring. He is owner of the building used by the firm.—East Oregonian.

W. E. SMITH DIED TUESDAY

W. E. Smith, another highly respected pioneer stock man of Harney county, died at the family home in this city early Tuesday morning, after an illness covering many months. He was suffering from cancer of the stomach.

Billie Smith was one of the best liked men in the entire country. He was a plain citizen with no frills and an accommodating neighbor. He had made a success in the stock business and had not been actively engaged in that line of recent years, leaving the business more to his sons. He had built a comfortable and well appointed home in this city where he and Mrs. Smith spent most of their time and up to last year Mr. Smith enjoyed vigorous health.

William E. Smith was born in Wayne county, Ohio, February 11, 1854. His parents crossed the plains with an ox team when he was an infant of three months. They settled in French Prairie just below Salem where he grew to manhood. He was married to Miss Alice Baldwin in 1880 and they came to Harney county to make their home thirty-four years ago. Seven children were born to them, Hubert, Ernest, Dole Smith are the sons, Alma Gibson, Ruth Weston, Bessie Drinkwater, Aletta Clay, are the daughters. All the children were present with the wife and mother, at the time of his death, as were seven grandchildren, also.

The funeral service was conducted at the family home Wednesday afternoon by Rev. J. J. Ticknor and interment made in the Odd Fellows cemetery. The active pall bearers were old time friends of Mr. Smith's, and the funeral cortege was one of the largest ever seen in this vicinity the cars reaching the entire distance from the family home in town to the cemetery.

COMMERCIAL CLUB LUNCHEON APPROVED

First Noon Meeting Attended By Representative Men; Will Be Continued.

Yesterday at noon thirty business and professional men and Mrs. E. F. Schwartz sat down to a luncheon at Page's Sweet Shop. This was the first of the noon day luncheon meetings planned recently by the Commercial Club and from the expressions of those attending it meets with approval and will continue.

In the absence of President Faulkner the luncheon was presided over by Harry C. Smith at the request of Joe Krumholz, the vice president. Mr. Smith plead guilty to having been instrumental in pulling off this first noon meeting as he took it upon himself to solicit the men to be present. Mrs. Schwartz was the only lady represented at this luncheon but it is hoped other ladies associated with the business concerns of Burns will be present in future.

The discussions following the repast were general in character, although the fair was given preference. Julian Byrd explained the difficulties under which the fair committee was placed because of lack of funds; he announced that premiums offered by individuals and business firms would be very acceptable. This was followed by the announcement that N. Brown & Sons would give \$25 merchandise prize for the best milling wheat exhibited at the fair; E. H. Conser of the First National Bank stated that institution would give a silver loving cup for the best community exhibit of farm and garden produce; Judge Wm. Farre, who had been excused because of a business appointment, had authorized the announcement of a suitable special prize for any department the fair committee desired to place it; The Times-Herald will also give a suitable prize for some department. There were others present who are going to give special premiums.

Mr. Geer responded to a call and gave a talk on the benefits of a Commercial Club or any organized effort upon the part of the community to get things done. Among other speakers were Mrs. Schwartz, A. A. Traugott, Charles W. Ellis, Jake Welcome, Sam Mothershead, J. E. Loggan, Fred Lunnburg.

It was decided upon adjournment that the next luncheon be held at the same place at noon on next Friday when Capt. Robt. M. Duncan will have charge of the program and conduct the line of discussion during the luncheon hour. The proposition of holding the luncheon at noon or at 6 o'clock in the evening will be settled at the next meeting.

The menu provided by Mr. and Mrs. Page was fine and all were pleased with it. The service might have been hurried up a little as the men had business to look after and desired to get back to their places at a reasonable time. It should be arranged to have those taking part be at the table promptly at 12 o'clock and start things moving in order that they may be back at their business by 1:15 at the latest. Too many things in the line of discussion should not be attempted at these noon meetings, the talk being confined strictly to the particular question selected for discussion and the speakers limited as to time.

Bear it in mind that each man signed up is expected to be present next Friday at 12 o'clock sharp.

TAXPAYERS FAVORABLE TO BIGGER SALARY

The Times-Herald is gratified to have taxpayers comment favorably upon the recent suggestion that Harney county should raise the salary of its county judge to \$3,000 or more a year and place the absolute management of the entire affairs of the county in his hands. It is pointed out that by doing this a capable man could be induced to devote his entire time to this work and he in touch with every part of the county business. By making a salary of \$3,000 with an additional \$1,000 for traveling expenses Harney county would be better off by many thousand dollars each year.

Every MERCHANT in this town, and every business man of the town, should support the TRADE-AT-HOME idea.

It promotes community pride, pep and GROWTH.

It only costs the state support a parent is always willing to give a child. This town and neighborhood of ours is the CHILD. We, the citizens, are the PARENTS.

The business and industries of this community are the TRAITS of the child. They should be supported. They should be DEVELOPED to the utmost. And, as with a child—the more talents developed, the greater the man, or—OUR TOWN.

Our folks—nearly all—are BUYERS IN THE HOME MARKET. They realize that it is in the merchants and public-spirited men who DO THINGS in this town. And that these men cannot do BIG things unless the home business is patronized.

THIS NEWSPAPER is one of the BUSINESS institutions of our town. It needs to be supported—the same as any line of merchandising.

Conclusion—supporting this paper—is one way of support. Another way is for the MERCHANTS and FARM BUSINESS MEN to buy advertising space in the columns of this paper.

Newspaper advertising is the FOUNDATION STONES in successful selling. Buying of expensive equipment, to be operated by unskilled help in the attempt to get "exclusive" and "discount" letters, circulars and pamphlets, has never represented the BUYER as being exact co-operation in the "BUY AT HOME" idea.

TEAMWORK means for all of us to PULL TOGETHER.