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Increased production certainly is the motive that prompts the committee advocating the rabbit bounty law; these men sincerely desire the rabbit pest removed and see no other effective method of exterminating them. The campaign waged this season against the sage rats under the supervision of the county agent has been an entire success and shows what can be done with proper organization and systematic poisoning, but can this same method be successfully carried out against the rabbit pest under existing conditions? The great area covered by the rabbits, their ability to migrate with speed over a long distance, make them a different problem from the sage rat that is confined by nature to a smaller area around the breeding places.

The bounty method is very expensive, we must all admit; and it is almost certain that if the people who are most affected were assured of a way to rid the country in some other way cheaper, the bounty would not likely be asked. But the ravages of the rabbits have been so great and covered such an area that producers are averse to quit planting unless some relief is given. They are discouraged.

Statistics show that the poisoning method has been most successful and the U. S. Biological Survey and the Extension Service favor this method, yet no relief has been obtained from such a source in the past. It has not been entirely the fault of those who would demonstrate, however, as weather conditions have been unfavorable in the recent attempts along this line. If the county agent were given proper encouragement and support and the Biological Survey take care of the vacant lands, including the forest reserves, it may be possible to get results from the poisoning methods, but unless the big unoccupied territory is cared for the cultivated crops are going to suffer.

There is a disposition upon the part of some to not put the bounty into effect until this method is tried out. They point out that the county would be justified in appropriating several thousand dollars to further a poisoning campaign and save big money over the bounty, and that is true, provided the poisoning campaign covered the entire territory. We must bear in mind the destruction of not only the cultivated crop but also the range in dealing with these pests. Early in the season the rabbits were not noted in any numbers around the farms, but later observations show that they were out in the foot hills eating up the range and as soon as this became dry they came to the grain fields.

The way to dispose of this question is for the citizens to get together and work out a plan that will best suit. The Farm Bureaus that the county agent is organizing can take the matter up in the respective communities and the commercial clubs in the towns.

WAYSIDE OBSERVATIONS

County Agent—L. E. McDaniel

Did you attend the Field Day exercises at the Experiment Station Sunday?

If you didn't you missed a treat, if you are or pretend to be a farmer.

The talks by Director of Experiment Stations, J. F. Jardine, and Chief of Soils, W. L. Powers and honorable Will R. King, were instructive, encouraging and inspiring.

The best treat of all however, was the tour of the station with its wonderful lessons on the value of cultivation, water and fertilizer as applied to Harney County soils.

Field peas and oats that will yield 5 to 6 ton per acre, barley and oats 30 bushel and better alfalfa 3 1/4 ton per acre for first cutting, hundreds of varieties of wheat, and scores of other crops.

The attendance shame to say, could have been greater but any lack in numbers was more than offset by enthusiasm. Many living at the extreme ends of the county and to whom the cost in time and money was an important item, were there. Others living in the immediate vicinity and in need of the information so freely imparted, were conspicuous by their absence. Such is life.

Bats!—Sure there were cats, oodles and doodles of 'em—and lem-nade,—say man! The only thing

that prevented the county agent and a score of others from foundinging was the same as given by the little picaninny when asked if he had too much watermelon and he explained "that there couldn't be too much watermelon, just not enough nigger." Taking it all in all it was a highly successful meeting and too great credit cannot be given supt Shattuck and his loyal assistants for the manner in which everything was handled considering the known shortage of help and other difficulties under which they labored. Heres looking to a greater and better Field Day next year.

LAND PLASTER IS GOOD FOR ALFALFA

That fertilizer is a profitable investment for alfalfa growers was demonstrated recently by W. H. Phillips, whose ranch is a mile and a half east of Walla Walla, Wash. Mr. Phillips, early in the season, put 100 pounds of sulphur fertilizer on one acre and 100 pounds of land plaster on another. Friday he weighed the crops obtained from the two acres and compared these with crops obtained from two untreated acres.

The results show that his investment of about \$3 an acre in these fertilizers was returned more than three times. The weighings were as follows:

Land plaster, acre	5580 lbs.
Sulphur, acre	5435 lbs.
First untreated, acre	4680 lbs.
Second untreated acre	3750 lbs.

Mr. Phillips further explained that the fertilizer had been used on the poorest corner of his field and further, that the so-called "untreated" land had been fertilized with manure. The land plaster and sulphur treated acres appeared to produce approximately the same crop, there being a difference of only 145 pounds in favor of the land plaster. Other factors may have entered in, however. The combined yield of the two acres exceeded that of the two untreated acres by 2585 pounds.

According to inquiries made among Waiilatpu (Wash) farmers the average price of alfalfa in the field is now around \$25 a ton. Some was sold a few days ago at \$20 and some farmers are holding out for a price of \$30 a ton.—Western Breeder's Journal.

NEIGHBORS FROM DESCHUTES VISIT STATION

County Agent D. L. Jameson of Deschutes county, and Fred N. Wallace, president of the Oregon Irrigation Congress, whose home is at Tumalo, were among the visitors at the Experiment Station Field Day. Both took a lively interest in the program and examined the crops particularly. Mr. Wallace expressed his surprise after viewing what had been done at the station with a small pumping plant that irrigation had not been given more consideration and the country more fully developed. He knows what water will do for land, as there is a scarcity in his neighborhood and they use it in the most economical manner possible. He was real "peevish" to see so much good land lying idle when it could be brought under irrigation at so reasonable outlay.

WATER TESTIMONY TAKEN THIS WEEK

Court Stenographer Wm. Walker was over from Ontario Monday and Tuesday to take additional testimony in the adjudication of the water of Silvies river. The case was asked to be opened by interested parties last spring and Judge Biggs appointed Mr. Walker to take the testimony. Very little was done at this time and adjournment was had to September 28.

MINIATURE SILO ON DISPLAY

Loid Crandall, who is taking over the agency of the Fairbanks-Morse engines in this county, is also going to sell silos if he can convince the people they should have them. He has recently secured a small model, a miniature silo, and placed it in the window at the Commercial Club rooms. This shows how a silo is built and there will be a quantity of literature available giving information about them.

HIGHWAY TO BE COMPLETED TO CRANE

As a result of Judge Farre going before the State Highway Commission the fore part of this week at its meeting in Portland, bids are to be advertised asking for the completion of the highway from Lawen to Crane the work to be completed this winter. This is a move in the right direction. Judge Farre remarked in the presence of a representative of this paper before going down to Portland that the highway was of no use

to us unless it is completed to Crane.

DOLLAR WITH A STRING TO IT

The Times-Herald started the "Home Spent Dollar" on a tour of two weeks in Burns at the Commercial Club luncheon yesterday at noon. This "Buck" had a string to it. John Gemberling had soldered a ring to it and this was attached to a small book by a string with instructions that it be passed along as fast as regular business transactions would warrant to the next firm or individual, where each citizen who gets the coin is to note the date and the name. At the end of two weeks it is to be brought by the holder to the club luncheon and be redeemed by The Times-Herald and its history published.

"The Home Spent Dollar" is to be a practical demonstration of what it will do if spent at home. Citizens should take an interest in that dollar and watch its travels.

Readers are also asked to read the series of illustrated stories in connection with the "Home Spent Dollar" as they appear on the first page of The Times-Herald during the coming weeks. Its up to each citizen to help.

Have you ever noticed the number of exceptionally bright children there are in this town?

The teachers of our public school could tell many stories of the outcroppings of keen intellects that are observed from day to day. But they of course are uncommunicative, as teachers should be—they never make comparisons.

It is really worth your while to study your children, and your neighbors' children, and all of the children in town.

Clean lives, healthy environment and judicious training are accomplishing wonderful results.

Open your eyes and look around.

Progress of Irrigation Project Told

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The Commissioners are an added advisory board that works with the directors and thus gives the actual land owners of the territory a greater representation.

Mrs. Dotha Lynd, a sister of Mrs. Obil Shattuck, was over from her home at Payette for several days visiting her sister and mother at the Experiment Station. She left for home last evening.

Judge Will R. King returned from Ontario the other day to look after some legal business before going on to Washington D. C. as had been his intention. He expects to be in Burns for several days.

Stetson hat \$6.00. N. Brown & Sons.

North and South Highway Serve Double Purpose

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grade nuisance and give the citizens of the southern part of the county a more direct route to the county seat, the land office and the railroad.

One day last week the writer drove over an excellent grade running north and south on the Blitzen side of Malheur lake. It was along the bank of either a canal for irrigation purposes or a drainage ditch, at any rate it was a straight road and could

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be made a unit of a north and south road that would serve the people from the Diamond country, P. Ranch, county. The P. Ranch hill has lost its terrors as it has been reduced to a reasonable grade and can be made even better at small expense. The road through Catlow is an easy proposition and Long Hollow can be pulled on "high" with a Ford car right now with the exception of a short pitch near the summit which is an easy matter to overcome. It furnishes the best route for a road running north and south in Harney

county and will serve the people better as a whole than any other route. It entails but comparatively small expense compared to keeping up several other routes that are now a source of annoyance. It is a move toward permanent road build-

ing which is desirable at this time. Harney county has wasted many thousands of dollars in the past on roads and it is time that she begin a systematic method of permanent road building and get somewhere. This is a place to begin.

Sentiment Exists In Business

In the rush of the busy business day the good principle of courtesy is easily overlooked.

Sometimes a business institution appears to be a cold machine instead of an organization of warm-hearted, human, regular fellows most business people really are.

Every courtesy, every order, no matter how large or small, is worthy an expression of appreciation.

Our wish is that this may extend our sincere thanks for the business you entrust to us and to make you feel that we are always at your service.

CHAMP U. S. ATHLETE FROM KANSAS



Kansas produced the best "all-round" athlete for America's Olympic team to the games in Belgium this year. His name is Everett Bradley, from Wichita, Kas. He scored high in five major events—the pentathlon—in the dual trials held at Boston.

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