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MASONIC ORDERS PICNIC AT SNOWSHOE AUG. 23-24

Lodges of Grant and Harney to
Gather for Big Time; Details
To be Settled Tomorrow.

Mrs. I. S. Geer, Worthy Matron of the local Chapter of the Eastern Star, arrived home last Friday evening from a visit to the lodges in Grant county where she had gone to extend an invitation to the Masonic Orders of Grant county to join the Harney county Masons in a picnic.

Mrs. Geer met with such enthusiastic response from our neighbor county that she was more or less overwhelmed as it took on proportions beyond what she had hoped or expected and grew at once to an affair that will be one of the biggest things in the way of fraternal spirit that has ever been undertaken by the organizations in this part of Oregon.

All the lodges in Grant county will participate and the date has been fixed for August 23 and 24 and the place selected for the picnic is at Snowshoe, in the free section to the west of Bear valley. This place has been set aside by the government forest service as a park and Supervisor Reid has volunteered to put the grounds in first class shape for this occasion, cleaning out the springs, arranging for tables and benches, suitable sites for tents and camping places, fix up the big platform for dancing and in fact have everything in readiness for the pleasure of the large number of Masons, Eastern Stars and their families that are going to be there.

Committees have been appointed to arrange the details and a meeting of the joint committees of Grant and Harney counties has been arranged for tomorrow at the Jack Cradock ranch in Stivers valley where definite arrangements and final details worked out.

Local members of the committee on arrangements are showing much interest in the coming picnic and the entire organization is responding to the enthusiasm of those active with the result that Harney county Masons and their families are likely to attend 100 per cent strong.

The following taken from the last issue of the Blue Mountain Eagle at Canyon gives an idea of how the plan has been received over there:

The Masonic bodies of Grant and Harney counties will give a picnic on Saturday and Sunday, August 23 and 24 at Snowshoe in the free district. The Blue lodges and Order of Eastern Star will participate. Mrs. I. S. Geer, Worthy Matron of the Burns Chapter was here this week and delivered an official invitation to Grant county lodges to participate which was accepted with enthusiasm and much expressed interest. The lodges of Canyon, Prairie City and Long Creek have been asked to appoint a committee on arrangement. The committee from each lodge is to act jointly with similar committees forming a general committee. The Chapter in Canyon appointed Mrs. P. F. Chandler, Mrs. E. L. Knox, Mrs. Chas. Cassidy and C. P. Haight F. Herburger, P. A. Thompson and the Blue Lodge, H. J. Kuhl, H. W. C. Mason.

Supervisor Reid stated that the Forest Service had set aside the camp grounds at Snowshoe for a Forest Park and that he would have the park in readiness for the occasion. A program will be arranged. Invitation will be extended to the Most Worthy Grand Master, and the Grand Worthy Matron of the state and also some prominent speaker. Sheriff Bingham has promised the guests some of the finest barbecued beef that they ever saw or heard of with plenty of beans, corn on the cob, watermelon and in fact every thing that is reasonable in the early fall.

All the picnickers will be expected to arrive on Saturday and prepared with their beds and provisions for supper and breakfast, after which the committee in charge will take care of them, which will be the big community Masonic dinner at noon. It is believed that there will be as many as 400 present. At least 125 will come from Harney. Every Mason and his family is invited and expected to bring his camp and be prepared for one of the most pleasant little outings of their lives.

The date is August 23, and 24; the place Snowshoe and it is for all Masons and their families.

Another Business Transfer On Main Street Yesterday

Geo. W. Crawford and John Weaver have bought the interests of J. W. Crawford in his pool hall and soft drink establishment and take charge today. The tenants of the building which is owned by James J. Donegan and his sister, have secured a five year lease on the premises. This includes the portion occupied by the present pool hall quarters, Garland McGee's barber shop and Lee Kwongs' restaurant.

The new proprietors of the hall are well known business men, Mr. Crawford having just given up the management of the Levens Hotel upon its being transferred to J. R. Gould and sons, and Mr. Weaver has been a resident for many years, this being his first venture in business for himself in Burns.

J. W. Crawford, who retires, formerly conducted a saloon in the same building and when the prohibition law passed continued as a soft drink and amusement place. Mr. Crawford is well known throughout this section and has made warm and lasting friendships. We are not informed as to his future intentions but wherever he may decide to cast his lot, whether in this city or elsewhere, the best wishes of these friends go with him.

STATION FIELD INSPECTION

Owing to the fact that it was necessary to hold Field Day before the crops were well developed we are going to give everybody a chance to see the crops in their prime before they are harvested.

All of the people in Harney and the surrounding counties are cordially invited to be present at the Harney Branch Station Sunday, August 17th, at 2 o'clock P. M., when a trip will be made over the station, the crops inspected and the experiments explained.

Come and see for yourself what can be produced with 1 to 2 acre feet of controlled water, applied at the right time. We have crops of Field Peas, Alfalfa, Sunflowers, Potatoes, Silage Combinations, Wheat, Oats and Barley varieties.

Take a look at the grain grading experiment and see what can be accomplished in the way of increased yields by the aid of a fanning mill.

There are many things of interest to the farmers and citizens who believe in the future of this, the largest county in the state of Oregon. Come and see what can be grown on some of the poorest land in the County, and then agree that it is time that the spring flood waters were put under control and the farmers of this great, fertile valley given a change to produce some real crops.

Experiment Station Notes
The following people visited the station and inspected the crops during the past week: E. D. Aspinwall, Harry Withers, B. F. Johnson of Prineville, Mr. McConnell, Geo. Sizemore, Mr. McCroskey of Portland, Mr. Baumgartner of Salem, Dr. Stone brought out Mr. Singleton, Mr. McKinnis, Mrs. Gibson of Washington.

The crops at the station have improved materially since Field Day.

The pumping plant at the Station has been in operation 666 hours. Of this time the plant has been run 240 hours since July 20th. The longest continuous run was 17 hours and 20 minutes July 31. The entire 40 acre tract has been covered three times and part of the experiments have received as high as seven irrigations.

Be sure to take in the Field Inspection Sunday August 17th.

Signed OBIL SHATTUCK,
Superintendent.

DIAMOND ROAD TO BE EXTENDED

At the session of county court this week it was decided to have the Diamond road extended from McCoy creek to West Diamond and the viewers were ordered to view it. This is intended to relieve several ranchers and the general public in that section by building a stretch of road that will eliminate the opening of several gates.

The court has also ordered the construction of a cement sidewalk across the front of the court house block and also from the walk to the front of the building. This will be an improvement that has long been needed.

SHATTUCK WANTS TO SHOW THE STATION OFF

Invites People to View Advance
Made by Crops Since Field
Day With Water Applied.

Supt. Shattuck of the experiment station is inviting the citizens of this section out to the station on Sunday afternoon, Aug. 17, to inspect the field. The annual field day this year came at a time when his fields were not in good show shape, as the first crop of alfalfa had just been harvested and the irrigated crops had hardly gotten started. Now there is a big improvement in the appearance of the field and he's ready to show his neighbors and all interested what can really be done in a few weeks with a little water. In another column of this paper in which he gives some information will be found some station notes of the pumping and irrigation work and it is his intention to give the equipment and well an "endurance test" before August 17 and be ready to furnish accurate data on the amount of water pumped during this test and how it effected the flow. This will be interesting information and one that many are desirous of knowing. The underground water of that section means much to the future development of agriculture and the real test of the flow is something that will determine the attitude of several who contemplate equipping for pumping water on their land.

With such demonstration as that at the station Harney valley farmers may get definite information as to quantity used, the flow, cost, results, etc. This is information that means something and will be a great help.

Read what Mr. Shattuck has to say in his notes this week and make arrangements to go out on his invitation.

CANDIDATE FOR U. S. SENATOR HERE TONIGHT

Friends have received letters stating that Hon. Milton A. Miller, democratic candidate for United States Senator, will arrive in Burns this evening for a short visit. This paper is informed that Mr. Miller is not on a speaking tour but merely to get acquainted with the people and renew old acquaintances.

Mr. Miller is well known all over Oregon where he has always lived. He has held places of public trust and has come in contact with many of the citizens from his territory and is therefore no stranger.

GAME CLUB APPROVES FISH HATCHERY SITE

Informal Meeting With District
Warden Given Over to General Discussion of Game.

Members of the local game club of Burns held an informal meeting with District Game Warden I. B. Hazeltine at Dr. Hibbard's office on Wednesday evening when the general situation of the game in this section was discussed. Mr. Hazeltine announced that the State Game Commission had decided to establish a fish hatchery on Canyon creek to serve a big territory of the central part of the state. Mr. Hazeltine explained that he had used his influence to have the hatchery established on the Blitzen in this county but after viewing the situation the commission finally decided on the Canyon creek location for various reasons, among them being the advantage of having water at the right temperature; another was the more central location for distribution purposes as it was the intention to distribute the fish from this hatchery to Grant, Baker, Malheur, Wheeler, Crook and Harney counties and this can be done to a greater advantage from the location selected. With the railroad completed into Bear valley it would be convenient to transport fish to Burns and on over to the Blitzen and the place would also serve northern Grant, Baker, Wheeler and Malheur counties with less haul than from the Blitzen.

While it had been hoped a hatchery would be established on the Blitzen in this county where many eggs are available each year, under the circumstances as explained by Mr. Hazeltine, no serious objection could be raised and the club went on record as approving the selection of the site and pledging its cooperation.

The sagehen season was also discussed and the proposition of closing it was found impossible as the commission had no authority under a recent ruling of the courts, besides the time was too short even if the governor was appealed to.

The deer season is from September 1 to October 31 in this and adjoining counties. It was suggested that the deer season might be closed because of the dryness of the forest until rains changed this condition but that is another matter that could be remedied only by proclamation of the governor.

A. D. Calahan, district warden in charge of the territory at McDermitt, taking in portions of the southern part of this and Malheur counties

and also extending into Nevada with Mr. Hazeltine. They had been looking over a portion of the district together.

Several present spoke of the apparent increase of antelope in this county; it was reported one flock of 500 near Geo. Buchanan's place in the hills to the east of this valley but it is likely this was a mistake. However, one man actually counted 75 in one flock; antelope are also in the field at Archie McGowan's place on Rock creek, between 18 and 20 being in the flock; Dr. Ward reported another flock of 28 that are in the Oakman field on Silver creek and Ed Egli says there are several in his field at Wagonfire. This evidence is conclusive that antelope are increasing in this territory and are protected. This would indicate that the proposed preserve under federal control is unneeded for.

PLANS FORMING FOR RAILROAD CELEBRATION

Following the meeting held last week when it was decided by the Commercial Club to take up plans for the celebration of the coming of the railroad, President Hibbard has been conferring with citizens with reference to the personnel of the general committee which he was authorized to appoint and also the finance committee. Dr. Hibbard has tentatively selected the men he expects to carry out the plans but was not sure of all of them at the time a representative of this paper called on him. However, plans are going forward and it is expected the committees will be announced next week and an outline given of the character of the celebration.

CAPITALISTS ON TOUR OF THIS SECTION

J. Humfeld, representative of the Mortgage Company for America, a Holland concern, and Col. Merens a member of the firm, are in Burns today. This company has interests throughout the northwest and Mr. Humfeld makes occasional trips to this county in the interest of his firm. Col. Merens is out from Holland and is being taken to several of the projects in which the company has financial interests.

The gentlemen have visited Jordan Valley and expect to go to Denio from this point to inspect real estate investments in that section.

POSTAL BUSINESS INCREASING IN BURNS

Fifty new boxes have been received at the Burns post office this week to be placed at once for the convenience of new patrons of the office. This indicates a rapid increase in the post office patrons in this city.

Harney the land of sunshine.

ANOTHER BALL GAME MACE FIELD TOMORROW

Sport Furnishes Diversion and
Attracts Large Attendance;
Some "Star" Players.

The Fred Herrick Lumber Co. ball team will take on the tracklaying boys tomorrow in the Mace field. Last Sunday the lumber jacks went down to defeat again before the town team in a game that featured scores so fast that it would take an adding machine to keep track of them. The first four innings the scores were kept down pretty well but later it became a race around the diamond. However, this did not detract from the interest as the crowd was highly amused and everybody was good natured. The competing teams each had some good players among them but lack of team practice and the fact that other players could not be relied upon in a pinch caused the scores to pile up.

Principal McDade of the Harney county high made a home run for the town team. In fact he made more than a home run for he was kept busy running between third and the home plate for a period of minutes while the ball was being juggled all over the lot and Mac was so confused with so many coaches that he didn't exactly know just where he was.

It was claimed that Hopper of the Herrick team was either too fat or too lazy to get to first base, but he did. He'd swing at the ball when it came over the plate with such force that he could knock it way out and he didn't have to run fast to reach first. Dr. Smith was also a feature player on the town team and held down second base. He got hold of the ball every once in a while and then some one would tell him what to do with it—that's the story they tell on him, but as a matter of fact, Doc did know what to do with the ball most of the time. Other old time players included Bill Gould who made a very good showing in the box when he pitched. M. V. Dodge acted as backstop in the left field for a time for the Herrick team. He was broad enough to stop any ball that came out his way but wasn't always able to get hold of it until too late to do any execution. James Girard played right field for the Herrick team until he lost his shoes. Jim played his best while on the job.

The Sunday afternoon ball games are attracting large crowds and the boys are putting up some good entertainment. With practice and experience they're going to put up some real ball playing before the season is over, too. They enter into the spirit of the occasion and josh with the crowd, thus making the games real sport.

This paper will not attempt to give the scores of last Sunday's game because the official scorer would not give them out for publication and Bill King and J. S. Cook, who kept score according to their respective partisan loyalty, couldn't agree as to how many runs were made, therefore we'll give no figures.

Tomorrow afternoon will witness another game between the Fred Herrick Lumber Co. and track layers when more fun is in store for the ball fan. We'd recommend that every body go.

MISS HAYES HOME FOR VACATION

Miss Ida Hayes is at the family farm home near Burns for a month's vacation visit. Miss Ida spent the past season as a junior Chautauqua supervisor for the Ellison-White system. The young lady announces that she found the work most interesting and that it is her intention to continue with the same company following her vacation. She will be connected with the winter festivals of the Ellison-White during the coming winter as a supervisor.

Miss Hayes won the friendship and admiration of her associates during the Chautauqua season just closed, as testified by expressions of talent and officers who visited Burns during the Chautauqua and as is further evidenced by her continued connection with the system in a higher position.

Miss Ruby Hayes has been a guest of friends and relatives in this city during the week.

