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FOR COUNTY SEAT OF HARNEY COUNTY: BURNS.

WHY BURNS FOR COUNTY SEAT?

The people, all the Voters of Harney county, are invited to give their attention to the following reasons for locating the permanent county seat at Burns.

1. Burns is situated in the midst of the richest farming lands in the county.

2. Burns lies on the banks of the Silvie, the largest river, or stream of water in Harney Valley.

3. Burns can be easily and cheaply approached from every direction from north, south, east and west.

4. Public buildings erected in Burns, are not liable to destruction from cloud-bursts, as there are no canyons, no lofty surrounding rim rocks to threaten its safety at any season of the year.

5. The fine, level, unobstructed tracts of land in the immediate vicinity of Burns, give the town permission to extend its boundaries as far in any direction as progress can demand.

6. Burns has a fine, cool, healthy flow of water at less than 15 feet depth below the surface, for drinking purposes, that never dries up, never overflows, and never changes with the season.

7. Burns has an equable climate when compared with other localities, and can show smaller percentage of spring and fall sicknesses than any town of its size in Eastern Oregon, and the death rate too is significant to be mentioned.

8. Having foothills of sufficient height on the north and northwest to shelter the town from the cold severe winds that could otherwise visit it; and being removed from the immediate vicinity of the marshes, is free from the annual mosquito and gnat visitation that afflicts other parts of the county.

9. Burns' citizens having tested the ability of the native soil, air, and water to produce healthy growth of plant life, in form of flowers, from seed, bulb, and setts,

of choicest, and commonest variety as: gladioli, cacti, piony, dahlia, fuschia, roses, lilies, etc.; shrubs: such as snowball, lilac, laurel, etc.; ornamental trees: elm, box-elder, ash, catalpa, locust; fruit trees: cherry, plum, apple, peach, pear, etc.; there can be no doubt of the dwelling-houses being surrounded by richly ornamented grounds.

Pinerias for building purposes are near Burns. Ice free every winter for all who will pack it. Burns is easy of access to a plentiful supply of good timber for fuel. Much more remains to be said on this subject, but we now pass on to the Acquired Advantages.

Acquired Advantages. IN GENERAL. Burns is the trade-center of Harney county, and has the customary country town outfit of blacksmith shops, carpenter shops, stores, feed-stables, eating-houses, saloons, town-hall, church, school houses, etc.

Burns Business Men have no "moss on their backs;" are men of means; of keen business foresight; men who having invested largely in town property, are directly interested in the development of every resource that has a tendency to increase the commercial value of the town. Whenever they see an advantage, they set themselves unitedly to work to acquire it, and have in the past four years accomplished what it generally takes the mossback element of a town ten years to obtain.

Burns has secured a daily mail through the Valley. Burns originated the Bill for and secured the establishment of the new Harney Land District.

Burns is the terminus of all stage lines into the Valley. Burns is the center of all public highways in the county.

Burns has the location of the U. S. Land Office, and both the officials as property owners. Burns can furnish the purchasers of lots warranty deeds, that will hold good as long as the Republic stands.

Burns has the only distributing postoffice in the Valley. Burns has the only Money Order and Postal Note department to her postoffice in the county.

Burns has the only Express office in the Valley. Burns has the largest number of private residences, and resident inhabitants of any town or locality in Harney county.

Burns has the only Saddle and Harness Shop in the county. Burns has the only jeweler establishment in the county.

Burns has the only Boot and Shoe shop in the county. Burns has the only Brewery in the county.

Burns has the only grist and merchandise Flouring mill in the county. Burns has the only Tin Shop in the county.

Burns has the only Drug Store in the county. Burns has the only Public Bath house in the county.

Burns has the only Photographic Gallery in the county. Burns is the only point in the county that keeps full and well Stocked Merchandizing and Hardware stores.

EDUCATIONAL. Burns has a commodious school house, grounds fenced and set out in shade trees, which make it the best furnished educational structure in the county.

Burns has the only church building in the county, and has secured thereby, the services of a pastor, which guarantees regular religious services throughout the Valley.

Burns has the only Reading Room and Circulating Library in the county. Burns has the only two brotherly associations in the county, an I. O. O. F. lodge and a G. A. R. post.

Burns is the place of issue of the EAST OREGON HERALD, the only newspaper of general circulation in the county.

The Burns Brass Band, of 18 pieces, is the only band in the county. ENTERPRISES NOW UNDERWAY. In addition to the foregoing actually acquired advantages, the following are in course of construction, or in the hands of designers and builders:

A Court House (should the county-seat be located in Burns) or a town hall that will be the largest in the county. A \$10,000 new Central School building. The largest and most complete Saw Mill in the county, less than a mile from town.

Machinery for operating a Furniture manufactory is ordered. A fine large Bank building is now in the builders' hands. The foundation work is being done on the Racine hotel, which is the largest and best furnished hotel in the county.

IN CONTEMPLATION.

A number of private buildings for accommodating renters who winter here for school conveniences. One of the most complete book and job offices in Eastern Oregon, in the late HERALD building.

The foregoing is compiled with care to prevent the incurring of any form of exaggeration, and we believe it to be correct in each and every particular. Not one word has been written in the spirit of vain boasting, but with the single desire to remind the reader of the fact that it is to them a saving of individual time, ease, and money to locate the permanent county-seat in Burns, a town which in a variety of ways has made its existence a business necessity to every householder in Harney county.

Let us illustrate: One of our Republican subscribers, Mr. Simms is very busy this month putting in grain; he finds he is needing at once a larger plow; enters the house, says he "has to go to Burns and if wife wants anything there, get ready and come along." After a pleasant ride over a good, level road, they arrive in town. Mr. S. goes to the only Agricultural Implement house in Harney Valley; selects the kind of plow he needs; subscribes for a copy of the only Republican newspaper published in the county; gets a prescription for influenza made up at the drug store; arranges to sell what wheat he raises to N. Brown; orders wire fencing at J. Dorkheimer & Co's; makes a Timber Culture application at the Land Office; replaces a broken harness at Welcomes shop; leaves his watch at the Jeweler's for repair; goes to see if Mrs. S. has finished her shopping, impatiently growing to him because he will have to go to Harney to pay his taxes, when, if the county-seat were at Burns, he could have attended to everything at the one trip and not one of his important business matters could have been filled by Harney.

Let us see what Mrs. Simms has done meanwhile. First to the post office to send off a postal note for 50c with her order for that new shade of zephyr to repair baby's socks; left a pair of boy's shoes to be sewed; calls for the coffee pot left at the tin shop to have a handle soldered on; gets baby's last set of photos just finished at the gallery; gets a new stew-kettle at Geer's hardware store; looks in at the Land Office to ask a question for the information of a lady friend that has taken up a homestead claim; returns reading matter to the Library, meets her husband at the Reading Room, well satisfied with her outlay of time and money, having spent less than \$3; no thought of Harney troubles her, as not one of her trifling but necessary errands could have been accomplished in that town that has done comparatively nothing toward securing the location of the county-seat, by making itself capable of supplying every ordinary demand farmers and stockmen are liable to make, while called to town on strictly county matters.

Suppose a stockman having business at the county-seat goes there to replenish his supplies, outside of his usual fall and spring supply trips—it would not be possible for Harney to sell him bacon, beans, dried fruits, canned goods, salt, etc., to the sum of \$300, because such amounts are not kept in stock, so he must perforce go on to Burns to complete the object of his absence from the ranch. Then, when county-seat is located at Burns, Money Order and mail matter can be attended to at the same trip made to transact land or county court, or circuit court business.

The location of the permanent county seat of Harney county, is simply and solely a plain business proposition, and as such only can it be met to the advantage of each and every citizen of the county.

NEXT Monday, in Oregon, will be the day to try the nerves of the candidates; but we think we can, with safety, assure the Democratic candidates of this county, that there is no need of them fearing the result. The voters of Harney county are men of intelligence, and we positively believe they appreciate the services of the present office holders too much not to elect them to the offices they now hold by appointment. That appointment made by one of the best Governors whom the citizens of Oregon have ever honored with that high and worthy position. The idea of defeat should never enter the mind of a Democrat. It is a custom, and a principle of Democracy, to give the offices the second term to men who are honest, capable and deserving, and nothing has been

proven to the contrary. Why should Harney county make an exception in this case? The readers of THE HERALD remember an editorial we published several weeks since, challenging the enemies of the candidates on the Democratic ticket, in this county, to exhibit one mistake made by the appointees—of Governor Penoyer for the offices of Harney county—in their official duties, with the evidence to substantiate it, and we would cheerfully give it to the public through the columns of THE HERALD. They have signally failed to do so.

Now we simply say to the voters of Harney county, that the very weak and extremely insignificant argument—made by persons who are certainly enemies to true Democracy, and the welfare of the party—that the simple acceptance of an office, by appointment from the Governor, is sufficient to condemn or debar the appointee from holding the office by the suffrage of the legal voters of this county, is absurd, ridiculous, and not to be entertained for a moment by good and true Democrats, free from envy and prejudice, after the matter has been explained and set before them in its proper light.

It was made the duty of Gov. Penoyer to appoint men to fill the offices of our new county. The parties petitioned for, and whose petitions were ignored by the Governor; this action of his was done in consequence of other petitions presented, claiming the parties named, to be wholly unfit and unqualified for the offices.

Cognizant of the facts in the case, the men petitioned for, were fair, honest, representative men. Admitting such to be the fact, then it is proven, conclusively, to any individual, that we, here at home, are solely responsible, and to blame not Gov. Penoyer, nor his appointees. What better proof or evidence do we want to establish the efficiency and trust-worthiness of our present county officers, than the remark made by Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Finn, of La Grande, in a speech made on the evening of May 24th, to the citizens of Burns. Said he: "You have a beautiful valley, and a prosperous county, comparatively free from debt, which speaks volumes in favor of your present county officers." This coming from a Republican, and our county officers being Democrats, and he occupying a high and respectable position in society, also, a gentleman of political influence, makes the argument doubly forcible in favor of our present county officers.

COUNTY SEAT.

EDS. HERALD: As the election approaches I think more of the matter of locating the county-seat. I have studied the matter thoroughly and will give you the result of my investigations as plainly as possible. What point in Harney county, aspiring for the permanent county-seat, possesses the best natural surroundings? To this question there can be but one answer.

Burns, by its location on the west bank of the Silvie river, has, and always will have the advantage of the only water power in the county. We must not believe that our county will be always what it is to-day. We must realize that there is a vast tide of immigration pouring in from all the eastern States, and at an astonishing rate, populating the whole of the western territory.

We must realize that at no distant day in the future there will not be 160 acres of arable vacant land in this or any other county in Oregon. Is it presuming too much then to anticipate what the population or the business of a good town may be in Harney valley and setting the figures on a parallel with those of Baker City?

How are we to attain the enviable position held by Baker City? The answer is plain and specific. By consolidating all the material businesses and enterprises at one point. Burns has the natural advantages for such a point. She possesses the greatest natural location by being in the center of the largest body of the best agricultural land, east of the Cascade mountains, in Oregon. So much for natural resources.

Can any town in Harney county compare with Burns in enterprise, business or generosity? Where does

the people of this valley obtain their supplies? Where did the flour, bacon, sugar, coffee, etc., come from, that kept the people from actual want during the long, dreary, tedious winter just past? You may answer that, "the merchants of Burns were well paid for furnishing these provisions," very well, were you not well paid by being able to purchase the same? Again, do not the people of Burns furnish every man and every family, that applies to them, with the necessaries? Do the merchants of Burns demand cash for their articles of merchandise? The books of the various business houses in Burns show thousands of dollars that is owing them, long past due and much of which could not be collected by an action. Every man who shows the disposition to keep himself, never asks for aid in vain among the Burns people. Will you assist these men in June, that they may be the better enabled to assist you; or will you say by your votes that you have the best of them, and are willing to let them down?

Now what effect would a good town have on all the laboring classes? What effect on the farmer first? It would create a market for his produce. Situated, as we are, 160 miles from a railroad depot, what encouragement is there to raise farm produce beyond the home consumption? None. Then by increasing the home consumption there can be no question but that the farmer builds his own market. To increase the home consumption, consolidate business, encourage new business enterprises, encourage the growth of one town. Capital will seek investment, in every avenue, no matter how remote. By increasing the population of a place you invite capital to that point. By inviting capital you vote to decrease taxation. How? A county has a certain tax to pay in order to meet the current expenses of the county. She at the same time has a certain amount of taxable property upon which to raise this tax.

The mode of taxation is so much on the dollar; or two dollars on the one hundred dollars for instance. To meet all the expenses of the county the next year there has been sufficient new capital invested in the county (the current expenses being the same) to reduce the rate of taxation to one dollar on the one hundred. Can that proposition be disputed? Then is it not economy for the farmers to vote for a consolidation of business? Next take the painter, carpenter, smith etc., start a town of some magnitude, trade increases and all business enterprises flourish. Buildings are constructed on every hand, carpenters busy, the hammer and saw sound in every direction, the painter follows with his paints and oils and the anvil rings in the march of progress. Another point in favor of Burns is, that it is a settled established place. The records of Harney county show that over one hundred warranty deeds to lots are held by the people of Burns. These lots are valued at from \$30 to \$50 each. Making an aggregate valuation of town lots held by individuals in the town of Burns of at least \$4000. Put the county seat at Burns and this valuation will reach \$8000 on the second day of June and in one year hence will approximate \$25,000. That is the way to reduce taxation—simply by increasing the value of taxable property. The more dollars there are to pay taxes on, the less the tax on each dollar.

Can Harney show any such figures? No. Why not? Because there is not a man in Harney who owns a foot of the land on which his buildings stand. Can you reduce your taxes by supporting Harney for county-seat?

THE voters of Harney county will not forget Henry Blackman, on the day of election, for there is no doubt of the fact, he is the man we want for Joint-Senator, for the counties of Harney, Grant and Morrow, being a resident merchant of Heppner, and doing a large business, reaching out in every direction for custom; his business relations with Harney and Grant, as well as his own county, Morrow, identifies him with the interest of the whole district. This being the case, voters of both political parties can, with safety, vote for Mr. Blackman, feeling assured he will do his whole duty for the district.

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