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Purchasers of stock in the Co-Operative Supply House, which flourished a few years ago at Portland, are getting their money back through court decisions in Multnomah county.

The general cry from every city, town, and village in Oregon is to reduce taxes. Never before has there been such a determined effort made in this direction. But each section wants the reduction to come from a paring of the appropriation given to some other part of the state.

In what is known as the Columbia basin of Oregon and Washington this year it is estimated that agriculture, mining, timber, fisheries and manufacture will produce \$350,000,000 new wealth. During the years 1905 to 1910 inclusive it is estimated that as much wealth was brought into this region for construction of railroads and public utilities as all the money obtained from land products.

A plan for government aid, to farmers of limited means, was outlined at the Farmers National Congress held in Omaha September 30th. It provides for a bureau, to be operated through the postmasters, to lend money at four per cent interest on long time to bona fide farmers who are American citizens for the purchase of farms or the erection of farm buildings. To provide the money 3½ per cent government bonds would be issued and sold to the public.

The Experiment Farm exhibit at the county fair this year was something all should be proud of. It contained samples of the best growing grains adapted to this section as well as direct crop evidence when and how to work the land. D. E. Stephens, superintendent of the farm, deserves more than passing praise for his efforts to better and make sure the crops of Sherman and neighboring counties. One of the best methods to show that these efforts are appreciated is the visits of farmers to the station as often as possible.

Mrs. Abigail Scott Duniway, the mother of women's suffrage, not only in Oregon, but the northwest as well, died this week at Portland. She was a pioneer of Oregon and a personage of unusual strength, personality and intellectual force. The present editor of the Observer has had an acquaintance with her, dating back more than 25 years, when a company was formed in Portland by Mrs. Duniway, D. C. and C. L. Ireland to publish a magazine titled "The Coming Century." Several numbers were issued and publication finally stopped by a suit for infringement of title brought by the Century magazine of New York. Mrs. Duniway never allowed the friendship then formed to lapse and continued her friendly interest in our success up to this time.

Our Annual County Exhibit.

The Sherman County Fair, characterized in the main by delightful weather, an exceptional exhibit of stock, horses, fruit, vegetables, fancy and culinary work, came to a close Saturday evening in a blaze of electric lights and the tuneful melody of the automatic band attached to the Ferris wheel.

The entertainment features of the afternoons at the fair grounds were a popular diversion much appreciated by the large numbers who attended. The races were called strictly according to program and in quick succession, allowing but little time to lapse between events.

Friday was easily the banner day so far as attendance may be judged; altho Saturday nearly as many were in the grand stand as the day previous; possibly because each race won that day carried a possibility of winning two, the race for the day and the race for the series.

The management of the fair association certainly gave all who attended their full value in entertainment in seeing Muntzer in his aeroplane flights. Twice daily the big airship went into the clouds to circle and dive and turn in close imitation of the large birds of the air. It was on the program, that the racing events were to close Saturday with a race between the aeroplane and a motorcycle, five miles around the track, but the wind proved too strong to allow the stunt being put on. Because of this no one was more disappointed than Muntzer himself, as he had arranged to have moving pictures made as he circled in the air within a few feet of terra firma.

The carnival spirit of the week was more in evidence during the evenings when the amusement features located in the down town business district were liberally patronized by a pleasure seeking crowd. More would have gone up and down in the Ferris wheel if they had been sure the wheel would not break with the strain of their weight, but George A. Meloy tried it and he declared it did not even sag under the terrific weight imposed.

The exhibition of farm products in the pavilion were fully up to standard, including grains, vegetables and fruits. In this exhibit was one from the Experiment Farm, not entered in competition, that furnished practical information to a large number of farmers, showing results from plowing at different seasons of the year and different methods of cultivation, such as discing, before plowing, etc. This was an educational exhibit of practical value and farmers could be seen viewing the grains at any time of the day that the pavilion was open.

The exhibit made by the school children of Sherman county came in for its full share of praise, approval and appreciation. The pupils of the county are taking more interest in this phase of county fair work than formerly. There were more exhibits from the schools than ever before and more schools had exhibits, some coming from schools that had never taken interest in this before. There was a larger exhibition of mechanical features and less of poultry. The girls had an extra fine exhibit of culinary, candy and fancy work, as well as plain sewing.

The section in the pavilion given over to the ladies for an exhibit of needle and art work had some very fine artistic work that was worthy a place in any exposition. The showing of culinary was not quite as large as in former years but had more variety while the exhibit of canned fruits and vegetables were tastily and temptingly arranged, making a brave showing in their glass jars, all being of one size and appearance. Potted plants were more numerous than formerly and also a larger variety were in competition.

We would like to make special mention of those to whom awards of merit had been given. This feature of every county fair receives too little attention, as it properly stimulates others to emulate the example of the successful ones and their methods which in turn redounds to the good of the entire county in that the chief purpose of all county fairs is to make each strive for better results.

in their endeavors, than what may have come to them. That is one reason it is so hard to best the winning one at the next recurring fair, they have the same ambition to succeed in doing better than they have yet done, and the county as a whole profits by the effort.

Co-Operative Hog Marketing.

Finding that the local demand was not sufficient to take up their surplus the growers of Stanfield have organized a livestock shipping association and are now marketing their pigs direct. Committees were appointed to ascertain the best market time and all members agreed to finish a certain number of pigs by the date agreed upon. The pigs thus secured are quite uniform in weight and finish, so that uniform carload lots can be made up and sent to the stockyards in charge of a local agent. The animals are reweighed at the yards, each shipper standing his share of the shrinkage and contributing his pro rata of the agents expenses and other shipping charges.

Paragraphs From Kent.

Quite a number of Kent people attended the county fair last week.

W. C. Bryant, attorney of Moro, was a visitor here Monday on business.

J. K. Irby bid in the blacksmith shop at the sheriff sale here Monday.

J. J. Schaeffer was a visitor here Monday.

F. A. Cook, collector for the John Deere Plow Co., is with us again this week.

Sherman County Realty Transfers.

Dating to Oct. 9, 1915.

G. C. Vinton to John G. Odell; lots 7 and 8 in blk 11; Hagarville add to Grass Valley. \$1.

A large number commented favorably, Friday, upon the large sign fastened to the auto of Darnielle Bros. proprietors of the Albert Hotel at The Dalles, reading "Look out for us, Moro or Bust." There were five in the party, staying two days. They had an appropriate slogan or "yell" which they used most effectively and at all exciting occasions. The sign used was sent to Assessor Otto Peetz by parcel post, at Otto's earnest request and will adorn his new office room at the court house as a souvenir of the "best ever" Sherman county fair and its appreciation by our Wasco county friends.

Muntzer says air conditions prevailing in Sherman county during his airship flights were not different from those of other sections where he has made flights. The higher altitude made the air more rarified, but aside from that conditions were about the same. His highest altitude was estimated at 3000 feet above the fair grounds, made on Friday. Muntzer has declined all other contracts for exhibitions and left Monday for Seattle where he is interested in a factory making flying machines and will help manufacture aircraft to be shipped to the warring nations in Europe.

Mrs. Mortenson and trimmer from Moro will be at the P. N. Lemmon store, Grass Valley with a showing of trimmed and untrimmed hats and trimmings, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, October 20, 21, and 22nd. Ladies invited to call.

Mrs. Julia Hansen is attending the national convention of the W. C. T. U. at Seattle as state delegate from Oregon. She attended the state convention at Newberg last week as delegate from Sherman county and was elected to attend the national convention.

Our Modern Age of Wonders.

Wireless telephone communication across the continent was accomplished for the first time on September 29th when experiments extending over several months culminated in successful transmission of the human voice by wireless a distance through space of 2500 miles.

The conversation was held between New York and San Francisco; going by ordinary telephone wire to Arlington, Va., and from there by wireless, using the great naval plant to the naval wireless station at Mare Island, in San Francisco harbor.

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The experiments were conducted by the U. S. navy department, assisted by the American Telephone and Telegraph Company and the Western Electric Company. The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, whose telephone service is in use at Moro, is a subsidiary company of the telephone company interested in the experiments.

Of a Truth, 'Tis So.

One who has been a reader of the Sherman County Observer for a long term of years has clipped from the Pacific Christian Advocate the following lines of verse and sent them to this office without comment. Obviously we cannot do more than agree with the writer while thanking the subscriber who so kindly voices our thought. The lines are titled "The Editor's Song."

"How dear to my heart is the steady subscriber,
Who pays in advance at the birth of each year.

Who lays down one-fifty and offers it gladly,
And casts round the office a halo of cheer!

Who never says, 'Stop it, I cannot afford it!'
Or, 'I'm getting more papers than I can read.'

But always says, 'Send it; the family all like it—
In fact, we think it a household need.'

"How welcome he is when he steps in the sanctum!
How he makes our heart throb!
How he makes our eyes dance!
We outwardly thank him—we inwardly bless him—
The steady subscriber who pays in advance.

The membership of the Moro band are to be congratulated upon the excellence of the musical program during the week of the fair. The band has made notable progress since their reorganization, and a continuance of such activity will enlist the support of all the people towards maintaining such an excellent local institution.

We did not know until this fair that the Fleck orchards at Rufus included walnuts in the varied assortment of edibles that is grown by them. This office received samples of Sherman county walnuts, plum catup, and the prize winning assortment of grapes from L. B. Payne, manager of the Fleck orchards. Mr. Payne made a specialty this season of putting up catup from tomatoes and plums for sale to the home trade.

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Notice is hereby given that under and by virtue of an order heretofore made and entered in said court in said matter on the 14th day of August, A. D. 1915, the undersigned will on and after Saturday, October 23, 1915, at 9 o'clock a.m. of said day at the law offices of Bright, Bryant & Ellis, in Moro, Oregon, proceed to sell at private sale, for cash, or on terms, subject to the confirmation of the court, the following described real estate, situated within the said County and State, to-wit: The North Half of Northeast Quarter (N½ NE¼) of Section Six (6) in Township Three (3) South, Range Eighteen (18) East of Willamette Meridian containing Seventy-eight and eighty-eight hundredths acres more or less, according to Government Survey, said tracts being more particularly described as Lots numbered One (1) and Two (2) of said Section Six (6) in said Township and Range, together with the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereto belonging and appertaining.

Dated this 23rd day of September, A. D. 1915.

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