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FUN AND FROLIC AT COUNTY FAIR

Aside From Industrial Features, Fair Board Is Preparing to Entertain Crowds in Best Style Yet.

By W. W. SMEAD,
Secretary Morrow County Fair Board.

The Fifth Annual Morrow County Fair will be the best ever held if the people will co-operate with the Fair Board. This can be done in many ways. The great need is for people to get together exhibits of fruits and vegetables, and they should not think that the varieties have to be extra large in order to win premiums. Trueness to type and color and free from blemishes have more to do with an exhibit than size.

The first day of the Fair it is the desire of the Board to have all the automobiles of the county participate in the big auto parade. It would be an interesting sight to most people to see and know somewhere near how many autos are in Morrow county. Seeing them in line gives a much better idea than a mere statement of numbers.

On the second day it is our desire to have the Farmers' Unions of this county to take this day and use it to their own ends. Mrs. Edith Tozier Wethered, who is secretary of the women's grange organizations of the Willamette Valley, will be here and address the union on that day. You can get other speakers if you choose and prepare your own program. We will furnish the band and assist to make this the biggest event ever pulled off by the Union in this county, and if you will help it will be the biggest ever pulled off in Eastern Oregon.

We know that the free amusements we have provided for your entertainment will be better than ever before and will please you. Ja-za-bo and Impo are two attractions that will make the blues take a back seat. If you have never had a good laugh, or if you have troubles that make laughing a hard matter, Jaz-za-bo will make you forget that there ever was a thing named trouble in the world.

Don't think that the fireworks we are advertising will be just a few cheap pieces. We have arranged for a splendid exhibition and know that nothing anywhere near as good was ever given in this part of the country. A factory expert will be here to handle them and this assures that every piece will be a success, and we also have two big searchlights to make things interesting.

The Ad Club Quartette and Parson's Novelty Band assures good music and lots of it. A Merry-Go-Round and Ferris wheel will be here and also two good shows. In fact we are going to make this three days of fun and frolic, and if you don't have a season ticket you are going to miss some of the good things. So don't forget the date, Sept. 13, 14 and 15.

WOMEN DISTRICT AGENTS FOR OREGON COUNTIES

Specialists in Home Economics Will Assist in Emergency Food Conservation.

Corvallis, Ore., Aug. 29.—Women home demonstration agents have been appointed by the Oregon Agricultural College and the U. S. Department of Agriculture for seven districts of Oregon, composed of 18 counties. As rapidly as funds become available new appointments will be made to cover the entire State.

The appointment of agents is authorized by the provisions of the food emergency legislation. It is designed to obtain leaders to assist in the food conservation campaign that is counted on to create a patriotic desire to use the home-grown food and leave as much of the staples as possible for shipment to the nation and its allies.

The work is financed entirely from the funds appropriated to carry the measure into effect, with the provision that the districts served provide suitable office room for the agent. In counties maintaining agricultural agents the two sets of agents will occupy the same office. In other counties the communities are expected to aid in locating and to maintain office headquarters.

The demonstration work of the agents will be directed by the Oregon Agricultural College Extension Service.

LEXINGTON BREEZES.

Roy Yardley left Monday morning for Pendleton.
Mrs. Della McMillan was an lone visitor Tuesday.

Ed Cummings has quit work at the "Office Confectionery."

Miss Florence Miller is visiting with Marie Cason this week.

Mr. and Mrs. K. L. Beach returned from Portland Saturday evening.

Miss Vesta Cutsforth is visiting with her sister, Mrs. Maude Pointer.

Mr. Walter Hill and son Freeman returned from Portland Sunday evening.

Mrs. Clark Davis has returned to the mountains on account of her health.

Last Sunday evening concluded Rev. Lee Sadler's peaching services in Lexington.

The Lexington Improvement Committee has been busy at work fixing the Davis bridge.

Mr. and Mrs. McBeth and daughter Mary were incoming passengers Thursday evening.

Miss Ada Ashinhusht left Wednesday morning for a visit with some friends in Portland.

On account of the dance on Saturday evening, the picture show will begin promptly at eight o'clock.

Geo. White and family have returned from Portland. Mr. White is now the owner of a Hudson.

Mrs. Josie Warden and her daughter Joyce left Sunday morning for Portland. Mrs. Warden formerly was cook at the Lane Restaurant and Lexington is losing a really good cook.

Boardman Will Have New School.

The new town of Boardman will have a new modern school house in the near future as bids for its construction are now being advertised.

The original plan as proposed called for a building that would have cost in the neighborhood of \$15,000. Inasmuch as the O. W. R. & N. Co. would be called upon to pay a large percentage of the cost, and inasmuch as they felt the building would be far in excess of the present needs of the district, the company filed an injunction. The outcome of the matter has been that the size of the building will be cut down to correspond with present demands and it can be added onto from time to time as the Boardman country is developed without hurting the appearance of the building.

HERDER FINDS MUTE EVIDENCE OF BATTLE

A herder in charge of the V. Gentry sheep on Thompson Flats found what appears to be mute evidence of a battle royal between two big buck deer. The two huge pairs of horns were still interlocked when found by the herder and any amount of pressure would not bring them apart. The skeletons of the deer were well preserved, and it is evident that these two kings of the antlered herd came to their doom in a struggle in which each was trying to kill the other.

The horns were brought to Heppner by V. Gentry and Henry Cohn and may be seen at the Gilliam & Bisbee hardware store. They are a curiosity which we have read of before, but this is the first time we have seen first hand evidence that buck deer do sometimes engage in sparring matches which result fatally to both combatants.

The conflict doubtless occurred during the running season last Fall.

FARM IS 55 MILES LONG; 200 FEET WIDE

The most unique farm in the United States will be sown in wheat or alfalfa this fall. It will be fifty-five miles long and 200 feet wide, and will occupy the land which represents the present right of way of the Denver & Laramie railway which will be "junked" September 1 by its owner, M. S. Radetsky. The "farm" will extend from Greeley, Colo., to Denver, and will pass through the business sections of several small towns between the two.

The railroad, which has never paid, was recently purchased at public auction by Radetsky, a dealer in defunct railroad properties. The rolling stock and track will be sold for junk and the right of way used as a wheat or alfalfa field, unless the owner is restrained from "junketing" the line by the state public utilities commission.

Mrs. Glenn Y. Wells and Mrs. Dick Wells spent several days this week on Ditch creek, gathering huckleberries. They returned home Thursday.

LIST OF MEN LIKELY TO GO TO FRANCE ON FIRST DRAFT IS NOW CERTIFIED

Morrow county's list of names certified to the government under the selective military draft has been made public by Adjutant General White. According to the Adjutant General nothing stands between the men whose names are published here and service in France save rejection for physical unfitness when they are examined at the military camps.

Here is the certified list as given out by the Adjutant General, which shows that some exemptions were allowed by the district board at La Grande.

Frank T. Perry, Lena; Harry Van Dyke, Lexington; Smith J. Towne, Lexington; John Elmer Pomeroy, Lexington; Sterling Fryrear, Heppner; Alexander Brander, Echo; John Calmus, Heppner; John M. Gambill, Ione; Frank E. Cronan, Ione; Benjamin G. Buschke, Lexington; Thomas E. Sheridan, Lena; Phillip Brady, Heppner; Newton Humphrey Harris, Ione; Floyd Lincoln Barlow, Ione; John Hosner, Ione; Robert Roy Holmes, Ione; Royal Wakefield, Heppner; Cleo Drake, Gooseberry; Fred L. McMurray, Ione; Joe Mason, Ione; Hugh McNeerney, Heppner; Otto Rietmann, Ione; Raymond Howard Turner, Ione; Marvie Lee Ayl

BANK BUILDING IS RISING RAPIDLY

The new First National Bank building is rising rapidly, and from present indications, bank officials and employees will be at home to their patrons in their new home long before the snow flies.

The brick masons have run the new, beautiful white walls of brick up in record time and the imposing appearance of the new structure may already be gleaned from the view of the two stories now about completed.

The exterior is pleasing to the eye and gives Morrow county a building which has no other close rival. But the interior is to be not only beautiful, but above all convenient in every respect. The lighting system will be of the best and the arrangement throughout will be along the lines of a modern banking house. The tile floor will be a feature.

The upper story will be given over to office rentals, as well as a large room at the rear of the bank. The new building will mark an epoch in the progress of Heppner's spirit of improvement.

UMATILLA FARMERS URGE HOOVER TO FIX WHEAT PRICE AT \$2.30

Umatilla farmers have wired Hoover, through the Pendleton Commercial Association, protesting against a price of less than \$2.30 being fixed for wheat as that was the price when the market stopped.

No price has been fixed for wheat by Hoover yet, but H. W. Collins thinks it will be around \$2.25. A letter from Kansas states that wheat sold there the first of this week for \$3.00.

Farmers cannot leave their wheat stored in warehouses more than thirty days, according to instructions received from Herbert Hoover. Warehousemen are instructed to include in their grain receipts a provision giving them authority to sell at the end of thirty days.

This order may result in many of the farmers keeping their wheat on the ranches to avoid forced sale, it is reported. Some think farmers are exempt from the 30 day provision.—Echo News.

OFFER CHINESE TROOPS FOR SERVICE IN FRANCE

Pekin, China.—Generals La Pei-Ching, Lung Chi-Kwang and Ku Chin-Tan, commanding 500,000 troops of Yunnan, Kwei-Chow and Kwang-Tung provinces, have offered forces for service in Europe. The provisional governors of Yunnan and Kwang-Tung have given official recognition to Pekin's declaration of war against Germany, apparently having been reconciled to the government of the acting president, General Feng Kwo-Chang. The hostile movement in the southern provinces is now plainly a fiasco.

Eighteen provinces have approved the project for a national council which will probably be established within a fortnight. The press generally is urging China to present an undivided front to the enemy.

George White of Lexington has purchased a new Hudson car from Vaughn & Sons, the local agents.

McRoberts, Heppner; Henry Krebs, Heppner; William Edward Stoops, Ione; James Daly, Heppner; Theodore Marion Benedict, Morgan; Henry Peterson, Eight Mile; Frank R. Doble, Irrigon; William Henry Gardner, Echo; Riley Jake Juday, Heppner; Henry Clay Wood, Ione; Lester Vernon Baker, Ione; MacDowell Missildine, Heppner; Ernest W. Christopherson, Gooseberry; Harvey O. Bauman, Lexington; Henry Nagl, Heppner; Roby L. Simcox, Lexington; Rufus Ernest Burroughs, Galax, Va.; Johnnie C. Morris, Lexington.

Trainload of Cattle.

Dillard French, Gurdane stockman, and John Brosnan, Heppner stockman, arrived here yesterday and shipped out a trainload of cattle to Kansas City.—Pendleton E. O.

Buy Interest in Delivery.

Chas. Barlow, a young man of this city, has purchased the one-half interest of Phil Jones in the delivery business and will take possession the first of September. The firm will continue as Beamer & Barlow.

LADIES—I am Heppner agent for the Spirrell corset. See me before buying. Satisfaction guaranteed. MRS. H. McATEE KINNEY.

HEPPNER SMOKY TOWN FROM FOREST FIRES

During the past week Heppner has been shrouded in a smoky haze, due to the terrific forest fires which have been raging for several days over the Northwest. It is said the fires are pretty well under control at this time. It has been estimated that nearly 5000 men have been combating the destructive flames in the states of Oregon and Washington and the damage is the greatest in thirty years.

Fire broke out in some volume in the vicinity of the old Hamilton mill south of Heppner on Willow creek last week and has burned over a considerable area. It is believed the fire started from a cigarette thrown on an old rotted log. The log was seen smoldering along for several days, when a stiff wind came up, and whipped the smoldering fire into a mighty blaze. The area burned over consisted of young growth trees, and the same section witnessed a bad fire a number of years ago. Fire fighters went out from Heppner to assist in getting the flames under control.

WHEELER STOCKMAN BUYS MORROW COUNTY STOCK RANCH

R. J. Carsner of Spray, Wheeler county, and an extensive stockman of that section, has purchased a big stock ranch from Wm. Hendrix in Morrow county south of Hardman.

The ranch consists of 1200 acres a large part of which is given over to the raising of timothy hay. The place is considered ideal for the stock business, and Mr. Carsner will probably place a large number of cattle on the range there. Mr. Hendrix has not yet decided where he will locate. He still owns one of the biggest wheat ranches in Morrow county but whether he will remain here or not, he does not know for certain.

World Champions Will Compete.

Pendleton, Ore., Aug. 30.—The greatest aggregation of world's champions ever seen in one contest will compete at the Round-Up, September 20, 21 and 22. The contests will be the biggest things the world has ever seen. All former champions will meet and compete for the supreme title. In the cowgirls' relay race Ruth Parton, Mabel DeLong, Bertha Blancett, Mrs. Parsons, Lila Smith and Josephine Sherry will ride against each other. In the cowboys' relay Sleepy Armstrong, Darrell Cannon, Allen Drumheller, Paxton Irwin Knapp Lynch and Bob Anderson will ride. These riders are all champions. In the steer roping Geo. Wier, Charlie Wier, Joe Beason, Henry Yabeny, Sammy Garrett, Ed McCarty, Tom Grimes, Dan Clark and John Judd, all former winners, will compete. In every other one of the competitive events it will be the same thing, champion against champion and then some outsiders. The Directors say it will be the biggest Round-Up ever pulled off. These people will all positively be here, as the Round-Up never makes such an announcement until it is a sure thing. Indications are that the crowd will be up to normal. The seat sale opens Sept. 1, and the advance sale is already above 1915.

MORGAN NEWS ITEMS

Geo. Ely had a week end visitor from Portland.

Mrs. Gaumnitz called on Mrs. Raymond one day last week.

Miss Juanita Gibson and Warner Rietmann were callers in Morgan Sunday afternoon.

Fred Ely came home Saturday evening after finishing his work in the Gooseberry country.

Miss Juanita Gibson returned home Sunday after a visit with Portland and Eugene friends.

J. Y. Gibson reports to have at least 1000 more sacks of wheat to thresh. His wheat is yielding well.

Mrs. H. Haas, daughter "Billie," and sister Miss Irene Benedict, spent the day in Morgan Monday.

Mrs. Holbrook, Morgan's agreeable postmistress, was suddenly called to Portland last Saturday. One of her daughters there is seriously ill.

Mrs. T. M. Benedict Sr. and daughter Goldie and granddaughter "Billie" Haas spent the day with Sam Dennis, Mrs. Benedict's father, one day last week.

F. M. Broady says he doesn't dislike having visitors at his orchard when he is absent but he would be more pleased if they would leave their names so he would know to whom the fruit should be charged.

Red Cross Sends Milk.

Forty-eight thousand cans of condensed milk have just been purchased by the Supply Service of the American Red Cross for immediate shipment to Salonika. On the request of Dr. Edward W. Ryan, Red Cross representative at Salonika, the War Council voted a special appropriation for the milk, which is to be used in Serbian military hospitals.

Conditions under which the hospitals are working in Macedonia, according to Dr. Ryan, are very serious. During the fighting of the last three years practically all cattle have been killed by the armies. There is no milk for convalescent soldiers, and without it their recovery is very much delayed.

A Red Cross commission headed by C. A. Severance, of Minneapolis, is now on its way to Serbia. The commission has a fund of \$200,000 to be spent in aiding the refugees behind the Allied lines in Macedonia and around Monastir.

HEPPNER MAN WILL ASSIST FOOD CONTROL

W. B. Barratt left Heppner Wednesday afternoon for Portland, where he goes to attend the first meeting of the food conservation committee of the State Council of Defense, of which he was recently appointed a member.

Mr. Barratt has the distinction of being one of only two men from Eastern Oregon appointed on the committee. Mr. Wm. Pohlman of Baker is the other member. J. W. Kerr is chairman of the committee. Mr. Barratt is prominent over the state, being president of the Oregon Wool-growers Association and a member of the State Livestock Sanitary Board.

Fine Time at Coast.

A card from Norton Winnard, who in company with his mother and sister Charlotte are now at Newport, states he is having a most enjoyable time swimming and fishing.

YOUNG MAN VISITS SCENES OF CHILDHOOD AFTER ABSENCE OF 14 YEARS

After an absence of 14 years, Marcy Gunn returned to Heppner last week. A little tow-headed youngster of but 11 years, and his chums all called him "Gunnie" left the city of his nativity at that age when associations of childhood are the most vivid. He grew to manhood in the state of Michigan, finishing his grammar school course in the public schools of Detroit, spent one year at Harvard and later was graduated from the University of Michigan. When the call to colors came, young Gunn gave up a splendid position to join the officers reserve camp. He took the examination and passed high. So it was Lieutenant Gunn of the United States Army who greeted his many old friends upon his arrival here after so long an absence. He

STOCK ON RANGE IS ON INCREASE

District Forester Says Demand For More Meat Is Increasing The Supply.

Approximately 19,000 more cattle and 29,500 more sheep are being grazed this season on the National Forests of Oregon and Washington than in ordinary years, according to District Forester Geo. H. Cecil, Portland, Oregon. The extra demand for meat occasioned by war conditions is given as the reason for this increased use of the ranges. The National Forests of the country are carrying about 100,000 more cattle and 200,000 more sheep than usual. Ordinarily the National Forests furnish pasturage for about 1,800,000 cattle and horses and 7,800,000 head of sheep.

The number of livestock permitted on the Forests is limited in order to prevent damage to timber growth, water supplies, and the range itself. This year exceptional weather conditions combined with the general food situation to create an unusual emergency, calling for special provisions to take care of the stock. A severe winter and late spring exhausted the hay supply and forced use of the spring ranges before they had reached their normal state. To lessen the losses which the western livestock industry faced, the National Forest ranges were opened early. At the same time, the number of stock permitted for the present season was raised to the maximum consistent with safeguarding future productivity.

It is fully recognized that the increase which has been made in the allowances of stock on the National Forests involve danger that the range will be depleted through overgrazing, but it is believed by the grazing experts of the Government that the emergency increases made can be taken care of, at least this year, without material sacrifice of productive capacity. The condition of the ranges is, however, being carefully watched. Reliance is placed also on the special efforts being made to secure the most intensive utilization consistent with sustained productivity, by improved methods of handling stock. Better salting methods and the development of new watering places are among the means employed for this purpose.

At the close of the grazing season a careful examination will be made of the range on each Forest to determine its condition and to find out how many cattle or sheep it will support next season. On areas which are found to be overgrazed, an attempt will be made to shift the surplus stock to range which can stand the strain better.

While the grazing officials do not think that the increase could be carried indefinitely without serious damage to the forage, regulated grazing has brought about a steady improvement of the range and some areas will probably be able to support the larger numbers permanently.

Harvest Ball Sept. 7.

Heppner's first Harvest Ball will be celebrated at the Fair Pavilion Friday, September 7. Parson's Novelty orchestra of Portland has been engaged to furnish the music. This will be the first dance of the season in our city. The management is making preparations to entertain a large crowd.