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HORSE SHOW IS SUCCESS; TO BE MADE ANNUAL EVENT

Hermiston's first horse show, held Saturday of last week, was a success, both in the number of exhibits and attendance, being one of the most successful stock gatherings held in the county this year. Great interest was manifested by all horsemen in the county, and several auto loads came from Pendleton, Umatilla, Echo, Stanfield and Butter Creek.

The day's program started at 10 a. m. with a hitching contest for boys, and was won by Henry Allen, with Laird Donaldson second.

At 10:30 the judging of the breeders' entries by Prof. E. L. Potter of O. A. C. began, resulting as follows:

Class A—Best brood mare under 5 years, J. W. Campbell first; W. T. Roberts second. Best brood mare over 5 years, W. T. Reeves first; W. B. Hamilton second; J. W. Campbell third.

Class B—Best filly, 2 years old and under 3, W. T. Reeves first; J. W. Wallace second. Three years old and under 4, J. R. Sayers first; A. W. Agnew second and third.

Class B—Colts under 1 year, S. L. Carson first; J. W. Campbell second; Wm. Kennedy third. One year and under 2, W. T. Reeves first and second; T. H. Haddock third.

Class D—Two animals any age, get of one sire and shown by the breeder, W. T. Reeves first; J. W. Campbell second; W. B. Hamilton third.

Class E—Two animals any age, product of one dam and shown by one breeder, W. T. Reeves first; Chas. Ware second; J. W. Campbell third.

Class F—Grand champion brood mare any age, W. T. Reeves.

Class G—Grand champion filly, 2 years and under 4 years, W. T. Reeves.

Class H—Grand champion colt, either sex, under 2 years, S. L. Carson.

Class I—Best farm team, W. T. Reeves first; James Ware second; J. F. McNaught third.

Following is a list of the local farmers and horsemen who made entries of stock:

Class A—C. P. Adams, W. T. Roberts, J. W. Campbell, Wm. Kennedy, H. L. Dexter.

Class B—J. W. Campbell (2), N. B. Whitford, E. P. Dodd, W. J. Warner (2), S. L. Carson (2), A. W. Agnew (2).

Class C—W. T. Roberts, J. W. Campbell (4), E. P. Dodd (2), Wm. Kennedy, J. Haddock, F. J. Auseon (2), C. P. Adams (2), H. L. Dexter, J. H. Tabor, J. F. Mead.

Class D—C. P. Adams, A. W. Agnew (2), E. P. Dodd, J. W. Campbell (2).

Class E—Jas. Ware, E. P. Dodd, J. W. Campbell (2), C. P. Adams.

Class G—N. B. Whitford, T. F. Wallace (2), E. P. Dodd.

Class H—J. Haddock.

Class I—J. W. Campbell, E. P. Dodd, W. T. Roberts, A. W. Agnew, Jas. Ware, H. L. Dexter, J. F. McNaught.

At 1:30 p. m. the parade of the stock took place, headed by the Hermiston school band, through the streets, returning to the grounds, where the next event, the pulling contest was put on.

In the pulling contest for teams over 3000 pounds J. R. Sayers won first prize, pulling 5300 pounds of sand and cement on the drag. A team owned by F. Laughlin of Echo was second, pulling 5200 pounds, while third place was won by a team of Chas. Ware's of Butter Creek, pulling 5000. For teams weighing less than 3000 pounds John McElroy took first and Chas. Ware second in this contest.

Wm. Switzer and H. A. McKeen acted as judges in the above pulling contests.

A guessing contest on the aggregate weight of three exhibit animals was a feature that attracted much attention. A. Lundenberg, P. F. Ward and Irvin Thomas guessed the weight to the pound, 3900, and they divided the prize money.

Later in the afternoon talks were made to the horsemen by Prof. E. L. Potter, Dr. C. W. Lassen of Pendleton and Dr. J. A. Peed.

The committee assisting in the success of the show were: P. B. Sis-

cel, secretary, James Smith and J. W. Campbell, Hermiston; Ivan Dunning, Stanfield; Peter Sheridan, Butter Creek; Wm. Switzer, Umatilla.

It has been decided to make the horse show an annual event, and Fred Bennion, county agent, was appointed to name a permanent committee on arrangements.

Troy Laundry Man Visits

H. E. Bender, part owner and manager of the Pendleton Troy Laundry, was here Tuesday of this week on business connected with the institution. The gentleman by his visit has made it possible for Hermiston people to have better laundry service than ever before. Besides securing Wm. Shaar as local agent for the concern he has arranged to have an auto truck make two trips a week to this city to collect and deliver laundry to those who desire to patronize the establishment direct. Elsewhere in this issue is an advertisement that explains in detail the operation of the agency at Shaar's barber shop and also that of the auto delivery system.

Making Improvements

Wm. Sharr, Henry Notz and Frank Bilderback are having their property on the West Side improved by the laying of concrete sidewalk in front of their residences. With the completion of the work this week the laws surrounding the three cottages that set in a row will be put in shape by the above owners. These gentlemen are to be commended for the spirit of civic improvement they are showing, and if others would follow their example it would not be long before Hermiston would be a city beautiful indeed.

FOUR-CORNERED REAL ESTATE DEAL PUT OVER

Another big real estate deal, or rather a four cornered one, was executed late last week, when H. T. Fraser, part owner of the Oregon Hardware & Implement Co., bought the splendid home and five acres of ground belonging to H. T. Hart for \$5000. This property lies just across the street from the Catholic church. Mr. Hart then turned round and bought the commodious farm home of J. J. Casserly and ten acres of ground situated one and one-half miles northwest of town for \$6000. The Casserly home is one of the best, if not the best, farm homes on the project, having a pumping plant and tank, hot and cold water in the house, cement walks, etc.

Rather than be homeless J. J. then purchased of Rev. Ira D. Hall the former Spinning residence on Ridgeway avenue, where himself and family expect to reside after April 1st. Before parting with his home Rev. Hall bought the former H. M. Straw residence on Gladys avenue, and he, too, will move April 1st, providing Mr. Whiting, the present occupant, who has been quite sick, is well enough to go to his farm home a mile southeast of town.

Register Now

All those who desire to vote at the forthcoming state and county primaries had better get their names on the registration books, if they have not already done so. Miss Edlie Johnson, in Dodd's real estate office, is the registration clerk for the Hermiston precincts.

Weather Report

The maximum temperature during the past week was 70 degrees and the minimum 26, above zero. Precipitation .05 of an inch.

Purchased Bisbee Residence

Last week J. J. Casserly closed a deal for the former Bisbee residence, just across the street from the Catholic church. Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Crocker, who have occupied it in the past during the ownership of A. W. Prann will continue to reside there.

Mrs. Myron Hunt has accepted a position as substitute in the local telephone office.



BASE BALL LEAGUE ORGANIZED; GAMES START APR. 11

A baseball meeting was held Tuesday evening at the First National Bank, when plans were perfected and officers and manager elected and committeemen appointed to go ahead with the organization of a team and formation of a league.

Art Spinning was unanimously chosen as manager and Dale Dungan of the First National Bank, secretary-treasurer. A committee consisting of H. Hitt, A. L. Larson and C. S. McNaught will have charge of the formation of a four-team league and arrange for a series of twelve games during the season. The expectation is that Boardman, Irrigon and Umatilla will make up the four teams, but there is a possibility of Echo coming in. The games will start the second Sunday in April if it is now planned, and a full schedule will be published later.

It is the desire to get a lineup as soon as possible so that any who desire to try out to make the team may get in on the practice games to be played right away. To get in on these practice games players should report to Manager Spinning at once so that he may learn what special position they have been used to playing.

The consensus of the meeting was that nothing but clean ball be played and that all "rough stuff and rag chewing" be cut out.

LARGE CLASS OF CANDIDATES INITIATED

There was high jinks, terminating in a big banquet, in the lodge of the local Rebekah order Friday night of last week. The high jinks consisted of a class of candidates being initiated into the mysteries by the well drilled degree team of the order, the climax coming in the big feed at the conclusion of the ceremonies. During the hour passed at the festive board all indulged in social converse, with the result that a most enjoyable evening was passed by the Rebekahs in attendance, 36 in number.

The newly initiated members that passed through the sylvan glade filled with deep mysteries of Rebekahism were Frank Silvey, Hattie A. Silvey, Arnold Buhmann, Anna Buhmann, C. F. Ames, Anna L. Ames and W. O. Sutherland.

The Rebekah order done itself proud on the above occasion, all of which went to show that it is full of vigor again, new members having joined right along since the first of the year. It is an auxiliary of the Odd Fellows', and is said to be a most social fraternal organization—and evidently is from the way the membership is increasing.

James E. Watson was a Pendleton business visitor Wednesday of this week.

Mrs. Patrick Mooney arrived in Hermiston Thursday from Pasco, Wash. The lady is the wife of one of the proprietors of the City Meat Market, and her husband and children are expected to arrive in a day or two. The family will then take up their permanent residence in Hermiston.

WEST SIDE BUSINESS PROPERTY TO BE REMODELED

Building Farm Home

J. J. Casserly, with a crew of men, is erecting a commodious house on the former Faude land three miles southwest of Hermiston and overlooking the Umatilla river. The house will have full basement of concrete eight feet high, and when completed the residence will be occupied by Wm. Bowmer and family, who have rented the land. Mr. Casserly found it necessary to build this farm house on account of having disposed of his home place.

Portland Policeman Here

Eber B. Mossie, who is a member of the Portland Police Department, arrived the latter part of last week to pass a six months' leave of absence he secured attending to farm duties on his 110 acre ranch a short distance east of Hermiston. He aims to add 20 more acres of alfalfa to that already in right away, and ere he returns to Portland six months hence he will have additional acreage prepared for the reception of alfalfa seed. Mrs. Mossie will arrive from Portland late this week to join her husband.

In New Home

A. Birkenbine, clerk in the Kingsley Mercantile Co. store, and family are now comfortably located in their new four room house on Gladys avenue. Trees have been planted on the two lots embracing the property on which the residence is located, and it is the aim of the owner to put in a lawn as soon as the ground has been prepared.

CELEBRATED GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

On St. Patrick's Day a crowd of neighbors and friends surprised Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Belchee of the Columbia district, and congratulated them on attaining their golden wedding day in peace and harmony. Preceded by Rev. Gallaher and the little grand niece, Florence Udey, the bride and groom of St. Patrick's Day, 1870, entered the crowded parlor of their home to the strains of "Here Comes the Bride," and replenished their vows for another 50 years.

After the ceremony was over a lunch of ice cream, cake and coffee was served in a new sink, which was the gift of the guests, with the remark that 50 years ago it was Sink to Belchee, so now it was a new sink to Belchee. The crowd enjoyed the joke when they learned that Mrs. Belchee was Miss Sink before her marriage. The rest of the evening was spent in a social way, and the guests left at a late hour with the wish that Mr. and Mrs. Belchee would enjoy many more wedding anniversaries.

Nine children were born to the Belchees, of whom seven are living. They are Mrs. Warren Myers, Mrs. Roy Smith, Mrs. C. J. Tharp, Mrs. Thomas Collins and George Belchee, who reside in California, and Mrs. Geo. S. Vaughn of Nevada and Mrs. W. H. Ragsdale of Moro, Oregon.

BUTTER CREEK ITEMS

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE

Miss Erdine Vosburg, niece of Mrs. Riel, who has been at the Hermiston hospital for some time, but is now much improved, went to her home near Spokane the first of the week.

Hugh Rhea is home for a few days vacation from O. A. C.

J. Humfeldt was in our midst last Monday, having come up from Portland to look after his property interests here.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Berry visited Mr. Berry's mother at Echo over Sunday last.

There will be a dance given at Butter Creek hall this Saturday evening. Fletcher's orchestra of Pendleton will furnish the music.

Mrs. J. C. Downing returned Wednesday night from Hot Lake, Oregon, after having recovered from a recent operation.

Plans are completed for the remodeling and improvement of the Lowman store rooms in the brick building on Hermiston avenue on the West Side of town. The property consists of a one-story brick structure containing five store rooms and has a frontage of half a block on Hermiston avenue. The property for several years past has been used for residence purposes and small stores, though at one time it was completely occupied with business concerns.

The local agent of the property, C. S. McNaught, has given notice to all tenants that they must vacate by the next thirty days, when the work of putting the building in shape will begin. The work, outside of remodeling the stores, will be the laying of a wide cement walk in front of the building. It is understood that all of the store rooms in the building have been spoken for.

Mr. Lowman of Seattle, the owner, was until a few years ago largely interested in project lands here with the McNaughts under the firm name of the Maxwell Land Co., and still has considerable property interests in this city and vicinity.

Free Air and Water

The Hermiston Auto Co. has installed another public utility on the sidewalk in front of its place of business in this city. It is a neat metallic contrivance that has two compartments, the upper one of which when opened discloses a coil of air hose for free use of autoists to inflate the tires on their cars. The lower compartment contains a water hose that is for use in filling radiators or vessels of tourists or others patronizing the garage.

Knights Consider Building

The Knights of Pythias are considering the advisability of erecting a lodge building, and it is understood the trustees of the order have approached certain property owners in town having desirable lots for sale.

YET HOPE FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF HOSPITAL

The first number on the program at the Commercial Club luncheon at the Hermiston Hotel Tuesday was a report from the baseball committee. This report was very satisfactory, showing, as it did, that the business interests of Hermiston were a unit on the proposition of putting a good team in the field this year. They backed this up by donating money liberally, the result being that suits have been ordered for the players and the grounds are being put in shape for an early exhibition of the national game.

The Butter Creek road committee reported that the county court had decided to re-establish a bridge over Butter Creek at the same point as the old one was located before it was washed out by the recent flood. Having concluded its labors, this committee was then discharged and a general road committee appointed to look after all roads and bridges, more especially the Diagonal and Butter Creek highways.

The hospital proposition was again brought to the fore by the committee reporting that there was a possibility of a branch of the Deaconess hospital of Spokane being established here. A committee was appointed to further take up this matter with the heads of that institution and report back to the Club as soon as possible.

Assessor Strain was present, and in an address gave Club members valuable information regarding taxes and taxable property. He also intimated that certain farm lands in this vicinity which have escaped taxation will be put on the assessment rolls as a result of a ruling by the courts that such lands should be taxed.

At The Movie

This Saturday night Sussee Hayward will appear in the film play, "The Call of the East" and Fatty Arbuckle in "Out West." The show begins at 7:30.