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WINS HONORS IN DEBATE

Miss Gertrude Vernon of Lakeview Helps to Win Laurels For Monmouth Normal.

An excellent picture of Miss Gertrude Vernon, the well known teacher of Lakeview, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. Vernon, appears in the Oregonian of April 29th. Miss Vernon is attending the Monmouth Normal School, and with J. C. Pettyjohn of Salem and W. Rutherford of Burns, constitutes the debating team of the Monmouth Normal. Miss Vernon's picture is in the center and her co-debaters are photographed on either side of her. The team has just won the debating laurels from the Albany College team. The Oregonian says:

"The photographs herewith reproduced are of members of the Monmouth Normal School debating team. The team met Albany College last Friday night in debate on the Trust question, and came out victorious. Its friends are confident it will score many more successes. Miss Gertrude Vernon is a member of the freshman class. Her home is at Lakeview, Oregon. This is her first year at the Normal, but she has had valuable experience in the public school work of Southern Oregon." The many friends of Miss Vernon will cheer at her success. The Examiner congratulates her on behalf of the people of Lake County.

He Performed His Duty.

Smallpox in Lake County is already in the throes of a lively and aggressive political campaign. Among other things hatened here to agitate the public mind is complaint against Judge Tonningesen for maintaining a strict quarantine of smallpox cases and thus preventing spread of the disease. He pursued exactly the right course and any neglect in that line would have deserved censure. His prompt and effective action in restricting smallpox is greatly to his credit and should and doubtless will have weight in securing his re-election. The expense incurred in establishing quarantines immediately on appearance of smallpox is merely nominal compared to what it would be were the disease to gain much headway before steps to quell it are taken.

Wild Man at Lake City.

The people of the Lake City section are much excited over the appearance in that neighborhood of a "hideous wild man," who has recently terrorized school children. Several years ago a man named Wright was sent to the mad-house from that vicinity, and it is thought that he was discharged from the institution and has gone "loony" again. Not hearing from him for years his wife obtained a divorce and subsequently married a man named J. F. Cole, who has a ranch near Soldier Creek. Wright was recently seen in Cedarville and he said he was "going to Lake City to kill the man who married his wife." An effort is being made to effect the capture of the man, who is supposed to be Wright.

The case of Judge Harris for assault on Geo. M. Gleason at Alturas, on trial before Judge Buckles of Solano county, was dismissed last week on the ground that the defendant was not brought to trial within sixty days after the indictment was filed. Judge Buckles criticized Judge Harrington for his delay in the case.

BIG DEMAND FOR WOOL!

Buyers Falling Over Each Other to Get the Red Bluff Clip on the Backs of the Sheep.

Red Bluff, April 26.—The Northern California wool market has been very active here during the week. About 3000 bales of wool were sold and over \$300,000 paid to the woolgrowers of this section. The clip this spring is a very fine one, and prices are ranging from 15 1/2 to 16 3/4 cents. There never has been so much rivalry between buyers as was witnessed during the week. Much of the wool was sold before it was taken from the sheep's back.

REGISTRATION IN 1900.

In June, 1900, there were 897 voters registered in Lake county, and there were 764 ballots cast at that election. Last Monday the registration books at the office of the County Clerk showed 572 registrations. There are probably 250 or more electors in this county who have not yet registered, and there will doubtless be a good number who will be unable to vote on election day on account of not having registered.

The registration of voters in the various precincts in 1900 was as follows:

North Lakeview	219
South Lakeview	83
Silver Lake	74
Summer Lake	41
Thomas Creek	52
Paisley	82
Crooked Creek	42
North Warner	51
South Warner	61
Drews Valley	28
Goose Lake	72
Cogswell Creek	92

The electors still have 14 days left in which to get on the registration books, and it would seem that those who have not registered should make an effort to do so and not deprive themselves of their rights as American citizens, in such an important election.

Emmitt is All Right.

The candidates on the legislative ticket from Wasco county will receive a handsome vote in this county. Mr. Burgess is fairly well known in this county and is highly spoken of. N. Whealdon is a personal acquaintance of the editor of the Journal, and, unless he has departed from the way in which he was taught in his youth, the people of this district could not have made a better choice. Mr. Emmitt is too far away for us to know much about him, but he is well spoken of by those who know him.—Crook County Journal.

The Examiner can safely recommend Hon. R. A. Emmitt, Republican nominee for Joint Representative, to the voters of Crook county, as a man of strict integrity, broad views, and one who will carefully guard the interests of his constituency in the Oregon Assembly.

Red Bluff Wool Market.

At Red Bluff, Cal., wool is selling around 15 cents, but the market is kept back because of the slow arrival of fleeces. Shearing is progressing slowly, owing to a scarcity of shearers. The first sale of importance was made about the middle of April by George Kraft, the banker, for 15 1/2 cents. Two or three sales have been made since, at 15 cents. A fine clip from Mendocino county brought a top-notch price of 16 1/2 cents. The wool crop will be large. It is thought that 3000 bales will reach the Red Bluff market this season.

Lee Moore, freighter for D. H. Hartzog, returned last week from Madeline with a load of freight for the Lakeview Mercantile Co.

EXCELLENT OUTLOOK!

Lake County Warrants Selling at Face Value--Debt Extends Back Only 28 Months.

Lake County Warrants are now less than two years and six months in arrears. All the old warrants have been paid—probably much to the disappointment of professional warrant and bond purchasers. The reduction of the debt, contracted under the old Democratic administration, has been made by a Republican County Court, and still B. Daly and his supporters are talking about the "extravagance of the present County Court" and the "dreadful state of affairs that Lake county's taxpayers will have to meet in the future, if Judge Tonningesen and Commissioner Martin are not retired at this election. "The County is being sunk deeper and deeper in debt," say these people, but they do not present facts to back up their statement. The County records are the authority! Let them take the records and prove their assertions, and disprove the evidence that Lake County is in a better financial condition now than it has been in years. No one will have the nerve to ever accuse the "independent" Rustler's lightning calculator of being an expert accountant after looking over his mass of figures to show the terrible calamity which is about to befall the taxpayers of this county. It is also a disappointment to the opponents of Tonningesen and Martin (and especially to B. Daly, who deals in county warrants and bonds) that under the present state of affairs Lake County Warrants are today selling at par—their FACE VALUE. Under this condition they cannot whittle off enough margin to make it a paying investment to deal in the warrant business—or, in other words they can invest their money to better advantage in some other interest-paying proposition. If Lake County was "going deeper and deeper in debt" as the Daly people would have the voters believe, does any intelligent person believe that Lake County Warrants would be selling at par, just now? Not by any means. The opposition will have to find a more plausible story. Again we refer the voters of Lake County to the statement by County Clerk William Gunther, republished in The Examiner today, to find the actual condition of affairs in this county. The figures are taken from the County Records and are absolutely correct, and the publishers of this paper, as well as Mr. Gunther, are prepared to make affidavit to their correctness and reliability.

Lake County Horses Stolen.

On April 17th a man whose name was not learned—because he did not tarry long in Lake county—took two horses belonging to Bryan Bros. of Clover Flat, and decamped. He was heard of south and at Susanville he sold the animals and then returned to Amedee, presumably to make his escape on the railroad. He was apprehended at Amedee by a deputy sheriff from whom he subsequently made his escape, took another horse from a near-by rancher and had not been heard of again up to yesterday at noon. Bryan Brothers will recover their horses, or the value of the animals, and there is a good prospect of recapturing the thief.

W. A. Bell, chairman of the Crook County Republican central committee, and a lawyer of Prineville, was a business visitor in Lakeview this week. Mr. Bell came on land business.

REPEAL OF TIMBER ACT!

The "Examiner" Told You So--Bill Formulated For That Purpose in the Senate.

It will be remembered that The Examiner, several weeks ago, gave the first and only news regarding an impending bill in Congress to repeal the timber land act. The news is about to be confirmed now, as Senator Clark has introduced a bill for that purpose. Speaking of the Clark measure the Oregonian says:

It may be that the bill promoted by Senator Clark, of Montana, for repeal of the present timber and stone act and substitution of a plan for selling timber from Government land to the highest bidder, is not the best remedy that can be devised for present abuses, but at the same time it may be seriously questioned whether the timber and stone act as it stands is so perfect that it should not be touched. It may be said that the purpose of the law is to give the people a chance to acquire timber rather than to place it within the control of rich corporations who have the money to bid it in at public sales. But what is the result? The corporations get the timber lands anyway, and all kinds of crooked practice are resorted to by entrymen who find it profitable to serve the lumbermen by taking land for them. And the lumber corporations now "script" large areas of timber land cutting out in those cases all participation on the part of the individual entrymen. True, they are not permitted to place script on unsurveyed land but formal application and guaranty of expense of survey will easily change any desired tract from the unsurveyed to the surveyed class, in which script will apply, or manipulation of entries will be serviceable. Timber-grabbers seem to be getting pretty nearly all they want, as the law and practice now stand. There is room to doubt that Senator Clark's bill is entirely desirable, but it is also evident to most people that present methods of handling our timber land will soon result in putting them all in possession of the lumbering corporations or speculators, with small benefit to the Government. If it be business logic for timber lands to go in large tracts to those who have the capital necessary to manufacture and market lumber, why should not the Government in some manner recognize them?

"What Ails Him"?

Lakeview seems to be somewhat of a shining mark. It recently had the smallpox, has several railroads pointed her way, and now is threatened with a case of "too much" telephone. However, Lakeview has wonderful staying and recuperative qualities and will survive the ordeal.—Cedarville Record.

Wonder why our friend of the Record is so opposed to Lakeview having telephone systems? He continues to throw long distance shots at our telephone enterprise, and it would seem that he is disappointed in some way—that he had laid a plan to go into the business himself in this territory. "Hello!" Stanley, what's the matter with you?

So far as we know very little whiskey is being used for campaign purposes; this is very commendable on the part of the candidates.—Paisley Post.

If the Post man could see the many mysterious packages that are handed out from the side-door of the "only stone building" in town he would come to a different conclusion. However, it may be "embalming fluid," "sheep-dip," or medicine of some sort, but the boys drink it, just the same.

FRIGHTFUL ACCIDENT!

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Russill Have Narrow Escape From Death in a Runaway Accident.

R. M. Russill the Madeline landlord, and wife, and Mrs. Lafe Centers arrived in Alturas from Madeline on April 19th, says the Alturas New Era. While coming down the South Fork mountain one of the horses suddenly became frightened and started to run and kick. Dick did all he could to check them, but they proved too much for him, and soon ran the carriage with its occupants into a barbed wire fence, tipping them out and on to the fence; the team broke loose from the wagon and ran on down the road. Dick was thrown against a post and severely hurt in the chest and shoulder, while his wife had her left thumb severed from the hand by a barb, and two of the Centers children were horribly cut and scratched about the face, some of the cuts being very serious.

Dick went on to Likely and secured another team and brought the injured crowd to Alturas. Dr. Gibson was sent for to attend Mrs. Russill and found it necessary to amputate her thumb above the second joint, as the bone was protruding to quite an extent. This he did and she is now getting along nicely. Dr. Coppedge was called to attend the little Centers children, and found a number of bad cuts, which he bandaged up and they are getting along all right now. Dick is able to be around with his arm in a sling, and left for home this morning, while his wife will be compelled to remain here until the doctor can remove the stitches. Dick is enjoying a nice hotel business at Madeline and was coming in with his wife to spend a few days visiting with his old friends. We hope the next time he comes in it will be under more favorable circumstances.

Water Storage for Irrigation.

W. T. Cressler, accompanied by Wm. McCormack, returned from his Guano ranch last week. He found the big reservoir, constructed last fall, in good condition and containing nine feet of water, which, however, is not its full capacity, as it will hold much deeper water, says the Cedarville Record. The past winter has not been favorable for testing the strength of the dam, but he is well satisfied with it, so much so, in fact, that he will start in constructing another and much larger reservoir the first of June, and when that is completed he will have sufficient water under control to irrigate hundreds of acres of land and cause them to yield an abundance of hay, where now only range grass grows. Mr. Cressler is practically about the first man to turn his attention to the storage of water, and as a result he will greatly enhance the value of his large ranch in Nevada.

Wedding Presents.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hamersley will take up their residence at the Hamersley ranch on Thomas Creek. The happy couple were recipients of several valuable presents on the occasion of their wedding, among which were the following:

- Bed spread and silver castor..... Mrs. M. J. Hamersley
- Set cups, saucers and plates..... Mrs. G. H. Newell and Miss M. Newell
- Table linen..... Mrs. C. E. Sherlock
- Tea set..... J. M. Hamersley
- Hanging lamp..... A. H. Hamersley
- Silver knives and forks..... Geo. H. Ayres
- Parlor lamp..... Bailey & Massingill
- Wash bowl and pitcher..... Wm. Dykeman

F. H. Hodge of San Francisco and J. M. Sears of Salem were at Hotel Lakeview Tuesday.