

## GREATEST FAIR OF ALL

### Magnificent Exhibit of Products of Klamath County

#### BIG SURPRISE TO EVERYONE

#### The Klamath Basin May Justly Lay Claim to a Place in the Front Rank of Agricultural Counties of the State

At last has Klamath awakened to its greatness and now that its people are beginning to feel the great possibilities that are within its boundaries the strides forward will be great. First came the awakening when at the Irrigation Congress this county received its first great recognition. Now comes the realization through the greatest fair this county has ever had. Not the most optimistic dreamed that the resources of Klamath were so great and so varied, and the most surprised person is the one who has lived here the longest. As one expressed it: "I have lived here nearly 30 years and this is the first time I am thoroughly convinced that this is a great agricultural county. I cannot doubt what I see."

Gathered beneath the grandstand was the finest collection of fruits, vegetables, cereals and grasses ever seen in this county. No longer need the people of Klamath hesitate to send their exhibits to state and national fairs, for Klamath county may justly lay claim to the title of being in the forefront of the agricultural counties of the state. The exhibits from the Upper Project were especially fine, particularly that from the Shook ranch, W. H. Pankey and W. H. Copeland. As a whole the Upper Project takes first rank in the county, both for energy and prizes. When the Republican suggested that the county be restricted and Bonanza, Merrill and Fort Klamath compete for prizes, the people of the Upper Project took hold of the proposition with the one end in view—the winning of first honors. Those who attended the fair know that the people of the Upper Project were here, and it was in the air. Merrill entered the contest with unusual vigor, but the enthusiasm was not present. It was too much of a matter of fact manner to work the people up to the proper pitch to make them do their best. But Merrill has learned a lesson that will result in something next year. It is a safe prediction that the exhibit that is now being gathered for Alaska-Yukon Exposition will find the people of Merrill nearer the front than they were at the fair. Merrill has honors that it must preserve. It is not going to forget the laurels won at the Irrigation Congress, and it now seems that they are going after still greater prizes at Seattle in 1909. But they will find that Bonanza is a good fighter, and when the collection is completed it will consist of a goodly portion of the finest things in and around the little giant of the Upper Project.

Fort Klamath did splendidly, and though it stands third in the list of prizes won, it has no reason to be ashamed of its record, and may proudly hold up its head for it is not so far back of the scratch that it is noticeable. As a member of the Portland delegation put it, "There is not another county in the state that shows the uniformity of productiveness as does Klamath."

The bronco busting contest was perhaps the most interesting of the special features of the fair. It aroused intense excitement and was the talk of the town. The horse racing gave greater satisfaction than anything of the kind heretofore. As a whole the fair was an unqualified success and was the first that has met the wishes and expectations of the public generally.

#### NOTES

It would not be a bad idea if Klamath Falls would hire Jim Driscoll for a short time and have him use his energies as a booster. He is a hummer.

That "bunch" from Bonanza certainly upheld the glory of their town. They were well matched and under the direction of Holgate pulled well together.

The exhibit from the Shook ranch attracted a great deal of attention. Under the magic touch of Mrs. Shook it was beautifully arranged. And she never

failed to tell the visitor that it was a collection from the Upper Project.

W. H. Panky has the distinction of exhibiting the first peanuts matured in this county. There were three varieties. But they did not represent all of Mr. Panky's exhibit. The other products that he exhibited are a credit to him and Langell valley.

W. H. Copeland was there with the goods as usual.

The needle work exhibit was the most beautiful ever shown here. Prominent in the exhibit was the Norwegian work by Mrs. Nolans, the hand painted china by Mrs. Wasson and the bead and tephry work by Mrs. Whitlock.

The attendance at the fair was as follows: first day, 480; second day, 1010; third day, 2000. It is by far the greatest success in point of attendance of any fair that has been held, and surprised everyone.

J. Frank Adams had an exhibit in the stock division that ought to make the farmers of this county sit up and take notice. It was the mare and her five colts. Mr. Adams has often demonstrated the practical success of stock raising and farming, but never more effectively than this.

"The Old Reliable," N. S. Merrill was one of the interested attendants at the fair and one of the men who carried off a large number of premiums. Mr. Merrill has done much for the up-building of Klamath, and it must afford him a great deal of satisfaction to see that his labors are bearing fruit through the extension of agriculture in this county.

The Bonanza dairy did itself proud during the fair and its hospitality resulted in those in attendance getting a glass of the finest of buttermilk and sandwich, spread with the famous butter that this dairy turns out.

#### OFFICIAL PREMIUM LIST

DRAFT HORSES	
Stallions	
1 Three year old and over	\$25 00
Keno Co., first.	
J. Frank Adams, second	\$15 00
J. Frank Adams, third	10 00
Jas. Cole, fourth	5 00
2 Two year old	15 00
Short Bros.	
3 One year old	10 00
Liskey Bros.	
Mares	
4 Best Mare and suckling colt	12 50
J. Frank Adams	
5 Best two year old	7 50
J. Frank Adams	
6 Best one year old	5 00
R. A. Alford	
HORSES OF ALL WORK	
Stallions	
7 Best three year old	15 00
J. A. Stewart	
8 Best two year old	10 00
S. B. Low	
8A Best work team	10 00
D. Kenyon	
Mares	
9 Best mare and suckling colt	12 50
O. A. Stearns	
10 Best one year old, either sex	7 50
Cale Oliver	
11 Best Brood Mare and Family	25 00
J. Frank Adams	
11A Thoroughbred Stallion	5 00
John Simmons	
11B Denmark Saddle Stallion	
Blue Ribbon	
W. P. Rhoads	
Jacks	
12 Best three year old and over	20 00
Guy Merrill	
13 Best two year old mule	10 00
N. S. Merrill	
14 Best one year old mule	7 50
N. S. Merrill	
15 Best jennett	10 00
Guy Merrill	
CATTLE	
Shorthorn Durham Bulls	
16 Best three year old and over	15 00
J. Frank Adams	
Cows	
20 Best two year old	7 50
J. Frank Adams	
21 Best one year old	5 00
J. Frank Adams	
Herefords—Bulls	
22 Best three year old and over	15 00
J. Frank Adams	
23 Best two year old	10 00
J. Frank Adams	
24 Best one year old	5 00
J. Frank Adams	

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#### Public School Notes

We are taking this opportunity of calling the public's attention to the entertainment to be given Saturday evening at 8 o'clock in the interest of the public school; and especially are we desirous of calling your attention to the great and growing need of an instrument in our schools.

Our building is now about complete and is a great credit, not only to Klamath Falls, but to this part of the state.

The Board of Education are men of the most progressive type and are bending every effort to equip the schools with everything that will add to the comfort, welfare and upbuilding of both teachers and pupils.

As you know, the much needed improvements about the buildings and grounds have been made; the basement is complete with toilets, washing sinks, towels, lunch and play rooms. The main part of the interior of the building is finished in oil and varnish, with the walls neatly tinted green. The library is now complete with a glass slide door case and the assembly room lacks only seats and a piano. Taking these things into consideration and in view of the fact the public will eventually derive the benefit, we feel somewhat justified in urging a full house.

Tickets for reserved seats will be on sale on and after Thursday, October 24, at the Perfection. Prices 50 and 75 cents.

The following is the program for the above entertainment, entitled "Months and Seasons":

- Part I
1. Chorus—"Joy, Joy, a Year is Come."
  2. January Song—"Oh! I am the Frost King"—Harry Galarneau.
  3. February Song—"I am the Last of all the Train"—Beatrice Clendenning.
  4. Winter Chorus—"Winter has come" (With obligato Jan. and Feb.)
  5. Duet—"Boisterous and Cold."
  6. Chorus—"Come to the Fire."

- Winter Tableau.
- Part II—Spring.
1. March Song—"Come Welcome Me."—Lizzie Houston.
  2. April Song—"Sunny, Cloudy April"—Vera Houston.
  3. May Song—"I come the last of the Sister Band"—Marguerite Worden.
  4. Trio—"Spring is Gone."
  5. Spring Chorus—"Then Mortals Sing."

- Spring Tableau.
- Part III—Summer
1. June Song—"I'm Coming, I'm Coming"—Gouldy Barnes.
  2. June Chorus—"Bright, Sunny June"
  3. July Song—"I Follow the Foot-steps"—Inez Elliott.
  4. July Chorus—"Bright July."
  5. August Song—"There's Dust upon my Mantle"—Etta Turner.
  6. Summer Trio—"The Royal Indian Summer."
  7. Summer Chorus—"Children of Earth."

- Summer Tableau.
- Part IV—Autumn
1. September Song—"The Sultry Summer"—Hattie Voss.
  2. October Song—"Mine is no Flowery Garland"—Mark Conklin.
  3. November Song—"Oh! the Royal Indian Summer"—Loris Chitt.
  4. Autumn Trio—"The Fruits I Bring"
  5. Autumn Chorus—"Hurrah! Hurrah! for the Autumn."

- Thanksgiving Tableau.
- Part V—Winter
1. December Song—"Ye Call Me a Tyrant"—Archie Moore.
  2. March and Chorus of the Months—"We Dear Friends are Happy."
  3. Double Chorus—"Joy! Joy! a Year is Come." "We Dear Friends are Happy."

#### Railroad Rustle

The construction of the Mount Hood railroad is causing the Harriman people a good deal of worry and trouble, and as a result surveying crews are again out in the field working through the great Central Oregon country and towards this city. It is assumed that Harriman interests are fearful that the Mount Hood road is something more than a local institution out of Portland and that it is to invade the sacred precincts of the Southern Pacific. Whether that invasion includes this section remains to be seen, for the backers of the enterprise are not giving out any information. But the Southern Pacific people are not to be caught napping, and consequently are getting matters in shape for one of the biggest railroad fights this state has ever known.

E. M. Bubbs, who recently resigned as cashier of the American Bank and Trust Company, will leave this week for a visit at his old home at Mountain View, California.

#### The Excursion

Klamath's Star of Fortune was certainly on the ascendant during the past week. Friday night there arrived in this city the party of excursionists from Portland. In the party were J. D. Lee, formerly Secretary of the Portland Board of Trade and prominent in politics; Walter E. Bliss, state manager of the Milwaukee Insurance company; Dr. C. R. Putman; C. R. Boyd, a resident of Klamath in the early '70's; W. H. Wehrung, Oregon's representative at the Alaska-Yukon Exposition; Pete Sorenson, the timber man; C. T. Harrington, of the Holcomb Realty Co.; J. D. Weber, of Denver; M. L. Allison, a civil engineer, A. Klose, F. J. Newton, C. B. Hand, G. E. and W. J. Manchester, W. B. and Miss Lauretta Walker, former residents of Klamath, J. K. Nash, A. J. Ray, H. J. Workman, W. M. Slaughter, D. W. McGillary, O. W. Olson, O. G. Hughes, John Paulson, Carl Johnson and Harold Shepard.

The party were taken in hand by J. Frank Adams, Frank Ira White and George C. Hill, and were piloted around the city and out over the government ditch during Saturday forenoon. The afternoon was spent at the fair grounds, and the visitors had the greatest surprise of their lives. Of course, they expected to see an exhibit, but they were under the idea that the good things that they had been hearing about Klamath must be taken with a grain of salt. When they saw the display of Klamath county products words failed them in expressing the surprise and predicting a great future for this section. Mr. Wehrung expressed the sentiment of the party when he said—

"The people of Oregon have no idea of Klamath, and I am afraid the people of Klamath have no idea of themselves. I have heard a great deal about this section but this exhibit far exceeds the story of any of your best boosters. They ought to come here and study it in order that they may tell of your greatness. As president of the Alaska-Yukon fair, this is the first county I have visited. I heard of what you did at Sacramento and I see what you have done here, and I want to state to the people of Klamath county that I am going to look to them to win the honors for Oregon at Seattle in 1909. Klamath saved the day at Sacramento and I shall expect it to do the same thing at Seattle."

Monday J. Frank Adams took seventeen of the party on a tour of the county visiting Merrill and Bonanza. This tour is going to be productive of great results for there is already started as an outcome of it the formation of a syndicate that will purchase one of the largest tracts of land in the county that is as yet unassigned to the Water Users Association. In addition to this members of the party made several heavy purchases in Klamath county property.

In speaking of the result of this excursion Frank Ira White said: "This is the third excursion to this county this year, and it will be productive of greater results than the other two combined. This seems to be the era of surprises for this county, and this excursion must rank as being one of the greatest."

#### First Convention

The first convention of the twenty-first district of Oregon Rebekahs, consisting of the Klamath Falls, Merrill and Bonanza lodges was held Monday evening in the A. O. U. W. hall in this city.

Mrs. Galloway, of Oregon City, president of the Rebekah Assembly was present and had charge of the convention. About seventy delegates from Klamath Falls were present and the following from Merrill: Myrtle Martin, deputy president, Miss Kattenhorn, P. G.; Mrs. Wilson, N. G.; E. Gertrude Robinson, V. G., and L. M. Robinson. The delegates from Bonanza were unable to be present.

The following officers of the convention were elected: Mrs. F. E. Boyd, chairman; Mrs. Hammond, secretary; Alice Baldwin, Vice chairman; Gertrude Robinson, chaplain; Myrtle Martin, I. G.; Liza Stiltz, O. G.; Jennie Hurn, marshal; and Ellen Peil, conductor. Instruction was given in the secret and degree work after which questions were answered by the president. Mrs. Galloway highly commended the members examined and the degree team on their efficiency. A banquet was served after the convention.

#### New Site

The Directors of the Klamath County Agricultural Association met the first of the week and decided on the site for the new fair grounds and race course. Two locations were considered at this time, one at Altamont and the other on the Reames tract. The latter, which is

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about a mile and a half from the city by water, was selected on account of its easy access both by water and land.

The tract consists of about 40 acres and can be reached from this city in ten minutes by steamer or any of the numerous launches. It is also a very desirable location for the residents of the farming districts. Feeding stables will be constructed for the convenience of farmers while bringing their exhibits to the grounds.

It is the intention of the Association to grade the tract and plant trees this fall. It is planned to make this one of the best half mile tracks in the state.

Early next season a grand stand, twice the size of the present one, will be built. Also an exhibit hall, booths, stables and dancing pavilion and other necessary improvements. Base hall grounds will be laid out and an enclosed arena built for riding and roping contests.

#### First Auto to Bly

The first auto to reach Bly arrived there Monday afternoon about two o'clock, making the run from this city to Bly in six hours. The party consisted of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Murray, D. B. Kendall and Harry Peltz, owner of the machine. The route followed was through the reservation and Sprague river valley. Nothing marred the pleasure of the trip until within three miles of Bly, when one of the springs broke, and notwithstanding the fact that it was repaired at Bly it was the source of a great deal of trouble afterwards. The start for this city was made Tuesday evening, and when a short distance out the spring broke again. Its interference with the steering gear necessitated the running of the machine at low speed the rest of the trip. An insufficient supply of gasoline necessitated the abandoning of the machine at Jack Horton's.

When the news reached Bly that an automobile was coming, it was telephoned throughout that section, and quite a delegation of ranchers rode into town to get their first sight of the "devil wagon." Nearly the entire population had the pleasure of a ride before Mr. Peltz left. One thing the trip demonstrated was the impossibility of establishing an automobile line between this city and Lakeview. The condition of roads is such that no machine could stand more than one trip, unless in the hands of an expert and then driven with the utmost care.

#### New Oil Company

The Klamath Oil company is the latest corporation to enter the Klamath country. Articles of incorporation will be filed this week. Among the parties interested in the question of finding oil in this county are J. Frank Adams, W. C. Dalton, Thomas Hampton, L. Gerber, Charles Horton, N. S. Merrill, E. B. Hall and J. R. Stiltz. A drilling outfit will be purchased and the first well put down to a depth of 1500 feet if necessary.

#### The Theatre

Manager Houston must add another feather to his cap, for he certainly made a hit when he secured the Clark Biograph company for his house during the fair. Every evening the house was crowded, and the show gave splendid satisfaction to the audience. The climax was reached Friday evening when the Beal Sisters were greeted to a shower of silver by the enthusiastic audience.

One of the best treats which attracted hundreds of visitors during the fair, was Miss Baldwin's magnificent exhibit on the second floor of the Baldwin building, of views of Klamath county. Among the collection of views are many unique pictures of Indian life, which are gems of art. Miss Baldwin has spent time and money in collecting these photos until now she has without question the finest exhibit of views of any one county in the state. The studio is still open to the public and those who have not taken advantage of this opportunity will be well repaid in doing so.

#### Construction Work between Here and Montague to Begin at Once and Line to be Completed to Yreka Next Year

Work has been commenced on a telephone line to connect Klamath Falls with the outside world.

O. B. Gates, manager of the Midway Telephone & Telegraph company, returned this week from Montague, where he accompanied H. V. Gates, the head of the company, to inaugurate the work on a seventy-two mile telephone and telegraph line from Yreka, California to Klamath Falls, Oregon.

A line will be built this winter from Montague to Little Shasta and the remainder of the line will be completed next summer. There will be not to exceed five phones on the line and when completed it will be used exclusively for long distance phone and telegraph business.

The construction of this line from an engineering standpoint, will be unparalleled in the United States and possibly in the world. The contemplated route will cross the tule lands this side of Keno and it will be necessary to cover a distance of about three and one half miles with three spans. The longest stretch is from the mainland to Horse Head island, a distance of fully a mile and a half. From there to the mountain beyond the river is another stretch of two miles. One support or tower will be used about midway making two spans of one mile each. The longest span ever successfully attempted on the coast is the electric transmission line across the Kern river in California, a distance of 3/4 of a mile, or only half as long as the one to be built by Mr. Gates.

The greatest difficulty will be to counteract the swaying motion caused by the wind. To do this 14 inch clamp fasteners will be used so as to give the longest possible bearing. Rock and cement piers will be built for the foundation of the supports and on these towers will be constructed of timber to a height of from 60 to 70 feet. Stranded iron cable will be used to give the necessary strength and to this the copper wire will be strung. The estimated cost of the line is between \$20,000 and \$25,000. The construction of this line assures to this city unexcelled service, for it will connect with the Postal Telegraph company's line, thus when the railroad reaches this city there will be a double service.

#### WEDDING BELLS

##### STREETER--SELLERS

A very pretty wedding was celebrated in Fort Klamath last Sunday when Miss Nora Sellers was united in marriage to Lorin M. Streeter. Both are well and favorably known in that section of the county as well as in this city, and have a host of friends who wish them many years of happiness.

##### HEMENWAY--FRIESTER

Dr. S. Hemenway of Yainix and Mrs. A. O. Friester of Denver were united in marriage in Lakeview this week. The news came as a surprise to the many friends of the doctor in this city and county, where he is well known and popular, and they extend to him warmest congratulations and good wishes for many years of happy married life.

##### LIPPETT--ENGLE

Miss Stella Engle and Miles Lippett were united in marriage in this city last Sunday morning, the ceremony occurring at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Castel, Rev. P. Conklin officiating. The bride is one of the popular young ladies of this city and her many friends extend to her their best wishes. Mr. Lippett is a young man of splendid qualities, who has bright prospects of a successful career.