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FARMER'S PROFIT TO BE INCREASED

WAREHOUSES WILL LOOM

UP, SEEMS EVIDENT TODAY

Many Farmers Attend Meeting Where Seed is Planted That Will Mean Warehouses For Union County—Success Otherwise Reviewed by Organizer Cox—Nothing Definite Done But Warehouse scheme is Popular With Farmers.

At four o'clock this afternoon the seed had been sown that will unquestionably mean the construction of farmers' warehouses in Union county and the first benefits will be higher priced for farm products and much more convenience for all farmers that are members.

This afternoon a meeting of members of the body formed last Saturday, was held in the K. of P. hall and before the closed meeting took place a score of people listened to the arguments for a warehouse. While nothing was done at press time, it is unquestionably assured that steps will be taken to build the warehouses.

The gathering was first addressed by Organizer Cox who went, with considerable detail, into the splendid benefits derived from warehouses in Washington. He pointed out that greater privileges are procurable through organization, that sales are more easily made and that warehouses removes several of the middlemen so objectionable to the farmers.

The attendance was liberal, in comparison with the first meeting it was encouraging. Several new members joined.

OFF FOR NOMBASSIA.

Crowds Cheer Roosevelt as He Leaves Port Said.

PORT SAID, April 10.—An enormous crowd cheered Roosevelt as he stood on the deck of the steamer Admiral today, departing through Suez, bound for Nombassia, he received a delegation of distinguished citizens who wish him success on his trip.

WANTS INFORMATION.

Rudolph Trallquis writes from Baker City, and says that if he can find a suitable farm, he will locate in this valley.

This is only one sample of dozens that come to Publicity Manager Currey daily.

WRECKED BOAT CAN'T BE SALVED

INSINUATIONS MADE THAT WRECK WAS PREMEDITATED

ABERDEEN, Wn., April 10.—All efforts to save the schooner Chas. E. Falk, wrecked at Coplains Rocks has been abandoned. Announcement was made today that the ship was to be sold intact, at a public sale Monday, and must not be dismantled. First officer Holmes of the ship, brands as false the insinuations of Second Officer Shults that the vessel was deliberately wrecked. Shults has asked for an investigation. As there is no insurance on the boat nobody could profit by the wreck.

HEAVY FINES ARE PAID

Some of Defendants Pay Fines on Several Separate Counts

Made Effort to Quash Extra Bills

Five hundred dollars trickled into the county coffers this afternoon when Judge Knowles issued out fines to 14 defendants in the Summerville gambling cases of \$25 on each indictment. As announced, the defendants were arraigned before the court this afternoon.

Motions were made by attorneys

for state and defendants that where more than one indictment was returned, they should be cancelled if his each defendant would plead guilty to one count. These motions were overruled by the court, and later pleadings of guilty were made in each instance. One was fined on three counts and several on two.

EVEN CHINAMEN PROTEST AGAINST EX-SENATOR FULTON AS ENVOY

PORTLAND, April 10.—Opposition to the appointment of C. W. Fulton a ambassador to China has developed among the Chinese of the Pacific Coast. They are fighting Fulton because of his attitude against them.

rigid exclusion law; a petition to the Chinese minister at Washington, protesting against him, is circulated among Chinese merchants of Portland for signature.

ORCHESTRA AT PASTIME.

Beginning tonight there will be an orchestra at the Pastime and as it is composed only of thorough musicians, it is thought it will add greatly to the already excellent show.

Big Bill Next Week. Mr. French has decided to put on

a monster bill for next week—in fact, next week those who visit the Pastime will have an opportunity of seeing the best vaudeville show in Eastern Oregon.

C. M. Humphrey visited Elgin today between trains.

HERE TO LIVE.

Receiver Eberhard Arrives to Make His future Home in La Grande.

Colon R. Eberhard the new receiver arrived from Joseph this afternoon with his wife and will begin house-keeping at once in the cottage of Postmaster Richey. He is unable to state when he will assume his duties and until he does, he expects to divide his time between here and Walla-walla county where he is attorney for a number of large interests.

L. Knapper, president of the First National Bank of Joseph who has been receiving medical treatment in this city returned home today, but expects to return after visiting his family a few days.

DEPORTATION OF EMMA DANGEROUS

ANARCHISTS WILL RESENT ANY SUCH MOVE BY UNCLE SAM

CHICAGO, April 10.—Dr. Ben Reitman, king of tramps, and right hand man of Emma Goldman, the anarchist queen, is authority for the statement that anarchists will attack the states government with bombs, daggers and pistols, if the government's plan to deport Emma is executed.

Reitman said today: "I want to say the temper of our people will not endure the outrage of deportation. Just as sure as it is attempted there will be serious trouble."

TWIN FALLS HO! THE WATCHWORD

FARMERS ENTHUSIASTIC

ABOUT 3-DAYS' JUNKET

Definite Dates Secured For Development Congress—Many Traveling Men Take Stock in Local Irrigation Scheme—Money Coming in For Fund at Rapid Rate—Sixty-Five Thousand Now Subscribed—Col. Hofer Assures Presence.

A few days ago when it was first suggested that a number of our farmers and business men should visit the irrigated districts of Idaho, Twin Falls being named as the probable destination of such a junketing party, there were many who thought such a proposal as just a piece of hot air. Now, as it transpires, dozens of inquiries have come in from the farmers whose lands lie under the projected Meadowbrook project as to the time of the proposed trip, the locality to be visited, and the probable cost of the journey. The commercial club will in the course of a few days receive rates from the railroad for a party to Twin Falls, and then definite information will be made public. That the trip will be made there is no doubt.

If all the farmers who have contemplated investing in Idaho or Hefmiston or some other irrigated district will only make the trip, there will be a lot more stock subscribed to the Meadowbrook project as soon as they return.

Through the efforts of the soliciting committee who have worked as one man during the last week, there is now a total of \$65,000 subscribed toward our own irrigation project. More and more the business men and the substantial and aggressive farmers are coming to see that no one is asked to give their money away, but that it is a simple business proposition, and a good investment. The men who have subscribed the most money and have worked the hardest for the success of the undertaking say that they will get their money back with interest in a short time. And the fact remains that this is the cheapest possible project in the North West. Others pay \$20,000 an acre for water as first cost, with a maintenance fee, and are glad to do it.

Three traveling men, who bump up against almost every kind of propositions, and who travel through the arid portions of Washington, Oregon and Idaho, have subscribed liberally. They have learned what irrigation will do for a community in this western country, and are willing to put up hard cash as an investment.

Hofer Coming. On the 27th and 28th of this month there will be in session in this city the Oregon-Idaho Development Congress.

The men of this body are progressive and patriotic. Among them are some of the most brilliant minds in the Northwest. Several noted speakers, among them Col. Hofer of Salem and representatives of the Walla Walla commercial club who come by special request.

AT THE SCENIC.

Last night's splendid program at the Scenic will be repeated tonight excepting the ventriloquist who puts on new things nearly every evening. It is a real pleasure to listen to Dave Raffel and many have gone twice in succession to hear and watch him. He will be at his best tonight and theatregoers cannot afford to miss the chance of hearing all this wood talk if they have not been there already. Next week's program as announced by Manager Gardiner is going to be a daisy.

"Railroad up Mt. Blanca" is the title of the feature film this week. It is thrilling.

City Attorney J. F. Baker returned from Pendleton this morning.

HALL EXPLAINS NEAR BEER LICENSE ORDINANCE AS IT EXISTS HERE

LA GRANDE, APRIL 10.—To the Editor.

In yesterday's edition of your paper appeared a communication over the signature of Rev. J. D. Gillilan concerning the non-enforcement of the local option law in our city, and in particular criticizing the action of the city council in passing an ordinance requiring those engaging in the sale of malt liquors other than beer to have a license.

The writer of this wishes to plead guilty to starting the movement that culminated in the adoption by the city council of the ordinance above mentioned. It is almost an exact copy of an ordinance adopted in Pendleton, which I have been informed was endorsed by the municipal league.

The principal reason that such an ordinance was passed, which was only done after careful consideration and recommendation by the judiciary committee of the council, and by a unanimous vote of the council, was that since such places seemed under the transitional conditions now existing, to be hard to get rid of, it was necessary to regulate them,—to have a law under which boys could be kept out of them. It could not be done in any other way. Such a license is only guaranteed after a bond for \$100 has been deposited with the city by the licensee, to insure as far as it will that he shall not sell intoxicating drinks in the place for which he obtains the license.

The writer believes the ordinance is a good one, and that it will be pronounced so by anyone who will take the trouble to examine it carefully before criticizing it. It accomplishes the purpose for which it was designed, that of protecting the boys, some of whom although entitled to the protection of restraining home influences, have not received it.

It is also the opinion of the writer

that if Mr. Gillilan will examine the ordinance and become familiar with its requirements, that he will be one of the last to ask for its repeal. If so it is to be regretted that such examination should not have been made before the criticism was uttered and thus an erroneous idea might not have been spread broadcast, and an additional ball not have been attached to the chain which always weights down a city council.

With regard to the non-enforcement of the local option law, Mr. Gillilan's criticism is well founded as far as it goes.

However, because a man is not a mayor or a councilman, or a chief of police, is he entirely relieved from the duty of helping to enforce the laws, and especially a law for the adoption of which he worked and voted? Before the chief of police can proceed against a man for breaking a law, it is essential if he is wise, that he be in possession of sufficient evidence to convict him. It is only by chance that the police are able to get evidence personally.

If Mr. Gillilan or any other citizen, or even an "inhabitant" or a "stranger" is in possession of such evidence as related to in the former's letter, why does he not grasp the opportunity, swear to a complaint or have the "stranger" do it, place the evidence in the hands of the police, and the writer will guarantee that the machinery of the city will be used to convict the guilty one if the evidence will do it.

Anyone who knows and can prove that the local option law is being broken as frequently as alleged or in any single instance, and who does not swear to a complaint and produce the proof of what he knows, is in the writer's opinion, inconsistent when he criticizes others, be he preacher or

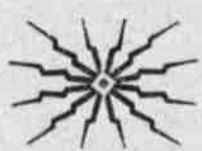
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