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## IRRIGATION INCREASE IN SIGHT

COVE FARMERS EXPECT TO DOUBLE PRESENT ACREAGE.

PROJECT WOULD COST TOTAL OF \$40,000

Proposed Plan is to Tunnel Under Mountain and Use Water From Little Minam River; Two Reservoir Sites Filled Upon—Money for Further Surveys Raised at Meeting.

At a meeting of the Cove farm bureau yesterday afternoon it was decided to collect sufficient funds for the purpose of making the survey necessary for increasing the irrigation facilities in that community so that about 5,000 acres will be irrigated instead of the present amount, 2,139 acres. The project, if carried to completion will also be of benefit to the present water-users as, after the end of June or the beginning of July, water isn't just as plentiful as is desirable, as a rule. The cost of the project would probably be \$40,000.

Last year much preliminary work was done and two possible reservoir sites have already been filled upon. At present the water for irrigation purposes is being secured from Mill creek and it is proposed to get the additional water from the Little Minam River. To do this it would be necessary to carry the water along a contour ditch on the other side of the ridge and tunnel through the mountain-side.

Fertilizing in orchards was also discussed at length by the farmers at this meeting. J. H. McNeil stated that 50 per cent of the June crop of cherries was saved through fertilizing last year and that strangers, when asked to could point out the trees that had been fertilized. Although several farmers did not see any appreciable increase in crop they agreed that fertilizing gave the trees a more thrifty growth.

The farmers in this section also decided to purchase their Grimm and Baltic alfalfa seed only from valley farmers. This decision was reached because it has been proven that the seed grown here will result in a better yield and is harder in every respect than the foreign-grown seed. The crops from seed that has been raised in the valley show that the stand is more resistant.

Drying was also discussed. Ray Duncan, chairman of the meeting, suggested that every herd in the district be tested for tuberculosis. A dairy survey is to be made at an early date. At present there are 5 registered Jersey bulls in Cove and a number of registered cows and the dairymen are interested in bringing the standard of all stock to a higher level.

This was the first branch farm bureau meeting which was attended by H. G. Avery, new county agent. Mr. Avery said, regarding the people in Union county as the result of attending this meeting: "Down in Idaho, where I come from, they have the idea that old, settled agricultural communities aren't progressive. But the people up at Cove certainly aren't of that kind and I have no doubt that I will find the same conditions in other parts of the county. I was certainly surprised when I found that the farmers here are as progressive as anywhere I have been."

## ANTI-SOVIET RISING OCCURS

STOCKHOLM, Mar. 26.—An anti-soviet rising is reported in Kazan, 500 miles east of Moscow. Many of the soviet officials are reported to have been killed.

SALEM BLAZE CAUSES LOSS. SALEM, Mar. 26.—Fire Thursday morning caused \$75,000 damage to the Kaffoury Bros. Merchants' store.

PORTLAND, Mar. 26.—The price of cattle and hogs was steady today, sheep weak, butter two cents lower.

## PAYNE-ALDRICH TARIFF ON WOOL AGREED UPON

WASHINGTON, Mar. 26.—The Payne-Aldrich tariff duty on grease wool of eleven cents a pound has been agreed upon by the house subcommittee which is handling the permanent tariff measure to be introduced at the extra session of the members of the emergency tariff, grease wool it was said today the wool schedule is fifteen cents.

## EIGHTEEN MEN GIVEN INDICTMENT

ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY INDICTMENTS ARE RETURNED.

All of the indictments are the Result Of a Second Investigation of the Throwing of World Series.

CHICAGO, Mar. 26.—One hundred and forty-four indictments, naming eighteen men were returned today by the county grand jury as a result of the second investigation into the alleged throwing of the 1919 world's series to Cincinnati by the Chicago White Sox. Eight separate indictments were returned against each person. Thirteen men indicted last fall were re-indicted and five others accused of taking part in the arranging of the conspiracy were named. They were Carl Zork and Ben Dranklin, of St. Louis; Ben and Louis Levi, said to be from Des Moines, and David Zeller, address unknown.

The prosecutors said that the evidence showed that Zork and Franklin had organized an alleged game-throwing plot, and that Joseph J. Sullivan handled the work in the east and Abe Attel was traveling agent.

## POLICE SEARCH FOR WOMAN

CHARLES FETTS COMMITS SUICIDE YESTERDAY.

Police Had Attempted to Question Him Regarding the Disappearance of His Wife.

SPOKANE, Mar. 26.—The police have searched the Spokane river for the body of Mrs. Charles Fets, whose husband shot and killed himself yesterday when the police sought to question him about the disappearance of his wife.

They were investigating the statement of Louise Gaudreau that she had been keeping company with Fets, who had declared that he was divorced.

A purse identified as Mrs. Fets' was found on the bank of the river today near the bridge.

## NATIONALISTS HAVE SUCCESS

ATHENS, Mar. 26.—Continued success against the Turkish nationalists is reported from Latak and the Bruce front, says an official statement. The Greeks are not encountering much resistance in the advance toward Esht-Shehr.

## EXHIBITION ANNOUNCED

Next Saturday evening has been set for the gymnasium exhibition to be given by the girls of the high school, under the direction of Miss Fay Armstrong. This is the first indoor exhibition which has thus far been given, and as 175 girls are to take part in the program, much interest is being manifested by the girls and their friends.

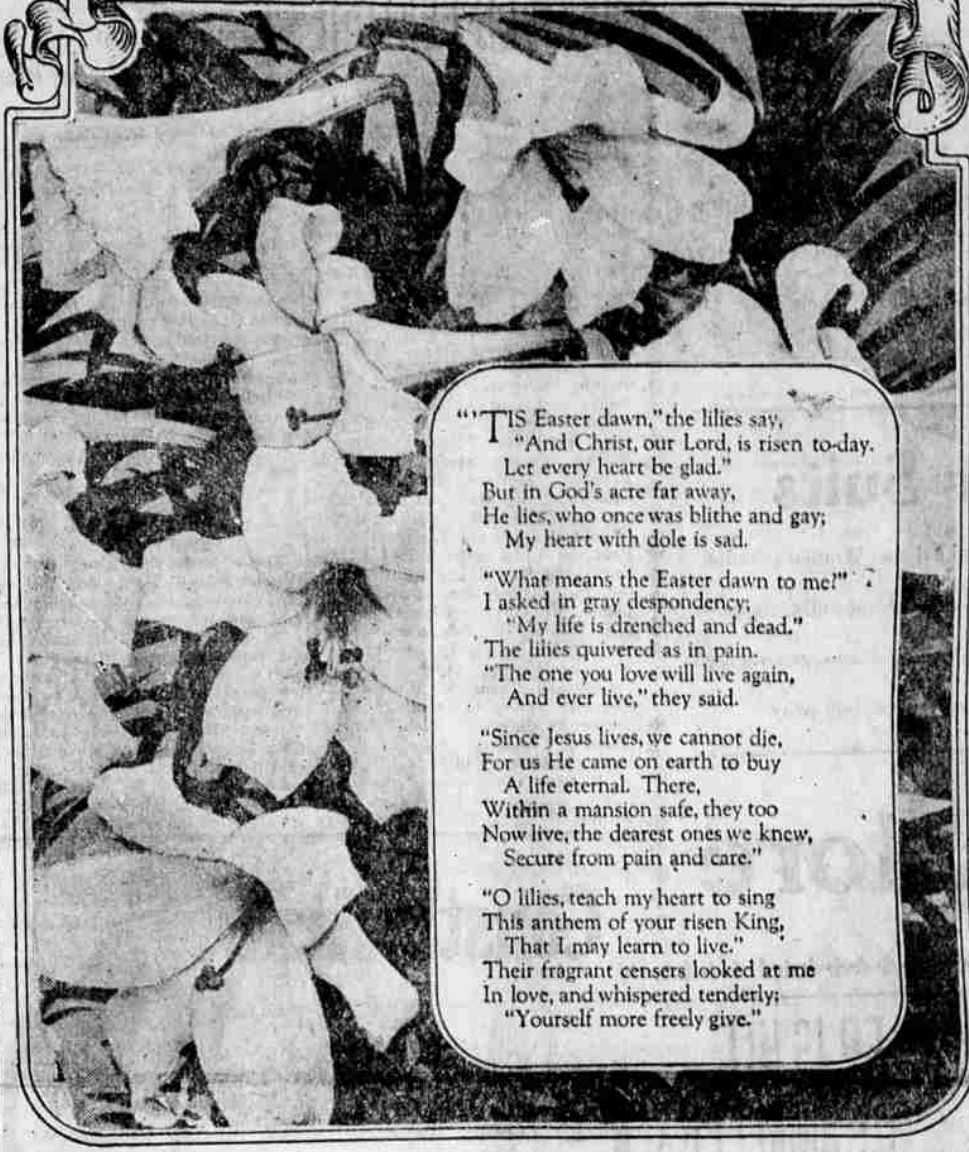
Because of the limited seating capacity of the high school gymnasium, it has been arranged to leave tickets at one of the downtown drug stores, the place to be selected later, and the parents and friends of the girls may call for them there. Although the exhibition will be invitational in a way, still, everyone who is interested may attend, providing they call for a ticket before they are all gone. No admission charge is to be made, and the date of the placing of the tickets will be announced later.

Returns From Sanitarium—

Melvin Barker, who has been at the Hot Lake Sanitarium for the past two months, has returned home much improved in health.

## Easter Dawn

Photo by Underwood & Underwood



"TIS Easter dawn," the lilies say,  
"And Christ, our Lord, is risen to-day.  
Let every heart be glad."  
But in God's acre far away,  
He lies, who once was blithe and gay;  
My heart with dole is sad.

"What means the Easter dawn to me?"  
I asked in gray despondency;  
"My life is drenched and dead."  
The lilies quivered as in pain.  
"The one you love will live again,  
And ever live," they said.

"Since Jesus lives, we cannot die,  
For us He came on earth to buy  
A life eternal. There,  
Within a mansion safe, they too  
Now live, the dearest ones we knew,  
Secure from pain and care."

"O lilies, teach my heart to sing  
This anthem of your risen King,  
That I may learn to live."  
Their fragrant censers looked at me  
In love, and whispered tenderly:  
"Yourself more freely give."

## UNIVERSITY GIRLS TO SING AT EASTER SERVICES LOCAL CHURCH TOMORROW

### DECLARES YOUNG RUST PLANNED HIS OWN KIDNAPPING

TACOMA, Mar. 26.—Hugh Van Amburgh, twice decorated for bravery in the world war, declared as a witness today in his trial for the alleged kidnapping of Arthur Rust on February 1, that young Rust plotted his own kidnapping to get money from his father. Arthur Rust testified yesterday that he did not know Van Amburgh.

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### HOMESEEKERS' RATES GRANTED

EASTERN OREGON IS IN FAVORED CLASS.

Excursion Rates Announced By Union Pacific System Not Effective For Western Oregon.

Eastern Oregon is favored by the new homeseeekers' rates of a fare and a third for round trip tickets, announced by the Union Pacific system yesterday. The rates will be effective for the first and third Tuesdays of every month from April to October from the following points: Genoa, Portland, Omaha, St. Joseph, Leavenworth and Kansas City. They are effective only to points east of Sherman, Oregon, which cuts off the entire section west of the Cascades as well as the large portion lying between Sherman and the ridge including the country around The Dalles.

The rates are effective on the branch lines as well as the main line points. The branch lines include the Bend branch, which runs south from the main line at Sherman.

Other points to which the rates are effective include all Idaho points, including points along the Snake River branch, all Washington points, excepting between Portland and Seattle.

All the churches of La Grande plan to take in large classes at the services tomorrow morning, Easter Day. Several of the churches are planning special services and at the evening services in all of the churches soloists from the University of Oregon's girls' glee club will favor the congregation with vocal solos.

The Episcopal church has been preparing for many weeks for its special services and the recently organized boys' vested choir of twenty voices will take an important part in the services, this being its first appearance at an occasion of such moment. At the Presbyterian church the boys' vested choir will also take an important part in the services.

The Baptist church has planned a special program for the occasion and the M. E. church will have a special Sunday school program in the evening.

Business houses, as well as the churches, have been preparing for Easter during the past week. Easter finery has played a prominent part in the department store decorations, while a large Easter appeal on their wares, drug stores, book-stores and hardware stores, have used rabbits and hares of numerous breeds to decorate their windows. And they have proved a drawing card, especially for the youngsters.

The celebration of Easter today is somewhat different from that in ancient times, when the church took eight days for the Easter festival. Modern progress has left little more than the last day of the Easter festival although the churches still hold special services during the week.

There are those who think that determining the day is something mysterious. It is always the first Sunday after the first full moon after the close of winter, March 21, which was the beginning of the old church year. So the moon is to be blamed for having the day come at such different dates.

### CO-OPERATION IS DIRECTED

SALEM, Mar. 26.—Mayor Hal- verson has directed the city engineer to co-operate with Portland and about eight other Oregon cities in demanding a telephone rate re-

### ALLEGED "SHADOW" IS EXAMINED BY THE PORTLAND OFFICERS

PORTLAND, Mar. 26.—Herbert Johnstone, accused as the Olympia blackmailer, was examined here today while enroute from Los Angeles. He denied that he was "Shadow," but admitted that he was in Portland while "Shadow" was operating, and got his idea for his Olympia operations from reading about "Shadow's" work, said the officers.

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### SENDING HELP TO COMMUNISTS

HALLE, Saxony, Mar. 26.—Aided workmen from Halle and Vienna are moving toward Mansfield and Eisenach to reinforce the communists who after many hours of fighting, were driven from Eisenach by the security police. Fugitives from Eisenach are reorganizing on the hills.

Sporadic Fighting Continues.

BERLIN, Mar. 26.—Twenty rioters were killed when the security police in Eisenach repulsed an attack on the Eisenach city hall last night. Two police were killed and three wounded. Sporadic fighting was reported today at Hettstedt and Mansfeld.

### "V" CELEBRATION FOR TONIGHT CALLED OFF

Because of the inclement weather the downtown "celebration" which was to have marked the close of the V. M. C. A. campaign for funds, has been cancelled. It was intended to put on a parade and gymnastic exhibition in the business section, ending in Corvallis.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Jacobson left for Corvallis on Thursday evening where they will spend several days visiting with their daughter, Miss Rose, and all then leave for Seattle where they will spend a few days with another daughter.

## PETITIONS CIRCULATE FOR RECALL

RALLY WILL BE HELD IN PORTLAND ON APRIL 20.

Fred A. Williams of Public Service Commission Is Only Member Who Can Be Recalled At Present.

PORTLAND, Mar. 26.—Petitions for the recall of the public service commissioner Fred A. Williams, were put in circulation today. The recall committee has announced a rally to be held at the Portland auditorium on April 20. It is expected that delegations from the cities where the recall movement has been endorsed, will be in attendance. Williams is the only member subject to recall, as the others have not been in office for six months under their present terms.

## VIOLATE GRAIN STANDARDS ACT

SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE MAKES FINDINGS PUBLIC.

Act Provides For No Penalty, But Secretary Is Authorized to Publish His Findings.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 26.—More violations of Section 5 of the United States grain standards act are disclosed in recent findings of the secretary of agriculture who is charged with administration of the act. While in such cases the act provides no penalty, the secretary of agriculture is authorized to publish his findings.

The firm of Cope & Kearney, Omaha, Neb., during August and September, 1920, received on consignment for sale at Omaha, among others, 41 cars of corn, wheat and oats. When the grain had been inspected and graded by the licensed inspectors, pan tickets showing the grade as well as certain of the grading factors were issued to accompany the samples to the trading floor. Subsequent to their issuance alterations were made by Mr. Kearney in these pan tickets to show bushel, moisture content or percentage of dockage. These alterations resulted in indicating a better quality of grain than that actually determined by the licensed inspectors, and the grain was then sold under this false and misleading description on the basis of those pan tickets.

## TRACTOR ROLLS OVER ON STREET

VERN JENNINGS HAS A MIRACULOUS ESCAPE.

Accident Happened at End of Pavement On Adams Avenue—Steering Wheel Came Off.

Vern Jennings was rambling along at a 20-mile an hour gait along Adams avenue with a Fordson tractor this morning. When he came to the end of the pavement he just kept rambling. The steering wheel came off, the tractor turned sideways, and Vern got considerably tangled up with his Fordson.

Someone who saw the machine and traced its course after the accident, stated that Jennings had a mighty miraculous escape. He walked to the hospital and all the doctors could find wrong with him was some cuts and bruises.

### HOME BURNS WHILE THREE FIRE ENGINES ARE STUCK IN MUD

PORTLAND, Mar. 26.—While three fire engines were stuck in the mud, the home of Theodore Beribry was burned early today. The loss is \$5,000.

## PORTLAND HAS POLICE WORK

PORTLAND, Mar. 26.—The sale of a soft drink store was blown and \$1000 taken last night. The sale of the Portland Manufacturing company was also blown and \$2 taken. Burglars stole \$1000 worth of goods from a residence, and a man was held up.

### WEATHER FORECAST

Tonight and Monday, fair; light to moderate frost in the morning.

## TEACHERS HOLD SPRING MEETING

ADMINISTRATORS HERE FROM SECTIONS OF EASTERN OREGON.

PROGRAM INCLUDES SEVERAL LOCAL MEN

Superintendent Hampton, of La Grande, One of Principal Speakers at This Afternoon's Session; Tells of Methods Worked Out in La Grande Schools.

The afternoon session of the superintendents and principals club of Eastern Oregon, which is holding its spring meeting in the LaGrande high school today, was opened by an address on "Making the Course of Study Function," by A. C. Hampton, superintendent of the La Grande schools.

In his address Mr. Hampton discussed the course of study from the standpoint of making the course as a whole function throughout the schools. "The duty of those responsible for the administration and supervision of school work is to make the whole course function as a unit," he declared. "We must give the student the content of the subjects he is taught before he can be expected to teach methods of using the information."

Time Division Vital.

The proper division of time to be devoted to the different subjects is one of the most vital questions confronting the school administrator today in order to achieve this end. Teachers of special subjects, Mr. Hampton pointed out, such as music, penmanship, manual training, domestic arts and physical training, contend for as much time for their particular subjects as they can get.

Mr. Hampton explained in detail the manner of working out the division of time used in the LaGrande schools. This division was worked out through the co-operation of the various departments and an effort was made to have all the teachers see their particular grade or department in its relation to the course of study as a whole.

He emphasized the fact that the whole teaching corps must see the program in this perspective and the danger to the pupils if the teachers of particular grades and particular departments see their work from a narrow point of view.

Tests Important.

One of the most essential features in working out a course of study is a proper system of tests and examinations conducted by the administration. In this way, Mr. Hampton is able to keep the work in the same grades standard and uniform throughout the course. Whenever a grade teacher finishes the work of teaching certain divisions of a subject, Mr. Hampton gives the pupils in that grade an examination before they are allowed to take up the next branch. Every effort is made to keep the progress of the different classes of the same grades advanced to about the same degree at all times in the many subjects taught.

Should Review Work.

In any course of study it is essential that the teachers review the work of the preceding grade before taking up the work as outlined in the course in which she is working. Thus the teacher will not take up the more advanced work until the pupils are ready for it, he said.

One of the features that proved of interest to the large number of out-of-town administrators was Mr. Hampton's explanation of the visitation and conference system in force in the local schools. Teachers' conferences are held everywhere but in the local schools a system has been worked out whereby the conference is preceded by visits to classes in the particular subjects under discussion and the good derived by the teachers is multiplied manyfold. In choosing the classes to be visited the strongest teacher in that particular subject and grade is chosen and the other teachers attend the class and immediately after the conference in held. This system has been of much benefit to the teachers in their work here during the past three months and the standard of the schools will be increased materially, Mr. Hampton believes.

Many Speakers.

At the morning meeting, Superintendent Prentiss Brown, of Baker, discussed "Mental Tests," and Superintendent H. R. Benjamin, of Umatilla, spoke on "Measurements of Teaching." A discussion of

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