

INDIAN TRIBE IS VANISHING

DALLAS, Tex., June 9. (AP)—Deep in the piney woods of East Texas lives a people who have come down from the dim antiquity of early America. They are the Alabama Indians, an isolated, orphan tribe.

Strange to the ways of modern life and virtually without the protection of the Great White Father at Washington, they are rapidly going the way of the vanishing race. Through a century, poverty and struggle have been their lot, but ever a gentle people, they have uttered no complaint.

Their condition has been brought to the attention of congress by Representative Briggs, of Texas, who asked \$125,000 to provide them with land, livestock and equipment.

Live Strange Life

In the heart of the woods they live a strange and detached life. When De Soto sought the city of gold in America's wilds, the Alabamas even then were an ancient nation. Two of De Soto's chroniclers mention them. In the early part of the eighteenth century, the Fenced In Village, and there what is now Alabama and became their fast friends. The Indians, driven by approaching civilization and a desire for more hunting ground, appeared in Texas early in the nineteenth century. They built Fenced In Village, and there one of their greatest white friends, General Sam Houston, found them in 1854. Through his influence, the Texas legislature gave them two sections of land which they occupy to this day.

They live in what is called "The Village" in the southwestern corner of Polk county. Selected for hunting purposes, the land is not adapted to agriculture, and since the game is almost gone, their livelihood is scant. General Houston advised them to remain in Texas, as when the government offered to remove them to a reservation, they declined.

250 Left

The tribe today numbers about 250. Inter-marriage and lack of medical knowledge have weakened them. They have few modern implements and know little about scientific agriculture. Among themselves they speak only the musical Alabama tongue. It is against their policy for the women to speak English, but the children are learning the language rapidly.

They do not mingle with whites socially and are virtually unnoticed by evil authorities. Divorces are unknown. They have only two punishments for crime, banishment and death, but these have not been used in a generation.

The tribe's principal link with civilization is a church and school conducted by missionaries supported by the Southern Presbyterian church.

The Indians adopted American clothes some years back. Their houses are log and frame, built by themselves. The village is really a collection of small houses in the woods, without streets, birds, animals, and trees are the community's chief interests.

WALLOWA PERSONALS

WALLOWA, Ore. (Special)—A number of sheep owners in this section of the country have been busy the past week shearing their sheep. H. C. Hearn of Middle Valley is shearing for Ed Glenn.

Mrs. Meek and sons visited with E. H. Roberts and family, of Enterprise, Sunday.

Oscar Maxwell, of Middle Valley, was in the hills the latter part of the week putting out squirrel poison. Farmers are finding the squirrels easier to control, as many of the old ones are holding up and good results in killing off the young have been secured with poisoned grain.

George Cusins and F. H. Shorrock moved a part of their stock to range in the Powwatha section the first of the week. They report the grass good on the ranges in that section.

The grand lama of Tibet has issued a ukase forbidding further attempts to reach the summit of Mount Everest, because of the death of native porters on former expeditions.

Ireland is minting her own coins for the first time in one hundred years. The first Irish coins were struck by Danish kings in the 10th century.

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COVE PERSONALS

COVE, (Special)—Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Price and daughter, Leona Nolda, who have been at Crane, Oregon for the past year, arrived at Cove last week to spend the summer vacation here. With them are Mr. Price's father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Price, of Roseburg, who will also spend the summer here.

Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Richardson, of Pendleton, spent the week end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Laird.

Mrs. Nellie Marton, of the telephone office, had as her guests over the week end her nephew and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Martin, of Los Angeles, Cal. They had been visiting at Meridian, Idaho, at the home of Mrs. Martin's mother, Mrs. Klink. Mrs. Klink was accompanying them as far as Seattle on their return trip to California.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Orton and Mrs. Mae Kelly and F. B. Kelly left Sunday for a two weeks vacation in the Rogue River country.

Mrs. Melissa Ege, who has been visiting for the past month with two brothers, Byford and Charles Nelson, at Hood River returned to her home here last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Peck, of Imbler, spent Sunday at Cove.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Stearns, Miss Mae Stearns, Miss Mabel Doty and Mrs. Vera Wattenburg, all of La Grande, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Lay Sunday.

Mrs. E. Wardell and son, Bert, and, who have been spending the past six weeks at Medford, returned home a few days ago.

Mrs. T. C. Harty will entertain her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Underwood, and brother and sister, Cal and Ida Underwood during the summer months. The party left their home in Grand Valley, Colorado Monday morning and are expected to arrive here the last of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Ross and daughter, Connie, of Union, were



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By WILLIAMS

WHEAT IS HIT NEAR WALLOWA

WALLOWA, Ore., June 9. (Special)—Crop conditions have been given a severe setback over the county by the recent hard frozes, which have been followed by dry weather and cold winds. Much of the moisture has been sapped from the soil. Winter wheat fields in many parts of the country show considerable damage. Spots in practically all fields are frozen, and the grain on the thin soils are showing signs of burning, and are badly in need of rain. Spring sown grain where it was not too badly frozen has made a satisfactory growth during the past few days. Spring crops do not appear to be in need of moisture at this time, but with the warm, dry weather will soon suffer unless rain comes. At a number of places in the valley section spring crops were so badly frozen that some fields are being worked up. Farmers feel that where the crop was too badly frozen that it will not pay to let the crop go for the small yield



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which it would make. All hay crops are short for this season of the year, and the first cuttings will be very light.

Gardens in all parts of the country have made a good growth recently as, much of the stuff was not up at the time of the freeze.

SEPARATOR EXPLODES

WALLOWA, Ore., June 9. (Special)—J. H. Williams, who lives a few miles east of here reports a peculiar incident. Recently while

he was separating milk at his farm his separator exploded, the cause at which he is unable to explain. The bowl of the separator was thrown out of the machine and broken into pieces.

A seaplane will be used by large whaling companies for the first time in history when the season opens next winter in northern waters. The seaplane will go ahead of the fleet and signal when it spots a "blow."

St. Luke's Episcopal church, known as "The Old Brick Church" at Chickadee, Virginia, built in 1632, is the oldest building of English construction still standing in America.

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She is that eager, but not very bright, little woman who, "my dear, doesn't ever read advertisements." Who doesn't know what to buy, or where to buy it, or what to pay for it. Who doesn't know values and can't compare them. Who doesn't know that when a new style, or a new convenience, or a new anything arrives, one sees it first in the advertisements.

One really gets a little vexed with her—

But, let's not waste too much time on her. It's about time for you, dear lady, to have your daily look through the advertisements.

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