

### Spring Seeding Near Completion In Wallowa Co.

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WALLOWA Ore. (Special) — With spring seeding operations nearing completion on many of the farms in this community, the attention of a number of the larger farmers is being turned to the plowing of large tracts of summerfallow. A considerable amount of summerfallow in the hill sections has been turned under during the past week or ten days. Reports from the most of the farms indicate that the soil contains plenty of moisture to make plowing good. Weather conditions during the past two or three weeks have been favorable for the start of much of the weeds on the ground and a large crop of them was killed with the first working of the ground. Much of the recently seeded grain is beginning to come up and in most instances the stand gives promise of being quite even. A large part of the spring grain seeding here this season consists of barley and oats, with much of it being of new types of grain which have been tested out in small plots during the past several years and have been proved to be well adapted to conditions here. Previous to these recent tests many of the farmers in the dry sections of the county were rather disgusted with trials at growing other grain crops than wheat and for a number of years much of the hill farming consisted of winter wheat alone. However, since the introduction of some of these latest types of barley and oats the spring grain crop is gradually returning to a number of the farms and in many instances yields received have been highly satisfactory. The fields, which were plowed last fall for seeding this spring, have been worked into excellent condition and are said to be holding the moisture in fine shape.

A considerable amount of early garden planting has been done during the past week or two and some who are planning on planting potatoes are busy getting their ground into shape for planting as soon as possible. No reports are heard of where any large patches of potatoes are being planted in this community this season, however, many of the farmers who usually plant for one to three acres each year say they expect to plant about the usual amount. Pasture conditions in the hills are fine and all classes of stock are fattening up rapidly. Irrigated pastures have been slow in getting well started during the cool weather.

The present season appears to be a very favorable one for the silver black fox farm which is operated here by H. W. Waddell. Many litters of pups ranging from three to six pups each have been born at the farm during the past few weeks. Some of the first arrivals are large enough to begin coming out of their dens at this time. Lyle Waddell reported 90 pups the last of the week and also reports that prospects are good for at least a few more litters. Several local people are joint owners in the stock of the farm as well as a few from out of the county.

Several farmers of this end of the valley report the loss of a considerable number of young pigs during recent weeks from various causes. In some instances the loss of the entire litter has been suffered. L. V. Lathrop reports he recently had two sows lose their litters at Roy Gastin, reports the loss of nine pigs several days old from getting into another pen during the night and being crushed by a sow. There continues a rather good demand for weaner pigs in this section. A number of lots of pigs have been purchased recently by local farmers at around \$5 per head.

A considerable amount of activity is being evidenced in the chick raising business at many of the farms. During the past few weeks a few shipments of chicks from outside points have been received here and home hatching with incubators and pens is still going forward at this time. Reports from many who have been attempting the raising of chicks indicate that rather poor luck has been experienced in most cases.

Miss Bethel Fieshman completed a very successful term of school in district No. 40 May 7, and left for her home at La Grande the last of the week. Miss Fieshman has been hired to teach the same school again during the coming year.

John Bales, of Leap, has been getting his land ready for seeding to spring grain. He is farming the Bruce Fisher farm in that community.

Giles Place was busy the latter part of the week planting potatoes at his farm in the Leap section.

Oscar Maxwell of Middle valley has been at the U. O. Cough farm in the Leap section during the past week getting some ground in shape for seeding to spring grain. He has something like 300 acres of summerfallow to plow at the farm this spring and expects to commence work on it soon.

Clark Scott is herding cattle in the Whiskey creek section.

L. W. Mince and wife and H. C. Hearing and wife drove to Mud creek Sunday to look over things at Mr. Hearing's new farm which he traded for there recently.

Mrs. John Couch, of Leap, was a visitor in town the latter part of the week.

Mrs. Kate Gastin and son, Ray, and Mrs. T. M. Gastin and Mrs. Mina Litchfield and two children, visited with relatives at Lathrop Sunday.

Dee and Irvin Gastin were visiting at the Meek home in Leap Sunday.

Clifford Landis of Lostine has been working for A. W. Hearing of Leap during the past couple of weeks.

Roy Gastin was in town the latter part of the week getting a shipment of soy corn, which he expects to start planting during the coming week.

Frank Meadows and family, of Whiskey creek, were visiting friends in town Sunday.

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### Public - Owned Utilities Aim Of La Follette

MADISON, Wis. (AP) — A five-point program for public ownership and operation of public utilities in Wisconsin has been set in motion by the state legislature under the guiding hand of young Gov. Philip La Follette.

One of the main planks in the Progressive-Republican campaign last year, the power program has been probably the most controversial subject during the legislative session. It may be carried to completion in five years.

One measure in the program would permit the state to go into the light, heat and power business. The measure must be approved by the next legislature and at a referendum before it becomes effective.

It would raise bond limit.

A second resolution seeks a constitutional change to permit municipalities to bond themselves in excess of five per cent of their assessed valuation in order to purchase public utility property. This resolution needs only approval at a referendum. The five per cent bonding limit has in many instances been the barrier to municipally-owned plants.

Sponsored by Sen. O. S. Loomis, one of the young progressives in the upper house, a bill permitting the creation of power districts has been passed and signed by the governor. It will permit municipalities to connect their utility plants to gain the advantages of mass production.

Open Way To Competition.

For almost a quarter-century, Wisconsin private utilities have been immune from competition, it has been charged, because of the indeterminate operating permits granted them by the state.

A bill now before the senate, however, would permit municipalities to enter into competition with private utilities. The measure is regarded as a club to enforce fair rates and efficient service.

The fifth measure in the progressive program establishes a state power corporation which would encourage public operation of utilities and provide a comprehensive, statewide program for the production and distribution of light, heat and power. This bill is pending.

### Over Night News

(By The Associated Press)

Washington — Hoover says 150 public works projects with total cost of \$120,213,900 have been begun in the last three months.

Austin, Tex. — House says the business depression, not prohibition, will be outstanding issue in 1932 presidential campaign.

Washington — La Follette and Walsh of Montana in radio speeches stress economic conditions as issue in 1932 campaign; Hastings, speaking for regular Republicans, says Democrats will offer only destructive criticism.

Chicago — Harry Rutter, described by police as a member of the Capone gang, found shot dead near Cicero.

Washington — Brookhart says he has widest spread support for his suggestion to enter a progressive in the 1932 presidential race.

Baltimore — Major General Butler uses a dozen cuss words in unlicensed radio speech.

Foreign

Madrid — Attorney General Galarrza says government will seek to indict former King Alfonso for anti-Spanish refugees from riot scenes.

Niabo Bay, Kurile Islands — Yoshihara is forced back after taking off on way to United States from Tokyo.

### Rifle - Makers' Methods Solve Drilling Task

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — The science of boring a rifle barrel has been long held in automobile engine construction—roads for supplying oil under pressure to the wrist pins.

Half a dozen advantages claimed as a result of the development by Pratt & Whitney company of a new high-speed machine tool for this purpose.

Through economic advantages in manufacture the machine is said to bring pressure oiling within reach of motor cars in every price class.

"Rifle drilled rods" are said to reduce the tendency of wrist-pin knocks and the danger of rod breakage and pin failure. The objective of pressure oiling is to increase the life of the auto by more complete lubrication. Cheap, per complete lubrication. Drilling hole holes in metal has always presented difficulties, for the ordinary tool breaks, clogs or runs out through the side of the work. To meet this problem in rifle manufacture the Pratt & Whitney company

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then and there, in tuberculosis of the lungs whatever surgical procedure is followed is not designed to remove the diseased part, but rather to assist the body in better mustering its defense forces against the tuberculous process.

There are several different operations performed in the treatment of tuberculosis of the lungs. Which ever one is chosen depends upon the condition of the patient and the stage and form of his disease.

But no matter which operation is performed its ultimate objective is primarily to secure added rest for the lung affected and to help the body's inherent healing process.

REST IN TUBERCULOSIS

It is easy to rest a broken arm. It is hard to rest the body as a whole, and without some form or other of surgical help it is almost impossible to rest the lungs appreciably.

Of course, when a tuberculous patient is at rest in bed his breathing will be less active and more shallow than when he is up and about.

A certain amount of lung rest is, therefore, achieved by physical inactivity.

But in certain forms of the disease, this amount of lung rest is not enough. Other attempts need to be made in order to quiet the lungs further.

Some of these attempts are of a

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ANN ARBOR, Mich. (AP) — It is scientifically good form now to call even a whisper "noise." If you feel that way about it.

The word is defined scientifically for the first time by the Acoustical Society of America, which decides: "Noise is any undesired sound."

This is one of 160 definitions of acoustical terms made by a committee appointed by the society in 1929 to standardize the words. Dr. F. A. Preststone, of the University of Michigan, is chairman of the committee.

### TINY JACKETS ADOPT PARIS NIGHT DRESSES

PARIS (AP) — The vogue for jackets has spread to nightrobes. The newest night dresses of chiffon or flowered crepe have tiny waistlength jackets to match.

Some of them are sleeveless, while others have long flowing sleeves. All are elaborately trimmed with double ruffles matching the fabric of ivory tinted lace.

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