

Raskopf to Hold Night Classes At Imbler Soon

By Mrs. Ray Wilson (Observer Correspondent)

IMBLER (Special)—Ben Raskopf, agricultural instructor in Imbler high school, announces that he will hold evening classes, beginning early in January but the date of the first meeting has not been set. The subject for discussion this year is "Hog Production." Mr. Raskopf has sent out a questionnaire to farmers requesting suggestions for practical problems on this subject and the response, he says, indicates much interest and good attendance.

In addition to Mr. Raskopf's instructions and the usual round table discussions, in which all growers are expected to contribute valuable points, there will be experts in attendance at some of the meetings from experiment stations. The president of the union stock yards of Portland will probably send an expert to one of the meetings to give valuable advice on marketing. Mr. Avery and Mr. Donaldson, agricultural agents of Union and Willamette counties, will also assist, and all who are interested are invited to attend.

One of the many objectives for which the F. P. A. strives is to secure membership in the Pleasant Grove grange for at least five of their members. At the grange meeting held last week four F. P. A. boys were initiated—Lloyd, Scholander, Max Voss, Garth Bull, Ralph Prinsell. Other Imbler high school students initiated at this meeting were June Prinsell, Marjorie Woodell, Gale Bull, Elva Lewis, Harry Johnson, of the faculty, also joined.

The F. P. A. Rifle club received its target last week. The attendance at the weekly shoot held last Sunday forenoon was very large and included many adults who manifested much interest. The boys who successfully passed the "pro-market-man" test Sunday morning are: Lloyd Redman, Elton Prinsell, Keith Redman, Max Voss, Scholander, Lloyd, Dick Howell, Oliver Hardy, Dick Howell was high point winner with a 46 out of a possible 50.

The Christmas program given by the Imbler school in Wade hall Wednesday afternoon was well attended. The girls' glee club, composed of Betty Crocker, Marjorie Howell, Ruth Conklin, Donna Watson and Mera Wilson, opened the program by singing "Jingle Bells" after which the audience joined them in a repetition of the song. Other numbers were: Recitation, Elton Voss; song by glee club, "Child of Bethlehem"; playlet with vocal numbers by first and second grades, reading, Alvin Bushman; recitation, Ruth Hale; three-act playlet, Ruth Conklin, Marjorie Perry, Rita Hudson, Miss Graybeal; reading, Elva Redman; skit, "Santa and the Boys"; Thos. Kirkham and Elmer Perry; reading, Bernice Fowler; three-act playlet, Donna Watson, Mera Wilson, Dorothy Pratt, Parnell Skilling, Keith Pratt, Carl Westerkow; recitation, Neil Martin; harmonica stunts, Ben Raskopf.

The third, fourth and fifth grades on account of the large number of students, were unable to find a play with parts for all. Their teacher, Vergilia Bond, composed a play, very "Christmasy," with brownies, fairies and elves mingling with little children around a gaily decorated tree. Then came Santa and the toys—human toys enacting their parts with the most exact mechanical precision. The brownies were a great help in winding them up and guiding them about. There was the hula hula dancer, the big mechanical doll, the great funny looking dog, the army drummer boy, the policeman and the prisoner, more dancing toys, a funny looking four-legged creature that no one could name and a multitude of other toys

that would run beautifully every time the brownies wound them up. The combined effect of the scenery, beautiful costumes, clever make-up and artistic staging actually transported this skeptical audience of "grown-ups" to this land of make-believe, where only fairies and brownies and little children dwell and made them feel it was very, very real and lots and lots of fun.

The first and second grade students were under the direction of Mervel Andrew and the seventh and eighth grades were directed by Maurice West.

Announcers for the program were Berta Lloyd and Richard Wilson. Teachers have announced their holiday plans as follows:

Miss Mervel Andrew will spend the Christmas holidays at her home in La Grande. Vergilia Bond in her home at Haines; Supp. J. W. King and Mrs. King will remain in Imbler; Maurice West at his home in La Grande; Charlotte Cannon in Imbler and La Grande; Ben Raskopf and Harry Johnson plan on a trip to Portland and probably other northwest points.

The F. P. A. awarded the prize to Harland Pratt for having the best essay submitted in their contest. The subject was "Phases of F. P. A. Work." The award was made during the afternoon in the program Wednesday afternoon. The F. P. A. in order to better weigh values in community leadership and achievement of farmers in this vicinity, contributing to the general good and the advancement of our agriculture, have recorded the individual progress of each farmer as announced last Wednesday afternoon in Wade hall. The activities and achievements they judged are varied and include outstanding work in community leadership, participation in Grange affairs, weed control, increase in crop yields, etc. The winners this year are James Woodell and N. E. West, and each year the winners' names will be engraved on a large silver cup.

No Session Of Exchange Today In Oregon Mart

PORTLAND, Dec. 26 (P)—Conditions within the butter trade locally while the undertone throughout the country appears rather dull.

With no session of the produce exchange for the weekend, quotations remained more or less nominal. On the open market a like condition prevailed. There appeared little keenness in the demand while offerings were generally liberal.

Butter is showing the chief ease with no premiums available locally.

There remains a very quiet trading tone generally in the market for eggs. This applies to the local trade as well as to the country generally. Mild weather is a bearish influence.

Slightly better feeling is apparent generally in the market for live stock, as along the wholesale way but quotations in general are little changed. Light receipts have been an aid recently.

In the market for country killed meats, practically a steady tone was shown at the weekend although general trade conditions clearly reflected the after-holiday tone. Prices were unchanged.

Local private messages from abroad fail to indicate the slightest betterment in the general apple market. Native stock has held steady on the market much later than usual which has affected the sale of foreign fruit.

Practically a lifeless tone is showing in the market for potatoes. Prevailing low prices in the country generally appear no inducement to force sales. Country and holding about steady in jobbing markets but slow in the country because of the high prices asked at the source.

Because of sheer quality Roseburg cauliflower has captured the local trade and has practically forced wholesalers to quit bringing in California. Local stock's quality is practically absent.

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 26 (P)—Cattle 1971, calves 74 for week. Trade appeared more or less dull in early week, but without change in general price list. High medium to good steers were \$5.50 to \$6.25 generally, with a few selections \$6.25 to \$6.50. Heifers were generally \$5.75 for calves with a few head selling up to \$6.00. Bulk was around \$4.75 to \$5.25. Vealers and calves continued scarce with sales ranging \$3.00 to \$7.50.

Hogs 4269 for week. The market started under more or less pressure with 100 generally clipped off extreme top for butcher classes. Strong weight and heavy sorts were around \$4.25 to \$5.00, while packing sows were \$3.50 to \$4.00. Slaughter pigs sold at \$4.50, with a few at \$5.00. Feeders sold \$4.00 to \$4.25.

Sheep 1352 for week. Trading was around \$4.50 top for good to choice sorts in the lamb sellers, with heavyweights hitting a low around \$4.00. Thoroughbreds were down as far as \$2.00. Yearling and ewe offerings were scarce.

EAST SIDE MARKET

PORTLAND, Dec. 26 (P)—It was the morning after Christmas and there was scarcely sufficient offerings on the east side farmers' wholesale market to establish prices. And if there were there were insufficient buyers to place quotations on a firm basis. All prices are continued on a nominal basis.

PORTLAND PRODUCE

PORTLAND, Dec. 26 (P)—Butter, butterfat, eggs, live poultry, country meats, mohair, nuts, casars, bark, hops, onions, potatoes, wool and hay quotations unchanged.

SUGAR AND FLOUR

PORTLAND, Dec. 26 (P)—Sugar—cane, granulated \$4.45 per 100 lbs. beet \$4.30.

Domestic flour—selling price delivered: patent 48s \$5.00; do 58s \$5.40; bakers' bluestem \$5.20; soft white flour \$5.10 to \$5.30; whole wheat \$4.80 to \$5.00; Graham \$4.50 to \$4.80; rye \$5.70 to \$5.90.

Outlook Better For Northwest Grain Growers

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 26 (P)—Optimism characterizes a year-end statement on the outlook for the wheat grower in 1932 issued today by Henry W. Collins, vice president in charge of the Pacific coast division of Farmers National Grain corporation, national co-operative sales agency. The statement follows:

"Although world wheat prices have advanced from recent record low prices, the more recent foreign exchange fluctuations and the disturbed financial conditions in this country and abroad have again reduced prices, although not to the low point previously reached. It would seem, however, that the fact that grain prices have not declined more in the face of such conditions augurs well for commodity values."

Brighter Export Outlook

"Sentiment with respect to conditions prevailing in connection with wheat has changed considerably. Whereas a few months ago many were pointing to large stocks of wheat in all countries, especially in Russia, there is now the belief that stocks are less in the exporting countries than the conception of the United States and Canada, and that the quantity of wheat in Russia and Argentina is so much below standard that it is reasonable to expect continued demand from importing countries for the high grade wheat held in North America."

"Many authorities are also calling attention to the prospect for a smaller crop next year in the United States and Canada. In the American winter wheat states where a bumper crop was harvested last year, conditions are less satisfactory than they have been in many years and all indications point to a greatly reduced crop. Due partly to unfavorable weather conditions, acreage of fall sown wheat has been greatly reduced in the United States. The December government report on winter wheat acreage is the fourth lowest ever given since 1870, and moisture conditions in the spring wheat area are also poor."

Northwest Price Higher

"In the Pacific northwest, it is noticeable that this year the price of wheat has been several cents above Chicago, whereas the normal spread is several cents below Chicago. The improvement in local price is due to the reduction in the wheat surplus which usually exists on this coast. The carryover on July 1 was much less than had been anticipated and same supplemented by a very short crop in Oregon, Washington and Idaho had an immediate effect on the price. The recent sale of 15,000,000 bushels of wheat for food relief in China and the crop failure in California necessitating large shipments to that state, have reduced stocks of wheat in the Pacific northwest to the lowest quantity known in many years."

Prospects Bright

"As a result of the improved price of wheat in the local market and with very favorable weather conditions prevailing, prospects might be termed to be bright for the 1932 crop in the inland Empire. Generous rains in the wheat belt and exceptionally heavy snowfall in the mountains present ideal conditions today. It is generally believed that heavy snows in the water sheds are conducive to rain in this territory in the spring and to a prevention of hot winds such as that which ruined the bright crop prospect which existed before last harvest."

"One point I would like to emphasize particularly. That is the necessity for conservative acreage and limited production on the part of growers in order to maintain the present favorable supply situation and the consequent price advantage."

SILVER QUIET

NEW YORK, Dec. 26 (P)—Bar silver quiet and unchanged at 50 1/2c.

WALL STREET MART CLOSED FOR WEEKEND

NEW YORK, Dec. 26 (P)—Security and commodity markets were closed today but the banks were open. Exchange will resume business on Monday.

Dividend changes this week were fewer than a week ago, says Standard Statistics company. Due probably to the holiday. Unfavorable changes numbered 66 in comparison with 62 the week before. Forty-six payments were reduced and 6 were passed. There were 40 favorable changes against 45 the previous week. Thirty extra dividends were voted.

November orders received by the furniture industry reached a new low for the depression, according to Feldman & Feldman, certified public accountants. New business last month fell 23 per cent below October and 32 per cent below November, 1930. Unfilled orders on November 30 represented approximately eleven days production for the industry under present schedules.

Wall street is looking for many changes in brokerage firms at the end of the year. The number of dissolutions, mergers and new partnerships is expected to reach a rather large total.

Structural steel awards in the past week in October, reported the magazine "Steel." The chief item was a 16,000 ton contract for the Pittsburgh post office.

WOOL MARKET

BOSTON, Dec. 26 (P)—The Commercial Bulletin of Boston said today: "The wool market is largely marking time at the moment. Prices are fairly steady throughout the list and quarter-hourly combing wools which have moved moderately have been very firm in price."

"The foreign markets mostly are closed for the holiday period. River plate markets, however, have made offerings this week on a somewhat lower basis."

In the west, there is some placing of winter loans with 50 cents per head as the basis of operations, this price being varied more or less according to the sheep and the locality.

The piecemeal market is generally dull, although there is some interest

reported in dress goods.

Mohair is slow of sale and difficult to move. Some combing of kid hair for woolsens is reported.

The Bulletin published the following quotations:

Scored hays:

Oregon—Fine and f. m. staple 54-56; fine and f. m. Pr. combing 50-52; fine and f. m. clothing 45-47; valley No. 1, 45-50.

Mohair—Domestic, good original Texas spring, 22-23; good, original Texas kid, 45; Arizona and New Mexico, 19-20; Oregon 20-21.

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If you forgot to send a card to someone for Christmas then you will wish a clever New Year's card for them. You will find a nice line of New Year's cards which express just the sentiment that you wish, at Richardson's Art and Gift Shop. 12-26-1

Funeral services for our departed brother, James Moss, will be held Sunday at one o'clock at the M. E. Church. Interment will be at Sunnyside. All Old Fellows and Rebekahs are requested to be present.

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CITY OF LA GRANDE CALL FOR BIDS FOR FIRE EQUIPMENT

Sealed bids will be received by the Commissioner of the City of La Grande, Oregon, for furnishing 500-gallon pumper, booster equipment, according to specifications furnished without cost by applying for same to C. T. Lindsey, fire chief, La Grande, Oregon.

Bids will be received to the hour of 5 p. m. on the 4th day of January, 1932, at the office of City Recorder, and considered by the City Commission at its regular meeting held on the 6th day of January, 1932.

Commission reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

By order of commission, Dec. 23, 1931.

WAS THE PICTURE NICE?

Now is the time to have your Christmas Pictures framed before they get soiled and damaged. Have them correctly done at Richardson's Art and Gift Shop. 12-26-1

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the Stockholders of the United States National Bank will be held in their banking house in La Grande Oregon on Tues. Jan. 12th at 10:00 a. m.

At this meeting a Board of Directors will be elected for the ensuing year, and any other business transacted that may properly come before the meeting.

L. H. BRAMWELL, Cashier. Dec. 11-18-25, Jan. 4-11

STOCKHOLDERS ANNUAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the Stockholders of La Grande National Bank will be held at their banking house in La Grande, Oregon, on Tuesday, January 12th, 1932, at ten o'clock a. m. At this meeting a Board of Directors will be elected to serve for the year 1932 and such other business will be transacted as may be properly offered.

H. E. COOLIDGE, Cashier. 12-11-1

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR UNION COUNTY

LA GRANDE NATIONAL BANK, a corporation, Plaintiff,

vs.

E. A. WILLIS and LUCY B. WILLIS, Defendants.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that under and by virtue of a writ of execution in foreclosing duly and regularly issued by the Clerk of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Union County dated the 9th day of December, 1931, in that certain suit in the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Union, wherein La Grande National Bank, a corporation, is plaintiff and E. A. Willis and Lucy B. Willis are defendants, and wherein La Grande National Bank, as plaintiff, recovered judgment and decree against the said E. A. Willis and Lucy B. Willis and each of them, in the sum of \$4500.00, with interest thereon at the rate of eight per cent per annum from the 30th day of October, 1930, until paid, the further sum of \$350.00 as attorney's fees, and for its costs and disbursements herein incurred, taxed in

the sum of \$1650, which said judgment and decree provides that the said sum of money constitute a valid and subsisting lien against the hereinafter described real property, with the appurtenances, superior to any claim of the said defendants, or either of them, upon said property, and further provides that said property be sold to satisfy said judgment, attorney's fees and accruing costs for which said judgment and decree was duly given, made and entered on November 30th, 1931.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to said execution, I will, on Tuesday the 12th day of January, 1932, at the front door of the Union County Court house in the City of La Grande, Union County, Oregon, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash in hand, the following described property, situated in the county of Union, state of Oregon, and particularly described as follows, to-wit:

The North half of the South-west and the North half of the Southeast quarter of Section 17, Township 1, South, Range 58, E. W. M. The Southwest quarter of the Southeast quarter of Section 34, Township 1, South, Range 58, and East half of the Northeast quarter of Section 3, Township 2, South, Range 59, and East one-half of Southeast quarter of Section 7, Township 2, South, Range 59, E. W. M. containing 360 acres, more or less.

or so much thereof as may be necessary to satisfy said judgment and decree, together with the costs which have accrued or may accrue under and by virtue of said execution.

Dated at La Grande, Union County, Oregon, this 12th day of December, 1931.

ROBERT S. EAKIN, Attorney for Plaintiff.

JESSE BRESHEARS, Sheriff of Union County, Oregon. Dec. 12-18-25, Jan. 2-9

CITY TREASURER'S CALL FOR PAYMENT

CITY OF LA GRANDE

IMPROVEMENT BONDS

Notice is hereby given that the treasurer of the City of La Grande, Oregon, at the office of the said city treasurer, in the City of La Grande, Oregon, will, on January 2nd, 1932, redeem City of La Grande improvement bonds numbered from number 48 to number 122, inclusive, dated January 2nd, 1934 and payable January 2nd, 1934, payment being optional with the City of La Grande after January 2nd, 1933.

Interest will cease on the above described bonds on January 2nd, 1932. Dated at La Grande, Oregon, December 12, 1931.

J. E. STARNES, Recorder-Treasurer, City of La Grande, Oregon. Dec. 12-18-25

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF MULTNOMAH

STATE OF OREGON, for the use and benefit of Albert Pagan and Joseph Gasman, Plaintiffs,

vs.

AMERICAN SURETY COMPANY OF NEW YORK, a Corporation, and J. W. Sweeney and Fred Speth, (whose true name is Fred Speth), individuals, and as co-partners doing business under the firm name and style of J. W. Sweeney Construction Company, Defendants.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that under the date of September 28th, 1931, a judgment was duly entered by the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Multnomah in a certain action then pending in said Court and in which said action the State of Oregon, for the use and benefit of Albert Pagan and Joseph Gasman, Plaintiffs and Respondents, and did then and there recover judgment against American Surety Company of New York, a corporation, and J. W. Sweeney and Fred Speth, (whose true name is Fred Speth), individuals, and as co-partners doing business under the firm name and style of J. W. Sweeney Construction Company and their surety, The United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company, Defendants and Appellants, for the sum of Four Thousand One Hundred Twenty-eight and 71/100 Dollars (\$4128.71) with interest thereon at the rate of 6 per cent per annum from the 28th day of August, 1927, and the further sum of Seven Hundred Fifty and 00/100 Dollars (\$750.00) with interest thereon at the rate of 6 per cent per annum from the 16th day of June, 1930; and the further sum of One Hundred Thirty-five and 50/100 (Current Court costs) Dollars (\$135.50) with interest thereon at the rate of 6 per cent per annum from the 16th day of June, 1930; and the further sum of Ninety-three and 75/100 (Supreme Court costs) Dollars (\$93.75) with int. at the rate of 6% per annum from Sept. 28, 1931, costs and disbursements, which judgment was transcribed, enrolled and docketed in the Clerk's office of said Court, in said County, on the 29th day of September, 1931, and which said judgment was duly and regularly entered, transcribed, enrolled and docketed in the Judgment Lien Docket of Union County, State of Oregon, on October 1, 1931.

AND FURTHER, that a Notice of Subrogation by the American Surety Company of New York, a corporation, was filed in the office of the County Clerk of Multnomah County, Oregon, on September 28th, 1931, and that a Notice of Subrogation by the American Surety Company, a corporation of New York was filed in the office of the County Clerk of Union County, Oregon, on October 1st, 1931, and execution was issued out of office of the County Clerk of the State of Oregon, to-wit:

Beginning at a point Forty (40) feet south of the Northwest corner of Block seventeen (17) in Coggan's Addition to La Grande, Union County, Oregon, thence running East ninety-five (95) feet; thence South Forty (40) feet; thence West ninety-five

(95) feet; thence North forty (40) feet to place of beginning. The Northwest 10 feet of Lot 26 and all of Lots 27 and 28, Block 105, Chaplin's Addition to La Grande, Union County, Oregon.

Lots 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, and 8, Block 86, Chaplin's Addition to La Grande, Union County, Oregon.

The East 70 feet of Lots 10, 11, and 12, and the East 70 feet of the North 10 feet, Lot 9, Block 4, Wisdom's Addition to La Grande, Union County, Oregon.

The North 48 feet of Lot numbered three (3) and the South 8 feet of Lot numbered four (4) in Block numbered fourteen (14) of Grandy's Addition to the town of La Grande, Union County, Oregon.

Said property to be in separate tracts and parcels and as much thereof as may be necessary for the purpose of satisfying said judgment in full and as hereinbefore described. That the proceeds of the said sale be applied first to the payment of the costs and expenses thereof and then to the payment of the said judgment as set forth herein.

Dated at La Grande, Oregon, this 25th day of November, 1931.

JESSE BRESHEARS, Sheriff, Union County, Oregon.

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