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\$15 per acre. The Boise district being larger the cost per acre will be about \$8.75 per acre. It is an axiom of such work that the larger the district the lower the cost per acre to drain the lands.

"In conclusion let me say that we are very anxious that this smaller district be put thru along the right lines so that it may serve as an object lesson to other lands in the state which may now or will in the future require drainage."

The directors of the Malheur district are John Weaver, Berwick Wood, Thomas Claggett. C. R. Emission is the secretary of the district.

During this hot weather when we have nothing to do but to work let us figure on your printing. Every rancher and farmer needs and should have some good letter heads and envelopes. He can have them with his name printed on them and the name of his ranch or business for what it will cost to buy the same quantity and quality of paper in the tablet form. Tell us who you are and what you want. The Argus will print it. That is our business.

Sheep shipments are heavy from this section. A train of 24 carloads of spring lambs, drawn by two engines, passed through town Sunday afternoon from Smiths Ferry. The shipment consisted of approximately 17,000 head, and is the property of the VanDeusen Bros. This firm had previously shipped eight carloads this season. Lambs are quoted at \$11 per hundred pounds.

Walter Little has shipped three carloads, Sam Little will ship seven carloads this week and Andy Little is preparing to ship out 20 carloads in the near future.—Emmett Index.

WITH PULPIT AND PEW

UNITED PRESBYTERIAN.
Bible school at 10 a. m. Preaching by the pastor at 11 a. m. The union preaching service will be held here at 8 p. m.

W. N. BROWN, Pastor.

CONGREGATIONAL.
The Rev. F. L. Cook, pastor of the Christian church of Vale, will in the absence of the pastor, Rev. Philip Koenig, occupy the pulpit of the Congregational church on Sunday morning, August 20 and 27 at 11 o'clock.

The Congregation will join with the other evangelical churches in the regular union services in the evening.

REV. PHILIP KOENIG, Pastor.

BAPTIST
One has not found himself until he has found Christ.

A religion that is good enough for the week day will do for Sunday.

The heart is not a fit place to put grudges in.

A smile never wears out if it is worn pleasantly, and it is always in good style.

When I read that Jesus was only a carpenter from Nazareth, I became convinced that there is no honest calling too humble for me, nor in which I may not honor His name.

The greatest gift that a man can give to the world is a life. This life can only be great as we get above the trivial things of this world. We learn that the disciples after the ascension of their Lord into heaven, went to "The Upper Room." This will be the topic for next Sunday morning service. This address will be of special interest to every Christian. A cordial invitation is extended to one and all to attend this service.

Union service in the evening at the Presbyterian church.

D. E. BAKER, Pastor.

ALFALFA WEEVIL REACHES IDAHO IRRIGATION DISTRICT

Washington, D. C. Aug. 16.—The alfalfa weevil is spreading in a way which makes it possible that sooner or later every section of the country will have to consider the problem of guarding against this pest. During the 12 years since the weevil was introduced into America it has been confined to the limits of the Great Basin of the West, but it has been found this year by the bureau of entomology at Malta, McCammon, Pocatello and Blackfoot, Idaho, all well within the Snake river drainage system and at Duchesne, Utah, in the Colorado river system, which, like that of the Snake, slopes to the Pacific. Within the Great Basin the weevil has spread as far south as Richfield into the alfalfa fields of Central Utah.

The insect, in spreading across the continental divide, department entomologists say, is to be regarded merely as passing a convenient landmark rather than as surmounting a barrier, for experience has not shown that it spreads faster along rivers than across mountain ranges. Nevertheless, it is now miles nearer to important alfalfa-growing districts, which have hitherto felt safe from its attack.

A description of the alfalfa weevil and methods of combating its ravages are contained in a new publication of the United States department of agriculture, Farmers' Bulletin 741. In Utah and in small portions of Idaho and Wyoming, where it now exists, it has caused at times a loss of 50 per cent of the first cutting of alfalfa and a total loss of the second cutting.

In order that farmers in those sections in which the weevil has not yet appeared may be able to recognize the pest and to protect their crops from it, the bulletin contains details of its habits and of its appearance in the various life stages. The weevil is discovered most easily in the form of the full grown larva. It is then a green wormlike creature, one-fourth of an inch long with a black head and a faint white stripe down the middle of the back. It feeds upon the leaves of alfalfa mainly during late May, June and early July and may be found by sweeping the tops of the plants with an insect net or by looking for the notches in the leaves where it has fed. When the larvae are numerous they destroy most of the tender growth and cause the tops to appear white, making the field look as if frostbitten, when viewed from a distance.

The adult insect is an oval brown beetle three-sixteenths of an inch long with a prominent snout. Its color frequently is nearly black. This beetle is harder to discover than the larva, but, on the other hand, it is present in the field the whole year around. In winter it can be found by digging about the crowns and roots of alfalfa plants.

The alfalfa weevil does not hibernate definitely. When the weather is cool the adults are quiet, but with warmer temperatures they quickly resume their activities Egg-laying begins in early Spring and is usually ended by June 10. One efficacious method of controlling the pest, therefore, is to destroy the eggs by pasturing the first crop up to that time. A similar result may be obtained by cutting the alfalfa green and feeding it as a soiling crop.

If this is not done the larvae hatch in large numbers about the last week of May or earlier and eat the alfalfa leaves so rapidly that the plant is unable to outgrow the injury. To protect the crop, pasturing, as has been said, is effective in the early part of the season.

If the weevils are not killed early in the year they may be destroyed after the first crop has been removed by getting rid of all the vegetation in the field, crushing the clods and filling the cracks so as to expose the entire surface to the sun. This is best done by covering the field with

a dust mulch, the dust being an additional means of killing weevils. Success obviously depends upon doing the work when the ground is dry and the weather warm and bright.

The second crop may also be protected by spraying the stubble. Spraying may also be resorted to in the spring. From 50 to 100 gallons per acre of a mixture of arsenite of zinc and water in the proportion of four pounds of powder to 100 gallons are used for the purpose.

Up to the present, however, more farmers are concerned with preventing the alfalfa weevil reaching their fields than they are with controlling it in them. No one knows exactly how the weevils spread, but certain facts in regard to this matter have been ascertained.

It is known, for example, that the insects are often found in green alfalfa fresh from the field and in second-crop hay and among potatoes which have been in contact with it. They are found also in cured alfalfa hay, especially that of the second cutting. Potatoes often are hauled in cars upon a bedding of green alfalfa hay and there is danger that the weevil may be transported in this way. On the other hand, however, there is no evidence to show that the weevil spreads more rapidly along railroads than elsewhere.

NEW SCHEME FOR KILLING RABBITS.

Fred Rayson, a member of the Northwest Redmond Improvement club, has been experimenting with poisoned stakes for the destruction of rabbits. He took 150 small pine stakes, boiled them in an ounce of strychnine and stuck them around where they would do the most good. In five nights he killed 500 rabbits.

He uses an ounce of strychnine, a teaspoonful of soda, a pint of vinegar, a quart of water and enough salt to make a thick paste. The total expense of this formula was 90 cents. At a five cent bounty his kill would have cost the county \$25.—Redmond Spokesman.

PARENT TEACHERS CIRCLE LOSE LEADER

Mrs. Will Roberts Succeeds Mrs. Tom Lowe in Executive Office.

Owyhee, Ore., Aug. 16.—The members of the Parent Teacher Circles in Malheur county will be sorry to learn that Mrs. Tom Lowe will not be with them in the work this year. She is to be away from home.

Mrs. Lowe has been one of the strongest workers for Parent Teacher Circles and Boys and Girls Industrial clubs in this part of the state. It required faithful work and time before the first Parent Teacher Circle was permanently organized and affiliated with the state association. The work is now progressing rapidly and the state board has appointed Mrs. Will Roberts of White Settlement to continue the work. This is an excellent choice, since Mrs. Roberts and Mrs. Lowe find their ideas along progressive educational lines are very much the same, both standing firm for a well attended Parent Teacher circle in every district. This will greatly help all good schools and be the salvation of poor ones especially in rural districts.

NEVER SAW RANGE BETTER.

The range is said to be better than it has for years. In many places the tall bunch grass reminds one of the good old days when everybody owned everything in sight. In those days grass was aid for it was free and as abundant as salvation. And so today is like yesterday of 40 year's ago. Blue Mountain Eagle.

EIGHTH GRADE EXAMINATIONS.

Eighth grade examinations will be held throughout the county August 31 and September 1, 1916. Applications for questions should be in the hands of the school superintendent within the next ten days.

FAY CLARK, County Superintendent of Schools.

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