

AMALGAMATED SUGAR COMPANY WOULD REVIVE BEET RAISING

FIELD SUPERINTENDENT INDICATES THAT COMPANY IS READY TO CONSIDER CONTRACTING 1,000 ACRES OF BEETS HERE

UTAH PRICES FIXED FOR SEASON

Rancher Asked to Prepare Ground and Cultivate With Machinery—Company Absorbs Part of Freight, Furnishes Seed and Labor

With a proposition to plant at least 1000 acres to sugar beets officials of the Amalgamated Sugar Company will visit this section of Malheur county as soon as the roads permit reasonable travel.

Frank J. Armour, field superintendent of the company with headquarters at Weiser was in Ontario last Saturday to further investigate the situation and to confer with local men.

As he outlined the situation the company will absorb a portion of the freight rate on beets from this section to the company's plant at Paul, Idaho, and will furnish the seed to the growers, as well as give to the growers the benefit of expert agriculturists in growing the beets.

The rancher under the terms of the contract will prepare the ground and plant the seed and cultivate the beets with cultivators. If he cannot furnish the additional labor for thinning and topping the beets the company will furnish this labor. A special plant for unloading the beets from wagons will be erected if the company secures sufficient contracts to warrant it, so that the rancher will not have to handle the product after leaving the farm.

Prices Fixed
An idea of the prices at which contracts will be let may be gained from the agreement reached at Salt Lake between the growers represented by the Utah State Farm Bureau and the company where, based on a price of \$7.90 for refined sugar the growers are to receive \$9.94 per ton for beets. Last year the price was \$12 per ton at the refinery.

Last year 1200 wagon loads of beets delivered to the company at Weiser for which the ranchers were paid \$9,000.

The company realizes, according to Mr. Armour that not every rancher is a successful sugar beet raiser, and also that not every ranch is suitable for this crop. Therefore the company will contract only for land that is suitable for the purposes and with the understanding that proper rotation of crops will be followed so that the industry will prosper year after year.

Those who have considered the matter here declare that the trouble experienced when first sugar beets were attempted in this section was due to inexperience on the part of everyone connected with the industry which was in its infancy. There has been marked progress made in the growth of sugar beets and it has spread throughout the north-west at a rapid rate.

Since many of the alfalfa fields of this region have been plowed up, it is the belief of some of those who have studied the situation that this is one way in which to put the land into profitable use.

LOCAL PERSONALS

Mrs. George Gilham has as a guest her brother Linton Carrigan of Pocatello.

Mrs. H. E. McCarty of Payette is visiting her mother, Mrs. Jacob Stroup.

Mrs. C. L. Donovan of Central City, Nebraska, who has been spending the winter in California came Thursday for a few days visit with Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Secoy. She left Monday for home.

Hon. P. J. Gallagher, accompanied by Mrs. Gallagher, returned from Salem Saturday.

Miss Louise Baker of Portland visited a day or two this week with her friend, Miss Urba Anderson.

Friends here have received word that Mrs. J. A. Walter of Long Beach, California, formerly of this city is critically ill with bronchial pneumonia with but slight hope of her recovery.

E. J. Barry is slightly improved. His daughters Mrs. L. H. Patton of Payette and Mrs. L. M. Caprou of the St. Paul neighborhood have been with him.

H. B. Paul has been enjoying a visit this week from his father who lives in Peoria, Illinois.

The Boys' second basket ball team played Huntington at Ontario last Friday night, resulting in a sweeping victory for Ontario.

The Girls' basket ball was defeated by the Vale Girls' team at Vale Tuesday night.

L. Stowell is remodeling his house and building on a modern kitchen.

Miss Rosalia Daws attended the Idaho University Glee Club banquet and dance at Payette, last Friday night.

CHINAMAN CLEANS UP RUBBISH ACCUMULATED MANY YEARS

"Twenty-five year job. Me gett' em all, now lottee cleaner, ha."

That was the exclamation that greeted Marshal H. C. Farmer when he visited the Chinese laundry on second street to see whether or not the promises of the new proprietor to clean-up his back yard was being kept.

John did not object to cleaning up but he did believe that he had been unkindly treated when he was called on to do work that should have been done years ago. Nevertheless John did the work. Load after load of rubbish was carted away and now the back yard of the Chinaman's place is spik and span.

HIGH SCHOOL SQUAWK IS NIFTY PUBLICATION

Student Editors and Business Managers Arrange For Monthly Issue of High School Journal—First Issue Sold Out

The O. H. S. Squawk, a monthly publication, the official organ of the Ontario High School Student Body, made its bow to public favor on Tuesday morning.

The publication was well patronized by the business men of the city, and was filled with interesting news stories of the High School events proving altogether worthy of the school. The staff of the Squawk include: Ruth McCulloch, editor-in-chief; Hugh Biggs, assistant editor; Martin Moore, business manager; Mitchell Moore, athletic; Alice Dorman, society; Ula Gramse, literary; Myrna Secoy, exchanges; Donald Parker, jokes. The class reporters; William Biggs, seniors; Mildred Copeland, juniors; Hope Cochran, sophomores and Edgar Fortier, freshmen. Miss Catherine Conway, faculty advisor passed on the work of the students.

GOING TO INVESTIGATE OREGON DAIRYMENS PLAN

At a meeting of the Farm Bureau's marketing committee it was determined to send a representative to investigate the plan of operators of the Oregon Dairymen's League, and to invite the Commercial Club to send a representative for the same purpose. The bureau will be represented by Peter Tensen of Nyssa while the Commercial Club will be represented by E. C. Van Pelt. They will leave here this afternoon and join a similar committee from Payette.

LOCAL PERSONALS

M. A. Patch of Riverdale was in Ontario Monday.

P. H. Harrison of Dead Ox Flat was in town Monday.

J. A. Schmidt returned Monday from a visit to his family at Stevenson, Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Blackaby visited Portland and Eugene this week.

Mrs. V. W. Brookover visited over Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Valeria Plughoff and family at Huntington, returning home Monday.

The Foreign Missionary Society of the M. E. church met with Mrs. Benson Wednesday.

Judge J. G. Lamberon is seriously ill at his home in this city.

Grandma Thomas who was reported ill last week is better.

Mrs. Helen Strothers of Boise was in Ontario the first of the week.

Mrs. Annie Jackson returned February 25th from a two month's stay with her sister, Mrs. Thomas Logan's children at Corvallis.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Hober Friday 24th, a daughter who has been given the name of Zena Mary.

Mrs. R. B. Thompson is ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ira Dall.

Mrs. Otis Mitchel of Weiser was in Ontario Tuesday on business.

Hugh Allen was a business visitor at Weiser last Friday.

Miss Lola Steen, of the local telephone office, spent Sunday at her home in Caldwell.

Nels Morgenson of Unity traded his stock ranch near Unity for an eighty acre ranch near Fruitland.

Dr. G. A. Pogue is still very poorly.

Roy Currey and family of Juntura were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Fiser.

Mrs. John Dunphy of Nampa is ill at the Nampa Hospital.

SHERIFF LOCATES CRUDE STILL ON DEAD OX FLAT

Sheriff Lee Noe located what is believed to be the crudest liquor manufacturing plant yet invented. The distillery was found in the dry-land section of Dead Ox Flat and consisted of a galvanized iron tank and pipes. Little mash or liquor were found. The operators of the still, Peter Keeny and Burrell Wilson, were apprehended. Wilson gave bail and Keeny was told to report later.

STATE FARM BUREAUS ADOPT SIMILAR PLAN

Advancement of Agricultural Interests of State Promoted by United Efforts of Farm Bureau's in All Section of Oregon

Practically all the county agents in Eastern Oregon have adopted work along the following lines: (1) Adoption of Grimm alfalfa, (2) Application of sulphur to alfalfa, (3) Silos, (4) Pest control, (5) Better livestock.

Many other plans were adopted in different counties. These are common, however, to most counties and are of fundamental importance from an economic standpoint.

For instance, there are more than 50,000 acres of alfalfa land the production of which may be increased from twenty to fifty per cent by the use of Grimm alfalfa.

There are 100,000 acres of alfalfa which will return a ton per acre for every dollar expended for sulphur or land plaster.

The cost of beef, wool and dairy production can be reduced from twenty to fifty per cent by feeding ensilage figuring the cost of ensilage production and feeding value in comparison with hay crops.

In some districts in certain counties pests, chiefly rabbits and ground squirrels, are destroying more range and crops than the livestock. The Klamath County Farm Bureau handled ten and one-half tons of poison last year for its members at a great reduction in cost. In some counties farm bureau members instead of purchasing livestock indiscriminately at public sales and from speculators, pool their orders and have members of the organization select stock desired.

With difficult financial situations facing the farmers these efficiency factors become more important than ever.

CAR HITS LITTLE GIRL WHEN SHE DARTS IN FRONT OF AUTO

Little Miss Naomi Braniff, eight years old, was slightly hurt last Friday when hit by an automobile driven by H. R. Udick in front of the Turner Music store. The little girl ran out from behind a wagon, not seeing the auto, and before Mr. Udick could get the car stopped one front wheel had passed over her leg. Mr. Udick applied the brakes about twenty feet from her, but the car went several feet by its own momentum. The little girl is not seriously injured and will be alright in a few days, although she had a narrow escape from serious injury.

FRUITLAND BENCH

A large number of the patrons of the Fruitland schools gathered Friday at the High School assembly room to listen to a splendid Washington program, two selections from each grade and High School. The numbers were unusually good and much enjoyed by the parents. Recreating the program a number of the Idaho University Glee Club came over and sang and played. The crowd was so large that three grades were dismissed so that the program was over when two grades were dismissed to that the other three could come in. Fruitland needs a new high school building and gymnasium.

Mrs. J. I. Lee was operated upon Monday morning for appendicitis at the Holy Rosary Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Urey have returned to Boise after visiting several weeks with Mrs. Urey's niece, Mrs. L. G. Hooley and family.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lewis returned Monday from Lostine Oregon where they went just after Christmas to spend their honeymoon. They will be at home on the Jay Lewis ranch one mile east of Fruitland. Mrs. Lewis was Miss Mabel Eldredge.

Mr. John Tagge who has been a guest at the Wm. Kauter home returned to his home in Grand Island, Nebraska.

N. E. Butcher of Lincoln, Nebraska who has been in the Payette Valley for several years is organizing the Fruit-growers Exchange. He has taken over the large packing houses of Denny & Co. at Fruitland and Effie. He will move his family here.

Miss Lulu Bayer and her house

OWYHEE SETTLERS REPUDIATE STORY OF McNARY RESISTANCE

In a communication to the Argus residents of the Owyhee district furnish very different account of the capture of William McNary than that presented in a Vale paper recently.

Many of the people on the Owyhee take exception to the account of their action as outlined in the news story declaring that they did all that could be done in calling the officials at Vale and assisting in subduing the drink-crazed man.

NEW ADMINISTRATION TAKES OFFICE FRIDAY

Washington Center of World Interest—Nations Await Inaugural Address To Gauge Foreign Policy—Champ Clark Passes

At Washington tomorrow Warren G. Harding of Ohio and Calvin Coolidge of Massachusetts will be inaugurated President and Vice President of the United States respectively.

That this event is of more than national importance is indicated by the fact that the council of the league of nations has withheld announcement as to its policy on mandates until after the inauguration, believing that in his inaugural address Mr. Harding will give a clew as to his foreign policy.

Aside from the inaugural, however, another event stirred Washington; it was the death of Champ Clark the venerable statesman from Missouri whose death closes one of the most picturesque of careers. For the past 24 years Champ Clark has been a national figure and only missed nomination to the presidency at the Baltimore convention in 1912 through the determined opposition of William Jennings Bryan. For eight years Mr. Clark was speaker of the House and for 16 years was democratic floor leader.

WINNER OF LOCAL CONTEST TO REPRESENT LOCAL SCHOOL

The girls of the sixth, seventh and eighth grades will hold a declamatory contest at the high school Friday evening, March fourth, beginning at seven thirty o'clock. The winner of this contest will represent our grade school in the county contest to be held at Vale.

Mildred Johnson, "Little Orphan Annie"; Lulu Wells, "Specially Jim"; Pauline Neal, "Little Boy Blue"; Sybil McDowell, "What Little Girl Says"; Estel Sagers, "Ma's Attie"; Eleanor Wood, "The Smack in School"; Lulu Hartfield, "Biddy's Trials Among the Yankies"; Hazel Rutherford, "Burglar Bill"; Marguerite Rieder, "The Usual Way."

An admission will be charged to pay expenses of our entry in the county contest. The program will include 9 speakers and music by the H. S. Orchestra and a solo by Miss Ruth Roberts.

LOCAL PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. John Norwood of Jamieson were in Ontario Monday.

Mrs. Mary E. Wilson of Fruitland is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Kitty Walker.

Mrs. J. I. Lee of New Plymouth underwent an operation for appendicitis at Holy Rosary Hospital Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Walker and children spent Sunday in Payette.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Boyer returned Monday from a business trip to Portland and other coast points.

Mrs. C. G. Pinney returned Tuesday from a few days visit in Boise with her daughter.

Mrs. J. S. Atherton of near Vale was operated on last week for appendicitis at Holy Rosary Hospital.

Mrs. A. Jaquish and daughter Pauline returned Thursday from Portland.

Mr. Craven, Pres. of P. L. S. Co. accompanied by his wife and daughter, passed through Ontario Friday returning to Portland from Crane.

Guest, Miss Haul, of Wyoming leave this week for Boise to do nursing stopping off here from Los Angeles for a week's visit at the Joe Bayer home.

The Frances Willard Union held a Silver Tea with Mrs. Gentry Walker last Thursday.

The Fruitland Amusement Club held a Box Social Friday night at Johnson's Hall. About \$60.00 were realized.

Warren Hubbell and family have moved to Fruitland from Ontario.

F. M. Goodman was a Boise visitor the week end.

Ed. Williams and son Lewis, Lafe and Schuyler Royston have gone to Canada.

Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Grover entertained at a Washington party Tuesday to which a number of guests were invited and enjoyed their hospitality.

Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Puchert had as their all day and dinner guests Wednesday of this week, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Colwell, Mrs. Taylor of Clinton, Ill., Mrs. Brocklehurst of California and Mrs. Nathan Todd of Payette.

PROPERTY OWNERS RESPONDING TO GENERAL CLEAN-UP EFFORT

NIGHT MARSHAL LANDS BO AFTER INTERESTING BOUT

Night Marshal Jack Gordon is wearing a black eye. Ernest Halley, a bo, is in the city' bastille with his countenance resembling the battle-field of the Marne. These are the results of a battle between the officer and the bo at the passenger station Tuesday night when Halley declined an invitation to spend the night in the jail instead of sleeping at the station. Halley resisted arrest and got in one blow at the marshal. Later he agreed to sign an armistice and hold a peace parley. Judge C. M. Stearns negotiated the peace. He handed Halley a \$15 fine which with the costs are being paid by a jail sentence.

IN BOTH BUSINESS AND RESIDENCE DISTRICTS BENEFICIAL RESULTS ARE NOTED THO THERE IS STILL MUCH TO BE DONE

NEW ORDINANCE IS PLANNED

Principal Source of Complaint Comes From Keeping of Cattle and Chickens Improperly—Sewer Connections Show Increase As Result of Publicity

That the city council's determination to enforce the health and sanitary ordinance is having its effect can be noted this week. Several of the most glaring examples of unsightly piles have been removed and others are being cared for.

Property owners took note last week of the announcement of the council's determination and without waiting for further action on the part of officials got busy and started to put their places in order.

Moore Makes Statement
"Not only will it not be necessary for the city council to request me to comply with the health regulation, but I will gladly comply with the orders and take the lead in such a work. If the city council declares that cattle and chickens cannot be kept in the city limits, I'll agree to that too. If anyone can point out where any of my property is not kept in a first class manner I will gladly see that it is," said T. H. Moore, in discussing the council's clean-up campaign and the story in last weeks Argus concerning same.

The property alluded to in that story, was not business property, but some lots on First street across from the old Carter barns. Mr. Moore declares that the delay in cleaning this piece of property was due to the fact that his team was busily engaged in hauling dirt from the excavation at the hotel corner and other work, but that he had ordered the work done on the Saturday prior to the order of the Council and was absent in Boise over the week end or it would have been attended to.

That he is not only not opposed to a cleaner and healthier city, but is willing, and has taken a lead in actually doing work of this kind Mr. Moore cites the fact that all of his buildings are connected with the sewerage systems, all are equipped with sanitary flush basins, vent pipes and other modern plumbing devices.

Playing No Favorites
Mayor W. H. Doolittle declares that the council has determined that no favorites will be played. Everyone will be required to comply with the law and that the health committee is to continue actively at work.

To see to it that the campaign is not to end with a sporadic effort the council has instructed Marshal H. C. Farmer to inspect the alleys of the city weekly.

LOCAL PERSONALS

Evelyn Gallagher who has been quite ill is reported improving.

Mrs. Floyd Hagar of Cambridge, Idaho who spent the week end here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. Adam, returned home Monday.

Ivan Oakes went to Portland Tuesday on a short business trip.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Billingsley returned Friday from an extended visit in California.

Mrs. Ray Wilson of Parma, Idaho, was an Ontario visitor Tuesday.

Mrs. Agnes Barnett who has been very ill at the home of her son and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Greig, is much better.

Mrs. H. E. Bills who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. Adam, left yesterday for her home in Portland.

Miss Maewold Ramsey who has been for the past two years stenographer in the law office of Brooke and Gallagher returned Sunday from Salem. Miss Ramsey left Tuesday for a few days visit with her sister, Mrs. Perry Marshall, of Boise, before going to Baker where she has accepted a position with Attorney Joseph Heilner.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bruner Monday, February 22.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Weese returned Sunday from Santa Ana California where they spent the winter.

Rev. Blom was in Weiser last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Brown are now occupying the house in the south part of town where Mr. and Mrs. Perry formerly lived.

Miss Merle Bingham entertained the Club Sewing Class Thursday evening.

month is for business only and the second meeting is the regular smoker. In the absence of Commander H. M. Brown, vice commander Wilmer Boyer presided at Monday night's meeting.