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PRIME HOGS WORTH \$20 PER HUNDRED

OTHER LIVESTOCK ADVANCES AT NORTH PORTLAND

PRICES RECORD FOR COAST

Steers Are Now At \$13.75 And Lambs Are Gambling at \$15.00 Per 100 Pounds

Live hogs at \$20 per hundred! Grass steers at \$13.75 and lambs at \$15 a hundred! These are Monday records for North Portland, and the end is not yet in sight, for the supply is not equal to the demand, and the war is yet on.

The advance in porkers was made easily, and was not looked for by the trade. It was a jump from \$19.50 and it was due to extreme shortage of supplies.

The packers are strong for meats of all grades and are free to admit that the prices will be passed on to the consumer at once, who is the individual who pays all advances, because, well just because there is no one else to pay them, and they must be paid.

SPRUCE CAMPS ARE ESSENTIAL TO WAR

Another great industry in the spruce camps used for getting out the material for the building of airplanes and America is leading in this enterprise also. And when our soldiers watch the thrilling contests of the air and see the enemy machines tumble to the earth, conquered, they will think with joy that the victorious duellist rides and fights successfully in a plane carved from the spruce trees of our great and grand state.

When we remember that the German submarine has been so successful in sinking ships at sea that we had only 30,000,000 tons of shipping in the world when this nation was thrust into this terrible war and was confronted with the most trying situation imaginable, and if America were to play an honorable part in the destruction of despotism, it was very essential to have ships to transport our soldiers and send supplies to our allies, who for three years have held the hellish Hun from our hearths, homes, and harbors. With the grit and go that makes this nation great, we took hold of the problem and it was not long before we added 100 new shipyards and tens of thousands of new workers. All the shipyards in our country subscribed their quotas to the Third Liberty Loan and to the Red Cross, and Y. M. C. A. and some yards have gone over the top nine times.

A few words concerning the Y. M. C. A. The breakfast given to 850 enlisted men at the great auditorium the "Y" took an active part and provided escorts to the camp and saw that each man was interviewed and every comfort extended and information given. They acted as a great, strong, loving father, mother, and the men soon forgot their homesickness; at any rate it was very much lessened by the practical sympathy and kindness of the Y. M. C. A. men. A nation that has 100,000,000 people who can break sacred home ties with such courage as is being manifested and work with a deathless conviction that the ideals we represent are worth living or dying for, cannot be defeated in a conflict between righteousness and unrighteousness and in all the Y. M. C. A. is largely responsible by their individual interest in the moral, social, and physical and mental interest in the soldiers and sailors.

Camp Lewis, where these 850 men are stationed, is the largest cantonment in America and has had as many as 50,000 men at one time. It covers 77,000 acres, it is 15 miles from Olympia, 17 from Tacoma, and 60 from Seattle, with excellent transportation facilities and the sanitation is perfect, and the arrangement of the buildings excellent. Men live in wood barracks and have individual cots, the capacity being 50,000 men. The "Y" covers every phase of the soldier's life and mothers and fathers can safely leave their sons in their hands.

W. S. S.

SHEPHERDS COMPLETE THEIR ORGANIZATION AUGUST 14

On August 14, a meeting of shepherds was held at Mitchell. An organization was effected and every shepherd present who was eligible became a member. The organization will be known as the "Wheeler County Sheepgrowers' Association" and any sheep man eligible to graze stock on the Ochoco National Forest may become a member.

The objects of the Association are primarily to work in cooperation with the Forest Service in the matter of range matters and to put themselves in a better position to market wool, lambs, etc., at a consistent and just figure.

Judge Henry D. Keys of Fossil was elected Secretary-Treasurer. Messrs. Donnelly, Blake, and Harpham represented the Forest Service at the meeting and report a good attendance with plenty of interest.

COAL MINES OFFER GREATEST ASSET

HAY CREEK DISTRICT SEEMS LARGE AND EASILY MINED

TRANSPORTATION IS PROBLEM

Many Thousands Of Acres Seem To Bear Coal Croppings—Only Eighteen Miles Away

The fact that there are perhaps many thousands of tons of first class coal within eighteen miles of Prineville, coal of a grade that costs from \$15 to \$25 per ton in the cities now is perhaps unknown to many of the residents of Prineville, yet it is very true, and an investigation that can be made in a few hours will convince anyone who takes the trouble that the coal is there and in large quantities.

This coal is found in a part of the country that has evidently escaped the effect of the hot lava and its attendant eruptions that covered much of the Central Oregon at one time, and is purely a sedimentary or squamous formation, in which the seams of coal shale can be seen for miles on the surface of the ground, and accompanying many or perhaps all of these, coal is to be found in some quantity.

Near the bottom of the ravines, where nature has, by the process of erosion, uncovered some of the deeper strata, coal of good quality may be found just beneath the grass roots, and at a depth of twenty feet, a blanket deposit of from four to seven feet thick is to be found.

The owners, the Thompson Coal Company, of which A. Thompson, who is well known in Prineville, is the head and controlling factor, have held the lands for years, and carried on development work to the extent that the quality of the coal and the size of the deposit is no longer in doubt.

That the mines will be operated in an extensive manner, and the product shipped to Prineville seems an early possibility, and thus commercial coal will be added to the already large diversity of Prineville's resources.

W. S. S.

THE FARM TRACTOR

The farm tractor has advanced from an experimental stage to the acknowledged necessity in less time than was required for the automobile to make the same advance.

This was made possible by war needs, and like many other conditions, will be immediately recognized by those who wish to keep abreast of the times and get the greatest benefit from their operations.

Tractors, like automobiles, are made in many models, some of them good and many of them very bad. An excellent opportunity is offered at the tractor show which will be held in Portland, September 5-6-7, for any farmer who is not already convinced to select the machine for his needs, and make his plans accordingly.

FAREWELL EXERCISES AT THE M. E. CHURCH

There will be a community farewell meeting at the M. E. church Sunday evening at 8 p. m., under the auspices of the Town Committee, in honor of the boys who are leaving for service in the U. S. Army.

A cordial invitation is extended to all patriotic citizens of the town and community to be present. An elaborate program has been arranged. Short talks, songs, and instrumental music will constitute the program.

FOREST SERVICE ASSISTING THE STOCK GROWERS

Grazing Examiner D. C. Ingram is now working with Ranger Congleton in the Paulina section.

On account of labor conditions, excess stock, abnormal season, etc., it has become necessary to adjust lines between sheep allotments considerably also to compensate sheepmen for loss of feed by excess of cattle drift by allotting some of the cattle range to sheep. In other words, an effort is being made to bring both sheep and cattle through the season in fair shape, even though conditions have been very abnormal. Messrs. Ingram and Congleton will give this work special attention.

WILL WINTER CATTLE HERE

Four Hundred Head Coming From Hampton Butte Ranches

Following the custom that has become popular among stockmen the past few years, a bunch of 400 head of cattle will be brought to the Ochoco Project lands during the early winter from Hampton, Oregon, by Elmer M. Peck and men associated with him, and will be wintered here.

BERRY PICKERS RETURN

Bob Hamilton and the Misses Iida and Lucile Cohrs returned the first of the week from the huckleberry patch. They report that huckleberries are unusually plentiful and that blackberries are very scarce. Heavy rains in the mountains are causing the berries to fall from the bushes.

WORK PROGRESSING ON MITCHELL ROAD

MEN AND TEAMS NEEDED FOR EARLY DUTY

TRUNK LINE WHEN FINISHED

The Survey Is Partly Completed And Preparations Have Been Made For Construction

The Ochoco Canyon Road is becoming a reality. Engineer T. M. Davis, who has been surveying different sections of the road during the past few weeks, has been assembling tools, camp equipment, etc., and all will soon be in readiness to handle a crew of men and teams.

The section to be built first is that portion between the Henry Koch ranch and the Ochoco Ranger Station. The new road will follow the base of the hill south of the creek and thus avoid the "doby" along the old road.

T. J. McCarty, who helped build the road already constructed, will be foreman in charge of the work. He is now in camp at Ochoco Ranger Station getting things in shape for busy times later.

It is hoped that as soon as men finish with harvesting of crops they will show Mr. McCarty how efficiently they can build roads.

This project is a deserving one since it will become a part of the main trunk line road between Prineville and Mitchell.

After this road is put in shape it is highly probable that a mail route will be established between the two points.

W. S. S.

Noris Bostwick, who has been employed with the Ochoco Irrigation District for several months, left Saturday morning for Washington, D. C., where he will enlist in the Engineers Corps. Mr. Bostwick expects to go to the Officers' Training Camp in Virginia.

THE FRENCH ADVANCE NINE MILES IN DRIVE SINCE LAST SATURDAY

BRITISH LAUNCH HEAVY DRIVE TODAY ON THE ENTIRE FRONT OF ANCRE AND SOMME

LONDON, AUG. 22.—British launched attack this morning on the whole front between the Ancre and Somme rivers. The Germans, after fruitlessly counter attacking positions gained yesterday by the British, north of Ancre, again launched heavy attack this morning.

PARIS, AUG. 21.—French have reached the Ailette river in their advance between Oise and Aisne rivers. This represents a nine mile advance since Saturday.

General Byng's Britishers struck

LITTLE GIRL DROWNED IN IRRIGATING CANAL

TWO-YEAR-OLD DAUGHTER OF CAROL COMPTON

WATER SHALLOW AND STILL

Had Fallen From Bridge When Playing Alone Into The Rye Grass Canal

The two-year-old baby daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carol Compton was drowned in the Rye Grass irrigation canal in this city yesterday afternoon.

The accident occurred just south of the L. D. Claypool residence, where the family resides, sometime during the afternoon, and the body of the little one was found floating in some eighteen inches of water a short distance below by friends who were searching the canal, about six o'clock.

The child had been playing in the front yard and about the house as usual during the day, and was missed near the middle of the afternoon by her mother, who immediately started a search for her. Neighbors were called in, and as they were unable to find the missing baby, others came until a large party was assembled looking into every possible place in the community where she might have gone.

As the search went on it became evident that she must have fallen into the canal, and it was searched for several blocks.

Finally the body was discovered floating in the water a short distance below a bridge, which is almost directly in front of the residence of the family. She had evidently fallen from the bridge into the shallow water, and was unable to get out because of her youth.

It was evident that the body had been lifeless for some time when discovered.

Funeral services will be held in this city this afternoon at the family residence.

ALL MEN OF 21 MUST REGISTER

THIS MEANS ALL MALE PERSONS, CITIZENS OR ALIENS

REGISTRATION DAY AUGUST 24

When, Where, and How All Men Twenty-one Years Old Since June 5 Absolutely Must Register

All male persons (citizens or aliens) born between June 6, 1897 and August 24, 1897, both dates inclusive, except officers and enlisted men of the regular army, navy, or marines in Federal service, and Officers' Reserve Corps, and enlisted men in Enlisted Reserve Corps while in active service, must register on Saturday, August 24, 1918, between 7 a. m. and 9 p. m.

Registration in this county will be made at the office of the local board having jurisdiction where person to be registered permanently resides, or other place designated by that local board.

Go in person on August 24 to the Court House in Prineville. If you expect to be absent from home on August 24, go at once to the office of the local board where you happen to be. Have your registration card filled out and certified. Mail it to the local board having jurisdiction where you permanently reside. Inclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope, with your registration card, for the return of your registration certificate. Failure to get this certificate may cause you serious inconvenience. You must mail your registration card in time to reach your home local board on August 24 if you are sick on August 24 and unable to present yourself in person, send some competent friend. The clerk may deputize him or her to prepare your card.

If you are in doubt as to what to do or where to register, consult your local board.

Failure to register is a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for one year. It may result in loss of valuable rights and privileges and immediate induction into military service.

Do not refuse this call for registration, which is only for men who have reached their 21st birthday since June 5, with the coming registration of men from 18 to 20, and from 32 to 45, inclusive, which will be held sometime early in September.

W. S. S.

SUGAR SITUATION GETTING SERIOUS

In order that the consuming public may understand the seriousness of the sugar situation and the great importance of strictly observing the Food Administrator's sugar regulations, Federal Food Administrator W. B. Ayer has directed attention to a "catechism" recently issued from Washington, D. C., and Mr. Ayer asks that every Oregon household give this careful consideration.

"The sugar shortage in the United States is real and not imaginary," said Mr. Ayer, "and the Food Administrator is endeavoring to secure a fair and equitable distribution. An allotment has been made for every state and any people buying in excess of their proper allowance or withholding any sugar above their immediate needs from the general supply, is simply profiting at the expense of others. It should be sufficiently clear to everyone by now that the adherence to the Food Administrator's regulations is necessary for the common good of all.

The "catechism" to which Mr. Ayer directs attention is as follows:

Hoarding

What is sugar hoarding? Having on hand more than is needed for a reasonable length of time. You should not fail to return any unused balance of sugar purchased for canning purposes.

May a household have a month's supply on hand?

This is not justifiable except in extreme cases where there are no stores available for purchase, and it should be done only on the advice of the Federal Food Administrator or his deputy.

What are the evil effects of hoarding?

It throws the distribution system out of joint it raises prices; it imposes a heavier burden upon those already doing their utmost; it results in waste where there are no proper facilities for storage; it discourages the honest.

What is the moral wrong of hoarding?

It is selfish, cowardly, and unpatriotic; it is, in fact, taking unto one's self special privileges at a time when all Americans should be on the same footing, share and share alike.

Is there any punishment for hoarding?

Yes. The Food Control Act provides fines of not more than \$5,000 and imprisonment for hoarding by dealers, manufacturers or householders.

TO IRRIGATE 30,000 ACRES NEAR MILLICAN

PLAN TO TAP EAST LAKE AND RECLAIM LANDS NOW ARID

INVOLVES TUNNEL TO CRATER

These Lands Have Every Requisite But Moisture To Make Fertile Farms Possible

P. B. Johnson of Millican is promoting a plan for the irrigation of about 30,000 acres of land in the Millican valley country, some of which comes to within twenty miles of this place, and will endeavor to form an irrigation district for that purpose.

Water will be had by a system which will use East Lake as a natural reservoir and draw on this storage for supply as it is needed for the fertile but now waterless land of this community.

In order to get the water to the valley it will be necessary to tunnel one and one-half miles through the mountains. It is estimated the tunneling and the laying of the ditches will cost approximately \$1,500,000. East Lake is about 2,000 feet higher than the Millican valley.

This valley is one of the most fertile valleys in Eastern Oregon, but on account of the lack of water, has been practically barren. By the application of water, it will become one of the greatest farming districts in this part of the country. The crops this season were practically burned up on account of insufficient rainfall. The climate is ideal for farming, and with the application of water it will become one of Eastern Oregon's greatest hay fields.

BURDICK ANNOUNCES CANDIDACY FOR SPEAKER

Denton G. Burdick of Redmond has announced his candidacy for the speakership at the coming legislature. Mr. Burdick has been practicing law in Redmond for several years and is also identified with banking interests.

He is chairman of the executive committee of the Oregon Irrigation Congress, and is prominently connected with the development of the North Unit Irrigation district, which contemplates the reclamation of more than 100,000 acres of the best land in Central Oregon.

Mr. Burdick was born in Michigan in 1891 and received his education at the University of Iowa.

He represents the 21st District, comprising Deschutes, Jefferson, Lake, Crook, Klamath and Grant counties.

REPORT HARNEY CROPS LIGHT

Drought and Grasshoppers Destroyed Much Hay—Irrigation Coming

Chas. Gulliford was in Prineville from Harney county Monday. Dry conditions and an unusual number of grasshoppers have made hay and pasture very short there this year he says, and as a result, stockmen have more difficulty than usual in getting through the winter.

The need for irrigation is being felt more every year there, and a plan for the creation of an irrigation district and storage of water is being considered in the Silvea river country.

GOVERNMENT ADVISES COLLEGE FOR YOUTHS

The War and Navy Departments have greatly simplified the problem for the young men who wish to know how best they can serve their country, by cutting off enlistments. The danger of the depletion of the source of trained men has been removed to a great extent, by the government taking men only as they need them.

The War Department suggests to young men of college age to "Go to college, work hard, and wait to be called when they are needed." This is not for the purpose of keeping young men out of the war as long as possible, but rather to keep them out until they are of an age and training to give better service and a higher grade of efficiency. The formation of the Students' Army Training Corps, is the Department's way of working out this problem. The corps will provide, under the direct supervision of Army officers, the maximum of military training that the student can absorb along with his other work. This is real conservation of the nation's brains.

On reaching the draft age, members of this corps will be placed automatically in Class G-D by the local draft board, and allowed to continue his college work and his training in the S. A. T. C. until he is called into active service by the department.

Six weeks during each summer the members of the S. A. T. C. go into an instruction camp. They are then considered on active service and receive the pay of privates during their time in camp.

Those wishing to join the Navy, it is learned from the War Department, will be released to that arm of the service and not compelled to serve in the army at the end of their period of college training.

CAPTURED HUN TANK REPAIRED BY FRENCH



The tank seen in this French official photograph was captured by the French in the recent heavy fighting on the western front. The tank was demolished by the heavy French gunfire and it took these crafty Frenchmen twelve days of work under enemy fire to put it in order again. The photograph shows the French crew which repaired the tank and which is operating it with great results against the enemy.

RAIN CHECKS HARVEST

A general rain is reported from all parts of the central Oregon country during the past week, which will do a great amount of good to the ranges, and relieve a water shortage in many instances, although delaying the hay and grain harvest.

Second crop Alfalfa is down in many places, and other fields will soon be ready to cut. Grain harvest is about half completed in the district. No damage is anticipated from the storm. Precipitation in Prineville totaled .23 inches.

MRS BELKNAP AND MRS WIGLE ENTERTAIN

Mrs. H. P. Belknap and Mrs. John Wigle entertained the Shumla Club at the home of the former yesterday afternoon.

Guests of honor were Mrs. Douthitt of The Dalles, Mrs. Simpson of Los Angeles, Mrs. J. Wesley Smith of Woodland, Washington, Mrs. Forbes of Bend, and the Misses Gesner.

Refreshments of ice cream and cookies were served. Short toasts and a musical program were features of the afternoon.