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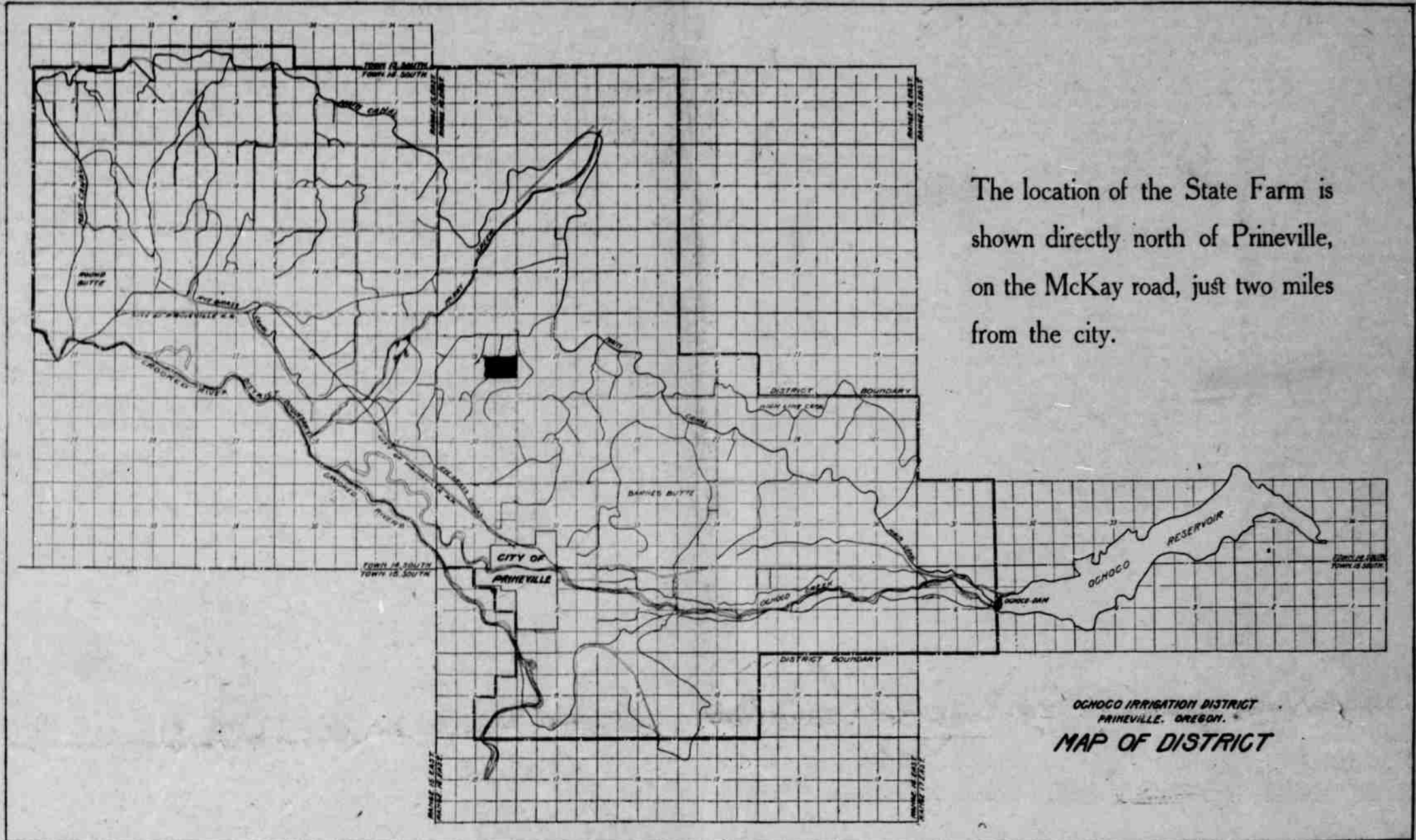
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STATE FARM FOR THE OCHOCHO PROJECT



The location of the State Farm is shown directly north of Prineville, on the McKay road, just two miles from the city.

Crook county is to have a farm unit built by the Oregon State Land Settlement Commission. Such is the information in a message received from Portland today, where the commission is in session. The commission today authorized the purchase of the east 60 acres of the L. D. Claypool 80, which is situated just two and a quarter miles directly north of Prineville, on the McKay road, and preparations for erection of model farm buildings are already being made.

This farm is one of five that is being built by the State, and is one of two to be built in the irrigated parts of the state, the other farm being situated in Malheur county. These farms are bought and buildings erected and complete equipment provided, all from funds appropriated at the last legislature, and are then sold on easy terms to actual settlers, who are assisted in working out crop rotations and other farm management plans by the State Agricultural College, the farm bu-

reaus, and the county agent. It is the first attempt in the United States to work out a plan of this kind and from every indication, its absolute success is already assured. Keen competition has been manifested to secure this farm and the location that has been selected was thoroughly inspected, together with many others by Professor Scudder, of O. A. C., some time ago. In considering the various propositions this week, the land settle-

ment commission weighed every phase of the situation, and placed its stamp of approval on the Ochocho farm as being favorable for settlers and considered 60 acres as ample land for any farmer under the project, and 80 acres too much for best results. The Oregon Land Settlement Commission is composed of some of the state's biggest men. Whitney L. Boise being chairman, Chas. Hall, president of the Oregon State Cham-

ber of Commerce, Emery Olmstead, president of the Northwestern National Bank, R. N. Stanfield, U. S. Senator-elect, and E. L. Baker, of Bend, making up the membership, with Geo. Quayle as secretary and Professor Scudder, general superintendent. The farm is to have model buildings, an ideal layout of fields, and scientific arrangement of all farm management, providing for some purebred livestock, dairy cows and

sheep, and a model poultry plant. The completion of grading and grading the highway, past the farm will make it easily accessible from Prineville in ten minutes by car, and will be of great value to the farmers of the entire Central Oregon country. Plans are being made to start work on the buildings and other improvements on the farm during the next two or three weeks, and the plant will be completed and in full operation this year.

CROOKED RIVER HIGHWAY GRADING IS COMPLETED

The grading on the Crooked River Highway has been completed from Prineville to the Shorty Davis ranch, the terminus of the road, and Guthrie & Company, the contractors on Tuesday of this week turned over to the Highway Department all operations for the finishing touches. When the four bridges are finished, the highway will have cost in the neighborhood of \$400,000.00, according to the department. Of this amount, it is estimated that the

bridges will cost \$50,000.00. Fencing for the complete highway cost about \$1900.00. The bridge at the Cram ranch has been completed, is in use, and the highway is open from that point to the end of the road. A bridge over Dry Creek, at the Stearns ranch, is now under construction, and a bridge at Bear Creek, is yet to be built, as one midway up the canyon. The road is open from Prineville to the Hoffman place.

AMERICAN LEGION HAS GOOD MEETING

At the February meeting of Crook County Post, American Legion, held last Monday night, M. J. Skipworth resigned as adjutant of the local post. Floyd Fessler was elected to fill the vacancy caused by Mr. Skipworth's resignation. It was decided to have a "hard times ball" at the Club Hall on the night of the 25th of this month, and committees were appointed to arrange all details, as it was planned to give the affair as much publicity as possible in order to get a big attendance.

Twenty-five cents a month was decided upon as the fee for junior memberships in the Legion Club. The junior members are to consist of high school boys, and the club will be open to them on all week days from four to eight o'clock in the afternoon, Sundays and evenings being reserved for the convenience of senior members paying the full membership fee of 50 cents a month.

The very efficient way in which Eric Gordon has managed the affairs of the club was enthusiastically discussed by various members present at the meeting. Mr. Gordon was especially commended for the success he has had in keeping minors from smoking in the club building, and in otherwise keeping order.

K. OF P. PROGRAM MAKES A BIG HIT

The local lodge, K. of Ps., has been having a great deal of fun of late. The mode of procedure is to hold a social session after each meeting, which has proven a big success. Last Thursday evening a very interesting program was rendered, the whole affair being handled by carefully picked talent from among the membership. The following is the program as pulled off:

John Becaus, vocal solo in French; Selection by K. P. orchestra; Recitation by F. Fessler; Song by K. P. quartet; Monologue by Hi Roller; Solo, (very low) by T. J. Minger; Cake Walk, by the Fantastic Steppers, Messrs. Gillis, Gerardo, Gustafson and Davis; Recitation by W. B. Russell; Duet, by the Caruso Twins, Messrs. Gerardo and Dobry; Something Awful by the quartet and orchestra; Three round boxing match between Tom Quinn and Walt McFarland, a draw; Presentation of Cups.

The decision of the critics was that the only way to beat the entire program would have been to give more of it.

Judge N. G. Wallace left last Thursday on a business trip to Portland. Mrs. Wallace left Saturday evening to join him, and make a visit with friends in the city.

PRINEVILLE-REDMOND ROAD IS NOW RECEIVING GRAVEL

The grading on the highway between Prineville and Redmond is 80 percent finished. The contract of graveling the road from Main Street as far as what is known as Still's Corner has been let to Oscar Huber, and a large crusher has been installed on the west bank of Crooked River, just at the foot of the Redmond grade, and this plant will start operation today, and three large trucks will carry the gravel.

The contract for graveling the highway from Still's Corner to Redmond will be let in the very near future, and the highway will be completed this summer, according to Engineer C. W. Woodruff, in

charge of highway operations in Crook County. A new bridge on the road between Powell Butte and Redmond is now under construction.

Estimates for completing the Ochocho Highway between Prineville and Jones' Mill, a distance of 20 miles, will be submitted within the next week, and contracts will be let very shortly. Work on this part of the county's highway program will start not to exceed six weeks from now.

The muddy condition of the roads is delaying road work to some extent, but from now on much activity will be shown in highway matters of the county.

MOECK-MORRIS

Last Sunday, the sixth of February, Miss Roxie Morris and Johannes F. Moeck were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents near Terrebonne, the ring ceremony being used for the occasion. The wedding march was played by Miss Mary Grace Davidson, the bride entering the room on the arm of the bridegroom. The ceremony took place in front of a group of potted plants, and under a wedding bell, and the room was darkened, the only light being a single lamp which stood on the bookcase. The bride was charmingly dressed in an exquisite gown of georgette, with corsage bouquet, and the dainty effect was heightened by

a string of pearls, gift of the groom to the bride.

After congratulations, dinner was served, the center of attraction being a five-layer white bridal cake, cut by the bride.

After dinner, music was enjoyed by the guests. Those present at the ceremony were: Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Moeck, Mr. and Mrs. Morris, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Morris, Grandma Davidson, Miss Emma Moeck, Orville Morris, Mary G. Davidson, Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Davidson, Velda Morris and Miss Emma Fern Davidson.

After spending a short honeymoon in Bend, the young folks will be at home to their friends on the Almet, er ranch near Terrebonne.

PLAYGROUND APPARATUS BEING INSTALLED NOW

The money earned by the pupils of the public school in an entertainment given at the club hall last fall, amounting to about \$100, is being used to construct first-class playground apparatus on the school property, the Tum-A-Lum Lumber Co. having charge of putting it up. There are four swings, three small teeters, and one giant teeter, one chinning bar and two giant slides. They are well constructed and have

cement foundation, and will last a long time with reasonable care.

The cement has been drying for the last three days, and the children will be allowed to use the apparatus for the first time today.

The boys and girls now have a playground that they can be proud of, especially when it is taken into consideration that it was made possible by their own efforts.

J. C. Pritchett has been visiting relatives and friends in Prineville from Portland during the last week.