THRIVING FIELDS AT EVERY POINT

Demonstration Special Finds Eastern Oregon at Height of Great Prosperity.

VALLEY CROPS PROMISING

Morrow and Gilliam, Dry for Two Years, 'Are Saturated-Grande Ronde Never Better-New Awakening Blesses Districts.

CONDON, Or., March 27 .- (Special.) Weathering one of the severest Winters in the history of the state with a loss in livestock of only about 5 per cent. Enastern Oregon is now looking forward to a harvest promising to be the most bountiful ever known in this section of

This word is brought to the farming demonstration train from the nearest and most remote sections of Gilliam, Morrow, Umatilia, Union, Wallowa and Baker counties, which have now been traversed. The Winter now over was not so severe in extremely low temperatures but in prolonged periods of deep snow and un-usually long terms of freezing weather. Early Spring Saved.

Had these conditions lasted a few weeks longer, say the men of the stock ranges, the loss in livestock would have been severe. The limit of endurance had almost been reached when the warmth of Spring carried off the snows and brought up the grass on the hills. Now the stock ranges that sweep back for miles from Heppner and Condon have a better stand of grass for so early in the season than in any year since 1885. The grain fields of Morrow and Gilliam countles that suffered for two years from lack of moisture are saturated as pover

lack of moisture are saturated as never before. At some points it is told by the farmers that there has been some soll-washing, but so great is the relief after two years of drouth that a philosophical view is taken. We can't expect to have conditions

perfect," is the cheerful statement made, Benefit Is Widespread.

The favorable crop prospects extend not enly to the wheat-growing on hill lands, but to the grain and hay-producing valleys of the Powder, Indian, Wallowa, Umatilla and Grande Ronde rivers.

Spring is farther advanced in Umatilia, Gulian and Marrow counties than in

Gilliam and Morrow countles than in Union, Wallowa and Baker. In Gilliam and Morrow the earlier-sown Spring wheat is green and vigorous. On the irrigated fields along the Umatilla River, Birch Creek and in the "Hudson Bay" ountry of Umatilla County the alfalfa s lush and the farmers are spending very moment in the unsown fields. Need Milton and Freewater, where early straw berries are produced in quantities for the Spokane and Central States' markets, the season is well advanced and the prospect never better. Whereas in this district the low temperatures of the preceding Winter resulted in almost a failure of the peach crop, the last Winter, unusual in its prolonged periods of snow, has not damaged the more delicate fruits.

and herds. The losses were nominal and

greater prosperity is in sight. In the Grande Ronde Valley, characterized by Dr. Withycombe as the richest valley in the West, the unusual experi-ence of three solid months of frozen ground ended February 25. Big patches snow still dot the surrounding moun tains and are still draining their moisture into the saturated valley. Old-time resiinto the saturated valley. Old-time residents of the valley assert that they never saw conditions more favorable

. Prosperity Exceeds Hope. in the Powder Valley the farmers as

sert that although they do not see how their lands could produce more than they did last year, the outlook was never

Much of Eastern Oregon is on the verge of a new awakening. New commercial organizations are forming and this Sumner there is to be an advertising cam paign carried out that will cover particu-larly Sherman, Gilliam, Morrow, Baker and Wallowa counties and the newly-

developed portions of Umatilia.

Baker City has formed a new commercial club and is preparing to advertise its resources more extensively than ever Fruit lands are being develope throughout an area that includes not only the Powder River Valley but Southern Baker County. Farmers are beginning to dry farm the higher lands and stock ranges are being converted into productive grain fields.

Rich Empire Thrives.

Along the new extension of the O. R. & I, into Central Wallowa County new farmhouses dot the landscape in every direction. Portland has yet to come to a realization of the character of the empire that exists in the extreme north-eastern section of the state. The railroad has been operating to Joseph but little has been operating to Joseph but little more than a year, and has taken the place of long stage routes from Elgin over mountain roads. From Elgin to Wallowa the railroad follows the bottom of a deep, wooded canyon beside a rush-ing stream of water. In the country from Wallowa to Joseph the allitude, which reaches 4126 feet at Joseph, is per-haps too high for commercial fruit growhaps too high for commercial fruit grow-ing, but the district has long been famed for its stock. Hay and grain production and dairying and stock-raising will be its chief resources. There is no railroad route in Oregon that supplies more attractive scenic outlook than this extension. Joseph lies at the foot of the Powder River Mountains on the higher summits of which the snow remains throughout the

Natural Reservoir There.

Within two miles of the town lies Wallowa Lake, an emeraid gem set in mountain peaks. Five miles long and more than a mille wide, and fed by melting snows, it forms a natural reservoir that will ultimately be the means of reclaiming an enormous area of hillside lands now too dry for the most successful forming.

At Elgin, the former terminus of the road, lower altitude makes commercial fruitgrowing an industry of promise There are now orchards that are produc-ing a high grade of Yellow Newtown and the hardier varieties of apples. Elgin has an energetic commercial club that gave the demonstrators on the train a royal banquet the evening of the train's visit. District's Growth Great.

From Echo to Hermiston is another district that has begun a new, rapid and substantial growth. Echo, Stanfield and Hormiston are in the irrigated district. One of supplied by the Government and Furnish- it is a brand of quality,

Coe projects. Alfalfa fields, young or-chards and new houses are replacing sagebrush wastes.

Throughout the new districts and the older-settled communities the farmin demonstration train is apparently accomdemonstration train is apparently accom-plishing its purpose. During the visits of most of the other trains the college ex-perts did all the talking. On this trip many farmers have come to the demonstrators and told what they were doing themselves and asked for further advice.

Typical of the interest taken in the work is the individual effort now being made by W. O. Minor, of Heppner. Mr. Minor has established on his land near Heppner an experiment station of his own. This year he will have 23 varieties of grains and grasses for the inspection of his neighbors.

J. D. HOGE IS CHAIRMAN

Washington Republicans Promised Economical Campaign.

SEATTLE, Wash., March 27 .- (Special.) -Under call of Acting Chairman James
D. Hoge, of Seattle, the Republican
State Central Committee will meet at the
Butler Hotel in this city Wednesday
afternoon, April 27, at 2 o'clock. Hoge,
who has been treasurer of the committee 14 years, has been promoted to
the chairmanship through the decision of
Ellis DeBruler not to act. DeBruler is

Much Interest in Coming Con-

Return Engagement for Next Year Already Arranged and Plan Is Made to Have Event Repeated Regularly.

farther than committee, where it was quietly strangled by the judicial toga

ALBANY IN MIDST OF BOOM Armory, City Hall; Federal Building

and Church Are Planned.

ALBANY, Or., March 27 .- (Special.)-Albany, Or., March 21.—(Special.)—
Coincident with the beginning of Spring weather, the biggest building boom ever experienced in Albany has begun. Work is beginning on buildings in all parts is beginning on buildings in all parts of the city and from present indications the coming Summer will be a record-breaker for building, especially in the residence district of the city. Aside from the increased amount of building, Albany will experience an era of extensive muni-

cipal improvement this Summer.
Under the new state law permitting the state to bear half the expense in the construction of National Guard armories, a \$24,000 armory will be built here this Summer. A quarter-block at the south-west corner of Fourth and Lyon streets has been selected for this purpose and the deed-to the tract was delievered to

will begin soon.

It is also probable that the proposed City Hall will be constructed this Summer but this has not been determined

WASHINGTON CO-EDS WHO WILL MEET THOSE OF OREGON IN DEBATE.





Lillian Hawkins



Eva McDonald.

personal and political friend of Representative Will E. Humphrey, aspirant for United States Senate, and a few months ago was appointed immigration inspec-tor through Humpirey's influence.

Because he now holds a Federal posi-tion, DeBruier declines to take an active

nittee to attend the meeting. He is banker and former newspaper owner. He proposes a campaign on a business basis, with maximum results at minimum ex-

MERCHANTS TO TEST CAR

O. R. & N. Motor Will Be Used for Commercial Excursions.

PENDLETON, Or., March 27 .- (Special.) -Pendleton business men will initiate the ew O. R. & N. motorcar which is to be put on the run between this city and the peach crop, the last Winter, unusual in its prolonged periods of snow, has not damaged the more delicate fruits.

Wallowa Outlook Rosy.

In the high altitudes of the eastern portion of Wallowa County, a district whose scenic beauty, fertility and prosperity, is far from realized in Portland, the snow is barely off the ground, and it has been deep all Winter. This county, however, produces enough hay of The new car has not yet arrived from The new car has not yet arrived from

however, produces enough hay of own to Winter its enormous flocks the East, but it is expected that it will Wednesday for the excursion. e the first excursion of the kind Pendle ton business men have ever taken. Wher placed in regular service, the train will eave Umatilla in the morning and re turning will leave Pendleton about 4 o'clock in the afternoon. In the meantime it will make a daily round trip to Pilot

\$50,000 PAID FOR ORCHARD

S. Stine, of Walla Walla, Buys 480 Acres Near Medford

MEDFORD, Or.. March 27.—(Special.)— Fifty thousand dollars was paid by S. Stine, of Walla Walla, Wash., to Walch Brothers for 480 acres of land in the Antelope Valley, about eight miles from Medford. Mr. Stine will plant the entire Medford. Ar. Since win plant in tract in orchard.

One hundred and fifty acres are now being set out, and the remainder will be planted in the Fall to apples and pears,

LODGE OFFICER ACCUSED

Adolph Schultz, Treasurer of Red Men, at Jacksonville, Arrested.

MEDFORD, Or., March 27 .- (Special.)vas arrested today at Ashland accused of embezziing \$1100 from that organization. State Organizer Fitzgerald went to Jacksonville to look over the books and found the shortage. Schultz is in the County Iail. He will have a preliminary hearing Monday.

MEDFORD RAISES \$25,000

People of State Will Be Asked to Aid Crater Lake Road Fund.

MEDFORD, Or., March 27.—(Special.)— The \$25,000 for the Crater Lake highway that was expected to be signed for in this city has been subscribed after the subscription paper was in circulation only Now that Medford has pledged \$25,000

toward the road's construction, people of the entire state will be asked to lend their aid to the enterprise.

NEW ORCHARD PEST FOUND

Common Clover Beetle Does Damage

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., March 27,-(Special.)—Paul Kruger has discovered that the beetle which has done so much damage in the Northern Pacific orchard at Prosser this Spring is the common clover beetle, and that the ordinary kero-sene emulsion will destroy it. Mr. Kruger was at Prosser today mak-ing a special investigation of this matter, which has buffled the orchardists this

One pipe of Edgeworth convinces you

and Eva McDonald, will uphold the af-firmative side of the question, "Resolved, That the United States Should Eestablish a System of Postal Savings Banks. The Oregon trio, Birdie Wise, Fay Clark and Carin Degermark, will uphold the negative.

Miss Mathieu, leader of the Washing-on team, is a senior, and is a prominent nember of the Sacajawea Women's Debating Club. Miss McDonald and Miss Hankins are both juniors, the former being a member of the Athena Club, and the latter of the Sacajawea Club. The alternate on the team is Miss Edith Mitchell, a freshman.

The co-ed forensic contest is causing no little interest at the State Universities and promises to become an annual affair. Contracts have already been signed for a return engagement next year at Eugene between the women of the two

The introduction of co-ed debating in the Northwest colleges was the plan of Dean Arthur R. Priest, of the School of Liberal Arts. of Washington. He will coach the Washington women in working up their debate, and members of the coach expression department of the oral expression department of the State University will train the trio in delivery.

IDAHO REFORMERS DESIRE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

Initiative and Referendum Issue Promises to Arouse Fight Which Legislature May Heed.

BOISE, Idaho, March 27.—(Special.)— With the object of having drafted into the constitution of the State of Idaho an amendment providing for the initiative, referendum and recall, the Idaho Direct Primary Legislation League, at a meeting held in this city, outlined plans for a statewide cam-paign to pledge every legislative can-didate, irrespective of party, to vote for the amendment. If this promise cannot be secured it is the plan to cannot be secured it is the refuse them support. To political leaders the movement, said to be non-partisan, indicates that the Issue promises to become a reform which aspirants to seats in the two houses cannot afford

to sidestep.
In order to make the campaign genral, W. H. Hornibrook, of Twin Falls, and his followers, who include many of the prominent attorneys of the state, took definite steps towards organizing branch leagues in every city, town, vlilage and hamlet in the state. It is planned to install a publicity bureau, with the idea of issuing literature to the electors to educate them to the im-portance of the objects of the league, attempting to prove that by drafting the reform measures into the constitution the people will place in their own power the right to make laws and re-call undesirable or unfaithful officials. The cry of the leaguers is that their fight is non-partisan, and that they selieve the electors are entitled to do their thinking instead of leaving it in the hands of the tricky politician.

That the reform legislation demand on the part of the league will, in a great measure, have a bearing upon the political situation in this state next Fall is admitted by party leaders who are watching the developments with

enusual interest. The new president of the league, Mr. Hornibrook, takes up the duties as director-in-chief of the campaign, with a record for graft prosecution behind him, having been the one man mainly influential in driving out the officials in Twin Falls and Twin Falls County who were responsible for robbing the coffers of that community. He is editor of the Twin Falls Chronicle, one of the leading papers of the southern part of the state. In taking over the office as head of the league he succeded K. I. Perky, one of the leading attorneys of this city, who was prominently asso-ciated as counsel in the Western Fed-eration of Miners' case when the offitals of that organization were on trial in this city on the conspiracy charge of murdering ex-Governor Frank

This is not the first time, that the initiative, referendum and recall has been before the legislators of this state. During the tenth legislative session a year ago it came up in both the House and Senate as a Democratic measure. When presented in the House It was attacked by the majority party leaders, but passed that body with a large majority. The bill met its fate, however, in the Senate, for it did not progress.

Steunenberg.

Mae Mathieu, leader; Lillian Hankins Federal building before the end of the Summer. This year will also witness the completion of the \$50,000 brick light school building, the erection of which was begun last Summer. The exterior of the building is completed and it is one of the finest school buildings in the state. The congregation of the First Presbyterian Church is planning to erect a brick edifice this Summer on the site of the present church at Fifth and Broadalbin streets and the Grace Presbyterian and other local churches are also considering extensive improvements this year.

FARMERS STOP SURVEYORS

Dayton Ranchers Allege State Highwaymen Are Encroaching.

DAYTON, Wash., March 27 .- (Special.) State engineers employed in surveying for the proposed state road out of Dayton struck a snag yesterday when farmers along the proposed route disputed the advancement of the surveyors.

Lewis Windust and Charles Gilbreath, it was reported here last night, warned the engineers not to set foot on their the engineers not to set foot on their land and Chief Engineer Soltau appealed land and Chief Engineer Soltau appealed to Prosecuting Attorney Sturdevant to-day for a temporary injunction. If an injunction is allowed sensational development may ensue as several farmers are determined not to allow what they consider encroachment by the surveyors.

This action by the farmers, it is said, the observations of the surveyors are provided. panies and fulfillment of none of them The state proposes to construct a new sighway from Dayton to Longs and it has been found necessary to cut through

RAYMOND GREETS KNIGHTS Washington K. of P. of District No.

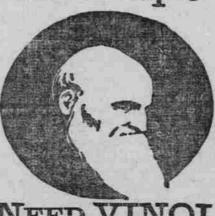
several fine valley ranches,

4 Hold 15th Convention. RAYMOND, Wash., March 27 .- (Special.) The 15th district convention of Pythian District No. 4, Grand Dominion of Wash-ngton Knights of Pythias, convened in his city Saturday afternoon and evening The following lodges are in the district commencement Lodge, of Tacoma; Capitol Lodge, Olympia; Carbon Hill Lodge, Carbonado; Wishkah Lodge, Aberdeen; Centralia Lodge, Centralia; Harbor Lodge, Hoquiam; Dauntless Lodge, Tacoma; Pa-cific Lodge, Shelton; Willapa Lodge, cific Lodge, Shelton; Willapa Lodge, South Bend; Elma Lodge, Elma; St. Helens Lodge, Chehalis; Wilkeson Lodge, Wilkeson; Anchor Lodge, South Prairie; Tidewater Lodge, Raymond, and Lebam Lodge, Lebam

Eastern Brook Trout Planted.

SOUTH BEND, Wash., March 27,-Special.)—An agent of the state trout atchery at Lake Chelan arrived at Thursday and planted 20,000 Eastern brook trout in the headwaters of Fern and Falls Creeks, both of which streams empty into the Willapa River near Frances. The planting of these trout was accomplished through the efforts of C. B. Handy, president of the Fern Creek Lumber Company, Frances, and Dr. R. E. Schenk, of t city, both of whom are ardent sports-

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TRACT OF 146 ACRES, PLATTED, TO AID BUILDING FUND.

Authorities Plan Real Estate Sale to Net Handsome Profit, Big Boom to Institution.

ALBANY, Or., March 27 .- (Special.)-A ract of 146 acres owned by the Western Oregon Company and lying just south of Albany and adjoining the city limits, will probably be secured by Albany College. The deal is now pending.

It is understood to be the plan of the

college buildings on a high and slightly part of the tract where the Tan-gent road crosses the road to the Cala-poola bridge, just south of Wright's Ab-

pools bridge, just sold in the sold with and a short distance east of the new Albany Heights Addition.

None of the members of the college board would discuss the deal today. The purchase price of the big tract was not disclosed. It is reported that some promiment local capitalists will advance enough
money to the college to finance the deal
and get the new addition platted and
placed on the market and then, according to plans, the land will much more
than pay for itself.

The platting of the

The platting of the tract would mean the rapid development of Albany, for the city has not been able to grow south-

sale and could not be used for building sites, and as a consequence the city has grown in easterly and westerly directions and has become a long, narrow city. If this tract is put on the market the city would probably grow rapidly in a south-erly direction, which would make in-creased streetcar trackage profitable and bring extensive municipal improvements.

FLORENCE TO HAVE SHOW

Rhododendron Festival Promises to Attract Oregonians.

EUGENE, Or., March 27 .- (Special.) The third annual Rhodedendron Festival to be held at Florence, the seaport city of Lane County, on May 20, promises to be the most important and best-attended yet held. Invitations have been extended college authorities to plat the larger por-tion of the tract into city lots and sell them and use the expected profits to erect state, and it is probable that Portland will send a delegation and Eugene will certainly be represented at the beautiful

event. The Rhodedendron Festival has made Florence popularly known in many places, and many people are making their plans annually to attend this unique event.

ST. LOUIS, March 27.-Five prisoners, serving terms of from six months to a



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