

TRAINING 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, Eastern Oregon is now looking forward to a harvest promising to be the most bountiful ever known in this section of the state.

This word is brought to the farming demonstration train from the nearest and most remote sections of Gilliam, Morrow, Umatilla, 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 unusually long periods of freezing weather.

Early Spring Saved. Had these conditions lasted a few weeks longer, say the most 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 snow and brought up the grass on the hills. Now the stock ranges that sweep back for miles from Hermiston to the Grande Ronde better stand of grass for so early in the season than in any year since 1888.

The grain fields of Morrow and Gilliam counties that summer for two years, for lack of moisture are saturated as never before. At some points it is told by the farmers that there has been some soft-washing, but in the relief after two years of drought 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 only 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 Umatilla, Gilliam and Morrow counties than in Union, Wallowa and Baker. In Gilliam and Morrow the earlier-town spring wheat is green and vigorous. On the irrigated fields along the Umatilla River, Birch Creek and the "Golden Valley" country of Umatilla county the alfalfa is lush and the farmers are spending every moment in the snowless fields.

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 new O. R. & N. motor which is to be put on the run between this city and Umatilla by making a tour of the towns of the county next week. They are now planning to go out as far north as Walla Walla, and visiting all the other cities and towns within the Pendleton commercial district.

Wallowa Outlook Rosy. In the high altitudes of the eastern portion of Wallowa county, a district whose scenic beauty and prosperity is far from realized in Portland, the snow is barely off the ground, and it has been deep all winter. This country, however, produces enough hay of its own to winter its enormous flocks and herds. The losses were nominal and greater prosperity is expected.

Prosperity Exceeds Hope. In the Powder Valley the farmers assert that although they do not see how their lands are to be made profitable as they did last year, the outlook was never better.

\$50,000 PAID FOR ORCHARD. S. Stine, of Walla Walla, Buys 480 Acres Near Medford. MEDFORD, Or., March 27.—(Special.)—State Organizer Fitzgerald, who is in charge of the big irrigation project, has just paid \$50,000 for a tract of 480 acres of land in the Antelope Valley, about eight miles from Medford. Mr. Stine will plant the entire tract in orchard.

LODGE OFFICER ACCUSED. Adolph Schultz, Treasurer of Red Men, at Jacksonville, Arrested. MEDFORD, Or., March 27.—(Special.)—Adolph Schultz, treasurer of Eucalyptus Tribe No. 1, I. O. R. M., of Jacksonville, was arrested today at Ashland accused of embezzling \$100 from that organization.

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 two weeks.

NEW ORCHARD PEST FOUND. Common Clover Beetle Does Damage at Prosser. 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 kerosene emulsion will destroy it.

District's Growth Great. From Echo to Hermiston is another district that has begun a new, rapid and substantial growth. Echo, Stanfield and Hermiston are in the irrigated district supplied by the Government and Furnish

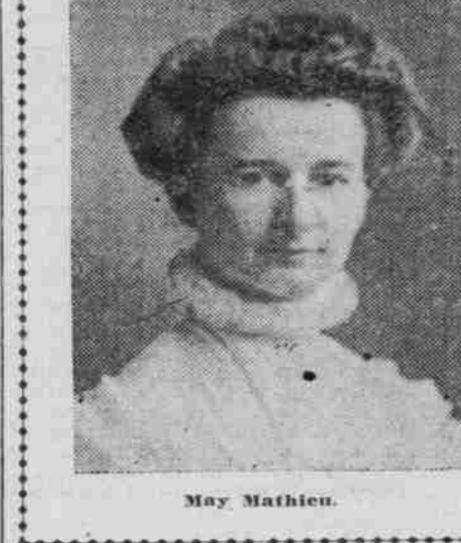
GO-EDS TO DEBATE

Much Interest in Coming Contest at Seattle.

U. OF O. AND W. U. TO MEET

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

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



May Mathieu.



Lillian Hawkins.



Eva McDonald.

Mrs. Mathieu, leader; Lillian Hawkins and Eva McDonald, will uphold the affirmative side of the question, "Resolved, That the United States Should Establish a System of Post-Saving Banks." The Oregon trio, Birdie Wise, Fay Clark and Carin Degermark, will uphold the negative.

League Wants Recall. 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 campaign to pledge every legislative candidate, irrespective of party, to vote for the amendment.

RAYMOND GREETS KNIGHTS. Washington K. of P. of District No. 4 Hold 15th Convention. RAYMOND, Wash., March 27.—(Special.)—The 15th district convention of Pythian District No. 4, Grand Dominion of Washington Knights of Pythias, convened in this city Saturday afternoon and evening.

Eastern Brook Trout Planted. SOUTH BEND, Wash., March 27.—(Special.)—An act of the state trout hatchery at Lake Chelan arrived at Frances Thursday and planted 20,000 Eastern brook trout in headwaters of Fern and Falls creeks, both of which streams empty into the Willapa River near Frances.

Old People. Watch This Space for the Most Extraordinary Offer Ever Made. NEED VINOL. Vinol tones up the digestive organs, aids assimilation, enriches the blood, and rejuvenates every organ in the body.

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ALBANY IN MIDST OF BOOM

Armory, City Hall, Federal Building and Church Are Planned.

ALBANY, Or., March 27.—(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 of the city and from present indications the coming summer will be a record-breaking one for building.

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 southwest corner of Fourth and Lyon streets has been selected for this purpose and the deed to the tract was delivered to Adjutant-General Finzer a few days ago. It is expected that work on the armory will begin soon.

It is also probable that the proposed City Hall will be constructed this summer but this has not been determined definitely. Work may also begin on the Federal building before the end of the summer. This year will also witness the completion of the \$50,000 brick high school building, the erection of which was begun last summer.

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 Broadwalk 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.

ALBANY COLLEGE BUYS? TRACT OF 140 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 tract of 140 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.

FLORENCE TO HAVE SHOW. Rhododendron Festival Promises to Attract Oregonians. EUGENE, Or., March 27.—(Special.)—The third annual Rhododendron Festival to be held at Florence, the seaport city of Lane county, on May 29, promises to be the most important and best-attended yet held. Invitations have been extended to Portland and other sections of the state, and it is probable that Portland will send a delegation and Eugene will certainly be represented at the beautiful event.

PRISONERS ESCAPE THROUGH SEWER. ST. LOUIS, March 27.—Five prisoners, serving terms of from six months to a

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ON SALE TODAY. Accompaniments by the Victor Orchestra.

- 10-inch Records, Single-faced, 60c, Double-faced, 75c. The Double-faced Records Are Lettered "a" and "b". 5769—The Cubanola Glide (Von Tilzer)....Billy Murray

- 12-inch Records, Single-faced, \$1.00, Double-faced, \$1.25. The Double-faced Records Are Lettered "a" and "b". 51775—Gems from "The Arcadians"....Wempe-Monkton

- Three New Purple Label Records. 10-inch, 75c, 12-inch, \$1.25. 80095—Hey! Donal!....Harry Lauder

- New Victor Red Seal Records. SIX RECORDS BY JOHN McORMAC. The Victor Secures the Exclusive Services of This Famous Irish Tenor.

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ward because this big tract was not for 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 southerly direction, which would make increased streetcar trackage profitable and bring extensive municipal improvements.

Whatever is popular deserves attention. IMPERIALES MOUTHPIECE CIGARETTES were created to demand attention. A tobacco finely blended, a mouthpiece to take care of it to the last puff, mais paper wrapping. A classy cigarette—so popular.

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