SHERMAN COUNT FARMERS PROSPER

Careful Attention Given to Fields Is Bound to Result in Success.

IS PRECIOUS

to Place Found for Hit-and-Miss Methods-Wasco Is Thriving Little Town in Center of Great Wheat Field.

BT ADDISON BENNETT.

WASCO, Or., April 6 .- (Special.)-I left The Dailes yesterday morning and drove this place, the distance being about Il miles. This being the first drive with the new outfit, I felt somewhat rejoiced get here in as good shape as I did, for I have mapped out a route of many hundreds of miles through the interior, and I was mighty glad to find the team. Jim and Kitty, were reliable and trustworthy, and the entire outfit comfortable and commodious.

The journey from The Dailes to Wasco a trip of west weaping heauty Leaving

is a trip of great scenic beauty. Leaving the former place by what I may term the brewery road—at which I failed to halt—the route lay to the castward past Seufert's and thence around the point of the bluffs to the Deschutes River. One of the finest views on the road is

from a point directly south and practical-ly over, the site of the new Hill bridge at Cellio. The wagon roud is perhaps a thousand feet above the bridge piers above the river and one can thus get a good idea of the entire country around, both in Oregon and Washington.

Sherman County Reached.

Winding around the hilltops the road finally leads down to the Deschutes, where we crossed the tell bridge near where we crossed the toll bridge near the mouth of that stream, just above the O.-W. R. & N. bridge, and were in Sherman County, which county embraces the territory between the John Day and Deschutes rivers from the Columbia back to the first standard parallel south, a distance of from 29 to 444 miles. At its widest point, east and west, the county is about 25 miles wide, its whole area being 736 miles. There are only six smaller counties in Oregon—Columbia, Multnomah, Polk, Washington and Yamhill.

whites, it will be seen that a good dear
of money came to a few people.

Wasco has good stores, two strong
banks, three churches, a fine public
school, with high school department, two
good hotels, two flouring mills, and the
usual allotment of other business places
—and two licensed saloons.

We aball the wheels out of here ce across the Deschutes the road eads for a short distance up the Colum-ia, and then winds up a canyon to the bia, and then winds up a canyon to the southeast. But before we had ascended many miles we approached and passed cultivated fields, and as we neared the plateau we came to more and more of them. And acon we were in what might be called an immense wheat field. for every foot of the surrounding lands was either in Fall wheat or Summer fallow, or ready for seeding—perhaps being seeded, for I think we saw at least 20 seeders in operation.

I have been through many wheat beits, many districts where the chief industry was this great cereal, but I must say I never saw a country where the growers seemed to have their places in better condition than in the portion of Sherman we passed from the Deschutes to Wasco. And we also passed some of the finest farmhouses and barns, showing that the owners are intelligent and prosperous.

Systematic Work Everything.

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Silpshod, hit-and-miss farmers have no place in Sherman County. The rainfall is light here. There is no denying that. They sometimes have abort crops here. There is no denying that. And the only way the land owner can hope to succeed, as a great many of them have succeed, as a great many of them have succeeded and are succeeding, is to take advantage of every moist breath that comes across the country and hold fast to itstore it in the soil by cultivation.

I wish I could take the reader with me and show him some of the places we drove through. I would like to demonstrate by an actual view the labor bestowed upon many of the fields. Often in the wheat country you will find a small patch of thin, drifting soil, even in the best fields. On the farms mentioned such places are covered with a mulch—perhaps only straw, but preferably stable manure. Such fields remind one of a well-patched quilt or bedspread which shows the careful attention of the painstaking housewife. And as such a outil would, of course, he scruppilously

painstaking housewife. And as such a quilt would, of course, be scrupulously clean, so these fields are clean of weeds and stones and clods. Every fence corner is as free from trash as is the mid-die of the road. The fields being seeded this matter, if there is any reasonable showed the care'ul attention of the hus-bandman. They showed that last season they had received not only the early plowing, but many times had they been harrowed or nacked.

Yes. I want to take off my hat to the Sherman County farmers of this section, and say to them that they anyhow deserve to succeed, as they almost assuredly will if they persevere in the way they are now doing their work.

Orchards Few, as Yet.

Wasco was founded about 1879; perhaps was founded about 1870; perhaps or so later or earlier. It has a maintenance appropriation for the in-ul location, the ground being un-stitution and now criticism was being delightful location, the ground being un-dulating, affording splendid drainage. It is about eight miles from the Columbia, and about 1250 feet above it, or rather the altitude is something like that—with-

clent good food.
"I am not saying there is not suffi-cient good food, nor that the food fur-nished the prisoners is in itself not good. But I fail to see the justice of a criticism which forces the Legislature to reduce the appropriation until there the attitude is something like that—within a foot or two.

And, practically speaking, the town
is in the "midst" of a great wheat field.
I wish I could say that there are interspersed many orchards, but I am forced
to admit that there are far too few of spersed many orchards, but I am forced to admit that there are far too few of these, although the dozen or so we pussed yesterday seemed to be in a flourishing condition. But there are many shade trees here in town and upon the whole it is a nice little place, the population being around 200.

One of the first calls I made upon our arrival was at the newspaper office the appropriation intit there is not enough money to live upon and then condemn because the proper food may not be forthcoming, although at the same time I am satisfied that the food at the institution is good."

His attitude toward the educational nititities is not enough money to live upon and then condemn because the proper food may not be forthcoming, although at food at the institution is good."

His attitude toward the educational institutions is much the same. He believes that they should be well provided for and believes that an injustice lieves that they should be well pro-vided for and believes that an injustice would result should the appropriations

arrival was at the newspaper office, the Wasto News-Enterprise. There I found F. E. Pierce, of whom I had often heard but never before met. He has a mighty nice little plant and is doing well. He gets out a good local paper. He gave me a lot of information about the piace and surrounding country, in both of which he has unbounded confidence as to the

LEGE, Corvallis, April &-(Special)-Extensive experiments in orchard-spray-ing, under the auspices of the college, will be commenced at Hood River this The town is now out of debt, so far as current accounts go, though there is a slight honded indebtedness incurred several years ago for a splendid water works system, but that is practically a left here tonight for Hood River. He debt which the water rates will wipe out at maturity.

Many Sales Made Recently.

Mr. Pierce told me of several land sales recently completed. One tract of 120 acres changed hands at 120 an acre. Another large farm brought 50,000, the price being close to 160 an acre. Other deals are now pending, most of the sales being to recent arrivals. And at the price I do not think the sellers have any of the best of it. Suppose there should be a partial failure once in a series of years, as there was in 1900 one big crop will wipe out the deficit. But I am almost safe in saying that with the series for the year saling March 2. Leabo Appointed Again.

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SALEM, Or., April 8—(Special)—T. M. Leabo, of Portland, was yesterday reappointed by Governor Weet as a member of the State Board of Barber Examiners. His term will extend four years ending March 2. 1962.

Falls City Postal Receipts Gain, one big crop will wipe out the deficit. But I am almost safe in saying that with the sert of farming now being carried on there will be no failures to last year. J. E. Beezley is postmaster.

EIGHT HIGH SCHOOL LASSIES, WHO HAVE WON LAURELS ON EASTERN OREGON FIELDS



PENDLETON GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM.

Frances Saling is at the top of the picture. Those in the first row (reading down) are Ella Lazinka, Muriel Saling, Ha Sturdivant, Zella Thompson. In the second row are Edna Coutts, Blanche Badley, Grace

GOVERNOR THINKS SCHOOL APPROPRIATIONS RIGHT.

Executive Says State Should Not Be Niggardly in Support of

State Institutions.

SALEM, Or., April 6 .- (Special.)-"I

am not in favor of invoking the refer-

endum on the appropriations for educa-

Governor West today, "and I believe the people of Oregon should give the institutions the benefit of the doubt in

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Governor West referred today to criticism that has been attempted

nection with food given to the prisoners, this criticism being offered in the trial of the O Rourke case. He said the

be held up for two years by the use of

Spraying Tests to Begin. OREGON AGRICULTURAL COL-

the referendum.

state.

criticism that has been atter against the state penitentiary in

Married, Sues for Divorce.

have three children, Gertrude, Raymond | General.

later of the United Brethren Church but was in touch with church work prior to that time. He says his wife became disasticated with his life work, that she discouraged him and interfered with

Mr. Ware says his spouse charged him Mr. Ware says his spouse charged him with being too friendly with female members of his congregation, stirring up trouble and destroying his usefulness as a minister of the gospel. In September, 1900, while they were living at Sheridan, she is said to have charged him with maintaining improper relations with women in the church.

The affair was investigated by the bishop and Mrs. Ware is said to have admitted her charges were untrue and that

mitted her charges were untrue and that they were "made up of whole cloth." In June, 1908, they moved to Philomath, and in September of the same year the bishop, who was ill in California, asked Mr. Ware to go to that state and assist in the work of the church, but Mrs. Ware abused her husband for daring to think of such a thing and threatened to

He says his wife has written letters to members of his church, accusing him of using church funds in an improper way, all of which, he says, destroys his peace of mind and he is unable to live longer with his wife.

Mr. Ware is represented by Attorney (Correct C. Brownel) "I believe it is better to give the in-stitutions a little too much, if any-thing, than to give them too little. I believe it would be a mistake to invoke the referendum against any of the in-

COMMISSION GOVERNMENT IS UNDER CONSIDERATION.

Mayor Mourant, Who Is to Resign, Urges City to Discard Old Rule. Commercial Club to Plan.

HOQUIAM, Wash., April 6.—(Special.)

—The commission form of government is now proposed for Hoquiam and was discussed at some length at the weekly luncheon of the Commercial Club today. The chief-feature was the reading of a letter from Mayor Mourent, who was un-able to be present, in which he urged that the city should have the simpler form of

the city should have the simpler form of government.

In his letter, Mayor Mourant, who has announced that he will resign about May 15, declares the city's business could be conducted at less expense than it is at present and that then there would be someone "on the job" all the time in place of a number of men who put in only a little time every week.

The Mayor urged that the offices of

The Mayor urged that the offices of Chief of Police, Fire Chief. City Treasur-er and possibly several others be done away with and the commissioners take their duties.

their duties.

As a result of the letter from Mayor Mourant, it was decided to appoint a committee and the commission government plan will be discussed in detail at the luncheon to be held in two weeks.

By a law passed at the recent session of the Legislature and carrying an emergency clause making it effective at once, a city of the size of Hoquiam can change its form of government from the old style of councilmante rule to the commission form with a Mayor and two commissioners to be the governing body.

MADE COLLECTOR

With Piles Out of Way, Taft Hopes Senate Will Now Confirm Him.

TOM PAGE MAY BE RIVAL

Poindexter Said to Have Picked for His Brother-in-Law Plum Which Matt Piles Missed, but He May Take Todd's Job.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington. April 6.—Frederick W. Harper, Collector of Customs for Puget Sound, whose renomination was rejected at the last session of Congress on demand of Senator Piles, was today again nominated by President Taft and will be confirmed unless Senator Poindexter represents that Harper's appointment is "personally obnexious" to him. Harper has served four years, and made a record that is highly commended by the Treasury Department and it is solely on account of this record that he was renominated last session. He had no congressional endorsement. Piles, however, was anxious to have his brother Matt appointed collector and it was with this result in OREGONIAN - NEWS collector and it was with this result in view that he pronounced Harper per-sonally obnoxious, and had his renomi-nation rejected. After Piles had done this, however, the President, having learned his motive, refused to appoint Matt Piles, and Harper continued to serve, as Malcolm is now serving at Portland, under his original commis-sion, and is in office today.

Page Is Poindexter's Man.

Senator Jones said he would urge farper's confirmation, but nothing can TIES GALL MINISTER

Harper's confirmation, but nothing can be done until the committees are organized. Before that time, Poindexter will be in Washington. It is not known that he will object to Harper's confirmation, but he is known to have favored the appointment of his brother-in-law. Tom Page, of Seattle, as Collector of Customs, and if he is insistent upon having Page appointed to this position, he probably will follow the plan adopted by Piles.

Should Poindexter make this move, it is expected that the President will do with Harper as he is doing with

do with Harper as he is doing with Malcolm, allow him to continue in office under his original commission and ignore the action of the Senate.

Page May Take Todd's Job.

There is a possibility, however, that Poindexter will consent to Harper's confirmation and urge his brother for United States Attorney for Western Washington, in place of Elmer E. Todd, whose term is about to expire. Page some time ago solicited Representative Humphrey's indorsement for Todd's place and subsequent to that time became candidate for collector. It is not known what attitude Jones will assume, if Harper is confirmed and Page is recommended by Poindexter for District Attorney. Page is recommended by Poindexter for District Attorney. Other nominations sent by the Presi-

dent to the Senate were:

W. L. Day as United States District
Judge at Cleveland, Q.
U. G. Denman, of Toledo, as United States District Attorney at Cleveland.
Colonel Erasmus M. Weaver, of the
Coast Artillery Corps, as chief of coast artillery, with rank of Brigadier-

Democratic Rules Voted For.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, April &-Representatives Lafferty, La Foliette, Warburton and French, insurgents, today voted for the Democratic House rules. They would have preferred some changes, but were not given opportunity to offer amendments and were forced to choose between the Democratic rules and the rules of the last House, which were offered by Mann as a substitute. OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washfered by Mann as a substitute.

SPOKANE MAY WIN AGAIN

Attorney Before Commission Prediets Rate Victory.

SPOKANE, Wash., April 6,-(Special.) —A second victory for Spokane in the railroad rate battle is declared to be practically certain by Attorney H. M. Stephens who represented Spokane shippers before the Interstate Com-

In a telegram to A. W. Doland, of the Spokane Merchants' Association, Mr Stephens declares that the commission seems certain to uphold its decision of last July ordering sweeping reductions in Spokane's freight rates from Eastern and Middle Western points. The commission's order of that date

established a schedule of tentative rates subject to later order by the Commission upon a showing by the railroads and the communities affected. The rates established amounted in some cases to practically the same as "terminal rates," or the rates to more distant Cdast points, for which Spokane had long contended. In other cases the rates set were slightly in excess of the Coast

The telegram from Mr. Stephens

reads:

"Showing of losses by carriers is less than expected. I think we will have no difficulty in securing tentative rates as suggested in the opinion of the Spokane case. If the commission holds the fourth section valid I think we will secure better than tentative rates. I hope commission will find a way to sustain the fourth section as amended."

Old Hoquiam Council Loses. HOQUIAM. Wash., April 6 .- (Special.)

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Morrison at Seventh

In the city election five of the six Councilmen who tried for re-election were defeated. They were Ney, Thurber, Phillips, Koch and Kress. They were beaten by Fairbairn, McTaggart, Lawrence, Hoover and Bridges. In the Second Ward Oberg was re-elected.

15,000,000 Feet of Timber Sold. LA GRANDE, Or., April 6.-(Special.) The purchase price was on a

Power Sites Are Sought. HUSUM, Wash., April 6 .- (Special.)-Albert S. Hawl, a representative of the Pacific Power & Light Company, was up the White Salmon River Saturday on a tour of investigation, looking up additional power sites for development. The

S. P. Himes and C. E. Cumimngs, of Pittsburg, have closed a deal for the purchase of 15,000,000 feet of timber in Wallowa County. The sale was made through D. C. Birschoux, a local the company.

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