

THRIFT PLAYS PART IN LIVESTOCK GAME

Oregon Raisers More Hopeful
Than for Two Years.

FEEDING CONDITIONS GOOD

State Veterinarian Says Stockmen
of State Are on Brink of New
Era in Industry.

SALEM, Or., July 2.—(Special.)—Feeding conditions on the Oregon ranges are now better than for 30 years, and not since the days of the early settlers have the hills and deserts produced such an abundance of grass as this season. This was the statement made here today by Dr. W. H. Lytle, state veterinarian, following his return from the mouth of the Columbia river, eastern and central Oregon and other livestock sections of the state.

"A tour of the eastern Oregon counties bordering on Nevada has convinced me that tons and tons of hay will go ungathered," said Dr. Lytle. "At Paisley one thrifty homesteader was cutting hay between the sage, while in other sections of the state I found similar operations. A reseeded of the range will automatically take place and there should be an abundance of feed during the next few years."

Shortage of Animals General.
"Oregon's range difficulties started with high-priced hay and short grass. This year the problem confronting the livestock raisers is to secure animals in sufficient numbers to eat the feed. The interior stockman has emerged from the recent winter with the lowest overhead expense in many years, and naturally feels joyous because of the prospective bumper lamb and calf crop. Wool is long in staple and good in quality, and everything is satisfactory with the exception of the price."

Easier Money Would Help.
"Money is not as plentiful as might be desired, however, and this condition has tended to hamper owners of eastern and central Oregon herds. The most important question in the interior of the state at the present time revolves around the price of lambs, as the financing of the sheep industry is largely dependent upon the summer and fall demand and price of lambs. Many growers are optimistic with relation to the early summer market for hothouse or winter lambs. These growers argue that because of the financial depression, severe winter losses of range ewes, light lamb crop a year ago and much forced liquidation last fall in what is known as the Rocky mountain section, the prices for the Oregon product should be such as to insure reasonable profits."

Oregon Out to Fare Well.
"Stockmen declare that if there is to be available money for increased livestock operations, the state with the most grass will get the largest pro rata of the fund, and upon that basis of distribution Oregon ought to fare well."

Range Horses Disappear.
"The range horse market is almost a thing of the past. The mare end, however, might be used successfully for the purpose of breeding to supply an increasing demand for horses of the heavy type to replenish the shortage due to the war. Dollar wheat and correspondingly low prices for other farm products will, in a large measure, put a stop to the wholesale purchase of the horse and other motor-propelled farm machinery. The tractor never put old Dobbin out of commission, but simply put him in the pasture and gave him a rest."

Readjustment is Weathered.
"To sum up Oregon's livestock industry, it might be said that the raisers have weathered the readjustment period better than had been expected. There has been some grating hardships, a few failures and lots of downright thrift. The season has been free from disease loss, storm loss has been negligible and forced liquidations have been few. We have the grass and we have the livestock. Why worry?"

STUDENTS STUDY ROCKS
Field Work of University Geologists
Lasts 12 Hours Daily.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, July 2.—(Special.)—Twelve-hour days are in order at the University of Oregon summer geology camp near Jacksonville, according to a letter received from one of the members of the party. Six-thirty is the rising hour.

As soon as breakfast is over the students pack their instruments and a lunch and start out for the day. Hikes are made into various parts of the country and a continual look-out is kept for peculiar rock formations, outcrops and other geological features of the terrain. At midday a short stop is made for lunch and the march is resumed.

There are campfire discussions of the day's findings, or Dr. R. H. Palmer of the University of Washington, head of the party, lectures or reads on geological subjects. The camp is located about a mile and a half out of Jacksonville. On one of the trips the geologists visited the Opp gold mine and viewed its workings.

Four undergraduate members of the party are Don Zimmerman, Eugene; Claire Holdredge, Trent; Delmar Powers, Clayton, Wash.; and Leo Hertlein, Pratt, Kan.

CHILOQUIN LOGGERS QUIT

WAGE CUT TO \$2.80 FOLLOWED
BY WALKOUT OF 250.

Laborers on State Highway Work
Go on Strike After Visit by
Delegate of I. W. W.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., July 1.—(Special.)—Men who arrived here tonight from Chilquin declared they had quit work in the logging camp there when a 10 per cent wage cut went into effect this morning. Members of the party said between 200 and 250 men walked out of the camps of the Modoc Lumber company, Lamm Lumber company, Shaw-Bertram Co., Algoma Lumber company, and Pelican Bay Lumber company. Most of the men who quit were said to be swamps whose daily pay was cut from \$3.20 to \$2.80. An agreement was reached between all local operators several weeks ago for a 10 per cent wage reduction effective today.

EUGENE, Or., July 2.—(Special.)—Sixty-four road laborers employed by Washburne & Hall, contractors on the state highway over the low pass route into Lake Creek valley, walked out in a body a few days ago following a visit of an I. W. W. walking delegate to one of the construction camps, according to Fred G. Stickle, sheriff, who returned last night from a trip to that section of the county.

The presence of this walking delegate was discovered by Superintendent Smith during the day and he was warned by Smith to keep away from the men. Later, however, the agitator made a speech to the men and when Smith found him at the bunk house he ordered him out of the camp. The delegate at first refused to go but, according to the story told by the sheriff, Smith drew a big revolver and the troublemaker "hit" the road, running as fast as he could until he was out of sight. More than half of the men in the crew quit their jobs and left the camp at once.

CIVILIAN DRESS WANTED

Order Eliminating Uniforms Off
Duty Expected at Camp Lewis.

TACOMA, Wash., July 2.—(Special.)—Officers and enlisted men at Camp Lewis are awaiting eagerly orders from the war department authorizing the wearing of civilian clothes while off duty. Secretary of War Weeks already has issued a memorandum to the adjutant-general directing that this order be made by his department.

Not since before the war have officers and enlisted men been allowed to wear civilian clothes while off duty. Officers and enlisted men are in favor of wearing civilian dress when leaving the army reservation and as soon as the war department order is received at Camp Lewis it is expected that the invasion of civilian tailor shops and clothing stores will be started.

High officers at Camp Lewis believe the wearing of civilian clothes by soldiers on leave to Tacoma and other nearby cities will be of vast benefit to the army.

CHARGE OF ARSON STAYS

Motion for Dismissal of Case
Against Spokane Woman Denied.

SPOKANE, Wash., July 2.—Superior Judge Blake has denied a motion by Prosecuting Attorney Meyer for dismissal of a charge of first-degree arson against Mrs. D. C. Corbin in connection with the alleged attempted destruction of her home here by fire last April.

The prosecutor's motion was based on the acquittal here last Wednesday of Louis E. Lilge, Mrs. Corbin's ex-chauffeur, on an arson charge. Mrs. Corbin confessed to police officers several weeks ago that she had planned with Lilge to burn the house for the insurance carried, but testified in Lilge's trial that she later told him not to do so.

NEW PLANT TO BE BEGUN

Work on Hydro-Electric Station to
Start at Rimrock.

YAKIMA, Wash., July 2.—With the beginning of the government's fiscal year another \$400,000 was available for storage construction at Rimrock, but for the present there will be no increase in the force employed.

John Rolfsen, representing a New York firm, has arrived to supervise work on a hydro-electric plant for which his firm has a contract. Most of the machinery is on the ground and the rest is at Naches City, awaiting transportation to Rimrock. The June payroll includes 325 men and amounts to \$240,000.

RAIN HURTS IDAHO HAY

Heavy Showers Declared to Be of
Great Benefit to Other Crops.

LEWISTON, Idaho, July 2.—Following heavy showers Thursday afternoon, rain developed Friday afternoon throughout the Lewiston country and continued tonight. Some hay in fields has been damaged, but farmers and dealers announced that the rain would be of untold benefit to growing crops, the stand now being the best of many years and giving promise of record yields.

Some cutting by binders for the threshers is now in progress in the Lewiston valley and combine machines will enter the fields July 5.

Author Visits University.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, July 2.—(Special.)—Walter Pritchard Eaton, well known author of nature articles, visited the University of Oregon campus Thursday on his way to Crater Lake and central Oregon. The woman's building drew the admiration of Mr. Eaton who said that the architecture of the structure was in the best of its class.

Mr. Eaton was accompanied by Fred Klier, who took numerous photographs of the woman's building and other campus scenes. The party was in Eugene only for a short time.

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