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## Project Folks

### To Ask Relief Under New Law

A call for an irrigation meeting by the directors of the West Extension of the Umatilla Project, Friday night at Boardman, resulted in an attendance of over 200 water users of this district, to discuss the Relief measure of the 2nd. Efficiency Act passed by Congress, December 5, 1924. Said measure being Section 4, sub-section F. "Decision of the Secretary as to the amount, shall be conclusive. These annual payments shall continue until total construction charges against it are paid. The Secretary is authorized upon request to annul any existing contract, (project water right), in that it will provide for payment of the construction charges thereunder in accordance with the provisions of this sub-section, or for the deferment of such construction charges for a period of three years from the approval of this section, or both."

In order to get the above relief it was necessary that the Water Users ask for it as a district, not as individuals, therefore the call for this meeting.

H. M. Schilling, project manager, from Hermiston; E. G. Glasgow, director from Irrigon and L. Packard, director of Boardman were present at the session.

Mr. Schilling gave a full explanation of the new law, and passed over an hour answering questions relative to the same. He was followed by Mr. Glasgow, who had been appointed by the directors of the West Extension of the Umatilla Irrigation project, to represent this district at the meeting held in Denver January 6, 1925. He desired to know the wishes of the Water Users.

The following motion was made by Chas. Dillabaugh, seconded by H. H. Weston, was unanimously carried. "That Mr. Glasgow be instructed to ask for three year's relief on construction charges, and on maintenance charges, if possible."

Plans were formulated for the Water Users to take over the control of this district. In order to save expense it was thought a good idea for the four irrigation districts, Hermiston, Stanfield, Westland and The West Extension of the Umatilla Project, to combine under one general management. It perhaps would not be advisable to put in new officers as the present ones are experienced and are giving good satisfaction. It costs to break in new men, and besides we might not get good results. So why change?

## POSTAL OFFICIALS

### OSTED BY PROBE

Washington, D. C.—Six responsible postal officials in as many cities throughout the country have been suspended from duty, an employe of the senate postoffice committee has been discharged and the clerk of the house postoffice committee has resigned as a result of an official investigation into the alleged use of money to influence postal pay legislation.

The officials suspended all are members of the legislative committee of the National Association of Postal Supervisors and held some of the most important positions in the postal service.

The suspended officials, whose service averaged more than twenty years, are: Peter McGorty, acting superintendent of mails, New York; James M. Greig, postal cashier, Boston; Peter Wiggle, acting postmaster, Detroit; Harvey M. Tittle, assistant postmaster, Springfield, O.; J. J. Fields, superintendent of mails, Louisville and William Sansom, assistant superintendent of delivery, Chicago.

**California Orange Crop Hard Hit.**  
Los Angeles. — Horticultural commissioners of Los Angeles, San Bernardino, Riverside, Orange and Ventura counties, at a conference here estimated the recent frost damage to the orange groves of southern California at 25 per cent of the crop.

The American Legion and Auxiliary have issued invitations for a party on Saturday evening at the Macomber home. A business meeting will proceed the social affair.

## MARY T. NORTON



Mrs. Mary T. Norton of New Jersey is the first woman to be elected to congress as a democrat. She takes office after March 4.

## TAX RULE AFFECTS EMPLOYES OF CITY

Washington, D. C. — All employes of municipally-owned institutions acting in proprietary capacity rather than serving governmental purposes, such as water, light and street railway companies, are subject to income tax on their compensation. They will have to pay taxes on their incomes as far back as 1918, and the bureau of internal revenue has notified the collector of customs to compel the filing of returns over those years.

The ruling, far-reaching in its application, is based on court decisions in several sections of the country, which have held, in effect, that such institutions as were named were competing with private enterprise and should occupy a similar footing with respect to certain taxation features. Officials of the bureau declined to be definite in the application of the ruling, which was made by Solicitor Nelson T. Hartson, and the problem of enforcement has been left in the hands of internal revenue collectors.

## BRIEF GENERAL NEWS

The president and Mrs. Coolidge shook hands with more than 4000 persons who filed through the White House for the annual New Year's reception.

The interstate commerce commission investigation into wool rates from the Pacific Coast and intermediate territory will begin at a hearing in Chicago, February 19.

Senatorial investigation of the United States tariff commission, with particular stress on its sugar policy, was proposed in a resolution introduced in the senate by Senator Robinson, democrat of Arkansas.

The navy department, under orders from President Coolidge, has begun preparations for the evacuation of the 100 United States marines who have been kept in Nicaragua since 1912 to protect American interests.

Legislation reducing the time limit for World war veterans to apply for their bonus from January 1, 1928, to January 1, 1926, has been recommended to congress by Major General Robert C. Davis, adjutant general of the army.

Christiania, for 300 years the capital of Norway, exists in name no more. On the stroke of midnight January 1, the name of the capital was changed to Oslo, by which it was known for about 600 years—from 1047 to 1624, when it was changed to Christiania.

**U. S. Turns Down British Plan.**  
Washington, D. C. — The United States government in the note Ambassador Kellogg handed to the British government Monday refused to accept the compromise terms offered by Great Britain in the dispute over the right of America to collect approximately \$250,000,000 German war claims out of the Dawes reparations annuities. The American case, as set forth in the note and as it will be presented in Paris, is that this country lost none of its right through declining to become a party of the Versailles treaty.

## Father Sage Says:

What, with movies, radios, automobiles and such, all we need now is for someone to invent something to do our work for us.

## Devising New Electric Compass



Morris M. Titterington of Brooklyn, N. Y., the well-known inventor of the pioneer earth inductor compass which was used by the world flyers, is now working on a new model compass that will run electrically and is even more accurate and reliable than his previous invention. This new compass will maintain a true course in clouds, fogs, at night, etc.

## Boardman Locals and Personals

J. C. Ballenger has purchased a hay baler formerly owned by John Partlow and will put a crew of men to run it at Boardman and on Butter Creek.

Pen fed Pheasants are selling in Portland at \$2.50 a piece. We wonder how many Boardman farmers who have corn fed China Pheasants on their farms have taken advantage of this price.

The following Boardman men were in Heppner Wednesday to attend the first meeting of the new County Court. John Brice, Walter Knauff, John Prater, James Imus, T. E. Broyles, Lytle, H. P. Norton, Cal Ervine and A. P. Ayers.

Clarence Berger, moved his baler this week from the Alec Warren farm to Frank Ott's place.

Mrs. Elsie Reith who has been cooking for Frank Otto for the past month, has gone to Sacramento where she is to be married.

Claud Myers was called to Woodland, Washington last week because of the death of his father, E. Myers. He returned this week with his aged mother who will make her home on the project with her son.

E. Messenger met with a painful accident this week, while trying to crank his car, the crank slipped off striking him, breaking a bone in his nose and badly bruising his mouth and jaws.

Frank Otto made a trip to Portland this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Mefford and son Albert are on a two weeks auto trip visiting relatives and friends at Portland and Seattle.

W. A. Knauff made a hurried business trip to Portland on New Years.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Price and son

and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Williams and Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Tate and children were dinner guests on New Years of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Atterbury.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Williams of Nicolai arrived New Year day for a short visit with Mr. Williams sister, Mrs. A. S. Tate.

Mrs. Chas. Nizer has gone to Portland for medical attention for a badly infected ankle.

T. E. Broyles were Hermiston visitors on Tuesday.

Elmer Westerfelt has moved his baler to the east end and is now on the Howell place.

Chas. Marshall was home from the coast for New Years.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Broyles were hosts on New Years day at a bountiful dinner to Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Nizer, Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Spague and Messrs. Elmer Westerfelt, Chas. and Burton Barnes.

Mrs. Adolph Skoubo left Saturday for Portland for a visit. Mrs. Nels Kristensen plans to return with her. Miriam Healy left for his home in Portland on Sunday.

Mrs. Ingaard Skoubo plans to leave shortly with her two children for a visit at her old home in Denmark, where her father has been ill some time.

A most pleasant evening was the New Years spent at the S. H. Boardman home by Misses Doris Healy, Carol Hunt and Mrs. A. T. Herelm. All enjoyed the splendid concert on the radio when, San Francisco did Nelson's.

Clara Rand was a holiday visitor at the home of her brother Royal Rands and family.

Robt. Reyburn returned on Tuesday from Portland where he spent Xmas.

## Another New Year's Resolution Goes to Smash



## WORTH \$25.00 A WORD

Essay Wins \$15,000 House for Portland High School Girl in National Essay Contest



Miss Julia S. Groo, an 18 year old Portland, high school girl is the winner of the \$15,000 modern electrically equipped home in the National Lighting contest in which over 1,000,000 school children participated. Miss Groo also won the \$200 cash grand prize in the Portland lighting contest. Her essay of 600 words was worth over \$25 a word to her.

Mr. and Mrs. Tate are enjoying a visit from Mrs. Tate's brother and wife who came New Years day.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Atterbury entertained at a dinner on New Years, having as guests, W. A. Price and family, Mr. and Mrs. Tate and the twins, and Mrs. Tate's brother and wife's guests.

Dorothy Boardman left on Monday to resume her work at school in Salem.

Mrs. Walter Olsen was the inspiration for a post nuptial shower on Saturday at her home when Mrs. R. Rands and Mrs. J. C. Ballenger were joint hostesses to about 25 friends of the bride who was formerly Frances Blayden of this place. Beautiful gifts of china, cut glass, linens etc. were received by the honor guest. A dainty lunch was served.

Many of the Boardman Odd Fellows went to Hermiston on Monday night where the local candidates were given the second and third degrees.

Walter Olsen left on Tuesday on No. 1 for his home in Clatskanie, after a two weeks visit at the C. G. Blayden home. Mrs. Olsen will remain for a longer visit with her folks.

Doris Hedley left Sunday for Monmouth after spending the holidays at home.

Mrs. Arthur Davies has been on the sick list this week.

Fred Blayden surprised his parents this week by dropping for a few hours visit on his way to Idaho from Klamath Falls. They had not seen him for a matter of ten or more years.

J. C. Ballenger has had some remodeling done on the interior of the house. The colonnades between the dining room and living room were removed and the walls kalsomined a french gray.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gorham were host and hostess on New Years eve to Mr. and Mrs. Chas. McDaniels, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Blayden, Lauren Blayden and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Olsen. Cards made the evening pass rapidly and all enjoyed the lunch served by the hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. Nate Macomber and Sybil Grace came home on Saturday after a two weeks vacation at Pilot Rock.

Miss Irene Jensen arrived Sunday to join the Boardman teachers and take up the work of Mrs. Degendorf who resigned.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Healy were the guests of the A. T. Herelm's on New Years day.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Thoms and baby of Wallerville, Oregon, arrived on Monday to visit her parents Mr. and Mrs. Chaffee.

Mrs. Ralph Davis had some dental work done at Hermiston on Monday.

## Irrigon Items

Miss Doud came up from Wallowa on Monday to visit with her sister Mrs. J. P. Goebel for awhile.

C. W. Benefiel went to Heppner on a few days business visit the first of the week.

Mrs. Nettie Davis passed away at Condon on Sunday morning. Her sister Mrs. Rebecca Knight had gone there on receipt of a wire that she was very ill on Friday and Sunday morning wired for the girls to come. Mr. and Mrs. Davis lived in Irrigon for a number of years and owned considerable property here which they traded for property near Mayville.

Dr. Thompson and Roger Morse, the County agent, are making the district this week testing cows for tuberculosis. With perhaps two or three exceptions, the farmers are getting all their cows tested.

N. Seaman went to Walla Walla on Wednesday night returning the next night, to attend the horticultural school, being particularly interested in orchard heating for himself and others of the district.

Contractors moving Mr. Wadsworth have again returned to their work. They were forced to abandon work in the cold weather.

Mr. Glasgo went to Denver Saturday as a representative from Irrigon and Boardman districts in the interest of water users. Representatives from various projects are meeting with the heads of the reclamation service with a view of getting longer terms on the balance due on water rights.

## City Plans Improvements

The City will soon begin to grade and cover the Main street from the Community church to the R. R. track. Boardman has paid all debts against the city, except the water bonds, not yet due, but they are ready for these on maturity.

## Appointed Justice

W. A. Goodwin this week received his appointment as Justice of the Peace for the Boardman precinct for the next two years. He succeeds himself.

## New Pipe Put In

The U. S. Reclamation service is to put in a concrete pipe line under the spillway to drain the surplus seepage water off of the Porter and Hendricks farms. The pipe is on the ground, and work of laying it will commence in a few days.

## Grange Holds Joint Meets

Greenfield Grange started this year with the most successful meeting in its history on last Saturday night, the occasion being the joint installation of officers of Irrigon and Greenfield granges. About 200 members and friends from Irrigon and Boardman met in the school auditorium and were entertained by a very interesting and varied program. The success of the program was due to the untiring efforts of the retiring lecturer, Mrs. Leslie Packard. After the program a big feed was served in the cafeteria, which was later followed by installation of officers.

## Boardman Boy at O. A. C.

O. A. C. Corvallis (Special) - Henry Messenger is the only student from Boardman registered at O. A. C. the past Semester but he is an able representative of the town. Messenger takes an active part in various literary and athletic activities of the college. He is a junior registered in electrical engineering and is a Sergeant of company "A" engineers.

Miss Sophia Mefford and Russell Mefford entertained a number of the young folks of the program, at a social gathering on Saturday evening.

## VETERANS URGED TO ACT

**Red Cross and American Legion Officers Ready to Help Make Applications for Bonus**

The Dalles Red Cross chapter urges all veterans of the World War to file their applications for Adjusted Compensation immediately. This office states that up to the present time only about 1,300,000 applications are on file, although a total of 4,500,000 men and women are eligible, in a letter to the editor this week.

The Red Cross office is in the First National Bank building, The Dalles, and is prepared to help all ex-service men fill out application blanks, and so will adjutant Wm. Josephson of the Arlington American Legion Post.