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Legislature May Finance New Seed

(From the Arlington Bulletin)
M. L. Jones of Arlington and James L. Burns of Condon represented Gilliam county in the delegation of wheat growers who met in Portland Tuesday and presented the necessity of the proposed seed loan act to the legislature.

The Joint Ways and Means committee on Wednesday evening reported favorably on a bill providing for an appropriation of \$1,500,000 for the purchase of seed grain. The money would be loaned under direction of the state board of control, to be secured by a first mortgage on the growing crops for 1925 and 1926, with banks or other responsible parties assuming 10 per cent liability of any loans made. The money would be obtained from the sinking fund of the state loan commission.

Mr. Jones returned home Thursday and stated that the legislature seemed ready to meet the situation in any way possible, that the Governor had expressed his willingness to sign the measure if passed, also that the roads were working out a revised schedule for hauling the seed and that many of the warehouses were preparing to handle the grain at absolutely cost for the farmers.

Mr. Jones says that the object of the bill should be to see that the normal acreage in all of the region districts would be no loss to the farmers from lack of planting.

Most of the available seed wheat, stated Mr. Jones, is in the hands of farmers who should meet the situation in the same attitude as the state, the railroads and the warehouses and offer their wheat at as low a price as they can. There should be no profiteering in seed wheat at this time and least of all by farmers who are fortunate enough to have a surplus on hand.

C. C. Clark, an "old timer" in the wheat raising in Gilliam county gives us the following account:

The winter of 1905-6 was such a cold winter weather that after the farmer had well started the spring work and then about March first the entire crop was wiped out over night by a severe cold snap.

The fall sown grain had grown nearly all winter using up a great deal of the moisture, however the farmers immediately sowed to spring wheat. No rains came until late in May and in June but with cool winds and moist air a crop was produced that was probably fully up to the average fall seeded yield.

The spring freeze may have been a blessing in disguise as there would have been grave danger of the crop burning out before the late spring rains had the fall planting weathered the cold.

In 1907 a little better than an average crop was harvested putting the farmer in a precarious condition, when all of a sudden the panic of 1907 was on, the governor called a thirty day holiday and all official business was suspended. If the farmers at that time had stampeded the banks there would have resulted one of the great disasters in the history of this county.

But the farmers went on at their work, used just as little money as they could and their assistance saved the rural banks and many of the city banks.

This spring conditions are different, than in 1906 in that no moisture has been used by the winter crops. The entire winter moisture is in the soil and the land is in excellent condition for the required spring planting.

If the large banks of the State come to the assistance of the farmer as he came to the banks aid in 1907, there would be no reason why we should not have the proper amount of seed the coming season, and in any event there is no need to be discouraged as every indication points to a good crop and a profitable price in spite of the severe damage to the fall planting.

Notwithstanding the short notice, first given Saturday morning in The Bulletin, approximately 75 grain growers of Gilliam County responded to the call for a meeting here on Monday afternoon, representing nearly every section in the county.

E. W. Snell, president of the Arlington Commercial Club, called the meeting to order, with George Huntington Curry acting as secretary. Mr. Snell called upon D. E. Stevens, director of the experiment station at Moro, to act as chairman of the discussion.

R. C. Morse, county agent of Mor-

row County stated that out of a total planting of 125,000 acres he estimated 75,000 acres should be reseeded. The funds however were lacking and the seed hard to get.

Stevens Answers Questions
During the meeting Director Stevens, regarded as one of America's authorities on wheat, a student and practical producer, gave a lot of pointed advice and answered many questions. A few high lights from his remarks follow:

Must decide for yourself, the first thing, whether you are going to re-seed or not.

A patchy field should be re-seeded to keep down the weeds in light spots. It generally doesn't pay to re-seed a fair stand of winter grain.

How can you tell if it is dead? The plant is either dead or alive but at present lots of plants are alive but are apt to die or rot. Watch closely and decide at earliest possible date.

Seed will be scarce and you may have to take what you can get. I recommend for spring seeding the following in order: Federation, Hard Federation, Bart, Blue Stem, Marquis.

You are probably justified in re-seeding Turkey wheat up to about the middle of February. After that sow spring wheat.

Use dry treatment on spring wheat and clean thoroughly.

The earlier you plant the thicker you should sow and the later you plant the deeper you should drill.

Don't forget your summer fallow. There will be a lot of extra spring work and it won't pay to let the weeds start in the summer fallow.

Every farmer in this district should raise enough spring grain and hold it each year for re-seeding. It would be a mighty good insurance.

Barley will yield as many pounds to the acre as Turkey Red. Plant some barley.

FAIR DISCUSSED

Boardman and Irrigon Communities to Co-operate on Program—Would Use State Money

Irrigon and Greenfield Granges are boosting for a North Morrow county fair to be held early this fall at either Irrigon or Boardman. Owing to the success of the fair held three years ago, and to the fact that the Fair Commission of Oregon, donates \$6000 a year to this county for a Fair, it was deemed a North Morrow county fair would be a good advertising medium for this locality. If this donation from the state is not used, it reverts back to the state and as no fair has been held in this county, Boardman and Irrigon districts would be entitled to the full amount. The Heppner Rodeo is not considered by the State commission as a Fair, and is not entitled to a share of the donation.

A joint meeting of the two communities will be held in the near future to make further plans and elect a managing board.

The support of the entire community is asked for the program and the whole community is asked to be in attendance at the meeting, and in the meantime do your share of boosting.

Cows in Good Condition

The testing of dairy cows, for tuberculosis was to have taken place in this district last week, by government inspectors, but was postponed until later in the spring or fall as several tests were made around Irrigon and only one tubercular animal found. The men decided that there were few infected cows in this area and a test was not necessary until the later date.

Road Supervisor Resigns

John Jenkins, who has been Road supervisor of this district for the past five years, tendered his resignation to the County Court this week.

During his administration Mr. Jenkins has greatly improved the roads all over the project. When he first took office the roads here were in poor good graded roads with gravel surface. Several concrete bridges have replaced the old wooden ones, which makes not only a better appearance, but smoother riding.

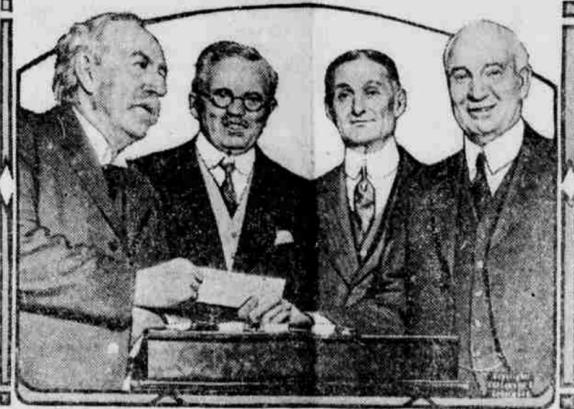
Clarence Berger has been appointed as his successor in the office.

Stanfield Bank Makes Changes

At the annual meeting of the officers and directors of the Bank of Stanfield last Friday, Jan. 16, the stock of the bank was purchased by Portland and local capitalists and a new directorate elected as follows: M. R. Ling, president; Frank Sloan and W. T. Reeves, vice presidents; and Dr. H. W. Coe and Charles Hoggard as the other board members. W. A. Wollan was elected cashier.

Stanfield Standard

Dr. Jordan Receives Peace Award



Twenty-five thousand dollars, as substantial evidence of belief that education is the most promising means of abolishing war, was presented at the University of Southern California to Dr. David Starr Jordan, winner of the peace plan award. In the picture he is seen, at the left, with Raphael Herman, donor of the prize; William Gibbs McAdoo, and Dr. A. O. Thomas, president of the World Federation of Educational Associations.

Boardman Locals and Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Dugan of Whitcomb, Washington, were visitors at the H. H. Weston home on Sunday.

J. C. Ballinger moved his hay baler and crew to Ione this week, where he has several tons of hay to bale.

Max Deweese has traded his two-room cottage and lot in Boardman to W. H. Gilbreth. Mr. Gilbreth will move into town this week.

Mrs. Chas. Dillon went to The Dalles last Friday and Saturday underwent a major abdominal operation. She was accompanied by Mr. Dillon who returned on Sunday. At last reports Mrs. Dillon was gaining steadily.

Art Wheelhouse, president of the Arlington National bank, was on the project last week buying wool from the sheepmen at 41 cents.

Bill Luttrell of Grass Valley was a guest at the home of John Jenkins the fore part of the week.

Herman Montgomery, of Willow Creek, former owner of the T. E. Broyles home in the West End, is stopping at the John Jenkins home. Mr. Montgomery has purchased the Tom Brady place, better known as Coyote Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Nick Falter returned this week from an extended visit with relatives in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. John Jenkins and Mrs. Leslie Packard were visitors in The Dalles on Monday.

Miss Sophia Mefford was absent from school this week because of illness.

Mrs. Ingard Skoubo and two children are now in New York, from where they expect to sail Friday, for Mrs. Skoubo's old home in Denmark.

Mrs. U. B. Willis was pleasantly surprised by the arrival of her husband from Tillamook Tuesday morning. He expects to remain for about 2 weeks. According to his report this is the rainy season on that coast.

Miss Sears took Miss Swift and Mrs. Willis to Irrigon on last Friday to attend the basket ball game.

C. C. Boon, from the Soldiers home at Roseburg, stopped over for a few days with the Klitzs while on his way from Milton where he had been visiting with his step brother, Mr. Lee.

Mr. Boone is an old pioneer in this section, once owning a wheat ranch south of Boardman and is also an old friend of the Klitz family.

Mrs. Dingman is having a new front porch built on her house. W. A. Goodwin and Son are doing the work.

M. J. Deweese has sold his house and lot to W. H. Gilbreth, and is moving into the Al Macomber house where they will live until school is out. Mr. Gilbreth will move his family to town Sunday.

J. C. Ballinger moved his baler to Willow Creek this week, where he has about five hundred ton to bale.

Mrs. Blanche Watkins and son Dale of Irrigon were visitors at the Broyles and Weston homes the fore part of the week.

Albert Mefford returned on Sunday from a two weeks' auto-trip to Sacramento. Arthur accompanied him as far as Portland.

Mrs. George Mefford and children were up from Portland this week on a visit at the W. H. Mefford home.

Mrs. Dan Rancier and son Kenneth are visiting relatives and friends at Pendleton this week.

Dan Rancier with the assistance of Claud Myers, has been cleaning the irrigation canals this week in preparation for spring.

V. Lahlmoller of Patterson has leased from T. E. Broyles 80 acres comprising the old Frank Cramer place. This place has been farmed for several years by W. H. Gilbreth, who vacated this week. The new owner will take possession the later part of February. The deal was made thru H. H. Weston, who is a licensed real estate broker.

Mrs. George Mefford of Portland visited a short time with relatives here, arriving Tuesday and returning Wednesday.

Leslie Packard is installing a new radio at the service station. It is a five tube set and Mr. Packard will soon be getting "things out of the air."

Mrs. Rancier and son Kenneth went to Pendleton Monday for a few days visit with relatives.

Mr. Shell made a business trip to Stanfield Monday.

Leo Root and family were dinner guests at the Garrett's Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Nick Falter, returned home Saturday, after several weeks in Portland and other cities.

The Old Time dance given by the M. W. of A. Saturday night was very well attended and all enjoyed a good time.

Mrs. J. F. Deweese of Arlington is spending a few days with her son M. J. Deweese.

Historical Spots Along Old Oregon Trail From Seaside to Idaho Line

(By Mrs. Helen Myers Warren)
State Chairman Historic Spots D. A. R.
The past year has been a wonderful one and well may be called our Pioneers year. "As the different pioneer celebrations have taken place all over the state, I could not but liken it to the Creation, when God saw the work of his hands, after six days of labor, blessed it and said it was good and rested on the seventh day." So we today, after eighty and more years say the work of our pioneers, was good and set aside markers, and monuments to the brave men and women, who have wrought great things into our "Oregon".

Seaside
The "End of the Lewis and Clark Trail" of the winter of 1805-6 where they built a salt cairn, like their friend Daniel Boone, whom they visited on their way to the Columbia River. This is the earliest evidence of civilization in the west.

Tongue Point
Where they viewed the Pacific Ocean on Nov. 11th. Sacajawea, the guide was the first pioneer mother to see the Pacific Ocean.

The Columbia River
First entered by Capt. Robert Gray in 1792, on his good ship Columbia for which this river was named. Here a number of the early ships were wrecked. (See list of ships) First river pilot at the bar was S. C. Reeves, in 1847.

Clatsop Plains
Where Lewis and Clark built Fort Clatsop in 1805, and wintered there. The first Presbyterian Church in Oregon was built here, by the efforts of W. H. Gray of the Whitman party, in 1846. John Ball the first school teacher in the Oregon country is buried here. The first county court was held in the home of Thomas Owens by Judge Strong. (Dr. O'Dair).

Astoria
Founded on April the 12th 1811, by Astor party of Pacific Fur Co. under Capt. Jonathan Thorn, of the ship Tonquin. A fort was built and supplies stored. An overland expedition of Wilson Price Hunt party of this company arrived and several trading stations were established. Astoria was taken by the British by threat of a war ship coming in 1813, and restored by treaty of Ghent in 1817. The flag was hoisted over Ft. Astoria on October 6, 1818. (See list of ships). The first postmaster west of the Rocky Mountains was John Shively, March 26, 1847. The first post office was in the former mission of Rev. Ezra Fisher. The first Custom house and collector of customs was John O'Dair, October 9, 1848. A large spruce tree stood above Ft. Astoria 57 feet in girth. This is the burial place of John Day. A fire destroyed Ft. Astoria in 1821 and it was only partially rebuilt. The first homes were built from the wreckage of the schooner "Shark".

May 20, 1810, Capt. Winship on the ship Albattross, came up the river and built an oak log house and planted a garden, the June freshets washed it away. This was opposite the Oak Point in Washington.

Wapato or Sauvie Island

Near the mouth of the Willamette river, was the site of Ft. Williams, built in 1834 by Capt. Nathaniel Wyeth, who also built Ft. Hall in Idaho. He could not cope with the Hudson Bay men in fur trade, after losing over one half of his men by drowning, and killed by the Indians. He salted salmon, the first of our salmon trade and returned home. This was the home of the fabled "War Chief, 'Multnomah'", Willamette tribe of Indians and Council grounds. An epidemic of disease took most of this tribe in a few days. The keel of the "Star of Oregon" was laid here. (See historic papers).

Sandy Boulevard and 57th st.
Our Rose Carnival Queen sat in state in an ox wagon, while the "End of the Trail" was dedicated at this spot. This was the homestead of Lieut. Col. Backentes, a Mexican war veteran and officer in the "Mounted Rifles", the first militia sent to Oregon in 1840.

Your Chairman motored from Portland to Baker, over the Columbia River highway and Old Oregon Trail, passing near the mouth of the historic Sandy River, where some of the early emigrants landed their rafts and the weary oxen were once more hitched to the prairie schooner, to wend their way to Oregon City and other points. We traveled along the Sandy river and up the hills to Corbett the Indians view point, and relic ground. (See scrap book.)

At Crown Point we passed the beautiful Vista House, so lovingly dedicated to our pioneers by Multnomah County, and just below us stood Rooster Rock, an old land mark.

Then on to Benson Park which was donated to the City of Portland by Simon Benson. In this park is located Waukena Falls, where the Rotary Club of Portland erected a drinking fountain, also Multnomah Falls which will be preserved in its virgin beauty. A marker and drinking fountain has been placed by Multnomah Chapter D. A. R. at these falls, to the pioneers. (Continued Next Week)

Irrigon Items

Big Meeting of Farmers, Grange Members and Commercial Club—

Farmers throughout this district, members of the Farm Bureau and the Grange, also members of the Irrigon Commercial club, held a mass meeting here Wednesday evening which lasted until after midnight and adjourned to be taken up again next Monday evening.

Prof. A. W. Wheeler of the Irrigon school spoke upon the question of the boys and girls industrial club work, and put it up to the people for their acceptance or rejection in this district. F. C. Fredericksen, Mrs. C. E. Glasgow and R. V. Jones were elected as a committee to arrange with the State Industrial Club leader to meet at his convenience, and perfect an organization here if possible.

C. E. Glasgow, secretary of this Irrigon district, who was a representative of the Irrigon-Boardman district to the recent conference of the Reclamation Service in Denver, ordered his report in detail and explained what the water users may expect from the Government in the way of extension of payments and relief from errors of construction charges. The rule being applicable to all projects throughout the United States.

Discussion of the Rodent control was the main issue. Mr. Fredericksen, the chairman of the district rodent control representing the Farm Bureau, W. T. Wright of the Grange and M. E. Caldwell who have been assisting in the work in this district, estimated that a saving of at least fourteen thousand dollars had been effected by rodent control work in this district alone. It is variously estimated that 40,000 or 50,000 rabbits were killed in the summer campaign and many more thousands during the light snow fall in December. Many farmers in the outlying areas, would have been compelled to abandon their ranches had the control not been effective. Resolutions were adopted and will be sent to the Governor and other agencies of the State, urging the continuation of the State Rodent Control money for the O. A. C. Extension service and the U. S. Biological survey co-operative rodent work. It was shown that under the Biological survey found effective methods for summer poisoning the nests were getting more numerous.

The question of holding a Fair in North Morrow County, alternately at Irrigon and Boardman and some plan of financing construction of a Farmer's warehouse at Irrigon will come up for discussion next Monday.

Will Construct New Pipe Line

Material for construction of a new wood pipe line in place of the old barrel flume recently torn down, is beginning to arrive this week. First cars came in on Monday morning to be followed with six or eight more at the rate of one every other day. This pipe line will be built above ground and erected with continuous joints with heavy steel bands. The material is all crosscut and tarred which will make it last a long time. This will relieve the grief some of the farmers have feared with the old flume and will supply more water to properties north of the tracks.

J. E. McCoy is moving the house he owns in town, to the river property where he has lived since purchasing it from Mr. Lester some three or four years ago. He expects to use part of it for a garage building to accommodate several cars for convenience of his many friends and visitors. The rest of it will be utilized for storage. Chauncey Grim went to the Willamette Valley Saturday to spend a week or so with friends and relatives while the weather conditions are not favorable for all outdoor work.

The Nature Faker

