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Smock News

Mornings frosty.
Mr. Stancliff is busy getting in his large apple crop.
Mr. and Mrs. Callie Duncan went to Wamic Monday.
The meeting of Farm Loan Association at Wamic on 24 was not well attended. Next meeting on November 10 at the same place.
Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hill made a business trip to The Dalles on Thursday and stayed over for Sales day.
F. T. Felch and Walter made a business trip to Maupin on Wednesday.
Mrs. C. J. Bradway was a visitor at Mrs. N. J. Jones in The Dalles on Wednesday.
J. M. Farlow and family are spending a week in Portland and Oregon City.
Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Mayfield went to The Dalles Wednesday returning Thursday.
Marion Duncan and Cecil May-

field are getting out posts in the mountains.
Mr. and Mrs. Max Mayfield visited at the latter's parents near Wapinitia on Sunday.
Virgil Mayfield and family were over from Pine Grove getting pears and apples.
Wm. Morrison visited with his daughter Mrs. Mary Farlow and Orin from Friday until Sunday evening.
Of course we are going to vote for the Income Tax next Tuesday by so doing we work for our own interests.

Local Legion Doings

Maupin Post 73 will meet every first and third Mondays during the fall and winter months.
On November 5th the Post wishes that all member attend as there will be something doing. Did you know the local Post is trying to land a gym? Be here on November 5th at 8 p. m. and hear about it. Also if you have a good idea bring it along.

NEWS ITEMS OF LOCAL INTEREST

Mrs. Luella Johnson died at her home in Wamic of heart failure Tuesday noon. She was laid to rest in the Wamic cemetery. Mrs. Johnson had been a resident of that section for many years. She is survived by a daughter and two sons and many friends.

J. L. Harpham and Ray Kaylor of Maupin, will open a lunch and pool room in northwest corner room of Ochoch Inn. They arrived Wednesday morning with a load of equipment and will open their shop as soon as possible. They will operate under the name of Kaylor and Harpham.—Central Oregonian.

Meeting Friday night at Mrs. W. H. Staats for singing, every body come, young and old.

Just—Between Tygh and Sherar's Bridge one Jack-screw, log chain, spring and Axel Jack shaft for Master Truck.—Flinder

please notify, R. W. Richmond, Maupin Ore., and receive reward. Quite a large crowd attended the program given by the Wapinitia Rebekah Lodge Tuesday night, everyone seemed to enjoy themselves and over \$20.00 was added to the treasury by their efforts.

Mrs. J. C. Hagey of Portland is making a short visit with friends and relatives here.

Mrs. C. F. Butler of Corvallis is here for a short visit with her son F. C. Butler.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Agidius are away on their vacation Wm. Myers of The Dalles is taking their place.

Mrs. B. D. Fraley and children were home from The Dalles for the week end. Cyril remained to batch with his father.

B. F. Turner and family will leave tonight for the Willamette Valley where they will spend some time visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Staats are taking care of the post-office during Mr. Turner's absence.

C. B. Park of Philomath spent the week end here at the home of his sister, Mrs. W. F. Greer, going from here to Bend. Mr. Park states he harvested twelve tons of dried prunes from his orchard this year. They are now stored in a Dallas warehouse.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Butler and Gladys Morrow made a trip to Redmond Sunday.

Prof. Hough was a Portland visitor over the week end.

Percy Martin is receiving \$4 and plus for turkeys this year. A little son arrived at the W. D. Roberts home Saturday.

Mrs. G. E. Cunningham is very much improved from her recent illness.

O. P. Weberg and Wm. Heckman are this week erecting a big chicken house on the rear of his property here.

A. C. Martin has remodeled the front of his residence here and the added room is nearing completion.

R. M. Palmateer and Amos Johnson were over from Wamic Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Head were here from the White River section Tuesday.

Baled wheat hay for sale at DeCamp's barn.

Tygh News

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Muller are combining business with pleasure in Portland.

Fred Kennison and C. H. Thaxter made a trip to Portland Saturday.

Paul Muller enrolled for high school Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Jones who have conducted the Hotel D. for the past year will retire from their duties on November 1st, and move to The Dalles for the winter. Mr. and Mrs. Steve Wing will conduct the hotel as soon as the change can be made.

Willis Norval will move his family into the Highway apartments and conduct the switchboard. The post office will also be moved there as soon as possible.

Engineer Frank Russel is building a woodshed on the rear of his apartments at the Highway.

The dance given by the O. A. C. Collegians Friday evening was well attended and a good time was reported.

D. C. Bones and Mr. Wiggles have started a bachelor apartment in the rooms vacated by

Guy Brittain.

T. H. Sherrard forest supervisor was attending the annual meeting of the Wasco county Stockmens Association held here October 27th at which meeting J. B. Ingalls of Dufur was re-elected President, K. L. Hauser vice president, and J. H. Fitzpatrick was re-elected secretary-treasurer there were about 20 members in attendance.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Sloan are visiting in Dufur the past week Mrs. A. A. McCorkle was visiting her husband last Friday in Dufur.

A. C. Knighton is the proud owner of a new Baby Overland purchased through H. Wood.

Quince and John Morrow Jr. left for the Willamette Valley last week where they will work in the logging camp this winter.

Alfred Brown is moving his house off the right of way and will face the filling station to the north as soon as construction is done on the highway.

George Lofton has been giving the Highway apartment a fresh coat of paint the past week.

Willie Norval who has been a resident of Wamic for a number of years, has recently become a citizen of this place having purchased the George Woodruff property and moved his family here.

Lee Jackson was transacting business at Madras last week.

Sheriff Chrisman was transacting business here connected with his office last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Wing were visiting their son in Wamic Sunday.

Guy Brittain will move his family to Kelso Wn. in the near future where he will work for the Long View lumber Co.

M. E. McAtee was a Dufur visitor Tuesday.

H. A. Muller has installed a mechanical player piano in his confectionery.

J. H. Woodcock and Joe Kramer made a trip to Portland and back today.

Wapinitia

Mrs. R. W. Richmond and son Floyd and Mrs. Everett Richmond and little Beulah ate Sunday dinner with the Parkers. The occasion being Mrs. Parkers birthday.

Roy Rice came over from the Reservation and spent Sunday with his parents.

The old students and faculty of the high school gave a reception last Thursday night at the home of Crystal Hartman for the Freshman class. Much merri

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One sure way to make money on your farm is to protect your farm machinery. The average annual loss from deterioration alone on farm machinery left out in the weather is \$200.00. A machine shed that will turn this annual loss into a profit can be built for a surprisingly small amount. The shed shown here is only one of many carefully designed and economical plans that our architectural department has ready for your inspection. Our Blue-Prints and Material lists are so complete that it is an easy matter for you to do the building yourself during the slack season. Come in and let us show you how little money it takes.

Should Freight Rates Be Reduced at the Expense of Good Service



Editorial in Chicago Tribune, August 25, 1923, entitled "Freight Rates and Commodity Prices."

The head of the Carnegie Institute at Pittsburgh told a gathering of farmers that if the major factors of machinery, clothing, house furnishings and other commodities would reduce prices 2 per cent this would reduce the farmer's expenses as much as a 25 per cent reduction in freight rates. So would a reduction of 1 per cent in interest on loans.

The trouble with that proposition is that the freight rates may be reduced—possibly—by political pressure; commodities and interest not so readily. But that is a consideration the farmers will ponder very carefully, if they look to the future. They may be able to force a reduction in freight rates by using their influence upon the machinery of regulation, but if that reduces the efficiency of transportation the immediate advantage will be swallowed up sooner or later, probably sooner. Regulation, unless it is constructive, unless in the long run it builds up the railroads, is not in the farmer's interest. As his political leaders do not discuss that much, it is up to the farmer to look it up for himself. Just freight rates should be worked for, but a rate that is inadequate to the carrier is not just to the farmer, though he may think it is until he begins to pay the price of inadequate service.

A railway rate reduction sufficient to enable a shipper to make a substantial saving on a freight bill would, if made effective now, impair the earning power of every western railroad and threaten the solvency of some. All that a railway buys,—labor, coal, forest products, steel articles, etc., still range at peak prices, and rates cannot safely be lowered until there is a reduction in these costs.

Eighty-eight cents of the railway dollar is required for wages, fuel, supplies, taxes and rentals. A 10 per cent rate reduction would wipe out all profit and injure the credit of lines which have nothing saved up for a rainy day.

The Government turned the railroads back to their owners in 1920 with an average operating deficit of \$45,000,000 a month, which had been paid from the Federal treasury. Now, the railroads have no such recourse.

The increase in railroad freight rates is less than the increase in other prices. In January, 1923, the average freight rate of the western railroads was only 36 per cent higher than in 1913, while the average wholesale price of all farm products was 42 per cent higher and the average wholesale price of all commodities 56 per cent higher.

Fluctuations in prices for farm products cannot be laid at the door of the railroad, since between June, 1922, and June, 1923, under the same transportation conditions, wheat declined 10 cents a bushel in price and corn improved 19 cents.

The depressed condition of the farmer, and particularly the wheat grower, has been of great concern to the railroads, as well as to the public, but happily all signs point to material improvement. "The estimated income of the farms of America for 1923 is a billion dollars in excess of their income in 1922." (Advertisement, The Capper Farm Press, October 8, 1923).

And the last annual report of the Interstate Commerce Commission says: "Manifestly, existing rates are no longer interfering with the free flow of commerce as a whole."

Give the railroads a chance. Don't lessen their usefulness by impairing their earning power. They are spending more than a billion dollars this year not from earnings, but of new money to put their properties in condition to better serve the public and to prevent car shortages—this because they believe in the inherent fairness of the American people and their willingness to pay what good service is worth. Starved railroads, like starved horses, cannot do good work. It is axiomatic that compensatory rates with good service are far preferable to cheaper rates with poor service.

Constructive suggestions are always welcome
Omaha, Nebraska,
October 1, 1923.

C. R. Gray,
President

Union Pacific System



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