

GROWERS PLAN FOR NEXT YEAR

POTATO MARKET WILL BE GOOD.

Deschutes Valley Association Holds Annual Meeting—More Systematic Manner of Carrying on Business Is Favored.

(From Monday's Daily.)

To be more active in carrying on its own interests this year through a manager who will have greater powers in handling their business is the program of the Deschutes Valley Potato Growers' association, which held its annual meeting Saturday afternoon in Redmond. That conditions during the past year have not brought the potato growers together throughout the Deschutes River valley because there was not a grasp of marketing conditions and because the growers were not fully satisfied with management.

With prices looking extremely good, and with prospects for a bigger crop on account of a larger acreage, the growers present were anxious to solidify and carry their business through the association in a more systematic manner than heretofore. Who will be the manager for the coming year has not been determined, but the growers will seek a man who will be in a position to find the best markets, to devote his attention to the growers' needs and to facilitate shipments and returns more speedily.

Output Increasing.

It is estimated that the potato acreage in Deschutes, Crook and Jefferson counties will approximate 1000 acres. The output will be considerably larger than last year. Last year 81 cars of potatoes were shipped from Central Oregon. An increase is shown particularly in the section around Bend. The acreage immediately tributary to Bend will be about 500 acres. Tumalo's estimated acreage is 220, compared with 160 for last year. There has been a falling off of the acreage in the Powell Butte district. Lower Bridge and Plainview districts show slight increases, while the Terrebonne section will show a decrease in potato acreage.

Stencil Plan Considered.

At the meeting Saturday Gus Stadig of Lower Bridge and S. D. Mustard were respectively re-elected president and vice president. The board of directors chosen was as follows: Gus Stadig, S. D. Mustard, J. F. Rice, R. S. Towne and Robert Leadbetter.

It is likely that the association will consider steps to stencil all sacks for potatoes leaving Central Oregon under the protection of the Deschutes Valley Potato Growers' association.

WAREHOUSE MAKES ANOTHER ADDITION

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

Owing to the heavy shipments of wool into Bend this year and the general increase in its business, the United Warehouse company has made another extension on its warehouse building. The warehouse is now crowded to its capacity.

Shipments of wool recently purchased at the wool sale are being made this week out of Bend, according to A. M. Pringle.

B. A. A. C. DANCE SET FOR SATURDAY NIGHT

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

Plans are being made by the Bend Amateur Athletic club for a dance to be given at the gymnasium Saturday night. Music will be by a four-piece orchestra and will commence at 9:30 o'clock. The general public is invited. It is possible that these affairs will be given weekly hereafter.

OCCUPATION ARMY HOMEWARD BOUND

(By United Press to The Bend Bulletin.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 9.—The army of occupation, comprising the first five regular divisions, is homeward bound, according to unofficial reports received here.

Powell Butte Rancher Sees First Movies

(Special to The Bulletin.)

POWELL BUTTE, July 9.—For the first time in the 30 odd years of his life, George Shobert appreciated the thrills of a movie show when he came to Bend the other day and was induced to enter one of the film theaters. Mr. Shobert was highly pleased over his initial experience with the silent drama, and members of his family predict that he will soon become a full-fledged movie fan. Mr. Shobert has been a resident of Central Oregon for more than 10 years.

WILL IMPROVE LAKE RESORT

STOCKHOLDERS OF COMPANY TO VISIT EAST LAKE SUNDAY TO PERFECT PLANS FOR RAPID DEVELOPMENT.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

Following the election of new officers by the East Lake Health Resort company, stockholders in the company will visit the lake Sunday to look over the improvements already made there, and to decide on plans for operation and development into a first class health and pleasure resort. At present about 40 guests can be accommodated in the hotel put up last summer and in addition tents have been put up and bath houses constructed for those wishing to take advantage of the hot springs.

The directors will also take steps toward keeping the road into the lake open for a longer period of time during the year, as under ordinary conditions it is blocked with snow until the early part of the summer.

New officers elected are: Fred Shintaffer, president; Einar Meisted, vice-president; John Bellet, treasurer; and H. H. De Armond, secretary.

ALFALFA IS AIDED BY HOLDING BACK

Pasturing During Early Part of Season on Johnston Ranch Prevents Damage from Frost.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

Holding back the growth of the alfalfa on the Johnston ranch, near Alfalfa, has proved to be a boon to a big crop for the farmers of that vicinity, according to J. B. Miner, who made an extended tour yesterday over the ranch to ascertain the condition of the crops.

According to Mr. Miner, many of the farmers pastured their alfalfa fields until May 15, and consequently the alfalfa was not harmed by the recent frosts. The alfalfa stands are now as high as two feet and are growing in fine shape. The rye crop, he says, is not looking as favorable as usual.

More than 50 acres were seeded to alfalfa this year, which is about a 30 per cent. increase over last year.

CIGARETTE STARTS BLAZE IN TIMBER

Immediate Action by Forest Service Men Prevents Disastrous Fire—Responsible Party Not Found.

(From Monday's Daily.)

Only the fact that forest officials were right on hand prevented a serious fire in the timber along the Metolius yesterday afternoon when a lighted cigarette stub was carelessly thrown into the underbrush by a camper or angler. Supervisor Jacobson directed the work of extinguishing the blaze and practically no damage was done.

Immediately afterward he searched for a mile up and down the stream in a vain endeavor to locate the person responsible for the conflagration.

FOREST BUDGET WINS APPROVAL

\$34,207 IS TO BE SPENT THIS YEAR.

Allowance for Construction and Maintenance of Roads and Trails Not Included—Many Extra Men Employed During Season.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

In addition to road and trail maintenance and construction, the Deschutes national forest may spend \$34,207 by June 30, 1920, according to the approved estimate of expenses received through the district office this morning by Supervisor N. G. Jacobson. Of this amount \$25,354 is for salaries, travel and rent, while \$8,853 is for improvements and maintenance other than roads and trails, and includes 13 miles of telephone construction, changing 19 miles, and the maintenance of 252 miles.

The amount of extra work necessitated during the fire season is shown by the list of forest employes allowed. Out of 45, two are employed for six months and 12 for the entire year, meaning 31 who work only during the period of the year when there is danger from forest fires. Most of these extra men are already on the job.

To Eradicate Hemlock.

One of the improvements considered by the forest service is the eradication of an extensive growth of poison hemlock on the Metolius. It is planned to spend approximately \$400 in this work to remove the deadly weed which annually costs the ranchers of that section from five to 10 head of cattle.

Under the head of maintenance comes the upkeep of 19 houses, 7 lookout stations, 10 barns and 15 other buildings, with 14 stock watering places on the forest.

The appropriation for road and trail work will be received later, and will not include the McKenzie pass road construction, as this is classified apart from ordinary forest road construction.

WARNS AGAINST M'KENZIE PASS

HUGE SNOWDRIFT STILL BLOCKS WAY, AND CAN BE CONQUERED ONLY AFTER ARDUOUS TOIL, WRITES BEND MAN.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

Unless auto tourists are especially well equipped with ropes, pulleys, boards, shovels and every other device needed in conquering the most obstinate snowdrifts, they are advised against trying the McKenzie pass. The warning comes from Dr. W. G. Manning, who, with Mrs. Manning, left by auto Sunday morning for Portland. They crossed the pass eventually, but would not care for a second experience of the kind.

One mile this side of the summit they encountered a snowdrift more than 200 feet long, which they succeeded in getting through after two and one-half hours of the hardest kind of work. In addition to the difficulties met on the summit, Dr. Manning, in his letter from Portland, wrote that the roads over the lava beds are in very bad shape.

MASONS TO GATHER IN BEND JULY 17

Blue Lodge Members from Burns, Prineville and Madras to Be Entertained Here Soon.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

Masons from four counties will gather in Bend on the evening of July 17, when the Bend lodge, A. F. & A. M. will entertain the blue lodge members from Burns, Prineville and Madras.

An exemplification of the ritualistic work of the order is planned, after which a banquet will be given in honor of the visitors.

WALLACE WILL HEAD FARMERS COUNTY BUREAU HAS ANNUAL MEETING.

Prospects for Year Are Good, Despite Cold and Lack of Rain—Banker-Farmer Mixer Creating Much Interest.

(From Thursday's Daily.)

At the annual meeting of the Deschutes County Farm bureau held yesterday, Fred N. Wallace, manager of the Tumalo Irrigation project, was elected president, John Tuck treasurer and John Marsh, Gus Stadig, J. A. Melvin, F. B. Baughman, L. A. Hunt and R. U. Flickinger board of directors.

With the farmers of Deschutes county in better financial condition than they have ever been before and crops looking better than normal considering the lack of rain, the farmers hope to enter more extensively into promotional work. In this connection a strong disposition was manifest to cooperate with the bankers of Deschutes county to promote better farming conditions. In bringing the matter before the meeting, R. A. Ward, of the First National Bank of Bend, spoke to the farmers present regarding the splendid results obtained throughout the middle western states in cooperative farmer-banker work. Particular reference was made to the farm management work carried on by the state bankers' associations with farm bureaus and the federal extension workers. The county agents have been working incessantly, it was pointed out, in farm demonstration work.

Will Hold Mixer.

To bring the bankers and farmers together it was suggested that a big farmer-banker mixer be held in the near future, at which time it is possible for the farmers and the bankers to determine upon some plan of systematic advancement along agricultural lines. The farmers and bankers of Deschutes county will be solicited to make possible the mixer late in this summer.

The plan was heartily endorsed by farmers present. John Marsh spoke favorably regarding the plan, and urged the farmers to cooperate with the bankers of the county. Both F. B. Baughman and Gus Stadig urged that the plan be vigorously prosecuted. Mr. Stadig brought out the difficulties that have been faced by the farmers of the pioneering days and the help that they received from the bankers in aiding them over hard times.

Kerr to Visit.

The bureau appointed the following members to work out details for a mixer: F. B. Baughman, John Marsh, R. U. Flickinger, J. A. Melvin. The committee voted that county agent R. E. Koons and President Wallace be named on the committee.

During the coming week a field trip will be held for farm demonstration purposes, which will be attended by President Kerr and the regents of the Oregon Agricultural college. The tour will end with a dinner at the Pilot Butte Inn.

O. A. C. PRESIDENT DUE HERE SATURDAY

Will Be Present at Meeting with Farm Bureau at Pilot Butte Inn.

Following a field trip at the experiment station at Moro, this week, President A. J. Kerr, of the Oregon Agricultural College, and the board of regents will be in Bend Saturday, granting that no delays are encountered in their work, at which time they will meet with the Deschutes Farm Bureau executive committee and the bankers of Deschutes county for a discussion on the plans for the farmers of Central Oregon during the coming year.

The meeting will be held at noon at the Pilot Butte Inn.

In the event the Oregon Agricultural college officials are delayed, all persons concerned in this meeting will be notified by County Agent R. E. Koons.

FIRE IS CHECKED IN DANGEROUS DISTRICT

Blaze Northeast of Summit Ranger Station Spreads Over 200 Acres Before It Is Controlled.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

Fire of unknown origin started yesterday afternoon northeast of the Summit ranger station, in the Deschutes national forest, and was reported almost simultaneously by the lookouts on Paulina peak and Pine mountain. To combat the flames, Ranger Harriman started out from Fort Rock with three men, and by evening had the flames under control. Last night a wide trench was plowed around the 200-acre tract included in the fire to prevent a further spread in case a high wind should spring up today.

Yesterday's fire was close to the scene of one of the most disastrous conflagrations in the history of Central Oregon, and forest officials are well pleased that the blaze was so quickly controlled, as large quantities of underbrush and a heavy growth of lodgepole pine allows the flames to climb readily to the tops of the trees.

WILL EXAMINE BOND SECURITY

STATE COMMISSION TO ARRIVE IN BEND BY TOMORROW MORNING ON TRIP TO SILVER LAKE IRRIGATION DISTRICT.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

That a state commission, headed by State Engineer Percy A. Copper, will arrive in Bend tonight or tomorrow morning on the way to Silver Lake to examine the Silver Lake Irrigation project preliminary to endorsing the \$300,000 bond issue recently voted by the irrigation district, was the statement this morning of Gus Schroder, one of the district directors. Mr. Schroder will accompany the members of the commission to Silver Lake, and is confident that the project will meet with their approval.

The Silver Lake Irrigation district comprises 8000 acres, practically free from waste land, lying in a gentle slope which lends itself readily to the easy watering of the entire area. The bonds voted are for the purpose of damming Silver creek, forming a storage reservoir in Thompson valley. Options on practically all of the reservoir site have already been secured.

In the alluvial soil of the dry bed of Silver Lake crops are making excellent headway. Mr. Schroder reports, and with the shutting off of Silver creek for irrigation the lake will have no possibility of filling again. In times of especially high water, Buck creek may moisten the old lake bed, but hardly more than enough to aid farmers who have squatted on the land, Mr. Schroder says.

MOSQUITOES PLAGUE ANGLERS FROM CITY

Central Oregon Insects Not Remarkable for Size but Decidedly Efficient, Say Victims.

Among the few predatory animals found in Central Oregon the mosquito is the worst right now, and ample preparations should be made to resist his attacks is the declaration of anglers who have returned to Bend after brief trips to the lakes and mountains, where they neglected to protect their skins against punctures.

While no record breaker for size, the Central Oregon mosquito is decidedly efficient and settles on his victim with no warning hum. At Elk lake Mayor J. A. Easton found the little insects to be so voracious that no preparations he knew of had power to drive them away. Judge Peoples encountered them at Big lake, and especially near the snow line on Three Fingers Jack, and L. M. Foss admitted that he, too, had suffered.

NOTED AUTHOR TO VISIT BEND

INVITATION OF CLUB IS ACCEPTED.

Stewart Edward White Now on Way to Oregon—Commercial Club Champions G. H. Baker, and Endorses Plan for Band.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

As the result of an invitation sent from the Commercial club by a committee headed by R. A. Ward, Stewart Edward White, famous writer of outdoor stories, will visit in Bend and Central Oregon this summer, it was announced this noon at the weekly meeting of the Commercial club at the Pilot Butte Inn. Mr. White and his party have already left California for Oregon, a letter received from him states, but the exact date of his arrival here has not been set.

Mr. Ward modestly declined to read the communications which had passed between him and the famous author of outdoor stories, and the letters were turned over to A. Whiteman. Mr. Ward's invitation on behalf of the club, addressed to Mr. White on June 23, is as follows:

"I noticed recently in the columns of the press that you were contemplating spending the summer in the Oregon country. I am writing on behalf of the Bend Commercial club to extend to you a cordial invitation to spend your vacation, or at least a part of it in the finest country that lies out-of-doors.

"I have read with interest a number of your books, particularly 'The Rules of the Game,' and while serving the United States government I personally visited and worked in 15 of our national forests, starting in at Deadwood, S. D., and working as far west as the Angeles forest of southern California. Nowhere have I found a greater country for scenic splendor and good sport than that portion of the Cascades lying tributary to Bend and contained in the Deschutes and Crater Lake national parks.

"It will not be necessary for me to expatiate upon the wonderful scenery of this famous lake and pine region. Suffice to say that we have a number of lakes bottomless as far as geologists are able to ascertain which are teeming with trout ranging in size from the modest six-pound eastern brook to the 40-pound steelheads and rainbows.

"The officials of our forest service are a princely lot and the members of the Bend Commercial club are nature's noblemen. Any or all of these gentlemen will be glad to assist you in any way possible in planning and outfitting for a trip in this country, acting as guides or helping in any way that they can.

"Our mutual friend, Mr. Erwin

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NEW FIRE ENGINE NOW ON WAY HERE

Equipment Shipped June 28 to "Acting Mayor Clyde M. McKay," Letter from A. G. Long States.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

Bend's new fire engine will probably arrive here within the next two weeks, according to a letter received this morning by Fire Chief Tom Carlson from A. G. Long, from whom the equipment was purchased. The letter states that the engine was shipped from Elmira, New York, on June 28, to Clyde McKay, "acting mayor of Bend."

Mr. Long requests that he be notified as soon as the engine arrives, so that an engineer can be sent to superintend the unloading of the equipment, and to give instructions as to the proper handling of the machine.

RALPH HARVEY WEDS MISS STELLA RUSSELL

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

Miss Stella Russell and Ralph Harvey, both of this city, were quietly married last night at the Methodist parsonage, Rev. Parkinson officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Harvey will make their home in Bend.