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FARM BUREAU ENTERS NEW YEAR WITH WIDE PROGRAM

MANY PROJECTS TO BE DEVELOPED

WALLACE IS HEAD

Great Need for Rodent Control—
Ranchers Opposed to Bounty Sys-
tem—Farm Bureau Membership
Campaign to Be Launched.

Determined to limit its scope of work to fewer specialized activities and to launch into projects with greater vigor, the Deschutes County Farm Bureau started its second year yesterday at the first annual meeting held in Redmond. More than 75 farmer-members of the bureau attended.

The following projects will come under the eyes of the county agent D. L. Jamieson, and the Farm Bureau; cooperative marketing and shipping, under the direction of Gus E. Stadig and E. M. Eby; irrigation, Fred N. Wallace; soil and fertilization, J. A. Melvin; rodent control, R. U. Flickinger; potatoes, M. G. Coe; alfalfa, W. R. Davidson; livestock and silos, R. A. Ward and John Marsh; farm finances, C. W. McClung.

P. L. Ballard, assistant state-county agent leader read the annual report of H. E. Koons, former county agent and outlined in detail the work that has been accomplished by the Deschutes County Bureau the last year, complimenting the organization upon its achievements during the last year and pointing out many things yet to be considered within the scope of work for the coming year.

Wallace Elected Head.
Fred N. Wallace, of Tumalo, and J. A. Melvin, of Bend were re-elected president and vice-president respectively of the bureau for the coming year, with D. L. Jamieson, secretary-treasurer. The executive board including the president and vice-president elected are as follows: R. U. Flickinger, M. G. Coe, W. R. Davidson, R. A. Ward, John Marsh, E. M. Eby and C. W. McClung.

One of the major achievements of the Farm Bureau during the last year has been the development of the use of sulphur as fertilizer on irrigated alfalfa. More than 285 tons of sulphur and 177 tons of land plaster were distributed directly through the Farm Bureau, covering more than 3,000 acres, adding more than 300 tons of alfalfa hay to the hay tonnage of Deschutes county.

Spirited discussion was injected into the meeting when N. D. Wood, of the U. S. Biological Survey, suggested measures to curb the coyote pest in the county. Mr. Wood expressed himself as opposed to the bounty system. The system of county's paying bounties for coyotes, he stated, lead to great expenditures for scalps of predatory animals not killed in the counties where the bounties were being paid. At this juncture many farmers spoke on the great need for systematic action as soon as possible to check the propagation of rodents. A resolution was introduced by R. L. Sammons, of Tumalo, in which the Farm Bureau went solidly on record as opposed to the present system of certification of scalps and suggested that it be necessary for the certification of at least two stockmen that the coyotes were killed in Deschutes county before bounty is paid. The matter of the campaign against jack rabbits and sage rats was finally left with the executive board of the Farm Bureau which will take early action, outlining a definite campaign for the county.

Enthusiastic discussion followed suggestions relative to bettering the stock conditions in the county. N. H. Elliott, of the Terrebonne section, a former livestock salesman, said, "It is so much easier to breed better stuff, so why bother with the knot heads. Better livestock will make every farmer prouder of his county and prouder of his livestock." R. A. Ward, of the First National Bank of Bend, spoke upon farm finances and the willingness of the bank to cooperate with the farmers who manifested an interest in farm finances. He spoke of the difference between productive credit and con-

sumptive credit, the former being the basis upon which banks determine the amount of credit a farmer may obtain.

In the interest of poultry raisers the Farm Bureau, cooperative with the Oregon Agricultural college expects to have poultry experts in Deschutes county to help the poultry raisers this coming summer.

An extensive campaign will be inaugurated before the farmers' busy season opens to enlist a larger membership in the Farm Bureau. It is hoped more than to double the membership of the organization which stands now more than 300 farmers.

COUNTY AGENT TAKES UP WORK

D. L. JAMIESON, O. A. C. GRADUATE, FORMERLY OF U. S. BIOLOGICAL SURVEY, TO SUCCEED H. E. KOONS.

Filling the vacancy which has existed for a number of weeks following the resignation of H. E. Koons, D. L. Jamieson, formerly of the U. S. biological survey, today takes the position of county agent for Deschutes county. He was to make his first appearance in his new official capacity at the farm bureau meeting at Redmond today.

Mr. Jamieson is a graduate of the Oregon Agricultural College, and has had considerable experience in work of the type which he will be called on to perform in this county. While in the government employ, he was in the department of rodent control.

SCHEDULE FOR DEBATES OUT

The debating schedule for the Bend high school, which has been withheld for several weeks in order to permit the entrance of all the schools in the division in which Bend is located was announced to the high school.

The first engagement for the Bend high school will be February 18, against the Redmond high school. In section A and B eight schools have entered in the inter-scholastic debating league for Oregon. They are Bend, Redmond, Prineville, Culver, The Dalles, Moro, Hood River, and Odell.

The schedule is as follows for section A:

February 19—Prineville vs. Culver; Bend vs. Redmond.

February 27—Prineville vs. Redmond; Bend vs. Culver.

March 5—Prineville vs. Bend; Culver vs. Redmond.

The schedule for section B is as follows:

February 19—The Dalles vs. Moro; Hood River vs. Odell.

February 27—The Dalles vs. Odell; Hood River vs. Moro.

March 5—The Dalles vs. Hood River; Moro vs. Odell.

The debates will be dual in nature, with each school supported by an affirmative and negative team, one debating away from home and at home on each of the scheduled dates.

The winners of section A and B will compete for division honors March 12, the place of this contest later to be selected.

ARMY GOODS WILL BE SOLD FRIDAY

A telegram received Wednesday by Mayor J. A. Eastes from A. R. Roberts, who is to conduct the sale of surplus government supplies here, states that one car of canned tomatoes has already reached here, and that two cars of other supplies are on the way. Mr. Roberts expects to be here to commence the sale on Friday of this week.

According to present plans, the army goods will be sold from the Shaw building.

HEARING HELD FOR KROENERT

Explanation of his personal relations with the Pine Tree Lumber Co., a bankrupt corporation, and the Bend Flour Mills, was given on Wednesday by A. J. Kroenert, whose estate is also in the hands of the receiver, in a hearing conducted this morning at the request of W. R. Boyle, trustee. That he had received \$260 a month as president of the Pine Tree, and \$200 a month for heading the flour milling company, was Mr. Kroenert's testimony, but he added that in the latter capacity he had taken credit instead of cash since the plant suspended operation. He stated that he owned 98 per cent of the flour mill stock.

To Argue Mortgage Status.
That the status of the mortgage given by the Pine Tree Lumber Co. last spring, to cover delivery of \$70,000 worth of lumber to the Brooks-Scanlon Lumber Co., will be argued by brief, was the agreement reached late Tuesday afternoon at the conclusion of the hearing before Referee Cannon on the objection of the trustee to the mortgage being considered as a prior claim against the bankrupt lumber company, of which Mr. Kroenert was the chief stockholder.

H. E. Allen of the Brooks-Scanlon Lumber Co. told of the payment of monthly sums by his company to cover pay rolls, stumpage and other expenses of the Pine Tree Co. In all \$95,000 was represented in the dealings of the two companies, he said.

LAND BOARD DEFERS ACTION ON CONTRACT

SALEM, Feb. 4.—On the recommendation of Percy A. Copper, state engineer, the desert land board is deferring approval of the contract prepared by the Central Oregon Irrigation Co., which would furnish the newly organized Lone Pine Irrigation district water sufficient for 1600 acres.

Delay of 90 days in putting the contract into effect was suggested by Mr. Copper in order that an attempt might be made to reach an agreement whereby the operation and control of the Central Oregon Irrigation Co. would pass to the central Oregon irrigation district recently organized, composed of owners of more than 43,000 acres of land in the vicinity of Bend, Redmond and Powell buttes.

Hearings of the request for approval of the contract were held December 23 and 26 and the state engineer instructed to investigate and make a report covering the situation, together with recommendations for future action.

ELKS INITIATION IS SET FOR PRINEVILLE

By a special dispensation, Bend Lodge No. 1371, B. P. O. E. will initiate a class of Crook County candidates, in Prineville, on the night of February 21. A dance and dinner for Elks and their ladies will follow. A large number of Bend lodgemen will be in attendance.

MINER BUILDING, OF NEW TYPE, TO BE PUT UP AT \$50,000 COST

One of the unique one story, exclusive office buildings in the Northwest, entailing an expenditure of approximately \$50,000 will be erected this spring by J. B. Miner, of Bend on property purchased on Wall street, adjoining the present location on the north and including 50 feet of the building occupied by the American Bakery.

The structure will cover an area of 75 feet by 140 feet of Ionic architecture with an arcade, and will be one of the most imposing business blocks in the city. According to Lee A. Thomas, in whose office the plans are now being drawn, the building will be unique in arrangement of office rooms, lighting and accessibility. The arcade will extend over the entire frontage of 75 feet

LUMBER RAISE NO DETERRENT

That the recent advance in lumber prices should cause no one to have great fear if he has been contemplating building this year is the suggestion advanced by H. A. Miller, of the Miller Lumber Co., should anyone entertain the opinion that local lumber prices are above the prices of other localities any such misunderstanding will be dissipated by comparison with prices outside the city.

* Although the percentage of rise in the common grades of lumber has been slightly greater than in clear lumber, according to Mr. Miller, the dollars per 1,000 feet represented in the erection of a residence structure is not so great as in clear lumber, a small proportion of which goes into the construction. As evidence of this Mr. Miller points out that sheeting before the raise was \$16 per thousand and after the raise of 20 per cent the present price is \$20 showing a raise of \$4 per thousand. Regarding the increase in grades of clear lumber, it is shown that the price of this grade before January 1, was \$50 per thousand and with a 20 per cent raise it is now \$60. Much less clear lumber is used than common grades.

It is also given out by the Miller Lumber Company that the recent boost in the price of local lumber is the first that the company has made since September 1917, while other commodities entering into the construction of buildings have been steadily raised. The local dealers are affected by outside quotations on the prices of shingles and fir flooring imported from the coast.

Seldom a day goes by, the Miller Lumber Company says, that orders for lumber from Coast points do not meet with refusals to fill, indicating the demand in that market.

HEMLOCK APPEARS IN NEW DISTRICT

Poison hemlock has appeared in a district, which hitherto has been unmolested by the weed. Root samples brought in from one of the irrigation ditches near Deschutes, are now at the offices of the National forest, and it is reported that the plant has already caused the death of several young cattle within a short distance of the point where the roots were found.

Seed from Crane Prairie, which floated down the river, was swept into the C. O. I. intake and finally germinated in the irrigated land, is believed to be the history of the appearance of the hemlock near Deschutes.

GRANGE HALLERS TO PURCHASE BULL

The farmers of the Grange Hall district, some 10 in number, are negotiating through the First National Bank for the purchase of a pure-bred Ayshire bull for use of the farmers of that district. Among the ranchers concerned there are about 75 cows.

This is believed to be a start for the Grange Hall ranchers which will prove contagious and that other groups of farmers in that district will follow suit.

WING DAM AT POWER PLANT WASHED AWAY

DIKE IS WEAKENED BY CRAWFISH

VOLUNTEERS GIVE AID

Coffer Dam Is Started and Concrete Wall Will Be Extended to Prevent Recurrence of Trouble.

Holes bored by crawfish just above water level, in the earthen wing dam diverting the waters of the Deschutes River through the plant of the Bend Water, Light, & Power Co., are considered responsible for a washout which occurred shortly before noon Sunday which will cost the company several thousand dollars. Water impounded in the joint log pond of the Brooks-Scanlon Lumber Co. and The Shevlin-Hixon Company, a mile above, was suddenly released Sunday morning while the pond was being cleaned out. With the result that the portion of the wing dam weakened by the borings of the crustaceans was quickly swept away.

When first discovered, the flood menaced the ice plant and creamery, but an alarm brought the members of the Bend Fire Department, and volunteer workers joined them, filling sand bags, and carrying many tons of hay to be placed in front of a temporary dam of timbers which was hastily erected. At one time or another, fully 200 men and boys were at work in checking the widening of the breach, and largely because of the aid given by volunteer workers, it was not found necessary to suspend power service. By 5 o'clock in the afternoon, it was considered that the dam was no longer in immediate danger.

HOME PRODUCT FINDS MARKET

Sales in pure-bred bulls made in the last week indicates already in the infancy of breeding and raising of pure-bred cattle, that there is a local market for home raised products. Sales amounting to more than \$800 were made possible through negotiations with the First National Bank, in which pure-bred bulls both raised in this locality and imported and fed here have found market. Bull sales made this last week were A. E. Griffin to George Thompson, of Hampton, J. W. Brown to J. B. Fox, R. U. Flickinger to W. E. Van Lake of Hampton, Harry McGuire to Frank Percival, of Millican and Tumalo Shorthorn association to B. Hefferd of Silver Lake.

WANT WATER FOR PLAINVIEW LAND

SALEM, Jan. 29.—For the irrigation of the lands under the Plainview irrigation system near Gist, Oregon, the Plainview Irrigation Co. has filed an application with the state engineer covering appropriation of water from a tributary of Sparks Lake.

J. P. Newell of Portland asks permission to construct a reservoir for the storage of 80,000 acre feet of the waters of Big Marsh creek, a tributary of the Deschutes river, for the irrigation of lands near La Pine.

\$90 A TON OFFERED FOR SEED POTATOES

Offers of \$90 a ton for fancy seed potatoes have been received by the Deschutes Valley Potato Growers' association, Gus E. Stadig, manager, announced this morning when he arrived in Bend from his Lower Bridge ranch. The offer is really lower than the price made in a recent sale to Washington growers, when \$4.25 a hundred was given for the run of the field, and Mr. Stadig has not yet agreed to sell.

BIGGEST WOOD WASTE BURNER NEARLY READY

HUGE STRUCTURE TO BE USED SOON

NEW FEATURES SEEN

Screened Top and Replaceable Fire Brick Lining Devised by E. H. Dea—More Than Half Million Brick Used in Lofly Cylinder.

The largest burner in the world for the destruction of saw mill waste is now nearing completion at the plant of The Shevlin-Hixon Company and is expected soon to be in use. The scaffolding has just been torn down from the interior of the huge brick, steel and concrete structure; the conveyor which will carry in the wood waste is nearing completion; placing of the grates will start shortly.

Standing outside the great burner one is impressed by its size but because he sees only the rounding side can get no adequate idea of the whole. Inside he sees the whole diameter and the course on course of brick rising to a point in the air scores of feet above him. It is like being under a great dome except that the sides go up straight, the actual dome being the heavy steel structure which caps the whole.

Dome Is Important.
This dome is in reality a double dome and embodies one of the most important of the several new features devised by E. H. Dea, general superintendent of The Shevlin-Hixon plants, in planning this unprecedented work. Instead of radiating the ribs of the screen from a steel plate which would obstruct the course of the heat from the burning waste below, and in time buckle and give way, Mr. Dea has started them from a ring of steel. Then, to cover the opening left inside the ring another screen has been erected with the ring as its base. This leaves only open screen for the heat to ride through.

Another feature is the arrangement of the interior wall at the point where the heat will be greatest. Here where the brick wall to a height of 16 feet is 27 inches thick there are 10 inches of this wall of separate fire brick construction that can be renewed without interference with the rest of the wall. These fire brick are laid in side by side and one tier around the burner contains 440 brick. The fire brick in the burner lining number 178,561 and there are also half a million common brick used.

Ninety Tons of Steel Used.
The burner rests on a concrete base 90 feet in diameter and eight feet thick. It is itself 50 feet in diameter and from this base to the screen 145 feet in height. The screen rises 42 feet above the top of the burner wall. There are 180,000 pounds of steel in the outside wall and screen. The grates, which, by the way, were made right here in Bend weigh 60 tons.

The burner was erected by the Wm. Bros. Company, of Minneapolis. The brick work was in charge of M. E. Roberts and the men under him placed, on an average, 2,900 brick a day each.

Its cost is understood to be about \$50,000.

PRINEVILLE TEAM TO PLAY IN BEND

Opportunity to make up for the 20 to 18 defeat sustained Friday night at Prineville, by the Bend high school team, will be given Saturday, February 21, when the return game with the Crook County players is scheduled here. On Friday, February 13, Bend will play the Madras team at the Jefferson county seat. The Madras team, by the way, is the only one which has so far remained undefeated, and is apparently the most serious early season contestant for pennant honors.