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## STATE IS READY TO MAKE FARM LOANS

### FINAL INSTRUCTIONS ARE GIVEN

Blank Applications and Computation Tables Have Been Received by Attorneys.

Actual operation of the rural credits amendment got under way this week at Salem. Final letters of instructions to State Land Board attorneys, application blanks and information relative to amortization tables were sent out by G. G. Brown, clerk of the State Land Board, to the respective attorneys in the 36 counties of the state and it is expected that within a week the first application will come in from one of the attorneys for a loan.

The application blanks are extensive and carefully prepared to cover every possible feature which might be of interest to the Board before a loan is made.

In its letter of instructions to the attorneys for the Board, the State Land Board writes, in part, as follows:

"You will impress upon the borrower that the annual payments must reach the office of the State Treasurer before the date when due.

"Applications will be considered for even hundred-dollar amounts only.

"You will require borrower to pay for recording the mortgage.

"In fixing the fees to be paid attorneys it was the intention that the minimum fee should be \$10 and that on amounts above \$1000 the attorney should receive \$10 and one-half of 1 per cent of the amount in excess of \$1000, but in framing the bill the fee was reduced to \$10 and two-fifths of 1 per cent and the wording inadvertently changed so as to read \$10 and two-fifths of 1 per cent of the amount of the loan instead of \$10 and two-fifths of 1 per cent of the amount in excess of \$1000, which would make the fee received on loans of from \$1100 to \$1600, inclusive, exceed the 1 per cent received from the applicant.

The Board feels that it would have no authority to pay the shortage out of the rural credits fund, and in view of this will therefore expect to pay you not in excess of 1 per cent on loans up to and including \$1000. Above that amount, your fees will be computed on the basis provided by section 8 of the rural credits legislative enactment."

The information sent to the attorneys also contains amortization tables covering loans of \$1000 payable in annual installments of \$100, \$80, \$60 and \$40, these being for loans running 10, 20, 30 and 35 years, respectively.

### William Piper, Pioneer Farmer Dead at 95 Years

William Piper, an aged and respected pioneer of the Helix neighborhood, died Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock, after a few days illness incident to old age. He was 95 years old, and came to this coast in the days of '49, spending several years in California, but has farmed in this county for over half a century.

He is survived by his wife and three sons O. J., George and William Piper, all of Helix, the two latter of whom are very ill at the present time with pneumonia. Two daughters also, Mrs. Frank Smith of Rexburg, Idaho, and Mrs. Fred Morrison of Jerome, Idaho, are left.

The remains were brought to Athena by Undertaker Miller, and interment will take place in the Walla Walla cemetery. The date of the funeral has not been announced.

Address By Dr. Richards. Dr. E. E. Richards, the secretary of Willamette University, will deliver the Sunday morning address at the Methodist church. The work of Mr. Richards is in the interest of the University at Salem, but he takes no public offering whatever. He will also give a short address at the evening service. Moving pictures will furnish a prominent feature at this service. The Sunday school is growing in numbers and in enthusiasm. Very interesting sessions open every Sunday at ten o'clock. The complete moving pictures of the Passion Play in three full reels have been booked for Easter Sunday evening, April 8. Every one should reserve the date as these pictures will be of exceptional value. A cordial invitation to every one. Walter S. Gleiser.

### Cattle Are Moved Out.

The Pendleton Tribune reports that seven hundred head of cattle are being trailed out of Camas Prairie to Lower Butter creek because the supply of hay has been exhausted in the former district. A feeding season of more than four months has used up the available supply generally. Losses in Umatilla county have so far been small, as compared with those in Wallawa, Grant or Baker counties. One cattle man in the southern part of the county has a hay supply ten years old, and there are others with the same foresight who are well prepared.

### Accepts Pastorats at Adams.

Rev. Haslam, who assisted in the revival meetings at the Baptist church during the winter, has been retained as pastor of the Baptist church in Adams, and from all reports, is doing much to assist in the social welfare and religious circles of our neighbor city. Last week Thursday, assisted by the women of his congregation, a banquet was given the men, at which a men's Bible class was organized, with S. E. Darr director of the class, and L. L. Liguallen, secretary.

## 23 Years Ago.

[From the Press of March 23, 1894]

Louie Bergevin will remove to his reservation ranch soon, and begin spring work.

C. W. McClan's barn at Meacham was crushed by the heavy weight of snow which had accumulated on the top of it.

Joseph, the noted Nez Percé chieftain, is expected to arrive in a few days on a visit to his nephew, Young Chief, and his other friends on Umatilla reservation.

The LaDow block, in Pendleton had a narrow escape from fire last Wednesday night. An electric wire burnt in two, allowing one end to drop on the roof melting quite a space, and causing a brilliant light.

Sam Nicely, a prominent democrat and an aspirant for sheriff, was in from Juniper Saturday. Sam says he is a staunch democrat himself, altho his father and brother had gone over to the populists. He thinks his chances for the nomination for sheriff are good but says if the convention prefers some other man, he will do all he can to help to elect the man of their choice.

One of the juvenile baseball nines of Pendleton has a player by the name of Poke Smith. No relative of Hoke.

The McIntyre Bros, who reside near Adams, were in the city Wednesday laying in supplies, preparatory to commencing their spring work.

The blacksmiths have put on their aprons, the ring of the anvil is heard and things generally begin to hum, indicating that spring is with us again.

We learn that Judge Gilman and W. E. Young have taken an agency for a mineral water which comes from our neighboring state, Washington. For further particulars call on them.

A. D. Leedy, of Helix, and C. A. Barrett, of Athena, two candidates for sheriff on the republican ticket, took lunch together at Hotel Pendleton yesterday. The meeting was entirely accidental, says the Tribune.

Snow in the Blue mountains in the vicinity of the Linkton pass is said to be ten feet deep.

Joe Hinkley, formerly editor of the Alliance Herald, will commence the publication of a paper at Moscow, Ida. in the near future.

Geo. Hamilton, the Pendleton grain buyer was in the city Wednesday. Geo. is not a candidate this trip, but says he will be in the swim, nevertheless.

"No fishing allowed in this lake, by order of the county court," is the sign which appears at the extensive mud puddle at the north entrance to the court yard at Pendleton.

Efforts are being made to organize a Camp of the W. O. W. in this city. It is a beneficiary order, and those having the matter in hand will no doubt meet with merited success.

Peter McIntyre who recently arrived from British Columbia, and purchased the McDaniel place on Pine Creek, was in town Wednesday and bought of Gillis Bros., a complete outfit of furniture.

G. W. Bigby & Son have three seeders, two plows and two harrows at work on their reservation ranch northeast of Pendleton. They will have 1800 acres of grain for next season's harvest and 2,500 of summer fallow.

### Weights and Measures Law

The law governing weights and measures goes into effect May 20, and will be put before the people by the lately appointed sealer of weights and measures, for Eastern Oregon, J. A. Yeager, through the press and personal visits by his deputies.

The more important of these laws relate to the sale of flour and gasoline. Flour, when sold in sacks must conform to the standard net weight of 48, 49, 50 1/2 or 55 pounds avoirdupois. Under the present law, flour may be sold in sacks of any weight, provided the weight is marked on the sack.

All dealers in gasoline are required to label containers, giving the specific gravity of the gasoline in letters at least 1 1/2 inches in size. The required specific gravity is 56 at a temperature of 60 degrees Fahrenheit.

### Please Remember.

Our Dr. R. A. French will be in Athena at the St. Nichols Hotel Thursday and Friday, March 29th and 30th. He will be pleased to have any who are having trouble with their eyes call on him.

Dr. R. A. French is a graduate of two well-known Optical Colleges and has had a vast amount of practice in his profession for a man of his age. We can recommend him as being very competent and efficient in his work.

If you have frames or mountings which need adjusting or straightening, take them to him. He will adjust or straighten them without charge.

A. D. French Optical Co., Walla Walla, Wash.—Adv.

### Joseph Fountain Passes.

Announcement is made of the death of Mr. Joseph Fountain aged 77 years, brother of Mrs. Elizabeth Mansfield, and Mrs. Eliza Harris of Weston. Mr. Fountain, who died at Artesia, California, on March 14, 1917, was next to the eldest in a family of thirteen children. He leaves two married daughters and one son, being preceded in death by his wife, some years ago.

### Passion Play Pictures.

The pictures of the great Passion Play to be shown at the Christian church tonight, under the direction of G. C. Weber, are the real photographic scenes of the play as given in Oberammergau in the year 1910, and are thoroughly authentic. The exhibition tonight consists of over 200 beautifully colored and enlarged pictures of the mountain village, where the Passion Play is given every ten years.

## UNIVERSITY GLEE CLUB IS POPULAR

### APPEARANCE A DISTINCT EVENT

A Splendid Program Lengthened by Responses to Merited Encores, Appreciated.

The appearance of the Willamette University Glee Club Tuesday evening at the Methodist church, was distinctly an event in Athena music circles, and the people here to thank Rev. W. S. Gleiser for his part in securing the organization for a date here. A large audience greeted the young men, and the hearty applause evidenced the appreciation of the audience.

The program, already long, was lengthened by responses to encores. The chorus of sixteen voices was well trained, and especially was the baritone soloist, Mr. Archie H. Smith, well received. Miss Hazel Alene Hockensmith's soprano solos were very pleasing special features, also readings by Mr. Bowers and Mr. Gus Anderson.

The Glee Club number "Lochinvar" was easily the finest thing on the program, while Mr. Steeves as "The Ventriloquist," and Messrs. Paul Anderson and James Ewing in their stunts, "Squirrel Food," were popular numbers.

Dr. and Mrs. F. W. Chace and Mrs. Laban A. Steeves, wife of the manager, accompanied the Club.

A pleasing feature of their visit here was a dinner party held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Coppock, and Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Stewart, respectively, the young men being taken out in automobiles, to enjoy their hospitality.

In the late evening after the concert, a public reception was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Emmel, on 16th and Adams streets, in honor of the Glee Club, and a large number of Athena people met the young men. The lights were tastefully appointed, and rich refreshments were served.

### Thieves Made Escape.

Sheriff Taylor reports that the thieves who broke into the Sloyer store at Milton, have so far eluded detection. They escaped in a stolen car and abandoned the machine in Walla Walla near the railroad station, and it is supposed caught a train from that point.

Hallie Piersol arrived home from Montana this week. Russell Piersol also was at home a couple of days, coming up from Wasco.

## School Notes.

[Contributed.]

The members of the cast of the High school play, "Mr. Bob," to be given April 6th, are showing much enthusiasm in the rehearsals now taking place, and assure the public that this will be one of the best plays put on by the Athena High school. It will be well worth the money to see Aunt Becky, (Evelyn Hurd,) the aristocratic spinster who is so fond of cats, and Mr. Phillip, (Henry Koepke,) who has a hobby for racing boats. Mr. Brown, (Verne Dudley) the solicitor, who is continually being taken for some one else, will hold the attention of the audience throughout the evening. Miss Katherine, (Zola Keen) and her school chum, Marian, (Helen Russell) are delightful characters who will be liked by every one. Jenkins, the butler, (Lawson Booher) and Patty, the maid, (Kathren Froome) are very romantic characters, who take the parts of Romeo and Juliet with much humor. "Mr. Bob," around whom the plot centers, is a very mysterious character, whose identity is not revealed until the last act ends up the comedy drama very satisfactorily. The play is a scream from start to finish, and should prove to be a credit to the school.

Last Friday evening one of the most successful parties of the year was given by the Sophomore class in the Domestic Science room. The class deserve credit for their beautiful decorations which were of the class colors, purple and white. Guests were received at the door by the class, after which appropriate games were played. Especially interesting were the readings given by Miss Fortna. Refreshments consisting of marshmallow salad, banana cake and cocoa were served the party coming to a close with singing. The next and last of the class parties this year is that of the Freshmen, to be given at the end of the last quarter.

Great activity has been noticed lately in class struggles for supremacy between the undergraduates of the High school, the Seniors being too dignified to take part in the proceedings. The object seems to be to outdo each other in class spirit, in displaying their respective colors. The struggle so far is even, but the end is not yet.

The members of the bass ball squad are getting out on the diamond whenever "old Man Weather" and the routine of school allow them. They are practicing hard to form a good team but are handicapped by the loss of a pitcher. King and Banister, the star twirlers of last year, are both out of school. Walla Walla High has postponed its first game with Athens and a Walla Walla paper recently reported

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## ROAD ASSOCIATION TRUSTEES NAMED

### EIGHTEEN MEN ARE APPOINTED

Senator Barrett In Favor of Bonds, Represents Athena in County Organization.

East Oregonian: As president of the newly formed Eastern Oregon Highway Association, D. H. Nelson, prominent local farmer, has named 18 men living in different parts of the county to serve as trustees in the association. The list as announced by Mr. Nelson follows:

Lou Harder, Milton; Harry Hendrickson, Helix; E. P. Dodd, Hermiston; Tom G. Smith, Echo; Gib Morrison, Adams; Frank Holdman, Holdman; James Kyle, Stanfield; T. P. Gilliland, Pilot Rock; C. A. Barrett, Athena; S. A. Barnes, Weston; Lowell Rogers, Pendleton; Henry Taylor, Pendleton; Frank Hilbert, Ukiah; Lon Hodgson, Umatilla; C. G. Brownell, Umatilla; Jan. Nelson, Nye; Geo. Strand, Vasylic; Gunter Tergerson, Stanton.

The officers of the association in addition to the above are D. H. Nelson, president; Hugh Murray, Freewater, vice president; R. W. Rimer, secretary, and Jesse Hales, treasurer.

Tuesday evening at the instance of the Commercial organization at Weston, a good roads meeting was held in that town to which the officers of the highway and others interested were invited. A delegation headed by Mr. Nelson attended from Pendleton.

That Senator C. A. Barrett of Athena is strongly for the bonding issue is shown by a letter just received from that gentleman by Mr. Nelson. The news is of interest inasmuch as Mr. Barrett was one of the strong opponents of the bonding plan submitted for Umatilla county last spring. He is one of many influential men who opposed the county bonding plan but now support the state-wide bonding campaign.

### Directors Meeting Today.

Today in Pendleton at the Court House, the annual meeting of school directors is being held. An all day session will be held, at which the following subjects will be discussed: "The New School Laws"; "The High School Tuition Fund Law"; "How Can the Common School Be Made to Give a More Practical Education?" "What Extent Should the Superintendent or Principal Be the Financial Advisor of the Board?" and "The Supervision of the School."

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