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PIG PLAN IS HELD DANGEROUS FAKE

"Gilt Edge" Manipulators Working Farmers In This County.

Schemes for farming the farmer—and others for that matter—are constantly appearing. The latest to show up in Oregon, warns E. L. Potter, head of the animal husbandry department of the state college, is one being exploited in parts of eastern Oregon at present by a swine company. It is the old scheme, attempted with more or less success to the promoters in other states, of selling high priced gilts to farmers and giving a contract to buy back the female progeny.

"On its face the agreement seems fair enough, but a little study shows that the company cannot afford to buy back the gilts any longer than it can re-sell these gilts to other farmers," points out Professor Potter. "In other words the business must grow in geometrical ratio, and for each gilt sold this year from four to six must be sold next year and so on until the blow-up comes."

Some 500 gilts were sold in Kansas about three years ago on this plan in spite of the dangers being exposed by the college authorities. After the expansion had reached its limit the manager of the company wrote a letter telling his customers that "It is impossible for us to move the gilts that we had planned." The duly signed contracts with numerous ambiguous statements were of no use then to the purchasers of gilts at prices far above even pure-bred figures, according to Professor Potter.

Three years ago such a company attempted to start operations in Oregon but were warned by the college that it could not endorse the plan and would have to oppose it. Only recently did the scheme actually gain a foothold in this state.

"Exchanging cash for promises is always dangerous, but especially so when these promises, in their very nature, must eventually be impossible to fulfill," Professor Potter warns.

Walter A. Holt, county agent, informs the Press that he has rather definite information to the effect that these people are now operating in Umatilla county, and have already worked in Baker, Union and Willoua counties.

Closing Out

By this time the people of Athena are aware that I am closing out my furniture and house furnishings and it will be only a matter of time until every article is sold. It is with regret I am doing this as I have been in Athena in the same business for the past 42 years and during that time I have made many acquaintances and friends. I want to thank my many loyal friends for their support during my business career and assure them that I will always remember them. I will continue for a time the undertaking business here and use the store room as an office where the customers owing me can call and pay their accounts. N. A. MILLER.

Pioneer Passes

The East Oregonian reports that Cornelius V. Daniel, aged 64, one of the first white children born in Umatilla county, died on Saturday at 10 p. m. at the residence of his brother, W. P. Daniel, at Pendleton. He was the son of James R. Daniel, one of the earliest settlers on the Umatilla river, who first made his home there in 1858 and whose wife was a pioneer of 1862.

Ray Dudley in Charge

Prospective University of Oregon students of Athena will be given complete information on what courses to take and other phases of university life by members of the Greater Oregon committee, a student organization which will have contacts in every part of the state during the summer. Ray Dudley will have charge of the work in Athena.

Ukiah Cowboy Show

Racing and bucking stock is beginning to arrive at Ukiah to participate in the Camas Prairie Cowboy Convention at that place on July 4 and 5. Roads leading to Ukiah are reported in good condition, and a large crowd is expected to attend the big two-day show.

Cooked Food Sale

The B. Y. P. U. of the Baptist church will give a cooked food sale at Steve's Saturday, commencing at noon.

Weed Burner

A weed burner has been in operation on the Union Pacific right-of-way of the Washington division.

Arnold Wood Re-Elected As Member of Board of the School Directors

Interest in the election of a member of the board of directors of Union High School District No. 7 ran to a high point Monday afternoon, when a total of 229 votes were cast.

Arnold Wood, chairman of the board, whose term of office expired at the end of the school year, and who was a candidate for reelection, proved to be the overwhelming choice of the voters. He received 158 votes to 71 for George R. Gerking his opponent; a majority of 87.

From the hour the polls opened—two o'clock, p. m., to 7 p. m.—the voting was steady and orderly throughout, indicating that the voters had conclusively made up their minds as to which candidate they would vote for.

The election board comprised of women, were Mrs. McPherson, Mrs. Michener, Mrs. Baker and Mrs. Barrett, and in less than an hour after the polls closed, the result of the election was known.

Death of Mr. Pickett

Mr. Pickett, father of Mrs. E. C. Prestbye, died suddenly at his home in Seattle, Thursday morning of last week. Mr. and Mrs. Prestbye left immediately by motor for Seattle on receipt of the sad news. Mr. Pickett was a prominent railroad man and for many years had been in the employ of the Great Northern. A number of Athena people were acquainted with Mr. Pickett, he having visited a number of times at the home of his daughter, here. He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Prestbye, Mrs. J. J. Joyce and three sons, two of whom are minors, and who will make their home with Mr. and Mrs. Prestbye.

Former Athenaians In Their 3rd Annual Picnic Held in Portland Park

Mrs. Alma Koontz of Portland, writes the following account of the third annual picnic of former Athenaians, now residents of Portland which was held last Saturday:

The Third annual picnic of former Athena residents was held here in Laurelhurst Park Portland on Saturday afternoon and evening of June 23rd.

Each year the attendance is growing, about 70 being present.

The picnicers had the pleasure of having with them Marion Kees, who for a number of years has been doing missionary work in China, but for the past four years has made his home in San Francisco, where he is still working with the Chinese. He gave an interesting talk on China and his work.

With his wife and two of their children, they are visiting at the home of his sister Mrs. Kate Dickey and mother, Mrs. N. A. Jacobs, who is one of the last survivors of the Whitman Massacre.

Interesting talks were also given by Mrs. Lillian P. Fredericks of Weston; Mrs. Jacobs and Mr. H. Bressler.

The meeting was presided over by the president, Mrs. G. C. Osburn.

The officers of the past year were re-elected: Mrs. Osburn, President; Iva Callender Kiltan, Treasurer, and Alma Koontz, Secretary.

A Summer Series of Endeavor Society Parties

A large number of members attended the county convention of Christian Endeavorers, which was held at the Christian church in Athena, Sunday evening. Prior to holding devotional services, supper was enjoyed and games were played by the young folks in the church parlors.

H. Wade LeRoy has been appointed general chairman of arrangements for a series of summer union parties comprising the Endeavor societies of Pendleton, Helix, Adams, Athena, Weston and Milton-Freewater. The next gathering of the Endeavorers will be at Milton, July 12.

Death of Mrs. Timmerman

After a long period of illness, Mrs. Katherine Timmerman, widow of the late John Timmerman, died at a hospital in Pendleton, Sunday evening.

For many years Mrs. Timmerman resided on a farm near Helix, where she reared a family. She was born in Germany. Mr. Timmerman is survived by three sons, John, Jr., Herman and Ernest Timmerman, all of Helix.

Athena-Weston Scouts

H. Wade LeRoy, scoutmaster of troop No. 19 Boy Scouts of Athena, informs the Press that overtures proposing a merger organization of Boy Scouts of Athena and Weston, operative much the same as is the membership consolidation of Athena-Weston American Legion Post, is under consideration.

U. of O. Co-ed Honored



Edith Dodge, of Ashland, was this year, awarded the Gerlinger cup, presented annually to the woman student of the junior class at the University of Oregon who has shown the greatest development in character, scholarship and personality during her college career. Miss Dodge has been active in many campus affairs, and has just been elected president of the Woman's league. She was also chosen a member of Mortar Board, senior honor society.

County Agents Meet Will Certify Seed

County agents, state leaders and specialists from Oregon State College held a district meeting in Umatilla county Monday and discussed problems of mutual interest. During the day the party visited the fertilized plots on the W. O. Read farm south of Athena.

County Agent Holt has brought the matter of certification of seed wheat to the attention of growers who have fields that are extra high in purity.

All who are interested should notify him. The certification is handled without charge by the extension service of the Oregon State college. The large amount of re-seeding this spring will require an extra quantity of certified seed for use this fall, it is predicted.

Cutting Hay

Athena farmers have most of their wheat hay cut, bound and in the shock.

Hundreds Pay Last Respects To Gooding

Gooding, Idaho.—More than a thousand people stood with bared heads under a hot sun Wednesday afternoon to pay final tribute to Senator Frank R. Gooding at funeral services in this once desert town.

Though the services were held before the pier in the home of his daughter, Mrs. A. J. Schubert, the vast lawn in front of the home were packed with friends of the family and an entire block of the street in front of the house was roped off.

Representatives of all sections of Idaho were with the funeral as well as members of both branches of congress and state officials. Hundreds of residents from several of the neighboring towns flocked here for the services, and business houses were closed out of respect for the solon.

Planes Will Not Come

Walla Walla.—Word was received yesterday morning from Ray Cooper of Detroit, who is in charge of the National Air Tour for the Edsel B. Ford Reliability Trophy, that the fleet of some 35 planes will not come to Walla Walla as was previously announced by the chairman of the Walla Walla Airport Association.

Mrs. Bender Dies

Mrs. Fred Bender a prominent young matron of the Helix neighborhood, died Sunday morning at the Portland open air sanatorium, of tuberculosis, aged 25 years. She is survived by her husband and three children, ranging in age from 2 to 8 years.

Dr. Best Not Hurt

Though his car turned over completely three times at the foot of Emigrant hill, Dr. J. A. Best escaped without a scratch. The newly oiled highway caused the accident, in which the car came through with a smashed top and a broken windshield.

Caught in Rope

F. B. Wood came near having his hip broken one day this week, when his leg became caught in a rope, while leading a cow. He narrowly escaped serious injury before disentangling himself from the rope.

Yeast to Be Studied



UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene.—Chemical isolation of a material known as "bios," closely related to vitamins and, possibly, identical with some of them, is the project which Dr. Roger Williams, professor of chemistry at the University of Oregon, will direct under a research fellowship granted by the Fleischman Yeast company. Richard Roehm, Eugene, a senior in chemistry, has been appointed by the graduate council, on the recommendation of Dr. Williams, to assist him in the project next year.

Instead of using animals to test the materials involved in the project, as is done in vitamin research, Dr. Williams will test the effect of the materials on the growth of yeast. Beginning with a yeast extract, he will attempt to get out of that the particular hing which stimulates the great growth of yeast. The project is of great interest to chemists, and has been the purpose of several previous researches.

The Fleischman company has granted similar fellowships to research experts at the University of Chicago and the University of Minnesota. Dr. Williams had a fellowship of this type at the former institution in 1919, and later worked a year with the Fleischman company as research chemist. The fellowship granted him here carries a stipend of \$900.

Dr. Williams is the author of a recent text-book on chemistry, "An Introduction to Organic Chemistry," widely used.

Roehm has been an outstanding student in chemistry here and was recipient of the Bernard Jakway scholarship in chemistry last year.

Summer Picture Program At the Standard Theatre

The Standard Theatre begins its summer program of motion pictures tomorrow night, when it presents Ramon Navarro and Joan Crawford in Metro's fine romance of the sea, "Across to Singapore."

Sunday night the irrepressible Wallace Beery and that scream of the screen Zasu Pitts will be seen in "Casey at the Bat," introducing the New York Giants in the cast.

Pictures scheduled for the summer months include: Speedy, Mary Pickford in My Best Girl, Douglas Fairbanks in The Black Pirate, The Blood Ship, The Actress, After Midnight, Across the Atlantic, The Cossacks, The Warning, and other big ones.

Mounted Elk Head

A superb mounting of a splendid elk head is seen among the trophies that adorn the walls of the Rogers & Goodman hardware store. This new addition to the trophy collection was made by Marion Hansell, who killed the elk on his Idaho hunt last fall. The antlers, which bear four perfect points, are symmetrical and well balanced.

Purchases Residence

Mrs. J. F. Templeton of Seattle has purchased the John F. Herr residence property on Third and Adams streets. The consideration is reported to be around \$1200. Mrs. Templeton formerly owned this property, when she resided here.

Chas. Wilson At Helix

Charles Wilson, who for the past two years has been assisting his father, Lee Wilson, in the management of the Farmers Grain Elevator Company of Athena, has accepted the management of the business of a Portland grain company at Helix.

Swimmers Galore

With temperature just right, the new pool at City Park was the magnet which drew swimmers from far and near Sunday afternoon and evening. The pool is appreciated by everyone, and a new spring board to facilitate diving, will be installed.

A New Studebaker

Mr. and Mrs. Bryce Baker are driving a new Studebaker "Dictator" sedan.

Now Western Oregon Chicken Thieves To Get Terms In Penitentiary

Recently two chicken thieves were sentenced to terms in the penitentiary. They resided at Freewater, and carried on their depredations in this neighborhood where several chicken parks were raided and depleted of fowls. Thieves are learning to respect the Oregon Poultrymen's Association. Arrests have been made and penitentiary sentences dealt out to thieves operating in Western Oregon.

Four men working in an organized manner, caused loss to many Linn county poultry producers thru their regular and constant, nightly raids upon the hen roosts of the farmers. Their activities aroused the ire of the poultry owners, and the call for aid in breaking up the organized thievery was heeded by P. A. Stellmacher, Deputy Game Warden and J. E. Lillard, Deputy Sheriff, both of Linn, county.

Upon information that four men were living at a rooming house without visible means of support, the officers received their first clue Soon after the men were sighted in a restaurant, and the local officers went in to question the quartet. At the appearance of the peace officers, two of the suspected men dashed for liberty by way of the back door and made a successful escape. However, the identity of the two escaped members of the gang was later established.

The two men were arraigned, waived right of counsel, plead guilty, and were sentenced to the Oregon State Penitentiary by Judge Kelly. The State of Oregon was represented by L. G. Lewelling, District Attorney for Linn, county.

Delegate Peterson On Resolutions Committee At Houston

The Associated Press announced the selection of Will M. Peterson of Pendleton as Oregon's member of the resolutions committee, of the democratic national convention, as follows:

The selection of Will M. Peterson of Pendleton, outspoken in his opposition to the prohibition law, as Oregon's member of the resolutions committee, was seen as an indication that the influence of Oregon democracy might be cast on the side of repeal of the prohibition amendment or for a referendum plank.

While reiterating his opposition to the prohibition law and expressing his personal belief that the entire liquor situation should be returned to the hands of the individual states, Peterson declared he would support a general "law enforcement" declaration in the platform, with no specific reference to prohibition.

Peterson said, however, that if a plank is advanced providing for the placing of the liquor question up to the states, he would be disposed to favor that.

Concerning farm relief, Peterson said he would advocate a plank declaring in general terms for the same consideration for the farmer, stockman and herd master as is received by manufacturers and industry in general at the hands of the federal government. He expressed the belief that this would cover the farm problem in the most effective manner.

Peterson declared himself in favor of granting all consideration to ex-service men, with adequate relief and hospitalization for disabled veterans.

12 Thousand Acres Land To Be Opened

Washington.—Twelve thousand acres of land in Lake county, Lakeview land district, Oregon, will be opened to homestead and desert land entry by qualified ex-service men on July 13, and to general entry October 12.

The tract is near the town of Paisley and the nearest railroad towns are Kirk and Klamath Falls on the Southern Pacific. The area is suitable for grazing, but precipitation is not sufficient grain crops.

Lotsa New Pups

Bert Ramsay is showing his friends a new pointer pup with commendable pride. Bert says it was no easy matter to win him away from setters to pointers—he just got tired of having setters sitting around. Lee Wilson has a family of eight setter pups and fanciers who have seen them, proclaim them to be a likely lot.

Jule Vaughan Died

Jule Vaughan, Pendleton school girl, 12 year old daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Vaughan, died in a Portland hospital Sunday night, following amputation of her left arm a week ago, after infection from a broken forearm had set in. Funeral services were held at Pendleton Tuesday forenoon.

CHAPTERS BEING ORGANIZED HERE

Izaak Walton League of America Takes Root In County.

J. A. Cushman, national field representative of the Izaak Walton League of America, was in Athena for the second time last Friday. He came here for the purpose of organizing a local Chapter of the League and was successful in securing a sufficient number of names on the petition for a Chapter in Athena.

Mr. Cushman left the following list of names as appearing on the petition, at the Press office for publication: M. W. Hansell, temporary president; Dean Pinkerton, temporary secretary; Stafford Hansell, F. B. Boyd, Frank Ames, F. S. LeGrow, Glenn Dudley, B. O. Anderson, E. C. Rogers A. W. Logsdon, H. O. Parker, O. O. Stephens, R. L. Lieuallen, Lloyd Michener, Wilber Harden, W. R. Harden.

Other Chapters are being organized in Umatilla county. One at Freewater, Hermiston, Pilot Rock, and one at Pendleton. There are already sixteen Chapters of the league organized and functioning in the state, says Mr. Cushman, and a large number will be added soon.

The growth of Waltonism is marvelous. "From 54 men in one city in 1922," said Mr. Cushman, "to 200,000 men in three thousand towns and cities in 1928—from 54 anglers who were determined to improve their favorite sport, to a nation of sportsmen, outdoor lovers, and leaders of thought, who are fighting for constructive, rebuilding, progressive conservation of our natural assets in all parts of America.

"That, in short, is the history of the Izaak Walton league of America. Waltonism is broad in its application. It does not mean merely more fish, more game. It means a more and improved outdoors, greater use and benefit for all.

"It means application of all possible uses of the outdoors to the general welfare of all Americans. It means the preservation and promotion of the economic side of the outdoors as well as the recreational. It means wealth as well as health. It means that the outdoors must work to full capacity for humanity.

"But it does not even stop there. Waltonism looks further. It actively promotes and encourages outdoor recreation, especially for the youth of America, because it realizes mental, physical, and moral standards of America can be maintained only by greatly increasing the addition to clean, vigorous, outdoor sport. So America's world leadership actually hinges on building activities which will increase pastimes afield and astream."

Hot Weather Ripens Grain

The hot weather over the week-end served to hasten the ripening of grain on the light soil lands, with the result that harvesting will be soon under way. Lack of moisture is showing effects on grain in different parts of the county. The fall sown wheat seems to be holding its own and gradually advancing toward the stage of maturity. Fields of spring sown wheat do not look so well in comparison and markedly reveals the result of drought.

International Trucks

The firm of Rogers & Goodman have sold a total of eighteen International trucks to farmers in the Athena-Weston district, and others will be sold before harvest begins. One farmer, "Buzz" Fisk, purchased three Internationals. The purchase of these new trucks call for beds for hauling bulk grain from field to elevator, and Jens Jensen is busy manufacturing beds for the new trucks.

Chris Thoency Sells

Chris Thoency has sold his farm of 20 acres, south of Weston, on which he has resided for many years, to Mrs. Futter of Pendleton, for \$6000. The deal was made by J. A. Ross, realty dealer. A son of Mrs. Futter will reside on the place and Mr. Thoency and family contemplate re-moving to California to live.

Breaks Both Arms

Roland Narkaus, a well known farmer of Reed & Hawley mountain, had the misfortune to break both arms and dislocate his shoulder, when he was thrown from a horse, Saturday last. His left arm was fractured at the elbow, and the right forearm was broken.

Assembling Weeders

Alex McRea who is here from Portland, is engaged in assembling the McRea Rotary Weeders.