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WHEAT STORAGE IS NOW PROBLEM

Warehouses Full and More Grain to Come; Little Moves Out.

Walla Walla.—Because of the slow movement of wheat out of the valley due to the reluctance of farmers to sell at the prevailing low prices, the grain warehouses are fast becoming filled and warehousemen say there will be a shortage of storage space. In the Lowden district it is reported that the warehouses are full and that much grain is yet to come in. In other sections the same situation is rapidly developing.

The shortage of space is aggravated by the disinclination of the buyers to take wheat on consignment. Temporary platforms for the piling of sacked wheat are becoming necessary. Even with canvas covers, this method loses a great deal of grain in cases of early rains.

The wheat harvest is practically completed in all save the later hill districts. Contrary to the first expectations, the yield in most early districts has been from two to five bushels per acre more than average, while in the hills where the early reports predicted the heaviest crops, farmers say they are harvesting from a half to two third of a normal crop.

The Farmers Grain Elevator Company and the Preston-Shaffer Milling Company of Athena, have had their grain handling facilities taxed, but have been able to receive the entire grain crop here. Resorting to consignments and the sale of several large lots of wheat, left storage space sufficient to take care of the Athena crop.

Oregon State College Farm Market Review

Corvallis.—The official estimate of the total United States wheat crop as of August 1 was boosted 90,000,000 bushels over the July 1 estimate. This places the prospective production above last year and above average.

Most of the increase is in hard red winter, although durum is also long. Here red spring is almost up to last year, but the crop of soft red is about 42,000,000 bushels smaller and white wheat production will be about 12,000,000 bushels less than last year.

The Canadian crop also promises to be larger than in 1927 and favorable progress of wheat crops in Europe continues. Considering the shorter rye crop and small carryover of wheat, it now appears that the World supply of bread grains may not be greatly different than a year ago.

Recent reports indicate a slight increase in the Japanese wheat crop but very poor quality. It is said that there will be an export demand for white wheat from that country later. Wheat prices in general went sharply lower last week, but soft wheat did not decline as much as other grades. Soft red and white wheats are in firmer position than other grades of wheat.

Attendance Contest

The Sunday School classes of the Christian Church are preparing for an attendance contest which will commence Sunday, and close on Rally Day early in October. Points in the contest will be based on attendance, new members, lesson preparedness, and promptness. Prizes will be awarded the individuals with the highest score, and also to the class earning most points. A high mark has been set for Rally Day attendance, and the classes are vying with each other, to see which can make the most rapid and permanent gains.

Gorgeous Water Lilies

A number of Athena people have driven out to the Samuel Pambrun country home south of Athena, to see the gorgeous water lilies that grow in the lily pond there. The blooms are said to be at their best in the early afternoon, closing along toward evening. Mr. Pambrun takes great pleasure in his flowers and delights in showing them to his friends.

May Extend Service

The Union Pacific Stages, Inc., now operating a passenger and express service from Walla Walla to Pendleton, Oregon, today asked the State Department of Public Works for authority to extend their service from Portland, Oregon, to Lewiston, Ida., via Pendleton and Walla Walla.

New Potatoes \$1 Sack

Roy Sullivan of Hermiston, disposed of the first carload of his new potato crop at \$1 per sack, f. o. b. Sullivan's potatoes are turning out 200 sacks to the acre.

Prineville Seeking the Cross-State Line At Commission Hearing

Prineville and Crook county stole the spotlight at the hearing on a proposed cross-state railroad with a petition that the line be constructed from Burns to Prineville instead of from Crane to Crescent lake, as urged by the public service commission of Oregon says the Oregonian. Prineville's legal representative was L. M. Bechtell. His witnesses were C. W. Woodruff, manager of the Prineville municipal railroad; W. B. Tucker, Crook county agricultural agent, and V. V. Harpham, supervisor of the Ochoco national forest.

Mr. Bechtell in his opening statement outlined his position as follows:

"Intervenor from Prineville, Or., advocate, instead of the Harriman-Odell extension, a line northwesterly from Burns along or across the Malheur and Ochoco forest reserves and down the Crooked river to Prineville, approximately 125 miles. There it would connect with the 19-mile branch line operated by the city of Prineville from the Deschutes line at Prineville Junction, three miles north of Redmond.

"It would constitute a route for intermountain and transcontinental traffic with better grades than the Oregon-Washington's present line over the Blue mountains and would be through territory potentially capable of developing traffic the entire distance, which would not be the case with the Harriman-Odell extension.

"This traffic would consist of forest products, livestock and general agricultural products. It would bring central and eastern Oregon in closer touch with western Oregon than now exists and would enable the most productive areas of central and eastern Oregon now unprovided with transportation to be reached by short branch lines.

"In conjunction with the Natron cut-off through Bend and Odell Junction, a route would be opened from southern Idaho to western Oregon and California, with between 55 and 60 miles greater capacity than the route now sought by complainant (the public service commission of Oregon)."

Cornstalk Grows 61 Inches In 30 Days

What is believed may be a world's record for rapidity of growth of corn under natural field conditions has been made on the project of C. L. Upham's place in the Columbia district says the Hermiston Herald. A stalk of sweet corn in a patch planted July 8 measured 61 inches August 6 after the parent grain had been in the ground 30 days.

Measurement was made from the top of the ground to the tip of the shoot by A. J. Upham, father of C. L. Upham, who is spending the summer here.

"I believe a growth of 61 inches in 30 days, or at the rate of more than two inches per day, counting the time the kernel laid in the ground before the plant made its appearance, probably establishes a world's record for corn," the elder Mr. Upham said. "My grandson Dick looked at me as if he thought I was crazy when I suggested that we clear off a growth of pea vines early in July and plant some sweet corn. But he did the work, and we have the corn to show for it."

Yakima Spud Situation

Weston Leader: A Weston visitor from Yakima valley informs the Leader that 50,000 tons of last year's potatoes are rotting in the pits in the region between Kennewick and Pasco. Growers are glad to give them away to people who will haul them off. New potatoes are selling at \$18 per ton. A big distillery is in course of erection at Grandview for the purpose of making denatured alcohol from unmarketable spuds, and in the future will be of considerable advantage to Yakima growers. It is said that this concern will be able to pay \$10 per ton for culls and still make a good profit on its output.

Former Pioneer Dies

Greene Braden, well known in the Walla Walla district as one of the old pioneer residents, died Monday in Calgary, Canada at the home of his son, Will Braden, following a short illness. Mr. Braden came to Walla Walla in 1846.

Hotel Opening Set

The Marcus Whitman hotel at Walla Walla will be ready to open September 1, it was announced by Troy E. Himmilman, who will be resident manager. Numerous reservations for the opening banquet have been received the manager stated.

Boxing Card

Walla Walla offers an exceptionally good boxing card for this evening. Bobby James and Madison Dix will appear in the main event of six rounds. A special 6-round go has been scheduled between Del Allen of La Grande and Billy Kennedy.

University of Oregon Girls Have Aviation Event



UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene.—The first "flying party" ever held by a college sorority in the United States was recently staged in Portland by members of the University of Oregon chapter of Chi Omega, one of the leading social organizations on the campus. Local members, under the direction of Miss Thelma K. Park, chartered the airplane fleet of the Continental Airways in Portland, decorated the hangars in sorority colors, and nattily dressed in aviators' uniforms, served "hot dogs" during the day. The day was also devoted to aerial flights and airplane stunting. Responsible for the success of the party were Rose Roberts, Alberta C. Clark, Dorothy Davis and Thelma Park, pictured above, left to right.

Details of Accident At Helix Last Week

The following details of the automobile accident at Helix last week, which caused the death of the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Bruce, are taken from the Helix View Point:

In an accident Wednesday evening at the corner of the Helix Garage, Mrs. J. C. Bruce and a truck of Herb Hales driven by Ed Hughes of Milton collided at the intersection.

Little Patty Bruce was killed instantly, Mrs. Bruce receiving a broken arm and Sarah Montgomery an injury to her hip and chest. The other two occupants of the car, Miss Grinstead and Mrs. Hall were apparently uninjured although badly shaken up.

The impact of hitting the truck was so great that it swung their car completely around, shattering part of the windows in the car and lodging it against a telephone pole near by. This being a blind corner it was impossible for either driver to see the other, and making the accident almost unavoidable.

Funeral services for little Miss Patty were held at Helix with interment at Dixie, Washington.

General Walsh Died Yesterday In Washington

General Robert D. Walsh died in Washington, D. C. yesterday, after a long period of ill health. Word to that effect came by wire yesterday morning to F. S. LeGrow, the general's brother-in-law.

General Walsh was well known to Athena people, having in years past visited at the LeGrow home. During the World War he was with the United States forces in France, and was the commanding officer at the port of Bourget, where most of the American troops and supplies were landed.

In his early official capacity in the army, General Walsh was stationed at Fort Walla Walla, as lieutenant of cavalry. Later, after he attained the rank of captain he saw many years of hard service in Indian warfare against the wily Apaches chieftained by the redoubtable Geronimo, and it was through years of hardship and cheerless mountain campaigning on the part of General Walsh's forces that Geronimo and his warriors were eventually forced to surrender.

General Walsh is survived by his widow, and one son, Major Robert Walsh, of the United States Army Aviation Corps, stationed at Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Ames Honored

Mrs. Frank Ames was honored with a bridge luncheon Friday, at one o'clock, sponsored by the Bridge club, which was held at Sunset Inn. Four tables were in play during the afternoon, guests of the club being Mrs. Lew McNair, Mrs. M. W. Hansell, Mrs. Chase Garfield and Miss Helen Butler, niece of Mrs. H. I. Watts who is visiting here from Dallas. A dainty gift of linen was given Mrs. Ames as honor guest; Miss Butler received highest guest score, Mrs. M. L. Watts as club member, and Mrs. W. S. Ferguson, consolation.

Window Full of Dolls

A window full of dolls greets passersby at Eager's grocery store on Main street. Dolls of large size and beautifully dressed are offered in a trade arrangement by the owner of the store.

Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Morrison of Adams were in Athena Wednesday, trading with local merchants.

John L. Kerr Is Dead, Funeral Here

John Kerr died at State Line Thursday of last week, aged 82 years. He is survived by one daughter, who resides in Auburn. Mr. Kerr has lived in this part of Umatilla county for many years. Funeral services were held Tuesday, interment taking place in Athena cemetery.

The parents of John L. Kerr came from Scotland many years ago, settling in New Brunswick, Canada and there the deceased was born in St. Johns on August 31, 1845. When a young man he came to the United States and was married on September 19, 1869 to Miss Serilda Dean who shared his lot until July 19, 1897, when after a long illness, she was called by death.

About twenty-five years ago Mr. Kerr came to the Athena community where he has resided much of the intervening time and where he was employed for long periods of time by different people in this section. In each case his industry and his devotion to his employer's interests won for him a respect and an affection that went with him to the end. Among those who remembered him thus gratefully are the families of Alick Johnson, Joseph Keys and Louis Keen.

Since 1925 Mr. Kerr has lived at the State Line near Freewater, where recently because of extreme old age he has been doing light work on the Keen ranch. In this place his many sterling qualities won for him new friends and in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Gunn whose kindness brightened his last days, he passed away.

One daughter, Mrs. Mary King, of Auburn, Washington, is left to mourn the loss of a beloved father.

Dahlia Garden Is Weston Show Place

Weston's show place is H. H. Pope's Dahlia garden, where many motorists tarry to inspect the gorgeous blooms. Banked on three sides of a well-kept lawn, basking in Oregon sunshine during all hours of the day, the plants have matured to perfection under the pains-taking care of Mr. and Mrs. Pope.

Mr. Pope is one of Weston's merchants. His hobby is flower culture and his successful efforts are responsible for what eventually may terminate in a new industry for the Weston community, for he has demonstrated that the soil properties for perfect Dahlia production are there. The Pope Dahlia garden is commonly spoken of, and it is well worth anyone's time to make the trip there to see it.

Boy Hangs Himself

Panic stricken at the thought of returning to school where he had been backward, with frequent detentions after school for misbehavior, Herbert Rosen, 12 years old, hanged himself last night in the barn at the ranch home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rosen, near Yakima. The boy had declared his opposition to further schooling and his feeling was aggravated by the other children playing school.

Pendleton Man Stabbed

Bob Linser is in a critical condition in a Pendleton hospital as the result of a stabbing affray at Pendleton. His throat was slashed, a lung punctured and an arm cut. Ralph Shull, a Pendleton man, was held pending investigation. Shull admitted having been on the premises where the stabbing occurred.

Lady Luck Has Much To Do With Round-Up Trophy

Pendleton.—Round-Ups come and go, but championships go on forever. Each year sees new champs crowned and the dawn of each Round-Up finds fans conjecturing as to the winners of the laurels. Of course, there are many championships and many prizes and one of the most coveted is the big silver Roosevelt trophy, presented by the Roosevelt Hotel in New York for the cowboy having the greatest number of points in the major events (bronk riding, bulldogging, roping and the bucking horse race) at the Cheyenne Frontier Days and the Pendleton Round-Up.

This trophy, to be kept in permanent possession, must be won for three years, not necessarily successive, and the only cowboy who has two wins to his credit is Bob Crosby, who won it in 1927 and also in 1925. It was thought that Bob would win this year and thus hog-tie the trophy for keeps.

But Lady Luck decreed it otherwise. For at the Cheyenne show, Shark Irwin, who is, by the way a former Round-Up bucking champion, piled up points to the tune of 120, and with these to his credit, will be the strongest contender for the trophy at the Round-Up September 19, 20, 21 and 22. Only phenomenal performance by some cowboy who might make many first places at the Round-Up could overcome Shark's lead of points and wrest the prize from him.

The trophy was first offered in 1923 and winners to date are: 1923, Yakima Canutt; 1924, Paddy Ryan; 1925, Bob Crosby; 1926, Norman Cowan; 1927, Bob Crosby. Each year's winner is presented with a silver replica, in miniature, of the trophy, and the lucky cowboy also gets a visit to the Roosevelt Hotel as guest of the management.

The Police Gazette belt, an annual trophy, has been offered since 1912. Hoot Gibson, now a motion picture star, winning the first belt. The belt is offered for the best all-round cowboy and was won last year by Bob Crosby. Hugo Strickland is among the famed winners, having won it in 1926 and also in 1924. But Strick, a fine performer, is out of the running for a time because of a broken leg which he suffered last year.

Standard Theatre Picture Program

Mary Pickford will be at the Standard Theatre tomorrow night in her fine picture, "My Best Girl." America's Sweetheart plays one of the best parts of her career in this photoplay, which is brimful of entertainment from start to finish.

The Standard will feature its program for Sunday night with Greta Garbo and Conrad Nagel in "The Mysterious Lady", a fine picture of current release by Metro-Goldwyn. In this picture Miss Garbo is given the part of a Russian spy.

On Saturday, September 8, Doug Fairbanks has been booked to appear at the Standard in the "Black Pirate."

Ora Rhodes Here

Ora Rhodes, who spent his boyhood in Athena, was here over last week-end from his home at Owensboro, Kentucky. Mr. Rhodes is manager of the J. C. Penney Company store in Owensboro, which is a town of 25,000 population. He has a fine home there and showed Athena friends a picture of it and his family. Mr. Rhodes has been away from Athena for 15 years. He left Monday for Colfax to visit relatives, and from there will go to Canada to visit his wife's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Jenkins. Mr. Jenkins was at one time pastor of the Christian church in Athena.

Severely Burned

Orie Shigley, miller employed by the Preston-Shaffer Milling Company was severely burned about the face and hands Tuesday, when he attempted to extinguish a rubbish fire which was getting beyond control. Mr. Shigley was engaged in moving his household belongings to a new place of residence, and set fire to a pile of accumulated litter. The fire threatened to spread, but was finally put out.

No Walla Walla Grouse

The game commission has closed the season for hunting blue grouse in Walla Walla county for this year. Walla Walla sportsmen will automatically pay non-resident license fee to hunt grouse in Oregon, as a result of the closed season precluding Oregon shooters from hunting grouse in Walla Walla county.

Littlejohn on Council

W. P. Littlejohn is again a member of the city council, taking the place of A. E. Shick, removed. Mr. Littlejohn has had considerable experience in aldermanic endeavor, having served the city of Athena several terms as councilman.

"OUR DAILY BREAD" A MOTION PICTURE

Athena Men Will Participate in Filming a Great Harvest Scene.

What is destined to be one of Fox's greatest motion pictures of the year, will have many of its principal scenes filmed in a wheat field south of Athena, at the head of Thorn Hollow, with a number of local men participating in its filming.

Charles Kirk has been given the contract by the Fox company to furnish the entire equipment to be used in the harvest scenes of the picture, including 80 head of mules, two combine harvesters, wagons, trucks, c.o.k house, etc.

Mr. Kirk is going about the job in the regular detail way of assembling a complete outfit for harvest. He is listing the men who will make up the threshing crews. Tom Kirk will drive one of the combine teams, and Dudley Rogers is coming down from Washtucna, Washington, to handle the reins on the other team.

It is understood that the production of the picture, "Our Daily Bread" will be on the super-special order and broad in scope, covering all stages of wheat harvesting.

A large company of screen actors and actresses will participate in the making of the picture. William Stein-camp, business manager for the Fox Film corporation, accompanied by 18 members of the company is now at Pendleton, and approximately 54 more members are to arrive in time to begin work on the picture, next Monday, August 20.

Walla Walla Cut-Off Is Halted For Time Being

The proposal for constructing a toll road between Wallula and Umatilla, a distance of 26 miles, was halted at the Portland hearing Tuesday, when W. H. Lynch, representing the United States bureau of public roads, interrupted and said that, while the bureau wants this cut-off built, it wants the states of Washington and Oregon to build it, and that if a toll road is constructed it would probably deprive the highway department of federal aid.

At this point the commission ended the hearing, and the private toll road will rest until a decision is received from Washington as to the effect such a road will have on federal aid to road-building.

Portland is openly supporting the proposed Wallula cut-off. Pendleton has vigorously opposed its construction on the grounds that it would entail unnecessary expense, inasmuch as the cut-off would practically parallel the present Oregon-Washington highway, and shorten the route between Walla Walla and Portland only 26 miles. Pendleton's contention won over Portland on the straightout proposition for state-federal construction of the cut-off, and the private toll-road proposal has come up since.

Woman Attacked By Cougar In Idaho

St. Maries.—Mrs. Helen Hoffnagle, 27, wife of a road construction worker, was severely clawed by a cougar last night when the animal turned upon her after she had attempted to drive it from a tethered goat it had attacked. Her shoulder, breast and side were torn open by the beast.

As Mrs. Hoffnagle backed away from the cougar she stumbled against a stove near their tent home and the animal pounced upon her, undeterred by a rifle shot she fired point blank as it sprang. Her husband went to her rescue with another rifle. The attack occurred at a road construction camp between Emida and St. Maries.

New Cooling System

The Taylor & Son dairy has installed a new cooling system in which to cool the milk before delivery to customers. The cooler is in the shape of a cone, the milk container being at the top. The milk drips from the container, around the cone, which is filled with water, to a trough and finally into the bottles. It has proved very satisfactory, being sanitary, easy to keep clean and speeding up the bottling of the milk, also eliminating the process of setting the milk in water to cool.

Series Opens October 3

The world series of 1928 will begin on October 3, on the grounds of the club winning the American league championship. The opening game automatically fell to the American league this year under the alteration plan.