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HARVEST IS UNDER WAY ABOUT ATHENA

Next Week Crop Saving Operations Will Be At Peak Stage.

Harvest operations are well under way in the Athena wheat belt, but not until next week will they be at the peak stage. A number of machines not in operation this week, have been held back on account of uneven ripening of the standing grain in some fields. This applies solely to land where the straw has not thoroughly ripened in the gulches.

Enough grain has been threshed this week to demonstrate that the Athena crop this year on the average is a good one. Already some fields of 50 to 60 bushel yield are heard of, but of course this does not apply to the average yield in the district.

Warehouses and elevators are prepared to handle the crop with superior facilities over last year, and already the newly threshed grain is pouring in for storage. As a rule the wheat hauling is being done with auto trucks; in fact the entire output of bulk grain is being carted from the field by trucks, and the few horse outfits will be seen later when sacked grain is delivered for storage from a distance.

Apparently the market remains firm and no wheat is being offered for sale at this time. If there is any wheat being shipped out at present it is grain that was sold under contract a couple of weeks ago.

Harvest Notes
H. I. Watts has completely fell out with Fortyfold wheat and says he will never sow another acre of it. His big threshing outfit harvested 200 acres of Fortyfold on his ranch north of Athena this week, and he says that fully 10 bushels per acre never ran through the separator. This is the amount which Mr. Watts conservatively estimates to have shattered out on the ground.

The Hansell-Wood threshing combination finished on the Hansell home place yesterday noon, and moved to the Wood ranch west of Athena. The machine, an International 16 foot cut combine, threshed 34 truck loads, 2,612 bushels, Monday. The field averaged 56 1/2 bushels per acre.

Till Beckner brought his caterpillar to town Tuesday forenoon, hitched to a new International harvester at the Rogers & Goodman lot and pulled it out to the ranch south of town, where it began cutting and threshing a blamed good field of wheat.

And Grady Herdon followed suit. He visited the lot, hitched his truck to an International and headed for his ranch east of Weston.

Glenn Dudley has been in the field with his big outfit since Monday. It is working in good wheat, south of town.

Up the flat, Alex McIntyre is well along in his harvest work. He bulks his grain and stores in his own elevator at Waterman Station. A few weeks ago, Alex shipped out fourteen carloads of last year's crop from his Waterman elevator.

Ralph McEwen's threshing outfit is having a successful run in the Pine Creek district, north of Athena.

Seven threshing outfits in operation in the Downing Station neighborhood Monday, taxed the receiving capacity of the Downing elevator. A part of the time, machines were compelled to wait on the return of the wheat trucks, reports W. S. Ferguson.

The Charles Kirk outfit is threshing this week on the Tom Kirk wheat acreage in the Dry Creek district.

Clifford Wood will drive an International Caterpillar furnishing tractor power for the Charles Kirk combine harvester.

L. L. and J. T. Lueallen, Jr., cropped an average of 53 bushels per acre from the McArthur place, near town.

Art Jensen, foreman of the Farmers' Grain Elevator company crew, had his hands full Wednesday when 311 truck loads of bulk grain was received, weighed and run into the elevator storage bins.

National Ruler of Elks
Walter Andrews of Atlanta, Georgia, Grand Exalted Ruler of the B. P. O. E., was entertained at Pendleton Wednesday evening, by the Elk lodges of Heppner, Walla Walla and Pendleton. Mr. Andrews addressed the membership group, outlining his administrative policy for the coming year.

Car Thief Captured
James McNeal, ex-convict, is in the county jail awaiting officers from Eugene, where he stole a car. He was driving the car when captured Friday on the highway near Adams by Merle Anderson, traffic officer.

Rebekahs Picnic
The Freewater Integrity Rebekah lodge held a picnic for members and families at Cold Springs Sunday. A picnic lunch and recreational features were enjoyed during the day.

Bean Harvesters Here To Handle Crop in the Athena-Weston District

Holt, Harris and International combine harvesters, especially equipped to handle the Eickhoff Farm Products company bean crop in the Athena-Weston and Walla Walla districts have arrived and are being assembled.

Four Holt model 38, one Harris and one International machines are in Athena. All machines are equipped with special cylinder arrangement and pickup attachments, devised to harvest beans. The machines will be in readiness for operation when the bean crop is matured for harvesting.

The payroll of the Eickhoff Products company has been of considerable magnitude this year in addition to cost of all machinery in producing the crop. For the Athena crop at one time eighty men were on the payroll, and the Weston Leader states that 104 were employed in that neighborhood, when cultivation was at the peak.

Including the Walla Walla district about 250 men have found employment in the bean fields at good wages. Approximately 10,500 acres of beans have been under cultivation, which has been completed in time for the men to be released for employment in the harvesting of the wheat crop.

Twelve combine harvesters will be required to harvest the bean crop and operations will begin about August 10.

Says Huckleberry Crop Is Nearly A Failure

Conflicting reports come from the mountains concerning the huckleberry crop. Athena people have been led to believe that there was a fair crop of berries to be picked from the bushes this year, and accordingly many have planned to go to the mountains about the first of August. But the following from the Walla Walla Union may cause these plans to be changed:

Walla Wallans who have laid plans to go to the national forests to gather huckleberries the latter part of July will be sadly disappointed to hear that there will be practically no huckleberries according to Albert Baker, district forest ranger, who states that the crop this year will prove a total failure.

A late freeze that came in the latter part of June almost totally ruined the crop. Should this prove true, Mr. Baker sees a year of few forest fires for he states a good huckleberry year means a season of heavy fires while a season of few huckleberries generally proves to have few fires. Last year the berry crop was good and there were more fires in the forests than for 12 years.

Results of Spraying Morning Glory Noted

Walla Walla.—O. C. Lee of the extension department of the Washington State college arrived here Monday and with County Agent A. W. Kasten has been inspecting the results obtained by treatment of various plots for morning glory or bindweed.

On an alfalfa plot at the penitentiary, inspected yesterday, a control of 99 per cent was achieved the men report, the plot having been sprayed last July or August with sodium chlorate. A few plots showed second growth where the ground was treated earlier.

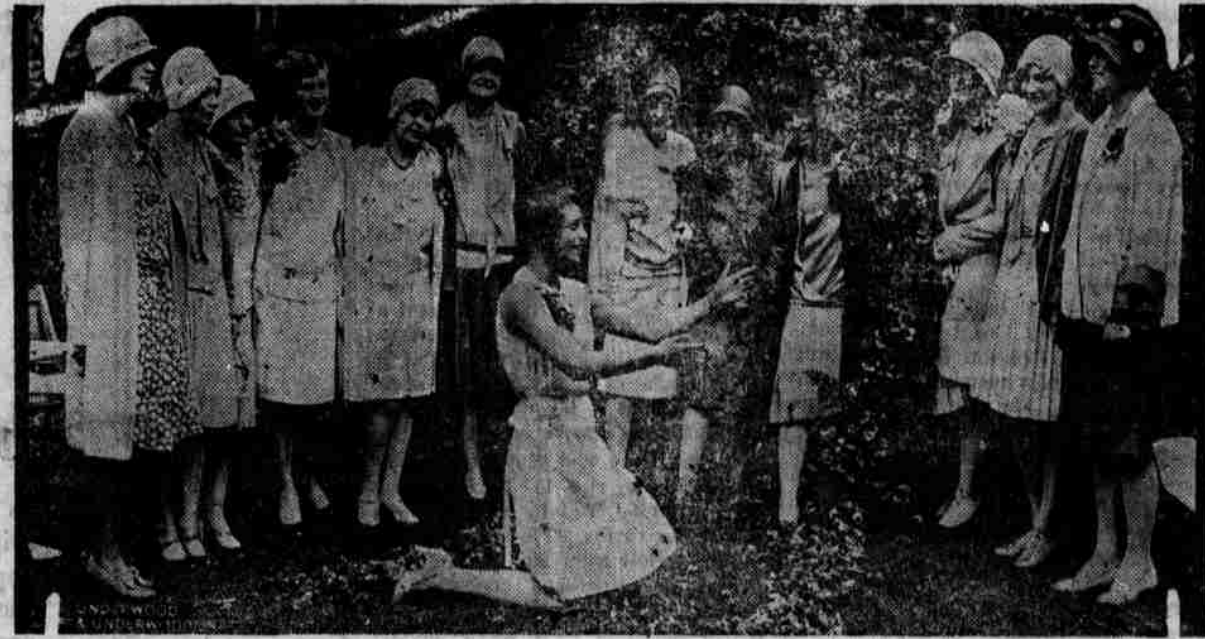
Both Legs Broken
Frank Hutchinson, an oiler in the Pendleton Flour Mill, was struck by a belt he was attempting to place on a revolving pulley in such a manner as to have both legs broken. He was thrown close to another machine which made his position precarious. With both legs useless, Hutchinson made a determined effort and with his hands succeeded in dragging himself out of the zone of danger and then called for help.

Dr. Sharp In Hospital
Dr. S. F. Sharp, veteran Athena physician, has been seriously ill in a Walla Walla hospital this week. The doctor's health has been gradually failing of late and swelling of his limbs was noted in an advanced stage last week. His daughter Alta, was also at the hospital for medical treatment, but has returned home. The doctor is reported better, with prospects of returning home.

Timber Blaze Controlled
A \$500,000 fire between Lakeview and Alturas in which more than 7000 acres of the fine timber was burned is reported under control. All the buildings of a modern mill, built less than a year ago, were destroyed with the exception of the main mill. Many automobiles and other personal property were swept by the flames.

Perfect Harvesting Weather
The weather conditions have been perfect for grain harvesting this week. The straw is dry and the grain is threshing well. Cooler nights and fairly warm days have contributed to ideal weather conditions.

Through the Pansy Ring Means an Engagement



Twelve brides-to-be, members of the senior class of the University of Southern California at Los Angeles, divulged their engagements at the annual "Pansy Breakfast" given by the Delta Delta Delta sorority in honor of the graduating class. The pretty custom requires that at a given signal during the breakfast each engaged senior must arise and pass through the ring of pansies.

OLD SOAK IS HAPPY



Old Soak, Secretary of State Simson's famous parrot that was brought from the Philippines, is happy now for he has rejoined his master in Washington. He is shown above in a genial mood.

Toll Gate Road Takes Change In Its Route

The Walla Walla Union reports that a public hearing on the proposed improvement of the McDougal Camp-Toll Gate section of the Weston-Elgin road has been called by the Bureau of Public Roads, to take place in Portland Aug. 14. According to Dorsey M. Hill, president of the Chamber of Commerce, it is believed that a contract for this section, involving an expenditure of \$60,000, will be let Monday.

Bids were opened early this summer but the Bureau of Public Roads recommended to the forest service that all bids be rejected, because the bureau believed, due to a recent investigation that an alternate location for the road, previously thought untenable by reason of late snow, should be adopted.

This proposed new location will be half a mile shorter, will be, it is believed clear of snow before the summer is open and will have a better curvature, according to the bureau.

A new survey of the section is being made by the bureau and every effort is being made to get as much work done before winter as possible.

"Sunrise" at Standard
An especially fine picture and one sure to please, comes to the Standard Theatre tomorrow and Sunday nights, when George O'Brien and Janet Gaynor appear in the leading roles of the William Fox production, "Sunrise." Especially good music with the theme song, "The World is Waiting for the Sunrise," blends with pleasing effect in screening the photoplay. Regular admission prices prevail, and three one-reelers, News, Sports and Comedy are merged with the feature picture in making up an excellent program.

Asylum Escape, Suicide
A body found hanging from a rope near Cascade Locks a week ago, was believed to be that of Pete Walters, who escaped from Eastern Oregon State Hospital on May 27, says the East Oregonian. Hospital officials said that the number 15 found in his clothing indicated the ward that he was in at the hospital, while the shoes, which were from Bond Brothers store, had been purchased for that ward about time ago.

They Hunted At Night and It Got Their Goat

A bulletin from the office of the Oregon State Game Commission states that a number of valuable but rather expensive lessons in sportsmanship were learned by James Cook of Bend and Lew Tillock, of Bay View a few days ago but undoubtedly the most important was—when hunting deer at night with a spotlight make sure that you do not shoot your own goat. On July 3 Mr. Tillock and Mr. Cook went into the wilds of Upper Drift Creek in Lincoln county on a combined hunting and fishing trip. They had neither hunting or angling licenses but this matter did not concern them so much as did the fact that while gone they would be without fresh milk.

To solve this latter problem they took a milk goat, which one of them owned, tied her in the back of one of the automobiles, went into the mountains and established camp. When darkness came they set forth from camp equipped with a flashlight and a rifle in search of deer.

Their quest was unsuccessful and upon returning and nearing camp they heard a noise in the brush. One of the hunters flashed a light and saw two eyes in the brush. The other fired between the eyes and the animal fell dead. The chagrin of both was great when they found that their milk goat had broken free from its rope and become the victim of the rifle shot.

Neighbors heard the shot and investigated. Deputy Game Warden Price and Hearing got on the job, and arrested Tillock. Cook escaped and made his way back to Bend where he was later taken into custody. Cook pleaded guilty to hunting deer at night with a flashlight and paid a fine of \$200 and costs. Tillock was unable to pay his fine and went to jail.

Coyotes Migrate North Are Invading Alaska

Olympia.—A joint survey made by members of the bureau of biological survey and Alaska Game commission brings to light the fact that the predatory animal situation in the North is rapidly becoming acute, principally because of the phenomenal increase and spread of the coyote, according to Charles R. Maybury, director of the department of fisheries and game.

Coyotes were first noticed some years ago near the international boundary where they had drifted into Alaska from the Yukon territory. Now they are found in large numbers throughout the eastern portion from the Porcupine river on the north to the Kenai Peninsula, to the headwaters of the Kuskokwim, and to the reindeer grazing areas near Norton Bay. Wolves are also increasing in the same areas but at a much slower rate than the coyote.

The survey shows the coyotes to be preying heavily on the fur-bearers and caribou of the north regions and that they have entered the ranges of the mountain sheep, where they are killing great numbers of the latter. On the lesser breeding grounds of the Upper Tanana and Yukon rivers they are also preying heavily on migratory waterfowl.

Cited For Heroism
The first citation for heroism ever issued by the department of interior was given to Charles B. Browne, park ranger of Mount Rainier national park for the rescue work and recovery of bodies early in July when a party of mountain climbers fell into a crevasse at a high altitude.

Lindberg's Cousin
Colonel Charles Lindberg has a cousin who resides in Umatilla County—the cousin is Carl Lindberg, a farmer residing north of Pendleton.

Boy Scouts Honored, Camp Rotary Is Active

Four Pendleton Boy Scouts, who are at Camp Rotary summer camp, on the Walla Walla river, above Milton, received honors at the Court of Honor held there last Sunday. They are David Hamley, Jerry Erickson, James Stangier and Robert Boynton.

The East Oregonian reports that during last week, many interesting camp experiences were scheduled, including a great mail robbery which required the sleuthing abilities of the entire camp to solve, a relay of an important forest fire message from Bear Creek ranger station to Camp Rotary, six miles in 43 minutes.

The Rangers took a three-day hike along the breaks between north and south forks of the Walla Walla country back over Blalock. Intense rivalry in baseball, soccer, and track events with inter-troop honors well divided, has developed great troop spirit.

Scheduled for this week, the sixty boys and leaders in camp are planning much test work and three hikes. The hikes will all start Tuesday evening and end Friday so that the scouts may be in camp Friday and Saturday to receive visitors and to complete tests for another big court of honor Sunday.

Great interest is being shown by the scouts in the leathercraft classes conducted by H. J. Kirby of Pendleton. Some of the more artistic scouts are weaving baskets and caning chairs with material gathered on the camp grounds, and a large group is busy chasing insects for close study. The five o'clock morning bird study classes are crowded. On their last trip the bird students identified eighteen birds, and have a total of nearly one hundred varieties seen in camp and on hikes this summer.

Scout executive F. D. Hawley announces that there is room for some more scouts for the last period of camp, beginning next Sunday, July 21, and ending August 4. Scouts will be accepted during this time for one or two weeks.

Girls Can Also Hoe

The Misses Ruby and Rae Case, Charlotte and Bessie Hess, Elizabeth Avery and Lucille Staggs have qualified as "women with the hoe," having applied that humble implement so successfully as to rid a ten-acre field of potatoes of weeds in one and one-quarter days, says the Leader. Wild oats complicated their task, but Andy Barnett, who employed the girls when he could not get men, says that he couldn't ask for a better crew. Wearing men's overalls and work shirts, they tackled the weeds like veterans. The gratified Andy afterward hired the girls to pick cherries at the Charles Pinkerton place.

Rebekahs Elect Officers
The new officers of Evangeline Rebekah Lodge of Helix, were installed for the coming term, Thursday evening, with Mrs. Gammell, district deputy president as installing officer. The following officers are Alma Garrett, N. G.; Etta Patta, V. G.; Hazel Stanton, secretary; Daisa Gammell, treasurer; Agnes Borquist, financial secretary. Pearl McKee, past N. G.

County Jail Populated
There are accommodations for 32 prisoners in the county jail, and at the present time the jail limit is crowded with 26 inmates, the largest number for some time. Six more prisoners, and the jail will be full. Two women prisoners are confined in the Pendleton city prison and one at St. Anthony's hospital.

Trucks Are Numerous
More trucks are in operation in the Athena section than ever before. The B. B. Richards office reports that more drivers licenses have been applied for this season than have been taken out altogether in years past.

Oregon Legislators Will Not Receive Increase in Pay, the Court Rules

Salem.—Judge L. H. McMahan of the Marion county circuit court ruled today that the 1929 legislators will not receive the additional \$5 a day expense money which they voted themselves during the last session of the legislature when he signed the order overruling the demurrer of Hal E. Hoss, secretary of state, and state treasurer Thomas B. Kay to the complaint brought by W. A. Jones, head of the Marion county grange.

The demurrer claimed insufficient cause of complaint and in his order overruling the demurrer which allows the complaint to stand Judge McMahan allows the defendants until August 1 to make their answer.

Custer E. Ross, attorney for Jones, said Monday afternoon that the answer will probably not be filed by Hoss and Kay and that it will be taken to supreme court after a default decree is given Jones in circuit court.

Before the legislators had an opportunity to receive the \$5 additional daily expense money from the state treasurer the grange started the injunction against the state officials. Two years ago the additional expense money which aggregates more than \$22,000 was paid the senators and representatives before any action was taken to restrain the payment.

Wheat Shot Up 8 Cents On Monday Crop Reports

Chicago.—Blazing into a new conflagration Monday, the wheat market went whirling upward again Monday, at a furious rate, and left \$1.50-a-bushel prices far outdone. Speculative buying took on breakneck speed, and raised values up to 8c above Saturday's closing level. Meanwhile, spring wheat crop conditions were reported as fast becoming more and more wretched, with an authoritative estimate of yields in the Canadian prairie provinces putting the total at 219,000,000 bushels, showing last year's figures reduced already much in excess of one-half.

Wheat closed excited, 7c to 7 1/2c higher than Saturday's finish, with rye showing 5 1/2c to 5 3/4c gain. Corn closed 2 1/4c to 3 1/4c up, oats 1 1/2c to 2c advance, and provisions unchanged to 5c down.

Surprise over sudden advances in price at Liverpool, where setbacks had been expected did much to set the wheat trade afire in Chicago. Corn, oats and rye moved up with wheat. Illinois, Indiana, Missouri and Kansas crop reports told of unusual backward conditions of crop growth.

Vodka Added to Worries Of Prohibition Officers

Seattle.—Now the federal prohibition authorities have a new worry. It was bad enough with Scotch from Scotland, schnapps from Germany and a little bit of everything from Canada, but now comes the word that vodka, the high-powered Russian beverage, is being smuggled in from Siberia.

This was revealed today by Assistant United States Attorney Jeffrey Heiman, who obtained an order from Federal Judge Jeremiah Neterer for sending Len Rone and John Satterwhite to Portland to face smuggling charges.

Heiman said the importation of vodka was not very prevalent yet. About 100 cans of the liquor was seized when Rone and Satterwhite were arrested here last week.

Mrs. Read At Home
Mrs. Velton Read, who was seriously injured when her car left the highway at a point near Blue Mountain station a couple of weeks ago, came home from the hospital at Walla Walla, the fore part of the week. She is recovering from her injuries. Mr. and Mrs. Read have a new Ford sedan in place of the one which was wrecked to some extent in the accident.

Louisianians Entertained
Under auspices of the Commercial Association, Pendleton royally entertained a party of Louisianians, Friday last. The visitors arrived in Pendleton by a special train from the east, remaining all day. The Southerners were entertained at a garden breakfast, after which they were conveyed in automobiles to Umatilla county wheat fields and saw the combines at work.

Grass Fires
So far Athena has escaped having a grass fire this season. Other towns are reporting fires of this nature. It is well at this time of year to use care and precaution against setting fire outdoors where there is liability of dry grass igniting.

Masonic Hall Front
The new front of Masonic Hall is receiving a fresh coat of paint. William Hendrickson is doing the work.

FARMERS SHOULD ORGANIZE; BOARD

Wants To Do Relief Work Through Co-Operative Agencies Only.

Washington.—The federal farm board sent word to American agriculture to organize.

In a statement, Chairman Legge and Vice-chairman Stone called attention that the board was directed under the recent farm relief act to do its relief work through cooperative marketing agencies.

The board has concluded after several days' study of the law that its work is confined almost entirely to contact with the cooperative marketing associations. Therefore the members have decided individual appeals will have to be passed over while the board directs its energies to relations with organized farmers.

Charles L. Christensen, secretary of the board and a leader in the cooperative marketing movement estimates that only about one-third of the 6,000,000 farmers of America are now organized.

Just how the board will attempt to encourage efforts to mobilize the farmers into marketing groups is indefinite. Chairman Legge hopes that the public appeal will help the cause. Pending a reaction to this appeal, no decision has been reached by the board on the extent of the national organization to be required.

Legislation to encourage cooperative marketing organizations was embodied in the Capper-Volstead act of 1923 but Christensen said today the associations must organize under state laws. This confines the associations for the most part to state groups.

Virtually every commodity is now organized for marketing purposes but the farm board wants the organization to be more inclusive.

"One of our greatest problems," declared Mr. Stone, "is to make the farmer 'cooperative-minded.' We want him to organize."

Two Groups To Sponsor This Year's Potato Show

The Umatilla County Potato show to be held at Weston the coming fall for the eighth successive year, will be sponsored by the Weston Commercial association and the Weston grange, says the Weston Leader.

This decision was reached at a joint meeting of the two bodies held Monday evening.

Heretofore the shows have been directed by a continuing committee whose members reported at the meeting that they wished to resign, believing that it would be preferable to have the association and the grange get directly back of the show. They said that the sum of \$250 was available for this year's show, and suggested that the cash prizes be augmented by gift merchandise premiums from local business men, in order that a better showing of local farm products aside from potatoes might be stimulated. In fact, a district fair in connection with the potato show is under consideration.

Rigby Says Crop Is Light
W. P. Rigby, a former Athena farmer says that the Alberta, Canada, wheat crop will be considerably below normal this year, although in some sections the wheat is in fine condition. Mr. Rigby has a considerable acreage of wheat in Alberta which he says shows fair prospects now and with favorable weather conditions from now until harvest time, it may produce a crop but slightly below normal. As a whole, Alberta's crop will be about 35 per cent of normal, Mr. Rigby believes.

Hermiston Hay Harvest
The harvest of the second crop of alfalfa at Hermiston, was started Monday of this week over a large part of the project. Growth has been rapid since the first cut and those reporting on the second crop say that it will be a good one. No advance in the price is expected over the first cutting of hay.

Poison Caused Death
Mrs. J. T. Mulligan, 21, died at a Walla Walla hospital from the effects of poison taken when dependant over family matters. Her husband was called from Yakima. She had been married two and one-half years. Prior to that time she lived in Free-water and Walla Walla. She leaves her husband, her mother, a brother and a sister.

Condition Improved
Leonilla Gray of Gibbon, who was recently seriously injured in an automobile accident near Pilot Rock, is recovering at St. Anthony's hospital in Pendleton.