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Local Concern Adds Salt Lake Plant To Its Present Holdings.

The Preston-Shaffer Milling company has added a fifth flour mill plant to its present group of mills, by the recent purchase of a big mill at Salt Lake City, Utah.

The new plant comprises one of the finest mills in the state of Utah and elevator storage capacity for 150,000 bushels of wheat. It is constructed of brick and concrete and is equipped with modern machinery of the highest standard of efficiency.

With the purchase of the Salt Lake City mill, follows the organization of the Western Milling company, a subsidiary of the Preston-Shaffer Milling company. The Western Milling company will operate the Salt Lake mill and the mill at Pendleton which was purchased by the Preston-Shaffer people over a year ago. I. Welk, who has been managing the company's mill at Pendleton, is now in charge of the Salt Lake mill.

It is understood that the purchase of the Salt Lake mill was made by the company to facilitate its growing flour trade with California and mid-west points.

The manufacture and distribution of flour products from Salt Lake to the districts mentioned above can be made more quickly than is possible under the present system of shipments, another advantage being the release of the total products of the other plants for outlet in other markets.

The first Preston-Shaffer mill was established at Waitsburg, in 1865. Some 25 years ago the company purchased the mill here, installed modern machinery and enlarged it to its present capacity. Then followed the purchase of the Peacock mill at Free-water, the acquisition of the Byers Milling plant at Pendleton, and the new Salt Lake mill makes the fifth in the chain.

E. H. Leonard, who used to mill at Prescott and Walla Walla, is president of the company, succeeding the late W. B. Shaffer in that position. M. L. Watts of Athena is vice-president; William Tucker of Waitsburg, is secretary-treasurer, and E. A. Zerba, who was with company for many years here in Athena, is assistant secretary.

Athena Held Hermiston To a Single Touchdown

Athena held the experienced Hermiston high school team to a touchdown in the first football game of the season on the home grounds, Friday afternoon. "Pike" Miller's squad of youngsters played a good game through the first, second and third quarters, and until the last of the final period, when from the 20 yard line, they were befuddled by a freak play which put the ball across for Hermiston; score, 6 to 0.

This afternoon Athena plays Wa-Hi second team on the local gridiron. Coach Miller is expecting to smooth out several kinks in his tussel with the Wa-Hi lads in today's game. Experience is all that Athena needs for the team to make a good showing against the other school teams of the county.

It is expected a good size crowd will be on the sidelines this afternoon to root for the home players.

Thompson Sells Garage

R. A. Thompson has disposed of his garage and residence property in Athena in exchange for a ranch of 1150 acres, which is located near Brogan, Malheur county. The deal was made with L. A. Cornell, who comes from Brogan next week to take charge of the garage business. He has a son who is an automobile mechanic at present employed in a shop at Walla Walla, who will have charge of the mechanical department in the local garage. Mr. and Mrs. Thompson, who have resided for many years in Athena, will live on the Malheur county ranch.

Church Rally Day

October 6 has been set for Rally Day at the Christian church Sunday school and 100 has been made the goal toward which to work out for the presentation of an interesting program on that day and the services will be followed by a basket dinner in the church basement. Come to Bible school on Rally Day, help swell the attendance to 100, and enjoy the fellowship and the welcome awaiting you.

Etude Club

The Etude club will meet next Thursday, October 3rd with Mrs. Otho Reeder. All members are requested to be present and be prepared to answer roll call with name of some piece composed by Schubert.

Permits To Be Issued Outside of Parks and Other Federal Forests

Umatilla county stockmen will be interested in a bill designed to regulate grazing on public lands and "to protect the national watershed" as introduced in congress by Representative French, republican, of Idaho.

The measure was described as intended to "protect the public domain" from deterioration through erosion, to foster its highest use as a natural watershed for the conservation of water as a deterrent to floods, to encourage the growth of timber and forest plants and to stabilize the livestock industry as it depends upon the public range.

It would permit the secretary of the interior to issue grazing permits for public lands outside the boundaries of national parks, monuments, forests and other reservations.

Permits would be limited to ten-year periods with fees to be fixed by the secretary. In awarding grazing privileges, preference would be given to homesteaders and residents of the vicinity, and those who complied with terms of the act would be given preference in the renewal of permits.

Free grazing of domestic livestock would be permitted under regulations prescribed by the secretary. The grazing board would be established in each district from residents of the section to co-operate in the administration of the act.

Fifty per cent of the money received from permits would be given to states in which the land was located, to be devoted to the maintenance of public schools and roads.

Automobile Engine's Pull Is Totaled in Pounds

Chicago.—Did you know that one "horsepower" released from the family automobile would be sufficient to raise 33,000 pounds of matter one foot off the ground in one minute?

"Automotive horsepower is Greek to everyone but a technician," says a bulletin issued here by the American Research Foundation, "but couched in simple language it is the amount of 'pull' developed by an engine. Horsepower is usually expressed in 'foot-pounds,' which is the amount of power required to raise one foot off the ground in one second. One horsepower will raise 550 pounds one foot in one second, 33,000 pounds in a minute, or 1,980,000 pounds one foot in an hour.

"The horsepower developed has a definite ratio to the speed of an engine. Speaking generally, the higher the speed the greater the horsepower. There is a point, however, from which the amount of horsepower delivered begins to decrease. This is the reason that a driver frequently has to change speeds when climbing a steep hill. After a shift is made from 'high' to second or first speed, the engine can be speeded up so that it will deliver more power to the rear wheels.

"There is a definite relationship between the power and automobile engine develops and the kind of gasoline and lubricants it is fed. Increasingly efficient performance of modern motor cars can be traced not merely to mechanical improvements but also to the efforts of Sinclair, Standard and other great American petroleum refiners. These companies have produced lubricants that seal in the power of the motor, reduce power losses and promote maximum service in an engine. Moreover, they have developed superior gasolines that meet all the demands of modern high compression motors. Their efforts have enabled the automobile industry to make its phenomenal progress in recent years."

Round-Up Rider Still In Grave Condition

The condition of Bonnie McCarroll, Round-Up performer who was critically injured last week when thrown from a bucking horse, showed no change, hospital attaches say. Mrs. McCarroll was said to have been unconscious since the accident Thursday. Her husband, Frank McCarroll, also a Round-Up performer, has been at her bedside since the accident. Mr. and Mrs. McCarroll live at Boise, Idaho, where Mr. McCarroll is in the garage business.

Picture Program

Especially interesting to theatre goers is the announcement of the showing tomorrow and Sunday nights of the famous photoplay, "The Canary Murder Case," at the Standard Theatre. Paramount presents William Powell and Louise Brooks in the leading roles. They are supported by an all star cast including James Hall and Jean Arthur. Sports, news and comedy reels round out an unusually entertaining program.

Dies At Round-Up

W. E. Roberts, a livestock dealer of Fort Scott, Kansas, was stricken with paralysis while witnessing the Round-Up Saturday, in company with his wife and friends, and expired in his seat.

New Rail Shortcut Links West With East



(Above) Plute and Klamath Indians ride the first Iron Horse on Southern Pacific's new Alturas-Klamath Transcontinental Cut-Off, linking the Pacific Northwest with the East. (Upper right) Capt. O. C. Applegate, Oregon pioneer and Modoc Indian War veteran, who participated in the ceremonies at dedication of new rail line. (Right) First train crashes through papier-mache barrier at Hackamore, California, formally opening for passenger and freight service the 96-mile link between Alturas and Klamath Falls.

Wallowa Products Are Short For Exhibition At the Coming Fairs

Wallowa.—Prospects for gathering a large supply of farm exhibits for the fairs to be held in this county are not promising. Fruit displays promise to be especially scarce. The supply of even the common classes of fruit which are usually plentiful in this community is very small. The long spell of dry weather with moisture conditions below normal years has resulted in the fruit being small and poorly matured.

Grain and hay exhibits are more plentiful than fruit and vegetables but even the grain displays will be shorter than that of normal seasons. A school fair and community farm exhibit is being arranged for Friday of this week at the high school gymnasium and will be taken to Enterprise for the opening of the county fair next week.

A number of the local cattlemen and farmers have gone to the mountains to bring the stock out from the ranges. The feed on the summer ranges is reported to be very short and water scarce with the stock not doing well. The green pastures in the irrigated areas are being used to full capacity.

Saved Wild Duck

Fred Pittman saved a mallard hen duck from the claws and beak of a ferocious hawk down on the highway, Monday evening. Returning to town with the highway maintenance crew, Fred saw a wild duck winging its way toward him, pursued by a hawk. A short distance from him the hawk struck the duck, breaking its wing with one vicious thrust. Mr. Pittman picked the duck up from the highway and brought it home with him.

Snow In Mountains

Rain showers this week broke the prolonged drought in the Athena section. The rainfall barely laid the dust, but nevertheless it rained rain drops and brightened things up materially. While raining here a light snowfall is reported in the mountains east of town.

Apple Harvest Starts

Freewater.—Harvesting of Jonathan apples began here this week and October 1 the winter apple harvest will commence. The apples are of exceptional quality and apple workers are certain of plenty of work until Christmas at least.

Cowboys and Indians, Pioneers of Covered Wagon Days and Business Men from All Parts of the West Joined Recently in a Colorful Celebration Marking Completion of the Southern Pacific Company's New \$9,000,000 Transcontinental Cut-Off from the Pacific Northwest to the East.

Contrasting the old West and the new, the dedicatory program at Hackamore, Modoc county, Calif., September 14, reached a thrilling climax when a giant locomotive crashed through the scenic reproduction of a mountain range. The breaking of the barrier cleared the way for regular passenger and freight service over the 96-mile Alturas-Klamath Falls line and opened California's last frontier to rail transportation.

Indians, squaws and papooses of the Klamath and Plute Reservations came to the celebration and witnessed arrival of the Iron Horse of today, just as wild tribesmen of 80 years ago gathered in awe along the Central Pacific Railroad as transcontinental travel changed from "trail to rail." Cowboys, loggers, ranchmen and veteran Indian fighters also gave real western atmosphere to the festivities. The new Alturas-Klamath Falls rail

Relation of Cooperatives To Federal Farm Board Is Being Considered

Portland.—Relationship of Oregon cooperative marketing associations with the new federal farm board and with the present national cooperative movements were considered at a special quarterly meeting of the Oregon cooperative council at the Chamber of Commerce here. Reports from Washington by M. H. Newhouse, former manager of the North Pacific Cooperative Prune exchange, and studies made by Dr. Milton N. Nelson, Oregon state college specialist, indicated disapproval of any combination grower-dealer type of cooperative as unsuccessful in practice.

S. D. Saunders, president of the Washington cooperative council, and head of a \$25,000,000 cooperative poultry association in that state, endorsed adverse reports on combination association, saying it was just as logical to "mix water and gas" and expect to win a race" as to mix cooperatives and private dealers in a single association. Their objectives are entirely different, he said.

More than fifty members attended the morning session, the first meeting since the organization of the new farm board. The board, Newhouse reported, is ready to assist real cooperatives. He said now is the time for Oregon groups to qualify for such aid.

The Oregon council includes representatives of forty organizations having a combined membership of 13,000.

How Much Longer

The state forester has let it be known that until a general rain prevails over the entire state, the deer season will remain closed. Hunters are patiently waiting for conditions in the forests, especially in those of Eastern Oregon to moisten up with rain, when they will go to their favorite hunting grounds. Rain has fallen sufficiently in the Umatilla Forest reserve to make it safe for hunting in the opinion of supervisor Irvyn.

Bird Season Next Week

With the opening of hunting season on Chinese pheasants and Hungarian partridges, there is considerable discussion under way as to the number of birds this year, in comparison with the number last season. Prevailing opinion points to a scarcity of pheasants at this time, with a likelihood that next season there will be fewer. Some favored closing the present open season.

Oregon State College Man Writes Text Book Which Covers Marketing

Oregon State College.—A new text and reference book, "Cooperative Marketing of Agricultural Products," setting forth in concrete form the history and present problems and possibilities of cooperative marketing associations in the United States written by Dr. N. H. Comish, professor of economics and sociology, has just been received here from the publishers, D. Appleton and company of New York.

A number of Oregon organizations are discussed at length in the new book, including the Hood River Apple Growers association, the Tillamook County Creamery association, the Pacific Cooperative Poultry Producers, the North Pacific Cooperative Prune Exchange, the Pacific Cooperative Wool Growers, and the Cooperative Managers association, a purchasing organization at Oregon State College.

Dr. Comish, during the 12 years in which he has been teaching cooperative marketing at the college, has had much practical experience in organizing, directing and advising cooperative association in Oregon, and has made an extensive study of the whole field of cooperative marketing in the United States.

The book, as announced by the publishers, "Sets out in bold relief the confusion and weakness of our present marketing system; then shows historically the specific problems of the marketing of certain typical farm products such as citrus fruits, vegetables, milk, cheese, tobacco, grain, eggs, etc. In dealing with the present problems of cooperative organizations, price, pooling, advertising, marketing, cost and legal problems are recounted and analyzed and methods of solution suggested."

Arrested For Possession

Bill Hall was arrested by Constable Taylor early Friday morning for possession of liquor. Search of his residence revealed two gallons and five pints of whiskey. Taken before Judge Richards, Hall was fined \$200 and sentenced to serve 90 days in the county jail.

Guests During Round-Up

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Dudley have had as their guests during the Round-Up Dr. and Mrs. Arthur Van Dusen of Astoria. The visitors have been entertained during the past week at the Dudley summer home at Bingham Springs.

Change In Registration Automobile License Period Is Causing Curiosity

Salem.—Much curiosity as to the manner in which automobile registrations will be handled the first of the year due to the change in the registration period is manifest among motorists of the state, according to the number of inquiries being made to the secretary of state, Hal E. Hoss.

With Oregon unique among states in establishing a split of the calendar year registrations always in force heretofore, an entirely new system has had to be worked out by the secretary of state to provide for the half year registration period on January 1, 1930, and the full year registration on July 1, of the same year.

To obviate the necessity of issuing metal license plates twice in the six month period, a method of issuance of temporary licenses for the first six months of the year has been evolved. A windshield sticker, readily identified by special design, will supplant the customary distribution of license plates on the first of the year. The sticker will not mean that the old 1929 plates should be removed from the automobile, for it will take the 1930 sticker, the 1929 license plates and the official receipt of registration, which is carried in the drivers compartment of the car, to serve as complete identification of the vehicle.

As usual on the first of the year, operators of motor vehicles will be required to file applications for licenses, but this year they will be able to make remittances on a less scale than in the last few years, due to the new license fee law which becomes effective January 1, 1930. Fees for both automobiles and trucks will be based on weights, with a new scale of fees making reductions of approximately 25 per cent all along the line. The change in the gas tax will be effective also the first of the year, the added one cent per gallon bringing the total gas tax to four cents per gallon.

County Schools Will Be Given Dental Survey

A dental survey, covering all the schools of the county, will be conducted during the month of October by Dr. Estill L. Brunk, of Marion county Dental Unit, Salem, Oregon, who will arrive in Pendleton, September 30.

The Umatilla county Health Association is sponsoring the project and will pay Dr. Brunk's expenses while in the county. He will be assisted by members of the association and by Miss Helen J. Samson, county nurse. This work is made possible through the co-operation of the State Board of Dental Examiners and the Marion County Child Health Demonstration, Salem, Oregon, under an agreement which has been in effect for several years, but which expires April 1930.

Dr. Brunk has already conducted similar surveys in Marion, Jackson, Klamath and Douglas counties with the result that large numbers of dental corrections have been made among the children of school age and permanent dental clinics have been established in those counties.

Dry Creeks Run Again Down at Cottage Grove

Cottage Grove.—The appearance of water in small creeks that had been dry for a month or more is puzzling oldtimers for an explanation. The phenomena was noticed when a search was being made for water for the greens of the Cottage Grove Golf club, which has been supplied by a portable pumping plant.

Bennett creek, which had been abandoned some time before the supply completely failed, was found to again have plenty. The same report has since been made on other creeks. The predication has been made that this means an early rain, but there has been no satisfactory explanation of how water bubbling from the ground can have any influence upon water to come from the clouds.

Delegates Appointed

The W. C. T. U. met on Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Stella Keen with fourteen members in attendance. Delegates were appointed to attend state convention to be held in Pendleton, October 21 to 25 inclusive. Mrs. H. H. Hill had charge of an interesting program. During the social hour Mrs. E. O. Lee and Mrs. L. M. Keen assisted the hostess in serving cake and coffee. The October meeting will be held on the 29th at the home of Mrs. H. E. Dow.

Trap Gun Slays Bear

William Martin, who runs his sheep in the Wenaha reserve, will not be bothered by one bear any more. The animal killed two ewes, and a trap gun was rigged up. The bear paid a visit and the string which was to set off the trigger broke. A wire was then used, and the second trip by the bear proved fatal. The animal weighed 350 pounds.

WHEAT BEING SOLD IN PARCELS AFLOAT

British Will Buy Only At Low Prices and Favor Canadian Grain.

Portland.—More export wheat sales were made over the week end of parcels afloat, but at prices under the current level here. English buyers are only interested in northwestern wheat at cut prices, but they seem to be willing to pay considerably more for Canadian wheat at Vancouver, B. C.

The local futures market was moderately steady but quiet with total transactions switching from December to May was noted. At the close, September was ¼ cent higher and December and May ½ cent lower than Saturday. Deliveries on September contracts were 1000 bushels.

No changes were made in cash quotations.

The Chicago market closed 1¼ cents lower to ½ cent advance. Nervousness prevailed from start to finish and rallies failed to hold although at times some good-sized buying orders appeared. It early became evident that another increase in the visible supply was probable and afterward made a certainty by announcement that stocks had piled up 2,789,000 bushels with the aggregate 188,343,000 bushels compared to 103,282,000 bushels a year ago. Advances were current that Rosario, Pampas, Cordoba and Santa Fe provinces, Argentina had received rain and that eastern Australia drought districts had also been somewhat damped.

The Liverpool market closed 1¼d to 2d lower, whereas some advance had been looked for. Accompanying the downturn was a report from Broomhall that no large buying of wheat for Europe was expected until after January 1 and that then the new Argentine crop would be available. It was also noted in this connection that the amount of wheat on passage is decidedly larger than a year ago and that the great accumulation of wheat not only in the United States but elsewhere in the northern hemisphere is making buyers indifferent. A government bulletin said production in 30 countries is reported to be 2,860,160 bushels, a reduction of 12 per cent in the same countries in 1928. Good yields and high quality wheat have been obtained in the United Kingdom, Spain, France, Italy and Germany, and native wheat of good quality was being offered freely in European markets at relatively lower prices than foreign grains. Import demand, therefore, continued of only moderate volume, with Argentine wheat still underselling United States grain in foreign markets.

Improvements Are Made At Athena Tourist Park

C. T. Booth, proprietor of the Athena Tourist Park successor to "Pink's Place" is making extensive improvements, in the matter of additional buildings being constructed on the grounds.

Mr. Booth has made purchases of two buildings recently, the old opera house, which is being torn down, and the dwelling house formerly occupied by Ora Shigley and family, in the southeast part of town.

This dwelling house, moved to Athena years ago from the A. R. Price farm, has been moved to the tourist park and divided into two commodious buildings. One will be occupied by Mr. Booth as his residence, and the other portion will be converted into tourist cabins, a rest room and a shower bath compartment.

Studio Opening

A Los Angeles newspaper announces the opening of the Highland Park Studio of Speech, Mrs. J. C. Baddeley, director, Wednesday afternoon with a special opening program to which the public was invited. The studio is located at 1422 Mt. Pleasant street. Mrs. Baddeley, well known in Athena, conducts adult classes in drama and speech and also gives private instruction in speech, arts, voice and drama.

Leases King Land

The Leader reports that Mrs. George Lieuallen of Athena has leased the J. A. King place on the Wild Horse from Mr. King and the former Chance Rogers ranch adjoining it from the Joint Stock Land bank of Portland. The land will be operated by her sons. Mr. King sold to Mrs. Lieuallen 120 acres of summer yellow.