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## THE SITUATION IN GILLIAM CO.

C. C. Clark of Arlington in interview to Portland Telegram tells why we have fewer farmers now than formerly.

The following article appeared in the Editorial columns of the Portland Telegram on Wednesday evening and treats the situation in Gilliam County in a truthful manner. Mr. Clark of Arlington, who is responsible for the article, is one of Gilliam County's successful men and has lived here long enough to understand conditions thoroughly.

"A recent conversation with C. C. Clark of Arlington, a stockman and farmer, developed the statement that the actual number of families now living in Northern Gilliam County is in the ratio of one to five compared with 20 years ago. The cause is the process of elimination. Business men gave their heartiest encouragement to the best qualified farmers and encouraged them to buy out their less provident neighbors, so that now they have great holdings and fewer holders. Today the land is not producing anything like it should produce, and there is no way of making it do so. There is no local help and transients must be depended upon. In this way 50 per cent of the earnings is taken out of the country, and very often, when the season is over, the landowner has little or nothing to show for the season's work and investment. The farms are too big and the crop raised is principally wheat.

The remedy for this is smaller holdings and diversified farming. A small farm would embrace one half to three-quarters of a section of land. What is needed there, according to Mr. Clark, is a class of people who will do their own work. Good farm land that has been cultivated but is not improved can be bought for from \$15 to \$30 an acre. If the settler has enough money to put in his first crop and by his needed teams, the rest of the matter will take care of itself and he is sure of a profitable venture. He is only twelve hours by rail to Portland; one of the very best markets.

What is the land good for? Mr. Clark has been raising corn for the past ten years. Last season he raised a thousand bushels. His land was abandoned twenty-five years ago because it was not believed it could produce anything. The soil is light and there is no irrigation. Mr. Clark fed his corn to hogs and sent to Portland the first \$8.10 hogs that came here. The soil is fine for potatoes, pitted fruits and grapes. A. A. Carrothers at Rock Creek, carried away the sweepstakes at Omaha for the best variety of apples from any one orchard.

To men looking for farm lands and work under pleasant conditions it seems to us that Mr. Clark makes out a strong case for Gilliam County."

Dr. Butler disposed of his house and one half block of land, in west Condon to R. R. Butler for a consideration of \$1750.

## AT CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

On next Sunday a.m. we have again the Junior Church. There will be a fine musical program by the children under the leadership of Miss Katherine Clarke. Dr. Ferris will give an object lesson service on the "White Heart." In the evening there will be an illustrated stereopticon service on the "Crying Wall." A study in Biblical Archaeology on the genuineness of the Bible. You ought to see these pictures.

At the request of the Young Men's Club Dr. Ferris will begin two or three lectures for the young men on pure life. The first will be held in the parlors of the parsonage on the subject, "Keep Thyself Pure" Feb. 6. Later this will be followed by two others "The sprouting blood corpuscles" and "The Body God's Temple." It is expected that all the members of the club will be present and the fathers of the boys together with the physicians are invited to attend if they so desire. The speaker gave much study to the subject of Biology and Microscopy and they will be worth while. These lectures are for young men and grown men only.

Robert Fitzmaurice and Clifford Duncan have been elected captains of the basketball team and the grounds will be immediately laid out in the parsonage yard. Hubert Magee and Edwin Linville were elected captains of the hand ball teams and will immediately prepare for the same. During the coming season there will be many matched games arranged.

The young men are inquiring about that party that is to be?

The parsonage is being put in repair, and will be occupied by the pastor and his wife on the return of Mrs. Ferris in about six weeks.

Christian Endeavor Subject: "Missions in the United States, North and East." Mrs. Balding Leader. Anyone wishing to join the Camera Club and learn the various branches of Photography can do so without expense of tuition. This is one of the departments of our Young Men's Club. It is open to the ladies.

## PUBLIC SCHOOL NOTES

By Mervyn Stephenson.

Mid-year examinations in the upper grades began Thursday.

Noba Sayer was a school visitor Tuesday.

Miss Seeley was absent from school Wednesday on account of sickness.

On the mid-year examinations in the third and fourth grade's the following pupils made the best average in their respective grades; Fourth grade, Mabel Hoskin; Third grade, John Curran.

The regular eighth grade examinations were held here and were conducted in the same manner and under the same rules as all eighth grade examinations; Mervyn Stephenson made a passing grade being several points ahead of any one in the class.

The eighth grade will begin lessons in water coloring Friday.

Read in February Sunset Magazine—San Diego—"The City of Dreams Come True," beautifully illustrated in four colors. "Tetrazzina in the Streets of San Francisco—Christmas Eve." Now on sale all news stands 15 cents.

## ATHLETIC CLUB TO ENTERTAIN

Preparations Now Under Way for Grand Vaudeville to be given next Month—Club Rooms to Open February 1st.

The regular weekly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Condon Athletic Club was held last evening. President C. H. Williams presiding. It was decided to open the club on February 1st. A janitor will be employed to keep the place in first class shape and henceforth the Club management will see to it that all rules and regulations of the Club will be strictly enforced. The Club will give a grand Vaudeville sometime next month consisting of Athletic stunts, vocal and instrumental music, sketches, recitations etc., and Mr. Williams informs us that a surprising array of talent hitherto unknown in the city has been unearthed during the past week or so. Committees are being appointed to attend to the different sections of the entertainment and this event promises to eclipse the first grand vaudeville given by the Club two years ago when they cleared over \$100. A full account of the program and the committees will appear in these columns next week.

## UGO IGO CLUB MEETS

The Ugo Igo Club met at the home of Mrs. George Parman last Thursday afternoon with sixteen members present. Two new members, Mrs. Westfall and Mrs. Shanks, were enrolled. Each lady responded to roll call with a current event topic. \$75 was paid out of the treasury for the current expenses of the church. After all the business had been transacted a very interesting paper was read by Mrs. Robertson on "Doings of the United States Congress." Delicious refreshments were served by the hostess. The next regular meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Robertson February 9th.

Bill Parks left on Monday for Coyote where he will trap during the winter.

K. Welshons and wife spent Sunday with relatives in Clem.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Brown left on Tuesday for Portland where they will visit for a few days.

J. E. Reynolds came in on Monday night and left the next morning for different points in the Valley.

Mrs. P. H. Stephenson underwent an abdominal operation at The Dalles Hospital Wednesday, which was performed by Dr. Wood of this city. The operation was entirely successful and the patient is doing fine under the care of her sister, Miss Beth Darling, the trained nurse. Chas. Wilkins of Clem, was also operated on at The Dalles this week by Dr. Wood, for appendicitis. Mr. Wilkins is also doing very well since the operation.

## PROGRESSIVE REPUBLICAN LEAGUE

New Organization Formed by Prominent Republicans of the Nation—Senator Bourne of Oregon, President.

Organization of the Republican Progressive League by progressive republican senators, representatives, governors and others—an organization which will seek to "fight for the establishment of popular government"—has been announced.

Plans of the new league, which have been under way since the assembling of Congress were concluded at a meeting Saturday night, when a declaration of principles was signed, a constitution adopted and the following officers elected:

President, Senator Johnathan Bourne, Jr., Oregon; first vice-president, Representative, G. W. Norris, Nebraska; second vice president, Governor Charles S. Osborne, Michigan; treasurer, Charles R. Crane, Chicago.

Executive committee—Senator Moses E. Clapp, Minnesota; Senator Joseph L. Bristow, Kansas, Representative E. H. Hubbard, Iowa; Representative Irvine L. Lenroot, Wisconsin; Representative-elect Wm. Kent, California; Gifford Pinchot, Pennsylvania; G. L. Record, New Jersey, and the president, vice president, treasurer, members ex officio.

The declaration of principles follows:

"We, the undersigned, associate ourselves together as the National Progressive Republican League.

"The object of the league is the promotion of representative government and progressive legislation.

"The popular government in America has been thwarted and progressive legislation stifled by the special interests which control delegates, conventions and party organizations and, through control of the machinery of government, dictate nomination and platforms, elect administrations, legislators, representatives in congress and United States senators and control cabinet officers.

"The progressive republican league believes popular government is fundamental to all other questions. To this end it advocates the election of United States senators by direct vote of the people, direct primaries for the nomination of all elective officers; the direct election of delegates to national conventions, with opportunity for the voter to express preference for president and vice president; amendment to the constitutions providing for the initiative, referendum and recall.

"Whenever requested by any progressive state league or by progressive leaders in state legislatures, the National Progressive Republican League will aid in the preparation of bills, resolutions and provide speakers and literature in support of legislative action on the propositions, enumerated in the five numbered paragraphs set forth in the foregoing declaration of principles."

United States senators: Johnathan Bourne Jr., Oregon; Al-

bert J. Beveridge, Indiana; Joseph L. Bristow, Kansas; Norris Brown, Nebraska; Albert B. Cummings, Iowa; Moses E. Clapp, Minnesota; Joseph M. Dixon, Montana; A. J. Gronna, North Dakota; Robert P. La Follette, Wisconsin.

Governors—Lester H. Aldrich, Nebraska; Joseph M. Carey, Wyoming; Hiram W. Johnson, California; Francis E. McGovern, Michigan; W. R. Stubbs, Kansas.

Congressmen—Henry Allen Cooper, Wisconsin; Wm. J. Carey, Wisconsin; C. R. Davis, Minnesota; E. H. Hubbard, Iowa; C. N. Haugen, Iowa; Irvine L. Lenroot, Wisconsin; C. A. Linbergh, Minnesota; Victor Murdock, Kansas; H. Madison, Kansas; E. H. Morse, Wisconsin; John M. Nelson, Wisconsin; Miles Poindexter, Washington.

Miss Nan Fitzmaurice returned Tuesday evening from an extended visit at Bend.

A. Greiner and wife departed on Wednesday for Portland where they will visit for a few days.

C. A. Barr left on Monday for Portland where he will assist in the painting of a large apartment house. He expects to be gone about six weeks.

Steve Thomas returned on Tuesday from different points in the Valley.

O. Guild returned to his home at Gwendolen Wednesday after spending a few days in this city.

James and Emmett Smith departed on Thursday for Heppner where they will visit for a few days.

W. B. Smith and wife left on Thursday for Portland where the latter will undergo an operation at St. Vincent's Hospital.

A. H. Gattis of Portland was in the city this week. Mr. Gattis owns a ranch in the Pine Ridge district.

Earl Smith of Mikkalo was in town Wednesday.

Geo. Knox and Son of Fossil were registered at the Oregon Hotel on Tuesday.

Wilbur France came up from Rock Creek last evening for the transaction of business.

The Interior Warehouse Co. have been remodeling their yards this week and under the skillful management of Sandy Robertson they present a very respectable appearance.

Lester Beeson and wife were in the Wheat City yesterday from Mayville.

Travelling Passenger Agent J. H. O'Neill of the O-W. R. & N. Co., made this office a pleasant business call Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Burroughs were passengers on the local yesterday morning for Portland.

Jack Fehrenbacher who is ranching in the Ajax country was in the Wheat City this week for the transaction of business.

C. W. Martin of Olex was in town during the week looking for cattle for shipping purpose.

Geo. Angel of Fossil left on Tuesday for a few days business visit in Portland.

## RAILROAD LAND THROWN OPEN

Northern Pacific opens land around Shuttler Station and in Eight-mile country to settlers.—Means much to Gilliam County.

Sheriff Montague informed the editor of the Globe this morning that the Northern Pacific Railroad Co. was throwing open the land around Shuttler station and over towards the Eight-mile district to settlement, and in the past few days many settlers have located there. This means that Gilliam County will have an increase of population in the next few weeks that will settle up the hitherto vacant lands in the north end of the county and when the Rock Creek irrigation project is put through these lands will increase many times in value and prove one of the garden spots of the Inland Empire.

## WILL RESIDE IN THE VALLEY

Monday morning witnessed the departure from Condon of Dr. and Mrs. B. F. Butler, who will henceforth reside in Dallas, Ore. An exceptionally good opportunity was open for Mr. Butler and as Dallas is the home of a large number of relatives of theirs, they decided to remove to the valley town. In the several years they have lived here they have won innumerable friends who regret their departure but wish them unbounded prosperity and happiness in their new home and extend them an invitation to pay us a visit in the near future.

## FRACTURES COLLAR BONE

Rivalry having existed several months between Harold Hurt and Carl Anderson as to who was the champion lightweight of Pine Ridge, these two young men met at the latter's home Tuesday night and with Tracy Lyons as referee proceeded to test each others powers. In the third round they clinched and before the referee could part them they fell to the floor. Lyons called the affair a draw. Yesterday when Anderson came to town, he was examined by Dr. Wood and found to have a broken collar bone, as a result of his fall. When he is sufficiently recovered an effort will be made by the Athletic Club to have the pair put on a ten-round bout at the Clubhouse.

## AJAX NOTES

Igo Grange will meet Saturday and install their officers for the coming year. Mr. H. S. Edwards, Past Master of the Mayville Grange is expected to be present to act as installing officer.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Palmer and Misses Lizzie and Jessie Palmer visited at Mayville Saturday.

Ed Jones and Chas. Adlard were Sherman County visitors the first of the week.

Wm. Holmes of Igo was in town on Wednesday.

L. L. Turney was in the Wheat City on Wednesday.

A. Sanders spent Sunday in Condon.

Ed. Palmer made a business trip to Wasco this week.