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EROSION VS BIG FARMING

The recent wind storm, mild as it was in comparison with the winds of the mid-west, may be a fore-runner in point of destruction to storms that will ruin our wheat fields unless proper steps of erosion control are taken.

Since the development of the newer type of heavy farm machinery there has been many prophecies that eventually all of the wheat land of this area would be farmed by a comparatively few men who were able to operate large outfits.

There is another side of the picture. Unless immediate steps are taken to preserve our foreign markets it may become impossible to raise wheat exclusively in the northwest, even at the lowered cost made possible by machinery.

The period of bonanza farming in any country has lasted only for the first fifty or seventy five years after settlement. After that time extensive farming or erosion intervenes to make the land worthless.

The mid-Columbia basin will long be an exception to the general rule.

A NEW MUSTACHE

The trees have been taken out of the court house yard, that is, the most scrawny ones. Only a few of the best have been left.

Since the deforestation of the yard it has a bare look somewhat like the appearance of a man's face after he has shaved off a mustache of long standing.

Probably there are few court houses in the state that have as favorable location as Sherman county's. It stands atop a hill with a natural and graceful slope to the street on every side.

The court could probably interest the state college staff in landscaping in the problem of planning the arrangement of the trees and shrubs.

THE MUMPS

One thing the legislature overlooked was a revision of the laws regulating quarantine. One of the peculiarities of the present law is that it is possible to close schools for only two weeks in case of mumps but the period of incubation is at least a week longer than that.

Results of this rule are occasionally funny. Witness the present situation in Moro. It probably isn't very serious considering the lightness of the attacks, but it is an example of how the strictly legal interpretation may not fit the practical side of the case at all.

It is said the Rexford Guy Tugwell will have an important place in the administration of the five billion relief money. Farmers had him put in the background because he had never farmed; now perhaps relief recipients will criticize him because he has never been poor.

A man in Portland is suffering from emphysema, which means that his hide is full of air. Everyone has heard speakers who were affected with mental emphysema. This man has it from the ears down, not from the ears up.

It is too bad the governor did not go over the Sherman highway. He wouldn't have gotten stuck in the snow and he would have found that it was worth improving.

They need a "Joe Bedcovers" for the western part of Kansas.

Grass Valley

Born: To Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Schadewitz a son, March 25th, 1935. Dr. Poley and Miss Cassie Holmes attending.

The entire faculty of the Grass Valley schools were re-elected by the board at its last meeting. Small advances in pay were made in the new contracts.

The so far successful Grass Valley debate squad will meet the Chiloquin High School debaters April 5th in what will be the deciding match before the final eastern Oregon debate which will be held at Hermiston later in the month.

The local declamatory contest will be held Saturday night March 30. Twenty six contestants are to try for the three places on the team which represents the Grass Valley school at Rufus April 6.

A dinner was given Wednesday night for the members of the basketball squads of the high school. Parents provided the food and the youngsters the entertainment.

Allen Morgan, sheep buyer of Condon, was here the first of the week on business.

Mrs. George Wilcox was taken ill Sunday from what was thought to be an attack of ptomaine poisoning.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Baker were in Forest Grove Friday night to attend a recital in which their son, Dale, gave several numbers on the piano. They returned home Saturday night.

A family reunion was held Sunday at the Rolfe home when the children returned for a day with the "old folks."

Miss Norma Garrett and friend are here this week from Monmouth Normal to spend spring vacation.

Miss Hazel Boyce, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Boyce was married here Sunday by her father and left, with her husband for Salem where they will make their home.

Miss Helen Osborne spent the week end in Bend with friends.

Mrs. Fred Cox was taken to the hospital in The Dalles the first of the week.

Mrs. Mac Alsop returned from Portland the first of the week after spending several weeks there with her mother who just recovered from a serious operation.

Lawrence Davis was here Tuesday from Fossil where he and his brother Joshua are living.

Art Bibby and Jacob Wassenmiller were in The Dalles Monday and Mr. Wassenmiller remained in that city on business matters for a few days.

Glen King was in LaGrande last week to bring back a Holstein heifer for his boy and a Hereford bull for Ted Ball. He returned to Spokane this week after a bull for his own herd.

Taylor Baker and the two Ball children are the latest victims of the mumps.

Grass Valley School Notes

By Dorothy Fairchild. The Minstrel that was presented by the high school last week proved a very agreeable entertainment. The plot of the story was that

ALMANAC

"A false friend and a shadow attend only when the sun shines."

MARCH

26—Indians attack and sack Marlboro, Mass., 1676

27—P. Blake gets his patent on the corkscrew, 1860

28—"Mr. Dooley," popular song hit, published 1902.

29—Vera Cruz, Mexico, surrenders to General Scott, 1847.

30—Alaska is purchased from the Russians, 1867.

31—Perry signs "open door" treaty with Japan, 1854.

APRIL

1—England imposes a tax on all bachelors, 1695

dead master's daughter (whose part was played by Marjorie Blake) was being robbed of her rightful income by the villainous overseer (Guy Vinton) of her plantation. Her negro help knew this but could be of no aid to her. It seemed that she would lose everything when the handsome hero (Edwin Peters) came to her rescue and secured for her her rights.

Those members of the grade school who will participate in the local Declamatory Contest are busy making their last minute preparations. The contest will be held in the high school auditorium on Saturday evening, March 30.

The Lit Club plays have been postponed until April 12 due to word received that our debate team the negatives, will meet the champions of debate District No. 9, who is the Chiloquin Debate team, on April 5, at Redmond.

The band members are very happy over their trip to Arlington where a band concert will be held on Friday, March 29.

Young Man—(inquiring at post office)—Any letters for me today? Postmaster—No.

Young Man—That's strange. Postmaster—Nothing so strange about it. You haven't answered her last letter.

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Conference On Family Living Here April 16

"If anyone doubts that Oregon families are improving their houses, even when it is impossible to spend much money, they should talk with men and women who are attending the county conference," says Miss Claribel Nye, State Leader of Home Economics Extension who is on the program for the second annual conference on Family Living, which is to be held in the court house on April 16, from 9:45 to 4:00 p. m.

This conference, which is being arranged by county agent Perry Johnston is one of a series of twenty four meetings being held in the state during March and April. All men and women interested in housing improvements are invited to be present through out the day.

Various house plans adapted to this county will be shown and explained, and materials and supplies for inexpensive interior housing will be exhibited. Miss Nye will speak from 2:00 to 3:30 on the subject "Inexpensive housing improve-

ments for better family living." Miss Nye is a member of the state rural housing committee for the Federal Housing Administration, and is in charge of the Home Economics Extension program in Oregon.

Other speakers on the program are Miss Gertrude Seow who will speak on Recreation, and county agent Perry Johnston. Registration begins at 9:45 and the program will begin promptly at 10:00 o'clock.

U. S. Department of Interior. Soil Erosion Service, Pullman, Washington, March 28, 1935—"Muddy water in the street" may be a song on Broadway, and a flood on the Mississippi delta, but in Pullman, Washington, and vicinity Sunday night it was the result of a steady rain.

Motorists who chanced to be out observed the unusual nature of the rain when windshield wipers only

smears the glass, leaving it muddy instead of clean. Due to wind storms in central Oregon and Washington, much fine silt and dust was carried into the rain belt Sunday night. Falling through this dust, the rain became so laden with silt as to darken the water.

The muddy rain brings home the fact that the Northwest, as well as the midwestern and central states, has a wind erosion problem which must be solved.

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Kent News

Friends of Mrs. Orville Hockman, a recent bride and local teacher here, surprised her Wednesday evening with a shower at the home of Mrs. George Wilson. Those present were: Mesdames J. M. Wilson, Max Pluemke, Ida Davis, Theodor von Borstel, Frank von Borstel, R. P. Barnett, J. L. Davis, L. Sather, and Misses Cassie Holmes, Helen Wilson, Geraldine Norton, Martha Hendrickson, Harriet Fredrickson and Irene Potratz. The bride received a number of useful presents, and refreshments were served.

Virginia Helyer of Monmouth and Mrs. John Adams of Hood River are spending this week at the home of the former's parents E. M. and Mrs. Helyer.

Mrs. C. F. Darby and Mrs. Ida Davis were Antelope visitors Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Jacob Crocker and Harry Yeakel of Goldendale, Wash., were at Kent on business Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Haynes and daughter Annie Laurie and Mrs. Max Pluemke were Dalles visitors Sunday.

The Home Economics club sponsored a masquerade dance at the grange hall Saturday evening, March 23rd. A large crowd attended. Mrs. J. L. Davis and Rosellen Barnett received prizes for the most comical mask. Supper was served cafeteria style.

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Muddy Rains Caused By Dusty Winds

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Serving meatless meals becomes somewhat of a problem during the Lenten season. To prepare meals without meat over a period of time and to keep them interesting to the family is sometimes a task as well as a test to one's imagination. Meat and its substitutes are muscle building foods and should be included in the diet every day. They also lend flavor, variety and satisfaction to meals. Meat substitutes include fish, eggs, cheese, nuts, dried peas, beans and lentils. Eggs are now considered as a protective food along with milk, fruits, and vegetables, and therefore, should be used often—daily for children, when possible.

Milk is the best buy on any food list and this is true no matter how great the need to economize as it is our chief protective food. It should be used freely in food preparation, especially in meat substitute dishes.

Interesting meals can be built around these meatless dishes: Codfish and Noodle Escallop Two cups cooked noodles One half pkg salt codfish: soak over night, drain, cover with fresh water and cook until tender.

Two cups cream sauce, made as follows: Four tablespoons of butter Four tablespoons of flour One-half tsp salt One-fourth tsp pepper Two cups milk One-fourth teaspoon dry mustard One teaspoon lemon juice One tsp Worcestershire sauce Melt butter, add flour and seasonings, add milk slowly, stirring constantly. Cook until thick and smooth. Arrange noodles and cod fish in alternate layers in a buttered baking dish. Pour cream sauce over. Top with buttered crumbs. Bake 20 minutes in a hot oven. (425 deg.)

Limas With Cheese One onion, chopped fine Two tablespoons butter One No. 2 can lima beans One green pepper chopped fine Two cups strained tomatoes One and a half cups grated mild cheese

Brown onion in butter and add tomatoes. Heat thoroughly, and season with salt and pepper and add drained beans. Heat thoroughly and stir in beans. In buttered casserole, make alternate layers of beans and grated cheese. Bake in a moderate oven (365 deg.) about 25 minutes. Fresh or cooked dried lima beans may be substituted if preferred.

Cottage Cheese Mold One and a half cups cottage cheese One cup whipped cream One package lemon jello

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4-H Club Notes On Various Topics Reporters are allowed 250 words per story and may write for one club only. Any club invited. NEWS Dorothy's Kitcheneers Jr. held their fourth meeting at the Legion hall with Geraldine Norton and Phyllis Haynes demonstrating fruit salad and potato soup. We have nine members in this club. Some of the girls are taking division two and some are taking division three. The ones who are taking division two are Dorothy Holmes, Geraldine Norton, Maxine Pluemke, Phyllis Haynes, and Anita Dunlap. The girls who are taking division three are Margaret Holmes, Aileen Gregg, Levina Bar-