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WHEAT LEAGUE PROGRAM

The program of the Eastern Oregon Wheat League for its meeting in Arlington December 7-8-9, indicates that that organization has made an attempt to broaden its scope. There are farm topics on strictly wheat farm topics and a larger number of speakers from other fields have been put on the program. It is an indication of growth.

It does not appear likely that the 1944 meeting will be dominated by the department of agriculture, as has been a frequent criticism of the league heretofore. A man from Washington will speak and there will be a talk on allotments but the general tenor of the program is toward information about new developments.

Noteworthy is the inclusion of a talk by S. Eugene Allen, editor of the Labor Press in Portland. Time was when a labor leader would have been persona non grata at the league meets. David B. Simpson of the Portland Chamber of Commerce will likely give a talk on state development that may have little to do with wheat, but much about Oregon.

It is a well balanced program from which a great deal of general information might be gleaned by an attentive listener. Whoever made it is entitled to praise.

The day when the wheat farmer can afford to be solely interested in production matters, or marketing, or shipping is gone with the bull tugged plow. Wheat farmers are now probably the most efficient tillers of the soil in all the world from the point of bushels or dollars produced per acre. Cooperatives have settled many of his handling and transportation problems.

To continue his success he must look to new uses for his product. The talk on "Industrial Uses of Wheat" is pertinent. He must look to larger demand and this means new kinds of pastry etc., to sell to those who labor. Like the manufacturers and merchants who make up the chamber of commerce he is looking for new and bigger customers.

Perhaps there will be a conflict in his thinking similar to the one now being reported in industry. It is that some advocate lower prices in order to hold a market instead of high prices and a naturally restricted demand. It is probable that, with good crops the American wheat farmer in the favored areas of the Pacific northwest could compete with the world and retain his market. His production is as efficient as American industry that expects to compete. Whether he chooses that course or the restrictive one of smaller production and government prices, he should make the decision with full information. The wheat league program is a step toward giving him that information.

TODDGE AID ID?

"You godda cold, yea, I godda cold too. Wen I godda cold this tit ob year id stays wid me all widder, s'awful."

And thus many a sympathetic conversation starts around the county as victim meets victim and reaches out a feeble voice for the comfort of fellow sufferer.

Doctors don't seem to go much on the old theory of chill from a draft, or wet feet, or going without a hat that granddads said were the cause of colds. We lay it to the neighbors, to meeting some one already infected with the disease, for disease it is.

Maybe no one knows what causes colds. Certainly no one has ever done much about them. They start in schools, and every little shaver will have his turn at ticked shot eyes and active nose during the continuance of which

it will be easier to keep him inside.

Some people have lots of them, some are seldom affected. Of late we have come to giving fancy names to colds. They are the grippe or better yet, la grippe, or the flu, although that is really a horse of much more violent disposition, or cri, which is a very expressive name.

But we suspect it is the same old cold germ that gets us all, the same kind made Adam bark a. Eve and Cleopatra to order. Marc Anthony offerer barge. People often are petulant when they have colds.

We have to a great extent gotten over the use of home made remedies for colds, however, even though some of them were good. We merely try to keep warm, to do a little work as possible (the one redeeming feature of the ailment) and endeavor to get on the alkaline side by various nostrums. And wait until the cold has its way, with us the required number of days and then we're ready to be normal once again.

SCHOOL FUNDS

The remark was sagely made that no one of the many school funds of the state or county is distributed to schools on the basis of excellence of educational attainments. What funds there are, and there is the county school fund, the county library fund, the elementary school fund and the state surplus support fund, are returned to districts will nilly, be they good or bad, efficient or not.

It has become a well followed rule of the federal government that governing bodies, receiving its funds conform to certain practices, that are generally held to be helpful, before funds are given. Farmers had to conform before receiving payments, allotments or loans.

This opens a means of improving Oregon schools while at the same time setting up a state fund for school aid.

Trouble with Oregon schools is administrative and organizational more than financial. Sherman county is spending \$69,882.89 of county funds to educate its 381 census children to say nothing of the money that comes from the elementary and school support funds of the state. The cost is well over \$200 per census child or \$250 per actual school child, among the highest in the state, if not the highest.

A bill that will establish a state fund large enough to bring the state into conformation with other states in state aid to schools will be introduced in the next legislature. With it there will be bills to bring better financial structure and better educational facilities to school districts that qualify to receive the money.

If passed it should be a step toward solving a problem that has bothered school teachers, taxpayers, administrators and the general public for many years.

This is the season of the bi-ennium set aside by popular acceptance to the "ought-to-be-a-law" boys, many of whom want to settle all life's trouble by state or federal edict.

In Other Days

From the Observer, Dec. 4, 1925

The community dinner which was held at the Rufus schoolhouse on Thanksgiving day was well attended. More than one hundred and fifty were present.

L. V. Walton and wife, residents of The Dalles and Kent, left this week by auto over the Pacific highway for southern California on the races at Tia Juana, Mexico. They expect to return late in February.

Mrs. Jas. Woods celebrated her 82nd birthday anniversary last Saturday by dinner at Hotel Moro in company with Mr. Woods. The letter claims that he will celebrate his 84th birthday in similar manner next May.

The Thanksgiving day game of the Wasco high school with Hepburn resulted in a 13-6 victory for Wasco. Wasco won all her games this season except the game with Condon which was a 12-13 tie.

From the Observer, Dec. 3, 1915

The local school library has been enriched by the addition of sixty new volumes, most of them pertaining to history, biology and literature.

The city council last Monday evening voted a tax levy of ten mills to defray expenses for the

Kelly's Column

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ional capital that some thought is being given plans to limit American competition with Great Britain in world trade after the war for a sufficient length of time to enable the British to get back on their feet. This is a bald statement which does not present the true picture of proposed complicated arrangements for a form of government supervision of export trade which may become necessary in the interest of world stabilization. So far the subject has not passed beyond the discussion stage and nothing may come of it. As a matter of fact, British manufacturers are already far ahead of their American competitors in preparing for resumption of world commerce. Their sales agents are in the near east and in France almost as soon as the armed forces arrive and they are reported to be taking orders for delivery after the war. Up to date American industrialists have displayed no such enterprise.

An entirely new method of fixing prices for farm products is being considered. The parity system has not worked out well because it encourages over-production and consequent necessity for crop control. The former is unsatisfactory to the government and the latter is resented by farmers. Exact details of the new plan are still in the discussion stage.

People's Column

P.F.C. Frank C. Sayrs 39187563 Band 24th Inf. Division APO-24 c-o P. M. San Francisco, California October 28, 1944

Somewhere in "The Philippines" Dear, Folks,

Well, as you can see from the heading I've been traveling again. The last move however was more work than travel. Not like the last one in The (censored). We're a little closer to Japan here, and air raids have been more frequent. The Jap planes don't do much damage, but they do make us lose sleep and become jumpy. Things are going well though and it won't be long now. December 1945 is my guess.

The country here is still tropical, but the people speak English and live in real houses. They are pretty much starved and naked due to three years of Japanese occupation. The Japs took all their clothes, furniture, business etc. and I guess gave them nothing in return. At any rate they were pathetically eager to see us. The country is much more heavily populated than any of us realized. Towns and villages are scattered throughout the whole island.

The band has suffered no casualties yet although there were a few times when I wondered how long our luck would last. We've been sleeping in foxholes until the last couple of nights when we graduated to sleeping on the ground right next to foxholes.

We are working for the Quartermaster now in the food dump. Loading and unloading trucks, and will start playing again as soon as our instruments get here.

The bills enclosed are some more Japanese invasion posters. They really scattered this money around.

I hope you are well and enjoying cool weather. It's hotter than the hinges of Hell here. The sun comes up, in fifteen minutes it's coming year.

Claud E. Coats and Miss Ellen M. Clark were married last week in The Dalles, at the Methodist parsonage, by Rev. Nathan Evans. The young couple expect to reside near Rufus.

Supt. DE Stephens of the Experiment station, has received a fifty dollar prize and medal for the display at the Land Products Show at Portland.

From the Observer, Dec 1, 1905

RG Junkin is again mail carrier at Erekville postoffice, making regular daily trips to trains of the C. S. Ry.

A large assortment of 1847 Roger's Bros. silverware on sale at Heacock's jewelry store.

The larger plant for the Moro electric lights and water supply is now in sight, and that is something to be thankful for.

straight overhead and stays there till fifteen minutes before dark. I'm doing alright tho and feel good so don't worry. Tell Ross Ornduff that the ballot didn't catch up with me till yesterday so I will be unable to get it back in time. Tell him tho that I appreciate the effort.

Love, Frank.

November 12, 1944 Dear Folks,

It's been quite a while since I wrote last, but this working for the Q.M. in a push like this doesn't leave much time for anything but eating and a little sleep in between guard reliefs. I hope I never see another barrel of gas as long as I live. Fifteen of us have averaged over 300 barrels a day for the last five days. The band has moved farther forward along with the Q.M. and as all our supplies are unloaded on the beach it means a ride of about 80 miles a day on very dusty and/or muddy, rough roads. The front lines get the glamour and the service troops the work. You keep keyed up because of the Japs nasty habit of infiltrating. They've only pulled it twice in any place where I have been, and they are very unpleasant and some times bloody. Doesn't help towards getting a sweet and dreamless sleep as I mentioned before. The air raids have slacked off some; although the beach gets them yet. We can see the ack ack and searchlights from here. Much more satisfying than being right under it. The shrapnel flies thick and fast sometimes.

The people here are chiefly farmers: rice, hemp or sisal, coconuts, fishing, some lumbering, etc. They live in small frame or thatch houses and at one time probably had some of the more modern equipment and fixtures. These houses line the roads and the fields lie in back of them. The rice paddies are about 20 yards by 50 yards and there are probably 8 or 9 hundred acres of them along the river here. They are harvesting rice now. A long line of men, women and children, of all sizes, bent over picking each stalk by hand. They don't waste any either. Then they put the sheaves under a roof for threshing at leisure. They thresh on a straw mat with bare feet for threshers. Then they put the grain in a big mortar and two of three women gather round with pestles and pound the husks off. One of the most amusing sights to me is the water buffalo. Big husky brutes with one 4 x 4 section of spike harrow or a 4 inch walking plow, ambling down a paddy, rope thru his nose and a small boy yelling and slapping behind him.

The people are clean, fairly polite and smart. At one time they had electric lights in their cities, large stores, modern furniture, smart clothes; in fact everything they wanted or could buy. The Japanese took all their clothes, furniture, cars, dynamos, industrial equipment, such as saw mills, fishing boats etc. In short it is just as if Sherman county were to wake up and find itself back in the 1880's or 90's. Their clothing is nothing but patches, a few old print dresses, no shoes or stockings and a material of very rough sisal linen that feels like sandpaper. They are not starved but G.I. grub has finally found some enthusiastic backers. You should see the kitchen area at chow time. Food and clothing are our chief items of barter. We trade for eggs, bananas, fish, chickens, fancy bolts and anything we want. The most amazing thing tho is the number of children. Families of 14 or 16 are common. The children are very

smart, clean and happy. The partite absolutely worship the ground they walk on, but they are not spoiled, and do a lot of work around their houses.

The towns are a mixture of board and thatch houses. There is a large stone church, a concrete municipal building, and a large wooden schoolhouse in almost all the towns. The board houses have a small porch, tin roof and a unique window system. The windows are very large and slide together, under this in the wall is a small aperture with slides which they open when it rains. The window panes are about three inches square, something like French doors, tho much smaller. This is so they will be typhoon proof. A gale of 90 or 100 M.P.H. is not at all uncommon here. I had a share in what they call a "baby" typhoon, it was quite an experience. Another item about the people that surprised all of us is their knowledge of English. Almost all of them are understandable and a sizable number speak perfectly. The guerrillas are very numerous and are made up of boys from 15 to 20. They carry captured Japanese guns and some American, but prefer a knife as they don't waste ammunition. Since Bataan fell the guerrillas here are credited with 7,000 dead Japs. They are officered by escaped officers and non-coms of the Filipino scouts.

This is about all I can think of at the present time. All-in-all it is something to remember. I wouldn't call it adventure tho, unless, dirt, heat, rain and monotonous food constitute adventure. This hard work is making me huskier than ever, and as long as I can get some mail and a little sleep I'll be O. K.

Frank

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NOTICE OF DATE OF FINAL HEARING

Notice is hereby given, that the undersigned administrator of the estate of Emma A. Crocker, dec. has filed in the County Court of the State of Oregon, by Sherman County, Oregon, his final report and account as such administrator. That Saturday December 16th, at the hour of Ten o'clock A. M. in the County Court Room, in the County Court House, at Moro, Oregon, has been fixed as the time and place for hearing all objections to said final report and account and the settlement hereof.

Henry Yencel, Administrator John M. Stapleton, Attorney for Estate. Vogt Bldg. The Dalles, Oregon

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR SHERMAN COUNTY C. A. NISH, Trustee. Plaintiff

vs. LESTEN E. WRIGHT, DALE E. WRIGHT, HARVEY ALLEN WRIGHT, and the unknown heirs of Flora B. Wright, deceased, and all other persons or parties unknown claiming any right, title, estate, lien, or interest in the real estate described in the complaint herein.

Defendants.

SUMMONS To: The unknown heirs of Flora B. Wright, Deceased, and all other persons or parties un-

known claiming any right title estate, lien, or interest in the real estate described in the complaint herein; IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON.

You are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled suit within four weeks from the date of the first publication of this summons, and if you fail so to answer, for want thereof, the plaintiffs will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint herein, namely:

That you be forever enjoined and barred from asserting any claims whatsoever in and to the land or premises hereinafter described, and that the plaintiff be declared to be the owner of premises described as:

Lots 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, and 11 Section 18, Tp. 1 S., R. 19, E.W.M. in Sherman County, Oregon,

and such other and further relief as to the Court may seem reasonable and proper.

This summons is published by order of the Honorable Judge of the Circuit Court, dated November 10, 1944

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