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BURBANK GROWS A NEW WHEAT

Eleven Years of Experimenting Brings More Hardy Variety of Cereal.

SANTA ROSA, Cal.—Luther Burbank, after experiments extending over 11 years, says that he has evolved a "super-wheat" containing an unusually high percentage of gluten, and so sturdy that it may be grown anywhere from Labrador to Patagonia.

Burbank's wheat resembles the prize-winning Marquis, but has very large white, flinty kernels.

The new wheat is an exceedingly early grain—the earliest of some four or five hundred varieties which Burbank has been growing.

He has tested it by comparison with 68 of the best wheats of the world, and finds it superior in yield, uniformity, and all other desirable characteristics. It grows vigorously to a height of four feet on good ordinary soil, and thrives in almost any but the most extreme climates. On average valley soil, without special cultivation, care, or fertilizing, it produced last summer 49.88 bushels per acre.

Like all other wheats grown in California, the new wheat is a winter wheat. It was tried for baking bread, and the results of the tests were highly satisfactory. The loaves were of good color, texture and taste. A high percentage of gluten in bread is of importance, because the food value of the bread depends upon it.

Wheat is one of man's most important foods. Of course, meats, fats, sugar and leguminous foods, like beans, peas and lentils, rich in muscle-building material, are also necessary, but nothing can take the place of wheat as a staple food. If grown in cold climates, it contains about 10 per cent of gluten, its most valuable constituent; if grown in hot climates, as much as 15 per cent.

FIRST CASE IN CIRCUIT COURT TO BE CLARK TRIAL

February 24 has been set as the opening day of the February term of circuit court and the first case will be the new trial of Martin A. Clark, charged with the murder of C. L. Taylor, July 25, 1919, near McKenzie bridge.

Due to the wide publicity and interest of the case it is expected to be hard to find a suitable jury. The names of nearly 400 taxpayers of the county have been placed on the juror's list.

At the first trial the jury returned a verdict of murder in the second degree. Judge Skipworth overruled this verdict and granted Clark a new trial.

LINCOLN SCHOOL NOTES

The state examinations were conducted by Mr. Ethel at the Lincoln school Thursday and Friday of last week. Those who wrote on the eighth grade exams were Winnifred Long, Bessie Lynch, Ona Mulligan, Lula Edwards, Tommy Brattain, Gurnie Howard, Kenneth Bettis, Grayson Lewis and Elmer Sankey. Crystan Bryan, Mabel Humphrey and Ivan Cowart were honorably promoted.

The attendance of the school is not very good this week on account of the prevalence of several contagious diseases.

Attention, Farmers!

There are a number of ex-service men in this state without employment. You are asked to send inquiries for help on your farm to the Springfield American Legion Post, No. 40, through The Springfield News. Or you may phone 2. Specify particularly what you want men to do in order that your needs may be wisely filled.

LARGE NUMBER OF STUDENTS EARN WAY

University of Oregon, Eugene, Jan. 21.—Men of the University of Oregon are paying their way through college with a wide range of occupations, all the way from carrying wood to preaching in nearby pulpits. Sixty per cent of them in college earn part of their expenses, and 25 per cent are entirely self-supporting.

WORKING ON MCKENZIE ROAD

County Commissioner M. H. Harlow and County Road Superintendent J. R. McKy have been surveying a number of new routes on the McKenzie road in order to eliminate several rocky points on the highway.

A quantity of the T. N. T. given the county by the government will be used in removing these places in the road which have been somewhat dangerous in the past.

TAX OFFICERS TO HELP HERE

Deputy Collectors Will Be Here Next Week to Give Advice and Aid.

The time has again arrived for making out your income tax returns. The law provides that all returns must be in the office of the collector of internal revenue at Portland, on or before March 15, 1920. Those failing to comply with the law are subject to heavy penalties.

All taxpayers are urged to make out their returns at once, thereby avoiding the rush at the last hour.

For the purpose of assisting taxpayers of Lane county in making up their income tax return for 1919, Deputy Collectors Davis and Butterfield, from the internal revenue office will be at the following named places on the dates given below:

Springfield, Jan. 26th to 28th, inclusive.
Wendling, Jan. 26th and 27th.
Eugene, Jan. 29th to Feb. 14th and March 11th to March 15th.
Coburg, Feb. 9th and 10th.
Cottage Grove, Feb. 11th to 14th.
Florence, Feb. 16th and 17th.
Junction City, March 6th to 8th.

INJURED WORKMEN GET 30 PER CENT INCREASE

SALEM—The industrial accident commission has put into operation the law enacted by the special session of the legislature which provides for a 30 per cent increase in payments to injured workmen who are entitled to benefits under the workmen's compensation act. The act is retroactive to December 1, 1919.

ORGANIZE MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The ladies of the Christian church met last Friday at the home of Mrs. Leavitt and organized a Woman's Missionary society with sixteen charter members. Mrs. Champie of the Bible university in Eugene assisted in the work of organization.

The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Teddy Leavitt; vice president, Mrs. Knott; secretary, Mrs. Frank Sidwell; treasurer, Mrs. Hastings; literary secretary, Mrs. Halverson.

After the election of officers light refreshments were served.

NON-RESIDENTS TO PAY TUITION

Non-resident students attending the Eugene schools will have to pay a tuition fee of \$7.50 per semester when the next semester opens Monday, Jan. 26. This is according to an announcement by J. K. Moore, city clerk of Eugene.

SCHOOL NOTICE.

A class for beginners is to be organized in the Lincoln school at the commencement of the new term on Monday, February 2. Children 6 years of age or who will be 6 by March 1, will be admitted. They should start promptly on the above date.

F. B. HAMLIN, Supt.

LEGION POST TO AID UNEMPLOYED

American Legion Asks Farmers and Employers to Use Ex-Service Men.

There was a large attendance at the regular meeting of Springfield Post No. 40, American Legion last Monday night. Business matters were attended to and the resignation of Bill Hill as president was accepted, on account of his leaving to attend a business college in Portland.

The condition of finances of the post were also considered and there was some discussion as to methods for raising needed funds to carry on their work.

The post also voted unanimously in favor of forming a ladies auxiliary. Women eligible for this auxiliary are relation of members of the post, and a joint meeting of these will be called later when they hope to form an auxiliary.

The labor situation, especially that of the unemployed ex-service men was discussed and it was decided for the local post to advertise in the local paper and the Eugene papers, urging farmers and other employers of men to give ex-service men preference. It was also stated that the local plant of the Booth-Kelly mill were heartily co-operating with state headquarters of the Legion in giving employment to ex-soldiers.

People May Vote On Peace Treaty

WILSON PROPOSES TO HAVE PUBLIC DECIDE ON PEACE TREATY—MANY ALIENS LEAVING UNITED STATES—CONTINUES "RED" FIGHT.

The president in proposing to give the people an opportunity to vote on the peace treaty said:

"We can not rewrite this treaty. We must take it without changes which alter its meaning, or leave it, and then, after the rest of the world has signed it, we must face the unthinkable task of making another and separate kind of treaty with Germany. If there is any doubt as to what the people of the country think on this vital matter, the clear and single way out is to submit it for determination at the next election to the voters of the nation, to give the next election the form of a great and solemn referendum, a referendum as to the part the United States is to play in completing the settlements of the war and in the prevention in the future of such outrages as Germany attempted to perpetrate."

It is well to note the fact that Bryan takes the opposite view. Speaking to his fellow Democrats, he said:

"We can not afford, either as citizens or as members of the party, to share with the Republican party responsibility for further delay. We can not go before the country on the issue that such an appeal would present. The Democratic senators stood with their president for ratification without reservation, and I stood with them, believing it was better to secure within the league, after it was established, any necessary changes, than to attempt to secure them by reservations in the ratifying resolution. But our plan has been rejected, and we must face the situation as it is."

Senator Lodge Favors Referendum. He is quoted as saying:

"The president has made his position very plain. He rejects absolutely the reservations adopted by a decisive majority of the senate. He says we must take the treaty without any change which alters its meaning, or leave it. The issue is clearly drawn. The reservations, intended solely to protect the United States in sovereignty and independence, are disregarded by the president. He places himself squarely in behalf of internationalism against Americanism. If it is impossible to compro-

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IN- DORSED BY FORMER RESIDENT

The following letter from C. Rivett, of Bethany, Nebr., enclosing a check in payment of a year's membership to the Springfield Chamber of Commerce, has been received by The News, for the chamber. Mr. Rivett formerly made his home here where he still has business interests.

"Bethany, Nebr., Jan. 9, 1920.
"Springfield News, Springfield, Ore.
"Dear Editor: I see by your live paper that the old town has really woke up inasmuch as its citizens have started out with all four feet a live Chamber of Commerce. I know by the names of the men at the head of the move it will surely be a success. I am with you in the shape of a check for \$6 for a year's dues in advance. I wish I could be with you and will be part of the time if not all the time. "Wishing you success, I am, as ever,
"Yours truly,
"—C. Rivett."

FINDS EXTREME COLD IN EAST

After spending six weeks visiting in Pennsylvania and other eastern states F. E. Lenhart arrived home Saturday morning. In Pleasant Unity, Pennsylvania, Mr. Lenhart visited with his mother and sisters, going from there to York, Penn., Washington, D. C., and to New Orleans on the way home. When he arrived in Pennsylvania six weeks ago the climate was very mild but within a week the temperature had fallen to 10 below zero, ranging from 10 above to 10 below all during his visit.

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Peace Becomes Reality in Europe.

Without waiting for the United States to ratify the treaty of peace, practically all of the nations that have been at war have established peace relations between themselves. The following nations ratified the treaty and are immediately re-establishing diplomatic relations with their former enemy: Great Britain, France, Italy, Japan, Belgium, Bolivia, Brazil, Guatemala, Peru, Siam, Poland, Czechoslovakia and Uruguay.

Continue Fight Against Radicalism.

The United States department of labor has asked congress for an appropriation of \$1,150,000 to be used in the enforcement of laws against radicals and in carrying out the present movement for deportation of undesirable aliens. As a result of the raids of recent weeks, there are now held in the United States about 2500 aliens, awaiting trial on charges that may result in their deportation. The department of justice and immigration officials reiterate their intention of carrying on the warfare against radicals in this country until the country is cleared of the menacing element.

Aliens Are Leaving This Country.

It is declared that approximately 1,000,000 aliens have left this country for their native lands since the signing of the armistice and that many others are awaiting the coming of peace so that passports to some of the countries involved in the war may be secured.

Oregon Products to Be Labeled.

Upon appeal to the federal division of foods, the state food division obtained a ruling against a canning company which has marketed its Oregon raised pears under the brand of California grown fruit. Chief C. H. Alsberg advised the department that an incorrect statement of the geographical source of a food product upon a label constitutes misbranding, and it is expected that due credit will hereafter be given Oregon fruit.

THRIFT TAUGHT OREGON SCHOOLS

Wasco Won \$50 Prize Last Year in Contest Now Open to All School Children.

Oregon Agricultural College, Jan. 21.—Competition for the \$50 prize offered by the Oregon Bankers' association for the county whose school children most diligently carry out the nation-wide thrift program in Oregon, is now open to the children of Lane county. Thrift will be taught in all city and country schools of the county, and the thrift campaign here will be directed by E. J. Moore, county school superintendent. This prize was won last year by Wasco county and the year before by Jackson.

The plan of thrift education was originated by J. A. Boxell, dean of commerce at O. A. C. It has been widely adopted by the United States government and put in charge of the treasury department.

The thrift campaign in Oregon is conducted by the treasury and agricultural department of the federal government, Oregon Bankers' association, Oregon State Teachers' association, Oregon Agricultural college, and state department of education. J. A. Churchill, superintendent of education, was appointed state director by the federal treasury.

Thrift education will be made a part of the regular school work this year in all schools. Habits of thrift will be made attractive to girls and boys to teach them the value of money, strengthen the country, and better the communities in which they live. Funds for carrying on the work are supplied by the federal government. The program covers the period from 1920 to 1925.

The thrift cards will be filled out in ink by the pupils and handed to the teacher the last Friday in each month for checking.

SPECIAL SESSION MAY COST STATE \$20,000

SALEM—Although all the bills connected with the special session of the legislature have not yet been turned in to the office of the secretary of state, it is estimated that the cost of the session will probably use all of the \$20,000 appropriated for that purpose. The per diem cost of the legislators averaged about \$50.

LOGAN NEET OF FALL CREEK ACCIDENTALLY KILLED IN MILL

The funeral services for Logan Neet of Fall Creek were held in the school house there Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock, conducted by Rev. H. C. Ethell of Springfield. The remains were buried in the Fall Creek cemetery. Logan Neet was 25 years of age.

While he was scraping sawdust from beneath the big saw in the mill of which he was part owner with Charles Schultz, the stick was knocked from his hands by the saw and the end of it struck about an inch below his right eye. It penetrated the brain four or five inches. A physician was called from Springfield but Mr. Neet died an hour after the accident and 15 minutes before the physician arrived.

Besides his wife and three small children he leaves his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Neet who are pioneer residents of Fall Creek.

Mrs. Neet was formerly Miss Nellie Brewer of this city.

FARMERS SUPPLY HOUSE WILL OPEN HERE NEXT WEEK

A store to be known as the Farmers Supply company, operated by Harry Corsaw, formerly in the furniture business here, will be opened on Main street opposite the First National bank next Monday.

The new store will carry a line of new and second hand farm implements and will buy such produce as veal, poultry, eggs, etc., from the farmers. They will also carry the Beeman hand tractor and Wade wood saw which has been handled by the Springfield Feed company.