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PORTLAND BANKS WILL BACK GRAIN GROWERS

CLEARING HOUSE AGREES TO ADVANCE \$1,000,000

Officers of Cooperative Marketing And Farmers Discuss Problems Here Saturday

At a meeting of the Morrow county wheat growers who are members of the Oregon Cooperative Grain Growers association, and officials of that organization held here last Saturday the definite announcement was made that an arrangement has just been concluded with the Portland Clearing House association by which \$1,000,000 will be advanced to the grain growers to finance their marketing plans thereby clearing the way for putting the organization more firmly on its feet.

Officers of the association present were: Edgar L. Ludwick, assistant secretary-treasurer; C. A. Harth, director and member of the selling agency; V. H. Smith, also director, and H. O. Barnes, field man for eastern Oregon.

It developed at the meeting that much trouble was experienced during the summer in securing money with which to carry on the work of handling the member's wheat and making the advance payment agreed upon.

Financial backing to meet all needs was promised by the war finance board at Washington but after investigation that body decided that it could not make the necessary advances on warehouse receipts, because of lax methods of many western warehouses and also of lack of facilities for proper inspection of grain. They finally agreed, however, to make advances on condition that each farmer accompany his warehouse receipts with his personal note for the amount of the loan. This feature not being well understood by the farmers, caused considerable dissatisfaction among the farmers and hindered prompt handling of the business. The recent deal with the Portland bankers, however, has cleared this matter up and the officers of the association stated Saturday that all these notes are being mailed back to the farmers and will be in their hands within a few days.

It was stated at the meeting that the association now has a membership of 2400 growers in Oregon and 25 per cent of the crop in this state is signed up with the association. The pool in Oregon, Washington and Idaho now amounts to 15,000,000 bushels. A membership fee of \$10 each is required of members for organization expenses and Mr. Harth stated that after all expenses of this nature have been paid there remains on hand \$1750.00.

The association has already distributed as advance payments to farmers the sum of \$1,800,000 and the million dollars secured from the

Portland banks will easily complete the movement of the present crop.

The cost of handling the business of the association it was stated in response to inquiries from growers, will not exceed 2 1/2 cents a bushel; one and one-half cents of this going into the expense of the Oregon general office and one cent into the selling agency. There are 11 people employed in the Oregon office as clerks and bookkeepers.

No interest was required on notes given by the farmers with their wheat tickets nor is any interest required on advance payments on grain. In case, however, that any farmer should not want the regular advance on his wheat after it is placed in the warehouse he will be paid 8 per cent for the use of the money by the association.

Some mistakes and delays in forwarding advance money to farmers have naturally arisen, Mr. Ludwick explained, but these have not always been faults of the office. Instances were cited where the growers had placed their warehouse receipts in their sample sacks of grain and they would not be found at the Portland office for a week or more.

In a few cases duplication of payments were made but in every case, it was explained, the error was detected and payment stopped on the duplication.

In reply to a question why the association does not export its own wheat, Mr. Harth replied that it is because of having no present foreign financial connections. An office has recently been established in London which helps keep the association in closer touch with foreign market conditions.

In response to a question Mr. Harth stated that the salary of Mr. Jewett, president of the northwest association, is \$15,000 a year, and, he added, his services have been well worth that salary, for without him the matter of financing the concern would have been next to impossible.

The story that has had considerable circulation here that speculators had been buying wheat from the association at a less price than the market, was branded as an idle rumor without the slightest foundation.

The association will not, under any circumstances sell all of its wheat to one buyer at one time, it was stated, the purpose of the entire association, being to market the wheat crop in an orderly manner during the entire year.

Every bushel of wheat is insured as soon as it goes into the warehouse it was stated.

Any member of the association is permitted to sell seed wheat to a neighbor but is required to report the amount sold, to whom and the price received.

Speaking of the contract between the association and the farmer, Mr. Smith stated that it has been passed upon by the best lawyers in Portland, New York and Washington and approved by them and that leading financiers east and west have already loaned money on it.

Under the contract, the directors may retain 3 cents a bushel on all wheat handled for the purpose of providing warehouses, elevators etc. No steps have yet been taken in this direction, the directors, finding plenty to do this year to finance the business and get it on a strong basis and no money has been retained for that purpose.

The association does not claim to attempt to sell wheat at the highest price which may be obtained during the year but to sell the wheat in an orderly manner throughout the year, thus preventing any glut on the market and depending on the law of supply and demand to give them a fair return on the wheat.

Ed Reitman, prosperous wheat farmer of the Ione country, was here on business Saturday.

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Subscription a World for Our Own Cause

There has never anything been originated along the line of co-operation in which all the people of this community would be benefitted by said co-operation, and no one injured by it, but the Herald has been for it.

We believe most of our readers are affected the same way, and for that reason we are going to "spill" some inside dope on a campaign which is going to run from November 5 to November 12, this year. The campaign is going to be known as "Subscribe for Your Home Town Paper Week," and during that week we want to add several hundred new subscribers to our list, and we are going to ask our old and time tried subscribers to assist us in making this addition.

Here is the plan: If you are visiting with neighbors, or they are visiting with you, bring the conversation around some way to the Herald. Tell them that this is a national campaign, and that the publisher of the Herald has asked you to co-operate with the force in getting the list up to 100 per cent perfect, and the money which is saved in this plan of campaign will be used in making the paper a larger and better one.

Tell your friend that if he or she wants a sample copy or two of the paper, that you will make it a point to see that they get it. You won't get rich in this world's goods by making an effort to help us increase our list, but you will be co-operating with us in keeping this the best paper in the county, and, after all is said and done, we are all of us anxious to do something for a fellowman with only the thought in mind that we are working co-operatively.

But remember the campaign will continue just that one week—November 5 to 12, and if it is possible for our present family of readers to increase the list of the Herald 50 per cent we will be pleased, and you will be amply repaid in the matter of getting a better paper, as well as in the thought that you have done some real co-operative work.

THESE MEN CRAVED FOOD

Yes, there's hay on the Boardman project, quantities of it. Hay in ricks and stacks and cocks and windrows and piles. Piles and piles of hay. Sweet, fragrant alfalfa, free from dust or weevil. They have been harvesting hay there since May and are still at it and if they should happen to get another crop or two before Christmas they will need to leave a good slice of the John Day project to stack it on. The balers are working overtime, some of them kicking out almost a bale a minute and whether they are keeping ahead of the mowers and rakes and stackers is a question.

The Herald man enjoyed a trip to Boardman last Wednesday as the quest of W. P. Mahoney and we're ready to tell the world that there is more hay at Boardman than Frank Gilliam and Walter Moore could both eat between now and the morning of J. W. Bryan's inauguration day, if they were deprived of all other nourishment, and that's saying something. Frank and Walter were also members of W. P.'s party that day and we know something about their capacity.

Speaking of eating, this writer always supposed there was a limit to all men's capacity in that line, but there isn't—not to those two birds. They are good for three big square meals within five hours. We know for we saw them try it and get away with it.

It was this way: The party reached the Carty ranch in Juniper canyon at 1:30 p. m. and it didn't take much coaxing to induce them to take dinner there, and it was some dinner, too. After reaching Boardman and sizing up the hay crop, these two gourmands again craved food and a big dinner was ordered at 6:00 o'clock at the Highway Inn where O. H. Warner and Mrs. Warner do their best to founder every guest they have. They failed, however, with our two Heppner heroes, for when the Carty ranch was reached an hour and a half later, they almost cried for joy when Jim Carty loomed up in the road, armed with a big club and herded the Hudson into the barn yard gate. "It's a chicken dinner the missus has cooked for you

hungry devils," quoth Jim, "and ye's got to go in and eat it."

"Let's go," chorused the anti-hunger strikers, and they hoofed it for the house.

The way that chicken disappeared was not slow and it was soon evident that former exploits of our gastronomic friends during the day were only in the way of "practicing before the game began." That chicken dinner was the real game.

"What's greater in this world than Frank Gilliam's appetite?" asked W. P. as he guided the Hudson down Hinton creek on the way home.

"The hospitality of the Irish race in general and Jim Carty and his wife in particular," replied Walter Moore as he reached in a paper sack he had bought at Jack Gorham's store at Boardman, for a cracker and a slab of cheese. "I hope my wife will have supper ready when I get home," concluded Walter as he munched the cracker.

DISTINGUISHED SCRIBES VISIT HEPPNER

E. E. Brodie, editor and publisher of the Oregon City Courier, president of the National Editorial association, minister-elect to Slam, and former president of the Oregon State Press association, accompanied by Albert Bode, editor of the Cottage Grove Sentinel and present president of the Oregon State Press Association, were visitors in Heppner for a short time last Tuesday afternoon while on a tour of eastern Oregon made for the purpose of visiting the newspaper offices of this section of the state with a view of getting a closer touch with Oregon conditions as they now affect the country newspapers. The gentlemen were accompanied by Mrs. Brodie and her sister, Miss Evelyn Harding, and the party all declared they were enjoying the trip immensely in spite of dust clouds and chuck holes.

Bode, who is a born optimist with considerable professional training along that line, acquired in a country newspaper office, declared there were neither dust nor chuck holes in the eastern Oregon roads the party had traveled and had he not feared that the Herald would print it and the news would drift back to

HEPPNER 14, HERMISTON 3 IN HARD BATTLE

Heppner high school nailed up another victory Saturday when they met Hermiston on the local field with a score of 14 to 3. The field was ideal for football, just enough rain to lay the dust but not enough to be slippery.

The first half ended with Hermiston 3 points to the good after they had tallied up a drop kick in the second quarter and Heppner still registered a zero on the score board. But with the beginning of the second half Heppner quit warming up and began to play ball. They would plow through the Hermiston line or trot around the end just as the mood pleased them. After a few minutes of play they had carried the ball to the Hermiston five yard line only to lose it. By the time Irwin began barking signals again the ball was on Heppner's 40 yard line and this time they started out with a twenty yard gain on the first down and then it was just a matter of three or four more downs until they took it across the line. Ferguson kicked goal.

The fourth quarter netted Heppner another touchdown and Ferguson again booted one more point between the goal posts.

Much of the ragged playing that was in evidence in the Fossil game has been eliminated and Saturday's game was a mighty good exhibition of high school football.

Heppner plays Moro here next Saturday and this is considered one of the hardest teams they will meet during the entire year.

HARDMAN TEACHERS ARE STUDYING SPANISH

HARDMAN, OR., Oct. 17.—(Special.)—Owing to the great interest in Spanish in Hardman, a class of the teachers has been formed under the supervision of the high school instructor of Spanish, Miss N. Virginia Fitzherbert.

The Ladies Aid met at Mrs. Prophets, Friday with twenty members present.

The Parent-Teachers association held its second meeting of the year at the High school Wednesday. A paper on "The Assembly of the League of Nations," was read by Cleo Merrill, a high school senior.

Miss Lavelle teachers, Miss Virginia Fitzherbert and Mrs. Helen Tack motored to Heppner during the week end.

Mrs. Ada Osborn and Mrs. Tack were guests at Sunday dinner at the home of C. W. Booher.

The week of Oct. 10-14th has been a week of great concentration due to the six week's tests being given.

The Holloween Carnival to be given by the Hardman Union high school on October 29th promises to be a great success judging from the reports of committees now coming in.

Cottage Grove, they would probably added that eastern Oregon has the western part of the state beaten four ways from the ace and that Heppner was the best looking town of its size he ever saw. Be that as it may it is understood that Elbert is president of the state press association for the whole state as is pretty clearly indicated by this trip.

Mr. Brodie did not talk much during the early part of his visit only to announce that he was hungry, but after the party was entertained at one of Heppner's best lobster palaces, he revived and talked interestingly of what he expects to know about Slam a year or so hence. We gathered from the minister—or was it Bode said it—that he has already called for a milk-white saddle elephant to be ready upon his arrival and that is the reason Bob Carson has decided not to present Brodie with an animal from his herd which ranges over over around the John Day banana belt.

Mr. and Mrs. Brodie expect to sail for the Orient as soon as they can arrange their personal affairs and they are looking forward to their residence in Bangkok with considerable interest.

After making short visits at Heppner newspaper offices the party hurried on to Condon to spend the night being compelled to follow schedule on their trip.

OLDER BOYS' MEETING WAS GREAT SUCCESS

SIXTY-NINE DELEGATES FROM FIVE TOWNS REGISTER

Interesting Programs, Football Game Banquet at Hotel Feature Sessions

The Older Boys' Conference, held in this city on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, was a great success in every sense of the word, much credit being due to the local committee of arrangements, who left nothing undone to insure a successful meeting. Howard M. James, J. W. Heard and Rev. Livingstone, constituted the general committee, with Vawter Crawford in charge of the musical portions of the various programs while the Heppner Boy Scouts of America were in charge of the entertainment of visitors for which they had arranged in private homes of the city.

Sixty-nine delegates from various towns registered and the representation from the various towns being as follows:

Hermiston 31, A. C. Volker, teacher.

The Dalles 11, Paul C. Abramson, leader.

Pilot Rock, 9, William King, leader.

Lexington 7, F. R. Bennett, leader.

Heppner 21, Howard M. James, leader.

Principal speakers at the various sessions were A. E. Yount, W. W. Dillon and J. W. Palmer, all connected with Y. M. C. A. work; A. F. Bittner, educational director Westminister Presbyterian church, of Portland, Paul K. Abramson, of The Dalles high school; Don Case, newly elected president of the conference, Howard M. James, J. W. Heard, W. O. Livingstone and S. E. Notson, the last five named all being of this city.

The feature of the occasion was the football game "savorey" afternoon between Hermiston and Heppner high school teams, the afternoon being set aside for recreation on the program.

Saturday evening the visitors were entertained by the Heppner Brotherhood at a banquet at Hotel Patrick, the big dining room being filled almost to its capacity. Rev. Livingstone acted as toastmaster and J. W. Palmer put on a songstunt that sounded like the good old days when we older fellows were also older—or younger—boys. Several of the young football players were called on to tell what they knew about that game and among them were Don Case and Ellis Irwin of the Heppner squad and several of the visiting boys.

The principal talks of the evening were given by J. W. Heard, of the Heppner high school, who made a splendid address on "The Value of Friendship," and J. W. Palmer, who spoke on "The Price of Friendship."

These conferences are highly valuable in the development of character in the boys who took part and no doubt the organization will be a permanent institution.

Mr. James, who has general charge of all arrangements has requested the Herald to express his gratification to all the people of Heppner and vicinity, who so wholeheartedly gave him their support in making the meeting a success.

SEEK SOLUTION OF RITTER ROAD PROBLEM

Tom Marlatt, Andrew Edling and W. P. Anthony, well known stockmen of the Ritter country, were here for a couple of days last week in the interest of the completion of the Heppner-Ritter road there being a few miles in Grant county yet remaining unfinished. It seems there is some division between the people of two or three communities as to the exact location of the new road and it is with the view of enlisting the good offices of some disinterested party in selecting a location that would be satisfactory to all concerned that the gentlemen came here. They talked the matter over with Roadmaster McCaleb while here and it may yet be arranged for him to go over to Grant county and act as arbitrator of the matter.

John McEntire, well known stockman of Cecil, was a week end visitor here.

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