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WORLDS OF WHEAT EAST SAYS P. A. ANDERSON

P. A. Anderson returned Thursday evening from a three-week visit with his mother and other relatives at his old home in South Dakota.

Mr. Anderson says there is the most wonderful wheat crop he has ever seen in Saskatchewan and other parts of Canada he passed through on his return trip, declaring that he rode over 200 miles through a continuous wheat field where the crops were yielding from 30 to 35 bushels per acre. South Dakota also has a heavy crop and the harvest was about finished when he left there. Prices are low, however, about 80 cents being the top received by the farmers and that, they told him, will not pay the cost of production. He says that many of the big farmers in that country told him that they will not plant an acre of wheat next year preferring to allow their land to lay idle rather than farm it at a loss.

One of the greatest difficulties the farmer has to contend with there, Mr. Anderson says, is the labor question. The harvest hands are nearly all young Americans, mostly high school graduates but they don't seem to want a steady job and after working for a day or two on one farm usually call for their time and move on. He told of one incident he personally observed on the farm of one of his brothers during his visit. A crew of 8 or 10 men was brought to the farm one evening from town, given their supper, beds and breakfast and went to work. They were all efficient workers and gave good satisfaction. They went to work again the second morning but at 9:00 o'clock every man left his team in the field, went to the boss and demanded his time their only excuse being that they had worked as long as they cared to and were ready to travel. Harvest wages there are \$5.50 a day.

Mr. Anderson visits his parents every two or three years. He missed seeing his father this trip as the old gentleman is traveling in Palestine and Egypt this summer.

Notice to Water Users.

Notice is hereby given to all persons using city water for irrigation that the same will be charged for until notice is given at the office of the water superintendent that it is no longer wanted. No discount will be allowed unless such notice has been given.

By order of the City Council.
Dated at Heppner Oregon, September 3, 1923.
W. E. PRUYN,
Water Superintendent.

Heppner Child Passes At Baker.

Many Heppner friends of Mr. and Mrs. John Kilkenny were shocked and grieved last Friday afternoon when a telephone message from Baker announced the death of their young son, Robert Russell Kilkenny.

Mr. and Mrs. Kilkenny had gone to Baker county to enjoy a camping trip while visiting their sheep camps and it was while in the mountains that the child was stricken with cholera infantum. He was rushed to a hospital at Baker and everything possible was done for him but without avail.

Robert was aged about two and one-half years and was a bright and winsome child, idolized by his parents, brothers and sisters. The body was brought to Heppner and funeral services were held at St. Patrick's church Sunday afternoon, Rev. Father Cantwell conducting the services.

RODEO PROMISES TO BE SUCCESSFUL MEETING

The coming Rodeo, to be held here September 27, 28 and 29, promises to be a most successful affair according to C. W. McNamer, L. V. Gentry and C. H. Latourell, managing committee in charge.

A large number of good horses have been secured and there will be all sorts of thrills every day of the meeting. The purses offered are worth while and a much larger crowd is expected than was in attendance last year.

There will be carnival attractions and big, old fashioned '49 dances at the pavilion every night and nothing will be left undone to give every one who attends several times the worth of his money.

More complete information will be given in following issues.

Mrs. Kate Russell, Mr. and Mrs. John Monahan, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Maddock and Miss O'Rourke, were among the Condon people who were here Sunday attending the funeral of little Robert Russell Kilkenny.

Will Moore, who has been in the mountains all summer herding a band of Bob Thompson's ewes claims the record for that line of work this season. Will says that he not only did not lose a sheep during the three months he had charge of them but he actually brought back one more than he took out. Mr. Thompson showed his appreciation of the good work by telling Moore to pick out the biggest and fattest mutton in the bank for his very own.

BACK TO SCHOOL BOYS, VACATION DAYS OVER

Prof. E. H. Hedrick, superintendent of Heppner schools, has been busy the past week attending to detail work preliminary to the opening of school next Monday, and reports that everything points to a most successful term.

The full complement of teachers have signed contracts and with but a few changes from the personnel of last year's staff. No changes have been made in the high school staff and but three new names appear on the grade list, Misses Gertrude Davies, 7th grade; Lorena Wright, 6th grade and Gloria Christ, 4th grade.

The full corps of teachers with their assignment follows:

E. H. Hedrick, superintendent, Latin and Teachers Training.
Irving A. Mather, principal, Mathematics and Science.

Miss Johnnie F. Fleet, English and Commercial Work.
Miss Janet Frasier, English and History.

Miss Harriet Chambers, Home Economics (to be assigned).

Mrs. Bernice Hopper, Music and Algebra.

B. R. Finch, 8th grade.

Miss Gertrude Davies, 7th grade.

Miss Lorena Wright, 6th grade.

Mrs. B. R. Finch, 5th grade.

Miss Gloria Christ, 4th grade.

Mrs. Opal Clark, 3rd grade.

Mrs. Elizabeth Dix, 2nd grade.

Miss Blanche Fahy, 1st grade.

In the high school, the course of study consists of four years English, three years mathematics, three years History, three years Science, two years Latin, Home Economics, Commercial and Teachers' Training courses. The work in commerce was reestablished this year and will be open to upper grade students who have completed a sufficient amount of basic work to enable them to profit by it.

Mrs. George Thomson drove to Arlington last Tuesday taking her sister, Miss Sue Quick, to that place to catch the train for her home in Colorado, after an extended visit on the Pacific Coast. Miss Quick is a teacher in the public schools at Fort Collins, Colorado.

A new missionary society was organized at Bethel chapel last Saturday with about 40 members. Mrs. W. E. Pruyne was elected president, and the new society starts off under most favorable auspices. Friends of Mrs. George Thomson, having learned that the day was her birthday anniversary, when the business was completed, the meeting was resolved into a surprise birthday party and refreshments and a most happy social time was in order.

Ab Miller, bookkeeper at the Standard Oil Co. offices here for several years, has been transferred to Walla Walla where he will have the position of auto tank oil salesman. The change comes as a promotion to Mr. Miller who is one of Heppner's most popular young men. During his time with the company he has given excellent service and has taken the course prescribed by the company for such employes as wish to fit themselves for better positions with the company. His many friends here will unite in congratulations to Mr. Miller for this merited recognition of good service.

RAILROADS HARD HIT BY TAXATION SAYS GRAY

Omaha, September 1.—Union Pacific taxes have increased from \$1,256,839 in 1900 to \$13,251,522 in 1922, according to a statement of President C. R. Gray of the Union Pacific System, made public today. "Our 1922 taxes of \$36,305 a day," says the statement, "would have paid for 17 all steel box cars every day, or a modern freight or passenger locomotive every other day. Our 1922 taxes consumed 6.87 cents out of every dollar of gross earnings and 27.03 cents of every dollar of net earnings."

That the total 1922 taxes of all railroads of the United States almost equalled the cost of digging the Panama Canal, that they exceeded cash dividends in each year since 1917, or the entire expense of running the United States Government in 1916, is brought out by the statement.

Railroads are the largest taxpayers in many states, declares Mr. Gray, and in some counties railroad taxes equal one-half the total.

The statement calls attention to the fact that railway taxes help to build highways on which "trackless competitors" operate, and asserts that while some highway transportation routes are feeders to railroads, most of them are competitors whose tax assessments are much lower proportionately than the railroads.

The statement quotes Senator Borah's recent speech in Congress to the effect that: "It will be very difficult to reduce freight rates if we continue in this country to increase axes upon the railroads as we have for the last four years. . . . These public utilities must collect this money from but one source, and that is from those who ship."

"Railroads, like other businesses, must pay taxes," asserts President Gray, "but they ask that the tax burden be equitably distributed, and that the public appreciates that taxation is an element of increasing importance in railway costs."

The statement concludes with an invitation to readers to submit constructive suggestions.

Many Fine Prizes at Pendleton Round-Up

PENDELTON, Ore., Sept. 1.—The prize list for the Pendleton Round-Up, to be held September 20, 21 and 22, will be greater this year than ever before.

All events will command their cash and merchandise prizes, but in addition four beautiful saddles, triumphs of the saddlemakers' art, will be given. One, presented by the Union Pacific System, is for the winner of the world's championship bucking contest. Another, presented by Hamley & Co., is for the winner of the Northwest bucking contest, while a third, presented by Happy Canyon, he night show held during the Round-Up, will be presented the winner of the steer roping.

The fourth saddle will be a ladies' saddle, presented by Al Kader Shrine temple of Portland, to the winner of the ladies' relay race on Thursday, the first day of the Round-Up. The Shriners, a thousand strong, are to be in Pendleton on the Wednesday preceding the Round-Up for a big Wild West ceremonial, and will remain on Thursday to see the show. They will come to Pendleton in three special

Civil Service Examination.

The United States Civil Service Commission announces a Postoffice Clerk-Carrier examination, to be held on October 6, 1923, for the purpose of establishing an eligible register from which selections may be made to fill vacancies as they may occur in the position of Clerk or Carrier, Postoffice Service, Heppner, Oregon, Salary, \$1400 per annum.

All citizens of the United States who meet the requirements, both men and women, may enter this examination; appointing officers, however, have the legal right to specify the sex desired in requesting certification of eligibles. Age limits, 18 to 45 years on the date of the examination. Age limits do not apply to persons entitled to preference on account of military or naval service.

For further information and application blank apply to the Postmaster, local secretary board of civil service examiners, at Heppner, Oregon, or to the Secretary, Eleventh U. S. Civil Service District, 303 Postoffice Building, Seattle, Washington.

CHEERO COWMEN, FEED SAW DUST---GET RICH

According to W. H. Gibbons, in charge of the Portland office of Forest Products, the U. S. Forest Service is to continue at the Forest Products Laboratory, Madison, Wisconsin, its largest forest products research branch, the experiments in the production of cattle feed from sawdust.

Previous work of this character has been done on sawdust from eastern species. Now, Mr. Gibbons said, sawdust produced in Coast mills is to be given a thorough trial by the Forest Service. Arrangements have just been made whereby the Duluth-Oregon Lumber Company of Portland will supply the Laboratory with fifty sacks of Douglas fir sawdust. This shipment, after being converted into cattle feed by the Laboratory, will be used in feeding trials at one of the large eastern experiment stations.

Experiments so far conducted by the Forest Products Laboratory indicate that the sawdust of coniferous wood can be converted into a wholesome cattle feed. A preliminary feeding trial, using a product from eastern white pine, was conducted in cooperation with the Wisconsin College of Agriculture with favorable results. With the sawdust feed representing about 25 per cent of the ration, the cows maintained their production of milk and showed an appreciable increase in butter fat production. A decided increase in weight was noted during the period in which they were fed the treated sawdust.

Trains from Portland.

This year will mark a precedent, for a prize is being offered the meanest buckler at the big show. The prize will be a bag of Umatilla county oats, and the donor is Phillip Ashton Rollins, author of "The Cowboy," and whose articles have appeared in the Saturday Evening Post and other publications. He visited the Round-Up last year and decided that the bucklers, which share honors with the human performers, should receive a prize for their efforts. The bag of oats will bear a silver plate with the name of the donor and of the lucky winner.

John F. McMillan and bride of Lexington, who were married here recently, are spending their honeymoon in Portland.

To know how good a cigarette really can be made you must try a



LUCKY STRIKE
"IT'S TOASTED"

FARMER PAYS TOO MUCH SAYS MARKET AGENT

It is indeed an extraordinary economic condition that wages and all living expenses should steadily advance, month after month, while the products of the farm, on which millions depend for food, are so low that the most of them bring less than the cost of production to the growers.

All industries except agriculture are generally prosperous; there is nationwide demand for labor, and wages in most industries are high. Farming alone seems to have collapsed. Wheat at one dollar a bushel, with other farm products at present prices, would be all right for producers if other products were in proportion. As the unjust situation now is, the grower gets less than it costs him to produce wheat, beef, apples, small fruits and many other products, while he has to pay nearly double for implements and other working and living necessities.

A binder that cost the farmer \$175 in 1914 now costs \$260, according to the statistics of Charles T. Michaels; a sulky plow that was \$33 is now \$54; a wagon that retailed for \$80 before the war now costs \$135 and labor that cost the farmer \$1.50 per day now comes at double that scale.

Wheat at 90 cents per bushel to the farmer, when freight is deducted, is 1 1/2 cents per pound, while the wholesale price on middlings (\$38 at this writing, \$36 at the mill) is nearly two cents per pound—a higher price than the grower gets for his whole wheat. While the grower gets but 1 1/2 cents for wheat the price of flour is nearly four cents per pound and the price of bread from seven to nine cents.

The obvious cause of this unequal condition of values is that nearly all industries of the country are so strongly organized they can fix and maintain selling prices, and labor likewise through organization can demand and obtain high wages.

And the manifest remedy for the deflated and desperate condition the farmers are in, is to follow the rule of big business industries and big labor organizations and refuse to take the deflation of the whole nation.

Farmers can just as well regulate their production and determine a fair price for their goods as the shoe manufacturer, the implement manufacturer, the oil combinations, the sugar trust or any other of the price controllers of the country's necessities.

But there is a limit to the price that any combination may exact—there is a limit to what the public will stand. Nearly all combinations of capital recognize a dead-line and fear a public buyers' strike.

All over the United States farmers are taking up the one remedy that seems will give them relief from the present unbalanced and unjust condition that is forced upon them—cooperation. If they will use this group organization to help consumers as well as themselves, they will have wonderfully helped the prosperity of the country as well. If they use the combination power for the sole purpose of forcing a higher price for products, without working to reform the distributing system, they will have accomplished little for permanent good.

There is far too great a spread between the producer and consumer. Farm co-operators have a great opportunity in their organizations to invade this middle profit field and reorganize the wasteful and expensive system. Consumers have equal opportunity to co-operate with the growers and come half way for the products. With the two-thirds middle expenses between them cut to the barest necessary expense, and with perhaps producers and consumers being their own middle men between the grower and the retailer, then price control on the part of the farmer to the extent of a fair return for his labor, would not add to the high retail prices, against which the homes are now protesting.

Indulgence Of Readers Asked.

The Herald appears in condensed form this week due to the fact that our mechanical force is not working. If the Herald was a Ford car we might say that it is only hitting on three cylinders but, like the Ford, it keeps on running just the same. Indulgence of our readers is asked until we get things straightened out and running smoothly again.

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