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SUITS MAY BE STARTED TO ENFORCE CONTRACT

MARKETING HEADS SAY ALL MUST FARE ALIKE

Cooperation Must Stand or Fall on Enforcement of Wheat Agreement

Three officials of the Oregon Wheat Growers association were in Heppner several days last week looking over the situation in this county and consulting with members of the association regarding the enforcement of the contract between the farmers and the association concerning the marketing of members' wheat through the association. The officials here were Edgar L. Ludwick, assistant secretary; Bert G. Emerson, warehouse manager and field representative, and Charles C. Hindman, attorney for the association.

In an interview with Mr. Hindman a representative of the Herald learned that but few cases have arisen in this county where members have shown a disposition to ignore their contracts, they being mostly men who were forced to sell a car or two of wheat as soon as it was threshed to get ready money with which to pay harvest expenses. In most of such cases, Mr. Hindman said, the men were willing to pay their share of operating expenses of the association on a pro rata basis of the amount of wheat sold on the outside and in all such cases the association is perfectly willing to settle on that basis, he said.

It is only in flagrant cases where members have insisted on ignoring their contract to the extent of selling their entire crop and then refuse to do the right thing by the association that suits will be instituted, and

there are but few such cases here, Mr. Hindman stated.

Last season there was a considerable amount of mortgaged wheat sold on the outside and as validity of the contract had not then been tested in the courts, no prosecutions were instituted but now that the contract has been upheld in the courts and its validity firmly established, no more flagrant violations will be tolerated, he said.

Continuing, Mr. Hindman explained that the obligations of each member to every other member is a sacred trust and must be lived up to strictly. Unless this rule is enforced the cooperative movement is doomed to failure.

The association does not want to be forced to bring suit against any member, Mr. Hindman continued. We do not want to work a hardship on anybody but if we were to permit one member, or several members to ignore their contract we would be permitting them to work a hardship on every loyal member who is putting his wheat through according to the contract, for the overhead costs of operation will be large or small in proportion to the amount of wheat handled. If one member sells his wheat on the outside and refuses to pay his share of the operating expenses he increases the cost of such operation to every loyal member.

The membership campaign which will be put on in all wheat-producing states now organized will be inaugurated in this county at an early date according to a statement made by Mr. Emerson. The purpose of this campaign is to sign up at least 65 per cent of the wheat crop for the 1924 season. This will make it possible for the association to fix the price of wheat at a figure to cover the cost of production with a reasonable profit added. A provision in the new contract is that it will not go into effect until at least 65 per cent of the crop is signed up. Further information about this campaign will be found in another column of this paper.

EVERYTHING IS READY FOR BIG, 3-DAY RODEO

TRY-OUT SUNDAY SHOWED MANY HARD BUCKERS

Visitors Already Arriving and a Record Crowd Is Expected This Week

Everything is ready for the big Heppner Rodeo which will open next Thursday for a three-day show. The track has been improved and is now one of the best quarter-mile courses in the country. Substantial fencing has been erected to keep the high-bucking broncs from invading the grand stand and auto parkings and comfortable stables have been built for the horses.

The biggest crowd of visitors in Heppner's history is confidently expected by the management. The vanguard is already arriving and big sombreros and multi-colored shirts are giving the old town a touch of real, old-time western glamour.

Hotel Heppner and other lodging places were well filled as early as Sunday night and by Thursday and Friday it is probable there will be a demand for every spare bed in the city.

A big crowd of visitors were at the grounds Sunday afternoon to see the final public tryout of vaqueros and mustangs and if it was action they were looking for nobody went away disappointed. Experts in these matters say that many of the horses this year outclass those of last year by a considerable margin when it comes to general cussedness and outlaw deviltry and it is certain that the riders Sunday had no picnic. Many of them pulled leather for dear life only to be bumped off when the grip gave way.

The Dulles band will be present Friday and Saturday and will furnish plenty of fine music during the day and a select orchestra from the band will play for the dances every night. This band was here last year and it needs no introduction nor recommendations.

There will also be the usual carnival and concessions at the old fair grounds on lower Main street and there will be something doing every minute during the day and night.

Season tickets are now on sale in town and the management urges everyone that can to buy a season ticket in advance. The price is \$2.50, a saving of 50 cents over buying each day.

P. P. Hassler, publisher of the One Independent, was a visitor in Heppner Monday.

CONDON PREACHER IS HELD FOR KIDNAPING

ALLEGED KLAN ACTIVITIES AIRED IN COURT CASE

Frank Smith, Complainant, Says He Was Abducted, Threatened and Maltreated

Further light was thrown on the case of Frank Smith, well known Condon man and former resident of Heppner, who was arrested by outside officers some time ago and taken to a Pendleton jail on a charge of having committed a felony by "shooting up" the Ku Klux hall at Condon, in a special dispatch to the Oregonian from Condon in which the following story is related:

"G. A. Chaney, former pastor of the Condon Congregational church and said to be a Ku Klux Klan leader here, was this afternoon bound over to the grand jury, charged with conspiracy to kidnap. The grand jury meets in December. His bond was fixed at \$2500 by Justice of the Peace Lucas. It was furnished with Earl Myers, manager of the Pacific Coast Elevator company, and M. O. Clarke, a hardware man, as sureties. L. E. Fry, a garage man, and Floyd Dunlap, arrested on similar charges, were each bound over under \$1000 bonds. Their bondsmen were S. R. Amis, Walter Grider, Elgin Myers and C. Beverly. Homer D. Angell of the Portland law firm of Angell, Fisher & Sabin represented Fry. The other defendants were represented by Barge Leonard, Portland attorney. T. A. Weincke, district attorney, appeared for the state. All the accused parties waived the preliminary hearing. The state presented no evidence, hence the matter will not come up again until December in grand jury room.

Frank Smith Alleged Victim
"These cases followed the so-called arrest of Frank Smith September 1 at Clem by special state agents. Smith was accused of "shooting up" the Klan hall here last July. State agents named Henderson and Fry are alleged to have taken Smith from Clem to Arlington and held him in jail there one hour. Then Chaney, Henderson, Henderson's wife and another state officer took Smith to Pendleton, where he was kept in jail 15 hours, it is alleged. Smith was arrested on complaint of Dunlap upon a warrant issued by Justice of the Peace Darling, directing that Smith be brought before him at Condon or before the nearest justice in Gilliam county. The warrant was directed to any sheriff or any constable of Gilliam county, but was given to Henderson to serve. Henry Wilkins, Smith's employer, and Phil Newman, a prominent sheepman, posted a \$500 bond for Smith and Sheriff Montague went to Pendleton and brought Smith back.

Abuse Is Alleged

"An affidavit filed by Smith declares he was beaten in the face with a revolver in the hands of Henderson, who threatened to kill him and pointed a gun at him threateningly. As the party crossed Gilliam county line Smith said the officers told him he would never see Gilliam county again. The affidavit recites that after reaching Pendleton Smith was given "third degree" every half hour all night. He charges that Jinks Taylor, Pendleton chief of police, was present. Smith said the state officers told him there would be a new sheriff and a new district attorney for Gilliam county within 15 days. Henderson, Henderson's wife and John Doe, an unknown state agent, are named in the warrant upon which Charley Fry and Dunlap were arrested, but they have not been apprehended. Smith claims that he was taken forcibly from the county, and this is the ground for the arrest of the accused. The warrant was issued by Justice Darling and when returned had no certificate of service. That Smith was not at any time taken before any justice is said to be an additional ground for accusation against Chaney, Fry, Dunlap and the others."

Many Heppner people attended the Pendleton Round-up last week and all report a great show and a record-breaking crowd. More than 37,000 visitors are said to have passed the turnstile Saturday afternoon.

DEPUTY JACK GORHAM FINDS ABANDONED CAR

ROUND-UP HAD STRONG ATTRACTION FOR PORTLAND MAN

When Auto Wouldn't Run He Just Parked It and Kept Going

Deputy Sheriff J. F. Corham, of Boardman, came over Sunday to help out in the sheriff's office for the week. Sheriff McDuffee having been called out of town. While coming down the highway near Boulder, Mr. Gorham found a Chandler car standing by the roadside abandoned. The driver had, evidently stopped to change a tire and had, perhaps, had trouble getting the engine started so he abandoned the car and departed. Mr. Gorham called up the sheriff's office and gave the number of the car and it was found to be the property of a Portland man and had evidently been stolen. Gorham brought the car to Heppner until the owner can be definitely located.

Later investigation showed the owner of the car had been on his way to the Pendleton Round-up and when the car refused to run he just left it and went on to Pendleton expecting to pick it up on his way back. He called up from Arlington Monday and will come out later and get his car. The Round-up sure had a strong attraction for that Portland man.

Former Heppner Resident Dies

James Keeney, well known to most of the older residents of Heppner, died at the coast last Wednesday and was buried at Portland on Saturday.

He is survived by his widow who was formerly Miss Elizabeth Matlock, a daughter of the late T. J. Matlock of this county. Mr. Keeney had been in poor health for more than a year and his demise was not unexpected.

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FINE RAINS HELP ROADS, RANGE, RODEO

Rain commenced falling early this morning and continued through the forenoon. The moisture is hailed as a blessing by everybody and will prove a great benefit to the roads, range and Rodeo.

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