

The territory about Hermiston offers many opportunities for the homeseeker

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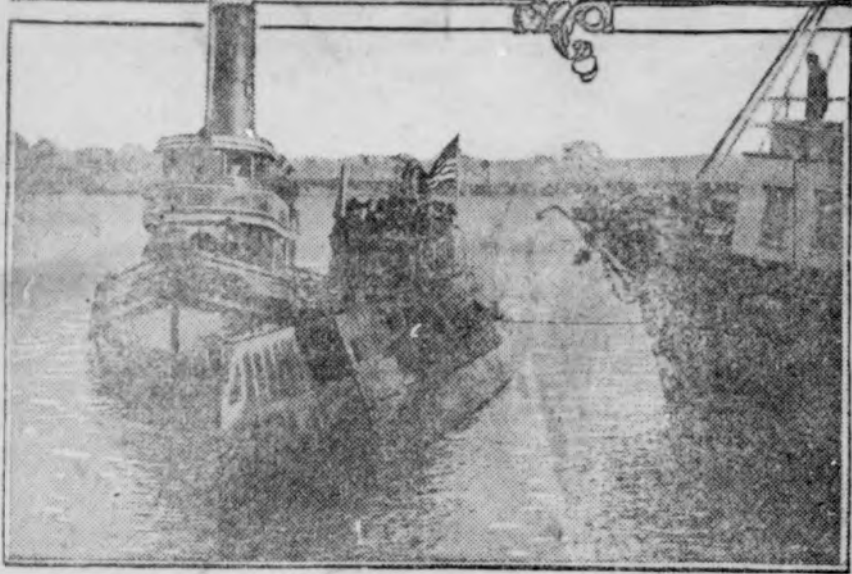


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WATERUSERS' ASSOCIATION HOLDS ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the stockholder of the Umatilla River Water Users' association was held last Saturday afternoon in Skinner hall as per the call of the secretary. The attendance was not large and the amount of business coming before the meeting was small.

Officers were elected for the current year. The old board was reelected, the members being G. A. Cressy, C. S. McNaught, H. M. Sommerer, A. E. Bense and W. J. Warner.

Another matter that received considerable attention was the association assessments for current expenses. The

association voted that these assessments must be paid and after due notice to each member suit will be started if the amount is not paid. The association assessments have been 10 cents per acre and are to pay current expenses of the association. There is no connection whatever between these levies and building charge, maintenance and operation cost fixed by the government. The association has been running behind owing to the non-payment of assessments. To pay these obligations and meet future expenses the stockholders decided there was but one way out and that is to force payment by every member.

CELILLO CANAL TO BE TESTED IN APRIL

Unless there is a rearrangement of present plans the Celillo canal will be opened for the passage of boats for five days in April, probably between the 10th and 15th, and it is expected that a number of steamers now on the upper river will be brought to Portland for overhauling and two or more boats will carry freight from Portland to Pasco, Kennewick and other points. Construction work on the canal is practically finished, but little remaining to be done except to clean out an accumulation of refuse and to build a few bridges for the accommodation of owners of fish wheels and two for the passage of teams. The canal is being finished several weeks earlier than was expected and it will probably be opened permanently for navigation on May 1.

Owners of high grade livestock in this state will have a number of opportunities next fall to show off their prize animals, four very important events being already on the list. Early in November will be held the Western National Dairy Show at Seattle to be closely followed by the Cascade International Stock Show at North Yakima. The first week in December the Northwest Livestock Show will be held at Lewiston, Idaho, while the Fifth Annual Pacific International Exposition will be held at Portland December 6 to 11. Breeders' associations in the east and middle west are taking great interest in these events and are making unusually liberal appropriations to help out on the premium list.

In order to induce a great number of tourists to visit Oregon this year, automobile clubs and the various business organizations throughout the Northwest are planning to send invitations to similar associations throughout the east and middle west to include Portland, the Columbia highway and Pacific highway territory in their itineraries. The Portland automobile club is preparing a new tourist book for general distribution, which will be illustrated with cuts of some of the most attractive scenery within reach of the motorist.

WILL GIVE FOUR LECTURES ON BIBLE

At 8 p. m. April 7, 9, 13 and 16, A. D. Smith will lecture at the Donovan hall on "The Bible and the change in dispensations that is now taking

SPRING CLEAN-UP DAY IS SET FOR SATURDAY NEXT

April 10 is clean up day for Hermiston. The movement for the annual spring clean up of all rubbish from back yards, alleys and vacant property was started by the civic club. When the matter was presented to Mayor McKenzie he acceded to the request and has issued a proclamation setting next Saturday as the day.

The question of hauling away the rubbish which is gathered up has not been arranged yet. The council meets in regular session next week and there seems no doubt about that body authorizing the use of a team for one day and possibly two.

The fact has been pointed out that in former cleanup days all rubbish has not been taken away. This is largely due to the way in which residents have

placed their accumulations. Some have piled old cans, etc., in a loose pile. Others would use an old box or barrel that fell to pieces in moving. Gathering up this rubbish takes time that the driver should be giving to other work with the result that the rounds cannot be made.

This year those who do not have their rubbish in shape to handle easily will find themselves passed up. Also they will find the health officer after them later as it is not the intention of the authorities to permit accumulations of rubbish that might prove a breeding place for flies and disease.

Gather up all unburnable rubbish and place it at the alley line in boxes and barrels. Everything burnable should be destroyed in a bonfire.

BUTTER CREEK ITEMS

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE

Mr. and Mrs. Ames from the west side paid a visit at R. C. Canfield's Sunday.

J. H. Canfield was a business visitor at the county seat Monday.

Marlin Gardiner was a passenger on Tuesday's motor to Pendleton where he received bounty for 31 coyotes.

E. H. Gardiner and Pete Sheridan attended the good roads meeting in Pendleton Tuesday. They report a large and enthusiastic attendance.

Oliver Brisson was in Hermiston from West Lawn Tuesday.

Mrs. R. G. Atebury and mother, Mrs. C. H. Shaw, called on Mrs. Rial and Mrs. Leavell Tuesday.

Mr. Worthington sr. is spending the week at the Kennedy-Worthington ranch.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Morrison and daughter, Vanetta Fox, who for the past two months have been employed on the Eugene ranch, are moving into Hermiston this week.

Two hundred and fifty head of beef cattle belonging to R. B. Stafield were driven to Umatilla Sunday. They were put into pasture in Washington to be held until prices for beef are better.

A small break in the flume near the school house that carries the water from the main W. L. & I. Co's. canal to the low line, caused the water to be turned out for two days. No serious damage was done.

POTATO BULLETIN READY FOR GROWERS

A bulletin that makes suggestions to Oregon farmers about marketing their potatoes more successfully has just been issued by the University of Oregon school of commerce. Cooperation among growers is advised as one means of bettering conditions that often in recent potato years have been none too good for the producer.

The facts in the bulletin have been gathered from all over the world and make up a broad survey of the potato industry. United States stands third

from the bottom in yield per acre. Belgian produces 200 bushels more an acre than this country. Germany doubles the American yield per acre; Germany, with a total area less than that of Texas, plants about 5,000,000 more acres than the entire United States. The bulletin calls attention to heavy importations by the United States from abroad. Low cost of fertilizers, rotation of crops and low wages in Germany are partly responsible for German success.

The question of competition is taken up, and it is shown that Bermuda potatoes, for instance, bring an average of \$1.44 a bushel, whereas Oregon's average price is 58 cents. It is shown that Japan has driven the United States out of the potato supplying market in the Philippine islands. Byproducts from the potato are taken up and fact regarding the manufacture of starch, alcohol and stock food are submitted.

EXTENSION WORKER FROM UNIVERSITY

Dr. Jas. H. Gilbert, of the department of economics, University of Oregon, will speak in the high school auditorium Monday evening, April 12. Dr. Gilbert is on a tour of Eastern Oregon and the Hermiston schools were very fortunate in securing him, as he is greatly in demand.

Dr. Gilbert is prepared to speak on topics of interest to farmers, using such subjects as "Better Credit for Farmers," or with those interested in educational matters Dr. Gilbert is able to discuss such topics as "Education and Public Opinion."

This will be a straight lecture for adults by a man capable of handling the subjects chosen and will be well worth hearing by every one in this community.

TESTING TAUGHT BY SUPERVISOR

J. E. Davis, school supervisor of Lincoln county, carries a Babcock tester with him and teaches the girls and boys how to test milk and thus weed out unprofitable cows. His services in this alone are of great value.

BLUE MOUNTAIN LEAGUE SCHEDULE

	AT			
	PENDLETON	PILOT ROCK	HERMISTON	STANFIELD
Pendleton	1	May 2 May 23	May 9 June 13	April 18 June 27
Pilot Rock	April 11 June 5	9	April 25 May 30	May 16 June 20
Hermiston	May 16 June 20	April 18 June 27	1	May 2 June 6
Stanfield	April 25 May 30	May 9 June 13	April 11 May 23	5

NEW SETTLER FOR PROJECT THIS WEEK

Arthur Blyth, a new settler for the project, arrived Thursday, bringing a carload of household furniture, horses, cows, etc. Mr. Blyth will have charge of the Spinning ranch, recently purchased by Dr. Wood of Portland.

The Spinning tract is considered a good piece of land with much development work already done.

Mr. Blyth will at once start in with the improvement of land not already in. Considerable ground will be given to small fruits. In fact, it is the intention to gradually increase the acreage of small fruits till it is the principal crop.

Mrs. Blyth will arrive today. Mr. and Mrs. Blyth come from Portland.

TAUBE AEROPLANE TAKEN BY FRENCH.

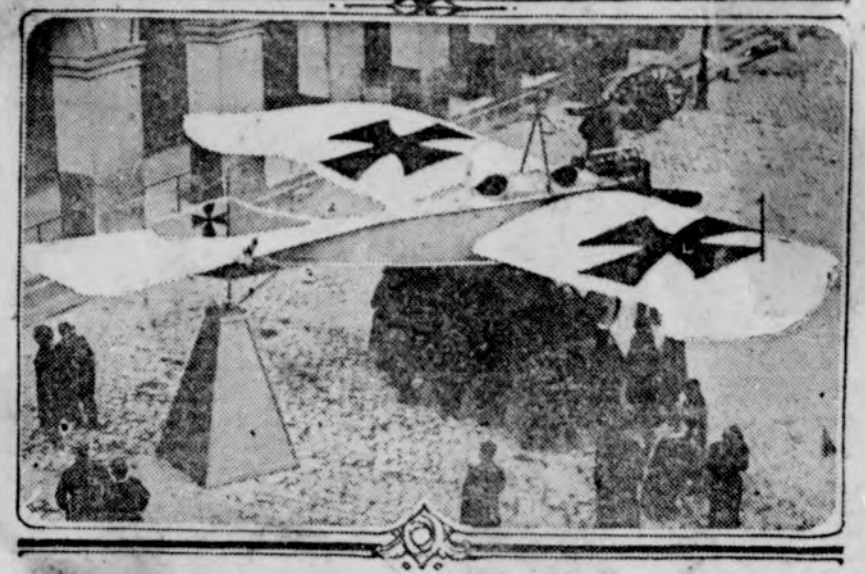


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Exhibiting a war trophy in Paris.

COMMERCIAL CLUB MONTHLY MEETING THURSDAY EVENING

Thursday evening of next week the monthly meeting of the Commercial club. As for several meetings past it will be held in the dining room of the Hotel Oregon. Monday evening is the regular meeting night, but because of other attractions early in the week and an engagement by the orchestra Monday evening, it was thought best to have the meeting Thursday.

There are several matters of importance to come up. Principal of these is the participation of the club and this section in the celebration of the Celillo canal opening. The canal, built by the government at an expense of several million dollars, gives a continuous water route from the sea to Lewiston. Everywhere through the great territory affected by this new water transportation route elaborate plans are being made for big celebrations the first week in May. The

Umatilla county participation will be general with the celebration at Umatilla. Commercial clubs all over the country are active and at the meeting Thursday evening the Hermiston club will decide what part it wishes to take.

At the March meeting owing to the club not having a piano the entertainment arranged could not be given. This program will be given Thursday evening.

Father Butler, J. A. Roberts and R. C. Walber are the ones having the meeting in charge and assure all there will not be a dull minute.

This is a busy time with the farmers and it may be hard for some to get in. Everyone possible is urged to come as the meeting and work of the club is as much for them as those living in town. Those who are not members are asked to come anyway. After attending, if desired, sign the membership roll.

GOOSEBERRY AND CURRENT WORM

There are two insect pests which attack the currant and gooseberry, says an O. A. C. bulletin. One occurs as a small white maggot inside the developing bud causing it to ripen prematurely and drop to the ground. This pest is known as the currant maggot or the gooseberry fruit fly. The other pest is a velvety green worm which feeds on the leaves stripping the foliage from the bushes about the time the fruit is maturing. This pest is known as the native currant worm.

Sprays are not generally effective in controlling the currant maggot. Stir the soil thoroughly to some depth about the bushes in the fall and again in late march.

For the green currant worm spray the bushes with a lead arsenate solution using one ounce of lead arsenate to three gallons of water. This spray to do the most good must be applied just after the fruit is set on the bushes. If one does not apply this early spray, the worms may be killed when the fruit is large by a spray of white hellebore powder one ounce in three gallons of water. This material is non-poisonous and does not discolor the fruit. The early spray is to be recommended, however.

OREGON WEEKLY INDUSTRIAL REVIEW

Newberg—D. J. Matthews has been re-employed to run the cannery.

Bandon is to get harbor improvements in spite of bill falling in congress.

Hood River—A. W. Peters will build 60-ton silo.

Eugene buys garbage cans made in that city.

S. P. Co. will erect new depots in Oregon, one at Cottage Grove.

Lambing on in Eastern Oregon and shearing begins April 5.

Government dredge Mitsche undergoing \$25,000 repairs at Portland.

Last two weeks of February coast mills exported 20,655,000 feet of lumber

Oregon City—After long struggle Main street to be paved with bitulithic

two inch wearing surface on a concrete base.

O. W. R. & N. Co. to be extended from Juntura into the Harney valley.

Conner creek mine, Baker county, leased and will be operated.

Siuslaw will get \$112,500 from congress for harbor work.

Three new buildings are planned at state university by board of regents.

McCoy—Frank Linn will build a round \$5,000 barn.

Vein of good burning coal found three miles from Klamath Falls.

Silverton—Contract let for new United Lutheran church.

Portland proposes bond issue to surface 70 miles of highway.

A. L. Foxley will establish a brick industry on Coos Bay.

Portland votes April 14 on \$1,250,000 road bond issue.

Changes in election laws expected to save taxpayers \$100,000 a year

City of Portland will manufacture concrete lamp posts to cost \$16.

State fair board will erect a rest cottage at Salem fair grounds.

South Portland gets three story brick building.

Corbett—W. Knight to erect \$4,000 store building.

L. M. La Rue of Salem will move step ladder factory to Eugene.

Portland—West Park and Tenth street to get a \$40,000 bachelor apartment.

St. Helens considers paving main streets.

New laws require publication of budget by all tax-levying bodies.

Warrenton—Bids opened Saturday for \$25,000 school house.

Roseburg merchants encouraging Kendall Bros. to erect a sawmill at that place with log road into the interior.

Coos county buying steam shovel for road work.

State highway board received bids to authorize construction of one mile of Columbia highway in Hood River county to cost \$50,000.

Combining city and state laboratories will save Portland \$1000 a year and the state \$2,700.

F. F. Patterson of Roseburg has formed a company to build a commercial fruit drier at that city.

Springfield hopes to get Eccles sugar factory.