

THE HERMISTON HERALD

VOL. XI

HERMISTON, UMATILLA COUNTY, OREGON, SATURDAY, MARCH 3, 1917

NO 24

ALFALEA SEED IS DISCUSSED

Wednesday afternoon at the Civic Center room a meeting to discuss seed production was held and it proved one of the best ever held for the benefit of the farmer. About 50 were in attendance, the discussions were interesting and listened to attentively.

J. E. Larson, from O. A. C., was the principal speaker. He took up a general discussion of seed production, giving valuable information for anyone contemplating that line. One of the principal points brought out by Mr. Larson was the fact that alfalfa seed is to be grown, the high priced varieties should be used.

Clarence Roberts, prominent West Side farmer, discussed alfalfa seed production from the standpoint of one who is in the business here. His talk was especially interesting as he could give the other farmers facts from his experience which they were anxious to learn.

James Winslow, another well known farmer, who has taken up production of sweet clover seed, told of his experiences, yield and other points on last year's crop.

R. W. Allen, superintendent of the experiment station, took up hairy vetch. This seed is one of the hardest to harvest of any and largely for that reason is very expensive. Vetch is an excellent orchard crop and soil builder but not used as generally as it should be on account of cost. Mr. Allen has been very successful in handling the seed question and went into details regarding his methods.

No action was taken regarding the production of these seed crops, but another meeting is likely later and in all probability a number will start growing seed on a small scale, gradually increasing as they learn more about the handling.

HERMISTON LOCALS

W. B. Hinkle, Echo engineer, was down Tuesday afternoon.

Miss Hall has been employed by the school board to hear Mr. Gunn's classes during his illness.

Latest reports from Mr. Gunn say he is quite sick but not dangerously so and is doing as well as could be expected.

This week W. J. Emry moved from the house next to the Tum-A-Lum yards to his ranch just south of town. Harry Giese, who has been on the ranch, moved to the house on Hurlbert avenue just east of Challis.

A number of Hermiston Odd Fellows went to Pendleton Saturday to attend the district convention. They report one of the best meetings ever held. W. R. Longhorn took a first prize on the unwritten work. W. T. Reeyes was elected president and Stanfield selected as the meeting place for next year.

C. S. Mead this week traded his ranch here to J. P. Hedwall, of Hartland, Wash., for a wheat ranch. Mr. Mead expects to leave next week for his new home and his friends here, though regretting to see the family leave, wish him success in his new location. Mr. Hedwell will come with Mrs. Hedwell and four children as soon as Mr. Mead arrives there. He will bring a number of cows and engage extensive in dairying.

TEN YEARS AGO

Work has started on the H. T. Irvin residence.

The dance Saturday was a most successful affair.

Dr. Strohecker is building a residence on Third street.

R. Alexander, of Pendleton, was a visitor here Wednesday.

Yesterday's eastbound local freight left 38,000 pounds for our merchants.

H. Newkirk, of Milton, has purchased a lot on which to build a residence.

The material is on the ground for the brick at the corner of Main and Second.

Another load of dump cars for the government narrow gauge road at the dam came Monday.

The family of H. D. Grant arrived from Astoria Monday. Their car of household goods, which also contained

H. T. Fraser's, arrived yesterday morning.

Dag Phay has purchased a lot on Hurlbert avenue upon which he will at once erect a cosy cottage.

At one time during the week twelve carloads of freight were being unloaded from the house track.

During the past week the Hermiston Realty Co. has concluded eight sales of property, largely farm tracts.

Stewart and Wyckoff are building a residence on Newport. These families are among the seven arriving during the past ten days.

Rev. Mr. Allen, of Irrigon, will hold services at the school house Sunday at 11:30. Sunday school at 10:30. There were 34 in attendance last Sunday.

R. S. Mintrinn, of Astoria, will soon be added to our business community. He arrived Tuesday in company with Messrs. Fraser and Strickfaden.

E. P. Dudd has commenced the building of his residence on Gladys avenue east of Second street. It will have brick foundation, four large rooms and porches.

J. T. Hinkle was in town Wednesday completing arrangements with the Newport Land & Construction Co. for the extension of the main canal of the Hinkle Ditch Co. A large tract of land will be opened thereby.

H. T. Fraser, of Astoria, manager of the Oregon Hardware & Implement Co., arrived Tuesday. Mr. Fraser is a young man of experience and ability. He will for the present reside with his family in the cottage Mr. Morgan is erecting.

INDUSTRIAL NEWS NOTES OF THE STATE

Marshallfield—Options have been closed by Eastern concern for more than 100,000 acres of spruce and fir timber land on lower Umpqua and Smith rivers at a consideration of more than \$3,000,000. A large pulp and paper mill will be established and cruisers are now ascertaining the amount of paper spruce available.

Astoria to get another sawmill on Youngs Bay.

Toledo—Packing herring is new industry here. Eighty-five foot lumber carrier being built at Taft, fishing schooner Fremont and passenger boat Newport being put in commission at Hansen ship yard here.

Grants Pass will experiment with New Zealand flax in this district.

Roseburg—Chinese start big truck farm of 250 acres.

Bandon—Woolen mill to operate and employ 20.

Coos Bay—North Bend Mill & Lumber Co. to build 14 mile logging road up Davis slough at once.

Lebanon expects to establish a fruit cannery.

Independence—Electric service on S. P. to be inaugurated as far as this city by March 1st.

Aside from the direct interest to the farmers, many benefits are derived from a sugar factory. It employs from 400 to 500 men from October until February, turning the unproductive time of 500 men into productive time and at low estimate of \$50 per month would mean an increase of wealth to the extent of \$25,000 a month.

Portland—Eccles interests order \$125,000 worth of new equipment for Sumpter Valley railroad.

Southern Pacific, at its own expense, is maintaining complete patrol system for tunnels and bridges as well as its stores of supplies which might be destroyed and hamper operation of road when needed for rapid transportation of troops and supplies.

Vale to have new brick business building.

HITT SECURES NEW POPCORN MACHINE

One of the latest improved machines for popping corn and roasting peanuts has just been installed by H. E. Hitt in his store. In its line the machine is the last word, especially on popcorn. To watch its operation is very fascinating.

The machine is as near automatic as is possible to make. A hopper is filled with corn. The gas jet lighted and an electric motor started. Just the right amount of corn is fed to the hopper and after it is popped is automatically buttered and delivered. Even the unpopped kernels of corn are sorted out.

BOARDMAN NEWS

Chas. Nizer returned from Chicago Saturday.

Charles Hango returned from Hood River Friday.

Jack Gorham was over from Hermiston Saturday.

E. W. Mack came down from Hermiston Thursday morning.

King Ferdinand Emberger spent the night in Hermiston Friday.

Carl Voyer went up to Hermiston on the early morning train Friday.

C. C. Paine and C. G. Blayden drove to Castle Rock Friday afternoon.

C. W. Burton of Portland, arrived Saturday to look over the project.

Mrs. S. C. Mack and Miss Clara Voyer went to Hermiston Saturday afternoon.

C. G. Blayden and O. H. Warner are putting up a tent frame to accommodate the engineers.

Mrs. Alta Howard and her brother, Jesse Lower went to Hermiston Wednesday afternoon.

The G. W. R. & N. Co. has another car of cinders which the section men are distributing about the station.

The school gave a very interesting program on Washington's birthday. Quite a number of women were present. The waud drill was especially well done by the children.

S. C. Mack took a party of ladies for a ride in the Warner jitney last Wednesday. The party consisted of Mrs. O. H. Warner, Mrs. S. C. Mack, Mrs. Alta Howard and Mrs. F. E. Klitz.

The state highway engineers arrived Thursday in Boardman. The crew consists of eleven men. M. O. Bennett is chief engineer. Mr. Bennett went to Hermiston Sunday to spend a few days.

E. W. Mack bought out the E. H. Blayden grocery store and has moved the stock in with his hardware. He will conduct a general grocery store. Mr. Blayden has not decided what he will do but will probably remain here.

(Received too late for last week)

G. C. Blayden went to Pendleton Sunday.

E. W. Mack was a visitor between trains Thursday.

O. H. Warner went to Heppner Sunday, returning Monday.

Sidney Mack installed two pool tables in the north room of their building.

S. Oldaker and Mr. Walpole had a friend out over the project Thursday.

Wm. Mitchell, a friend of Mr. Dillabough, is a newcomer in this country.

Bert Bawker drove over Tuesday morning from Heppner with O. H. Warner's auto.

W. A. Price drove over from The Dalles Thursday to live on the homestead he filed on last summer.

Dr. Wainwright was called to attend Fred Emberger Wednesday. He pronounced it another case of measles.

Mrs. J. C. Ballenger went to Wasco Monday. She expects to return Friday in time for the dance that evening.

Farmer Smith, agricultural instructor for O. W. R. & N. spoke to a very appreciative audience Thursday afternoon in the Dodd & Kennedy hall.

NORTH RIDGE NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Wild and family moved last week to Ione.

Misses Ada and Agnes Soneson spent Friday last at the Cassidy home.

Mr. and Mrs. Mead and family were dinner guests at the Potter home Sunday.

Mr. Zeller a few weeks ago sold his ranch to Mr. Huffman from Condon. Mr. Huffman is here now looking after his ranch. He expects his family to come in a few days. Mr. and Mrs. Zeller have moved into town.

EIGHTH GRADE TO GIVE PLAY FRIDAY

Friday evening of next week at the high school auditorium the "New Co-Ed" will be presented by pupils of the eighth grade. The "New Co-Ed" is a four act comedy and everyone will enjoy it immensely.

This show is the first entertainment by any of the grades for some time and will be greatly appreciated as are all the school entertainments. The proceeds will be used to defray the expense of last year's dairy show parade and if any are left, for school ground apparatus.

COLUMBIA NEWS NOTES

Mr. Shutter is rushing work on his new home.

Mrs. Sapper called at the Heim and Felthouse homes Wednesday.

Mr. McLallen has purchased a new gasoline engine for his spraying outfit.

Dan Zeller will finish out the time on the Hermiston school bus for Mr. Green.

Willard Felthouse is planning on seeding considerable new alfalfa this spring.

The East End Co-operative association met at the Waugaman home Friday evening.

F. B. Knapp attended the fourth annual I. O. O. F. district convention in Pendleton last Saturday.

Mrs. Bedale has asked Mr. and Mrs. Belscamper to return to the farm and take the management of it for another year.

Mrs. Bedale arrived home on Monday from Erie, Pa. She was delayed 26 hours by snow storms in Green River, Wyoming.

L. B. Pearson and T. H. Haddox expect to put in five acres of potatoes in partnership. They have already ordered the seed.

Walter Loyd has returned from Washington where he was called by the serious illness of his father. He reports the invalid improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Knapp have made a deal whereby they sold the home place and will move to the upper place as soon as a new house can be finished. The excavation for the basement is under way.

The road from the west line of the Erie Ore. Fruit Co. north to the Hoisington ranch, is being fixed up by the Reclamation service and county combined. The work is progressing under the management of Mr. Spencer Sr.

Neighborhood club. Don't forget the meeting Saturday, March 3, at 2 o'clock. We were disappointed in not having Dr. Wainwright to give his lecture on first aid at the last meeting. If possible he will be at today's meeting.

Dr. G. S. Hoisington expects to put in 140 acres of his place in alfalfa this spring. A large crew of men under the able management of Chas. Hiatt is at work now and have quite a bit of the preparatory work done. They expect to have it seeded by June.

Dan McDade, of Madras, Ore., who bought land west of the Hoisington place arrived this week. He is already hauling lumber for a fine new home and just as soon as possible his wife and several children of school age will join him.

Mrs. Geo. Beddow spent the week end at the Frank Beddow home. Mrs. Frank Beddow and Ed accompanied her home on Sunday and spent a few days in Pendleton. Mr. Bentley, who has been visiting in California, accompanied them home and will spend a few days here.

The Lincoln-Washington program rendered at Columbia school house February 23 was very good. There was quite a large attendance. The program was:

Song—"America".....School Recitation—"Like Washington".....Gilbert Whitsett Song and drill.....Primary Boys Play—"Betsey Ross and the First Flag".....Gladys Whitsett, Edward Stewart, Alton Hooker

Recitation—"Washington's Birthday".....Wilma Waugaman Flag Drill—Boys and girls upper grades Gettysburg Address.....Clyde Hall Dramatization—"Cherry Tree".....Primary Room

Recitation—"The Days of Glorious Washington".....Gertrude Hall Song—"Soldier Boy".....Primary Class Recitation—"A Little Boys Hatchet Story".....James Waugaman Play—"In the Days of Lincoln".....Upper Grades

Song—"My Country".....Primary Grades Recitation—"Washington".....Claude Haddox Song—"Flag of the Free".....School

NEW STREET LIGHTS NOW IN OPERATION

The street lights in Hermiston have been changed over from the old system and a material difference is noted, especially in some sections. The old system had been in use since the electric plant was first put in.

The new light are all 100 watt lamps whereas formerly there were some 60, some 80 and some 100. Nitrogen

lamps are now used exclusively. All lights were left in the same location except for minor changes. By turning some slightly better light could be given. Others were lowered to escape being shaded by trees.

New lights were put in at the rail road crossing near the depot and also at the next crossing south. A new one was put in at Fourth and Locust near the Newell residence and the temporary light at Fourth and Gladys made permanent. One was placed at Second and Gladys and one at the Gunn corner. These two last were to give better lights in reaching the school and were needed especially as that has always been a very dark street. The other new lights will also be greatly appreciated by those traveling the streets where located.

Another feature that will be an improvement is the lighting, at night and turning off in the morning. The entire west side is controlled by one switch and the east side by one and the company will look after it.

UMATILLA ITEMS

Mrs. Spinning went to Hermiston Tuesday.

D. Covley of Portland, was a visitor here Thursday.

Geo. Butterwood was a Pendleton visitor Tuesday.

A. G. Means of Reith spent Monday and Tuesday here.

John Knight went up to Pendleton on the afternoon train Tuesday.

F. A. Brown has gone to Portland. He will be gone about two weeks.

J. O. French of Lexington drove up to attend the school entertainment.

Miss Jennie Shaw spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Shaw.

Wm. Cooper, salesman for Mason Erhman, stopped at the Duncan Tuesday.

E. E. Starcher with several friends went to Prosser Tuesday by automobile.

Miss Agnes Follin returned from the East Wednesday. She has been visiting with relatives for the last two months.

LITTLE WYCKOFF BABY DIES FRIDAY

Buelah, the youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Wyckoff, died Friday February 23, following an illness of several weeks. The little one was 2 years 11 months and 17 days of age.

Always a bright and happy baby her loss is felt very much by her parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Stewart, living next door. Mr. and Mrs. Wyckoff have two children, a girl and boy, older. They lost another several years ago.

Funeral services were held Sunday morning at 11 o'clock at the Stewart home by Rev. Chapman and interment was at Echo. Margaret Shotwell, Alice Prann, Emily Shotwell and Gladys West acted as pall bearers.

CENTRAL OREGON SETTLERS ARRIVE

The first of the week saw two more families arriving to make their home on the project. They are both from Central Oregon. One was John Hoffmann, who has purchased the Zellar place, more generally known as Van Huyssee. The other was J. L. Hoffman, son of John Hoffman. He has purchased 40 acres near the Hoisington place.

J. L. Hoffman came through with the stock, farm equipment and household goods. Two cars were filled and the two families are prepared to take up active farm work at once.

WILL HOLD EVENING MEETING THIS TIME

Father Killian will lecture on his travels in the war zone at the next meeting of the Parent-Teacher association. As this subject will no doubt be of general interest, the meeting will be held Thursday evening instead of afternoon. There will also be a vocal duet by the Misses Althea and Gladys Smith, a piano solo by Mrs. Chezik and a number by the ladies' quartette.

The question box that was announced for the next meeting will be postponed that more time may be given to the lecture.

IRVIN URGES MARKET CROPS

Following the receipt of letters by different ones on the project from H. T. Irvin and a report to him of the recent meeting of farmers on co-operation in planting market produce, Mr. Irvin wrote H. M. Sommerer, extracts of which are given.

"Was pleased to learn that the settlers are taking my proposal seriously. I am looking up the grape situation and cost of containers to ship them in. Have nothing definite yet. Have found that over 100 carloads of grapes were shipped to Portland last year from California and nearly as many more from Yakima. The Dalles and Southern Oregon. Out of 200 cars it is not a very high estimate to ask for two cars, especially under a freight tariff of 17c by boat, which you people are so fortunate as to enjoy.

"In my letter to Mr. Allen I suggested that 20 or 30 settlers each put in one acre of early potatoes. After the potatoes are harvested I would suggest that at the proper time one-half of the 30 acres be sown to peas for picking in September. With your irrigation this can be done and a magnificent price obtained for the peas. The other half sown to rutabagas, yellow variety, which we can sell in the winter.

"There is a ground cherry or hunk tomato, yellow colored variety—purple n g—which grows fine in your locality. I grew them and the bushes were loaded with fruit. They should be got in early. These can be sold readily and I am prepared to make this definite offer. I will pay \$50 a ton for 10 tons boxed and f. o. b. steamer at Umatilla, or \$500 for the 10 tons. Apple boxes would do for them."

BUTTER CREEK ITEMS

John Ware made a business trip to Hermiston Saturday.

Mrs. Marlin Gardiner returned from a short visit with her parents in Portland Sunday.

Miss Jennie Shaw and Miss Iona Gardiner attended a school entertainment in Umatilla Friday evening. They spent the night with Earl Shaw and family.

The winter weather came as a pleasant surprise to farmers of the vicinity. The ground is in excellent condition to receive the moisture and will be more benefited than by an irrigation.

The Butter Creek Social Club will open the ball again with a dance next Saturday night, March 3. It has been some time since the club has given a dance and a good time is promised everyone. The music will be furnished by the Pendleton orchestra. Everybody cordially invited.

CHURCH NOTICES.

METHODIST CHURCH
Morning service 11 a. m.
10 a. m.—Sunday-school
Theo Parks, Supt.

6:30 p. m.—Epworth League.
Evening service 7:30 p. m.
Wm. Sanders, president.

M. E. aid will meet next Wednesday afternoon at the church.
Prayer meeting Thursday night at 7:30.

Choir practice Friday, 7:30 p. m.
Columbia school house
Sunday school at 2 p. m.
Preaching services Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Strangers will be welcome to these services.
T. A. Graham, Pastor.

BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday school, 10 a. m.
Mrs. Mumma, Supt.
Morning service, 11 o'clock.
Young Peoples meeting, 6:30 p. m.
Evening service, 7:30 o'clock.

"A Good Man's Decision." Special music.
Ladies Aid meets at Mrs. Illaley's Wednesday.

Prayer meeting Thursday eve, 7:30. You are invited and a cordial welcome is extended to all.
Special music. L. S. Chapman

CATHOLIC CHURCH
Hermiston, 8:30 a. m.
Umatilla, 10:00 a. m.
Everybody welcome to these services.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE
Services held in Civic Center hall. Sunday, 10:45 a. m.
Subject, "Christ Jesus"
Everybody cordially invited.