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## ASPARAGUS MEN TO ORGANIZE

### MEETING CALLED FOR MONDAY EVENING AT LIBRARY

#### Enough Acreage Secured to Warrant Planting. Orders for Plants To Be Pooled

The joint committee of the Farm Bureau and Commercial club on diversification has decided that a large enough acreage of asparagus has been signed up and a meeting will be held at the library Monday night, February 25, to complete the organization and pool orders for plants.

A number wish to spend this year in preparation of the land but will plant next year. It is the desire of the committee that these as well as those planting this year attend so that the organization will be representative.

A bid of \$5. per 1000 for the Mary Washington plants has been secured. From 5000 to 6000 plants per acre are required. The plants should be in soon so the pool order will not be held open after Monday night. Orders may be placed prior to the meeting with Mr. Fraser at Oregon Hardware store.

## TO PLANT TREES ALONG HIGHWAY

### SAM BOARDMAN CONCEIVES A UNIQUE IDEA

#### School Children Will be Asked to Help in Beautifying Columbia Highway

After the tourist leaves the Dalles traveling east he is apt to believe the country through which he travels is more or less a desert. He has no way of knowing that just back of the highway there are fertile and productive farms made possible by the application of water. But he is never privileged to see these thousands of acres. Instead nothing but sagebrush and sand greets his view. The result is that he does not receive the impression that he should of the country.

Out of Portland for miles and miles the traveler journeys through a luxuriant growth of trees and shrubbery. This part of the highway is responsible for the term the most scenic highway in America. What a change after leaving the Dalles! Sam Boardman, who is connected with the highway department, has offered a unique plan to beautify the Columbia highway from Arlington to Pendleton. If his plan is carried out trees will be planted along the road at intervals of fifty feet between these two points. It is his aim to interest towns along the route asking each child in the schools to set out a tree. In doing this he believes the children will have a personal pride in the proposed tree planting campaign. In Boardman the school children have promised to plant a tree and take care of it.

Recently Sam outlined his plan to the Hermiston commercial club. It was favorably received and E. P. Dodd and C. W. Kellogg was appointed to go over the road with Boardman to find out where the trees could best be planted in order to receive the proper amount of irrigation. They estimate it will take between 250 and 300 trees. The territory allotted to Hermiston will be from the feed canal south of town to the west extension dam.

Tuesday the club voted to hire a man to set out the trees. Trees will be furnished by the highway department.

Sam states it is his intention to ask the highway to plant the trees from Arlington to Boardman and see that they receive the proper amount of water. He believes he will be able to interest the highway commission in doing this.

If the campaign is carried out as planned it will mean the Columbia highway will be lined with trees on both sides from Arlington to Pendleton. The amount of advertising and the impression the tourist will receive from this improvement will more than repay the time and money spent in developing the worthy idea.

Willamette valley loganberry growers will not dispose of their fruit unless they receive a minimum price of 5 cents a pound, according to a resolution adopted at a meeting of the members of the loganberry exchange held in Salem.

## DENBY RESIGNS AS SECRETARY OF NAVY

### First Break in Coolidge Official Family Comes as Result of Oil Scandal.

Washington, D. C.—The resignation of Edwin Denby as secretary of the navy, to be effective March 10, was received and accepted by President Coolidge.

Tendered voluntarily by the secretary for fear his remaining might "increase the embarrassments" of the president and as an outgrowth of the senate inquiry into the leasing of naval oil lands, the resignation marks the first break in the cabinet which Mr. Coolidge took over intact upon the death of President Harding.

Expressing regret in accepting the resignation, President Coolidge declared in a letter to the naval secretary that "you will go with the knowledge that your honesty and integrity have not been impugned."

Mr. Denby, on the other hand, informed the chief executive that "it will always be a gratifying thought to me that neither you nor anyone else at any time advised me to resign."

Renewed demands for the resignation of Attorney-General Daugherty are receiving serious consideration among officials high in the administration.

One of those who have become active in pressing for the attorney-general's resignation is Senator Borah of Idaho, representing a wing of the republican senate strength that has not heretofore joined with the La Follette group in most of its attacks on the administration.

## STRAY BULLET HITS SENATOR GREENE

### Washington, D. C.—Frank L. Greene, senior senator from Vermont, was shot and seriously wounded here during a pistol duel between prohibition agents and bootleggers.

The senator was walking with his wife when the shooting occurred, less than three blocks from the capitol building. He was hit just over the left eye by a bullet fired from one of the automobiles—apparently by a prohibition agent, who was using his revolver freely in an effort to compel a pursued machine to come to a halt.

Otis E. Fisher, prohibition agent, who engaged in the fight, is held on a technical charge.

Detectives arrested two men suspected of being bootleggers with whom the prohibition agent exchanged shots when Greene was hit.

## PRODUCTION COSTS SHOWN

### Canada Has Marked Advantage in Wheat-Raising.

Washington, D. C.—The cost of producing hard spring wheat in the United States last year ranged from 85 cents to \$2.19 a bushel, while in Canada it ranged from 53 cents to \$1.31. The tariff commission found in its investigation in connection with the application for an increase in the wheat tariff.

Cost of production per bushel, with land charge at interest on stated values, was highest in 1923 in the Hallock, Minn., locality at \$2.19, while it was lowest in the Moccasin, Mont., district, at 85 cents. In Canada the highest cost in 1923 on the same basis was in the Melita district of Manitoba at \$1.31, and lowest in the Westlock district of Alberta at 53 cents.

## McAdoo to Remain as Candidate.

Chicago.—Styled by his friends as pre-eminently available for the presidency and the "hope of the progressive thought of the nation," William Gibbs McAdoo, former secretary of the treasury, is in the race for the democratic presidency to stay and has outlined needs of the nation. A conference of supporters from virtually every state, which met here to discuss the effect of McAdoo's connection with the Doherty oil interests after his services in the Wilson cabinet upon his presidential candidacy, unanimously approved a resolution demanding his leadership.

Walsh Not to Run for Presidency. Washington, D. C.—Presidential politics will not be allowed to defeat or hamper the Teapot Dome inquiry, Senator Walsh, Montana, served notice upon his friends. Expressing his appreciation of the offers of Georgia and Nebraska democrats, who offered to circulate his name in those states as a candidate for the democratic nomination for president, Walsh firmly declined the offer.

Aged Episcopal Bishop Dies. Dallas, Tex.—The Right Rev. Alexander C. Garrett, 91, presiding bishop of the Protestant Episcopal church in America and bishop of the Dallas diocese, died suddenly in his cottage at St. Mary's college here.

Neighborhood club program at Columbia school this Saturday night.

## COMMUNITY CLUB HOLD ART EXHIBIT

### INTERESTING COLLECTION OF PICTURES, POTTERY SHOWN

#### Keen Interest Shown in Exhibit by People of Hermiston and Vicinity. School Children Attend

The art exhibit under the auspices of the Community club held at the Hermiston hotel Tuesday and Wednesday was an event of unusual interest. More than one hundred and fifty pictures by the great masters were shown and many interesting and valuable potteries and antiques. There were eight groups of pictures, religious, those illustrative of dignified labor, landscapes, historical and architectural pictures, animal pictures, pictures that tell a story and allegorical pictures.

Among the potteries and antiques were many lovely pieces from China and Japan—several large bowls and vases of Cloisonne, Salauma tea set, Canton bowl, cups and saucers, wonderfully fine of unusual texture and decoration, embroideries, teakwood pieces inlaid with mother of pearl and a beautiful Chinese carving in ivory, "The Fish Vender." There were pieces from other lands, a carved bowl from India, pottery from Chili, mosaic brooches, spoon and pottery from Italy, pewter and glass stein from Austria. From England there were several pieces of Wedgwood, pair of Adam candlesticks, a lustre pitcher and a plate of old English ware marked Louis XVI. There was a valuable old platter from Scotland. Of American potteries there were several good specimens of early Rookwood Weller and others. There was a brass candle stick and snuffers dating from Colonial days. There were many other beautiful and interesting pieces exhibited, too numerous to mention. Of special interest among the pictures was the contribution of Mr. and Mrs. Willard, possessors of an unusual collection of valuable pictures and other works of art. They exhibited a rare old photographic engraving of Abraham Lincoln and the photograph of plaque in their possession which was too valuable to be taken to the exhibit. This plaque is of china twenty and a half inches in diameter. The French master, Tandart, painted upon it in 1771 "The Cupids of Bacchus." They have refused \$25,000 for the plaque.

On Tuesday afternoon nearly 100 people from Hermiston, Umatilla and over the project attended the exhibition and listened to the program. This consisted of ten minute talks on the potteries and the different groups of pictures. Mrs. C. W. Kellogg spoke upon the "Potter's Art" and explained clearly the making of pottery. Mrs. J. F. McNaught who has been a collector and student of antiques and fine pottery for many years, and to whom many of the exhibits belonged talked most interestingly and in detail of the Cloisonne and Rookwood. Mrs. J. W. Campbell spoke on the group of landscapes. Miss Clara Hall on the religious pictures, Mrs. G. C. Inrie on the group illustrative of dignified labor, Mrs. F. D. Callahan on the historical and architectural group, Mrs. J. G. Shotwell on the portraits, Mrs. John Alexander on

the allegorical pictures, Mrs. R. G. Gale on the group of pictures that tell a story and Mrs. I. E. Putman on animal pictures. All of the speakers had spent much study on the subjects and gave their audience a most interesting discussion of the best works of the great masters of art. Adding social interest to the afternoon program tea and wafers were served by ladies of the club. Tuesday evening the exhibit was visited by many unable to attend the afternoon program and many others who wished to see more of the pictures. There was a splendid musical program given by Miss Ruth Woughter, Miss Alice Wentworth, Mr. W. L. Hamm and Dr. F. G. Prime. Coffee and wafers were served. In order to give the students of the Hermiston school the opportunity of seeing the pictures and learning something of them, there was a continuous program from 10 A. M. to 4 P. M. Wednesday. The girls and boys visited the exhibit in relays and listened to the talks on the pictures. The most unusual feature of the exhibit was the fact that all the pictures and potteries shown are owned by people living in the vicinity. It was a surprise to all that such a wonderful display could be found in and around Hermiston—it would have done credit to a community many times its size. Another thing worthy of note is the fact that the people in this community are sufficiently interested in the cultural side of life to not only bring these pictures and potteries to the exhibit, but also to go to the library and read up on their pictures and the artists who painted them, write this up and attach the written information to the pictures they exhibited. The educational value of this alone would be worth the effort of giving the exhibition. The interest aroused and the knowledge gained will without doubt have a lasting effect. The untiring efforts of Mrs. C. E. Baker, chairman of Community club program committee, and Mrs. I. E. Putman, in charge of the art department, along with the splendid cooperation of the people of the project were responsible for this noteworthy community enterprise, the success of which was beyond the fondest dreams of its sponsors.

Representatives of the main automobile stage lines in Oregon met in Roseburg to arrange final plans for the consolidation of these lines into the Oregon stage system.

Andrew Svenson, 79-year-old retired farmer of Damascus, who shot himself in the head with a revolver February 5, on account of ill health, is dead at the Oregon City hospital.

W. H. Strayer of Baker has filed with the secretary of state his declaration of candidacy for the office of United States senator at the democratic primary election next May.

Bids for the construction of approximately 38 miles of highway in Oregon will be considered at a meeting of the state highway commission to be held in Portland February 27.

While helping his son with work on their farm three miles south of Amity, F. T. Romig was attacked and killed by a bull which had escaped from the barn and which Romig had tried to drive back.

D. S. Parr, for the last two years cashier in the offices of the state treasurer, has resigned. Mr. Parr will enter the employ of a Portland bond house. Alexander Hamilton of Portland has been appointed to succeed Mr. Parr.

## MOTHERS-DAUGHTERS BANQUET FEB. 29

### MRS. WATERMAN WILL ACT AS TOASTMISTRESS

#### An Interesting Program of Music, Toasts, and Discussions Have Been Planned for Occasion

The following is the program prepared for the Mothers and Daughters banquet which is to be held the evening of February 29 at the Methodist church:

- Piano Duet.....Elizabeth Straw, Margaret Waterman.
  - Quartette.....Georgiana Briggs, Anita Paulsen, Nancy McNaught, Lillian Woughter.
  - Violin Solo.....Georgia Reeder
  - Piano Duet.....Ruth Woughter, Georgiana Briggs
  - Recitation.....Jane Warner
  - Song.....Miss Compton
  - Toastmistress: Mrs. Waterman.
  - Our Daughters.....Mrs. Putman
  - Our Mothers.....Wilma Waugaman
  - Our Future Daughters.....Mrs. Prime
  - Trying to Fill Mothers Place.....Edith Reeves
  - The Camp Fire Girls.....Mrs. Straw
  - Girls Club Work.....Mrs. Sommer
  - Some of the Mother's Problems.....Mrs. C. S. McNaught
  - Some of the Girls' Problems.....Ethel Grigg
  - After High School, What?.....Miss Brierly
  - Big Sister to the Little Sister.....Miss McKenzie
  - The Ideal Relation Between Mother and Daughter.....Mrs. McAllister
  - Song.....Miss Compton
- Following is the menu for the banquet:
- Baked Salmon with Dressing
  - Butter Beans
  - Salad
  - Bread and Butter
  - Jelly
  - Ice Cream Cake
  - Coffee
  - Fathers will sever.

## EXPERIMENT STATION NOTES

(By H. K. Dean)

### Manure

A growing appreciation of the value of manure is evidenced by the number of farmers one sees frequently cleaning up the barnyard. Station results over a period of 8 years with six applications of manure show that when applied at the rate of 32 tons per acre the returns are 207 pounds of alfalfa per ton of manure applied, while when applied at the rate of 8 tons per acre the yield was 463 pounds of hay per ton. The manure gave more efficient results when applied lightly. Had the 32 tons been applied to 4 acres at 8 tons per acre instead of to 1 acre the increase from the manure would have been 5.55 tons of hay instead of 2.49 tons. Manure applied to intensive crops such as garden, berries and asparagus gives still greater returns per ton.

## OREGON NEWS ITEMS OF SPECIAL INTEREST

### A normal school will be conducted in Pendleton again this summer for a six weeks' course.

### A movement has started in eastern Oregon to organize the stockmen into a co-operative selling agency.

### The city of Monroe has accepted the new waterworks system recently installed by Swartley Brothers of Corvallis.

### Despite the addition of a school building during the year, the schools of Salem are now crowded to capacity.

### High school students of Brownsville have started a campaign to raise \$500 for erection of a gymnasium on the school grounds.

### Ulric R. Gray, market-road engineer of Baker county has tendered his resignation to the county court to take effect March 1.

### Portland has invited the grand lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks to hold its 1925 convention in that city.

### Will E. Holbein, formerly of North Dakota, has been employed as secretary and manager by the Roseburg chamber of commerce.

### Former Governor T. T. Geer, who has been stricken with paralysis at Portland a week ago, is reported to be in a very weak condition.

## HERMISTON WINS DOUBLE DEBATE

### HERMISTON ORATORS TAKE HONORS FROM FOSSIL

#### Affirmative Team Wins Here By A Unanimous Decision Negative At Fossil By Two To One

### Hermiston high school is proud of her debaters.

Last Saturday the affirmative team composed of Hugh Walker and Earl Benschel debated Fossil here and won a unanimous decision. The negative team, Frank Swayze and Wallace Reid journeyed to Fossil and gave the natives of that hamlet a few pointers in silver-tongue oratory.

The trip to Fossil was a long and tedious one. They arrived just in time for the debate. But even in the face of such odds the boys won a well deserved decision.

A good deal of credit is due Mr. Guilfoili, the debate coach, for the splendid showing made Saturday. He is very proficient in this line of work. Through his guidance the local high school has developed two strong debating teams of more than ordinary ability. Our prediction is that Hermiston will make a name for herself in debate this year.

## FAIRBANKS SPENT A MILLION DOLLARS

For the first time since he became a screen actor, Douglas Fairbanks spent a cold million dollars in order to make "The Three Musketeers," which has proven to be the film sensation of the picture world, and which was adapted by Edward Knoblock from Alexander Dumas' famous novel, and directed by Fred Niblo.

Never before in the history of the motion picture industry was a photoplay produced on so lavish a scale as was this forthcoming Fairbanks offering. Nearly a hundred thousand dollars was spent on costumes alone, and more than half that amount was expended in the building of exterior sets, not counting the ship and the pier which cost a small fortune besides.

The payroll for the stars and players was more than three times as heavy for this picture as it was on any previous Fairbanks film, owing to the fact that it was the aim of the star producer to get the best talent available, regardless of cost.

This picture comes to the Playhouse next Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Numerous requests have been made to manager Davis that the picture be shown on Friday. He has complied with these requests and the film will be shown on this date.

## INVESTIGATIONS AT RAPIDS ENDS SOON

### WORK WILL BE FINISHED BY MARCH FIRST

#### Twenty-one Places in River Bed Tested and Nothing Unfavorable Have Been Found

The field work and drilling tests at the Umatilla Rapids dam site will be finished by March 1, according to E. R. Crocker who has charge of the work.

Twenty-one places in the river bed have been tested by the diamond drills and nothing unfavorable has been found. The drills have struck nothing but solid basalt with a top covering of gravel. One of the pits was sunk to a depth of 192 feet.

After the work has been completed it will take two months to go over the data and prepare it for a report. Some of this work may be done in Hermiston and part of it will perhaps be handled through the Denver office of reclamation. A finished report will be prepared and submitted to the commissioner of reclamation at Washington.

Congress ordered a government survey of the rapids last spring and appropriated \$50,000 for this purpose. E. R. Crocker has been in charge of the survey and George A. Hammond in charge of the drilling work. The project calls for the developing of a maximum of about 800,000 horse power and the watering of 270,000 acres of land with river improvements as an additional feature.

## G. L. MULKEY VISITS HERMISTON

### BELIEVES "OLEO" FORCES ARE FACING DEFEAT

#### Sum of Money Will be Raised to Lay Before the Public the Dairy-men's Side of Issue

G. L. Mulkey, vice-president of the state dairymen's association, was a Hermiston visitor Tuesday.

Mr. Mulkey addressed the Commercial club and answered questions concerning the "Oleo" bill that will be voted on at the election next November. He gave an interesting talk that was well received by those present.

He was asked to be present at an entertainment to be held at the Columbia school house next Saturday and make a talk to the residents of Columbia district. Mr. Mulkey stated that if it was possible he would return and attend the meeting.

In an interview with Mr. Mulkey he stated in his opinion the "oleo" forces would be defeated at the coming election. "They are putting up a strong fight and will spend a large sum of money to broadcast their propaganda. The dairymen realizes that he must also put his side of the question before the public and a sum of money will be raised in the near future to further the campaign."

Recently while in conversation with one of the men who is interested in the manufacture of the substitute product he asked him if he ever used "oleo" in his own home to which the man replied he never did. If it is not good enough for those who make it how can they ask other people to use it, Mr. Mulkey stated.

Otis Bennett, logger at Brooks-Scanlon camp No. 2, near Bend, was crushed to death when the wheels of a log loader ran across his body.

The Silverton Food Products company of Silverton has now become a co-operative plant, with the Silverton fruit growers holding the stock.

The annual convention of the Oregon Federation of Women's clubs, which will take place this year in Oregon City, will be held May 19 to 22.

Forest service officials announced that 375,000,000 board feet of timber in the Umpqua national forest in southern Oregon will be advertised for sale.

The building committee of the Salem lodge of Elks has voted to spend not to exceed \$150,000 in the erection of a new temple on property recently acquired.

Rights of way for an extension of the Walla Walla Valley railway from Milton to Umapine have been obtained and work will start as soon as the weather is settling.

