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## HAY SITUATION IS GROWING BETTER

### DROUGHT OF NORTHWEST INFLUENCING THE MARKET

Grasses and Wheat Short in Many of the Hay Sections of the West With Small Storage Supplies of Irrigation Water

The hay situation is growing daily better for the alfalfa men. The drought throughout the Northwest has continued so long that there is little hope of recovery of the hay crop in the non-irrigated section.

A traveler here yesterday stated that in particular the grasses were short in Western Washington all the way from Kelso to Bellingham. Valleys in Skagit county which are often flooded by high water at this time of year are dry and no chance for floods because of shortage of snow in the mountains. Up the Willamette valley the clover is still very short and no rain yet. A big rain would help it but not to make a full crop while other grasses are practically matured now at about half a yield and rain cannot help them. In addition pastures are now growing dry and less succulent and feeding will be necessary early. Throughout the whole of Eastern Oregon and Washington there will be very little hay produced except in the best irrigated sections. The second and third crops in many districts are doubtful. Very little wheat hay will be harvested and rye and wild grass will be short. In southern Idaho similar conditions prevail. In the far eastern part around Blackfoot conditions are very bad. On the Minidoka and Boise Pavette the crops are better though affected by weevil. The great Arrow Rock reservoir is short for this time of year and the mountains of Idaho are light in snows.

Experienced hay buyers under the old regime before they begin to buy hay in the summer or fall first gather information as to the grass on the range. If it is short then hay may be a good speculation. This season it is short everywhere. Prices that are offered now are likely to be on a speculative market, and good prices may be expected later with a profit to the buying speculator. All indications are favorable to high priced hay much to the benefit of the local growers who will have abundance of water to make their crops.

## STUNT FLYING WILL ENTERTAIN CROWDS

The committee on arrangements for the 4th of July celebration that is to be held in this city July 3 and 4 announce they have procured services of Earl Titus, a licensed aviator of Lewiston, Idaho, to do stunt flying during the two days. Mr. Titus has gained a nation wide reputation as an aviator who does the sort of stunts that makes your hair stand on end and your heart in the regions of your throat when you watch his performance. The committee feels they are indeed fortunate in getting him to sign up for the event. He will also do commercial flying and those who wish to make a trip through the clouds may do so while he is here.

## Odd Fellows Convention at Hood River

One of the largest conventions in the history of Odd Fellowship in the state of Oregon, was held last week at Hood River, when the Grand lodge of Oregon assembled for its annual session. Large delegations were in attendance from all over the state. Umatilla county was well represented and contributed several officers to the state organization. Ashland was selected as the next meeting place. The people of Hood River are to be congratulated for the way they entertained the over 3,000 guests. There were "apples, apples everywhere, but not a drop to drink." The officers selected were: L. E. Coates, Portland, Grand Master; Henry Young, Hermiston, Deputy Grand Master; V. T. Jackson, Roseburg, Grand Warden; E. E. Sharon, Portland, Grand Secretary; Dr. O. D. Domes, The Dalles, Grand Treasurer; S. F. Bowman, P. G. M., Hermiston, Rep. Sovereign Grand Lodge and Al Cardin, of Pendleton, received the office of Grand Conductor. In the Rebekah assembly Mrs. Mary D. Moss, of Lakeview, was elected president.

The M. E. ladies will hold an all-day meeting at the home of Mrs. Simmons on Wednesday, June 4. Meet at the church where cars will be provided for all who have no way to go. Bring lunch as usual.

## HINKLE HOME ON THE SOUTH HILL PASSES TO F. D. CALLAHAN

Perhaps Finest Residence of Project Overlooking Entire Valley

An important real estate deal was put through this week when the J. T. Hinkle home on the hill south of town passed into the hands of F. D. Callahan, who will move into the place. Perhaps the finest home on the project, the house and its grounds have been the scene of many joyous times, both of a public and private nature. Products of the Hinkle rose gardens have been generously distributed and the passing of the home the Hinkles made on the hill will be genuinely regretted by those who have enjoyed their hospitality for so many years. Mrs. Hinkle has no definite plans for the future.

## INLAND EMPIRE NEWS NOTES

(Service of Spokane News Bureau) A cedar forest with spruce line paths, a crey abounding with fish, ducks and other water creatures and rustic bridges over the stream, all this as a setting for wild animals will greet the eye of the visitors as he passes through the log entrance of the fifth annual National Sports, men's and Tourists' Fair which will be held in Spokane June 3-6. The steel columns of the Union station viaduct, under which the fair grounds are, have been encased in cedar bark and are trimmed with greenery. Spruce fences surround the places where the exhibits will be. The creek is all ready to gurgle when the water is turned on. The animals that make their habitat in the northwest and some that don't will be seen. Bear, deer, elk, cougar and coyotes will be shown. For variety a Missouri opossum will display its beauties and an alligator will try to live in peace with the swan and trout. Fifty exhibits have been entered. These include not only live animals, but multitudes of stuffed hides and heads and many pictures.

More than 2200 cars were parked at the formal opening and christening of Central Ferry bridge recently, according to reports received at Spokane from Pomeroy. Business men and farmers poured in from all parts of the Inland Empire and the attendance was estimated at about 8,000.

An active campaign for the installation of 500 watt broadcasting station in Spokane was started recently.

A mammoth incubator capable of handling 40,000 eggs will be received in a few days by Benjamin Peters and O. W. Peterson, of Wenatchee. Peters and Peterson expect to do hatching for others as well as their own. More than 5,000 eggs will be placed in the incubator every third day, according to plans, and when the last 5,000 eggs go in the first will be ready for hatching. It will be run by steam heat, sufficient of humidity to be fed automatically into the chambers. Four fans will keep the heat distributed properly. The 40,000 eggs can be turned in two minutes, it is said, and the operators expect to set the incubator as soon as possible.

Much interest is being made by communities in the formation of a Whitman county fair association, according to reports received at Spokane from Colfax recently. This interest is being stimulated the more by reason of the fact that emphasis is being laid on improvement of the livestock of the county.

## EXPERIMENT STATION NOTES

(By H. K. Dean)

**The Weather**  
In answer to many inquiries this week's story will be devoted to the weather. The memory is poor judge of weather. For instance, you hear every year that this has been a cold windy spring. During March of the past twelve years at Hermiston the average wind velocity per hour has been 4.13 miles; this year it was 3.20 miles. During April it has averaged 4.34 miles per hour while this year it was 3.91. The normal mean temperature for March is 42.5 degrees; this year it was 52.1, while for April the normal is 51.7 and this year it was 61.6. The normal rain, fall from January 1 to May 31 is 4.08 inches, while this year we have had to date 2.40 inches; a deficiency of 1.68 inches.

## Barn Burns Tuesday Night

A barn on the old Willard Fellowship place burned to the ground Tuesday morning. H. M. Culter, of Lebanon, was the owner. Doyle Hunt was living on the place at the time of the fire. The barn was insured for \$400.

## GIRLS SEWING CLUB EXHIBIT THEIR WORK

FOURTEEN PRIZES ARE TO BE OFFERED THIS YEAR

Exhibit is Held Wednesday at School House. Miss Helen Cowgill, Assistant State Club Leader, Addresses Club Members

The community club will hold its regular meeting at the library June 3 at 3 P. M. Mrs. A. D. Crossland will give a paper on "Thrifty" and Mrs. F. V. Prime will talk on the Columbia river. An invitation to attend is extended to all the women of the project.

Wednesday afternoon the Hermiston girls sewing club exhibited the results of the year's work in the sewing classes. The articles were beautifully made, the sewing of children only nine and ten years old being neat and well done. The girls deserve praise for their faithfulness in the work and in finishing the course. Some thirty future homes will be managed more efficiently for the work these girls have done. They will probably continue in the fall and many more girls will doubtless take advantage of the wonderful opportunity. The girls of Columbia and Minnehaha are starting classes this summer.

Miss Helen Cowgill, assistant state club leader, gave a most inspiring talk on the subject of girls' club work. She told of the five new prizes that are being offered this year, making a total of fourteen prizes for the girls' clubs. She spoke particularly of the demonstration contest of making prune bread. The winning team (two girls) and the leader will be entitled to attend the two weeks summer school session for boys and girls at O. A. C. Any girls who are interested in working for this splendid prize should write to the state club leader, Corvallis, Ore.

After Miss Cowgill's talk, punch and wafers were served to the enthusiastic crowd of mothers and daughters by the members of the club and their leaders, Mrs. F. P. Phipps, Mrs. O. G. Sapper and Mrs. F. E. Foreman.

## TEACHERS WHO WILL TEACH NEXT YEAR IN OUR SCHOOLS

According to information given out by R. A. Brownson, school clerk, the following teachers will compose the staff of the local school next year: G. W. Day, superintendent; A. L. Gralapp, F. K. Gulliford, Jesse Brierly, Ellen Hill, Bertha Compton. Beatrice Turner will be one of the new teachers in the high school. Excepting one vacancy the above compose the teachers for the high school. This vacancy will be filled some time in the near future.

The grade teachers will be: A. E. Benseel, eighth; Isabella Mayhew, seventh; Margaret E. O'Leary, sixth; Lucile E. Gray, fifth; Mrs. M. S. Miller, fourth; Bernice Ferris, third; Esther M. Baker, second; Betty Larson, first.

Lucile E. Gray, Ester M. Baker and Betty Larson are all new teachers.

Several followers of Isaac Walton having been putting his precepts into use at the reservoir with pleasing results.

## OREGON GIRLS AND BOYS GET FARM LIFE TRAINING

Courses to Increase Satisfaction and Profits of Homes in the Country At Junior Session

Better satisfaction in Oregon farm life as well as better profits are aimed at in the work of the girls and boys at the junior summer session of the state college this year. Radio, farm mechanics and blacksmithing are new courses for boys. Judging canned products, home decoration, community entertainment, short cuts in housework and child care are among the new courses for girls.

"Five hundred club members are expected this year," says J. L. Allen, assistant state club leader. "Club leaders and others interested in the work have announced their intention of coming."

All class work and instruction will be in the morning leaving the afternoon for demonstrations in handling livestock, managing field crops and growing garden vegetables and fruit.

Leading men of Oregon will give talks to the club members at general assembly, 1:20 P. M. each day. Governor Pierce, Superintendent Churchill, President Kerr, Director Maris and O. M. Plummer, of the Pacific International Livestock Exposition, are among the speakers. Others to address the boys and girls are representatives of the state bankers' associations, state chambers of commerce and the United States department of agriculture.

Club songs and yells, a track meet, base ball contests by counties, swimming in the college pool, tennis and other sports, will serve for both amusement and training. Parties supervised by club leaders will be held evenings.

## Baptist Church Services

Sunday, June 1-10 A. M. Sunday school, classes for all ages. 11 A. M. Memorial Sermon by Rev. Ira B. Hall, former pastor. Special music. Special invitation to Civil war veterans, American Legion, World War veterans, W. R. C., and all other interested, military orders and people. 7 P. M. Young people's meeting led by Miss Grace Skinner. Subject, "God's Holy Day, What It Is For, and Why?" 8 P. M., theme, "Is the Bible True?" This subject will be discussed by Rev. Hall by special request from some Hermiston young men. Come, bring a friend. See your Bible difficulties vanish. Ira D. Hall.

## Methodist Episcopal Church

Week of Sunday, June 1-Sabbath school at 10 A. M., 135 present last week. Let us make it 150 this week. Morning worship at 11 o'clock. Epworth League at 7 P. M. All young people who would like to camp with the E. L. this summer should attend. The Weekly Prayer and Bible study Thursday evening at 7:45. Henry Young, minister.

The Christian Science services are held in rooms next to the Auditorium every Sunday at 11 o'clock. Sunday school at 10:15. All are cordially invited to attend. Wednesday evening meeting first Wednesday each month.

Henry Hanby is making extensive additions to his home on Newport avenue.

An internal revenue man was stationed at the Project office during the week for consultation.

## UMATILLA RAPIDS BILL IS INTRODUCED

PLAN COVERS UMATILLA RAPIDS POWER SITE

Would Make Plant of Columbia River The Muscle Shoals of Western Part of United States

Congressman Watkins Wednesday introduced a bill providing for comprehensive development of the Umatilla rapids project, covering navigation, power and irrigation features and the construction of a government nitrogen plant to make the Muscle Shoals of the West.

The secretary of the interior is authorized and directed to acquire the necessary rights for dams, reservoirs and canals, to develop power to be leased under the general limitation of the waterpower act, with preference right to state and municipalities that may desire to use it, to withdraw public lands which may be irrigated and to build a nitrate plant to supply the needs of the United States for national defense and needs of agriculture in the Pacific and mountain states. One hundred million dollars is authorized to be appropriated as work progresses.

Uses specified for these public works in order are for river regulation, navigation, irrigation of arid lands, reclamation of lands, power and manufacture of nitrogen. Preference right of settlement on lands reclaimed is provided veterans of the World War, Spanish war or Philippine insurrection.

Members of congress feel the time is not far distant when provision should be made for a nitrate plant in the West and the power possibilities of the Columbia river make it available as a site for development on the scale necessary for such a project.

## FARM REMINDERS

The cherry fruit fly appears in Oregon early in June, usually from the 5th to the 20th. The fly lays the eggs that are responsible for the cherry maggots which appear in station has worked out a poison spray which will kill the fly, thus preventing the deposit of the eggs. It consists of lead arsenate one-half pound molasses two quarts, and water 10 gallons. This amount is enough for 50 trees. Three sprayings are usually made by most growers, starting June 5 and repeating at 10 day intervals. Only enough spray to wet the outside branches is used by most growers as the fly will eat it readily.

The codling moth will appear early in Oregon this year if the present warm weather prevails. The experiment station recommends that all growers keep a close watch for the moth and have all spray material ready to start spraying as soon as it appears.

Damping off of young seedlings is easily prevented by the use of the cheshunt compound, reports F. A. Wendland, Underwood, Wn. The treatment was recommended to him by the Oregon experiment station.

## STATE MARKET AGENT DEPARTMENT

(C. E. Spence, Market Agent, 723 Court House, Portland.)

As long as the price disparity between the farm and the home remains, the buying power of the farms will be limited. The balance must be restored before there can be generally prosperous conditions. When the feeding industry of a country is wasting toward insolvency, business of the whole country will sooner or later be effected.

Canada is in even worse condition than our country over the decline of agriculture, and the government is striving to find the cause and remedy. Low prices, high operating and distributing costs the levy of the middle interests and high railroad rates are given as the principal causes. E. J. Garland, member of parliament, stated in a recent speech at Montreal, that 70 per cent of the farms in western Canada had been taken away and are now owned by the banks and loan companies; that if all the assets of the farmers were liquidated there would be general bankruptcy. He recommended as a remedy both co-operative and political action, stating that neither alone could succeed, but combined they could force a restoration of the balance and bring the farmers' dollar to a par with the other dollars of the nation.

The Michigan Potato Shippers' Association states that the strict enforcement of the potato grades has profited the growers more than any other undertaking in years; that it has not only resulted in higher prices but has greatly increased the demand and made a reputation for Michigan spuds.

Since March 1, oleomargarine has been outlawed in Canada. It is a crime to make, import, sell or possess it. Sentiment against the counterfeit was almost unanimous, while in Oregon money and influence are striving to do away with a law banning substitute butter.

During the months of January, February and March of this year \$9,379,000 worth of principal agricultural products were brought into this country from other nations to compete with our farmers for markets and prices. These figures are in a special report to the state market agent from C. G. Gries, assistant agricultural statistician, Washington, D. C., under date of May 7. Over \$3,000,000 worth of meats were imported to cut under the prices of home cattle men, who are going bankrupt every week.

Of hides and skins (not including furs) during this three months \$15,625,000 worth were imported, while the cattlemen of Oregon can hardly give away their hides. Over six and a half million dollars' worth of fruits were brought in during this quarter and five and a half million dollars' worth of seeds. Hides are on the tree list and more than \$118,000,000 worth were imported last year. Of fruits, prunes, there is a duty of one half of one per cent. Seeds are protected from one to four cents per pound. Meats have a duty of \$20 on \$100 worth. American packers build big packing plants in Argentina, buy beef cattle at less than cost of production in this country; freeze the meat and ship it here at a duty of one-fifth and take away the markets of American cattlemen. The farmers of this country ask that either the protection be lowered on manufactured products to the same ratio as on their products or that their schedules shall be raised to the level of manufactured goods.

Thirty per cent of the flour mills have quit since 1914, yet production has increased 36 per cent. This is millers' co-operation. The price of flour in the northwest has decreased 33 per cent; wheat has dropped 55 per cent, while bread prices have decreased 2 per cent. This is bakers' co-operation that distances the millers. Farmers cooperate in small spots, but these and many other illustrations are teaching them the full way.

Damping off occurs mostly in seedling of egg plant, cabbage, and broccoli for early transplanting. The solution is prepared by mixing two ounces copper sulfate and 11 ounces ammonium carbonate, finely powdered. This is stored for 24 hours in a tight jar. One ounce is dissolved in a little hot water and made up to two gallons. Thoroughly watering the soil after the seed is planted, repeated weekly, will prevent the occurrence of the disease. It is necessary to store the solution in a glass or stone receptacle due to its corrosive nature.

## ECHO WINS CLOSE GAME SUNDAY

NOSE OUT A THREE TO TWO VICTORY OVER HERMISTON

Hermiston Ties the Score in the Sixth Inning.—Echo's Winning Tally Made in the Eighth

Echo fans are a firm believer in the old saying, "It's a long lane that has no turning." For a long time Echo's percentage column in the Irrigation league was nil. They seemed to be a set-up for the other contenders in the league but at last they have reached the crook in the road. Sunday a week ago they took Stanfield like Grant took Richmond, winning the game by a score of 13 to 1. Last Sunday they nosed out a three to two victory over Hermiston.

Up until the fifth inning neither side had scored. Both pitchers were hit freely but they were scattered. During Echo's half of the fifth she managed to put two men across the home plate. In the sixth Hermiston staged a rally and tied the score. From then on until the eighth the score remained two all. In the eighth Echo made the score that won the game. Hermiston tried hard in the ninth to even things. Durfee was sent in as a pinch hitter and delivered, but it availed them little for the next men up hit easy grounders to the infield and were forced out at second or thrown out at first.

It was Phelps' last game with the locals as he is leaving this week. Arrangements are being made to procure the services of another pitcher.

Hermiston plays Stanfield at Stanfield next Sunday.

## SECOND HAND STORE CHANGES HANDS

O. E. Ryder, of Stanfield, Purchases Stock From J. G. Lawler

A deal was made last Monday whereby O. E. Ryder, of Stanfield, became the owner of the second hand store in this city. Mr. Ryder has had considerable experience in this line of business having owned stores of this kind in different sections of the state. Mr. Ryder will move his family to Hermiston some time soon.

## Smokes His First Cigar in "The Go-Getter"

William Norris, well known musical comedy star who is seen in the role of Cappy Ricks in Cosopolitan's "The Go-Getter," by Peter B. Kyne, recently was the sickest actor who ever manipulated a make-up box, and he suffered all the tortures that come to a small boy when he takes his maiden puff on a cigar. Norris did just that thing during the "shooting" of a scene and hasn't got over it yet.

In his years behind the footlights Norris has always been loud in his boast that he has never touched tobacco in any form. He has appeared in scores of big Broadway successes and in numerous pictures, including "When Knighthood Was in Flower," but in none of them was he required to smoke—at least not until he was cast for the role of Cappy Ricks in "The Go-Getter," which will be on view at the Playhouse theatre next Saturday and Sunday.

As readers of the popular story are aware, Cappy is an inveterate smoker and cigars are his mania. Norris didn't fully realize this fact until, just before the start of a scene when Director Griffith told him he would have to smoke, and smoke madly. "But I never smoked in my life," said Norris.

"Can't help it," replied Griffith, "the story calls for it." And with that he handed the actor a long, black weed, saying: "I'll have another ready when you finish that one."

Being an artist, Norris did as directed, and at the end of the scene he was as pale as a ghost and weaker than a kitten.

## Camp Fire Girls Organize

The local Campfire girls have organized and elected the following officers: Miss Isabella Mayhew, organizer and guardian; Mrs. W. J. Warner, assistant guardian; Dorothy Straw, president; Margaret Nelson, vice-president; Anna Furrer, secretary; Jane Warner, treasurer. The club has chosen as its name, Ailins.

The members are: Shirley Brownson, Anna Furrer, Marion Henderson, Margaret Nelson, Edith Sales, Frances Sales, Eva Skinner, Dorothy Straw, Jane Warner, Edna May Welsner.

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