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PORTLAND GROUP TO VISIT SUNDAY

LAND SETTLEMENT COMMITTEE TO SEE LAND

Hermiston and Stanfield Country to Be Inspected During Afternoon.

Plans for showing land that will be available for new settlers to the members of the land settlement committee of the Portland Chamber of Commerce when the committee visits the project next Sunday, were made at a meeting held here Saturday night.

Representatives from Boardman, Irrigon, Pendleton and Hermiston participated in the discussion about the plans. Geo. C. Baer, executive secretary of the Pendleton Commercial association, presided at the meeting.

The Portland committee will spend the morning in the north end of Morrow county inspecting irrigated and raw lands in the Boardman and Irrigon districts. In the afternoon the tour will be continued in the area adjacent to both Hermiston and Stanfield, and in the evening a dinner to the visitors will be given here.

On Monday the committee will see McKay dam, look at land in the Pilot Rock district, have lunch there and then go to the Milton-Freewater district in the afternoon. Dinner will be served in Pendleton Monday evening, and it is expected that a number from Boardman, Irrigon, Umatilla and Hermiston will be in attendance.

At the meeting here Saturday evening a discussion was held for the purpose of securing concrete information as to the cost of land, both improved and unimproved, for presentation to the Portland committee. As a result of the discussion, the following approximate values were arrived at.

Boardman district, raw land \$20 to \$25 an acre, improved land \$150 to \$200 per acre; Irrigon district, raw land at \$20 to \$25, and improved land, \$150 to \$200 per acre; Hermiston district, raw land, \$10 to \$15 per acre, improved land at \$150 to \$200 per acre; Stanfield district, \$20 to \$25 per acre, and improved land at \$200 to \$300 per acre.

The Portland committee, Mr. Baer explained, has been responsible for investments aggregating about ten million dollars being made in the Willamette valley during the time it has been working. The visit of the committee here is being made with the idea in mind of extending the settlement work into this district.

The itinerary worked out for the first day's tour is as follows: 7:30 A. M., meet Boardman delegation at Boardman. 7:30 to 11:30 A. M., inspect the Boardman-Irrigon irrigation districts, 11:30 A. M., arrive at A. E. Porter ranch for community luncheon. 1:00 P. M., leave A. E. Porter ranch. 1:30 P. M., view Brownell ditch project at Umatilla. 2:00 P. M., arrive Hermiston. 2:00 P. M. to 6 P. M., inspect Hermiston-Stanfield districts. 7:00 P. M., dinner at Hermiston under auspices of Hermiston Commercial club. 9:00 P. M., depart for Pendleton where night will be spent.

PUREBRED PIGS SHIPPED BY LOCAL MAN TO LAKESIDE

One of the largest shipments of pigs made out of Hermiston for some time was sent by H. J. Stillings, breeder of Poland Chinas, Tuesday morning. C. P. Coleman and Son of Lakeside, Oregon, were the purchasers of the 30 head.

Twenty-five of the pigs were purebred Polands and were bought by the Lakeside men for breeding stock. In addition, one crate of crossbred Polands and Durocs were bought for feeders. The pigs were eight weeks old and had just been weaned.

LIGAMENTS TORN LOOSE IN FALL FROM LADDER

Herb Shesely, painter, sustained injuries last Thursday that probably will make it impossible for him to work for six weeks or two months, when he fell about 10 feet from a ladder and tore loose ligaments in his right arm. The accident happened on a wheat ranch near Athena, where he and Fred Shook were painting a set of buildings. His left arm was slightly injured, and his chin was skinned and bruised. He was taken to a hospital at Walla Walla where an X-ray of the injury was taken. The injury will make it impossible for him to play baseball any more this season.

Crops at Irrigon Give Promise of Excellent Yields

Alfalfa Hay Short But Fruits Are Doing Well, C. E. Glasgow Says.

"All of the crops in our section of the country are doing exceptionally well this season except alfalfa, and prospects are that farmers will do better than for a number of years."

The above message was given by C. E. Glasgow, of Irrigon, secretary and a member of the board of the West Extension district, while in Hermiston Tuesday.

Fruit has done exceptionally well this year around Irrigon, Mr. Glasgow stated. "We expect a good crop of apricots, and peaches promise to yield well," he said. "Berries are being harvested now, both blackberries and red raspberries, and the market is taking all we have to offer. Melons are far ahead of schedule and will be on the market earlier than usual, according to the way things look now. One of my neighbors told me the other day that he has melons already setting on his vines."

The better prospects for a successful year have resulted in a better feeling and in more optimism as to the future, according to Mr. Glasgow.

JOSEPH W. CRAIK DIES IN HOT LAKE SANATORIUM

Pioneer Farmer Passes After Brief Illness; Had Lived On Project 14 Years.

Joseph W. Craik, one of the old time pioneers of the project, died Wednesday morning at 8:30 at Hot Lake sanatorium. Death was caused by a complication of asthma and bronchitis and came unexpectedly. Mr. Craik went to the sanatorium for treatment less than a week ago.

He was past 61 years old and came to the project about 14 years ago. His wife preceded him in death about two years ago. They had no children. Ray Goode, local farmer, is a nephew. Two brothers and two sisters reside in California.

The body was brought to Hermiston this morning by Mr. Goode. Funeral arrangements have not been made, pending receipt of word from the relatives in California. Mr. Craik owned two farms here, was an industrious man and had the respect and confidence of his friends and neighbors. In earlier years he was a miner and prospector.

GRADUATES TO SEE OLD WORLD ON FREIGHTER TRIP

University of Oregon, Eugene, June 17—Walter Malcolm, of Portland, president of the student body, and James Johnson, of Hood River, prominent debaters at the University, will see the world through the port-hole of a freighter this summer.

Malcolm and Johnson have secured jobs on a freighter which will leave Portland immediately after the close of college going to New York by way of the Panama canal. From New York they will go to Europe, returning to the United States before the opening of college next fall.

CITIZENS' MILITARY CAMP TO GET UNDER WAY FRIDAY

Tomorrow 600 young men from the states of Washington and Oregon will assemble at Vancouver Barracks, Washington, for the largest infantry citizens' military training camp ever held in the northwest. They will don Uncle Sam's uniform for one month and go into training under the battle flags of the veteran Seventh Infantry which stopped the Germans at the Marne and penetrated the Argonne Forest.

During the past week Vancouver Barracks has buzzed with activity in preparation for summer activities. There are new tennis courts, a track and athletic field, a swimming tank, volley ball courts, three baseball diamonds, a well equipped gymnasium and a golf course.

There are to be movies every night and a dance once a week where youth and beauty will demonstrate the latest steps to the strains of the famous Seventh Infantry band.

COMMISSIONER TO STOP ON PROJECT

JULY 11, 12, 13 ARE DATES FOR VISIT.

Dr. Mead Will Be Accompanied By Photographer to Film Work Accomplished.

That Dr. Elwood Mead, commissioner of reclamation in the department of the interior, will include Hermiston and the Umatilla project on his itinerary on his trip over reclamation projects is the information that has been received at the local reclamation office.

The dates on which he will be on the project are July 11, 12 and 13. He will arrive Sunday, July 11, about noon by motor from Yakima. All day Monday will be spent here, and he will leave Tuesday afternoon in time to catch the train for Spokane at Plymouth, Washington, at 3:10.

To date, as far as is known, no public meetings have been arranged to be held while the commissioner is here. He may confer with the district board on Monday. There is a probability that he may meet with members of the Umatilla Rapids association during the visit. It is also expected that he will confer with the board of the Stanfield district.

Dr. Mead left Washington June 14 and will not return to his office until late in July.

An announcement from Washington stated that he will be accompanied by an official photographer on his tour and that many still and motion pictures will be taken of scenes on projects, showing the development that has been worked as a result of the work done in reclamation. It is planned to utilize the motion pictures for publicity purposes, according to the statement from Washington.

Potato Patch Pays

That early potatoes have been a paying crop this year is the experience of George Liebe. He had about three-fourths of an acre devoted to the crop. Mr. Liebe planted his seed last February and got a crop much earlier than usual. Several days ago he had already sold about \$200 of tubers from the patch, and there still remains some more to sell. His early season sales were for prices ranging from 10 cents a pound to three and a half cents.

DON'T CUT DOWN ON FEED FOR CALVES, MOORE SAYS

That it is a mistake to try to raise heifer calves on skim milk and substitute feeds and expect them to develop into high producing cows is the belief expressed by F. W. Moore, dairy farmer who lives north of Hermiston.

"My heifers get whole milk and all they need," Mr. Moore declared. "It's impossible to mature pigs early unless they are fed all they will eat from the time they are born until they go to market. A man can't grow good heavy horses by starving the colts to death, and my experience has taught me that calves should have plenty of butterfat."

Mr. Moore is milking a herd of high producing cows and said that, when properly cared for, a good dairy herd is one of the best investments a man can have.

B. Y. P. U. OF COUNTY TO HOLD RALLY HERE SUNDAY

Pendleton Church Will Send Its Orchestra and Delegates Will Attend.

The B. Y. P. U. of Umatilla county will hold a rally at the Hermiston Baptist church the afternoon and evening of Sunday, June 20.

The orchestra of the Pendleton Baptist church and delegates from all over the county will furnish a very interesting program. This is the first young people's rally to be held in Hermiston and everyone is requested to co-operate in making it a success.

FIRST CAR OF EARLY POTATOES EVER SHIPPED BY ONE GROWER LEFT HERMISTON WEDNESDAY

Another chapter in the history of the Umatilla project as a producing section of agricultural products was written Wednesday when the first carload of early potatoes ever shipped out by one grower went to market. Many early tubers have been shipped from the project in past years but the car that went Wednesday from the Rex Ellis place west of the river was the first solid carload grown by one farmer.

The tubers were U. S. No. 1 and were packed in lugs, 65 pounds net. They were shipped and will be sold through the Three Rivers Growers association of Kennewick. The quality of the spuds was pronounced excellent by a number of men who inspected them.

A ton and a half of spuds from the Ellis place went to La Grande Monday. Vienno S. Kerkkala, formerly of Weston, is running the Ellis place. Mr. Ellis has been on the job in person during harvesting operations. He said that the Pacific Fruit and Produce Co. of Pendleton stated that his potatoes are in much keener demand than California stock.

BOARDMAN POTATO GROWERS TO SHIP THROUGH 3 RIVERS

Potatoes grown in the Boardman district will be shipped this season through the Three Rivers Growers association. Boardman growers have requested that they have membership in the association, and the tubers there will be handled on the same plan that is being followed here.

The plan is being extended to the Boardman district this year for the first time. About 25 acres have been devoted to the crop there this spring.

Fire Does No Damage

Hermiston had its first fire in three months Tuesday afternoon about 1 o'clock when an alarm was sent in from the Christian place. The fuse plugs had burned out recently and pennies were placed back of the fuses. A short circuit developed in an electric iron, and the short caused flame to go up the cord to the ceiling. The flame was extinguished by the residents of the house while the fire truck was on the way to the blaze.

The ladies of the Columbia Neighborhood club will hold a social on the evening of Friday, June 25, on the B. Hammer lawn in Columbia, directly across the road from the Howard Reid ranch. More particulars will be given next week.

LOCAL PLANS FOR LAND TOUR MADA

VISITORS TO BE SHOWN OVER LANDS IN DISTRICT

Dinner to be Served Sunday For 60 Persons; Many Towns to Be Represented.

Plans for piloting members of the land settlement committee of the Portland Chamber of Commerce over the project and adjacent raw lands next Sunday afternoon when the members of the committee will be here on their two day tour of Umatilla and Morrow counties were discussed at the weekly luncheon of the Commercial club Tuesday.

It is expected that a minimum of 60 men will be here to attend the dinner that will be given at 7 o'clock Sunday evening, and the club's entertainment committee was instructed to make plans for the dinner. Delegations, in addition to the members of the Portland group, will be here from Boardman, Irrigon, Umatilla, Stanfield, Echo and Pendleton, it is expected.

The itinerary that will be followed in the Hermiston-Stanfield districts is being worked out by the local land settlement committee.

A program after dinner will include an address of welcome, an explanation of water rights and the terms under which they may be paid, both in the Hermiston district and for other districts and some other brief talks.

A delegation of 10 local men will go to Pendleton for the dinner that is to be given there Monday night, it was decided Tuesday.

Admission to the dinner here Sunday evening will be by ticket, and local men who desire to attend should procure their tickets at Hitt's. The dinner will be given at Hotel Hermiston.

IONE AND HERMISTON TO PLAY BALL HERE SUNDAY

Post Season Game To Open at 2:30; Keogh May Pitch For Visitors.

A post season game of base ball with Ione and Hermiston furnishing the fireworks has been arranged by Manager J. M. Biggs for Sunday, June 20. The game will start a half hour earlier than usual, at 2:30, in order that Ione players may start home before dark.

The Ione team has played consistently fast ball this season. In the Tri-County league they were runners-up and lost four games. Echo trimmed them in an early season game, and they lost to Boardman once. Hermiston defeated them twice, but both games were good.

With the closing of the season the restrictions on strengthening teams have been lifted, and a report here is that Ione will have Keogh of Boardman on the mound. Keogh has twirled some fast ball during the season, and if he works fans will be assured some snappy baseball.

R. F. Wilbur, assistant county agent, who divides his time between the Milton-Freewater section and the Hermiston section, was here this week. A demonstration to be held on the Joe Dyer place Saturday has been planned.

Opportunity for Poultry Growing Here Unexcelled

Willamette Valley Couple Praise Local Flocks; Conditions For Work Ideal.

That there are more natural advantages on the Umatilla project for big scale production of poultry than exist in the Willamette valley was the comment made here by Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Thompson of Oregon, when they were here last Friday on a trip of sight seeing.

Mr. and Mrs. Thompson own and operate Fir Lane Poultry farm at Canby. They specialize in baby chick production, using trapnested and pedigreed S. C. W. Leghorns, and have built up a big business with customers all over the state.

While here they visited about 10 local poultry plants to see at first hand what is being done by the growers here who have started in the business during recent years. They praised a number of pullet flocks and were enthusiastic about the opportunity offered in this district for economical production of poultry and eggs.

The Thompsons have one big machine that holds 47,000 eggs at one time. They take off a hatch of about 4,000 chicks twice a week, about 4,000 chicks twice a week.

STANDARD OIL EMPLOYEES BUY BIG BLOCK OF STOCK

Certificates Purchased Out of Savings Now Have Value of \$28,000,000.

Stock certificates of the Standard Oil company of California have been despatched to 12,000 employees who, through the operation of the company's stock investment and saving plan, have acquired 481,976 shares of company stock with a present market value of about \$28,000,000.

The plan was initiated by the company five years ago for the purpose of assisting employees to become stockholders and encourage thrift. Under this plan the employee was permitted to apply up to 20 per cent of his salary to the purchase of stock. The amount he specified was deducted from his salary to the purchase of stock. The amount he specified was deducted from his salary each month. For each dollar so deposited the company from its own funds added, as a bonus, the sum of fifty cents. As sums sufficient for the purchase of shares of stock were accumulated, the company issued the stock from its treasury to the trustees for account of the employee. Current dividends from this stock were applied to stock purchases.

The plan was suspended December 31 last owing to certain conditions arising from the consolidation of the Standard Oil company and the Pacific Oil company. During its four years and seven months of active operation the participating employees saved about \$15,750,000. To this the company added more than \$7,750,000. Through dividends and the sale of rights the employees accumulated approximately \$23,000,000 more, making a total of nearly \$26,000,000. The market value of the stock purchased is now about \$28,000,000.

To participate the employee had to have one year of service with the company. Of those eligible to participate 85.77 per cent took part in the plan. The maximum payroll deduction permitted was 20 per cent of compensation. The average deduction was 17.54 per cent.

SIXTH ANNUAL CLIMB OF MT. HOOD ON JULY 3, 4, 5

The Hood River post American Legion, which in 1921 launched an annual Mount Hood climbing party for the purpose of exploiting Oregon's natural scenic asset, plans on making the sixth climb the most successful ever held. July 3, 4 and 5 are dates set for the mountain party and in addition to celebrating the nation's birthday by leading to the top of Mount Hood the largest party ever on the summit of a glacial and snow peak on the globe, the legionnaires and their guests will commemorate with appropriate ceremonies the completion of the Coopers Spur lateral of the Mount Hood Loop highway.

On former years it has been necessary for recreationists to hike over a 3 1-2 mile trail to the mile-high mountain camp. With the Coopers Spur road complete and rock surfaced, motorists can now drive directly to the camp.

The Baptist Ladies Aid will meet Wednesday afternoon, June 23, at the home of Mrs. M. S. Morton. Mrs. Morton and Mrs. J. Skovbo will be hostesses.

HERMISTON WINS GAME FROM IONE

LAST LEAGUE GAME TAKEN BY 9-7 SCORE

Woodward Retires 13 Batters By Strikeout Route in Seesaw Contest.

The Hermiston Irrigators closed their schedule in the Tri-County league Sunday at Ione when they defeated the fast aggregation by a score of 9 to 7. The victory over the Ione nine gave the locals a perfect record for their league playing.

Woodward was in the box for the Shovel Pushers and retired 13 Ione batsmen by the strikeout route. Shesely who could not play on account of injuries sustained last week in a fall, was replaced by Hiatt. Veyon was on the initial bag in place of Hiatt, and Blakely played short.

The locals drew first blood by scoring a pair in the initial contest, and they added another in the second. Ione in their part of the second got a couple and added two more in the third. The score seesawed until the sixth when the locals had the lead, 8 to 6, and they were not headed.

Box score and summary:

Hermiston	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Smith, 2nd	6	1	1	1	2	1
Blakely, ss	5	2	2	1	1	1
Voyen, 1st	4	1	1	10	0	2
Shook, cf	3	2	1	0	0	0
Mittlesdorf, lf	3	0	2	1	0	0
Todd, 3rd	5	0	0	0	1	0
Waterman, rf	4	1	0	1	0	0
Woodward, p	5	1	2	3	0	0
Hiatt, c	5	1	2	0	4	2
Totals	41	9	11	27	11	8

Ione

A. Cochran, ss	5	3	1	0	5	1
Esselstyn, 2nd	4	1	1	1	2	2
O. Reitman, 1st	4	0	2	16	0	1
W. Reitman, 3rd	3	1	0	0	4	0
Hoskins, c	4	0	0	6	0	0
Briston, cf	4	2	0	1	0	0
Drake, lf	4	0	0	1	0	0
Cason, rf	4	0	0	2	1	0
Brown, p	3	0	0	0	0	0
Eubank, c	1	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	37	7	4	27	13	4

Earned runs, Ione 1, Hermiston 3; three base hits, Blakely; first on balls, off Woodward 2, off Brown 3; left on bases, Hermiston 9, Ione 4; first base on errors, Hermiston 3, Ione 3; two base hits, Shook, Mittlesdorf, Woodward, O. Reitman; struck out, by Woodward, 13, by Brown 5; hit by pitcher, Brown 2. Scorer, Pierce.

Score by innings: Hermiston..... 2 0 1 3 0 2 0 1 0—9. Ione..... 0 2 2 0 1 1 1 0 0—7

STRAWBERRY ROOT WEEVIL POISONING IS PLANNED

The strawberry root weevil has proven to be the bane of the strawberry industry in commercial growing areas. Soil, in some cases, becomes so heavily infested with the pest that fields must be plowed up and strawberry growing abandoned for a few years.

Until this year there has been no effective poison bait on the market that would attract the weevil. Such a bait has now been perfected and placed on the market by a Seattle man, it first having been found very effective under western Washington conditions. An infested patch on Joe Dyer's ranch at Hermiston will be treated and the effectiveness of the material under Umatilla Project conditions will be noted at a demonstration to be held there by the Asst. County Agent Wilbur Saturday, June 19, at 2 P. M.

RHODES' FLOCK GIVES HIGH PRODUCTION DURING APRIL

Mrs. Lulu M. Rhodes' flock of White Leghorns returned her a labor income during the month of April of \$145.22, according to the records of cost and income that she kept on the flock.

The flock included 330 hens. The feed bill for the month was \$69.26, and other expenses were \$15.04, making a total of \$84.30. Egg sales amounted to \$229.52, and deducting the costs, the labor income amounted to \$145.22. Eggs used at home and eggs broken were not credited. Mrs. Rhodes said the egg cases were furnished.

"Of course, we all know that any old hen will lay during April, and production is always higher in April than in any other month. The figures show what can be done."

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Prindle and family are here from Los Angeles as guests of relatives. They formerly lived here and have not been on the project for five years.

School's Out



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