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WE NEED 1,000,000 LAYING EGGS TO WORK FOR US ON FARMS OF THE UMATILLA PROJECT

HAVE YOU APPOINTED YOURSELF A MEMBER OF THE PROJECT LAND ELEMENT COMMITTEE?

JOHNS SUGGESTS A CANNERY FOR CITY

FRUIT AND VEGETABLES SHOULD BE SAVED HE SAYS

Pendleton Man Urges Founding of Plant Here to Give New Market Outlet.

A small cannery to turn the surplus of fruit and vegetables produced on the Umatilla project into concentrated products is advocated by James Johns, Pendleton business man who has always evinced a lively interest in the welfare of this irrigated district. Whether the cannery should be privately or publicly owned and operated and how large it should be Mr. Johns does not attempt to specify, but he does believe that the business should be a good one. "It came to my attention recently," said he, "that a Pendleton family bought some fine Concord grapes in the Hermiston country this fall, paying for them the sum of \$2.45. The grapes were reduced to sweetened grape juice and marmalade. "The cost of the venture was about as follows: Grapes, \$2.45, labor for putting up the products, \$2.50; sugar, \$2. This is a total of about \$7, and to that should be added a little more for fuel and containers. The grape juice and marmalade made had a wholesale value, not retail, of \$30.

"I doubt whether there is any grape growing district that can produce better Concord than are grown in the Hermiston country. The quality is excellent. In addition to grapes the irrigated farms produce a lot of fruits and vegetables, much of which is waste under present conditions, that might be converted into canned products and sold at a profit."

Mr. Jones cites the case of Payette, Idaho, and its small cannery. That community has had hard times, is common with other agricultural districts, he said, but the market that has been assured for fruits and vegetables through the medium of the cannery has been a big factor in helping the community keep its head above water. Schools do not open in the fall until the bulk of the canning has been done, and under this plan, the excess labor in the community receives the wages that must be paid out by the cannery.

909 FAMILIES LOCATED ON OREGON FARMS DURING YEAR

Investments By Newcomers Amount To About Three Million, Ide's Report Shows.

Progress in bringing new blood to Oregon's farm lands is marked by the annual report of the land settlement department of the state and Portland chambers of commerce, directed by W. G. Ide, which shows that during the fiscal year ending September 30, 909 families have been located on farms in various parts of the state, and that the money invested by these newcomers totals \$2,959,718.

The program of the land settlement department has been in operation for the past three and one-half years, during which time 2,228 families have been placed on Oregon farms directly through the efforts of the department. According to Mr. Ide, the initial investment of this body of settlers is \$8,697,440.

In the work of securing the proper growth and development of Oregon by getting its farm lands occupied and used, the co-operations of realtors and commercial clubs in the various counties of the state is proving a great factor. That every section of Oregon is organized for action to make this work effective is shown by a portion of the annual report which shows 28 counties accounting for the distribution of these homeseekers. In 607 cases the county of location has been reported by the local commercial organization, and but 305 of the 909 families were not so listed. These 305 were shown by the department's own records to have found their homes in these 28 counties and the remaining eight of the 36 counties of Oregon. Where the closest cooperation has been carried on by the local organizations with the Portland office, the greatest results are shown.

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Hitt of Oakfield, Wisconsin, are here as guests at the home of their son, E. E. Hitt. They expect to remain for several weeks and will then go on to California where another son lives. Their trip is in the nature of a vacation, and their plans now are to be away from home until next May.

HOW OLD IS A PIG, AND WHEN IS HIS TAIL BROKEN OR DOUBLED? JOINTED QUESTIONS IN COURT

How is it possible to tell whether a pig's tail is broken, or whether it may be double jointed?

How can the age of a pig, youthful or adult, be ascertained with a degree of accuracy?

These are two of several problems about pigology that developed last Friday when the replevin action brought by Peter Norquist against H. J. Stillings to secure possession of a pig of disputed ownership was held in the court of J. S. West, justice of the peace.

The trial was before a jury, and after deliberating over the evidence presented the jury awarded custody of the porker to Mr. Norquist.

Trial of the case excited a great deal of interest in the community. R. L. Keator of Pendleton represented the plaintiff, and W. J. Warner of Hermiston represented Mr. Stillings. This is the second court session held in which the pig was the center of argument. The first inning came when a hearing was held in the case of the state against Mr. Norquist on a charge of larceny of the pig. Mr. Stillings was the complaining witness. In that hearing Mr. Norquist was bound over on his own recognizance to await the action of the grand jury.

CALIFORNIA CITRUS CROP SETS NEW HIGH RECORD

Growers' Body Returns 98 Million Dollars to State Through Its Marketing.

Los Angeles, Nov. 25.—California's citrus industry during the 1925-26 season marketed its largest crop with greatest returns ever made to the state, and did this in the face of an abnormally large production of practically all other competing fruits, again demonstrating the advantageous position of California growers due to their many years of aggressive sales and advertising campaigns, according to the annual report of General Manager Desell of the California Fruit Growers' Exchange, released today.

Based on Exchange returns, the total California citrus crop amounted to \$98,023,031 f. o. b. California with a delivered carload value of \$125,218,641, the difference of \$27,195,610 representing freight and refrigeration charges. The Exchange alone did a delivered business of \$97,662,552, with returns to Exchange shippers amounting to the record sum of \$70,744,726. Total shipments for the state equalled 63,640 carloads.

This record year brings total returns to Exchange shippers for the sum of \$737,000,000.

Exchange marketing costs including advertising amounted to only 2.48 per cent of the delivered carload value, which is materially lower than the marketing charges alone of any other agency, stated Mr. Desell.

Export business to European and trans-Pacific countries was more than three times as great as in any previous year. The Exchange is steadily developing these outlets which will be important factors with increasing crops.

More than 3,000 carloads of unsalable lemons were converted into millions of pounds of citric acid, lemon oil and pectin by the enlarged Lemon Products company. The Orange Products company was greatly increased in membership and capacity during the season, the report relates.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

Curling of mayonnaise is averted by adding 1 tablespoon of cold water to the egg yolk before using any oil.

A bar of soap and a hand towel near the kitchen sink save many trips to the bathroom to wash the hands.

Memorandums are jotted down quickly if a pencil and pad are hung in a convenient place in the kitchen.

To hold the hot iron in place for steaming velvet, the sleeve board is slipped through the handle of the electric iron which stays firmly in place with flat surface up.

A vacuum cleaner is useful to transfer feathers from one pillow to another. The new pillow is fastened in place of dust bag and nozzle inserted in the other pillow.

An ink spot on a rug is often removed by rubbing with a piece of a raw potato.

Mrs. C. M. Dale and son Robert have returned from Portland where they spent several days.

TURKEY CROP ABOUT 3,000 THIS YEAR

PROJECT'S SUPPLY LESS THAN LAST YEAR

Breeding Flocks to be Fourth Larger in 1927, Gilbert Smith Says

Sales of turkeys in the Hermiston district, already made for the Thanksgiving trade, or in prospect for the Christmas season, will run less this year than a year ago, according to the estimate by Gilbert Smith, local grower and buyer.

A short carload shipment was made last Friday to the Portland market by Mr. Smith, 1400 dressed birds in crates being included in the lot. He took an additional 165 birds down by truck Saturday. The total outside sales for the Thanksgiving trade this year has amounted to about 1800 birds, according to his estimate. He expressed the opinion that an additional 1000 turkeys will be shipped during the Christmas season.

The number of turkeys raised to maturity on the project this year is not so great as the number marketed last year, he said. The shortage in numbers was due to the fact that disease was more prevalent this spring and summer than in previous years. He attributed the heavier losses to the fact that last winter was so mild that disease germs which would have been killed by cold weather survived. More poulters were hatched this spring than in the spring of 1925.

Breeding flocks will be about 25 per cent larger on the project as a whole next spring than the were this past spring, according to expressions made by the growers to him.

FINES IMPOSED AGAINST HUNTERS FOR LATE SHOOTING

Three hunters paid fines of \$25 and costs in the court of J. S. West, justice of the peace, Monday when they entered pleas of guilty to a charge of hunting ducks after the time limit in the afternoon. The three were Dave Mittendorf, Lester Carson and W. H. Fink of Portland. The fine was the lowest the law permits a court to impose.

In addition the guns and licenses of the hunters were forfeited. The guns may later be redeemed at Portland. The charges were brought by W. H. Albee, deputy game warden.

RADIO IS THE MEANS OF CONVEYING INFORMATION TO THE POULTRYMEN OF OREGON

Employed by A. G. Lunn, chief of poultry husbandry at the experiment station.

A course on the management of poultry farms is being broadcast from the KOAC station every Monday night at 8:15. This course, consisting of six 15-minute lectures, considers the size of a poultry business, planning and laying out a poultry farm and factors affecting the success of the poultry business.

Jesse Goff transacted business in Pendleton Friday.

COUNTY AGENT TO BE HONORED GUEST FRIDAY AT COLUMBIA

Farm Bureau Will Elect Officers and Welcome Walter Holt At Meeting.

The Farm Bureau will elect officers for the coming year at a meeting to be held Friday night at 8 o'clock at Columbia school.

Following the election and business session, a reception to Walter Holt, new county agent for Umatilla county, will be tendered by the organization.

Present plans are to have a special program for this part of the evening's activities. The Commercial club was invited Tuesday to have a speaker present to represent it at the reception.

METHODIST MEN OF STATE TO MEET SOON IN PORTLAND

Noted Speakers are on Program For Sessions December 9 and 10.

Portland, Oregon, November 25.—Fifteen hundred Methodist laymen and ministers will be brought together in Portland on December 9, and 10 for a state wide council, according to an announcement made here by Bishop William O. Shepard, in charge of the Pacific northwest area. Every Methodist Episcopal church in the state is to send its pastor and a group of laymen as delegates.

Men of international repute are announced as speakers on the two-day program by Dr. Bert Edward Smith of Chicago, secretary of the Men's Work for the denomination, who has opened up a headquarters office here from which the council work will be directed.

"I have landed Colonel Raymond Robins, who is one of the biggest speakers on the American platform," Dr. Smith announced to the executive committee having pre-council arrangements in charge. "He will give two addresses, one on 'The Outlawry of War,' and the other on 'The Social Gospel of Jesus.' Hugh Doherty of Saskatchewan, a great temperance leader of Canada, will speak on 'The Failure of the Canadian Liquor System.' Dr. Lorenzo H. King, one of the greatest negro orators in America, will give his address on 'Methodism's Ministry to the Negro Race.' Dr. Will Winton Alexander of Atlanta, executive secretary of the Inter-Racial commission, will give his masterful address on 'Christianizing Race Relationships.' We are also going to have E. Dow Bancroft, a retired Ohio farmer, who has spoken in almost all of our men's conventions on 'God's Substitutes for Man's Financial Drives.' Ralph Connor, who is known the world over for his writings, will also be one of the headline speakers."

HONEY IS A FOOD OF SUPERIOR VALUE

Honey is a food of superior value, says H. A. Scullen of the experiment station, not only because it is so readily absorbed by the digestive system but for several other reasons. Not the least of these is the natural flavor from the flower itself which no artificial sweet can ever have. Honey contains most of the valuable minerals, as well as a few vitamins, which modern processes have so frequently eliminated from many forms of food, especially sugar and the syrups made from sugar.

A WATER SPOT ON SILK CREPE OFTEN DISAPPEARS IF THE FINGER NAIL IS RUBBED LIGHTLY OVER THE DISCOLORATION.

HERMISTON WILL OBSERVE HOLIDAY

FOOTBALL GAME TO BE PLAYED THIS MORNING

Union Services at Methodist Church Will Be Held This Evening At 7:30.

Thanksgiving will be observed by Hermiston residents today in a number of ways. There will be a football game at 11 o'clock this morning on the local gridiron between Wasco and the irrigators. At 7:30 tonight union services under the auspices of the Protestant churches will be held. The usual number of family dinners in celebration of the holiday will be held.

The football team is all primed for the hardest game of its season. Wasco's goal line has not been crossed yet this season, and the Wasco team has piled up a total of more than 200 points against its various opponents, some of which have been strong aggregations. Coach Higbee's grid warriors have developed gradually throughout the season, and will go into the game in good condition with a determination to shove the oval across the visitor's goal line, if such a result can be secured.

The union Thanksgiving services in the evening will be held in the Methodist Episcopal church. Rev. A. J. Ware, pastor of the Baptist church, will be the speaker. A solo, "Beautiful Garden of Prayer," will be sung by Enos Martin. Rev. Hamrick, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church, will not be present, due to the fact that he is conducting special evangelistic services at the Echo church at present.

LANCE-GRIGG

A wedding of interest to Hermiston was solemnized last Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock at Hood River when Miss Ethyl Grigg became the bride of Harold L. Lance. The ceremony was read by Rev. Henry Young, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church of Hood River, formerly pastor of the church here. After the wedding Mr. and Mrs. Lance went to Corvallis where they attended homecoming and visited his mother, Mrs. Louise Lance. Mrs. Lance formerly attended Monmouth normal. She is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. Grigg of Hermiston. Mr. Lance was graduated at Oregon Agricultural college with the class of 1923 in the pharmacy department. He is employed by the Mitchell Drug Co. They returned Tuesday evening from their trip and will reside here.

Three additional courses are to be given next year, starting early in January. These courses will consist of six 15-minute lectures and will cover the feeding and breeding methods used at the station and the most common diseases of poultry.

Outlines of the material covered will be mailed before each lecture to anyone sending in his name. Assignments for reference readings and problems will be furnished to help the listeners understand the topics discussed. Information on any of the courses will be gladly given through correspondence with the poultry department.

Replies from as far as southern California show that the first two lectures have been received with favor.



CRUELTY OF CHINESE DRAWS SHUDDER FROM AMERICAN WHO WATCHES PUBLIC EXECUTION

University of Oregon, Eugene, Nov. 24.—The Chinese are the cruellest and most heartless of people and have no pity for any one, not even members of their own race, believes Lieutenant George Herbert, formerly of Baker, assistant professor of military science at the university, after witnessing a Chinese execution. Lieut. Herbert, who spent three years in China, was transferred to the local R. O. T. C. this fall.

In describing the execution, Lieut. Herbert said that four Chinamen, representing themselves as members of the military forces, tried to steal a cart. They were sentenced to punishment the next morning. "The men were paraded in carts on which was a placard announcing that they were atrocious criminals who were to be executed at 10 o'clock in the morning. Showing absolutely no emotion, the convicted men acted as if the whole affair was a mere joke," Lieut. Herbert said.

After the parade, they were taken to the execution stand in the center of the city. They were forced to kneel and the executioner drew a knife which was two feet long and about four inches wide and very heavy and sharp. Without hesitation, he severed the heads of the criminals. More than 20,000 persons witnessed the execution, and great cheers arose at each stroke of the knife. Through some clever manipulation of the executioner, the head of the last victim was tossed several feet in the air, Lieut. Herbert said.

The cheers aroused by this feat could be compared with applause that greets Babe Ruth when he hits a homer, according to Lieut. Herbert.

FORMER RESIDENT DIES AT BOYER HOME IN ONTARIO

P. E. Hayden Succumbs After An Illness of Seven Months; Farmed on Project.

P. E. Hayden, known in Hermiston by reason of his residence on a project farm from 1917 until the fall of 1925, died Monday, November 15, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Orin Boyer, at Ontario. His death resulted from an illness of seven months duration.

Mr. Hayden was 76 years old at the time of his death. He is survived by his widow, two daughters, Miss May Hayden of Bloomsburg, Pa., and Mrs. Boyer, and three sons, Joe and Will Hayden and Charles Hayden of Lewiston, Idaho. Joe and Will Hayden visited here during the time their parents lived here. The youngest son, John, was killed in France during the war, and his death caused a break in his father's health.

Mrs. Boyer was in Hermiston this week taking care of business affairs.

REV. WARE TELLS OF WORTH OF RELIGIOUS TRAINING

An invitation to the business men of the community to attend the union Thanksgiving services Thursday evening at 7:30 at the Methodist Episcopal church was extended Tuesday by Rev. A. J. Ware in a talk he made before the commercial club.

He cited the experiences of judges of juvenile courts and other authorities in like positions as to the influence for good that is effected by the training given boys and girls in the Bible schools. That is a part of the program of the churches of the city, the speaker said, the training of youth about fundamental religious principles.

He cited the improvements secured in the lives of both boys and girls after religious training had been given them as a sound economic reason why business is fundamentally interested in seeing the work of the church carried forward in an energetic manner.

FARM REMINDERS

Presence of discoloration in the stem end and vascular region of the potato in Oregon has been found in many year's work at the experiment station to be an unreliable index of the presence of disease-producing organisms. It cannot safely be relied upon as the sole guide in separating sound from diseased stock for planting. More than 12,000 tubers were examined in finding these facts out.

The only method of controlling blight of apple and pear trees in Oregon that has proved at all successful is cutting out all the diseased parts, burning them and disinfecting the wound. This work promptly and thoroughly done holds the disease to a minimum, but does not always prevent recurrence the following year.

CO-OPERATIVE HAS BIG YEAR IN 1926

SALES SHOW MORE THAN 50 PER CENT INCREASE

Volume of Business for Fiscal Year Almost \$16,000, Annual Report Shows.

A gain of more than 50 per cent in volume of sales over the previous year's record was made by the Farm Bureau Cooperative of Hermiston for the fiscal year ending October 31, 1926, according to the annual report of the concern that was made to the board of directors at the annual meeting held Saturday night.

The fiscal year just closed shows a sales volume of \$115,990.30, according to the report submitted to the board by Sidney Barnard, secretary and manager. This compared with a total sales volume of \$75,704.25 for the year that ended October 31, 1925, or a gain of a little more than 40-000.

The cost of goods sold amounted to \$113,462.31, which left a gross profit on sales of \$2,527.99. Discounts earned were \$177.86. The grinding and mixing machinery operations during slightly more than two months it has been operated showed a profit of \$63.35, after deducting labor overhead charges. Receipts from membership dues were \$142. The total gross profit amounted to \$2,921.20.

Expenses were as follows: Taxes \$38.77; interest, \$295.35; other expenses, \$1,285.86; total \$1,619.98. The net earnings for the organization amounted to \$1,301.22, and this sum has been placed in the surplus fund.

The total assets of the organization at the end of this fiscal year amounted to \$12,377.42, the report showed, and net assets after money owed and other items were deducted were \$5,937.74. This sum has been accumulated during the two years the organization has been alive and functioning.

Since the installation of the new mixing and grinding machinery the cost of manufacturing and distributing has been 7.49 per cent of total gross sales, Manager Barnard declared.

Starting two years ago with a very small membership and not one dollar in assets, the growth of the co-operative has been rapid. Today its membership rolls show the names of more than 500 farmers in two counties. The warehouse, built when the organization was formed, had to be enlarged in 1925 in order to provide more storage room and additional space to accommodate the new machinery that was installed.

The board of directors in charge of the organization has the following personnel: F. P. Phipps, president; Henry Ott, vice-president; C. M. Jackson, Henry Sommerer and J. W. McMullen. Mr. Barnard is secretary and manager but is not a member of the board.

CAT'S MEOW ATTRACTION IN COURT FIGHT OVER TOMMY

Jamestown, N. Y., Nov. 24.—When it came to prominence and publicity Felix, the movie cat, that's known the nation over, couldn't hold a candle in Jamestown on Saturday to Tom a local "talent black angora" with one white whisker. Tom was a stellar attraction in Judge Allen E. Bargar's city court while three women and their lawyers battled for custody of the feline.

Two women were there claiming the cat was theirs and one woman said it was hers alone. The one woman was charged with stealing it. Judge Bargar, reserved decision upon the guilt or innocence of the defendant but awarded custody of the cat to the defendant because the code of criminal procedure provides that title to property alleged to have been stolen is not determined by prosecution of a person accused of committing a theft.

"Meow!" Thus wailed the amateur Felix at the judge's announcement. Whether the court's action pleased the cat or not the little beast with the white whisker didn't indicate. At any rate the feline looked as if a feast of catnip would have been preferable to court dignity.

For sheer comedy the Saturday scene in the city court was the "cat's meow." Mrs. Edna C. Tower, a teacher at the Falconer school, and her sister, Miss Esther Clark, a teacher at Washington Junior High school, who live together at 313 Pendergast avenue, claim joint ownership of the home talent Felix. They are accusing Mrs. Thomas Bowers, 318 Pendergast avenue, of stealing the cat. Whoever owns Tom, Mrs. Bowers was granted the custody of the pet and the teachers are as yet without the long-haired rat catcher.

—Erie Dispatch.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Savely were Pendleton visitors last Friday.