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HERE'S ANOTHER STRAW

Farming has had its ups and downs along with other kinds of business, and one factor that has been a source of discouragement to farmers during periods of depression has been the difficulty of making effective adjustments in plans of production to reduce losses to a minimum.

Where irrigation is followed, a great deal of this difficulty of balancing production is eliminated insofar as natural conditions are concerned, and the change of plans that economic pressure may make necessary depends on the adaptability of the men doing the farming.

The report of Sidney Barnard, manager of the Farm Bureau Co-operative of Hermiston, that the acreage devoted to wheat on irrigated tracts between Boardman on the west and Stanfield on the east will be between 800 and 1000 acres is significant of the capacity of the irrigated land to be turned to other than uses considered customary and of the adaptability of the farmers manning these places.

What will grow on more than twice as many acres this year as compared to last year's record. It will be grown for chicken and turkey feed, to reduce money-out-of-pocket costs. Incidentally, its value, even if sold as a cash crop, probably will exceed the cash value of alfalfa.

When converted into eggs and turkeys for Christmas dinners, it should earn for those who produce it a nice margin of profit above cost of production.

The Herald is not surprised at this manifestation of change in the practices of farming in its territory. This is merely one of several just as significant that has been made during the past few years. The action of farmers is given special notice to focus attention of those who mourn for the "hopeless lot" of agriculture on the fact that intelligent farmers in an irrigated country have, and avail themselves of the opportunity of using their heads to save themselves losses.

This adaptability of the farmer on the Greater Umatilla Project is the project's greatest single asset. Because of it, and because of the indomitable courage that actuates its people, the project is gradually shaping a course that promises to make it a bright spot in a country whose agriculture too long has been garbed in drab raiment.

HELP!
Sometimes boys and girls have the idea that their work is not so important as the work that falls to the lot of men and women. That is not always true. Right now the Hermiston country has some work to do that requires some wide-awake boys and girls. Their fathers or mothers can not do the job in question, but boys and girls can do it, and the creditable performance will be important to this whole district.

Hermiston wants a poultry club. Notwithstanding the lively interest in poultry displayed by adults, club members seek lukewarm toward the club. E. L. Jackson is project club leader, and James Todd is leader of the poultry club. At least half a dozen boys and girls should hand in their names without fail to either of these men and organize a poultry club.

West Builds Brooder House
J. S. West has been busy this week constructing a new brooder house or some lots near his house. The new house will be used by him in caring for chickens of his own hatching. He has been building up a flock of the Holterman strain of Barred Rock for two or three years and will increase its size materially this year.

Woodmen To Meet
A special meeting of the Modern Woodmen of America has been called for Saturday night by J. S. West, consul of the local camp. The meeting will have as one of its purposes a chance for members to meet Mr. Kate who was recently appointed district deputy. He has been here several days in the interest of the order.

CITY IRRIGATION WATER ASSESSMENT FOR 1927
District No. 1
Notice is hereby given that in accordance with Ordinance No. 76 as amended by Ordinance No. 122 of the City of Hermiston, an assessment has been levied by the city council upon the following lots and parcels of land in the irrigation district established by said Ordinance No. 76 and enlarged by said Ordinance No. 122, for the purpose of collecting a special improvement assessment to pay the cost of water for irrigation and delivery of the same for the NW-1-4 SW-1-4 Section 11 and the NE1-4 SW1-4 of Section 10 both in township 4 N. R. 28 E. W. M. Block B of the First Addition to Hermiston.

Table listing property owners and amounts for Block H of the Second Addition to Hermiston, and Block A in the First Addition to Hermiston and lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8 and 9 in Block E in the Second Addition to Hermiston.

Table listing property owners and amounts for Lot 9 25 feet, C. C. Durfey, Lot 10 25 feet, A. Sapper, Lot 11 25 feet, J. H. Williams, etc.

Table listing property owners and amounts for Kern's Addition, Block A, Lot 1 1 1/2 feet, M. S. Kern, Lot 2 1 1/2 feet, M. S. Kern, etc.

Table listing property owners and amounts for Lot 24 25 feet, Mrs. G. A. Cressey, Lot 25 25 feet, City of Hermiston, Lot 1 30 feet, City of Hermiston, etc.

Table listing property owners and amounts for Lot 11 25 feet, City of Hermiston, Lot 12 25 feet, City of Hermiston, Lot 13 30 feet, City of Hermiston, etc.

Table listing property owners and amounts for Lot 2 45 feet, City of Hermiston, Lot 3 45 feet, City of Hermiston, Lot 4 45 feet, City of Hermiston, etc.

CITY IRRIGATION WATER ASSESSMENT FOR 1927
District No. 2
Notice is hereby given that in accordance with Ordinance No. 96 of the City of Hermiston an assessment has been levied by the City Council upon the following lots and parcels of land in the irrigation district established by said Ordinance No. 96 for the purpose of collecting a special improvement assessment to pay the cost of water for irrigation and delivery of the same for the NE1-4 SW 1-4 of Section 11, Tp. 4 N. R. 28 E. W. M., excepting therefrom Block 7, lots 11 to 16 inclusive in Block 3, Block 11 and lots 4 to 7 inclusive in Block 12 of Newport's Addition to the City of Hermiston, the land embraced in the irrigation assessment district provided for in said Ordinance No. 96 and contracting and maintaining an irrigation system therefor.