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CAMP GROUNDS ARE TO BE IMPROVED

H. E. HANBY BUYS PROPERTY OF G. W. BAILEY

New Combination Cabins-Garages And Dairy Barn Will Be Erected Soon

Improvements to the Hermiston camp grounds that will enable it to take care of a greater business than has heretofore been possible will be made immediately by H. E. Hanby, following his purchase of the G. W. Bailey place.

The deal for the property was concluded this week by the principals, and Mr. Hanby is to have possession without delay.

"I expect to make a change in arrangements at the camp grounds so it will attract more business," Mr. Hanby said. "My plans are to have combination cabins and garages. New building work will be done to provide 10 such cabins and garages."

The Bailey place consists of 12 acres in the edge of town. A big seven room house, surrounded by abundant shade, makes the place one of the attractive properties in Hermiston. Mr. Hanby also plans to build a new dairy barn with concrete foundation, floors and mangers to house 10 head of producing cows.

"I've lived in Hermiston since October, 1906," said Mr. Hanby, "and I'm planning to continue living here. The camp grounds proposition looks like a real opportunity. I've always made a little money here, and I believe this new proposition is a good one."

The improvements planned by the new owner are estimated to cost between \$1,500 and \$2,000, and the work will be started as soon as possible so the camp grounds will be ready for spring and summer business.

FLOOD ON BUTER CREEK DAMAGES M'CARTY PLACE

Ice Jams in Flooded Stream and Back Water Enters Cellar and Washes Ditches

Otis McCarty, Butter creek rancher, who was in town Tuesday states that he suffered quite a great deal of damage through Butter creek getting out of bounds last week. "When I got home from town that day," said Mr. McCarty, "water three feet deep in some places, and with floating ice in it, was running pretty strong between me and my house. A warm wind and heavy rain in McDonald creek sent a lot of water down into Butter creek, and ice jammed in a narrow place in the creek on my place, forcing the water back to where the banks were not so high, sending it out over my land."

While the cellar of Mr. McCarty's house was filled with water, he says that the biggest damage was to his irrigation system and dams. Mr. McCarty says that "apparently all the old timers believed that water would not run down hill, for many of them built their houses much below creek levels, and then when freshets came along they always got washed out, but they never learned from experience, for invariably they built all over again in just the same place."

Gaylord Madison's place was hurt some by the high waters of last week but other ranchers in the vicinity were not damaged.

REV. Z. T. PHILLIPS



Rev. Dr. Z. T. Phillips, rector of the Episcopal Church of the Epiphany in Washington, who was elected chaplain of the United States senate.

DRY AGENTS FAIL IN CIVIL SERVICE TESTS

Washington, D. C.—Federal prohibition officials see no reason why a hard-boiled revenue raider should be an intellectual giant to properly hold his job and for this reason they have appealed to the civil service commission to soften its examination requirements under which all prohibition administrators and agents must qualify in accordance with the reorganization law passed at the last session of congress.

The "flunks" have averaged high, it was said, and even five of the administrators, the field colonels of the dry forces, have failed to meet the requirements of the commission. The fatalities for the agents have been particularly heavy in the south, where they have run as high as 85 per cent. "The situation is terrible," one administrator complained to the Washington officials. "It is more important for an agent to be able to smash a bootleg joint than it is to spell 'idiosyncrasy.'"

VETERANS FILE TOO LATE

Department Unable to Consider 25,000 Delayed Applications.

Washington, D. C.—In the deluge of last minute applications from world war veterans for adjusted compensation, the dead line for which was reached at midnight January 1, approximately 25,000 applications came too late and cannot be considered. The figures show that approximately 400,000 veterans entitled to adjusted compensation have never been heard from.

The total number of applications received amount to 3,247,468.

Divers Prepare for Raising S-4

Provincetown, Mass.—Divers assigned to the S-4 salvage fleet, aided by nearly ideal weather conditions, Sunday succeeded in making what is regarded as extraordinarily rapid progress in preparing the sunken submarine for raising. Although 12 divers worked in the engine and control compartments, no additional bodies were found, the total number recovered thus far remaining at 17.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Warner, daughter Jane, and Mrs. Mabel Ralph and daughter Helen were Pendleton visitors Saturday.

POISONING WORK IS URGED BY LEADER

JENDRZEJEWSKI ASKS FARMERS TO GET RABBITS

Use of Strychnine and Chopped Hay Suggested as Feasible Way To Get Pests.

A statement urging project farmers to devote some of their time now toward exterminating jack rabbits while their feed is limited and poisoning is feasible was made yesterday by John Jendrzejewski, project leader in rodent control work of the Umatilla Project Farm Bureau.

Concerning the rabbits and the ways to kill them, his statement was as follows:

"How much does it cost to feed a jack rabbit a year? We know what it costs to feed a horse, a hog, a sheep or any other farm animal, but on this particular pest there are no figures available. I would not call it a pest, but a sideline.

"There is money in rabbits if you skin them. The pelts are worth from 10 to 15 cents piece, and a man can skin from 30 to 100 a day. The writer once skinned 50 in four hours.

"While we do not know how much it costs to feed one, we do know how much damage one does in having access to a field. We also know how to kill them. We may trap which is slow, shoot which is too expensive to be done much, or poison him. The latter method is better because an ounce of strychnine on hay at the small cost of 75 cents will kill 200 rabbits, if placed where they are thick.

"The best time to do this is right now, so get busy while the snow is on the ground. A couple of ounces of strychnine and a sack of chopped hay will go a long way toward cutting down the rabbit population. There are some on every farm, and if they are not killed there will be more of them next year. If we do a good job of poisoning now it won't be necessary to have drives, which while they are fun also cost money."

EARLY LAMBING RECORD IS SET BY BEDDOW'S FLOCK

George Beddow who has farmed for many years in the Columbia district got into the sheep business a short time since, and he had not had his small farm flock very long before lambs started arriving.

"I had not figured on additions to the size of the flock until February," Mr. Beddow admitted while discussing his venture one day this week, "but the first lamb was born on Christmas day, and since then all the sleep I've had has been 'cat naps.' To date 14 lambs have been born. I did not have my arrangements completed for caring for the lambs, but I've saved 13. One chilled before I got it and died."

Quite a little interest in small farm flocks of sheep has been displayed by farmers in the past year.

"We think we had a fairly good snow here in Hermiston, but our nine inches lacked quite a bit of being as much as there was in Portland," said J. M. Biggs on his return Sunday. He went down to attend one of the regular meetings of the state committee of the American Legion. He saw Andy Kern who has been in the Veterans hospital for several weeks. Andy is much better and expects to return home this week.

TAYLOR-SAWIN FLOCK HAS 62 PER CENT LAY RECORD

The poultry plant of Hugh Taylor and Charles Sawin on the west side was equipped with electricity last week. Several 50 watt lights were installed in the laying house, and are regulated by an automatic switch. Taylor and Sawin are supplying a local merchant with 9 cases of eggs a week from their pullet flock, which is maintaining a 62 1-2 per cent lay, conceded by local poultry men to be very good for this time of year.

LAST TURKEY POOL OF YEAR IS SOLD

TOMS BRING 38, HENS 33, IS WORD RECEIVED

Local Growers to Have 2000 In January Shipment; Time of Shipping Not Set.

The January pool of turkeys of the Idaho Turkey Growers association of which the birds of local growers are a part has been sold, and shipment will be made within a short time. Information of the sale was received Tuesday from Mrs. C. G. Brink, general manager and secretary of the association.

The price of No. 1 toms will be 38 cents and for hens, 33 cents, according to the telegram.

These prices are lower than were received for the Christmas pool when 42 cents was paid for toms and 40 cents for hens that graded No. 1.

The prices are in line with market conditions, however, G. H. Jenkins, assistant county agent, pointed out. The Portland price for No. 1 toms has been ranging from 37 to 35 cents per pound, and growers have to deduct about three cents per pound from the Portland price for handling and other charges. That gives the pool prices a considerable margin above the market they could realize if they sold independently.

About 2000 birds will be shipped from Hermiston in the January pool, according to estimates.

At press time today no information had been received as to the dates on which birds will be received locally, but as soon as the dates have been fixed notices will be given growers, Mr. Jenkins stated.

THE STORK

A baby girl, weighing eleven pounds, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Homer Hedricks of Stanfield, at the Hermiston hospital Tuesday afternoon.

J. Omoh Hundrow of Lexington was a business visitor here Monday.

HERMISTON LIBRARY RECORD IN CIRCULATION THIRD IN COUNTY DURING PAST YEAR

Mrs. R. A. Brownson's report shows that the local library ranks as third in circulation in the county lists. The American Library Association considers a circulation of five books a year per capita of population a fair average, but the local branch has put out 9951 books this year, with an estimated population of 800, over 12 per cent circulation per capita. The growth has been about evenly divided in both adult and juvenile books. Only Milton and Pendleton have exceeded Hermiston's record.

HENRY L. STIMSON



Henry L. Stimson of New York, who was appointed governor of the Philippines, to succeed the late Gen. Leonard Wood.

EXTEND QUARANTINE AGAINST CORN BORER

Washington, D. C.—Secretary of Agriculture Jardine announced a revision of the European corn borer quarantine effective January 1, 1928, which makes extensive additions to the areas regulated on account of this pest. The newly quarantined territory, in which infestations were discovered during the summer and fall of this year, consists of 731 townships in Vermont, western Massachusetts, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana and Michigan.

The corn borer is now known to exist in 13 states, namely, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Maine, Rhode Island, Connecticut, Vermont, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Ohio, Michigan and Indiana.

The products affected by the revision are corn, broomcorn, sorghums and Sudan grass. Inspection and certification are required for the interstate movement of clean shelled corn and clean seed of broomcorn to unfested districts. The shipment of cornstalks and ears to unfested territory is prohibited.

BRIEF GENERAL NEWS

The public debt was reduced \$1,038,312,882 during the last year, representing a reduction of \$8,560,349,197 since 1919, when it reached its peak of \$26,596,701,648.

A wave of feeling against William E. Hickman among prisoners in the Los Angeles county jail prompted jailers to keep the confessed slayer of Marian Parker constantly behind barred cell doors.

Announcement that Jacob G. Schurman, American ambassador to Germany, has raised \$280,000 in American circles for the University of Heidelberg has produced much enthusiasm in the German press.

Captain J. Kerr and three members of the crew of the motorship Noble were drowned when the vessel crashed on Escalante reef off the west coast of Vancouver island. Two others of the crew of six were rescued and brought to Vancouver.

Mrs. W. H. Simmons, who has been visiting in Umatilla over the holidays, returned to Hermiston Monday afternoon.

TRIAL FUSION OF CHURCHES STARTED

BAPTISTS AND CHRISTIANS IN UNION MOVEMENT

Plan of Uniting to be Tried for Period Before Permanent Union is Formed.

Joint worship by two Protestant church groups in Hermiston, the Baptists and the newly organized Christian church, in an effort to perfect a combination of forces, personnel and financial resources that will permit of greater religious effectiveness, has been decided on as a result of a joint conference held by committees representing the two organizations last Saturday night.

The temporary union, agreed on as a necessary preliminary before final action can be taken, has no definite time to run and will be terminated either by a permanent fusion, or by a decision on the part of the two groups to maintain separate organizations.

The committees representing the two groups consisted of J. Skovbo, H. J. Stillings and R. Beasley for the Baptist church and Cecil Warner, A. W. Turnblad and W. G. Dyer for the Christian church.

For the present it is understood that each group retains its own identity, but worship and church work will be done in one body. The building owned by the Baptist church will be the meeting place, and Rev. A. J. Ware, popular pastor of the Baptist church, will continue his work here, at least during the period of the trial union.

"There are a considerable number of details that remain to be worked out to a satisfactory conclusion," Rev. Ware said, in commenting on the movement, "but those of us who have given the most study to the situation are hopeful that the auspicious start will result in the temporary unification becoming permanent. I have made the statement, and I am convinced of its soundness, that it would be nothing less than criminal for two groups whose beliefs and practices are so nearly identical as the Baptists' and the Disciples' to try to operate separate churches in our community. I feel very hopeful that the movement will succeed."

Following is the formal statement issued by the joint committees as a result of the Saturday night conference:

"A joint committee of Christians, Baptists and Disciples, meeting together to discuss a way that they might work together in unity, and finding that the only difference is the name and denominational alliance, recommend a union meeting for a period of time under the guidance of the Holy Spirit in the Baptist church until such time comes that it may be determined if it will be the will of the Heavenly Father for the Baptists and Disciples to put aside causes for permanent division.

"In case cause for permanent division be put aside and unity in the spirit on the New Testament church be agreed upon, the Disciples agree to make the effort to satisfy present Baptist denominational claims on the property. And if at any future time the reasons for this proposed union should cease to exist it is expressly understood that the property is to revert to the Baptist denomination."

Rev. W. S. Coder, brother of Mrs. Martha Mumma, is assisting in special revival services at Panawawa, Washington.

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