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TRADE INVOLVING 720 ACRES MADE

S. E. STARR SWAPS FOR WHEAT RANCH LANDS

Henriksen Brothers of La Grande are New Owners of 135 Acres South of Town.

One of the biggest deals in farm property for a long time was consummated early this week when S. E. Starr of Hermiston traded his farm south of town to Henriksen Bros. of La Grande for a wheat ranch in the Grande Ronde valley. The consideration involved in valuation was not divulged, but title to 535 acres of land was exchanged and a lease on an additional 185 acres.

Mr. Starr's holdings here included 135 acres and was part of the old McNaught farm. He traded this land for 400 acres about seven miles north of La Grande. In addition he secured a lease on 185 acres which Henriksen Bros. have been operating as a part of their farming business.

In addition to the land the farming outfits and livestock on the two places were included in the trade. The Starr lock of sheep was taken over by the new owners, and they will buy another 500 head of ewes to enlarge the flock.

The terms of the deal call for immediate possession to be given, and the two families will start moving within a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Starr and their son Lawrence have lived here two years, having come here from Washington January 1, 1926.

"I have never lived any place where better and more congenial people are to be found than here in the Hermiston country," Mr. Starr said, "but I like wheat farming and have been anxious to get back to it. Mrs. Starr and Lawrence also like it here and are not anxious to leave."

The trade was handled by Henry Hill of La Grande.

Henriksen Bros. are experienced sheep men. They are sons of Al Henriksen of Pendleton, formerly of Morrow county.

HENRY SOMMERER KNOCKED OUT BY FALL LAST WEEK

Henry Sommerer took a little time off from work over at the Farm Bureau Co-operative a week ago today and was "off duty" for several minutes while the rest of the force applied cold water and other restoratives to revive him after he had been rendered unconscious.

He was working inside the warehouse when a tier of sacks of feed slipped and knocked him down. A ladder then fell on him. It struck him across the face and rendered him unconscious. He received a black eye and a badly bruised nose as a result of the accident.

"It was n't nearly so bad as some of the boys were trying to make believe," said Mr. Sommerer, but he still looked as if he had emerged second best in a good prize fight the first of the week.

Mrs. Walter Blessing gave a surprise birthday party Tuesday evening for Mr. Blessing and their son, Wesley. Guests played 500 at four tables, Mrs. J. Pearson winning first prize for ladies, Curtis Simons first for men, and Mrs. George Wagner getting the consolation prize.

John Newell returned Saturday from a week spent in Portland.

E. P. EASTERBROOK



Lieut. Col. E. P. Easterbrook, who has been named chief of chaplains with the rank of colonel, to succeed Col. J. T. Axton, who retires April 6.

COMMITTEE REJECTS WILBUR'S NAVY PLANS

Washington, D. C.—Secretary Wilbur's recommendation that no definite date be set for completion of the administration's \$740,000,000 new warship construction program was rejected by an overwhelming vote by the house naval committee.

Thumbs likewise were turned down by the committee on another proposal by the naval secretary that the president be empowered to suspend the proposed construction either in part or in whole at any time he might deem it advisable.

Fifteen members voted against the secretary on the first proposal with one, McClintic, democrat, Oklahoma, recording himself as present. The secretary's second request was rejected, 15 to 1, McClintic voting to support the navy department head.

After the meeting four republican members, Chairman Butler, Britten of Illinois, Darrow of Pennsylvania, and Andrew of Massachusetts, interpreted the committee's action as a positive expression in favor of "actual iron and steel" ships instead of a possible "paper fleet."

BRIEF GENERAL NEWS

The Reed slush fund committee will recommend that Senator-elect Frank L. Smith of Illinois be denied his senate seat.

All broadcasting licenses have been extended to March 1 by the federal radio commission. The licenses would have expired February 1.

A million and a quarter persons attended last week's national automobile show in New York. New cars worth at least \$2,000,000 were ordered. Bishops of the Church of England have agreed to revise the prayer book, removing misapprehensions which caused its recent defeat in the house of commons.

Senator Willis, of Ohio, has announced that he had requested Carmel Thompson, of Cleveland, to take charge of his campaign for the republican presidential nomination.

Mrs. Ruth Snyder and Henry Judd Gray died in the electric chair of Sing Sing prison seven minutes apart. They were executed for the murder of her husband, Albert Snyder.

George Lambrith and C. Melville of Lexington were here Monday for trading.

\$250 AND 30 DAYS SENTENCE OF BURNS

ONE OF TWO MEN SEIZED WITH STILL PLEADS GUILTY

Raid Made Last Friday on Cato Johns Place by Three Deputy Sheriffs.

Ed. Burns, one of the two men arrested here last Friday by Deputy Sheriffs Pankow, Hoskins and Arkell in a raid made on the old Cato Johns place north of Hermiston, pleaded guilty to a liquor charge before Justice West Wednesday afternoon and was fined \$250 and given a month in jail.

With Burns the officers arrested his companion, a man who gave the name of Jim Iewart. Both men were bound over under bonds of \$1,000 each to await the action of the grand jury without examination, shortly after their arrest. Burns decided to plead guilty and was brought down from Pendleton Wednesday afternoon by Deputy Sheriff DeHart, accompanied by C. C. Proebstel, prosecuting attorney.

The deputy sheriffs found a still, about a gallon and a half of moonshine and some home brew when they raided the place.

Both Burns and Stewart came here a short time ago. They are said to have bought turkeys and some pigs and are planning to farm this coming season.

The case against Stewart is still pending.

SEVEN CARLOADS OF ICE RECEIVED IN HERMISTON

Just about the time when winter brought back a period of frosty weather, some ice, seven carloads of it, moved in on the town from a lake in the Blue mountains. It did not move in the form of a glacier, however, but came on the Union Pacific and was ordered by O. O. Felthouse for Meadowbrook Ice as next summer's supply for Hermiston, Umatilla, Stanfield and other adjacent communities.

The ice was unloaded and stored in the warehouse. The task of unloading began Saturday and was concluded Tuesday by a force of several men.

COW TESTING WORK PRAISED BY JOE DYER AFTER FIRST MONTHLY TEST MADE ON HERD

"This cow testing association that was organized a little while ago is one of the best things from the point of view of the dairying business that has ever happened to us," said Joe Dyer, pioneer project farmer, the other day.

"My cows are all young stuff, and I'm learning some things about them and the business that I did n't know. I have one heifer that I thought was not doing very well. I had her marked down in my own mind as about the poorest producer of the herd.

"The test and the cost analysis that is a part of the testing work shows that she is earning more money than any of the others. That just shows how little business a man has to guess at a thing like that. I was clear off on my estimate of that cow, and I've been milking a small herd enough years so that I should know a little about guessing, but guessing is no good in this business, I'm convinced."

ROAD COMMITTEE TO SEE COUNTY COURT ON WORK

An effort to speed up road work in the west end of the county that affects Hermiston will be made in the near future by the road committee of the commercial club. The decision to wait on the county court and press for some maintenance and new surfacing work was made at the meeting of the club Tuesday.

The roads committee includes H. M. Straw, F. C. McKenzie, F. B. Swayze, R. A. Brownson and J. G. Pearson.

LOCALS GET THREE WINS FRIDAY NIGHT

GIRLS, SECONDS AND VARSITY ALL VICTORS

First Teams Battle to 26 to 20

Conclusions; Spares Have Chance to Show.

Hermiston came out on the long end of the score in three basketball games with Umatilla on the local floor last Friday evening.

The local second team defeated Umatilla's second team in the opener, 5 to 3. The game was interesting throughout, and the oungsters showed some snappy basketball.

The Hermiston girls' team showed up well and trounced the more experienced Umatilla sextet, 24 to 16. This game was fast all the way, and the brand of ball offered by the girls' team on its first appearance indicates that the aggregation will be able to make a good showing against the best comers.

The final game between the two first teams ended with Hermiston having the long end of the 26 to 20 score. Coach Walenta played several of his spares in the contest with good results. Kennings was shifted from forward to guard in place of Newell who was out of school last week. Briggs took the forward job and showed up well. Davis, McKenzie and Martin also were given chances to show their stuff and played like regulars.

Echo's fast quintet will be here Saturday night and Walenta's crew expect to have the stiffest contest to date. Echo has played several games this season and has displayed real class.

Ursel Hiatt was referee in the games Friday night.

FARM BUREAU TO ELECT OFFICERS FRIDAY NIGHT

Annual and Monthly Meetings to be Combined in One Session; Competition Expected.

The regular meeting of the Umatilla Project Farm Bureau tomorrow, Friday, night will have more than ordinary interest in that it will be a combination affair. It will be the regular monthly meeting of the organization, and in addition, the annual meeting.

One of the chief matters of business will be the election of officers for the coming year. H. J. Ott is the retiring president, and J. W. McMullen is the retiring secretary-treasurer. Mr. Ott succeeded to the presidency after F. P. Phipps left about a year ago. Indications are that some competition for the offices of the organization will be shown in the election, according to reports that are current.

MISS JESSIE HOOVER



Miss Jessie M. Hoover, who is Uncle Sam's milk utilization specialist for the Department of Agriculture.

CUBA FAVORS THE MONROE DOCTRINE

Havana.—General Gerardo Machado, president of the Cuban republic, declared that it was not within the province of the Pan-American conference to assume the role of a tribunal to judge the Nicaraguan problem or the general policy of the United States with respect to intervention in small states, as the congress has no such rights. It would be dangerous, he said, to establish such a precedent.

"I desire to regard the Monroe doctrine as representing the noble action of a president of the United States who prevented the reconquest of America at the time of the holy alliance. The Monroe doctrine was, and ought to remain the common defensive policy for the territorial integrity of America. The Monroe doctrine is not only compatible with the sovereignty of America below the Rio Grande, but is a document giving the greatest force to that right."

Cuba's membership in the league of nations, said the president, does not influence Cuba's adherence to Pan-American union. He believed that the conference would be able to accomplish a better understanding between the countries of America in the way of reciprocal aid, making such union a material and moral benefit for true Pan-Americanism.

40 REBELS KILLED FROM AIR

Marine Aviators Drop Bombs On Sandino Men.

Managua, Nicaragua.—Forty rebels were killed by a marine corps airplane squadron that attacked El Chilpote, stronghold of General Augustino Sandino, the squadron's commander, Major "Rusty" Howell, reported on returning here.

The aviators hid 5000 feet in the air behind clouds and dived down when opportunity offered to drop bombs, fire machine guns and even throw hand grenades. This is believed here to be the first time hand grenades ever were used from airplanes.

Sharkey and Heeney Fight a Draw.

New York.—Tom Heeney, New Zealand's hope in the heavyweight title chase, fought a twelve-round draw with Jack Sharkey, Boston sailor man, before 17,000 spectators. The huge crowd booted the decision heartily, in the belief that the stubby giant from down under had edged out a decision.

JANUARY 26 DATE OF POOL SHIPMENT

2,000 BIRDS TO BE MOVED OUT OF HERE THURSDAY

Mrs. Brink, Manager, to be Here For Receiving Turkeys of Year's Final Pool.

Thursday, January 26, has been designated as the date for receiving the turkeys of local growers that will be handled in the final pool of the season by the Idaho Turkey Growers association, according to information received last Saturday by New Madden, local chairman.

It has been estimated that 2,000 birds will be shipped from Hermiston on that date. All the birds will be handled in the one day for the January pool, instead of in two days as was the case for the Christmas pool.

Mrs. C. G. Brink, secretary and general manager of the Idaho organization, will be here in person for this shipment to have charge of details and to meet growers.

The prices paid for No. 1 toms will be 38 cents, and for No. 1 hens, 33 cents. The No. 2 birds will bring only 22 cents a pound. The spread between No. 1 and No. 2 birds in price is greater on this pool than on the Christmas pool. The probable reason for the wider spread, according to some local growers, is the weaker position of turkeys in the market.

The weather has been cold enough so that killing and dressing may be done right along, according to G. H. Jenkins, assistant county agent. The dressed birds should be kept at a temperature just a little above freezing, he said. On the other hand, if they are permitted to be too warm, shrinking will result and deterioration in quality.

DAIRY SHOW AND JERSEY BREEDERS TO MEET JAN. 28

Plans for Next Fall's Show to be Started and Officers Will Be Named.

Plans for the 16th annual Hermiston Dairy and Hog show next October will be launched at the annual meeting of stockholders of the organization, Saturday afternoon, January 28, at 2 o'clock in the Hermiston library, according to an announcement by officers of the association.

At the same time the show stockholders convene the members of the Jersey Breeders association will gather for their annual session and election. The two bodies have much in common, and for this reason the decision was made to hold a joint meeting. L. C. Dyer, president of the show, stated.

Reports submitted after the conclusion of the 15th annual Hermiston Dairy and Hog show last fall indicated that the show had made one of the best records of its history, and the directors are desirous of getting an early start on their program for the 1928 show.

County Agent Holt will be here from Pendleton to attend the joint session of the two bodies.

THE STORK

Born Friday, January 13, to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rohde, of Echo, an 8 1-2 pound boy. Mrs. Rohde and the baby are at the Hermiston hospital.

THE FEATHERHEADS

By Osborne



Part of the Morning's Work

