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UMATILLA PORTS BEING DISCUSSED

COMPANIES ARE GETTING READY

Building of a port at Umatilla, and other facilities for handling river tonnage in the near future is being discussed in several quarters. Since the failure of the Mary Gail to climb the Umatilla Rapids recently, boatmen are turning their attention more to the head of navigation at Umatilla when the new channel work will be completed this year.

The Shaver Forwarding company, the oldest river navigation company on the Columbia, has leased 1000 feet of river frontage from the city of Umatilla, including the present sliding dock. The manager of the company states that his line of boats will be ready to do business there as soon as the channel is completed. This company has also a large line of trucks which it uses to transport freight to interior points, a distance of 300 miles or more.

The Inland Navigation company, which is a new organization, is hurrying to completion the fine new boat named the Inland Chieftan. The company expects to move the boat from Seattle through the Bonneville dam before the locks are closed for the ensuing eleven months when the new ship locks at Bonneville and the big dam will be completed. This company proposes to pump gasoline and oil over the dam from boats below to boats above, during the year. This method has been approved as a temporary plan by the division engineers of the army corp. This company will build other boats and already has docks and gasoline tank form built at The Dalles. The Inland Navigation company is also negotiating for dockage space at Umatilla.

Kirk Thompson, builder and owner of the Mary Gail, is building two more tug boats and four barges which he states will be used on the river to Umatilla when the channel is completed, and will operate some boats during the high water season when channel work is not in operation. He, as well as Inland Navigation company, will also have dock facilities at Plymouth, opposite Umatilla, in order to serve better the Washington side of the river, and use better facilities provided by state law for handling petroleum products on trucks into Washington towns.

It is also stated that the Continental Grain company is planning to build a very large wheat warehouse at Umatilla, and also the National grain company will provide warehouse storage at that point, both for storage of wheat from trucking distances in Oregon and Washington.

The question of better roads leading into Umatilla is also being discussed because of the portage and shipping facilities at the new head of navigation. Petroleum products and wheat will be the chief products handled as now contemplated, but other tonnage will also be shipped by water, and delivered to inland cities by truck.

Weather Report.

Date	Max.	Min.
January 14	25	8
January 15	41	20
January 16	29	14
January 17	31	12
January 18	25	17
January 19	22	-1
January 20	14	-23

Precipitation was .44.

PROGRAM ON STOCK FEEDING

A stockman's meeting will be held in Pendleton Thursday and Friday, January 21 and 22, at which feeding and marketing of beef cattle, hogs, and lambs will be discussed, along with other subjects of interest to stockmen of this locality. On Thursday, Dick Richards will talk on "Handling and Feeding Steers"; H. A. Lindgren, "Handling and Feeding Hogs"; E. Potter, "Shipping and Marketing Cattle"; E. R. Jackman, "Making Better Pastures"; and on Friday, Dick Richards will discuss, "Handling and Feeding Lambs"; H. A. Lindgren, "Shipping and Marketing Lambs"; E. R. Jackman, "Hay and Forage Production and E. L. Potter, "Marketing Oregon Hogs." The program will begin at 10 A.M.

THOUGHTS FOR WOMEN

BY ANRAH

Recognition of the great problem of unemployment and the subsequent decrease of purchasing power as a direct result of our machine age, is evident in the President's message of 1937.

He has expressed a hope that employers will realize the necessity of a provision for more employment and assist in providing more work for the men and women so earnestly desiring it, and upon which their very lives and those of their families depend.

What do progressive women see for their children?

Will the citizens of this country realize the economic problems arising from the continually improved machine, and give the subject that so vitally affects us all, intelligent consideration, so that the necessary adjustments may be made in an orderly manner and without the sacrifice of democracy, or will we go blindly on—indifferent—with no thought of our responsibilities as citizens, until we face chaos, confusion, and the loss of all those ideals for which our forefathers fought, and which some of our men and women of vision and justice are trying so hard to preserve—life, liberty, the pursuit of happiness and equal opportunity for all?

LIFE AT 52 BELOW AT COLDEST MEACHAM

The Sunday Oregonian contained an interesting and humorous article on "Life at Meacham Below 52," written by Mrs. Ida B. Gordon, the Oregonian correspondent and teacher of the Meacham schools. She is a sister of Miss Pauline Stoop of the Hermiston Herald.

In reply to the Oregonian's inquiry, "How much fuel do we burn," she said, "We work all summer to get enough wood to burn all winter so that we can work all the next summer to get wood for the next winter, and so on." She added that "Sometimes the words of the wood cutters were frozen so they could not hear each other until the words thawed out in the spring."

Further in a long descriptive article she said, "We do not need a thermometer, as when the houses begin to pop and snap, we know it is time to put on extra bedding and get out the heavy overcoats, wool socks and flannels. We manage to live, eat, laugh and make love, and most of all to eat. We get the daily papers, school goes on, and bus and train service continues. The high school bus takes the students 32 miles to Pendleton daily."

"They spend much time playing pinochle, monopoly, dancing, and other forms of amusement, and when we want to see a movie, we jump in a car and go to Pendleton or La Grande. We live in Meacham because our work is here. We invite you to come here in June or July, by way of the old Oregon Trail, if you do not like the cold, or come now while newly fallen snow covers the ground with a fluffy blanket, and is hanging from the evergreens. Our mountains, our pure water and air wouldn't let you forget us."

Umatilla Hotel Being Razed.

The old Umatilla Hotel is now being torn down. It served the public for something over 40 years, but no longer was usable as a hotel. Its dimensions were 24x50 feet, with an addition for kitchen, and the main structure was two stories high. The property belonged to F. B. Swayze, who will use the lumber for other building purposes.

100 CASES OF FLU AROUND HERMISTON

The flu epidemic is still holding its own. It is estimated that throughout the district surrounding Hermiston the cases reported and unreported number 100. Some of them have been quite serious, but so far no deaths have resulted.

Dr. Belt, city health officer, states that when anyone feels the first attack, the best thing to do is go to bed immediately, and stay there a week. The disease is generally in mild form and if immediate treatment is given, need not become serious. Several of the persons or families who suffered first attacks are already over the disease, while others are coming down daily.

The most serious spots in the northwest are Spokane, Portland and Seattle.

MRS. MUELLER'S MOTHER DIES

Mrs. Rose Ann Gannon Donovan, mother of Mrs. N. R. Mueller of Hermiston, passed away at the Mueller home January 18th at the age of 65 years, five months and ten days. She was born at Corning, New York, in 1871, and her maiden name was O'Connor. She was married to John J. Donovan April 15th, 1896.

Surviving her are her sons and daughters as follows: Mrs. N. R. Mueller of Hermiston; Mrs. Geo. F. Colvin of Maracaibo, Venezuela; Mrs. Katherine Hander of Wenatchee; Miss Julia Donovan and John F. Donovan of Seattle. She had six grandchildren, three of whom are Frank, John and Helen Mueller. Her home was at Hope, Idaho, from 1901 to 1933. Since then she made her home with her daughter Julia in Seattle.

Her death was due to complications following a severe case of pneumonia, contracted while visiting her daughter, Mrs. N. R. Mueller. All immediate relatives were here except Mrs. Colvin who is in South America.

The funeral will be held at Sand Point, Idaho, Thursday, and burial at Hope, Idaho.

Mr. and Mrs. Mueller and Miss Julia Donovan and John Donovan left Tuesday to attend the final ceremonies.

DAVE JOHNSTON REPEATS TITLE

Dave Johnston, Boardman school bus driver, last week again showed his supremacy against all entries in his class in the International Far Western Diamond Belt boxing tournament held in Portland. Johnston was one of the two defending diamond belt champions successfully withstanding the onslaughts of all comers and emerged with his second straight title.

The three-day fistic carnival, under sponsorship of The Oregonian, brought fighters to Portland from Utah, Montana, Arizona, Idaho, Washington, California, Oregon and western Canada to compete for the benefit of the Shrine hospital for crippled children. All net proceeds of the tournament will be turned over to this institution.

Johnston is well known in Hermiston, having fought in a number of amateur boxing matches in this and surrounding towns.

Waterways Assessment.

Benton county, across the Columbia river from the Umatilla rapids, has been asked to contribute the sum of \$750 to the work of the Inland Empire Waterways association, of which the county court and the Kennebec port district has pledged \$500.00, the remainder is to be raised by popular subscription.

SNOWS BRING MUCH MOISTURE AND ALSO CAUSE HARDSHIPS AND DEATHS

90 inches of snow at Toll Gate. 25 inches at head of Butter Creek. 40 inches on head of McKay Creek.

34 inches of new snow at La Grande. 54 inches at La Grande this season.

48 inches in south end of Umatilla county. One foot over all sage plains and lower foot hills.

Eight feet on south slope of Mt. Hood.

Highways almost impassable from Touchet to Dayton.

Foot or more of snow in Big Bend northwest of Pasco.

Many drifts three and four feet deep.

Heavy drifts in foot hills and mountain canyons.

Storage for springs abundant.

Water assured for Cold Springs and McKay reservoirs.

Light wheat land farmers encouraged, but need more.

Butter Creek prospects best for several seasons.

Elk and deer following highways from Cascades down to Yakima.

Feeding of wild game and birds in many places.

Highway forces keeping main roads open in most places.

Storm general west of Mississippi. Floods in eastern states.

Three weeks of winter and end not yet in sight.

The foregoing are some of the facts brought out by the winter season.

RANGE OFFICERS TO BE ELECTED SOON

Plans for the operation of the new range district No. 7 are being carried forward. Articles of incorporation have been signed by Jack Hynd and John Krebs of Cecil, and L. D. Neill and Charles Bartholomew of Butter Creek, and W. Kilkenney of Heppner, and filed with the secretary of state. January 30th has been set by the Department of the Interior as the date to elect officers at Heppner. Applications for grazing rights may be obtained from the county agent at Heppner.

The land lies mainly south of Hermiston and the West Extension Irrigation district on the north to approximately the Old Oregon Trail from Allan Thomson's place to Cecil and from Willow Creek east to near Butter Creek. The boundaries are subject to change. The area comprises about 100,000 acres of public land and about 50,000 acres each of county land and Northern Pacific Railroad holdings, and also includes a considerable acreage of small holdings.

The range reserve was instituted by Judge W. R. Campbell and commissioners George N. Peck and Frank S. Parker of Morrow county, after attending a meeting of the Eastern Oregon Planning Board at Prineville last summer, who urged the creation of the reserve under the Taylor grazing act. The purpose is to protect the range from excessive grazing, and from sand blows, and to increase the growth of forage plants on the tracts. Digging of wells is also planned. Some crested wheat grass may be sown, and other such plants as may grow in the district. It is recalled that many years ago that the entire tract was covered with bunch grass before the sagebrush came.

NEW FIRE TRUCK FOR HERMISTON

Hermiston is to have a new fire truck. The truck, a model A Ford purchased from the Rohman Motor company, is being rebuilt by Floyd Knerr, and will soon be in first class condition for service.

It is fitted with facilities for carrying ladders and fire hose, is much larger and more convenient than the old fire truck. The truck will also have a large search light for use at night. The cost to the city will be \$400.

The old model T Ford truck has been in service for ten years.

Senate and House Bills Available.

A file of all the bills introduced in both houses of the Oregon legislature are available at the Herald office and the Hermiston library. Anyone interested may call and examine the bills.

HAY MARKET REMAINS INACTIVE

The hay market remains inactive and the immediate prospects for a movement of hay and better prices are not yet in sight. It is believed that if heavy feeding continues late into February there will be some advances, and locally, hay will be scarce. In the immediate territory every farmer or stockman is supplied except in a few cases where the supply may run short. Notwithstanding, the fact that winter ranges are short and that the production of hay in this region is much below the normal of the last several years, the price of hay is below cost of production, and shipments from this locality very light.

It is reported that the Tillamook region and other parts of the Willamette valley are shipping alfalfa mostly from Klamath Falls. The Seattle or Puget Sound market is now being supplied by Yakima Valley, and the Kittitas districts which has become a large producer of hay since the new Kittitas project was built, and where there is now reported a surplus of 70,000 tons.

In the Gardena and Touchet districts there is not so heavy a production as of recent years, and the hay there is being consumed mostly by local dairymen and feeders. The same is reported from the Union and Wallawa and Baker counties. In Baker county is also a quarantine preventing shipping of hay, as also the case in Malheur counties and Southern Idaho where the weevil still exists. In those localities a large amount of dairying and feeding of sheep and beef cattle has been developed during recent years.

It is claimed that in this territory livestock has decreased in considerable numbers the last few years, and that the demand for hay is not so great. From those who seem to know, it is believed that farmers in this territory should increase their herds of livestock, and follow more the practice of feeding what they raise, and also of raising what they feed. The price of hay now ranges according to location and quality at \$8 to \$10 per ton. In the lower Yakima, around Kennewick it is reported slightly higher.

FIRST NATIONAL ELECTS OFFICERS

The stockholders of the First National Bank of Hermiston held their annual meeting January 12th, and elected the following directors: F. B. Swayze, R. Alexander, A. H. Norton, Roy Raley and Walter Hamm. On the 13th the directors met and elected the following officers: F. B. Swayze, president; R. Alexander, vice president, and A. H. Norton, cashier.

This was the thirty-first annual election of officers of the bank, the institution having been established in December, 1906. The present president and vice president have been on the bank's board since that time.

Round-Up Dates Set.

Dates for the twenty-seventh annual Pendleton Round-Up have been set for September 16, 17 and 18, according to Roy W. Ritner, secretary of the board of directors. The dates, a week later than the show last fall, were so set to avoid conflict with the Oregon state fair at Salem, which will be held this year a week earlier than the Round-Up.

PORTLAND NOT RAINIEST CITY

Portland, Ore., Jan. 18—That old bogey about Portland, Ore., being one of the rainiest cities in the country is now dispelled, says the Portland Chamber of Commerce, by statistics recently released from the U. S. Weather Bureau office. According to these figures which cover 64 of the larger cities of the country over a 50-year or longer period, there are 20 which Jupiter Pluvius visits with a greater rainfall than Portland and five that have the same amount of rain.

Washington, D. C., Baltimore, Richmond, Huntington (West Virginia) and Portland (Maine) are the cities that like Portland have annually averaged 42 inches of rain during this 50-year period.

Cities that surpassed Portland in amount of rainfall for a like period included Birmingham, Little Rock, Hartford, New Haven, Wilmington, Jacksonville, Miami, Tampa, Atlanta, Savannah, Louisville, New Orleans, Jackson, Newark, New York, Charlotte, Memphis, Houston and Norfolk.

BOARDMAN FIVE GIVE BULLDOGS FIRST UPSET

B TEAM ALSO LOSES IN CLOSE GAME

Hermiston high school lost its first game of this year's basketball season when a much inspired Boardman five upset the Bulldogs last night in a score of 22 to 33, at Boardman. The B teams of both schools also played an interesting game when the locals came within one point in their rally to overcome a lead of seven points at the end of the third period. The final score was 19-20.

The Bulldogs took it on the chin as good sports do in losing a game, after having won seven successive games. The Boardman boys played one of their best games of the season, and showed much improvement since their first tangle with the locals when they lost by a score of 22 to 26. Coach Ingles' boys have lost only two games and won seven, compared with the Bulldogs who have lost one in eight starts.

Boardman started the scoring by tipping the ball in from a rebound, but Mackan followed immediately with a long shot from the middle of the floor to tie the score. Ransier, tall center from Boardman who played an exceptionally good game under the basket, added another basket while Keller evened the score again at four up with a flip from the side. Mackan again let loose with a long one that didn't go through the basket but was counted because of interference with the ball before it dropped through. Just before the quarter ended Boardman sunk another to tie the count at six all.

Starting the second quarter, Knapp fouled and Boardman made the point good. S. Rankin sunk one from the side for the last lead in the score for the Hermiston boys. In a beautiful play Boardman retaliated with two more points from under the basket. Keller fouled and Boardman made the point, followed with another score for a three point lead at the half.

Boardman came back strong again by adding two more baskets, and Hermiston called time out. The score stood 9-16 against them. Keller finally worked in another but Boardman could not be stopped. Rainwater, stocky substitute for the Hermiston team, came into the game to replace Rankin. From then on it was Rainwater's shots from about the foul line that kept the locals in the running. He made four baskets and a free throw for a total of nine points for high man on the local squad. But this did not stem the tide for the Boardman five who increased their lead at the end of the third quarter of 17 to 23, to the score of 22 to 33 at the final whistle.

Last week Saturday, Coach O'Neill's boys motored to Milton-Freewater where they downed the Mac High B team to the tune of 27 to 33 in their seventh victory. This week Saturday they go to Arlington for the second tangle with the Honkers, while next week Wednesday, January 27, they meet Mac High B team for the next home game.

Following are the lineups for the Boardman game.

Hermiston 22	Boardman 33
Keller (6)	F Partlow (12)
S. Rankin (2)	F Black
Crampton	C Ransier (13)
Mackan (5)	G T. Wilson (4)
Knapp	G S. Skoubo (2)

Substitutions: Hermiston—Rainwater (9), Shaw. Boardman—D. Tannehill (2), R. Skoubo, R. Black.

Hold Joint Installation.

A joint installation of newly elected officers of the Hermiston Oddfellows and Rebekahs will be held at the hall January 25th. All Oddfellows and Rebekahs and their friends are invited. Lunch will be served. Gerald White will be the installing officer for the Oddfellows and Mrs. Gerald White for the Rebekahs.

Stanfield Rebekahs Install.

The Uatlee Rebekah lodge of Stanfield installed the following officers Monday night, Jan. 11: Mrs. Viola Greathouse served as installation officer; Noble grand, Mrs. Adolph Heyden; vice grand, Sophronia Rhea; secretary, Mrs. Lenna Wald; treasurer, Mrs. Ila Wallace; Mrs. J. F. Lane, chaplain; Mrs. D. R. Starkweather was conductress. Mrs. J. F. Lane, retiring noble grand, served luncheon to the members.