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OFFICERS TO MEET IN PENDLETON SEPTEMBER 18TH

Mrs. Ruth Bathiany, president of the Oregon Finance Officers' Association, today extended an invitation to the members of governing bodies, finance officers and budget committees of all local governmental units of Umatilla and Morrow counties to attend a meeting of that group to be held in Pendleton, Thursday evening, September 18. The session has been designed to give instruction on the compulsory audit law, the new fiscal year and latest budget procedure to councilmen, school board members, county officials and budget commit-

teemen.

This meeting is the first of a series to be held throughout the year as a part of a state-wide finance officers' training program. The entire program of meetings has been arranged through the cooperation of the Oregon Finance Officers' Association, the state division of audits, the bureau of municipal research at the University of Oregon and the state division of vocational education. Local arrangements for the sessions are under the direction of Mrs. Vina Hoskins, Deputy Tax Collector, who was recently named local chairman.

Winston D. Purvine, assistant state supervisor of public service training, is in charge of naming instructors for the meetings. Experts in the various fields have been secured from the state division of audits, the state board of accountancy and the University bureau of municipal research. The instructor who will conduct the school at Pendleton will be Douglas F. DeCew, state division of audits.

The state legislature last year passed certain measures which will materially affect the financial policy, budget making and auditing for local governmental units. These matters will be discussed fully at the coming meeting. Later in the year additional sessions dealing with accounting, statements and other technical aspects of the work will be scheduled.

POWER COMPANY TO DISCONTINUE SALES OF BIG APPLIANCES

Announcement that Pacific Power & Light company is taking steps toward its retirement from the direct sale of major electrical appliances was made here today by Homer Beale, district manager.

The company will continue its business development activities in cooperation with local dealers, with as much as practicable of the merchandise volume now handled by the company being turned over to them, Beale stated.

"With manufacturers' output of major appliances facing sharp curtailment as the result of defense material shortages, it is desirable that dealers in the territory served by the company have access to the full number of units that will be available for

sale in this area," said Beale.

Effective cooperation between the company and dealers in efforts to develop the market for electrical goods has been an important factor in bringing about the present high use of electricity and low average cost per kilowatt-hour on the company's system, he commented.

BIDS OPENED FOR TRAILER CAMP

Construction of a 140-family trailer park at Stanfield by the Farm Security Administration to provide shower, laundry and sanitary facilities for part of the defense on the Umatilla Army Ordnance project has been authorized by Defense Housing Coordinator C. F. Palmer, announces Walter A. Duffy, regional FSA director.

"Bids calling for construction of two utility buildings housing showers, laundry, hot water and sanitary units, 24 comfort stations, 12 trailer service units, water and sewage disposal systems, roads, sidewalks and grading were opened Tuesday in Portland, and contracts will call for completion 60 days after notice to proceed," Duffy said.

"A 28-acre site lying west of main street includes three city tracts totaling about 15 acres for the initial unit development, while the James C. Hoskins tract of 13 acres will provide for eventual expansion to a 400-family trailer park if circumstances warrant. Five-year renewable leases were given by the city free of charge, while a consideration barely covering property taxes was asked by Hoskins."

Assurance that government trailers can be made available for the trailer park have not yet been received, Duffy reported. Negotiations are proceeding and it is hoped that either trailers or demountable buildings can be made available for shelter in addition to facilities for private trailers.

OIL COMPANY GIVES SIX SCHOLARSHIPS TO OREGON GRADS

Six Oregon high school graduates who plan to make agriculture their life work have just been granted scholarships of \$100 each by the Standard Oil Company of California working through the school of agriculture here. Three of the boys will use their scholarships to attend O.S.C. starting this fall, while the other three are boys who cannot go to college and have been granted the money to help finance an agricultural project on their home farm.

Those granted the scholarships to attend college are Stuart Schweizer, Nyssa; Albert Christy, Jr., Chiloquin, and Darrell C. Shepherd, Seio. Those receiving farm scholarships are Harold M. MacHugh, Albany; Ray Jones, Klamath Falls, and Lawrence Johnson, Warren.

NYA GRANTS FUNDS FOR WORK PROJECTS AT OREGON STATE

The National Youth administration has again made an allotment of funds to help finance worthy students working their way through Oregon State. While the total is slightly below the \$51,849 allotted last year, it is expected to be ample to meet the demands this year in view of the improved employment situation, says E. B. Lmon, registrar, who handles the funds. Applications are now being received for employment in the NYA program and some who had previously applied have been notified of their selection.

Last year 292 men and 205 women were given part-time employment, and these earned an average of \$13.82 a month. A report on grade averages shows that the NYA students averaged higher grades in every class than the student body as a whole.

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PRUNE INDUSTRY DOOMED WITHOUT BETTER QUALITY

Acreage devoted to prune orchards in Oregon has been steadily declining for the past 20 years, just as prices of dried prunes to the farmer have also declined to the point where many have considered this enterprise unprofitable, according to the report of the Oregon state land use planning committee in the section devoted to export crops. The situation in Oregon's prune industry is such today that unless the quality of Oregon dried prunes can be improved immediately, the industry in this state is doomed, the committee reported.

About 19 per cent of the prune production is marketed in the fresh state, about 25 per cent is canned, and about 56 per cent is dried. During the past few years the demand for canned prunes has increased, the market for fresh prunes has held its own, while the demand for dried prunes has shown a marked decline. Figures show that for the years 1921-25 the average prune acreage in the state was 56,765. By 1940 this acreage had declined to 41,583.

Furthermore, the report points out, orchards and equipment have deteriorated to the extent that it would not be feasible to restore a large percentage of the orchards to a state of economical production. Drying facilities are in a rundown condition, and in many instances the prunes are handled in an unsatisfactory manner from the market standpoint. Because of this situation, properly handled prunes bring little more on the market than the "junk." The following four recommendations are made by the committee:

- (1) That the AAA in conjunction with the SCS make a survey of the orchards as to condition of trees and soil erosion and, where in their judgment it is not economically practical to operate them as orchards, that the AAA payment be increased for pulling trees.
- (2) That the practice by the Prune Exchange of changing grades from year to year be discontinued.
- (3) That rigid inspection based upon approved standards of driers and washing equipment and farm storage be set up at once.
- (4) That the Pure Food and Drug administration give the same inspection service to the dried prunes that they do to the canning industry.

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STANFIELD GRANGE BURNS MORTGAGE

The Stanfield Grange dedicated its hall this week with the burning of the old mortgage as the highlight of the evening. Official guests present for the evening were State Master Ray W. Gill and his wife and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Wicklander, state deputy, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Hanscom, county deputy and Pomona Grange master. Mrs. Mabel Richards heads the Stanfield Grange and Mrs. Dena Tillery is the secretary.

A short program was presented during the evening with refreshments concluding the evening's entertainment.

WORK BEGINS ON HERMISTON CUTOFF

Work was launched this week in constructing the cutoff road from Stewart's Cabins corner south of Hermiston to the west end of Main street, near the First National bank corner. The new road will eliminate several bad turns in the roads and will take heavy traffic off Main street.

Survey crews are here staking the route while officials seeking rights-of-way were in the city Wednesday. No information has been revealed as to how soon actual grading work will commence.

LOCAL RESIDENTS ATTEND ROUNDUP

As has been the case in former years, Hermiston is well represented at the Pendleton Roundup this week. Numerous parties and excursions have been planned in order to take in one or more days at the big show.

In recent years, many visitors at the Roundup sought housing facilities in Hermiston but that is impossible this year as every vacant room is filled.

TOWNSEND CLUB NEWS

By Mrs. Joe Udey

The next meeting of the club will be at the home of Mrs. Joe Udey on Wednesday night, September 17. All members are urged to be present to settle some important business.

The Townsend club this week closed the lease of the Open Air Pavilion to Johnny Hickia. He will put on a surprise dance his opening night, Monday, September 15th. A real treat for you.

To all old timers: The club is putting on an old time dance Saturday night, September 13th as a farewell dance and ask for all our old crowd to come and enjoy themselves. Only 20 cents per person will be charged, to cover expenses. We want you to have a good time. Mr. Hickia says if the crowd wants an old time dance once a week he will see they have it under his management.

PILGRIM HOLINESS CHURCH

O. A. Wells, Pastor

Sunday school at 10 a. m.
Preaching service at 11 a. m.
Young people's and junior services at 7 p. m.

Preaching service at 8 p. m.
Midweek prayer meeting Wednesday at 8 p. m.
All are invited to attend these services.

METHODIST CHURCH

Malcolm B. Ballinger, Pastor

10 a. m.—Sunday church school, Mrs. Alva Boulware, superintendent.
11 a. m.—Morning worship, with sermon by the pastor: "The Teaching of Jesus as to Kindness," the sixth of a series of sermons on the teachings of Jesus as found in his Sermon on the Mount.

7 p. m. Methodist Youth Fellowship.
No evening worship this Sunday. Evening worship is conducted on first and third Sundays of the month only.

Wednesdays, 7:30 p. m. Choir rehearsal.

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