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HOUSING IN THE DESERT

Thirty-five years ago many people moved into this desert country to establish homes on a new reclamation project. They built houses in the sagebrush, exposed to broiling suns and full sweep of winds. They opened up the lands and fought the drifting sands. Perspiring housewives swept and shoveled dirt from porches and floors, and sometimes fed the families from dusty plates.

Under the inspiration of great optimism, and the determination of pioneers, the settlers finally established fields of green, and grew trees and more trees for protection. Ten years of this effort passed before a noticeable change took place and the ravages of the desert showed signs of defeat. The spread of irrigation water, modification of heat by greenery and shade from spreading locusts gave comfort and protection from sun and wind.

During this early period many homesteaders quit their jobs. They couldn't take it. Many of the men would have stayed, but the women would not. Of the hundreds who came, less than 100 of the original farmers or townsmen remain.

This is just a bit of history that should be passed on to those in authority who control the proposed housing facilities for a new group of residents. Is it wise in the wake of all years of experience here to plant families in the middle of a sun burnt area with miles of bakeoven conditions around, and where the wind gods will wreck vengeance for their former defeat. World War No. II will be over, peace will be restored throughout the world, tire and gas rationing will be things of the past, but Old Sol will still pour down his rays, and that southwest wind will be there for centuries to come. Nor will a little bright spot oasis in the midst overcome Sahara's joys at striking at the modern comforts of men.

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ECHO NEWS ITEMS

At the annual meeting of the Echo Farm Bureau the following officers were elected: Claude Meyers, president; Homer Coppinger, vice president; Carl Weltzin, secretary-treasurer and Gaylord Madison director and delegate to county meetings. The first Friday of each month was designated as regular meeting dates, place of meeting to be set later. Speakers of the evening were Mac Hoke, president of the state bureau, and Cecil Yates, president of the county organization. Mr. Steen of the Milton aviation training field was also a visitor.

M. A. Parker, former Echo school superintendent, Mrs. Parker and children, spent Saturday night at the Troy Coleman home while on a short business trip to Echo. Mr. Parker is now employed in the personnel division of Aluminum Company of America at Vancouver, Wash. He has just returned from a trip through the middle west to recruit workers for the Vancouver factory. The Parkers reside in Portland.

The annual carnival of Echo school will be held at the city hall Friday evening of this week. In addition to the usual carnival features a free dance will be given.

Hours for registration of auto owners for gasoline rationing books at Echo school house have been set at 3:30 to 9:00 p. m., November 19, 20 and 21. Registration will be handled by volunteers from the school. Notice was given Tuesday of change of the dates from this week to next to permit distribution of the ration books to issuing boards.

The U. S. R. S. feed canal is now running a full head of water, 200 second feet, in order to fill the Cold Springs reservoir before spring when other water rights will start drawing water from the Umatilla river for irrigation. There were no major repairs made to the canal this fall, according to M. C. Wolverton, ditch rider, only minor maintenance work being necessary. The water was turned into the canal November 3.

Sale of the Troy Coleman residence property on South Bonanza street to Sloan Thomson was completed this week and the house is now occupied by the Joe Middleton family. This residence, which has been owned for several years by Coleman, was originally built by Fred T. George, former Echo merchant.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Blixseth of Portland spent Sunday here with Mrs. Blixseth's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Wolverton. Mrs. Ora Young of Pendleton, daughter of the Wolvertons, also spent the day here. Jack Gaskill, a staff sergeant in the air corps, left Wednesday for Portland after spending a four-day furlough here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Gaskill. Jack is stationed at Portland air base in charge of servicing planes and expects to remain there for several months although changed conditions may necessitate a transfer any time.

Blair Coleman writes to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Troy Coleman, that he is still somewhere in Alaska and is enjoying life in the service. When he went to Alaska last summer he was stationed at Seward.

Tommy Loyd of Echo went to Ft. Lewis Tuesday to enlist in the army. Bill Gorrell plans to leave next Tuesday for Pendleton to enter the civilian pilot training school.

Mrs. Lena Mathers left Sunday for Salem where she will visit relatives for a few weeks.

Umatilla ordnance depot is drawing heavily on Echo for employees, the latest being Mrs. A. C. Ebert who started work Monday in the clerical department. Mr. Ebert has been employed at the depot for several months.

M. E. Coe, who operates a barber shop at Echo, announces that he contemplates taking a position soon at the ordnance depot, probably as a guard. He plans to keep his Echo shop open a few hours daily for the local trade.

Through the efforts of C. B. Greene an Echo service banner was displayed here Armistice day. He has 39 men listed as entering the armed service from this city, but through an error by the banner manufacturer only six stars accompanied the banner. The additional stars have been ordered and will be attached later. The banner is on display in the Middleton grocery window.

William McCarty of Butter Creek left Sunday for The Dalles where he expects to undergo a minor operation. He made the trip with Mr. and Mrs. Bert Young, who were here from The Dalles on a hunting trip.

Mrs. Otis McCarty and Mrs. William McCarty of Butter Creek left Thursday for The Dalles to attend the funeral of their father, O. A. Spencer, who died of a heart attack Monday night.

Mrs. G. L. Cunningham and daughter of Walla Walla visited here the first of the week with Mrs. Cunningham's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Wolverton. Mrs. Wolverton just returned from Walla Walla where she was called by the illness of an uncle, and reports him to be much improved in health.

UMATILLA NEWS

By Mrs. Glenn Ostrom

Clark Ostrom of Hot Springs, Montana spent Thursday and Friday here visiting with his son and family. Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Ostrom and son.

Mrs. John Liedloff spent the past week in Spokane and Lewiston on business and visiting her mother.

Jerry Buell went to Pendleton Friday where he left for Portland where he has enlisted in the navy.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Ostrom and son Gary Dean spent Saturday afternoon in Pendleton.

Mrs. R. E. McNabb and Mrs. Mary Wurster spent Saturday evening in Pendleton.

Donald Lane left Tuesday after joining the army air forces.

Roy Justinsou of Kent, Ore., and Art Trout returned Monday with an elk. Justinsou formerly lived here.

Bill Bousquet of Portland spent Monday here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Art Bousquet.

Mr and Mrs. Glenn Ostrom and son Gary Dean and Mrs. Albert Vieg spent Monday in Walla Walla shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Binder returned Tuesday from a few days visit on the coast.

Mrs. Mildred Fromdahl and children returned last week from a few days spen in Tacoma visiting her brothers, Leland and Harry Ervin and families.

BOARDMAN NEWS

Mrs. Margaret Thorpe

Eugene Massey spent Saturday visiting with friends on the project. Eugene is in the medical corps of the U. S. Navy stationed at Coeur d'Alene, Idaho.

Mrs. Florence Meyers of Portland spent the week end visiting friends in Boardman.

Russell DeMauro left Saturday for Portland where he will join the navy.

Mrs. Arthur Allen returned home from Spokane Thursday where she has been in the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Packard left this week for Portland where they will make their home.

A number of young people went to Hermiston Friday where they attended a Christian Endeavor party.

The seniors went on their sneak Thursday. They went early this year because of gas rationing. They returned Sunday night.

Mrs. Art Allen was in Pendleton on business Friday evening.

Nate Macomber returned Sunday after being at Wheeler for two weeks under doctor's care.

Mr. and Mrs. Morrison left Saturday for The Dalles where they will make their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Rosiland spent the week end in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Mallory and Claude Coates took Mrs. Claude Coates to Portland Monday where she will have a brace put on her back. Mrs. Coates went back to Pendleton last week and X rays showed that her back was also broken.

Donald Ford spent the week end in The Dalles.

P. T. A. and teachers reception was held Monday night in the school auditorium. The following officers were elected for the coming year: Mrs. Nathan Thorpe, president; Mrs. Helen Ekker, vice president; Miss Anderson, secretary-treasurer. The program consisted of the following: address of welcome by Rev. Walpole; introduction of teachers by R. K. Miller; vocal solo, "When Mother Nature Sings Her Lullaby," by Audrey Wilson accompanied by Maxine Ely; "Time to Relax," a reading by Keith Tannehill; vocal solo, "My Dream of Love" by Frances Skoubo, accompanied by Mrs. Angela Kaivisko; musical reading by Don Potts, accompanied by Mrs. Walter Lay, and a reading by Mr. Baker. Mr. Walpole led the crowd in playing a few games. The evening was finished up by pumpkin pie and coffee, being served in the cafeteria.

Miss Elaine Fisher returned home from the Pendleton hospital Friday where she underwent an appendicitis operation. She is improving very

rapidly. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wolfe spent the week end at the Gorham home. Mike Healy of Portland is spending a few days with friends and relatives.

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moved to Colby and spent 11 years, and then moved to Ione where they farmed. They came to Boardman in 1925. He leaves his wife and the following children: Charles, Daisy Gillespie, Flossie Coates, Edward, Goldie Cox, Leta Messenger and Ray.

Mrs. Glen Mackan and Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Mackan and daughters returned from Pasco Tuesday where they visited with Edgar Mackan who is in the navy there.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Barlow, Mrs. Florence Barlow and Mrs. Jay Cox were in Heppner on business Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Conyers moved Sunday to the farm they recently purchased.

Buster Rands is spending a few days at his home.

Robert Dexter Music Teacher

Robert Dexter, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Dexter of Umatilla, entertained the students and faculty of the Oregon College of Education at Monmouth with trumpet solos at a recent assembly. Mr. Dexter is well known on the campus for his many duties in the music field. He is the band instructor of the Monmouth and Independence training schools, high schools, and also has charge of the joint city band. He has been teaching for the past six years but has returned to work for his degree.

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- 1 2-Section Spike Tooth Harrow
- 1 12-Ft. Hay Rake, McCormick
- 1 Hay Wagon and Rack
- 1 Hay Stack
- 1 Riding Cultivator
- 1 Hand Corn Sheller
- 1 Garden Cultivator
- 1 1-Row Horse Corn Planter
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