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Black And White Ranch Owner Starts Work On 18 Acre Park On Lost River

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Actual work has been started on a far-reaching dream plan for a park in Poe valley, where 18 picturesque acres on Lost River have been purchased.

Poe valley rancher, C. V. Barton, owner of the famed Black and White ranch, has planned the park which will include a fenced area for his rare animals, picnic grounds, a playground for children, a pond where white swans will float, a boat dock and boats on the river, a refreshment and snack stand and an inspiration point.

Barton purchased the land a year ago and has been working on it a little at a time. Already there is a fenced test plot where flowers are being started. Canterbury bells, Shasta daisies and larkspur are doing well in the soil and are ready to be transplanted wherever needed in the landscape plan.

Few if any of the juniper trees will be removed from the rugged slopes of the area, overlooking the wide waters of winding Lost River.

A high, strong wire fence will be built to enclose the animals, white and native elk, sheep varieties, llamas, emus, white peacocks and so forth, now at the Black and White ranch.

All fences will be white bordered, with black posts, buildings will also carry out the color scheme of the ranch.

Barton plans to level this fall as harvest work on the ranch permits, plant to grain to hold the soil and prepare it for seeding to Kentucky Blue grass in the spring. He will plant shrubbery strategically without spoiling the natural effect of the area and equip it with a sprinkling system and flood lights.

The rancher, whose private zoo is a childhood dream come true has also dreamed and worked for this park which will be his gesture to the country which has rewarded him so well in his ranching endeavors here the past 20 years.

Barton built his now famous Black and White ranch from barren, alkali land, through irrigation practices and hard work, fighting the sagebrush back every inch of the way. Stories of his ranch with its unique color plan carried out in structures and equipment as well as the rare animals he has accumulated on his private park, have been published in several national magazines. Movies made of the place have been shown all over the world.

Recently Ray Best, formerly with the U. S. bureau of reclamation, Klamath project, now in Switzerland on occupation work, wrote a friend here of seeing a newsworld of the Black and White ranch, in Europe.

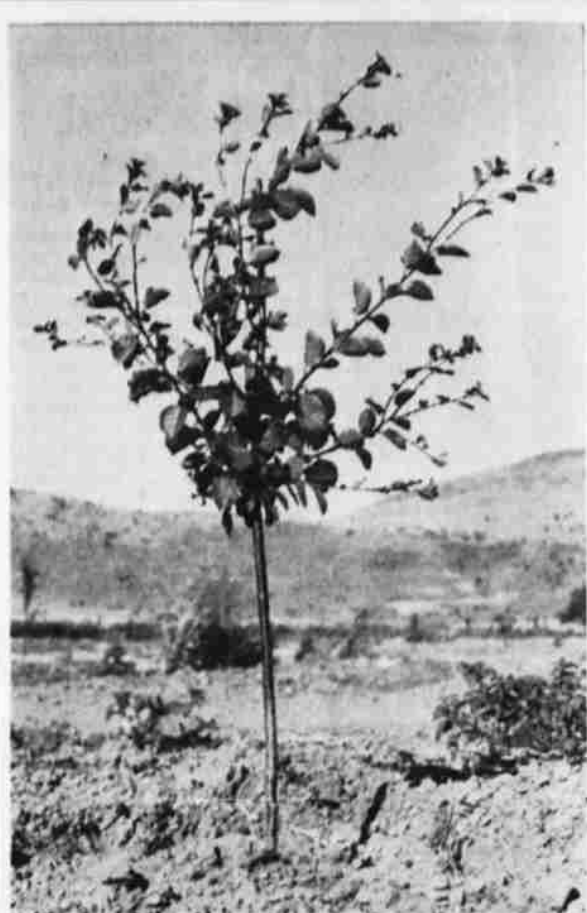
Barton chose the site of the park when he noted the number of Sunday picnickers there enjoying the scenery and cool breezes from the river.

CATTLE DIE

BAKER, July 21 (AP)—A cattle disease that destroys red corpuscles of the blood has killed about 100 cattle in southeast Baker county.

Farm Agent J. Clinton Hudson said there is no known vaccine to prevent anaplasmosis, as the disease is prevalent. Curative measures are impractical because moving the stricken animals is usually fatal.

The apple is closely allied to the pear.



ONE OF 500 WILD PLUMS being grown for commercial purposes in an orchard on the W. W. Southwell ranch near Henley. Wild plum shoots are budded on peach roots for best results.

Wild Plum Cultivation On Upswing In Klamath Basin

An increasing taste among Klamath county residents and anyone who has ever lived here, for wild plum preserves, is prompting some foresighted ranchers to develop wild plum groves on their land.

Chet Barton, Poe valley rancher planted 100 small plum trees last year but some of them suffered from the past severe winter.

The 500 little trees planted by W. W. Southwell on his Henley ranch this year are doing fine and have put forth bountiful new growth. Cultivated wild plums are started from budding stock obtained through Oregon State college from the best of the wild stock in Klamath and Lake counties. It is budded onto peach roots and experiments prove that the taste of the domesticated species is no different from the wild varieties.

Peach roots are recommended over the original plum roots for their sturdiness and fast growing qualities. Tests made by OSC field men in bi-annual studies in the wild groves show 20 varieties of the wild plums or "prunus subcordata."

If only one species is planted in a grove the trees will not reproduce. Southwell has six varieties among his 500 plants.

An advantage of domesticating the plums is to have them where they can be protected from ordinary hazards of the woods, gophers and porcupines eating the tender young shoots and aphids attacking the trees later on. Between frosts at blossom time this year, followed by heavy aphid infestation, the yield of wild plum groves is expected to be way below normal this fall.

The OSC field men are expected to be in Klamath and Lake counties this month, making a routine check and will have a more definite forecast on the crop when the four is completed.

Trees in ranch orchards are removed from marginal lands which support damaging animals, and are sources of aphid spread. They can be sprayed for disease and irrigated through dry seasons.

The last taste of wild plum preserves is becoming increasingly popular, especially as an accompaniment for wild game, and ranchers introducing trees into their farm plans have an eye for the commercial market for their crop.

A study of prunus subcordata is being conducted in some of the county grade schools as part of the program for educating the youngsters to the potentialities of the country that supports them. Special recipe books including methods of preserving and using the fruit are being compiled and farm plum groves are right in step with the advancing popularity.

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Oregon Spud Commission Men Name Scott Warren Chairman; Discuss Plans

Operations of the Oregon state potato commission were launched with an organization meeting in Salem at which Ben Davidson, of Redmond, was named administrator for the commission.

Davidson is a native Oregonian who attended Oregon State college and whose experience includes 13 years of service with the federal-state inspection service. For two years Davidson has been broker salesman for Pacific Supply Co-operative at Redmond.

Commissioners named Scott Warren of Klamath Falls, chairman; N. L. Weigand of Redmond, vice chairman. Headquarters for the commission will be Redmond.

The Oregon potato commission law became effective July 16. A 1 1/2 per cent tax on potatoes is collectable on all potatoes produced after July 1, and sold after July 16, effective date of the law.

The commission laid plans to notify all growers and shippers of provisions of the law. Enforcement of the tax collections provision will become effective immediately upon receipt of mailed notification. The law provides that all first purchasers of potatoes are to collect the tax from growers and remit proceeds to the commission on a monthly basis not later than the fifteenth day of the succeeding month.

Arrangements with the state department of agriculture for access to shipping point inspection records provide a means of cross checking remittances by established dealers.

Agreement by the inspection service to make collections from itinerant truckers is intended to prevent possible tax evasion leaks in such cases.

Commissioners Floyd Stoneman and S. E. Harley from the Ontario area were assured of assistance with efforts in that area to improve farm labor camp housing facilities which are said to be the most pressing need there is.

Commissioners from other areas felt that another important activity for the commission would be to help finance greenhouse facilities for potato research at Oregon State college.

Other members of the commission present at the Salem meeting were John Brooks, Madras; B. McKay, Troutdale, and Wilford Dixon, Malin. Commissioners who were absent were Robert Miller, Boardman, and Clyde Ward of Baker.

Assisting with the organization meeting were Frank McKennon of the state department of agriculture representing executive board member, E. L. Peterson, director of agriculture; Rex Warren, extension specialist in farm crops from Oregon State college, representing Dean William A. Schonfeld; L. J. Young of the budget directors office Katherine Carson Barch of the attorney general's office; Walter Jendrzewski, Klamath county extension agent and Ed Bell of the Oregon Wheat commission.

Salted peanuts are delicious added to a cabbage salad. Good, too, with grated carrots and dried raisins. Youngsters like the latter mixture in sandwiches also.

Spud Cars Get Check

Rosa Aubrey, district superintendent of shipping point inspection for the State Department of Agriculture, is now in Ontario, Ore., and will go from there to Chicago, checking potato shipments.

Certain sacks are labeled at the shipping point and these same sacks are examined at the destination, checked again at wholesale and retail markets and into the hands of consumers. Aubrey left for Chicago, today, Thursday.

Purpose of the check is to determine how the new potatoes carry, if there is damage, what causes it and how to prevent it.

This is the second year a check of this type has been made by the department of agriculture, in conjunction with Oregon State college. Aubrey is expected home in September.

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