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HOW MANY FARMERS TO HALT A TRACTOR?

Interesting Tug of War to Feature Athletic Program for Annual Farmers Picnic at College June 21

How many husky farmers will it take to exert a pulling power equal to that of the Cleveland tractor? The answer to this question will be ascertained at the joint picnic of the Whitman County Farmers Union and Whitman Pomona Grange, to be held at the State College, Pullman, on Friday, June 21. As a feature of the athletic program scheduled for Rogers field on the afternoon of the day of the picnic, a tug of war, with a Cleveland tractor on one end of a rope and a large number of the huskiest farmers available on the other, will be staged. Wild guesses on the number of farmers it will require to develop a pulling power equal to the power developed by the Cleveland are rife, and the event is attracting wide attention and will bring many farmers to Pullman who otherwise might not come.

The day's program will open with separate business meetings of the two organizations in Wilson Hall at 10:00 a. m. At 12:30 the mammoth dinner will be served in Tanglewood, the college picnic grounds, with Miss Marcella Dodge of the State College home economics college, in charge.

The farmers' wives are being urged to bring a surplus of the goodies that are raised on the farm, including chicken, cream, butter, eggs, radishes, etc., while the town and faculty women are asked to emphasize such edibles as salads, cooked vegetables, sandwiches and other town dishes.

Immediately following the big dinner a number of after-dinner speeches will be heard. John M. Klemgard of Ewartville will preside and will enforce the five-minute rule to the letter. President E. O. Holland of the State College, President James S. Klemgard of the Whitman County Pomona Grange, and Master James Emert of the County Farmers Union, will speak, together with a number of others. These five-minute talks will be followed by a number of two-minute talks by honored guests.

The athletic stunts will be staged on Rogers field commencing at 1:30 p. m. First will come the three-lining baseball game between the farmers and college professors. Under the rules of the game a soft ball will be used. The baseball game will be followed by the tug-of-war, farmers pulling against a Cleveland tractor. A 25-yard dash for married ladies is scheduled as well as a free-for-all potato race. Contestants are asked to bring their own spuds. The athletic events will be in charge of Prof. C. E. Howell of the college faculty.

At 3:00 p. m. the visitors will be taken on an inspection tour of the college campus and farm, guided by Prof. E. G. Schafer. The tour will include the experimental plots, now at their best, the college live stock, buildings, and numerous points of interest.

Girls from the Pullman Red Cross will sell ice cream on the grounds and hot coffee will be served by the ladies of the State College home economics course.

Efforts are being made to make the annual picnic the biggest and most successful ever held, and all farmers and friends interested in agriculture are invited to attend. "Come in your shirt sleeves, prepared to have a good time," is the invitation extended by E. F. Gaines, master of the College Grange, the entertaining organization.

BOOSTS WAR STAMPS SALES

Charles L. MacKenzie of Colfax, county chairman of the war savings stamp drive, visited Pullman Tuesday in the interests of the campaign. He was accompanied by F. A. Russell, manager of the Great Eastern store at Colfax, who is chairman of the war stamp campaign among the merchants of the county. Both gentlemen attended the chamber of commerce meeting Tuesday, the former making a forceful address in the interests of the war stamp campaign.

WOMEN OF WOODCRAFT TO SERVE LUNCHEON

Evergreen Circle, Women of Woodcraft, will serve luncheon in the chamber of commerce rooms Saturday as a Red Cross benefit, the entire proceeds to go to that organization. The luncheon will start at 11:30, continuing as long as the food lasts, probably until after the supper hour. Previous Red Cross benefit luncheons have added substantial sums to the exchequer of the local branch and the affairs merit the support of every resident of this community. You can get more than your money's worth in "eats," at the same time assisting a highly worthy cause, by taking your meals at the chamber of commerce rooms Saturday.

The menu will include potatoes, chicken gravy, bread and butter, pie and coffee, and the price will be 25 cents.

FORMER RESIDENT DIES

Martin M. Poole, formerly a resident of Pullman, died at his home near Clarkston recently, at the age of 80 years. Mr. Poole is survived by four sons and two daughters, nearly all of whom were educated at the State College and the city schools.

FOUR PULLMAN MEN IN NEXT DRAFT

Forty-one More Whitman County Men to Entrain at Colfax June 24 for Camp Lewis

Four Pullman men are included in the list of 41 Whitman county boys who are included in the next draft call and will entrain at Colfax on the afternoon of June 24 for Camp Lewis. The Pullman men are:

Robert Russell Boyd, George Ruple, John Howard Clark, Byron Land Martin.

The entire list of 41 registrants who will leave on June 24 is as follows:

Frank Adolph John, Colton; John Anthony Lighinski, Seattle; Mike Morris, Spokane; Lloyd Allen White, Tacoma; Kenneth Paul Smith, Sprague; Paul Victor, La Crosse; Ralph Leroy Bonney, Garfield; Percy Corington Pangborn, Seattle; James Frederick Gumph, Steptoe; Lawrence Henry Hatrup, Uniontown; Henry Fox, Endicott; John Kylo, Penawawa; Joseph Elliott, Elberton; Howard Franklin Stevens, Pine City; Joe Kuder, Colton; Frank C. Sherfey, Jonesboro, Tenn.; Joseph Wolf, Tekoa; John Lester Circle, Portland; James Floyd Williams, Vancouver, Wash.; Roscoe William Phipps, Colfax; James Ross, La Crosse; Robert Huckaby, Wallace, Idaho; Howell White, Wenatchee; Orvis Benjamin, Spokane; Galvano Ventimiglia, Alton, Ill.; Benjamin Phillip Marcy, Colton; Leo M. Moser, Colton; Floyd H. Robinson, Oakesdale; Clarence Harry Bergeson, Seattle; Eugene Alfred White, St. John; Lennie Arthur Palmer, Colfax; Gilbert Lillis Lindly, St. John; Chas. Edward Goffin, San Francisco; Oliver Carl Ellis, La Crosse; Harold Guy White, Palouse; Llewellyn A. Smith, Steptoe; Charles Edson Cramer, Yakima.

Alternates—Fred Arthur Jenkins, Garfield; August Herman Kaiser, Endicott; Carl Lee Massengale, Rosalia; John Bernhard Peterson, La Crosse; William Fleischman, Endicott.

KINGSBURY RESIGNS

L. W. Kingsbury, for the past seven years local manager of the Washington Water Power company, has resigned his position but has not yet decided upon his future activities. Mr. Kingsbury will remain in charge of the local office until his successor is sent to Pullman to relieve him. When Mr. Kingsbury took charge of the Pullman office he was the only man on the force, doing both the office and outside work; now the force includes three outside men and an office assistant. The number of electric meters in the city has increased from 400 to 900 during the seven years of his management.

300 UNITED STATES SOLDIERS HERE BY SATURDAY EVENING

Will Be Placed in Quarantine First Three Weeks—Officers Already Here—Work Wanted for Carpenters

The group of 309 United States army officers and men who will be stationed at the State College for the two months period commencing June 15 will all be in Pullman by Saturday evening, according to announcements made by army officers who are already on the scene. Citizens will be denied the privilege of entertaining or mingling with the men down town during the first three weeks of the mechanical courses, however, through the army order that for that period of time the soldiers be held in quarantine on the college campus.

Adequate quarters for the group of soldiers have been fitted up on the third and fourth floors of the Mechanic Arts building, where barracks to accommodate the entire contingent have been fitted up by the college. The Y. M. C. A. headquarters, in charge of W. P. Houser, recently named Y. M. C. A. war secretary here by the national Y. M. C. A. war board, will be maintained in the same building, and here provision will be made for the comfort, convenience and entertainment of the soldiers. The people of Pullman have been requested to provide furnishings for the Y. M. rooms, a Victrola has already been donated, and books, magazines and other articles that might assist the soldiers in filling in their spare time are acceptable.

One hour of each day will be given over to military drill, starting at 7:00 a. m. and continuing until 8:00. The shop work will require from seven to eight hours each day and the late afternoons and evenings will be open to the soldiers for such recreation as they desire. Two baseball diamonds have been measured off on Rogers field, and it is expected that this sport will be the popular one. Numerous tennis courts also will be available to the soldiers, as well as all the equipment of the State College gymnasium, including the physical apparatus, plunge and shower baths.

Dean H. V. Carpenter of the college of mechanic arts and engineering, has completed arrangements for handling the 60 soldiers who will be trained as carpenters. Some of the men assigned to this course will have had considerable experience as carpenters, according to Dean Carpenter, and under the plan to be followed it is expected that almost any kind of a frame building can be handled by the men. Forms for concrete, barns, elevators, garages and other small buildings will be constructed by the beginners.

Under the plans to be followed in assigning the men to the different jobs that present themselves, squads of men will be sent out in charge of an experienced and competent foreman. The owner of the building will furnish the materials and pay the foreman the running wages of \$6 per

day. As many enlisted men will then be put on the job as the owner desires. For jobs outside of town the owner of the building to be constructed must furnish transportation for the men, leaving the college at 8:30 and returning in the evening. He must either furnish the noon meal or bring the men to Ferry Hall, where the meals will be served throughout the entire course.

It is hoped that the people of this vicinity will take full advantage of this plan since the very best training that can be given these men will be in actual construction work. For details inquire of H. V. Carpenter, phone 2273, or Frank Wild, phone 3313.

The four officers from Camp Lewis who will have charge of the 309 soldiers who commence mechanical training at the State College June 15, arrived early this week and reported to the college heads. Second in command of the group of soldiers will be First Lieutenant John Dudley Roberts, I. R. C., former State College student, who left college late in the 1917 term to attend the first officers training camp at the Presidio, receiving his first lieutenant's stripes as a result of his efficient work at that camp. He was immediately assigned to Camp Lewis for the purpose of training recruits and remained there until he received his orders to report at his alma mater.

With Lieutenant Roberts at the college will be three other Camp Lewis men, Captain Chris Jensen, I. R. C.; First Lieutenant Harry K. Kingsbury, I. N. A., and Second Lieutenant Fred L. Packard, I. R. C. Captain Jensen will be chief officer in charge of the group of soldiers.

Captain Gordon McCracken, medical reserve corps, has arrived in Pullman to look after the physical wellbeing of the soldiers, and a man from the quartermaster's corps will also be on hand. Captain McCracken is a former resident of Spokane, locating there in 1887, and in the early days made several visits to Pullman and the Palouse country. In a short talk at the chamber of commerce meeting Tuesday he remarked upon the remarkable development and improvement of the community since his last visit many years ago.

Colonel W. T. May, commandant of cadets at the State College, who escorted the army officers to the meeting of the chamber of commerce, told of changes in the military laws which will provide for the enlistment, next year, of the State College men in the R. O. T. C., the object being not to take them away from college for military duty, but to keep them in college and give them the training that will better equip them for service for the government in the future. "You will have 309 men here by Saturday evening and probably 618 by August," said Colonel May, "the latter possibility depending upon the ability of the college to take care of that many."

Pullman People to Assist in Elks Program

Leading Parts in B. P. O. E. Flag Day Exercises at Moscow to Be Taken by Pullman Citizens—Public Is Invited

A number of Pullman people will feature in the Flag Day exercises to be conducted by Moscow lodge, No. 249, B. P. O. E., at Moscow this (Friday) evening, and a big delegation of Pullman people will journey to Moscow for the meeting, which will be open to the general public. Frank E. Sanger of Pullman is exalted ruler of the organization and will preside at the ceremonies.

The program will open with the singing of "The Star Spangled Banner," by Mrs. Ina Wright Herbst, soprano, of the State College faculty. Introductory services will be conducted by Exalted Ruler Sanger, assisted by other officers, and prayer will be offered by M. J. Chapman of Pullman.

Mrs. Ina Wright Herbst will sing "Your Flag and My Flag" to music composed especially for the occasion by Prof. Gottfried Herbst. The flag record will be read by G. W. Suppiger of Moscow and other officers. "Auld Lang Syne" will be sung by the officers and members of the lodge, and Howard T. Lewis of Moscow will give the Elks' tribute to the flag.

A medley of allied airs, arranged by Prof. A. H. Meyer, Mus. B., State College pipe organist, will be played by Prof. Gottfried Herbst, violinist, and Prof. Meyer, organist.

A reading, "The American Flag," will be given by Rhoda M. White, dean of women at the State College, and the address of the evening, "The Call of the Flag," will be delivered by William Goodyear of Pullman.

The program will close with the singing of "America" by the entire audience.

Exalted Ruler Sanger desires to

call the attention of the people of Pullman to the fact that the meeting is open to the general public and to invite as many Pullman people as care to go to attend the ceremonies, which will start at 8:00 p. m. sharp.

CLIFF FOLGER VISITS

Clifford Folger, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Folger of this city and a graduate of the State College, mingled with his Pullman friends Tuesday. Mr. Folger is now connected with the United States Department of agriculture, assigned to crop estimates work, and his official duties took him to the Yakima valley, giving him the opportunity to visit at Pullman on his return to the national capital. Mr. Folger states that all the reports of hotel congestion and high rates for accommodations at Washington are true, but that he is particularly fortunate in having secured accommodations at the Y. M. C. A.

SMOKED GLASS

MUCH IN EVIDENCE
Practically every resident of Pullman was peering at the sun through a smoked glass Saturday afternoon. The eclipse of the sun as seen from Pullman was practically total, only a small rim of Old Sol being visible when the eclipse was at its height.

FORMER PULLMAN MAN IN AIR ACCIDENT

Lieutenant Leroy A. Gunderson, State College Student, Loses Fingers of Left Hand in Flight Over Hun Lines

Lieutenant Leroy A. Gunderson, a former student of the State college from Malden, lost the fingers of his left hand while flying over the Hun lines in France recently. The following story concerning the accident is taken from the Malden Register:

Word was received here Saturday by John G. Noble that Lieutenant L. A. Gunderson met with an accident while flying in France which resulted in the loss of the fingers of his left hand. The accident occurred while flying over the German lines on a trip for taking photographs of the trenches and the men were using an aeroplane with double propellers. Mr. Gunderson was ahead, close to the propellers, and the pilot behind him, depending on his signals for direction. While giving a signal to return to the allied lines he forgot the propellers whirling close by and thrust his left hand into the nearest one, losing the fingers as a result. The shock of the contact to the machine was so great that the propeller was broken and Lieutenant Gunderson wrote that they sideslipped a quarter of a mile before the pilot gained control of the plane. They then came into camp with one propeller. He wrote that as a result of the accident the little finger is gone entirely, the two middle fingers amputated at the middle joint and the forefinger severed just back of the nail. He is in a French hospital at present, but as soon as it is safe he expects to go to Nice for a convalescent's vacation. He does not yet know whether his accident will prevent his further work in the aviation corps, and is anxious to return to the work, with which he says he is delighted.

LIEUTENANT CLOUGH TO TRAIN AVIATORS

Word received by friends of Dr. Leslie Clough, former assistant physical director at the State College, is to the effect that Dr. Clough is now a full fledged first lieutenant in the sanitary corps of the national army and is at present on duty at the medical research laboratory of Hazelhurst Field, Mineola, New York. Lieutenant Clough enjoys the distinction of being the first physical director to be commissioned to train aviators. He is now engaged in the making of physiological and psychological tests of every nature, from which valuable data is compiled. As soon as he has completed his course he will be assigned to a flying school to condition the fliers.

ACCUSED OF HOLDING EXCESS OF WHEAT

Jacob Bauer and Mrs. Ollie Harper Caused to Appear Before County Board of Inquiry at Colfax

It is quite possible that before long the wheat and flour hoarders that are congratulating themselves that they have escaped the eye of the government agents, will discover to their dismay that the arm that reaches from Washington is long enough to touch Whitman county.

County Food Administrator Emerson has been faithfully warning the people all over this county that he must do as the government authorities in Washington command him to do. Some folks have been prone to regard the rules and regulations of the food administration as more bluff than otherwise.

Monday, the court of inquiry of the county food administration sat in the court house and summoned two persons to appear before it and answer to the charge of holding wheat after the date set by the government for its disposal at the mill.

Jacob F. Bauer of Colton was accused of holding on his place 567 sacks of grain that should have been turned in May 15. Mr. Bauer offered in explanation that he understood that he had until June 15 to bring in the grain. This information presumably was received by his wife who has a relative somewhere in the east who is a local food administrator. Owing to the fact that he is very busy with his farm work he was delaying until the last moment before taking time to market the grain.

Mr. Bauer was also reported to the board as one of the men who was holding for his own use more than the allotted amount of wheat flour. It developed that he had three sacks in the home, for which he excused himself on the ground that there were 11 persons in the family.

The other party was Mrs. Ollie Harper of Johnson, the owner of nearly 700 acres of land.

The facts developed before the court that the 200 bushels of grain held by Mrs. Harper were smutty and that the miller had refused to take them off her hands. Through some misunderstanding of the rules and regulations concerning wheat, when she tried to have the grain ground for chop she was reported to the administration. It was brought out at the inquiry that Mrs. Harper had not subscribed to either the first or second Liberty Loans and did not subscribe her full quota to the third. Her Red Cross apportionment was also cut down by her. These facts contributed, in the estimation of the board of inquiry, to the criticism that had been made, that she was not in full sympathy with the program of the food administration and the war department.

M. S. Jamar, attorney from Pullman, appeared on behalf of both parties. The findings of the board will be transmitted to the Washington authorities.—Palouser.

TO RECLASSIFY DEFERRED REGISTRANTS

The local advisory board of Whitman county, together with the local appeal board and a government appeal agent, will next Monday begin a reclassification of all registrants of classes 2, 3 and 4, with a view of putting in class 1 all registrants in the deferred classes who should properly, under the rules and regulations, be included in class 1. All patriotic citizens of the county are urged to give to the local board such information as they may have that will aid in the reclassification.

LIEUTENANT ROBERTS HERE

First Lieutenant John Dudley Roberts, former student of the State College, arrived in Pullman Wednesday noon to assist in training the soldiers at the State College. Lieutenant Roberts has been stationed at Camp Lewis for 10 months and is extremely anxious to get "across the pond" to take a shot at Fritz. While at the first officers' training camp at the Presidio Lieutenant Roberts became famous among the soldiers as a writer as a member of the staff of the "Dug Out."