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IS LATAH COUNTY LAND TOO HIGH?

Speaking about the price of Latah county land, we heard a man say the other day that he did not believe in booming it because it was too high now; that it is impossible to make interest on the investment at present prices. We agreed that this is true, if he meant wheat on $100 land. Perhaps it is a little high for wheat where the farmer summer fallows one-third of the time. But whenever the Star-Mirror has referred to Latah county soil and said that it is too cheap we have had in mind real farming. We have talked of soil when given a real opportunity to produce. In the first place there is no more reason for summer fallowing Latah county land than there is in the merchant locking up his store one-third of the time, or the banker calling in his money and refusing to loan it twelve months out of every thirty-six. The fact that most of our farmers still summer fallow is no argument in its favor. For a quarter of a century Wm. Clyde, one of our successful farmers, has summer fallowed. The past season he planted an eight-acre patch of corn on summer fallow. The results were astonishing. He raised an immense crop. Others are making the same discovery. Some are producing big crops of potatoes, others clover and alfalfa, while others plant roots and feed cattle and hogs. By scientific intensive farming the good farmer with a small acreage is producing more than his neighbor with the big acreage poorly tilled, and the tendency will now be to farm less land, but farm it better. Where modern methods are followed there is no complaint that Latah county real estate is too high. Invariably these intensive farmers have no complaint to make. We know of one man who is netting more than a thousand dollars a year from a twenty-acre tract, and this is taking no account of a young commercial orchard that is developing at the same time. DeWitt Brothers have this season sold some $450 worth of tomatoes from less than four acres. They have no complaint about the high price of land. Arnold Lyons, from a crop of clover and timothy this year produced a yield worth, at time of baling, $56 per acre. G. P. Mix, from his eighteen-acre pear orchard, purchased by him less than three years ago for less than $100 per acre, last year netted over $50 per acre, while his net returns this season are $2400. We know of others who are making interest on high-priced land raising chickens. Others are getting handsome returns from berries. Cabbage and onions are also returning good interest to the producer, while commercial orchards justify several times the present prices that our best lands command. The man who complains about the "high price of land" in Latah county pleads ignorance of facts that ought to produce a blush. Latah soil is, as a matter of fact, rediculously cheap, a fact just beginning to be recognized by the outside world. There is going to be a material increase the coming year. There is going to be the biggest demand in the history of the county. People who have idle funds might well heed these suggestions and better their financial condition.

MAGNIFICENT PROGRESS IS MADE ON CANAL

COLON, Panama, Oct. 18.—Magnificent is the word which might fittingly describe the progress made on the construction of the Panama canal. The statement of Colonel George W. Goethals, chief engineer of the canal, that the canal would be finished in September, 1913, or over one year before the date previously announced for its inauguration, was at first received with some hesitation. Now, however, an examination of the colossal work that is being rushed to completion in Miraflores, Pedro Miguel and Gatun, and the surprising way the Culebra cut is advanced has convinced the most incredulous that Colonel Goethal's estimate of completion in 1913 will be borne out.

The point which seems to offer the greatest difficulties throughout the whole canal is the cut in the Culebra hills and this, not on account of engineering problems, but because of the many slides occurring from the loose earth. These slides confuse estimates as to the number of cubic yards to be ultimately excavated. The engineers, however, in charge of the work are confident that these difficulties are by no means insuperable and will, in no way, retard the date set for opening the canal.

ANOTHER SORT OF PUBLICITY.

Coeur d'Alene Press: "The Spokane spirit was prominently displayed at the Taft meeting in that city Saturday evening when the president arose to speak. Several rows of front seats were vacant in the grand stand while promoters were passing through the crowd below attempting to dispose of them at prices ranging from $2.50 to $5 a seat. The president noticed this "graft" and refused to proceed with his speech until the seats were occupied, calling attention to the fact that they were vacant and asking that they be filled before he began talking. The president of the chamber of commerce, a 'Spokane institution,' got busy and there were free seats as long as they lasted. The activity of the money changers and grafters in the face of the president was one of the most disgusting and disgraceful spectacles of fair week and the president could not help showing his displeasure and disgust at the desperate efforts of the fair management or its agents to grab a few extra dollars by using Taft as a drawing card. Spokane is nothing if not disgusting at times in the display of her grasping greed for gold."

There is not one iota of truth in the above. It is one of the meanest and most inexcusable attacks we have ever known any newspaper to be guilty of. It is nothing more nor less than a deliberate slander, for it makes a laudable and commendable thing something bad and disgraceful. It is a distorting of facts until the best intentions are turned into something that would, were it true, be a disgrace to Spokane. The facts in the case are that it is not true. We know, for we were there, a guest of the Chamber of Commerce of Spokane, occupying a seat near the president in the reserved section where the vacant seats mentioned caused the president to ask that they be filled by as many of the standing thousands as could be accommodated. Weeks before the fair, when it was known that President Taft was to visit Spokane, the Chamber of Commerce sent out several hundred invitations to prominent people in neighboring cities to attend the Spokane reception to the president. When it was decided to have the president deliver his address at the fair grounds, the Spokane Chamber of Commerce promptly paid for two sections of reserved seats immediately in front of the speaker's stand, and at once sent word to its invited guests that reservations had been made for their convenience and comfort. The Chamber of Commerce had no way of knowing just how many would respond. They had to reserve a seat for every invited guest. When the president arose to speak he called attention to the fact that it was hard at best to talk so that he could be heard by the vast multitude, and suggested that the two or three rows of vacant seats immediately in front of him be filled. President Coman of the Chamber of Commerce, who was presiding, asked the people to move forward, and the seats were filled.

At no time were the seats offered for sale; as a matter of fact, several thousand people were turned away, while thousands of others stood up, the fair management having nothing to do with the seats reserved by the Chamber of Commerce.

And there you are. The efforts of the citizens of Spokane to treat people with due respect; to make it possible for invited guests to see and hear President Taft, are distorted into a detestable scheme to use the president as a drawing card by the Interstate Fair management to finance the fair. There is not a word of truth in it. If the Coeur d'Alene Press, as we believe it to be, is fair, it will say that it was mistaken. Every paper in the country, and this will include the Lewiston Tribune, that published the article from the Press, will make apology. No good can come from such an attack on one of the cleanest and best managed fairs in the United States.

Wallace Press: While it is generally agreed that to keep the kids of Wallace from smoking cigarettes would be an impossibility, restrictions are to be placed upon the sale of "the makin's" that will, it is hoped by the councilmen cause a decrease in the number of cigarettes consumed by boys of tender years.

The matter was brought up in council Monday night by Mr. Nordquist. Speaking of the apparently growing practice among Wallace youngsters, he said that he was filled with disgust, and hoped that there was some way open in the city council to place obstacles in the way of the boys, who seem to have no difficulty in getting cigarettes.

Former Mayor Hanson, who was present, stated that there was an ordinance which made the selling of tobacco to a boy a misdemeanor, and that it had been the practice of the councils of the past to give instructions to the chief of police to warn all dealers against violating the ordinance.

The matter was discussed at length and taken under advisement. It is probable that the ordinance will be revived and amended, placing a heavy fine as the penalty of selling tobacco or wrappers to little boys.

There will be 531 votes in the next electoral college, 48 more than in the last, and 266 will be required to elect the next president.

State News.

A local option election will be asked for in Ada county, but not until Feburary of next year. That information is contained in a statement issued by W. J. Herwig, state superintendent of the anti-saloon league.

The grain shipments from Cambridge in 1908 were 20,000 bushels; in 1909, 48,000 bushels; 1910, 65,000 bushels, and this year there has been purchased in the vicinity for shipment from Cambridge 150,000 bushels.

Not for the purpose of prosecuting him, but to put him in touch with lawyers who held a fortune in trust for him, the Boise police have been asked to locate John Schoolfield, formerly of St. Louis, and once a resident of Boise.

At a recent meeting of the state land board a resolution was unanimously adopted ratifying the agreement between the state and federal government in relation to the exchange of lands.

What is undoubtedly the largest fine ever imposed in Idaho for violation of the local option law will be paid by Henry Schreiber and Earl Haggerty, who will enrich the coffers of Bear Lake county by the payment of approximately $3,000.

Thirty-four large potatoes, in a single hill, the total weight being twenty-one pounds, is the banner yield so far in Lemhi county. James Hutchinson, living a mile south of Salmon, has affidavits to prove that he dug the above from a single hill.

Charles Rowyel, aged 17, lies on a cot in a Boise hospital with a broken back. He sacrificed his future, possibly his life, to help a comrade whose fingers were being ground off in a machine at a gravel pit. It is doubtful if young Rowley will live.

A Pocatello bootlegger who had been arrested and taken before the city court for a hearing, established a unique way of destroying the evidence by breaking the bottles which were concealed on his person and allowing the contents to spill down his trousers legs to the floor.

A second dividend of 10 per cent to be paid by the receiver of the defunct State Bank of Commerce, October 15, has been authorized by Judge W. W. Woods of the district court at Wallace. With the previous dividends this will bring the total payment to 25 per cent, or about $113,000.

The contract has been let for the construction of the big dam for the Crane Creek irrigation project, causing great rejoicing at Weiser. The completion of the project means that 20,000 acres more of rich agricultural land, all within easy reach of that town, will be placed under cultivation.

Try It.

"Mary," said a mother to her quick-tempered little girl, "you must not get mad and say naughty things. You should always give a soft answer."

When her little brother provoked her an hour afterward, Mary clenched her little fists and said: "Mush."—The Watchword.

Two Houses For Sale.

A six-room house, south of the court house. Also a six-room house on East First street. Enquire at 610 Adams street, of Mrs. T. E. Edmundson. 13tf

WAR DECLARED

Catarrh Germs Must Be Conquered or Health will be Destroyed.

If you have catarrh you must vanquish an army of persistent, destructive microbes before you can get rid of it.

You might as well choose your weapons, declare war and annihilate this army of catarrh germs right now.

Stomach dosing won't kill them; neither will sprays or douches.

Hyomei, a pleasant, antiseptic, germ destroying air breathed over the entire membrane will put catarrh germs out of business in short order.

Hyomei (pronounce it High-o-me) is guaranteed by R. Hodgins to end catarrh, asthma, bronchitis, coughs, colds and croup, or money back. If you own a little Hyomei hard rubber pocket inhaler you can get a separate bottle of Hyomei for only 50 cents. If you haven't an inhaler buy a complete outfit that only costs $1.00. 20-22

7 Per Cent Bonds for Sale.

$7,500.00 or $15,000.00 worth of First Class Irrigation District bonds, netting 7 per cent and maturing from 10 to 20 years for sale. Approved by the court and best investment you can get. Address Parker V. Lucas, Moscow, Idaho. Phone 22J. 7-18c

Tickling in the throat, hoarseness, loss of voice, indicate the need of Ballard's Horehound Syrup. It eases the lungs, quiets the cough and restores health in the bronchial tubes. Price 25c, 50c and $1.00 per bottle. Sold by the Owl Drug Store, S. L. Willis, Prop. O

When you have a bad cold you want the best medicine obtainable so as to cure it with as little delay as possible. Here is a druggist's opinion: "I have sold Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for fifteen years,' says Enos Lollar of Saratoga, Ind., "and consider it the best on the market.' For sale by the Owl Drug Store. O

HER HAIR GREW

That's Why a Thankful Woman Recommends Parisian Sage.

S. L. Willis will sell you a fifty cent bottle of Parisian Sage and guarantee it to banish dandruff, stop falling hair and itching scalp, or money back. It's a delightful hair dressing that makes hair lustrous and fascinating.

"In the spring I was recovering from a severe case of erysipelas, which left me virtually bald on the front of my head and next to my ears. The hair kept coming out rapidly and nothing I used stopped my getting entirely bald, until I used two bottles of Parisian Sage. This tonic made my hair start to grow in and, in fact, grew me a good fair amount of hair, and it has entirely stopped my hair falling out.

It is with pleasure that I give a public recommend to Parsian Sage, which I know is a wonder." Mrs. Ella Gilchrist, W. Pitt S.t, Bedford, Pa. 19-21

If you have young children you have perhaps noticed that disorders of the stomach are their most common ailment. To correct this you will find Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets excellent. They are easy and pleasant to take, and mild and gentle in effect. For sale by the Owl Drug Store. O

If the child starts in its sleep, grinds its teeth while sleeping, picks at the nose, has a bad breath, fickle appetite, pale complexion, and dark rings under the eyes; it has worms and as long as they remain in the intestines, that child will be sickly. White's Cream Vermifuge clears out the worms, strengthens the stomach and bowels and puts the little one on the road to health and cheerfulness. Price 25c per bottle. Sold by the Owl Drug Store, S. L. Willis, Prop. O

J. W. Copeland of Dayton, Ohio, purchased a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for his boy who had a cold, and before the bottle was all used the boy's cold was gone. Is that not better than to pay a five dollar doctor's bill? For sale by the Owl Drug Store O

When your food does not digest well and you feel "blue," tired and discouraged, you should use a little Herbine at bedtime. It opens the bowels, purifies the system and restores a fine feeling of health and energy. Price 50c. Sold by the Owl Drug Store, S. L Willis, Prop. O

Safe deposit boxes for rent. Thompson Bros. X