

**COUNTIES WITH FARM AGENTS IN THE STATE MAKE BEST SHOWING**

Those counties of Oregon which have county agents and farm bureaus are certain to make greater agricultural progress and bring more prosperity to their farmers than those which have neglected this field of endeavor. A great advance has been made in knowledge of how to operate a farm bureau or manage a county agent's office so as to get the maximum of practical benefit to the county. The old notion that one county agent was a sort of know it all smart Alec instructor of practical farmers how to farm theoretically is exploded. The county agent is now a sort of errand boy for the best farmers of the county and for the best practical farming methods reported from other counties, so the information as to how the best practical farmers can be spread around. He also is a sort of a chief clerk to help the farmers attend to a lot of business cooperatively. Also he is a sort of a secretary for the main farm organization of the county, the Farm Bureau, financed and run by the progressive farmers themselves. Also is a sort of a handy man who is called on for all manner of useful services by practical farmers. Incidentally he is a Godsend to the newcomer, or the novice, who sorely needs to be put in touch with sensible farming practice so as to save himself from the crudest kind of mistakes and unnecessary losses. No better investment is made by the taxpayers of any county than the share it pays of the salary and expense of a qualified county agent.

There are now only eight counties in the state of Oregon that now have neither county agent or farm bureau. Grant county is one of the eight, but the county court has included in the budget this year the sum of \$2700 to defray the expenses of a county agent—Oregon Voter

**COOPERATIVE MILK PLANT PROVES SUCCESSFUL IN PA.**

With the assistance of the Dairy Division of the United States Department of Agriculture, the dairymen in Dubois, Pa., are conducting a cooperative milk-distributing plant with decided success. As the owners are primarily producers and unfamiliar with the business of milk distribution, the Dairy Division keeps in touch with the work being done, and advises the stockholders in regard to the management of the business. Similar assistance is given to other organizations, whether cooperatively or privately owned, whenever requested.

The price which the farmers get for their product is determined by dividing the net receipts from sale of milk, after deduction for operating expenses and sinking fund, among the farmers in proportion to the amount and quality of milk they have respectively brought to the plant. Starting in July, 1917, with a business of only \$89 quarts they are now handling over 2,000 quarts daily and have been paying remarkably good prices to the members. The enhanced profits were not the result of high charges to consumers, but of economies brought about by cooperation, such as reducing the number of delivery wagons. The cooperation of producers in one concern has also enabled them better to handle the problems of surplus and shortage of milk. The supply has been kept adequate to the demand; and at the same time the quality has been more uniformly satisfactory than formerly. Since last February the price allowed for any particular milk has been based on its butter-fat content. All milk is expected to have at least 3.25 per cent of fat, and for this milk the minimum price is paid. For every one-tenth of 1 per cent of fat above the 3.25 there is an additional allowance of 4 cents per hundred-weight.

The District of Oregon Headquarters U. S. Marine Corps has received the Victory Medals for distribution among all Ex-Marines in the state.

All that is necessary to secure this beautiful emblem of Victory which every man who served with the Marines during the war is entitled to, is to mail your discharge certificate by registered mail to the U. S. Marine Recruiting Station, 3rd & Alder Sts., Portland, Oregon, and your discharge will be immediately returned to you accompanied by your medal. The discharge certificate must be endorsed by this office in order for medals to be awarded.

This office has a medal for every Ex-Marine in Oregon, and the sooner they send in their discharges, the sooner they will receive the medals.

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**DON'T MAKE MARTYRS OF THEM, FOLKS!**

The recent election proved beyond all doubt that the revolutionaries, Bolsheviks and all others who have been scheming at civil war in the United States and the overthrow of our government, didn't get very far with the mass of the American people. They have made great appeal for two years, but when it came to the point of showing us they had some power, they were lost in the deluge of votes that were cast without any thought of them.

You would have expected that good-natured, personally popular but mistaken 'Gene Debs, Socialist candidate for President, would have gotten a very large vote as a martyr, but his comparatively small increase was due to the normal increase in the total vote. And Berger, the coarse, blatant revolutionary from Milwaukee, also went down to defeat after a three-years' campaign to get into Congress.

The American people are not taking orders from Russia—not even suggestions.

Now that we know that the heart of the plain people has not been corrupted by the civil warists, Bolsheviks, terrorists and anarchists, the time has arrived to take revolutionaries seriously only when it is necessary. If they violate our laws by conspiracy or otherwise, carry the law into effect against them sternly. If they try terror, such as the Wall-st explosion, hang them when they have been given a lawful trial and duly found guilty.

But when they do nothing but talk give them the laugh and let them talk their fool heads off.

Don't make martyrs of them merely because they have a line of conversation in their chests that insists on getting out. Even the worst doctrine can be made great by the denial of free speech.

**KIDS WITH THE KIDS**

The children in a certain home we might mention seldom get lonesome. They have little desire for the abandon of the street, which is so dear to most children of their age.

But there is a reason. In their hours of relaxation the parents forget the years that have flown and call up the days of their own childhood.

They enter into sports with their children, and take an interest in those things which please the little ones most.

They are comrades as well as parents, and because they are such the child does not find it necessary to drift away from home in search of enjoyment.

This training policy of the parents has its beneficial results in two ways.

Through constant intimate contact their own superior knowledge is gradually imparted to the children each day in a manner a child can readily understand.

And it keeps the freshness of youth in their own mature hearts.

For, after all, people are only as old as they feel.

**HERE AND THERE**

Young man, if you have a good job in the country, hang onto it.

If you want to walk the streets week after week in a fruitless search for work, go to one of the big cities.

Newspapers are not parading the fact, but those who understand conditions in the large cities can tell you that employers are laying off their help in increasing numbers every day and the end is nowhere in sight.

A good country job has many attractions.

The army of the unemployed has none.

Yes, we just knew the women could adapt themselves to circumstances. There wasn't even a powder puff provided for the stuffy old voting booths and yet the dear things smiled sweetly through it all.

We, too, are becoming a little restless. We want a job that is all pay and no work.

**Ladies' Monogram Stationery Here**



**TIMELY FARM HINTS**

(From Department of Industrial Journalism Oregon Agricultural College)

**Soils, O. A. C.**—Twice as much nitrate is contained in ground which has been worked well as in ground that has not been worked properly. This was proven by an experiment conducted by the Sherman county branch station which ended on September 1. The test was with land in summer fallow, and it was found that all vegetation must be kept down to get the best results.

**Farm Crops, O. A. C.**—Grey winter oats will stand later planting than wheat or barley, and on fields where planting is considerably delayed better results will be obtained from grey oats than from any other cereal.

**Farm Mechanics, O. A. C.**—Radiators may freeze even in early fall weather and cause much trouble and delay. The safest way is to drain the radiator in the evening and in the morning again fill it up with warm water to help in starting.

**Bacteriology, O. A. C.**—Many samples of contaminated drinking water from wells in the state are being received by this department. See that the wells are in such a place that they are not subject to any seepage from the barn or outhouses. Play safe by sending a sample of the water to the nearest laboratory station to have tested for bacteria. This may save a large doctor bill.

**"ASTONISHING" SAYS ROBERTS**

After Ten Years Of Suffering He Is Again Well Strong—Praises Tanlac

"To feel well and strong after suffering constantly for ten years is a happy experience, and I am indebted to Tanlac for this astonishing change in my condition," said J. C. Roberts, of Milwaukee, Oregon, in a recent interview.

"During all these years my appetite was poor and my stomach was so badly disordered that there were very few things I dared eat, and what I did eat seemed to do me harm instead of good. I finally got to where I actually dreaded to eat anything, for after meals I was miserable for hours. I bloated up with gas and hurt so I couldn't stand my belt around my waist. These pains annoyed me especially at night, and I woke up in the morning feeling so bad I could hardly straighten up. I could seldom ever get a good night's rest on account of my kidneys, and I often had such sharp pains in my back that I could hardly stand them."

"No one seemed to understand my case, and I took so much medicine it looked like I would buy out the drugstore, but nothing gave me more than temporary relief. I was just about at the end of my row when I started taking Tanlac, but by the time I had taken two bottles I felt a wonderful improvement. I have now taken six bottles and my stomach and kidneys are in fine condition and I feel better than in years. All that trouble from gas, pains in the back and stomach, wakefulness and weakness have left me completely. I am so grateful to Tanlac for the restoration of my health that I can hardly think of words strong enough to express my feelings."

Tanlac is sold in Burns by Reed Brothers, and in Crane by Crane Mercantile Co. —Adv.

This world is full of people who believe in the fifty-fifty game. They want the first fifty in advance and the other on delivery.

This country has produced some great works of friction in past years, but nothing to compare with that indulged in by city merchants in "explaining" their reduction in prices.

An admiral has been chosen regent of Greece, and here's hoping he continues to float.

**LET'S ALL TRY A LITTLE ENTHUSIASM**

Why is it that the young men of the farm and the rural town lose interest in their environment and tramp off to the city to be lost—nine-tenths of them—in a whirlpool of oblivion?

In our opinion the reason lies largely in the absence of ENTHUSIASM, one of the greatest words in language, no matter what tongue it is spoken in. Perhaps you have forgotten how the word was made. "Enthusiasm" came from the Greek words—"en" for in, and "theos" for God. When a man was "en theos" the Greeks said he had the divine spirit in him.

And is it not divine to be enthusiastic? Faith divine moves mountains and so does enthusiasm. But how few of us realize it. Indeed, the editor of this newspaper believes that our rural communities need few things as much or as seriously as enthusiasm. Enthusiasm for our work, no matter what that work is; enthusiasm for the human people who surround us; enthusiasm for our community and its interests, various and sundry; enthusiasm for all things of life and for life itself.

There is hardly one of us who has not the capacity for enthusiasm. The trouble is that we do not cultivate it. Don't be a bump on a log. Try a little enthusiasm. Develop it and you will not only be more and more of a success in your niche, you will not only be a joy to all the people around you, but you will be totally surprised with yourself and also verily pleased with yourself.

If we ever have another war we won't need an army. We have enough speed maniacs in this country to ride right over and exterminate any enemy—just as they do old people and little children.

Now let's all join the "Good American" party.



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