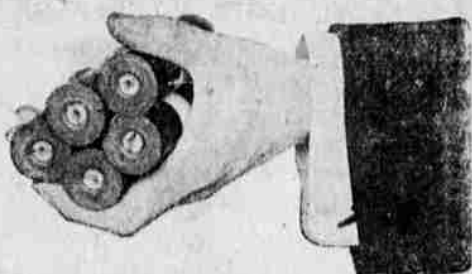


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Jan. 4, 5, 6—Oregon Irrigation Congress, Portland.

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ALFALFA FOR HOGS.

In Conjunction With Corn It is an Economical Feed For Brood Sows.

The farmers making the most profit from pork production are those using alfalfa most extensively. With corn at \$1 a bushel, the cost of growing and finishing a hog is a most important factor. All along the line the right use of alfalfa brings about economy in



The care and feeding of pigs by the young farm people have been so fostered and popularized by the various clubs that the idea has spread wonderfully. In many localities the youngsters have outstripped their elders in pork production. The young man in the picture is probably in training for future prizes.

pork production. We have in mind now the use of alfalfa hay as a feed for wintering brood sows, says the Kansas Farmer. A mature sow will eat alfalfa hay like a steer. Those who have never had alfalfa experience in connection with pork production sometimes consider it a joke to speak of feeding hay to hogs. It is not a joke to the man who has used it in cutting down his winter feed bill. There is no safer or better feed for the mature brood sow during the winter season than fine fourth cutting alfalfa. It has about the same chemical analysis and nutrient value as has bran and will be eaten with almost no waste.

The saving in feed is not by any means the most important advantage in using alfalfa for wintering brood sows. The pigs farrowed by sows that have had plenty of alfalfa through the winter will be strong and vigorous. The man who feeds his sows all the alfalfa hay they will eat will not be bothered with litters of puny, squeaky pigs that bring discouragement from the start.

Of course some grain may be necessary, but if the choicest of the hay is saved for the sows it will not take much to keep them in good condition. It is always dangerous to get brood sows too fat, especially if it is the result of heavy grain feeding, but they should not be allowed to get thin during the gestation period. When given plenty of alfalfa hay an ear or two of corn a day will be all the grain necessary to keep the sow in good condition.

Plan to save your finest hay for the sow. It can be fed on a clean floor or even on the ground in dry weather, but the best way is to provide a suitable rack. This rack should be made so the sows can get the hay without tramping it.

SHEEP SAVE WASTE.

Two Instances in Which Lambs Made Profits on Wheatfields.

Sheep have been very profitably used to harvest a damaged wheat crop on the farm of W. C. Smyser, Rice county, says the Kansas Farmer. The wheat was so badly damaged by the rain that he did not attempt to harvest it. In order to save the grain and use to good advantage the weeds and grass that sprang up, he turned in sheep. By the middle of October he had 20,000 lambs running on this wheatfield. They thrived remarkably well, and he expects that the field will return him as good a profit as if he had sold the wheat on the market. The lambs weighed an average of sixty pounds when they were turned in, costing \$8 a hundred.

The good results from pasturing growing wheat with sheep is illustrated by a story from Tennessee. In driving a band of 200 ewes they got into a wheatfield along the road. The land owner undertook to hold the sheep for exorbitant damages. Their owner, believing that the justice was prejudiced against sheep and realizing that the witnesses for the plaintiff were ready to testify that the damage done was greater than the crop produced the year before, put up \$300 and bought the crop. After grazing the ewes on the wheat he sold them, averaging 100 pounds apiece, at 64 cents a pound and the lambs, weighing sixty-five pounds apiece, at 11 cents. Thus the wheat crop, much to the chagrin of the land owner, made him an average of twenty-nine bushels an acre, the crop of the previous year being but fifteen bushels.

Announcements

"Acres of Diamonds."

Russell H. Conwell's "Acres of Diamonds" will be given at the M. E. church South, by Aubrey Roberts, Thursday night, Dec. 28, 8:30 p. m. Admission free.

How About That Trip to Corvallis for Farmers' Week, Jan. 2-6.

Thirty dollars will make the trip from La Grande. Why not get a number of your friends to go with you? Thirty people will make a good showing from Union county and the more there are the less the trip will cost you. As a matter of fact, 20 people can get a tourist car but the expense will be greater. The fare will be one and a third and the charge of \$25 plus a \$5.00 parking charge for each day at Corvallis will be the same whether there are 20 or 50 members in the party. There will be something of interest going on all the time. Grain growers should remember that the grain dealers and millers are going to attend the Grain Growers' conference in force, if the growers do not attend they can hardly blame any one other than themselves if any action taken along lines that they are not in harmony with. No matter what line of agriculture you are interested in there will be something that will repay you for the trip.

Let the hired man or the neighbors do the chores while you take this opportunity to take a trip that will be both instructive and enjoyable. Let me know what your plans are along this line. You can get me over either phone.

PAUL H. SPILLMAN.

David Grayson—The Nature Lover
The thousands of David Grayson's friends will be glad to know he has had another adventure with nature, and the results of the encounter are printed in the January American Magazine. He says:

"The beech trees have come at last to full leafage. The wild blackberries are ready to bloom, the swamp roses are budding. Brown planted fields lie see, and drooping elms, and the young crows cry from their nests on the knoll. . . I know now that, whoever I am, whatever I do, I am welcome here; the meadows are as green this spring for Tom the drunkard, and for Jim the thief, as for Jonathan the parson, or for Walt the poet; the wild cherry blooms as richly, and the odor of the pine is as sweet."

"At that moment, like a flame for clearness, I understood some of the deep and simple things of life, as that we are to be like the friendly pines and the elm trees and the open fields, and reject no man and judge no man. Once, a long time ago, I read a sober treatise by one who tried to prove with elaborate knowledge that, upon the whole, good was triumphant in this world, and that probably there was a God, and I remember going out dully afterward upon the hills, for I was weighted down with a strange depression, and the world seemed to me a hard, cold, narrow place where good must be heavily demonstrated in books. And as I sat there the evening fell, a star or two came out in the clear blue of the sky, and suddenly it came all simple to me, so that I laughed aloud at that laborious bigwig for spending so many futile years in seeking doubtful proof of what he might have learned in one rare hour upon my hill. And far more than he could prove—far more."

Forty-four cents of every dollar spent by the railroads is paid to labor: 9,244,015 persons are dependent upon the railroads for a living.



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MARKET NEWS

Sugar—Cane or fruit, \$8.15 sack, cash; \$8.55 30 days' time.

Fruit

Cranberries, 20c quart.
Bananas—35c and 40c dozen.
Oranges—35c and 60c.
Lemons—40c.

Vegetables, Miscellaneous

Brussel Sprouts—20c
Celery (California)—15, 2 for 25.
Sweet Potatoes—6c per lb.
Potatoes—2 1-4 and 2 1-2 cents.
Cauliflower—15c, 20c, 25c
New Cabbage—4c
Green Onions—5c per bunch, 3 for 10c.
Honey—20c.
Parsley—5c a bunch.
Dry Onions—5c.
Beans—White, 15.
Beans—Colored, 12 1-2c.
Green Peppers—15.

Butter and Eggs

Butter—Fancy creamery 45c 1-lb. roll; 90c 2-lb. roll.
Ranch Butter—40c lb. 80c 2-lb. roll.
Eggs—50c.

Chickens and Fowl

Ducks—Dressed, 16c.
Turkeys—28c.
Geese—Dressed, 16c.
Hens—Dressed, 16c.
Spring Chicken—18c.
Flour and Feed.
Bluestem Flour—\$2.15.
Royal Patent—\$2.10.
Jersey Cream—\$2.10.
Best of the Best (patent)—\$2.10.
Invincible—\$2.15.
Snowdrift—\$2.45.
Upper Crust—\$2.45.
None-to-Equal—\$2.10.
Occident—\$2.90.
Gold Medal—\$2.95.
Sea Foam—\$2.05.
Snow Drop—\$2.15.

Flour in 10-lb. Sacks

Graham, Germs, white and rye flour—55c.
Yellow corn meal—45c.

Cattle.

(La Grande Prices.)

Prime light steers.....\$6.00@6.25
Prime heavy steers.....6.30@6.50
Good light steers.....5.25@5.50
Common cows.....2.00@3.00
Bulls.....3.00@3.25
Prime light calves.....6.00@8.00
Sheep.
Select spring lambs.....8.50@8.80
Best yearlings.....7.00@7.50
Hogs.
Prime light weights.....8.50@8.55
Rough and heavy.....7.00@7.60
Medium weights.....7.75@8.50
Good light weights.....8.00@8.15

Portland Livestock Market

Portland, Dec. 27—(Special)—
CATTLE—With a very light offering of cattle here yesterday prices as expected advanced from 25 to 50 cents on all grades. Best steers sold readily at \$8.60 with ordinary kinds down to \$7.00. Common grades sold down to \$5.00. It was one of the liveliest sessions here for a long time, sellers having about their own way several buyers being on each load. Good cows sold at \$6.50 with no top stuff here although they are being two at \$7.00. Bulls were in very good demand at 25c higher prices, good oolagnas sold from \$4.50 to \$4.75, there were but a few head of fatter stuff here best feeding steers bringing \$6.25.

HOGS—A very light hog run was offered the trade yesterday and a much higher market was the rule. Prices were fully 10 to 15 cents higher than last weeks close. Tops sold at

\$9.85 while the bulk of good packing hogs brought \$9.65 to \$9.70; pigs sold mostly at \$8.25.

SHEEP—There were only a few head here. Valley sheep have been making up all receipts, prices a fully 10 cents higher than a week ago. Valley hogs are bringing \$10.30 for the best with yearling at \$8.50 and ewes \$7.25.

Nell—Don't you think Miss Antique keeps her age remarkably well? Belle—Sure. She never gives it away.—Philadelphia Record.

Lotus nuts, or lily flower seeds, a favorite edible of the Chinese, are eaten whole or are ground up and made into a kind of arrowroot flour.

"After all, it's no crime to be poor." "Maybe not, but no poor man can afford to hire a lawyer to prove that it isn't."—Kansas City Star.

One of the tasks that keep the president of the United States busy is the necessity of signing something like 50,000 documents each year.

The love that is kind, that envies not and is humble will win its way through doors that are barred to the self assertive and the overbearing.

Doctor—You must be careful and follow the right directions for taking this pill. Pat—G'wan wid ye. There's only wan direction for it to go.—London Answers.

The power of speech is a gift vouchsafed to man alone, and the effect of it is to render silence, perhaps the grandest thing in all the world, a bore to him.—Puck.

Edith (sighing)—Oh, dear! Tom has not proposed yet. Marie—Well, what can you expect of a chap who never runs his auto over ten miles an hour?—Boston Transcript.

A statistician has figured the losses to agriculture as a result of depredations of insects and rodents as \$12 a year for each man, woman and child in the United States.

"George Washington was de father of his country," said Uncle Eben, "an he ain't de only father whose folks got to thinkin' dey knowed mo' dan he did."—Washington Star.

"I wonder what he sees in that girl to marry?"

"I don't know. Perhaps he thinks he sees in her what I thought I saw in you."—Detroit Free Press.

Most men spend one-third of their lives trying to make the world different, another third in learning to live in it as it is and the remainder in explaining how much better it used to be.

Printing presses were forbidden in the province of New York by royal authority in 1688. On March 25, 1693, printing was ordered to be introduced, and William Bradford was appointed public printer.

First Actor—How are the acoustic properties of the new playhouse? Second Actor—Pierce. Your voice carries fully out to the audience, but you can barely hear the applause!—Woman's Home Companion.

"Mamma, I want a dark breakfast." "Dark breakfast! What do you mean, child?"

"Why, last night you told Mary to give me a light supper, and I didn't like it."—Boston Transcript.

Andaman Islanders, lowest of savages, think that earthquakes are caused by the spirits of the dead, who, impatient at the delay of the resurrection, shake the palm trees on which they believe the earth to rest.

Farmers Have Bank Rolls

The city drudge, laboring for just enough money to keep body and soul together, may properly bemoan his fate and condemn his environs when he learns of the prosperity that attends the efforts of farmers in Wal-lawa county. We know of a farmer who took over \$6,000 in spot cash this year from his quarter section of farming land near Joseph, and we are assured that his instance is not an unusual one. In fact it even makes the editor of this great religious weekly wish he was a clohopper when prosperous subscribers come in to pay their yearly subscription charge of a dollar and a half and flash their seasonal bank deposits before our eyes. Wheat at \$1.50, other cereals at corresponding prices and sheep at \$10 and \$12 make the country editor's efforts seem puny indeed.—Joseph Herald.

THRIFT.

As a rule we do not spend our money in large amounts, but in small sums. A certain lawyer who had been unable to save any money and at forty-five found himself a thriftless man, endeavored to analyze the reason for his inability to get ahead. For a month he kept track of his expenditures and found that his money got away from him in dribbles—a nickel here and there, dimes and quarters handed out on every side until the sum total was amazing. It is surprising how much our frivolity bill is when we come to reckon it up. And if you are unable to save money it may be because of wasteful habits. In fact, many people would not dare to keep an expense account, lest the figures prove facts they do not care to face.

Every street railroad in the country, every summer resort, every soda fountain, every cigar store and every saloon lives by virtue of the nickel and the dime multiplied indefinitely. But in the multiplication of nickels comes the millions. The lesson we all need to learn (and it is not an easy one) is the art of conserving little things. If you doubt the facts above stated and fear to face them in cold figures, get a little pocket bank and every time you are tempted to spend money for that which is unnecessary, drop it in your little bank and watch the results. They will prove interesting if not surprising.—Southern Pacific Bulletin.

What Theodore Vail Thinks of College Men

In the January American Magazine Theodore Vail says:

"The young man entering life must not be impatient. He must accumulate experience, he must learn the duties of his position by the actual doing before he has value to his employer."

"The reason so many college boys fail is that they are full of theories; they think they know it all. A college course is a good thing, an excellent thing, but it must be given to the right kind of youth. Quite a number of the highest positions are filled by men who went through college but who had no false notions as to what was required of them when they entered business. No man is worth anything until he has gone into the heat of the battle and had his theories subordinated to practice."

"The son of rich parents is handicapped in his youth. He gets no experience of doing things, and no opportunity to benefit from hard knocks such as come the other fellow's way."

"When a boy comes to ask me to put him through college I tell him it would be the worst thing that could happen to him. I say: 'You would not only have a burden of debt on your shoulders when you finish college, but you would have the additional burden of getting experience—and it is pretty hard to get experience and earn money at the same time. You can earn money only after you have had experience.'"