

### POULTRYMAN IS BUSY PREPARING FOR AN EARLY SPRING HATCH

Gets Selected Eggs From Selected Hens to Hatch the Winter Layers. Watches His Back-yard Business Closely for Information.

"What do you think of the birds in this pen," said a very successful side-line poultryman when showing the visitor his backyard poultry business. I have selected these from which to select the eggs for hatching my next-winter layers.

### WHAT OUR NEIGHBORS IN CALIFORNIA SAY.

Pasadena, Cal.—"I want to extend to you my heartfelt thanks for the benefits derived from the use of your medicines, also for the kind and good advice obtained. I am a proud mother. I had been a great sufferer; three times I was given up to die—the last time being four months ago. I doctored with several doctors but obtained no relief. Was told that an operation would effect a cure, so I submitted to one, but this proved like all the medicines I had taken—not beneficial. I obtained, and started at once taking 'Favorite Prescription.' Four months ago the doctors and nurse said it would be a year or more before I would be able to do my housework, and, of course, I thought so myself as I was not able to walk across the floor for several weeks. I am now able to do my housework and to care for my children and I do not feel as though I could ever thank you enough for the benefits I have received."—MRS. MABELLE KIPP, 184 South Pasadena Ave.

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"but why these individuals for that honor?"

"I marked some of them as the earliest layers—caught them in the act last fall, others lay the exact type of egg that suits me, and they all have the appearance of good layers, are strong clean and always busy. They mostly sing a good deal, too."

"But what about selecting the eggs from such a bunch of hens? Aren't the eggs all alike?"

"By no means. Some have the exact size, color, shape and condition of shell that indicate good hatching of a strain that will fill the egg basket next winter with mighty attractive eggs. Prof. Dryden, of the O. A. C. Experiment Station, from whom I got my foundation stock, considers that the size, color, and shape of shell are probably hereditary, and is himself selecting one strain of Barred Rocks for a white-shelled egg. I am after a type with a beautiful pearl-pink shell and am throwing out all speckled shell. Perhaps this is only my fad, but without a fad a back-yard poultry fan is apt to be a failure."

"And say," he concluded, "if I can't get hatching all done by the first of April I shall think I have but little chance of getting winter layers."

### NORTH POWDER FARM LAND ASSOCIATION FORMED.

Eleven Members Sign—\$61,500 in Loans Applied For—G. M. Gilkerson Is President.

A farm loan association was formed at North Powder Saturday with \$61,500 in loans applied for and eleven members. The officers are: G. M. Gilkerson, president; J. T. McPhee, vice-president; Homer Carns, temporary secretary-treasurer; H. W. Laughlin, G. M. Gilkerson, G. P. Higginbotham, Gus Pearson and John McPhee, directors. H. W. Laughlin, G. M. Gilkerson and G. P. Higginbotham constitute the board of appraisal.

Farm loan associations have now been formed in La Grande, Imbler and North Powder. County Agricultural Agent Spillman looks for one or two other associations to be formed through the North Powder association.

### A Hint to the Aged.

If people past sixty years of age could be persuaded to go to bed as soon as they take cold and remain in bed for one or two days, they would recover much more quickly, especially if they take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. There would also be less danger of the cold being followed by any of the more serious diseases.

### North Powder News

Marshal Ray Accused of Passing Worthless Checks—Wolfe Creek Hall Dances Becomes Pugilistic Encounters.

North Powder, Ore., Feb. 21.—(Special)—City Marshal Jeff Pearce came in on No. 6 Friday, having in charge Marshall Ray, alleged to have passed several worthless checks on North Powder business men last week. It is reported that he got about \$50 and then some of his victims became suspicious and got the officers after him. Ray had his preliminary hearing before E. F. May, justice of the peace, Saturday and was bound over to appear before the grand jury, and being unable to give bond was sent to the county jail at La Grande. Ray spent some time last summer on his mother's homestead here.

Mrs. Nora Webb of Union and Mr. Whittier of the Ford garage of Baker were here a few days ago.

The Forstrom-Pilcher stock of goods is being invoiced this week by employees of the federal bankruptcy court.

A. C. Spain, A. E. Lambert, Vess Dodson and Charlie Pearson were business visitors in La Grande last week.

J. J. James and family, after wintering in North Powder, have moved out on a ranch near Haines.

W. B. Sargent of La Grande transacted business in town Saturday.

Jim Wilson shipped a car of hogs and cattle to Portland a few days ago.

J. L. Dodson has returned to Baker after several days spent on his ranch near North Powder. Mr. Dodson is a county commissioner of Baker county.

A car of hogs was shipped to Portland Saturday by one of the local buyers.

Mrs. L. S. Kelsey and daughter, Mrs. Maud Hutchinson, returned home on Saturday.

Mrs. C. K. White went to Haines Saturday to spend the week end with her parents.

Miss Naomi Spangle recently spent a few days in this vicinity visiting with friends. Miss Spangle now lives in Union.

Homer Bidwell returned from Caldwell, Idaho, a few days ago where he had been on business.

It seems that the dances in Wolfe Creek hall are rather pugilistic encounters than social affairs. It is time to call a halt when fights seem to be the order of the evening and a fight is had every time there is any social. The people of this neighborhood do not countenance such actions but such affairs give a tough name to a place and should not be allowed at any time.

Mrs. Irvin Hess is a visitor with her husband's folks for a few days.

Sheriff Lee Weirick was a visitor in town the first of the week.

### SCOUT CHARACTER TRAINING

The real importance of the Boy Scout movement is revealed in a recent explanation by Lieutenant-General Sir Baden-Powell, their chief scout master, of the desire of its leaders that boys shall develop self-discipline as a preparation for the collective discipline that may be required of them later. In other words it is still believed essential to place emphasis upon non-military activities of a sort that make for progressive character training. This, it is believed, will not only make the youth a better citizen but will be all the better for him as a soldier if the pinch comes.

If the Boy Scout were to devote most of his time to purely military training in the beginning, it is pointed out, he would receive only a certain amount of "amateur drill," much of which he would have to unlearn if he were called upon to serve with the regular Army, and more of which he would receive in concentrated form if he were called to the colors. On the other hand, if his early trainers devoted themselves to "making a man of him," he would take with him to the Army the elements of which the best soldiers are made. It is desired, therefore, to induce all senior scouts to extend their interest and experience in useful occupations; as General Baden-Powell puts it, to "become cadets of commerce." They will not fight any the worse for this, and they will be all the better off for it if they never are needed in a warlike undertaking.

One of the important activities that have recently been added to the scout list has been the control of hoodliganism, which recently has attained disturbing proportions in parts of England as a result of the removal of parental discipline from many homes. The scouts are encouraged to take a personal interest in the young hoodlums. Each scout pledges himself to invite one street boy to engage in the activities of the troop as an honorary member. The advantage in having the young hoodligan approached by another boy instead of an adult, whose advances might arouse suspicions of future restraint, is quite apparent. The business of the scout movement as a whole is then to see that the youngster has plenty to do that will satisfy his demands for adventure without resulting in harm to his own character or to the peace and order of the community. The problem of the young hoodlum always has been a vexing one; the Boy Scouts seem to be in the way of solving it.

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ical courage, and it is more largely a product of training. The Boy Scout leaders seek to develop both, but they put most emphasis on the moral element, believing that the other is likely to follow as a natural result. The movement therefore will not stop with restoration of peace, but wisely directed will become a highly important factor in the days of reconstruction.—The Oregonian.

About Constipation.

Certain articles of diet tend to check movement of the bowels. The most common of these are cheese, tea and boiled milk. On the other hand raw fruits especially apples and bananas, also graham bread and whole wheat bread promote a movement of the bowels. When the bowels are badly constipated, however, the sure way is to take one or two of Chamberlain's Tablets immediately after supper.

FARM SALE BILLS—Get prices on farm sale bills at The Observer office.

### MARKET NEWS

Sugar—Cane or fruit, \$8.60 sack, cash; \$9.00 30 days' time.

Fruit.

Cranberries, 20c quart.  
Bananas—10c a pound.  
Oranges—20@60c dozen.  
Lemons—30@40c.

Vegetables, Miscellaneous.

Brussel Sprouts—20c.  
Celery (California)—15c, 2 for 25c.  
Lettuce—15c; 2 for 25c.  
Potatoes—4c lb; \$3.50 cwt.  
Cauliflower—15c, 20c, 25c.  
New cabbage—8c.  
Honey—20c.  
Parsley—5c a bunch.  
Dry Onions—10c.  
Beans—White, 15c.  
Beans—Colored, 12 1-2c.

Butter and Eggs.

Butter—Fancy creamery, 50c lb.; 50c for 2 lb. roll.  
Ranch Butter—45c lb.; 85c 2-lb. roll.  
Eggs—40c.

Flour and Feed.

Bluestem Flour—\$2.25.  
Royal Patent—\$2.20.  
Jersey Cream—\$2.20.  
Best of the Best (patent)—\$2.15.  
Invincible—\$2.20.  
Snowdrift—\$2.40.  
Upper Crust—\$2.40.  
None-to-Equal—\$2.10.

Gold Medal—\$2.95.	Ordinary to good steers... 7.25@8.50
Sea Foam—\$2.15.	Prime cows ..... 7.50
Snow Drop—\$2.15.	Ordinary to good cows ... 4.50@7.50
Flour in 10-lb. Sacks.	Bulls ..... 4.00@5.00
Graham, Germ, Whole Wheat and Royal Patent, 55c.	Hogs.
Rye—65c.	Stockers ..... \$ 8.50
Yellow corn meal—45c.	Rough heavy ..... 10.50
Chickens and Fowl.	Best lights ..... 11.15
Ducks—Live, 17c.	Heavy packers ..... 11.35
Turkeys—Live, 22c.	Sheep.
Geese—Live, 15c.	Best east of mountain lambs ..... \$ 11.50
Hens—Live, 15c.	Best valley lambs ..... 11.00@12.00
Spring chicken—Live, 18c.	Wethers ..... 9.00@10.00
Cattle.	Ewes ..... 9.00@10.00
Prime steers ..... \$ 8.50	Goats ..... 3.25

## Keep Your Eye On Palmer Lands

The last five sales have been from residents who reside away from Grande Ronde valley.

It apparently is the same old story: Home people as a rule do not realize the opportunities that are here.

The first settlers of this valley did not appreciate the value of that large fertile tract we now call the Sandridge. It was the very last land in the valley to be occupied.

A few years from now not a few of those who read these lines will state: "I did not know that Palmer valley would ever be the prosperous country it is."

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