

WINNING ESSAY BY MISS M'CLURE

Story on "Meat and Its History" Judged Best in State of Oregon

A few days ago announcement was made from Chicago of the state and national awards in the federal meat story essay contest...

The essay, in full, is printed herewith: "As we look back over the days in which our forefathers lived, in Texas, Iowa, and Missouri, where the cattle roamed by thousands in many herd and brand, we think where did they ship their meat and where was it packed..."

"Thus the meat reached the packing plant. Following the war of 1812, the people, in the Ohio valley and farther west found it to be easily possible to produce a great deal more meat products than they needed for their own consumption..."

"Now how did their supply of meat reach the packing plant (which in those days would have been called large)? Probably by means of the Ohio river, canals and seldomly by railroads, which were very scarce at that time..."

"All the successful meat packing of today we should remember, is caused by the wonderful management of Mr. Armour..."

"The manner of refrigeration was also very rude. Can you imagine we, the people of the meat country, today packing our meat and stacking it high on the ground during the winter to keep it..."

"The people say that the meat packing industry was increasing so William Davis of Detroit patented or invented the first refrigerator car. Now let us compare it with ours of today..."

"It was not much more than an ice box on wheels, while today we have up-to-date refrigerator cars. So gradually the business of meat packing ceased to be confined to the cold winter months..."

"The packers had a great fight on their hands before the western beef men induced the Eastern meat packers that their meat was as desirable and wholesome as theirs..."

"But fortunately, refrigeration has made it possible that every meat consuming center is favored with meat every day of the year..."

"As time passed the packers became dissatisfied with having to rely on nature for their supply of ice. They were not satisfied with their refrigerator cars, so all the ingenuity and brains of science were directed toward improving refrigeration, until today the packers are able to have their own freezing plants..."

"We marvel at refrigeration as it has made it possible for fresh meat to be provided for any nation of the world at any season of the year. Refrigeration has opened the markets of the world to the hog raiser of Iowa, to the great cattleman of Texas and to the sheep man in Montana..."

"The packing house or rather meat packing is one of the most important features of the meat industry..."

"Did you ever stop to think that the shoes you wear are made from leather which comes from the hides of cattle? The clothes that you wear are made from wool, a part of which comes from sheep which are slaughtered in the packing house..."

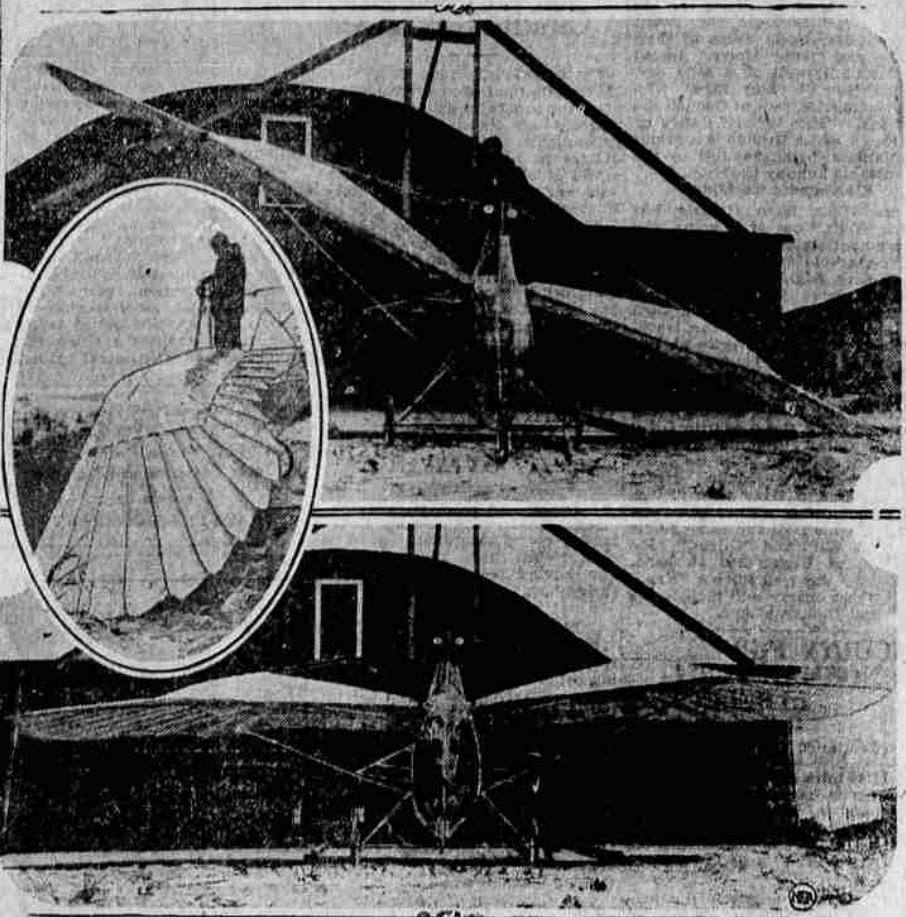
"So we see that life is made much more pleasant by packing house by-products..."

"What would meat be worth if there was no packing house? Perhaps you can answer that for yourself. In fact, there are many authorities who concede that the packing industry is the greatest industry of live stock in the world..."

"Referring again to the days of our grandfathers, we find that the cattle ate bunch grass only in the summer time and hay in winter. But today with the great increase of population and the increasing value of farm lands it has been found more profitable for farmers in the corn belt to buy the young steers from the Western country and to fatten them on the abundance of grains that are available in the corn belt only..."

"At one time it took four or five years to prepare a steer for market, and now it takes three years at the most. Great strides are being made in producing baby beef..."

FLYER TO TAKE AIR IN PLANE THAT FLAPS WINGS LIKE BIRD



In this plane, which is supposed to flap its wings like a bird, George R. White of Stony Brook, Long Island, plans to fly.

ST. AUGUSTINE, Fla. (NEA Service)—The strangest airplane the world ever saw will take the air soon—or try to take it—along the ocean beach here.

It is the invention of George R. White of Stony Brook, Long Island, and is a faithful copy of a bird. It gets its propelling and sustaining power by flapping its wings. It has no motor, but is operated by the pilot's foot-power. White believes it solves the age-old problem of copying a bird's flight.

White has been working on his plane for six years, making an exhaustive study of the flight of birds. His machine, which has a 29 1/2-foot wing spread, is a skeleton of light, strong chrome molybdenum covered with tough, non-inflammable celluloid, and weighs only 118 pounds. The up-and-down movement of the wings has a maximum range of 17 feet at the tips, although White believes that a 12-foot beat, with about 80 strokes to the minute, will prove most effective. Each wing has "feathers" on its rear edge, which close on the down stroke and open on the up stroke.

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WALLOWA PERSONALS

WALLOWA, Ore. (Special)—Scott Clark has been at the W. Minor ranch in the hills east of town the past few days shearing sheep. He finished shearing a band of 100 ewes last week. The clip is reported to have been quite good, making an average of better than 10 pounds each. Mr. Minor delivered his wool to the Woolgrowers' exchange at Evans. The greater part of the shearing of the small flocks in this section has been finished.

Mrs. Frank Walker, of Leap, is one of the largest purchasers of baby chicks in this community this season, having recently received about 600 chicks, part of which are Rhode Island Reds, which have done exceptionally well, only a few dying during the first month.

Roy Gustin, who is working for Harmon Bros., of Leap, spent Sunday at home.

Weather conditions in this section have been very unfavorable for growing crops during the past two weeks. The ground is becoming very dry, and a cold northwest wind which has been blowing much of the time lately, is causing the remaining moisture to leave the ground rapidly. Much of the spring seeding which has just recently been finished, is very slow in coming up, due to the lack of sufficient moisture. The most of the winter wheat crops appear to be standing the dry weather in fairly good shape. However, there is some signs of drying up on the thin land. Weeds are thick in many of the fields where the stand was rather thin from winter killing, and in those places the grain is badly in need of rain.

A frost of varying severity struck this county during the past week, doing considerable damage to spring grain in some sections of the county. In parts of the county it is feared that the freezing was severe enough to have caused some damage to fall wheat crops, which were quite well along. Much of the early sowings of wheat is just coming out of the boot at this time. The continued dry weather has...

Mrs. Earl Stream, while they were in Baker they visited the greenhouse and the Duncans purchased a quantity of celery plants. They began raising celery last year and were so successful that they are continuing this year.

Mrs. C. E. Bertsch and Mrs. Helene Lincoln were dinner guests of Miss Lucy Case, nutrition specialist of O. S. C. at the La Grande hotel on Memorial day.

Miss Erling Whistler, who is in nurses training in Spokane, is at home for her vacation.

Miss Mary Nizer, who is taking a nurse's course at the Baker hospital, came home last week to spend her vacation.

Roy Conklin and his boys, of Union, were at Cove Sunday.

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COVE, Ore. (Special)—Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Jones and small son left a few days ago for their home in Spokane, Wash. Mr. Jones has been principal of the Cove school for the past year and they will spend the summer at their home in Spokane. Mr. Jones has a position in Southern Oregon for the coming year.

Mrs. E. E. Coad and son, Robert, left on Sunday for Marshfield, Ore. They will spend the next two weeks at the coast and both Mr. and Mrs. Coad will enter the U. of O. summer school. Mr. Coad is at present at Fruitland, Ida., where he has been principal for the past year.

The baby daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Fackler, Marva Ray, who has been seriously ill at the Grande weeks, passed away early Saturday morning. Marva Ray was born May 13, 1926 and was the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Fackler. She was stricken about April 15 and was taken to the hospital a few days later and everything possible done for her, though very little hope was entertained for her recovery. Funeral services were held on Sunday and interment was made at the Cove cemetery.

J. B. Price has just returned from Crane, Ore., where he went to address the graduating class. Mr. and Mrs. E. Payne and Edith

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caused a rather short growth of grass on much of the range areas, and in places is drying up quite rapidly. A good soaking rain would be of much value to range conditions. Many large bands of sheep have been moved in lately from winter range, to be placed on summer ranges in this county. Much of the Bowman Hicks holdings have been taken over by sheepmen this spring, and will be used for grazing of sheep through the summer season.

Ed Bell, who has been confined to his bed much of the time for the past three weeks, as a result of being kicked by a horse, suffering several broken ribs, is recovered sufficiently to be able to get around a little now. He expects it will be some time before he will be able to work again.

Mrs. Meek and sons and Earl Burchfield, of Leap, were in town for Decoration day services.

Joe Peaking, who is farming the former F. W. Hosket place at Leap was an Enterprise business visitor last week.

Many of the farmers in the valley section have been getting their irrigation ditches in the fields which have been seeded to spring grain this season.

J. H. Fisher and family, of Hurricane creek, were visitors at the P. A. Downing home at Leap Sunday.

Giles Pines and wife were visitors in town the last of the week.

Many of the farmers in the dry farming areas of the county have been hoping for rain, which would put their fields in better condition for plowing of summer fallow. On some of the larger ranches there are still two and three hundred acres to be plowed yet.

Ground squirrels are proving a serious menace to grain crops in many parts of the county. With hot, dry weather they have been moving into the grain fields from the bunchgrass pastures by the thousands, and where good luck has had in getting them with poisoned grain, considerable damage is being done to crops. Many have been using poison gas in addition to the poisoned grain. Recent experiments on some of the farms indicate that this method is not very effective after the soil has become dry.

Mrs. George Hill and sons, William and Lloyd Cook, were over from Island City for Decoration day. While here they visited a short time with friends at Leaning, returning home Wednesday evening.

Word was received from C. F. Harrison, who is in Portland, that latter part of the week, staling he was slightly improved.

SANITARY RANGE SHELTER AMHERST, Mass. (AP)—A light, movable range shelter for growing chicks is advocated by the agriculturists here. It has a weather-proof top, but the ends and sides are made of closely woven wire. On a suitable range it provides conditions similar to those enjoyed by wild birds.

Big Pine Flood Toll At Three; 2 Men and Boy

BIG PINE, Cal., June 4 (AP)—A 25-foot wall of water, which rushed out of Big Pine creek canyon early yesterday after being dammed up behind an earth landslide, is believed to have swept two men and a boy to their deaths in a torrent that flooded the Owens valley town with a foot of water.

The missing trio, who are believed to have been drowned near their camp on Sage Flats, were identified late today as Lee Wiggins, 29, of 1619 Southeast Tulo avenue, Los Angeles, his 14-year-old son, William, and William Ryan, of Long Beach.

Wiggins and his son climbed on top of their automobile when the roar of the oncoming flood awakened them early in the morning. A log which struck the car knocked them into the torrent. The bodies of the missing men have not been recovered.

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