

Improved Forage Increases Cream Output Greatly

By G. C. Meek
(Observer Correspondent)

WALLOWAY, Ore. (Special)—Improved forage conditions during the past few weeks and an increase in the number of fresh cows of many of the dairy herds of the county, has resulted in a large increase in the volume of cream reaching the local co-operative cream plant here. Work of completing the new addition to the building was finished and arrival of additional machinery is expected soon. The amount of cream reaching the plant the last of the week was so large that the entire crew were kept on the jump taking care of it and found it nearly impossible to get sufficient cans filled up to supply many of those who had brought in cream. A raise of one cent a pound for butterfat was being paid producers here the last of the week and many are hopeful that other small price gains may be realized during the next few weeks.

Mrs. J. M. Cornsion, teacher of the Willow Spring school, was a visitor in town the last of the week. She is still teaching the school in that district making up some time which was lost during the scarlet fever epidemic during the winter. Paul and Gus Slaughter, of Parsnip creek, have been rebuilding fence around some of J. H. Haun's pasture land in the Leap community. They report that some plowing has been done in the Parsnip creek community during the past two weeks, but that the recent rains have made many fields too soft for working at present.

A considerable amount of garden and potato planting is starting at some of the farms here the first of this week. Some early gardens were planted some two and three weeks ago, however, with the cool rainy weather much of the truck has made a very slow growth. Fruit trees at some of the local farms have shown signs of coming into blossom recently.

Diek Galloway was a La Grande business visitor the latter part of the week.

Giles Pines was busy several days the latter part of the week getting some ground worked into condition for seeding at his farm in the Leap community.

A number of the candidates for county offices who live in the upper end of the valley have been in this community during the past few days meeting the voters. Among them were W. H. Kirkman, of Prairie creek, candidate on the Democratic ticket for the office of assessor, and Larking Slaggs, who is making the race for sheriff. Apparently more than a usual amount of interest is being manifested in the matter of county officials this year and many

expect to see the race quite close in one or two cases.

O. A. Hunter has had a number of teams and his tractor busy getting part of his land in the valley ready for spring seeding. He reports having finished seeding some grain the last of the week, but says that much of the land is still too wet for working and is in need of drying conditions for a few days to allow the work to progress satisfactorily.

Mrs. John Couch, of Leap, visited friends in town a couple of days the early part of the week.

Elmer Southwick, rural carrier on route No. 1, has experienced some very difficult roads on several days the past week in making his daily trips. At times during the early part of the week when the heavy rains occurred he found it necessary to avoid certain portions of the roads of his route and do considerable round about travel in order to reach all patrons of the route. Travel over the dirt roads while they were deep with mud has caused the larger part of them to be badly cut up and are extremely rough since they have become dry again. Some of the roads in and near the valley have been bladed during the past few weeks, but weather conditions have been such that but little in way of getting the roads in the hill areas graded down has been possible.

Sam Litch, of Enterprise, was a business visitor in town the latter part of the week.

Mrs. Kate Gastin was visiting a few days the early part of the week at the John Bates home on Farnap creek.

Mrs. Bertha Taylor, of La Grande, visited the last of the week at the Meek home in Leap. Mrs. Eva Parker who has been visiting there the past week returned to her home at La Grande with her.

Won't Trade 1905 Car For a New One

CHICAGO, May 10 (AP)—These modern automobiles are fine but they built some real cars back in 1905 too.

Peter Esslinger bought one of the 1905 variety for \$10 and yesterday applied for a state license. It'll still do 35 to 40 miles an hour.

When the manufacturers learned that I had bought the machine they offered me a brand new auto for it," Esslinger said. "But I turned down the proposition. I intend to run this car until it falls apart—or I do."

A museum offered him \$20 for it, but he declined that offer too, without hesitation.

HE MAKES 'EM!

PAMPA, Tex.—When Marvin Harris makes a hole in one at golf he makes one. The ball he drove 75 yards from this rough landed in the hip pocket of Ivey E. Duncan. It hurt too.

Iowa Hog Raisers Seeking Most Pork At Smallest Cost

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP)—In a dozen Iowa counties hog raisers are participating in a controlled experiment from which they expect definite information about which of their breeding lines produces pork at the lowest cost.

Each farmer brought four pigs, one from each of four litters, to a central farm. There the feeding and care are uniform. In the fall the hogs will be slaughtered by a packer and the carcass cut-out values determined.

Thus the farmer will be enabled to keep the sows that are shown to have produced pigs gaining most rapidly and economically.

Breeding records and precise data on feed costs and values also will be obtained from the tests, they say.

Economy Measures Threaten Duluth With Loss of Navy

DULUTH, Minn. (AP)—Duluth, located on the largest body of fresh water in the world, for the first time in nearly 20 years faces loss of its "navy" because of government economy measures.

Since 1903 the federal government has stationed at this Lake Superior city a vessel used principally as a naval training ship for reserve officers and men from Minnesota.

First the U. S. Gopher was at the local port and after the World war the U. S. Essex, ordered scrapped last year. Since 1922 the "navy" of Minnesota has been the U. S. Paducah, but the recent government order calls for the scrapping of the ship, together with other training ships on the Great Lakes.

Duluth, however, is not going to lose its "navy" without a fight. Civic organizations are seeking a rescinding of the order taking away the vessel.

It was pointed out the federal government last year spent \$85,000 converting the Paducah into an oil burning vessel and adding improvements. Each summer the boat is used for cruises on the Great Lakes.

The government offered Minnesota an opportunity to maintain its naval activities, suggesting the Paducah to the state as a gift, but the offer was rejected by Gov. Floyd B. Olson. He said the cost of operating the boat would be \$50,000 from the state's coffers annually.

Adele Astaire Is Married To Man 3 Years Her Junior

BAKERWELL, Eng., May 10 (AP)—Adele Astaire, who always said a girl ought to marry a man younger than herself, did it Monday. She was married to Lord Charles Cavendish, three years her junior, a member of one of England's most noted families. She is 31.

It was a very exclusive ceremony in the private chapel of Chatsworth house, ancestral home of the Duke and Duchess of Devonshire, her husband's parents. Only half a dozen of the bridegroom's family were present.

It was in an interview last year shortly after her engagement was announced, that the popular American dancer put her advice to the lovelorn into these words:

"Women gain wisdom more quickly than men, their wisdom enables them to fend off age with greater ease to retain their independence and individuality. They should never tie themselves up to husbands older than themselves. That is an old-fashioned custom and should be discharged."

A CHAMPIONSHIP FAMILY

CLEVELAND (AP)—Mrs. William Faber has been champion four successive years of her golf club. Mr. Faber also is champion of his club. They won their titles at the expense of one family, Mrs. Faber defeating Mrs. Wayne Lewis for her fourth title and Mr. Faber trouncing Wayne Lewis Jr.

To aid the study of the migratory movements of fish, the Idaho game department has marked 5000 trout by clamping small metal plates to their outer gills.

Baccalaureate Services Held For U-Hi Class

By Mrs. L. Z. Terrall
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UNION, (Special)—The Methodist church was packed Sunday evening when the baccalaureate services were held. The 31 graduates of U. H. S. filled in to the tune of "Onward Christian Soldiers" after which the audience sang the number. A special selection was given by the choir after which Bishop Jacob Ecklar, of the L. D. S. church, gave a prayer and read the scripture. Mrs. Edith Pley sang "Open the Gates of the Temple," accompanied by Ethel Conklin. Rev. R. G. Lee gave the baccalaureate address for the fifth successive year. Members of the graduating class are: Chet Baum, president; Fawn Geersten, vice president; Velma Peterson, secretary-treasurer; Roy Baxter, sergeant-at-arms; Earl Cook, Earl Baxter, Roy Conklin, Thelma Irwin, Ethel Delaney, Eunice Wilkinson, Forrest Barnhart, Hurlan Hall, Mary Ferguson, Kathryn Green, Gladys Wortman, Thelma Van Housen, La Verne Draper, Melvin Hess, Fred Peterson, Raymond Prather, Ethel Conklin, Willard Edvalson, Ellsworth Halsay, Juanita Roberts, Victor Gamble, Dale Baxter, Margaret Campbell, Fred Brown, Rodney Miller, Charles Michelsook and Eunice Wilkinson.

Misses Edna and Elsie Picklin, of Huntington, spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Picklin, their grandparents.

Gus Levy came down from Baker Sunday to spend a few days with the M. S. Levy family.

Jack Droke, who has served three years in the army spending the time in China and the Islands, has come home for his vacation. He is undecided whether to re-enlist.

Kenneth Miller came over from La Grande Sunday evening to visit Mrs. Fannie Bidwell.

Mothers' day was appropriately observed in the churches here Sunday and unusually large crowds attended the services. At the Methodist church Rev. E. C. Lee gave a very fine sermon taking as his text a verse from Second Kings: "There Was a Great Woman There." He brought out the fact that there is no subject brought to the attention of man that brings out greater appeal or more universal response than that of "mother." He stated that the mother holds the key to man's rise and fall in the universe. The choir sang a special number.

At the L. D. S. church, the special service was given by the Sunday school classes. The program consisted of several readings by the primary children; a solo, "Mother of Mine," by Chet Baum; a tribute to mothers by Rex Baxter and a response by Mrs. I. A. Atkinson; selection by a solo, "Mother of Shannon"; solo, "Mother Mother," by Mrs. Emma Wilde; and a general talk to mothers by Bishop James Kirkford. After the program little girls passed flowers to the mothers and special bouquets were given to Mrs. Joseph McKenney, the oldest mother; Mrs. C. P. Edvalson, the mother with the largest family; Mrs. Laurel Anderson and Mrs. Jean Blacker of Cove, who tied for the youngest mother; and Mrs. Will Baxter for the mother with the newest baby.

After a six weeks' visit with her mother at Woodward, Okla., Mrs. Lydia Coles has returned to Union, where she makes her home with her daughter, Mrs. Ray Coles.

Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Eddy were Mrs. Ada Eddy and Mrs. Frank Pity and children, of Baker.

Calvin Van Louvain was down from Baker to spend Sunday with his mother, Mrs. J. W. Baxter Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Peck and children, of Baker, visited at Union Sunday and attended the L. D. S. church services.

Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Ward moved the last of the week from the Wigglesworth place to the Southwick residence.

Miss Alice Cadwell went to Hot Lake Friday for an indefinite stay.

Mrs. J. J. Brown has been quite ill the past week.

FINDS DALLAS JINX

DALLAS, Tex. (AP)—Rip Radcliff, who led the Texas league in hitting the past three seasons, can't seem to do his stuff while playing for Dallas. Twice before he tried out with the club, but couldn't make the grade. This year he has been unable to strike his batting stride.

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HILGARD PERSONALS
By Wilmerth Welmer (Observer Correspondent)

HILGARD (Special)—A farewell party was given for Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Thornbrue and family Wednesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Welmer. Several tables of pinocle were at play with 30 guests. High score was made by LeRoy Foster and Mrs. Thornbrue, consolation, Mrs. Mabel Lenords and Harry Thornbrue. A dainty lunch was served by the hostess after which music and visiting were enjoyed until a late hour.

Mr. and Mrs. Thornbrue and family left Thursday for Waldport where they will make their home.

Mrs. Ike Cantrell and children Harold and Wanda, visited Mrs. Cantrell's sister in Walla Walla Friday.

Mrs. Mable Lenords and family have moved into their former home here in Hilgard after an absence of three and a half years.

Mrs. Olive Cantrell arrived Wednesday from Portland for a visit at the homes of her sons, Ira and Arthur.

Mrs. George Voris, of Rieth, returning home Wednesday after spending several days with her mother, Mrs. Rose Beve.

Mr. and Mrs. Arch Conley, of La Grande, visited at the home of their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Royal Conley, at Mountain Springs last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Grey, of La Grande, have purchased the Thornbrue home above Hilgard. They plan to make that their home after the close of school.

The first large band of sheep to be shipped into Hilgard arrived Tuesday. They belong to Mr. Johnson, of Pilot Rock.

Mrs. Ralph Sullivan and Mrs. James Walker, of Starkey, were business visitors in Hilgard and La Grande Thursday.

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