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DEMONSTRATION TRAIN

To be Run Over S. P. Under Auspices of O. A. C.

Under the auspices of the Experiment Department of the Oregon Agricultural College, and with the co-operation of the Southern Pacific Company a special dairy demonstration train will be run over the latter's lines through the Willamette Valley and Southern Oregon in February. The object of the special will be to increase the interest in dairying everywhere and to revive it in those localities where it has been slack in the last year or so. The operation of these trains is a factor of great importance to the dairyman and farmer. The object lesson, the lecturer, the personal interview, the answering of questions all of these methods are used on the train and each has its part and place in the effort toward improving the producing capacity of Oregon farms.

The agricultural college decided upon the dairy special late in December and was assured of the railroad's support and co-operation by General Freight Agent H. A. Hinshaw and General Passenger Agent J. M. Scott. The company will furnish free the stock cars to accommodate the hogs and cows; a flat car for demonstration purposes; baggage car for exhibits and display-day coach for accommodation of the public at the lectures and Pullman sleepers for the party accompanying the train. The trip will last about ten days.

The Compensation Act

The editor has received from Carl D. Babcock, a member of the State Industrial Accident Commission, a copy of the Workmen's Compensation Act, which was passed almost unanimously by the last Legislature, held up by the referendum and approved by the people on Nov. 4th by a vote of more than two to one. Included with the law, is the report of the Commission appointed by Governor West to frame the bill. The law became effective immediately after the election in so far as the organization of the Commission was concerned. The insurance features of the Act, however, do not become operative until July 1, 1914.

The law provides for the creation of the Industrial Accident Fund, to be made up by contributions from employers, workmen and the State.

Two classes of occupations are defined in the Act and are designated as Classes A and B. In Class A, the rate of payment by the employer is 3% and

by the employee one-half of 1%. In Class B, the employer pays 1 1/4% and the employee one-fourth of 1%. In Class A, both the employer and workmen are entitled to exemption when the individual employer has to his credit, 3% of his annual pay roll and no accidents have occurred in his plant, while under Class B, the amount required to be maintained by the employer in the accident fund is 1 1/4% of the pay roll.

The law is elective, both in its application to the employer and employee, either of whom may elect to come in or stay out, but employers in any of the hazardous occupations, who elect not to take advantage of the Act, are deprived of the common law defenses of contributory negligence, fellow servant liability and assumption of risk in any action for damages by their employees. Workmen who reject the Act lose the benefits provided.

The Oregon law provides a liberal schedule of compensation for injured workman and for the beneficiaries of workmen who lose their lives in industrial accidents. The Act also provides for first aid to injured workmen in an amount not to exceed \$250 in any one case.

Any one interested in the subject can obtain a copy of the law by writing the Commission at Salem.

Forest Notes

A rancher has applied for the rental of 320 acres on the Pike national forest, Colorado, to be used in connection with other private land, for raising elk as a national venture.

The government has just sold 45,000 cords of cedar wood for shingles from the Washington national forest. The shingles manufactured from this wood, laid six inches to the weather, would cover 2 1/2 square miles of roof.

The navy department has asked the forest service to investigate guijo, a Philippine wood, for possible use in decking boats and ships. Longleaf pine sugar maple, and beech are the domestic woods most used for decks.

The state university lands in Arizona are to be lumbered under a cooperative agreement between the governments and state land commission. Arizona is the first state in the southwest and one of few in the country to cut its timbered lands on forestry principles.

The annual meeting of the American Forestry Association will be held in Washington on January 14. A president, twenty-one vice presidents, a treasurer, an auditor and five directors are to be elected and plans made for an active campaign for forest conservation during 1914. The association has 8,000 members.

BREAKS RECORD

Production in 1913 Estimated by United States Geological Survey at Over 240 Million Barrels

The remarkable great output of petroleum during each year of this century was more than maintained in 1913. The amount produced in the past 12 months exceeded 240,000,000 barrels or about 32,000,000 metric tons, according to estimates of David T. Day, of the United States Geological Survey. The production in 1912, which made the record up to that time, was 222,113,218 barrels. The rate of increase in 1913 was greater at the end of the year than at the beginning. California increased at least 10,000,000 barrels over 1912, almost reaching 100,000,000 barrels. The consumption in California almost equaled the production, and the addition to stocks was very slight. Oklahoma also showed a significant increase, with about 6 percent addition to the stocks. Texas and Louisiana likewise increased their product. The output of the Gulf field declined, but this was more than offset by the increases in northern Louisiana and Texas. Wyoming showed a significant increase from the Salt Creek field. Other States generally showed a decline, which was greatest in Illinois.

The following is an estimate of the production in 1913, compared with the statistics for 1912:

State	1913	1912
California	98,000,000	86,450,767
Oklahoma	62,590,000	54,427,071
Illinois	22,000,000	28,601,308
Texas	14,000,000	11,735,157
Louisiana	12,000,000	9,283,439
West Virginia	11,000,000	12,128,962
Ohio	8,000,000	8,990,007
Pennsylvania	7,000,000	7,837,948
Wyoming	3,000,000	1,572,366
Kansas	2,000,000	1,592,796
Indiana	900,000	970,009
New York	800,000	874,128
Kentucky	500,000	484,378
Colorado	200,000	205,052
Other States	100,000	
Total	242,000,000	222,113,218

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COUNTY BONDS APPROVED

Money for Highway Will be Ready Feb. 2. Work to Commence Next Week.

Money for the construction of the Pacific Highway in Jackson County will be available February 2, according to word received Tuesday by the county court from Caldwell, Massick and Reed New York attorneys for the syndicate purchasing. The means that \$500,000 will be turned into the channels of business in this section. Construction work will begin next Monday. Chris Natwick has been named as forman, and the Siskiyou grade has been let to J. D. Moughmer of Portland.

WATER PERMITS

Issued by State Engineer During 1913, Totals 466.

For the year 1913, a total of 466 permits were issued by the State Engineer for the appropriation of water. Under these permits 442,181 acres will be irrigated, 39,225 horsepower will be developed and 41 reservoirs constructed, at a total cost of approximately \$7,000,000.

During the quarter ending December 31, 1913, 88 permits were issued for the irrigation of 6,933 acres and the development of 1,956 horsepower. Among these permits was one issued to F. D. Small of Tillamook and D. C. Urie of Camas, Washington, for the development of 1,208 horsepower with the waters of the Trask River in Tillamook County.

The following are permits issued in Josephine, Jackson and Curry Counties the past quarter:

E. D. Stewart of Rogue River, for mining purposes with the waters of Ditch Creek which is diverted in Sec 20 Tp 34 S R 4 W. J. T. Sullivan of Medford has two permits to supplement the supply for the irrigation of lands; one diverting the water from Antelope Creek in Sec 30 Tp 35 S R 1 E and the other diverting water from Bear Creek in Sec 19 Tp 37 S R 1 W. C. F. Rhodes of Medford, for the irrigation of 1,000 acres with the waters of Little Butte Creek, diverting the water in Sec 13 Tp 36 S R 1 E. A. T. Brown for the Three Lodes Mining Co. of Medford, has a permit to generate 1515 horsepower for mining, milling and domestic purposes. The water is diverted from Howard Creek in Sec 18 Tp 34 S R 8 W. R. V. Martin of Rogue River, for the irrigation of 95 acres and the development of 16 horsepower with the waters of Rogue River which is diverted in Sec 20 Tp 36 S R 4 W. A. M. Clay of Ashland, for domestic use and the irrigation of 1 acre with the waters of a spring which is located in Sec 23 Tp 36 S R 3 E. The Brookings Timber and Lumber Co., of Brookings, for manufacturing and domestic purposes with waters of Berry Creek, diverting the water in Sec 32 Tp 40 S R 13 W. Bessie Anderson of Gold Hill, for Hydraulic Mining Co., of Grants Pass, for mining purposes with waters of Johnson Creek in Tp 40 S R 7 W. J. H. Groves, of Ashland, for the irrigation of 10 acres with the waters of North Fork of Tyler Creek in Sec 6 Tp 40 S R 3 E. E. C. Duhaek of Eagle Point, for the irrigation of 1 acre, including domestic supply, with the waters of a spring which is diverted in Sec 21 Tp 35 S R 1 W. J. C. Smith, of Rogue River, for the irrigation of 100 acres with the waters of Ditch Creek, diverted in Sec 20, Tp 34 S R 4 W. A. Gee & Kohlhaugen of Steamboat, for the irrigation of 30 acres with the water of Carberry Creek, diverted in Sec 21 Tp 40 S R 4 W.

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matters should be managed by the municipality immediately concerned. The law passed at the last Legislature took the control out of the hands of the municipality and put into the hands of the State Commission.

Time will show whether this revision to first principles is going to prove wise or otherwise.—Telegram

PORTLAND LETTER

Eastern Oregon Organizes. Vast Number of Immigrants Expected in 1915. Men Wait Employment

Portland, Ore. Jan. 13 1914 (Special).—Expecting a vast number of tourists and immigrants to come to the Pacific Coast by way of Oregon during 1915, the cities of Eastern Oregon are already making preparation to do their share in taking care of the visitors and new settlers. Tom Richardson, representing the Portland Commercial Club, is making a tour of that part of the state urging the people in each community to unite in an effort to take advantage of an unusual opportunity to secure large additions to population and wealth. He expects to make addresses, urging organization and co-operation, in practically every city and town in that part of the state.

As is usually the case in Mid-Winter, there are now in Portland a large number of unemployed men, idle from necessity and not from choice. Some of them have had experience on farms, are willing to work and would make competent farm hands. Many of them are anxious to go to the country for employment, and if they knew where to go would be glad to make the trip. Farmers throughout the state desiring help are requested to communicate with their local commercial club or with the commercial club at Portland. The latter organization is in touch with the Y. M. C. A. and other clean employment bureaus and will refer only such men as appear to be honest, capable and deserving. There are some married couples who would like a chance to work on farms, also women who would make good domestic servants.

At a recent meeting of the managers of the Oregon State Fair, arrangements were made for an Eugenic exposition this year. The age limit will be the same as last year, from 12 to 48 months, and the boy and girl winning the championship prizes will be awarded by a trip to the San Francisco exposition in 1915, including all expenses for one week. O. M. Plummer, manager of this department, states that he has served notice on the whole United States that Oregon is going to send to San Francisco two of the finest babies and he expects, if the other states accept the challenge, to see there a collection of 100 of the most perfect children in the world.

During the past year Monmouth has spent \$110,000 for local improvements including a \$40,000 high school and street improvements costing \$22,000.

Farm prospects in the vicinity of Stanfield are exceedingly bright for 1914. Many of the farmers secured their first good crop last year, and as the land is in fine condition and many orchards are just coming into bearing, a bumper crop is expected this season.

Since the completion of the new electric road, giving daily train connection with Portland, the town of Meno is making a rapid growth. A \$5,000 depot, a \$4,000 schoolhouse and gymnasium and a number of fine residences have recently been completed, and the city council is inaugurating extensive improvements in the way of better streets, sewers and sidewalks.

On New Year's day, forty bunches of roses, the last of the season, were placed on the Shasta Limited at Eugene to be presented to women passengers and to decorate dining car tables. More than 12,000 roses have been provided in this way during the last seven months.

VIOLATES BLUE SKY LAW

Ashland Man Held to Grand Jury by Justice Dox Tuesday.

Ed P. Hughes of Ashland, accused of violating the "Blue Sky Law" by selling stock of the Metallic Tie Co. without a license from the Commission of Corporations, was given a hearing before Justice H. G. Dox in this city Tuesday afternoon and held to the grand jury under \$500.00. Two other cases were heard by Justice Dox the same day.

LOOT BANK \$2000

Five Bandits Raid Granite Falls, Wash., Bank. Flee to Mountains

Everett, Wn., Jan. 15—Five armed men held up the Granite Falls State Bank, 16 miles northeast of here late today, and escaped with from \$1500 to \$2000 after engaging in a running pistol battle with a citizen's posse.

When the men entered the bank the only employes there were Cashier Ingelsoll and Assistant Cashier Stage. One robber guarded the front door while the others forced Ingelsoll and Stage into a back room.

Mrs. Stella Forest attempted to enter the bank but the robber on guard drove her away. She spread the alarm and Postmaster Turner seized a shotgun and fired through the window. This frightened the robbers who grabbed the money from the cages and fled shooting as they ran and pursued by a posse of 15 armed citizens. No one was injured in the shooting. The robbers escaped in the fog to the mountains.

Electric Sparks

Some people take their fruit cake too seriously.

A Christmas tree in the Plaza is worth two in the mountains.

Uncle Sam was well pleased at Congress putting the new currency bill in his Xmas stocking.

It is rumored in certain circles that John Lind will publish a comprehensive blank book on his return from Mexico.

Congress is beginning to suspect that the only time it can take a rest is when President Wilson takes one.

A milliner was found stabbed to death in her shop in New York. Just find the man with a bill for his wife's hat in his pocket.

One contagion that nobody wants to see suppressed is the contagion of the Christmas spirit.

Pittsburgh burglars ignored the silverware and carried away the bacon and eggs, showing re-adjustment of values among precious goods.

If a man is to lazy to stand up and tell the truth, he is apt to lie about it.

We are told that experience is the best teacher yet some fool men are uganists.

Nevertheless, it might be pushing the "loyalty test," to far to ask whether the cabinet members came away from the last conference sneezing.

According to some views, the fault and virtues in currency bills are too badly mixed for an arrangement of the deadly parallel.

At last accounts the rivalry between the North and South for lynching horrors ended in a draw as usual.

Give 'em time enough and these eugenic candidates will take a chance at any old kind of marriage.

Judging by the weather, we must be a community of shorn lambs.

The Kansas City egg boycott has resulted in a lowering of the price. The eggs couldn't stand it any longer.

We have just had the longest Indian summer since Hiawatha was a boy.

Doubtless the retail victories in Mexico will increase with their capture of telegraph offices heretofore held by the federals.

Another great advantage of being President of the United States is that the President does not have to receive company when he has had a cold.

Scientists claim to see spots on the sun, but it looks first rate to us.

Pleasant Birthday Party.

A very enjoyable birthday party was given at the Bagshaw residence Saturday evening, the occasion being in honor of the nineteenth anniversary of the birth of Miss Mary. Games, dancing, music, social converse, etc. were indulged in until a late hour. Supper was served at 10 o'clock after which the guests returned to their homes wishing the young lady many returns of the day. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Hanna, Misses Adair, Elmer, Louise, Enelle, Jewell, Bailey, Ekron, Gail, Alice, Morgan, Mabel, Reeve, Pauline, Grievess, Etta and Margaret Moreom, Lyla Williams and Messrs D. H. Cronmiller, Pete Orde, Cliff Dunnington, Henry Bostwick, Dan Bagshaw, Edwin Beery, Reuben Pitte, Clint Dunnington, Toots Thompson, Louis Baker and Chester Wemot.

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