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BRICK PLANT IS AN INTERESTING PLACE TO VISIT

Last Friday the writer visited the plant of the Willamina Clay Products Co. and through the courtesy of the manager, Mr. Harold Hadley, had the pleasure of going through the plant and observing the processes of manufacture, from the raw clay to the finished products.

In their clay pit are about fourteen different kinds of clay which when blended will produce bricks from pure white to deep red. One of the odd things being that white bricks are made from a coal-black clay. Different clays from the pit are mixed and ground and placed in storage bins until needed for manufacture, which is done by the latest improved machinery.

After seeing the process of mixing, pressing and cutting bricks we visited the kilns where the bricks are burned. The kilns are divided into different chambers of different temperatures—from about 1900 degrees for facing brick to 2600 for fire brick. With a system of fans the heat is drawn from one compartment to another until when it finally reaches the stack the temperature is down to about 120 degrees reminding one of the big meat packing plants where they save everything but the squeal.

We then visited the storage yards where they have on hand all grades and colors of brick and of various shapes for different purposes such as cornices, fireboxes, fireplaces, etc., as well as all kinds and sizes of building and drainage tile.

Another interesting department was the labratory, where we found H. G. Wilcox busily engaged in testing out the different kinds and mixtures of clay for their heat resistance.

About fifty men are employed at the plant, and several cars were being loaded with brick and tile for shipment, mostly to Portland, as local and valley deliveries are made by truck. Among the cars were some for the new Public Market in Portland.

"POT-LUCK" PARTY

At the instigation of Mrs. McNeill and Mrs. Burdon a "pot-luck" party was held at the home of Mrs. John Strand on Tuesday afternoon. Lunch was served at 1:30 and the afternoon was spent in visiting.

Those in attendance were: Mesdames Paul Fundman, Belle Harpole, C. R. Stiles, Edward Terry, Harry Valliere, Edna Lacy, Paul Mullen, Bessie Lamson, Dorothy Wheeler, Ted Burden, Frank Smelser, Chas. McNeill, Jess Farnham, John Shetterly and little Joan.

A LEAF FROM THE LIBRARY

The Library is making up "Funny-Paper" books for the children. Any extra "funnies" will be welcomed.

There are several splendid new travel books on the shelves at the Library.

Storm Signals

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CIVIC CLUB MEETING

The Civic Club met at the home of Mrs. K. E. Shetterly on Wednesday afternoon, with an attendance of 23, and a very interesting and instructive meeting was had.

A short business meeting was first in order and as the attendance was so large it was decided to hold future meetings in the basement of the M. E. church. The program was opened by all singing "America, the Beautiful" led by Mrs. Vern Huddleston.

The study topic for this meeting was "History of Oregon," and about twelve papers were read covering the geology and geography of the state, history of pioneer leaders, literature of Oregon, the Oregon Trail and other subjects. The ladies found 'Oregon History' too large a subject for one afternoon and several papers had to be held over to be read at a future meeting. The subject was so absorbing that the members were spellbound at the unfoldment of the wonders of their home state.

The program committee, including Mrs. Helen Wilcox whose name was omitted last week, met Tuesday and outlined a program for the year, which will include many intersting subjects.

The next meeting will be held November 15, when the subjects will be: "Home Decorating" and "Thanksgiving."

NEW SERIAL STORY

On page two of this issue is the opening chapter of a new story, "Tangled Wives" by Peggy Shane. We are not going to give you a preview of the book, but if you want to read a story full of action and excitement this is it. Start it now, and get a chapter each week in the Times. If you are not now a subscriber and receive a copy of this issue start the story and send in your subscription, at once so as to get the next installment. We have reduced the price to $1.50 and if you are short of cash and long on wood, spuds, or anything a family can use, drop in and we will make a swap.

OREGON LOGGERS COMING

The Oregon Loggers, stage and radio entertainers, are billed to appear at Harpole & Miller hall, Willamina, on Wednesday evening, October 25, with a big entertainment and dance. Come and see Oregon's own troubadors; hear them sing and play the old-time tunes just as loggers do around the bunkhouse fire at night; see "Ole" throw the axe; hear "Rigger Slim" yodel. See them all — Foxy Grandpa, Ole, Hooker, Rigger Slim, Bull Cook and Whistle Punk. They'll all be at Harpole & Miller hall next Wednesday night. Admission; gentlemen, 35c; ladies, 15c, and children, 10c. ady

COMMUNITY M. E. CHURCH

REV. EDWARD TERRY, Pastor

Sunday School meets promptly at 10 a. m. All are cordially invited to attend.

Epworth League devotional meeting at 6:30. An interesting discussion is being held each week.

The evening church service at 7:30. We invite you to come to church each Sunday. You will enjoy the singing and the fellowship and life thru the week will be more worth while and pleasant if you attend church on Sunday.

HOME MADE CANDY

Home made candy is on sale each Friday, Saturday and Monday at both Neely's and Shetterly's stores. This candy is being sold to raise money for improvements for the parsonage and church. The candy is priced at one cent per piece.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Drake, on Saturday, October 14, a 7½-pound daughter who has been named Phyllis Jean. Mother and baby are being cared for at home by Mrs. Drake's mother, Mrs. Clara Sheiker, of Sheridan. Dr. E. H. Barendrick of McMinnville was in attendance.

In this issue appears an ad of Hopkins and Reifenrath of McMinnville. If you don't think they know their business call and see the job they done installing a glass in the editor's car.

JOHNSON-GRATES

Mr. Max Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Johnson of the Buck Hollow district, and Miss Barbara Graves, daughter of Mrs. Ray Goldsmith, of Coast Creek Mountain Lodge, were married on Friday evening, October 13, at the parsonage of the Christian church in Sheridan, Rev. Earl Chandler, the pastor, preforming the cermony. The young couple will make their home in Sheridan, where the groom is employed.

FARM EMPLOYEE INJURED

C.C. Snow, who was employed at the farm of Miss Mittie Cockerham, was severely injured last Saturday. Just how he was hurt has not been ascertained, as he received a blow on the head and was rendered unconscious. He was unable to tell what had hit him, but it is thought he was kicked or run over by a horse. Mr. Snow is at the I. N. Pearson home, where he is being attended by Dr. Fields of Sheridan.

LUMBERMAN OPTIMISTIC

Western Oregon lumber seems to be moving again, as when visiting the Neely planing mill last Friday we saw a carload of lumber being loaded for shipment to Philadelphia. It goes by rail to Portland where it is transferred to a boat and goes east by way of the Panama canal.

While at the mill we met Mr. Wm. Buoy of Buoy & Cutler, Portland lumber brokers, and a friend of his, Mr. Elliott, who came out for the ride and to see the country. Mr. Buoy is quite optimistic and seems to think that very soon the lumber business will experience a noticable improvement. He says the NRA is going to be a good thing for the industry, not only as a means to recovery, but it necessitates a systematic check-up on their business which will be a good education to many lumbermen, who have been inclined to be lax in keeping proper records.

WILL PURCHASE BUTTER; WHEAT PLAN DISCUSSED

While definite word has not yet been received as to the outcome of the national hearing on a dairy processing tax in Washington, D. C., October 16, much has been happening in the past week in the agricultural adjustment administration of interest to Oregon dairymen and wheat growers particularly, says the current review from the Oregon State college extension service.

One of the most significant moves in the dairy products trade is the definite announcement made at Washington that surplus butter will be purchased by the government for relief purpose.

Foreseeing such a development, Oregon dairy interests sent A.E. Engbretson, superintendeent of the Astoria branch experiment station, to Washington to see, if possible, that the Pacific coast is not overlooked in any such market operations.

Another significant move on the "dairy front" is the announcement that manufactnrers of oleomargarine are negotiating with the A.A.A. for a marketing agreement, one of the proposed provisions of which is to limit the manufacturers of oleo to the use of domestic fats and oils exclusively.

Turning to the wheat adjustment campaign, word comes from Washington warning farmers who have signed applications or contracts, against being persuaded by creditors to assign their wheat adjustment checks to them in advance. This, it is pointed out, is a direct violation of the wheat contract.

"The purpose of the wheat adjustment payment is to put this additional purchasing power into the hands of the farmer for him to use at his discretion—not merely to have him assign his adjustment payment to the first creditor that reaches him," says Geo. E. Farrell, associate chief of the wheat section.

Farmers will be paid in county groups in the order in which the applications are received. Checks will go to the treasurer of the county wheat production control association for distribution by him. Local county association expenses will not be deducted until the second payments are made next spring.

LADIES' AID MET

The Ladies' Aid met in the M. E. church, October 13, Mrs. Smelser and Mrs. Edmiston were hostesses, about 20 ladies were present. An interesting business meeting was held and plans made to give a party on October 28th. The following committee was appointed, Mesdames Terry, Farnham and Flanery. These ladies will call personally on each one and explain just how you may become a guest and enjoy this mystery party. Everyone is assured a good time.

The committee for the November 10 meeting will be Mesdames Burden and Lamson. All ladies of the community are cordially invited to meet with us.