

INDUSTRIAL CLUBS READY FOR WORK

School Clubs Attract Attention—State Leader Visits County—Make Boys Partners to Share Profits of Work.

S. J. Allen, Assistant State Leader of Industrial Clubs, Oregon Agricultural College, dropped into Malheur County for a few days last week. The roads were in too bad condition to get about much, but some good work was done. The Ontario, Nyssa, and Big Bend schools were visited.

At all places a great interest in club work was manifest. The parents are realizing that the best of discipline is industry that carries interest with it. Very few boys and girls can be induced to take a genuine interest in milking cows, feeding hogs and chickens, or doing house work, if that is all they see of it. They see the cream or milk hauled away; they see the hogs grow fat and hauled away; they gather the eggs and see them hauled away, but what good does it do? Do they get a chance to sell the products and put the money in their own pockets? True, the child gets his board and clothes but why not give him an interest in the hogs, cows, chickens so that he would have a little of his own money with which to buy his own clothes. Some day he must handle money, and do business with other men. Teach him to do it now while he is young and the lessons least expensive.

The object is to teach the girls and boys industry in the right way, that is to couple head with hand in all enterprises. Parents are realizing that this club work is not a "frill" but real business and at all places visited a

general spirit of co-operation was found.

The greatest pleasure was experienced in the Ontario and Nyssa High Schools. In each place a large group of young men have shown their willingness to form Agricultural Clubs. These clubs will not only do industrial club work, but actual field work, such as judging livestock etc., will be given to them.

W. W. HOWARD,
County Agricultural Agent.

SOCIETY.

Mrs. E. C. Van Petten was hostess this week to the Wednesday Bridge club.

Wednesday afternoon Mrs. R. W. Jones gave a bridge party in honor of her sister, Mrs. Brogan who is leaving Ontario soon.

Mr. Lew Adam entertained "The Remnants" Monday evening.

The Episcopal Guild met Thursday afternoon at the Moore Hotel. In honor of the approaching marriage of Miss Emma Clark the Guild surprised her with a shower of many beautiful and useful gifts.

The Tuesday Bridge club met this week at the home of Mrs. R. W. Swagler.

The Chautauqua Circle met tonight (Thursday) at the home of Mrs. Lucy Fox.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Homma entertained the Carnation club on Tuesday evening.

In honor of her sister, Mrs. E. I. Brown formerly of Vale who leaves this week for her future home in Seattle, Mrs. R. W. Jones was the hostess for a prettily appointed party Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Adam were host and hostess for the Remnants Monday evening.

ALL LIVE STOCK IS IN STRONG DEMAND

Prices Continue Climbing—Hogs Advance 50 Cents While Lambs Make New Record.

Portland, March 6:—There was a liberal supply of cattle received yesterday, over 1400 head which was quite a surprise to the trade. The market was rather slow at the opening large killers not being in the early trade, although after they had their orders the market turned active and prices were all on a steady basis with last week. The top on beef steers was 5 cents higher than a week ago on one strictly good load. This load brought \$9.85 with another load at \$9.80. There was a good spread of steers that brought \$9.35 to \$9.75. Good light 1000 pound feeding steers were in excellent demand again and a number of loads went at \$8.75 and \$8.85. A number of sales of medium beef steers were made at \$8.25 to \$8.60 which made up the day's trade. The quality of the run was very good. One prime load of cows sold at \$8.15 with a number of small lots of good cows from \$7.50 to \$8.00. A load of cows that carried very little fat brought \$7.25 while dairy cows sold from \$5.00 to \$6.75. Bulls were in good supply with a good demand. Best heavy bulls went at \$7.00 and \$7.25 with the bulk of the good holoagnas bringing \$6.50 to \$6.75.

Hogs made a further advance of 50 cents yesterday. There was a light supply barely enough to let each buyer get on a pen. One load sold at \$13.50 while the bulk of the sales were made at \$12.25 and \$13.25. Pigs were in good supply with an excellent call. Best pigs brought \$12.25 with the bulk of the bids at \$12.00. Feeders sold mostly at \$11.50.

Sheep. Sheep and lamb prices made further advances yesterday. There was a liberal supply on the market with a good demand. Best lambs sold readily at \$12.90 to \$13.10 while yearlings brought \$10.00 for several docks, while several loads of good ewes sold at \$9.75.

RESULTS APPARENT IN RABBIT CAMPAIGN

Experts Estimate That 30,000 Have Been Poisoned—Farmers Take Great Interest in Work.

Jack rabbits are certainly outcasts these days. Hundreds of farmers have united in groups to fight him, with the result that many thousands are killed. The rabbits of course, gathered to eat upon the alfalfa stacks and it was here that the good work was done.

A large amount of territory was covered due no doubt to the co-operation of the County Court appropriating money to pay half the cost of strychnine wherever farmers would unite to fight the pests.

A. F. Taylor, U. S. Biological survey and the County Agricultural Agent, succeeded in getting poison work done along the entire length of the Shoestring Ditch, several miles above, and below Malheur Butte, on the Bully creek bench, several miles along Willow Creek below Jamieson, and at Creston near Riverside. A number of other places, such as Ironside and Crowley were investigated but conditions were not right.

Three hundred twenty-five ounces of strychnine were used, each ounce poisoning ten pounds of hay, and where accurate count was made, killing over one hundred rabbits. This means that about thirty thousand rabbits were poisoned, and as one rabbit now means ten next summer, to feed on crops and the range, the ravages of 300,000 rabbits has been stopped. This may not appear to be very much but when reduced to the estimate of many, ten rabbits eat as much as one sheep. It appears more concrete.

Where rabbits were seriously worked upon a year ago, no damage was done by them last summer, and there were also only little poisoning needed this year. The contrary was true where they were not poisoned a year ago, as many farmers along the Shoestring will testify.

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Read The Argus Advertisements

Every week the Argus carries the message of many of Ontario's business men. These messages tell what the stores have to offer. A careful persual of them will save the buyers of this vicinity time and money.

The man who advertises his goods stands behind them. If he is not willing to do so he would not tell the public about them.

During the past few weeks the little want ads in the Argus have brought buyers and sellers together. The rancher who has chickens to sell will find a buyer by using these columns.

Get the habit. If you have something to sell advertise it. If you want to buy something advertise it.

Read The Argus Ads



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Benefit by it.

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The Grocers

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At the Ontario
Opera House
SATURDAY, MARCH 10
BEAMGUARD'S ORCHESTRA**

MALHEUR COUNTY SCHOOLS HAVE VARIED INTERESTS

Industrial Club Work to Boom—Valley View Has Patron's Day—Dead Ox Flat Has New School Flag.

(By Fay Clark, County Supt.) Patrons' Day at the Valley View School last Friday was a decided success. Mrs. Dunn and Miss Forbes, teachers, arranged a splendid exhibit of school and industrial club work done by the pupils and a program while the school mothers and friends provided a bountiful feast which was enjoyed at the noon hour. Visitors from outside the district were Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Howard, Mrs. G. A. Ruring, Mrs. R. E. Weant, Mrs. Carlson and Miss Clark.

The last week in March will be Industrial Club Week. During this time a field worker from the State Department of Education will be in the county to assist with the industrial work for the coming summer and fall. Already clubs are being organized. The visitors will give advice and encouragement.

District No. 58 on Dead Ox Flat will have an additional month of school this spring. Several of the rural districts are "going into training" for next year when the minimum term will be eight instead of six months.

The pupils in the White Settlement School are enjoying a Victrola purchased with funds which were the result of a basket social and general good time early in the school year. The records for the Victrola were selected by Miss Hodgson.

School in District No. 70 where Eva Neely has been teaching this year closed Friday.

E. C. Eggleston of Burns has supplied the county superintendent with blotters for use in the Malheur County schools. Teachers making a re-

quest for them may have a sufficient number to supply their schools.

Supt. Churchill is very anxious that the boys and girls in the grade and high schools of Oregon enter the Essay Contest conducted by the Oregon W. C. T. U. This is the first year that the State Department has stood sponsor for this movement and Malheur County should not be slow to respond. The State prize for the best grade essay is \$10.00 and the National, \$25.00. For the best high school essay, the State prize is \$15 and the National, \$50. The pupil or teacher interested in this contest should write the county superintendent for particulars regarding the length of the essay, good material, etc.

The principal feature of the Literary Society program at the White Settlement school house last Friday was a debate by some of the pupils in which Industrial Club work was discussed. It seems that the supporters of the work lost and it will now be their part to prove by their work this summer that the judges were not competent and that the debaters were not well informed.

Frances Bartshe and her pupils in one of the Dead Ox Flat schools have recently secured a beautiful flag for their school by selling flag buttons. The school board in this district will make some needed improvement in the school house and grounds this summer. This year they have had a good school but the patrons are willing to pay for equipment that will insure a better one for next year. These people are pleased with the law making the minimum term eight months.

Notice From Malheur City Schools. Malheur School is progressing nicely. There are at present twenty six pupils in attendance. Thirty one is the largest number enrolled this year.

The first, second and third grades have finished the required amount of reading and are now working with supplementary readers.

To create an interest in spelling

and also to improve both oral and written spelling, the children are having spelling matches every Friday afternoon after recess. The side missing the greatest number of words by the close of the fourth match entertains the winners with a party. The upper grades have had one party and the lower grades will have theirs soon.

A number of the children and parents are in favor of having an extra month of school, making this a nine months term. It has not been decided yet whether we shall get the extra month of school. Several of the children cannot remain in town so long.

Otto Bronson and Gladys Howard are preparing to take the eighth grade examinations in May. Jeanette Coleman, Otis and Robert Anderson and Ida Bronson will write in hygiene and geography.

Since our new heating plant has been installed we do not notice the cold weather. Another improvement is a new flag which was raised for the first time last week.

Last Literary night, the main part of the program was two playlets given by the school children.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS:

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed administrator of the estate of Arthur W. Trow, deceased, by order of the County Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Malheur. Any and all persons having claims against the said estate are hereby notified to present the same, duly verified as by law required, to the undersigned administrator at his residence in Ontario, Oregon, within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice.

Done and dated and first published this 5th day of March, 1917.

CLINTON F. TROW,
Administrator of the estate of Arthur W. Trow, Deceased.
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