

# STAYTON MAIL

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### LARGEST TRAIN IN U.S. Time Spent at West Stayton Much Too Short.

The Southern Pacific Demonstration Train which stopped at West Stayton last Wednesday, was the largest demonstration train ever shown in the United States, comprising in all eight cars. General Freight Agent, R. B. Miller could not be in attendance, but his place was filled by A. B. Moore, who in a very kind way, asked if any of the farmers or shippers had any difficulty or grievance against the S.P.

The train was made up of dairy, agricultural, horticultural, and other beneficial exhibits from which those present could easily make the proper comparison.

The fruit exhibits were so nicely arranged that the effect of spraying, grafting and irrigation as well as proper and improper culture, was very readily noticed. Practical demonstrations were made which showed the best methods for packing fruit for shipment as well as for price.

The proper planting of trees, was also shown to be not only beneficial in producing a better quality of fruit but in securing better prices as well. Trees planted too closely cannot develop into the best orchard tree, neither do they bear as evenly as when planted at proper distance from each other. It was also shown where land under improper drainage producing two to three dollars per acre profit was brought under proper drainage to produce many times that amount. Rotation of crops was shown as beneficial not only to the soil, but in bringing to the farmer a greater annual yield.

The proper implements for the care of fruit trees were also on exhibition. While speaking of the proper tools, Dr. Withycombe spoke also of Oregon's fame in producing two of the greatest commodities in the U.S. today that have gained National reputation, viz: Our rosy cheeked girls and red apples. We as residents of the Beaver State are justly proud of our attainments, but we feel that this immediate section has the best of it in this line. Climatic conditions here are conducive to the healthy growth of both maidens and fruit. Pure water with similar air and food are the pre-requisites for both, this section has all.

**GRAIN DISPLAY**  
 The grain display was excellent showing as it did the grain which had been sown but one week, also the different stages, up to the matured kernel.

This too was quite interesting, to note the difference in the grain which had been carefully selected as seed and that which had been allowed to remain foul. We do not mean that the other grain was foul with foreign seeds, but we mean that the seed was not properly selected for the getting of the best results. It was also shown that it is not wise to

mix grains with the hope of improving the stock except that you do so by following a certain formula.

The proper choosing of seed means more to the farmer than the preparing of the soil for the seed. The soil may be in the best possible condition, but if immature or poor seed is used the grain yield will not be satisfactory. The stalks will be of irregular length with large kind of seed is highly essential.

In addition to this display was a fine assortment of fruit canned by the good housewives. This was surrounded by potatoes and a general exhibit which is almost impossible to describe, for it would have required at least an hour in each car to get the entire detail.

Just at this time we noticed the most interesting feature of the entire exhibit, two pictures showing the wasteful and unsanitary farmers a-bode with the dilapidated buildings while on the other was the home of the successful farmer with a beautiful home and outbuildings.

### Dairy Lessons.

In order that a successful dairy may be maintained in any section there are several things necessary, among them is the proper soil upon which to raise Leguminous plants. In a few sections throughout this valley drainage is highly beneficial for the proper cultivation of these species of plant food. They too are essential for they are oxygen producers as well as nitrogen consumers. Crop rotation comes next in line, in order that green feed may be had as many months in the year as is possible. Among the green feeds are counted corn, clover, rye, vetch, alfalfa, cabbage or kale. These products are often relied upon solely for green feed, but the vetch and clover can be satisfactorily mixed with other forage plants that grow as rapidly. Oats and vetch is a good combination which yields great tonnage of green feed per acre where the conditions are favorable.

In a class by itself stands the corn. It is known the world over to be a green feed as well as later in the season to furnish the best material known for fattening purposes. After the early corn has been used for fodder the vetch falls in line and supplies the green food until the frosts kill it, sometimes there is in this section insufficient frost to kill the kale therefore giving excellent winter food which

can be profitably mixed with clover or alfalfa hay.

Let us at this time call attention to the two kale plants which were on exhibition. One was large and coarse while the other was completely covered with small leaves. The large stock had but few leaves, these leaves growing so large, were easily broken from the stock. They then began to decay, while with the other plant, the small leaves continued to grow. The lower ones could be removed and new ones take their place.

The point we wish to make by this comparison is the proper selection of seed as spoken of before. This kale seed was purchased from a seed store part of the seed was the small leaf kind but both kinds were put in the same package. Now if our dairymen would choose each year several stocks of the best variety of any one of their green forage they would in a few years have seed which was adapted to their soil conditions and would in turn make a greater yield per acre than the mixed seeds which were gathered for sale and not for results.

### Dairy Tools.

In the Dairy Car were displayed two very fine specimens of the famous Oregon "Mortgage Lifter" type of cow. They were cared for the same as at the experiment station at Corvallis, and it was shown beyond the shadow of a doubt that the proper breed of cow is certainly a "Mortgage Lifter."

These two cows on exhibition were Ayrshire and a Jersey. "Lady King" the Ayrshire cow produced in the year 1906-1907, 11769 pounds of milk containing 544 pounds of butter, and up to the present time she has produced this year 8207 pounds of milk containing 349.29 pounds of butter. "Clara Eva" the Jersey cow, which is three years old produced in a similar period 6859 pounds of milk containing 411.73 pounds of butter and up to the present time this year has produced 8733 pounds of milk and 529.35 pounds of butter. You may for your own satisfaction estimate what these cows are netting monthly to their owners at the present price of milk or butter, figure this out for yourself and see what a neat sum is being marked up to their credit each twelve-month.

For demonstration purposes there was on exhibition a milking machine operated by a gasoline engine. This machine did the work just as successfully as a six months old calf and a great deal easier on the cow.

These cows were fastened, one with the Original Hoard Stanchion and the other with the rope tie. Either of these tying devices are far ahead of the stanchion which is in general use throughout the country and practical tests show that the cow, where given free use of her head and shoulders while being kept in her stall, will give a clean average of 10 per cent more milk than when confined in the ordinary wooden stanchion.

### Ponder as You Read.

Here is what has been accomplished elsewhere under no less favorable conditions for dairying than are found in this immediate vicinity. Ponder as you read and see what has really transpired. We can do equally as well if not better here where we have everything necessary for the best results.

One hundred acres properly prepared and cared for will support 50 cows, while by proper soiling and care this same hundred acres can support two hundred cows. Consider that in a well and you will find that from say, the 50 head of cows you will get in addition to the milk and butter a trifle more than \$1500 per annum in plant food added to the soil. The cow manure when properly cared for is the best fertilizer that can be supplied for forage production.

The dairy products for Oregon last year were \$15,000,000. That amount of cash distributed among the dairymen of Oregon is no small sum and it can be easily shown that any good cow will yield under favorable conditions no less than \$50 per annum.

Do not veil your heifer calves unless they are deformed or ill bred. Pure breeding is as highly essential in the proper production of the best milk and butter as is the foods for the cow. We will concede that once in perhaps a thousand times you will find a scrub cow that gives a large flow of milk for

several months but what is her offspring worth, what value is there in her butter producing qualities. It has been fully demonstrated and proven that ill bred stock are detrimental to the dairying interests of Oregon. Therefore get a start of pure bred stock and maintain it. If you are hoping to get a large milk yielder consult some reputable dairymen and get the desired information. For all ordinary purposes the Ayrshire or Guernsey will give you splendid results for a general purpose cow but where you want but a very small herd then the choice should be Jersey.

### Many Other Features.

There were a great many other features which might be touched upon but we will state here that all who were present were greatly pleased with what they saw, but they were sorry that the train did not have longer to remain. We feel certain that if sufficient interest is maintained, the Southern Pacific Company will be glad to give an annual exhibition train but instead of taking but a couple of hours at a station they would spend at least half a day.

### Children Enjoy Treat.

Miss Margaret McClellan, who is teaching the West Stayton school this year took her pupils and marched them to the station where they were afforded the pleasure of looking over the exhibits the same as the grown-ups. This was a splendid object lesson for there were but a few of the pupils who had ever before looked into an exhibition train. They will remember their visit to the train for many months and when at home will tell their parents of the many interesting things they saw.

### Over Three Hundred.

There was a gathering over three hundred in numbers at the station and just as the train was pulling out a rail gave way under the dairy exhibit car and came near derailling the train. Otherwise there were no accidents or happenings to mar the first exhibition of The Southern Pacific Demonstration Train at West Stayton.

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 \* THANKS- \*  
 \* GIVING \*  
**Masquerade**  
 \* BALL \*  
 \* NOVEMBER 26 \*  
 \* STAYTON \*  
 \* Opera House, Cash \*  
 \* Prizes, Good Supper \*  
 \* LAU ORCHESTRA \*  
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### LET US GIVE THANKS.

November is the month of thanksgiving, a day we have inherited from our Puritan forefathers, which has taken root in the whole land to become the most important of our Nation. It is a good thing to call a halt in rush forward and spend a few hours in looking backward. It is good to cast up a balance in the ledger of time and see which side we stand, if for profit or loss, and a fair reckoning will usually show a profit. It is a good thing, taking the year together, we have much to be thankful for that to mourn over.

The season has been an exceptionally good one especially to our fruit growers, in spite of the early disengagements. The yield has been heavy and prices have been good as a rule. Therefore their balance is on the right side of the ledger.

The Pacific Coast as a whole is very prosperous, yet there is every prospect that this prosperity will continue indefinitely, for which cause we have much reason to be thankful. For ourselves, we can only say that with thanks to its warm friends

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has to give thanks for an overflowing cup of prosperity with our subscriptions rapidly increasing and our advertising patrons have assisted us materially in furnishing us with the pre-requisites for a good local paper. We have added much to our plant and with a continuance of favors for the coming year, we shall do our utmost to give you the best paper we are capable of doing.

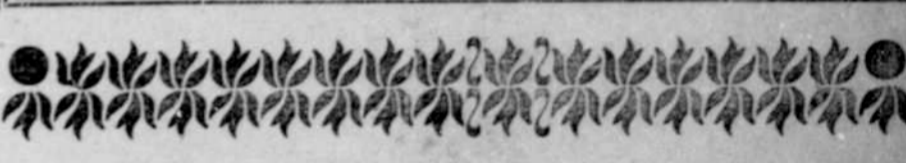
**ELECTION HELPS THE SANTIAM DISTRICT.**  
 D. K. May, fiscal agent of the Electric Mining & Milling Company, is highly pleased with the activity now evident in the Santiam District. The officers of the mining company have authorized an advance in their stock, which will take effect on the 19th inst. There has been much interest shown in the mines of the entire district.

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### SHOES

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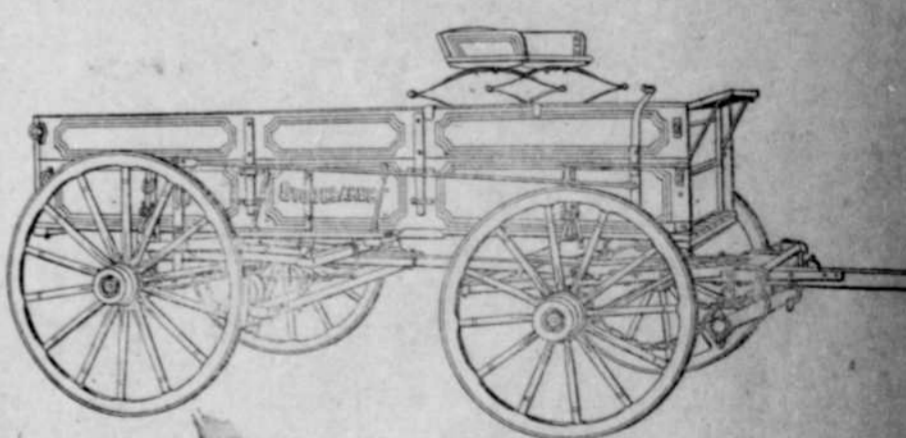
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Leave Lyons 5:00 A.M. via Mehama, Stayton, Sublimity and Aumsville, arrive Turner 11:00 A.M.  
 Leave Turner 12 Noon via Aumsville, Sublimity, Stayton, and Mehama, Arrive Lyons 6:00 P.M.

F A R E

Turner - - - - Aumsville	\$ .25	Lyons - - - Mehama	\$ .25
Turner - - - - Sublimity	.50	Lyons - - - Stayton	.50
Turner - - - - Stayton	.50	Lyons - - - Sublimity	.60
Turner - - - - Mehama	1.00	Lyons - - - Aumsville	.75
Turner - - - - Lyons	1.00	Lyons - - - Turner	1.00

### G.B. Trask, Owner & Prop. Stayton Stables. Stayton - - - - Oregon.

Ladies Wearing No 3 to 4 1-2 Shoes can get great bargains at Lancefields. I have a lot of these sizes that I will put down to the lowest possible figure in order to get them off. Regular price \$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.00. Some of them will go as low as a dollar.

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