

THE PROFITS AND THE LEAKS.

Why Dairying Does and Does Not Pay.

AND A WOMAN SHOWS WHY.

Able, Common Sense Article by Clackamas County Woman.

The following article was prepared and read by Mrs. Anna I. Huchess, well known in Clackamas county, at the state dairymen's meeting in Portland, and it is an article that can be read and profit by:

I will endeavor to give you some of my early impressions of dairying as it was then carried on, and I think these are considerably like the general run of the business at that time. I was born and raised in Clackamas county and have lived since I was seven years old on the farm where we now live, that is it has been my home place.

My first vivid impressions of dairying were getting up between four and five in the morning and milking five cows that were kept in a corral over night and foraged the range in the daytime for what nature provided them in the way of feed. In the evening one of my brothers, myself and Jack—the dog—persuaded the cows to come home from wherever they chose to go during the day.

The financial end of the business I don't know much about, only that butter was hard to sell, and you had to be a regular customer to get the store keeper to handle your butter at all in the spring and summer.

I will pass on fourteen or fifteen years later, when I was teaching school at Clatskanie (near where Estacada now is).

Geo. Currin had a herd of twenty cows, a water power churn and deep cans that were placed in water to raise the cream.

How much he made out of this I do not know, only that he dairied on a larger scale than any of the other farmers.

The butter was disposed of in Oregon City, where he could find sale for it. A great deal of it was taken in trade for lumber, and it was during the time I taught at Clatskanie, I boarded with Mr. Currin's mother, Aunt Diana Currin, an old lady past seventy, who had crossed the plains horseback and was one of the self-reliant, clear-headed women that had helped in the community, raised her family and run a large farm for more than twenty years—her husband dying and leaving her with a family of little children and the farm.

The winter I staid with her, her men milked fourteen cows. She tended the milk, made the butter and sent it to the Oregon City market, but I think got mostly trade for she told me that she saved my board money to pay her taxes, and taxes weren't what they are now, either.

During these times, or possibly a little later, Mr. Vetsch was running a private creamery near Damascus and the farmers were delivering their milk to him.

A so at Logan the farmers organized a co-operative cheese factory and delivered their milk each morning except Sundays to the factory and took back the whey for the pigs and calves. That was pretty hard on the calves to say the least, besides being a great deal of trouble to make a delivery each day to the factory.

The butter makers of the county had Oregon City for a market, Portland being too far away to make a twice a week delivery. They had lived with each other in obtaining customers until they had butter down to 40 cents a roll the year around and make a house to house delivery, in fact wherever they could make a sale. About this time they began to think they were getting to the jumping off place in the dairy business and the time was ripe for doing something else. So they began talking co-operative creamery and sending a wagon around to gather the cream. Gathering the cream was a new idea and was scoffed at by many.

Right here I want to tell you that the men that fathered this creamery learned how to talk. When they had talked enough creamery, they had to go out and talk creamery some more, and just kept talking creamery and working to get the business on its feet.

This was the first general creamery in the county and I believe the only co-operative creamery still.

At present there is a creamery at Molalla and a branch of the Corvallis creamery at Canby, besides Clear Creek.

Clear Creek creamery was incorporated Jan. 26, 1901, by W. P. Kitchin, L. D. Mumpower, J. J. Hagdon, F. H. Rheinhoff, and J. W. Watts, and was completed in May, 1902, and was the first to establish the gathered cream system.

They had two cream routes, one going through Stone, Redland and Viola, around by Springfield and down through Logan to the creamery. The other went through Eagle Creek and Clatskanie, and took cream from the Garfield country. One patron in that country I heard of milked a number of cows and was raising fourteen calves. I was told that those fourteen calves were fed out of a common trough like so many pigs, and they wondered why the calves didn't do well.

At this time also I was again teaching at Clatskanie. I will mention one patron of the creamery that I stopped with, W. A. Wilcox, and his wife. They had a good pasture with plenty of running water and shade and all spring fresh cows.

They milked twelve cows, all dual purpose except one old fawn and white cow that had a skin like gold and could give more milk than any cow in the corral.

From these twelve cows his largest check was \$8.00. I think that as for the month of May.

Several years later Mr. Wilcox moved to Springfield, disposed of his dual purpose cows, bought and raised together special dairy cows, and received from \$8 to \$9 cows, \$80 to \$90 a month for the best summer months and for the year \$93 per cow. I bring this point out to show the difference in cows. Both herds of cows had all they could eat and an abundance of good running water.

(Continued next week.)

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DODGE

COMMENTS ON OUR INSPIRATIONS, BY OLE.

"I think 'You See' he has a post—'bout like my uncle Bill make money raising goats up at Dodge—fern thick he tank he mow it, cure and rake and stow it—but, by jimmies he have to hoe it. I tank people got sick to pay dollar and half cents to read such stuff and not have more about my uncle Bill raising chickens and mohair—crowded out for stuff we don't care one tumb about. By jimmies I got so and I pull my hair when I read some—tang just to show how smart he air. Next week I tank Ole write some stuff to the Courier. I give Uncle Bill and all the rest a puff, and some news, and try to run a bluff to keep out 'near poetry'—I tank, by jassus, we have had enough."

AN AFTER CHRISTMAS STORY

(For the Courier by You See.)

The holidays have come and gone and with them many misgivings in my thoughts and judgment. We only used the three roosters and 2½ dozen eggs. But on the glad Christmas morning when I saw how far some of the little hands had reached down into the stockings to find what was there and when it came it was so small I would have gladly have dumped the whole chicken roost into them just to have changed the expression on the little faces. There was no look of reproach, no unkind word spoken—but the expression. Your childhood came back to you, and I could realize what I had done to spare a few old hens and some pullets—now no object. But it is too late. The whole brood could not change that look now, nor will the entire profits on them eradicate that one moment from my memory.

How strange it is we would not give a chicken to make a human heart glad and carry through life a loving and fond remembrance of one glad Christmas morning. There will probably always be lots of chickens, but one might not have enough to recall or win back a heart whose love had gone astray from us. I could have used the pullets this year to a good advantage. Maybe next year it will be too late. You know?

Moral: Don't spare the pullets. You might not live another year.

Ole Comes Back.

Did you ever try to form a mental picture of a poet, just from reading his, or her, best verses? Trying it will show it to be interesting and amusing. Anyone who's writing periodic poems for the country papers without slighting any question that he handles, makes a good subject for trying this experiment upon, although he may say you are lying.

Take the bard who always writes of country life, Christmas and worry. He's a man who went to college for three years. He had to hurry through his studies, for he felt his fellow men were all awaiting words that he alone could utter. Without ever hesitating between his own inclination and his duty—owed to others—he put college life behind him and wrote poems for his brothers.

With scorn he looks on rhyme and meter. They are ornaments he uses very seldom in his work. He feels that when he counts the masses and receives an inspiration that will fill our minds with wonder, he is bound by no restrictions other poets labor under. Though a good blacksmith was lost to us when he became a writer, still we feel that since his coming he has made our pathway brighter.

Least he feel that we have not appreciated his endeavor, let us hasten to assure him such is not the case. Whenever we have read his latest message in our hearts we feel a yearning for a cleaner, better life than we have lived; and each returning thought he gives us makes us vow that we are pleased beyond expression to have lived so near to Dodge, and that, for us, is some confession.

OLE.

SHUBEL

The population has increased by two. A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Dolbow, December 31, 1911, and a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Luke Duffy, January 1, 1912. Dr. Mount was the witness.

Arthur Hornschel, who was home for the holidays, has returned to Albany, where he is attending school.

Alvin Hornschel and Raymond Ginter went to Corvallis to take a course in the blacksmith shop at the Oregon Agricultural College.

Mr. Swope, Sr., is visiting with one of his sons near Seattle, Wash.

Sunday morning the ground was covered with about six inches of snow. It put some of the telephone lines out of commission for about twenty-four hours.

The Misses Mary and Helen Swope gave a New Year's dinner to a number of their girl friends.

The woman's suffrage question is up for discussion at the next meeting of the debating society, Friday evening.

D. F. Moehleke has moved his household goods to Portland, where he will make his home. His family will follow in a few days.

Henry Staben is confined in the home with a dose of chickenpox.

Henry Massinger, after visiting with his parents for a week, returned to Portland Monday, where he is attending the Lincoln high school.

Wm. Menke will run his sawmill and shingle mill as soon as the weather opens up, which means that there will be employment for several men.

The Beaver Creek Mutual Telephone Association is going to furnish its members with telephone batteries at cost, which means a saving of 30 to 50 per cent. Now what do you know about that? Now there are a great many other ways in which we can make quite a saving if—well, if, it took four years of talking before some could see the advantage of buying at wholesale and selling at cost to yourself. But it seems everybody thinks everybody is a crook.

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COLTON

A happy and prosperous new year to all.

Misses Fredborg Hult and Esther Dahlstrom from Cousin's of Alene, Idaho, and Miss Esther Hult from Portland are at home to spend the holidays with their parents at Colton.

While working in the woods last Thursday, Erick Asplund was hurt quite seriously by a limb falling and striking him on his head. He is under the doctor's care and is progressing as well as can be expected.

Mr. and Mrs. Mat Kandle of Hills returned from their ranch at Bee Hills with a herd of cattle last week.

Mrs. John Lamm and son from Scappoose are visiting with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bonney, at Colton.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Dix, who visited at the former's home at Colton a few days, returned to their home at Molalla, Monday.

John Johnson has been assisting A. Danielson in the store.

Mr. W. E. Bonney's sister, who had been here visiting relatives and friends, left last week.

The Latter League Debating Society held a watch party at the church, Sunday evening. A fine program was rendered and all present enjoyed themselves.

Edd Grace of Timbergrove made a business trip to Colton, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Rowen, who are staying at the home of the latter's parents at Elwood, called on Grand-ma Dix, Monday.

The members of the Beaver Creek telephone division held a meeting Saturday evening and elected new officers for the coming year.

Miss Nellie Bonney returned to Estacada after having spent a week's vacation at home with her parents at Colton.

About eight inches of snow fell here Saturday night.

In the grocery contest of the number of beans in the jar at A. Danielson's.

UNION MILLS

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Zwiefel took possession of their new home this week. The house is nicely finished and well furnished to start life together with the new year. May the blessings of prosperity go with you through your life.

Mr. Dell Trullinger is having a barn built on the property on which he has just built a new house. Mr. Trullinger has been at great expense the past year improving his property, and still the good work goes on.

Mr. C. J. Fairan intends putting up a turning lathe and auto repairing shop on the Molalla road near Mr. Wallace's place some time this winter.

Mr. Wallace of Molino has been putting up some fancy wire fencing in front of his house, which improves the looks of his property very much.

Mr. Carlson is fast turning the wild lands on his place to a more productive state. As we cast our eyes around us we see a vast improvement in property in this vicinity the past four years, proving that we are in a good state of prosperity.

Mr. Martin Johnson just received a telegram from Montana offering him a good position, which he has accepted.

The old sawmill and building that have been of great service here since 1886 and which were built by Grandfather Trullinger, will soon be a thing of the past, the old carding mill building being reserved for future use.

The Christmas weather here this year has been sublime, but the old year could not leave us without a white, woolly head. Look at Nature. Does she not show age? All things have the appearance of decay. Good-bye to the old, ring in the new.

DOVER

The earth is covered with a blanket

BRIEF NEWS OF OREGON

The Huntington Herald after 26 years of publication, has suspended. Oregon produced products that are valued at close to \$175,000,000 during the past season.

According to the annual report of City Engineer Arnsperger, the city of Medford spent \$584,329 for public improvements in 1911.

A. L. Beeson, editor of the Huntington Herald, and leader in the recent moral wave there, has disappeared. Creditors are searching for him.

Every indication points to a large exhibit at the first annual Snake River Poultry Show to be held in Ontario January 16 to 19, inclusive.

The first annual show of the Douglas County Poultry and Pet Stock association was a success which greatly exceeded the expectations of the management.

That the state will be able to rear at least 3000 pheasants in captivity during the coming year is the belief of C. K. Cranston, chairman of the state fish and game commission.

A summary of the assessment rolls of Yamhill county, as completed by County Assessor Martin Miller, shows the total assessed value of all property within the county to be \$15,229,925.

Arrangements are being perfected by the Grasmith Commercial Club to give a banquet in the new club-rooms on January 3, to which the families of the members and others are invited.

Unless the officers of the Third Regiment can recruit a sufficient

A Notable Christmas Gathering.

One of the "greatest" social events of the season was the Christmas tree of the Deutsche Verein, held at Knapp's hall, Sunday evening. The hall was beautifully decorated for the occasion with festoons of red, white and blue, and evergreens. A large floral Christmas tree was suspended in the center of the room, surrounded by four smaller ones. Music was furnished by the Woodfin-Schneibenz orchestra.

The following program was well rendered: Opening address, President Gustave Schnorr; Stilian Hymn, junior choir; recitation, Clara Nobel; song, "The Divine Infant," little Louise Rotter; instrumental selections, Messrs. Oscar Woodfin, piano; Carl Schneibenz and E. E. Leathem; vocal quartet, the junior members; recitation, Gus Schnorr, Jr.; vocal duet, Messrs. Dambach and Rotter; song, "Gloria in Excelsis," junior choir; German song, little Louise Rotter; address, Vice President D. M. Klumpp; music, orchestra; address, Chris Hartman; address, Louise Nobel; music, orchestra; address, Frank Busch; address, K. Petzold; address, Chris Hartman; oration, "The Dutch and the Irish," A. M. Sinnott; address, H. W. Streibitz.

President Schnorr, in his remarks, referred to the events of the past year, the war between Italy and Turkey, the apparent dismemberment of Persia by Russia and England, the hostile conditions between England and Germany, with Ireland friendly toward Germany, the probability of a conflict for the mastery of the Pacific ocean between the United States and Japan, the coming Chinese revolution and its effect on the civilized world, and the economic conditions of the day and what they would lead to, were handled in a statesmanship manner.

Santa Claus appeared and distributed the fruits of the tree, and then at the midnight hour, the time was passed with music, song, games, and the new year was ushered in with the national hymn, "America," followed by "Die Wacht Am Rhein."

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Although he had no definite statement to make regarding what he would do in the cases of Jack Morgan sentenced to hang January 5, and Frank Garrison, sentenced to hang February 9, Governor West said he would not doubt grant reprieves until such time as the people of the state had expressed themselves at the polls on the issue of capital punishment.

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