

Home Course In Modern Agriculture

XVII.—The Farm Home

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THE farmer is more important than his farm, and the most important crop he raises is not corn nor hogs, but boys and girls.

There is no place on earth where it is easier to have an attractive home than on the farm.

Hidden behind such a thick jungle of trees that it is impossible to see in or out.

The first thing to consider is the house itself. It should be situated on the highest part of the hill on which the farm buildings stand.

FIG. XXIII.—FARM HOME BARE AND UGLY—LATE FROM BACK OF TREES, SHRUBS AND LAWN.

The cellar. The first course should be of hollow brick, laid end to end, and connecting with a tile drain on the lowest side.

The cellar should be divided into about four rooms. Hollow brick make good partition walls and at the same time help support the floor.

For an ordinary sized family a hundred barrel cistern is about the right size. A partition of a double layer of paked brick, with gravel and charcoal filter between, should extend across it.

Wood is still the cheapest and most satisfactory building material. In building the house the two extremes of size should be avoided.

In arranging the rooms, convenience and ease of keeping in order are the chief considerations. The large and solemn "spare room," which was opened only on state occasions, has largely given way to the bright, cheerful living room with its bookcases and work and reading tables.

A wash room, with a sink and a place for overshoes, coats and hats, is a great help in keeping dirt out of the kitchen. A bathroom is also a great convenience.

Probably the most satisfactory way to heat the house is by a furnace. This is cheaper and cleaner than stoves.

Most farm homes are very poorly lighted. A kerosene lamp is dirty, smells bad and does not give very much light.

The water system is another thing in which farmhouses are behind those in the city.

An air tight tank in the cellar is sometimes used to supply the pressure for a farm water system, but is rather expensive.

The laundry room downstairs is the place where the convenience of such a system will be appreciated most.

Another convenience that can be installed at small cost is a sewerage system. This can be connected with the bathtub and sink, and with a small additional expense another luxury that is seldom found on the farm.

The house should be provided with plenty of porches. These increase the expense somewhat, but also add much to the comfort and appearance of the house.

Nothing adds more to the external appearance of the house than a neat lawn of ample size. Do not make it too large, however, or the work of mowing will be likely to be neglected.

A lawn is not hard to make. A little work leveling and preparing a fine seed bed and a liberal application of blue grass seed that will grow will almost certainly result in a good lawn.

Do not make the common mistake of planting trees too close to the house. They detract from the appearance and make the house close and stuffy.

The decorative value of shrubs is often not appreciated as much as it should be. A climbing rosebush over the porch or a few dwarf varieties in out of the way corners will add to the color and beauty of the yard.

A row or two of hard maples or elms along the driveway, with a thick evergreen windbreak to the north, will finish the supply of necessary trees unless there are corners or bare spaces about the yards that will be better for a tree or two.

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Sealed bids will be received by the clerk of School District No. 105, Wilamette, Oregon, for painting of school building, two coats of standard paint to be used.

COUNTY COURT

Table listing County Court cases, including County Court, Circuit Court, Justice Courts, Recorder, Coroner, Board of Health, Schools, Assessor, Current Expense, Courthouse, Jail, Pauper, Insane, Fruit Inspector, and Road Surveys.

Canby and Southern Clackamas

Canby. The recent rains have been a great benefit to the crops in and around Canby. Very little hay, which had been cut, was damaged.

Bates, and family, at Lincoln, Nebraska, for the past six months, returned home on Saturday evening. Miss Bates was accompanied here by her sister-in-law and children.

parties Mr. Weninger was lying on the ground with the ladder on top of his unconscious. Medical aid was hastily summoned, and the man taken to the house of the parties for whom he was working.

approved. The bills, amounting to \$39.80 were ordered paid. The following quarterly report of Treasurer L. D. Walker was read and approved.



FIG. XXIII.—FARM HOME BARE AND UGLY—LATE FROM BACK OF TREES, SHRUBS AND LAWN.



FIG. XXIV.—A CORNER OF A NEATLY ARRANGED LAWN.

President Helps Orphans. Hundreds of orphans have been helped by the President of the Industrial Orphan's Home at Macon, Ga.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA. Bids Wanted. Sealed bids will be received by the clerk of School District No. 105, Wilamette, Oregon.

Death of John Bany. John Bany, a well known resident of this city, who has been ill for several months, passed away at the family residence on Thursday.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday morning at 10 o'clock, Rev. A. Hillebrand, of Oregon City, officiating.

City Council. The city council met in regular session last Tuesday evening.

Help for Those Who Have Stomach Trouble. After doctoring for about twelve years for a bad stomach trouble, and spending nearly five hundred dollars for medicine and doctors' fees.

Letter List. List of unclaimed letters at the Oregon City Postoffice for week ending July 16.

Musical People at Aurora. Mr. and Mrs. Henry T. Flink of New York, are visiting Mr. Flink's sister, Mrs. Flora Beck, for a few months.

Bowel Complaint in Children. When six months old the little daughter of E. N. Dewey, a well known merchant of Agnewville, Va., had an attack of cholera infantum.

Proper Treatment for Dysentery and Diarrhoea. The great mortality from dysentery and diarrhoea is due to a lack of proper treatment at the first stages of the disease.

Weak Kidneys Cause Half the Common Aches and Pains of Oregon City People. As one weak link weakens a chain, so weak kidneys weaken the whole body and hasten the final breaking-down.

Doan's Kidney Pills act directly on the kidneys and cure every kidney ill. Oregon City cures are the proof.

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Mr. Dustin is repainting his residence. The recent rain did a great deal of good to the growing crops.

John Erickson is contemplating the building of an addition to his house in the near future.

Mr. Gardner is building an additional room to his dwelling. Elmer Voteto is doing the work.

Joseph Parrot, postmaster of Glenwood, Wash., is visiting friends here and viewing the playgrounds of his boyhood days.

Joseph Sevek, Jr., spent several days last week visiting friends at Champeau, Or.

Henry Knight, of Canby, was in the city Tuesday and remained for the evening session of campmeeting.

Messrs. Dundon and Burgoyne were Portland visitors Monday.

Mrs. Mary Strejck and Miss Josie Sevek, of Portland, visited their father and brothers here this week.

Several from Knappa vicinity attended the Chautauque last Sunday.

Miss Mary Engel and Mrs. J. Slaughter have charge of the hotel on the camp ground again this year.

WEAK KIDNEYS MAKE WEAK BODIES. Kidney Diseases Cause Half the Common Aches and Pains of Oregon City People.

As one weak link weakens a chain, so weak kidneys weaken the whole body and hasten the final breaking-down.

Overwork, strains, colds and other causes injure the kidneys and when their activity is lessened the whole body suffers from the excess of uric poison circulated in the blood.

Aches and pains and languor and urinary ills come, and there is an ever-increasing tendency towards diabetes and fatal Bright's disease. There is no real help for the sufferer except kidney help.

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