

MAKING FARMS PAY HARDING'S PROBLEM Better Roads and Rail Rate Cut Are Needed.

NEW AID IS DEVELOPED Scientific Studies of Efficient Agricultural Management Carried on by the Department.

BY RALPH BARTON. (Copyright, 1921, by The Oregonian.) WASHINGTON, D. C., May 29.—(Special.)—Making farming pay is one of the big jobs ahead of the national administration just now.

Work of Value to Farmers. The department of agriculture has just made known certain results of its inquiry into the present conditions of the Ozark region of Missouri, and east of Missouri, and although some allowance may be made for local conditions, much will be made available to practical farmers with the idea that they may be helped in solving their own problems.

Sound Business Basis Urged. "Half-of-thumb" methods in agriculture have been for so long discredited already as the raising of crops and livestock is concerned, and now the government is endeavoring to support these methods in farm management by sound business principles.

Many Farms Examined. Experts of the department of agriculture have examined thoroughly many farms, and of these farms the level upland farms and others located in rolling and hilly uplands. Roughly, the results of the investigation show that farms of either class which had 40 acres or more in crops returned a fair income for the labor expended upon them, but that the others did not.

As might have been expected, the labor return is greater for valley than for hill farms. The average return for the farmer's labor on the hill group of farms with less than 40 acres in crops was only \$165 a year, and for valley farms \$294.

On the other hand, valley farms averaging 52 acres in crop—a group ranging between 40 and 70 acres in crops—showed a labor return of \$591 a year, and those with more than 70 acres in crops showed an average labor return of \$1077 a year. The corresponding figures for hill farms were \$442 and \$598.

Careful study of the records of 73 farms has indicated that 40 acres in crops is a minimum for successful and profitable farming, and that valley farms are much better prospects than those on the hills. The family income, including amounts left from total farm receipts after deducting expenses, average only \$159 for the hill farms, but was \$432 for valley farms.

SCHOOL MAN'S JOB UNIQUE Albany Head to See Sons Graduate at Eugene and Corvallis.

ALBANY, Or., May 29.—(Special.)—C. W. Boetticher, superintendent of the Albany public schools, will attend the commencement exercises of four schools and in the afternoon he will have a particular special interest. He will participate in the graduating exercises of Albany high school in an official capacity. He will attend the commencement exercises at the Oregon Agricultural college where his son, Marion Boetticher, is a member of the graduating class. Mr. Boetticher will be present when the commencement exercises of the University of Oregon are held because another son, Robert Boetticher, is a graduate from that institution. The fourth commencement exercises which he will attend is that of the Salem high school, where a niece, Doris Neptune, will graduate.

\$27,669 BID ON SCHOOL Work on Structure in Albany Will Be Begun Soon.

ALBANY, Or., May 29.—(Special.)—Construction work will begin within a few days on the new school building in Albany, which will be erected at the corner of Fourth and Madison streets, adjoining the present Madison school. The school board has let the contract to Hoover & McNeil of this city for \$27,669, and the contract for the plumbing and installing the heating system to the Lehanon Plumbing & Heating company of Lebanon.

HIGHWAY STRETCH PAVED Road Between Walker and Cottage Grove Opened to Travel.

EUGENE, Or., May 29.—(Special.)—The pavement on the Pacific highway between Walker and Sagarin, a distance of two miles, has just been completed, and the crew has been transferred to Divide, at the

southern end of the stretch under contract. Hollis W. Libby, assistant state highway engineer, supervising this work, announces that travel is now unrestricted between Walker and Cottage Grove. Since the work of laying the pavement began a number of weeks ago, travel was allowed on this section only before and after working hours for a few minutes at a time in the middle of the forenoon and afternoon and at noon.

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OUTSIDERS KEPT FROM RAIDS Order Issued by Chief Jenkins Who Doubts Sloat's Guilt.

The raid in which Deputy Sheriff Sloat participated was headed by Patrolmen Russell and Huntington of the liquor squad, who have since been reduced to uniform and placed on beats because of negligence and poor judgment at the time. Chief Jenkins declared that the Portland officers should never have permitted an outsider to go with them on the raid, and because of the incident the chief has issued instructions that hereafter none but authorized officers shall participate in any police raid.

POWER BOATS SAVE TIME UNIQUE TRIAL IS MADE IN COAST GUARD SERVICE.

NEWPORT, Or., May 29.—(Special.)—Captain Peter Jensen, superintendent of 13th district of coast guard service, just completed a unique trial in which he used power boats to reach the power boat. Captain Jensen arrived in Newport three days late on an inspection tour, and while here conceived the idea of reaching Siuslaw, his next point for inspection, by the government power boat. He telephoned to Gardner to have the Siuslaw coast guard power boat meet the power boat from Newport.

PASTOR PREACHES TO SON Harry Spencer, Albany Graduate, Listens to Father's Address.

ALBANY, Or., May 29.—(Special.)—When Rev. J. C. Spencer, pastor of the First Methodist church of Albany, delivered the baccalaureate address to the graduating class of Albany high school tonight he had the unusual privilege of giving this address to his own son, Harry, one of the graduates. The annual baccalaureate exercises of the high school were held tonight in the First Presbyterian church and to seniors, composing the largest class ever graduated from the local high school, were present.

Collegiate Alumnae Elects. EUGENE, Or., May 29.—(Special.)—Mrs. A. M. Spangler was elected president of the Eugene branch of the Association of Collegiate Alumnae at the annual picnic held at the home of Mrs. Eric W. Allen yesterday afternoon.

CITY FOLK GO OUT OF TOWN Beach Resorts Thronged and Mountains Are Popular.

What amounted to a general exodus from Portland by city dwellers who wanted to get into the country or to some mountain or beach resort to spend the Decoration day vacation really began on Friday. By Saturday afternoon it was at its apex and thousands of automobiles were on the highways east, west, north and south from the city shared in the heavy travel, although roads to the beaches and the mountains of the Columbia were most popular of all. Seaside and other nearby resorts were also thronged and appeared like an August Sunday yesterday, it was reported.

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May 31 and June 1 and 2 Chosen as Dates for Commemorating Fiftieth Anniversary. SEATTLE, Wash., May 29.—(Special.)—Several hundred delegates from Oregon, Idaho, Montana and Washington, in addition to foreign visitors and national officers, will attend the golden jubilee celebration of the Women's American Baptist Foreign and Home Mission Society in Seattle May 31 and June 1-2.

ATTORNEY'S FATHER DEAD Ralph A. Coan Is Returning Here After Attending Funeral.

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SHIP BOARD NAMING DUE CHAMBERLAIN MAY NOT GET JOB, IS RUMOR.

Colonel Forbes Likely Candidate for Place, According to Steamship Agents. THE OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, D. C., May 29.—Representatives of some of the big steamship companies are in town here, proclaiming in the last two or three days that George E. Chamberlain, ex-senator, will not be named to the shipping board.

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