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## The Washer Absolutely Free

TO SUPPLY THE GREAT DEMAND FOR THESE WASHERS WE HAVE ORDERED ANOTHER LARGE SHIPMENT. WASHERS PUT OUT ON 30 DAYS TRIAL.

## Special sale on Crockery

We have a few of these attractive values left. These prices go only to December 25th. This is the chance in a life-time to get the very best grade of English Semi-Porcelain China at prices never offered before in Marshfield.

- 50-Piece Set St. Regant, \$6.00. Xmas special . . . . . \$3.05
- 50-Piece Set Emerald Green, \$8.00. Xmas special . . . . . \$5.05
- 50-Piece White and Gold, \$9.50. Xmas special . . . . . \$7.45
- 50-Piece Pink and Gold, \$9.75. Xmas special . . . . . \$7.70
- 50-Piece Green Illuminated, \$10.00. Xmas special . . . . . \$7.95
- 50-Piece Silver, Marseilles, \$10.00. Xmas special . . . . . \$7.95

## BUSY OLD HEN LEADS THEM ALL

### Poultry Products of United States Last Year Worth More than Wheat Crop.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 1.—Secretary Wilson's forthcoming annual report will contain a review of what has been accomplished by the department of agriculture and by the various experiment stations in the past twelve years. It will tell of the growth of the department since Secretary Wilson took hold of it. The figures that Secretary Wilson will be able to present on the growth of the agricultural interests of the United States since he first became secretary of agriculture will be so enormous as to be staggering in their immensity. For instance, it will be shown that the value of farm produce in the last twelve years has about doubled. This year, the value of these products will range from eight to eight and one-half millions. Since Secretary Wilson took hold of the department of agriculture it is estimated that the wealth was created on farms to the amount of about seventy millions of dollars.

**Expansion of Department.**  
The department of agriculture has expanded from a department of comparatively small proportions to one of the greatest executive departments in the government, with such responsibilities as those entailed by the enforcement of the meat inspection law, the pure food and drugs law, and other new measures that have been put on the statute books. The ramifications of the department of agriculture have multiplied and the appropriations for it are constantly enlarging. Nowadays, special agents and scientists of the department of agriculture are scattered all over the world pursuing investigations calculated to be of benefit to the American farmer.

**Growth of Poultry Interests.**  
Secretary Wilson is now closing up his report and is collecting the figures showing the value of the farm products in different lines. This year as usual, he will have an interesting showing as to the humble but amazingly valuable hen. The value of the eggs and poultry produced on the farms in 1908 will run to over \$600,000,000. It is an industry that is growing by such leaps and bounds that it is impossible to keep up with it, and the experts of the department say their arithmetic fails them when they tackle the busy hen and try to keep pace with the rate at which she is adding to the wealth of the United States. The poultry products have no longer any difficulty in exceeding the wheat crop in value. They did so last year, and there is every indication they will continue to do so hereafter. But while the output of poultry products is expanding enormously, the consumption is also increasing, and at a more rapid rate. The result is that poultry and egg prices are high and no sign of their decline is given.

A good showing will be made this year by the dairy products, which have come to be more valuable than any crop except the corn crop. Dairy products for 1908 will exceed \$800,000,000.

A well-equipped testing plant has been established at Boulder, Colo., under the auspices of the state university, to investigate the matter of utilizing the great amount of fire-killed timber which is to be found in that state.

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## AMERICAN CROP BREAKS RECORD

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and 9 per cent below the average product.

The barley crop, 167,000,000 bushels, is 13 per cent above the five-year average and its value, \$86,000,000, is 23 per cent above. Both have been exceeded only once.

Rye remains in the notch that it has occupied in production in recent years, but its value, \$22,000,000, is 17 per cent above the average.

The largest crop of rice ever raised, 23,000,000 bushels, is this year's, with a value of about \$18,000,000, the crop being 29 per cent above the five-year average and its value 23 per cent above.

All cereals.—All cereals aggregate 4,329,000,000 bushels, a total that has been exceeded three times, but the value reaches \$2,694,000,000, or more than \$300,000,000 above that of 1907, and exceeds still more the totals of former years. Compared with the preceding five years, the number of bushels is higher by 0.2 per cent and the value is higher by 32 per cent.

**Sugar Beets and Cane.**—The sugar beet crop has never been so large nor so valuable as it is this year. The rapid development of this crop for sugar making appears in the statement that the production of beets in 1908 is 45 per cent above the average of five years.

The plantation value of sugar cane, molasses, and sirup, not including factory products, is estimated to be \$34,000,000, a value exceeded only in 1904, and greater than the five-year average by 10 per cent.

Nearly 500,000 short tons of beet sugar will probably be made from the crop of this year, and the factory value of this and of the beet pulp is about \$45,000,000. About 407,000 short tons of raw cane sugar were produced this year, an amount perceptibly greater than the high production figures of four or five former years.

The sugar beet and sugar cane crops are together worth about \$56,000,000 to the grower. The sugar made from cane and beets, the beet pulp, the sirup and molasses of cane and sorghum, and the maple sugar and sirup, it is estimated, are worth this year \$94,000,000.

**Potatoes, tobacco, and hops.**—Unfavorable weather made the potato crop only 275,000,000 bushels, or 5 per cent below the five-year average, although the value, \$190,000,000, is 18 per cent above and was never equalled by any former crop.

Tobacco production is still low in comparison with recent years, but the price is probably a little above that of 1907, when there was a decided increase above former years. The value of this crop is about the same as for 1907 and is higher than at any time before that year.

On account of the extremely low price of hops in 1907, the average production and value of 1908 are low and have been exceeded in many former years.

Famous O. K. pasteurized Coquille Creamery butter at MARSHFIELD GROCERY. Phone 123.

### MYRTLE POINT POINTERS.

**News of the Upper Valley As Told by The Enterprise.**  
Geo. H. Guerin had the misfortune to badly sprain his ankle last Saturday at the depot, when in stepping from the platform to the rail he turned his foot, and has since been compelled to use crutches in making his rounds.

John Miller and a load of people he was bringing in from Roseburg saw a fine seven-point elk bull standing on a point across the river from the old school house six miles south of town on the Middle Fork one day recently. There are elk in this section yet, but it is not often that one exposes himself so conspicuously that close to town.

Mr. E. F. Henderson, son of F. L. Henderson, and Miss Maude Thom, daughter of Mrs. Minnie Thom, were united in marriage Monday night at 8 o'clock at the home of the groom's parents on Spruce street by Rev. F. G. Hamm, the new pastor of the Christian church. Only relatives were in attendance at the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Henderson will live in Myrtle Point.

M. R. Lee and J. A. Goodwill, who have leased the Estberg mine on the Sixes, have repaired the flumes and pipes and have everything in shape for active work as soon as there is sufficient rainfall. They have found good prospects, but it will take several weeks of work to prove how extensive their find is. They have experienced some trouble in keeping the flume in repair but with no ill luck expect it to carry plenty of water for washing as soon as the rain sets in.

Arrangements are under way looking to the removal of the postoffice up town from its present location in the Hgmann block. It is said that carriers have already been instructed to make delivery of mail to a new location after the first of the year. Several buildings have been offered for the use of Uncle Sam but no definite action has been taken. For some years it has been desirable as a matter of convenience that the office should be moved to a more central location for the business man and closer to the residence section of the town, but not until recently has any action toward such move been made, when it was taken up by Postmaster Steward.

**G. A. R. AT COQUILLE.**  
Post Organized There With Walter Sinclair As Commander.  
The Coquille Sentinel says: "Coquille Post No. 27 of the G. A. R. was organized with an opening enrollment of fifteen members. The mustering officers were Comrades Thorp and Miller of Baker Post in Marshfield. The officers and members of the new post are as follows:  
Walter Sinclair, commander.  
E. W. Ferris, senior vice-commander.  
D. P. Strang, junior vice-commander.  
D. W. Brewer, adjutant.

Remember the usual Tuesday night dance at the Rink, December 15.  
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### JUDGE SOLVES BAD TANGLE.

**He Settles Who Was Married and Who Was Not.**  
OSKALOOSA, Ia., Dec. 12.—Judge Clements in the Mahaska county district court solved a matrimonial tangle that rivaled the famous "pigs in clover" puzzle. Mrs. Sophia Ketcham sought a legal separation from Uriah Ketcham. The defendant filed an answer denying that they were man and wife, alleging that one Thomas R. Lindley, an inmate of the state insane hospital, was the lawful husband of plaintiff.

Investigation showed that Mrs. Ketcham had been married to Lindley, but had sued for divorce a few years later. Lindley then filed a cross-petition which was granted over that of the wife. A technicality later caused the legality of the decree to be questioned. Upon that point hinged the legality of the later marriage between the woman and Ketcham.

Judge Clements confirmed the former decree of divorce granted to Lindley, thereby legalizing the Ketcham marriage. Having cleared the tangle, the court refused to allow the divorce last prayed, for which seems to have been the object desired.

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### NOTICE TO BIDDERS.

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the common council of the city of Marshfield, Coos county, Oregon, up to half past seven o'clock in the afternoon of the 22d day of December, 1908, for the improvement with sidewalk of the following streets, to-wit:

1. That portion of the west side of Graham street from a point 10 feet south of the north line of California avenue to the south line of lot 25 of block 52, in Railroad addition to Marshfield, Oregon.
2. That portion of the north side of Washington avenue from a point 10 feet west of the east line of Burnett street to the east line of Graham street, in Railroad addition to Marshfield, Oregon.

Said improvements to be made according to the plans and specifications thereof on file in the office of the city recorder and there open to the inspection of all persons interested therein.

A certified check for five per cent of the amount of bid must accompany each bid, to be forfeited to the city in case bid is accepted and bidder fails to enter into contract within five days after such acceptance.

Dated this 9th day of December, 1908.

J. M. UPTON,  
Recorder of said city of Marshfield.

### Two Good Policies



to have is one upon your Life and the other upon your Property. You are then protected in a double sense, and your family is also protected in case anything should happen to you, or the house burn down by accident. The cost of either Fire or Life Insurance is infinitesimal in comparison with its great blessings and the actual, substantial protection it affords to both you and your posterity.

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### NOTICE TO BIDDERS.

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the common council of the city of Marshfield, Coos county, Oregon, up to 7:30 o'clock in the afternoon of the 22d day of December, 1908, for the construction of sewers on that portion of Baines from Coal Bank Slough to the center of Washington avenue, and that portion of Washington avenue from the center of Baines street to the east line of Graham street, in Railroad addition to the town of Marshfield, Coos county, Oregon, according to the plans and specifications of said improvement on file in the office of the city recorder, and there open to the inspection of all persons interested therein.

A certified check for five per cent of the amount of bid must accompany each bid, to be forfeited to the city in case bid is accepted and bidder fails to enter into contract within five days after such acceptance.

Dated this 10th day of December, 1908.

J. M. UPTON,  
Recorder of said City of Marshfield.

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