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- WEDNESDAY Bay City Ladies' Aid with Mrs. Poole. Jolly Dozen with Mrs. Brockmueller. Cotillion Club in Loggias Hall. Royal Auction Bridge Club with Mrs. F. K. Gettins. Christian Sisterhood with Mrs. Yates. THURSDAY American Yeomen with Mrs. Brockmueller. Eastside Sewing Club with Mrs. W. Parks. Rainbow Club at the club house. Chaminade Club benefit concert at Star Theater in North Bend. Norwegian Lutheran Y. P. S. with Miss Mabel Mathison. North Bend Art Guild with Rev. and Mrs. R. E. Browning. Minne-Wis with Mrs. A. Z. Downs. A. N. W. Club with Mrs. F. E. Hague. FRIDAY Friday Night Club with Mrs. Fred Kruse. B. B. B. at Church parlors. Ladies' Art Club with Mrs. Nels Rasmussen. Attend EAGLES BALL, Eagles Hall, SATURDAY NIGHT, Martin's Orchestra.

AT THE HOTELS

- Chandler Hotel. J. Slater, San Francisco; C. L. Campbell, Portland; George P. Topping, Bandon; Herbert R. Devart and wife, Portland; C. H. Gram, Portland; H. T. Holden, Portland; M. Nicolai, Portland; E. J. Connor, Portland; W. A. Barr, Corvallis; J. L. Smith, Coquille; L. T. Morgan, San Francisco; J. H. Mourfield, Portland; L. A. Baker, San Francisco; J. T. Cooke, Portland; E. H. Cummings, Portland; Balfour Spikes, Bridge. Lloyd Hotel. J. Snow, Norway; H. Johnson, Myrtle Point; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hartshaw, Portland; William Silgett, Coquille; J. C. Stuffer, Roseburg; Davis Robb, Portland; Mrs. W. G. Bradon, Coquille. Bianco Hotel. W. B. Myers, Myrtle Point; T. Kime, Lakeview; A. D. Lawrence, Los Angeles; R. Duffy, Myrtle Point; F. A. Nelson, Myrtle Point; Dave Cowan, Albany; H. C. Hanson, Myrtle Point; W. P. Rutherford, Coquille; Sam Bruner, Iathmag Inlet. St. Lawrence Hotel. H. A. Murphy, Bandon; Ernest Guggisberg, Salem; Raymond E. Baker, Coquille; Mrs. C. W. VieThier, Coos River; H. J. Savage, Coos River; W. A. Melvin, North Inlet; Miss Eunice Ross, North Inlet.

DAIRYMEN GATHER FOR BIG MEETING

COOS BAY AND COOS RIVER COW TESTING ASSOCIATIONS RE-ORGANIZE FOR ANOTHER YEAR—HAVE MADE PROGRESS.

- OFFICERS CHOSEN O. N. Wilson, President Fred Selander, vice president George Ross, Sec.-Treas. Officers Coos River Association: Frank E. Rogers, president. John Hendrickson, vice president. J. L. Stevens, sec-treas.

Reorganization of the Coos River and the Coos Bay Cow Testing Associations was effected today at a meeting in the I. O. O. F. Hall of more than 40 dairymen. That the work has been more than satisfactory during the past 12 months was the declaration of the association members, practically everyone voting to continue for the next 12 months. Great credit was given J. L. Smith, county agriculturist for his untiring efforts on behalf of the associations and his placing of Coos County in the lead among the dairy counties of the United States. The business session was adjourned shortly after noon while the members gathered around the long tables upon which the women of the Coos Bay Association had spread a luncheon that was well enjoyed by all present. Cakes and pies, such as can only be made at home, put in their appearance, and making the rounds of the hungry dairymen, came back depleted but having accomplished their work well. For that "after dinner smoke" Frank D. Cohan, of the Owl Drug Store presented a box of cigars with his compliments to the visitors.

Professor Barr Talks. In addressing the members, Professor W. A. Barr, of the Oregon Agricultural College, laid great stress on the retaining of the cow testing association after they are once started. The real value of them, he said, must come after a period of five or more years when the poor cows have been gradually weeded from the herds, giving way to animals productive of the greatest amount of butter fat and profit. "The main trouble with most dairymen," said Prof. Barr, "is that they do not keep records. They are unable to tell you exactly what a cow is costing them and what she is producing. I have found cases where animals of this type were not bringing the farmer a cent of profit. Sometimes it is no wonder that I hear some dairymen say they can make nothing at the business."

History of Associations. He gave a brief history of the cow testing associations to show what they have accomplished. According to Professor Mortensen, a Dane, the associations were first organized in Denmark 20 years ago. At that time the average butter fat production of each cow in the country was 125 pounds; last year the product was more than doubled in Denmark. "The history of standard herds," he stated, "shows constant elimination of the poor class of milk cows. There are two laws prevalent in high-class herds. They are, first, that like produces like, and second, that there is law of variation. Reports from agricultural colleges in this country show that only about 20 per cent of the offspring of good blooded dams and sires are up to the standards of their parents and ancestors. With cow testing associations, the dairyman is able to follow each cow every month. Set a new standard for your herd every year is a teaching of the dairy expert. After reaching one notch, set the one for next year a trifle

higher. Make the cows come up to the mark or discard them. Legislation for Farmers. In an address Senator I. S. Smith told briefly the fight that has been waged in the State Legislature to secure appropriations for the carrying on of agricultural research work. He told of how the bill was passed two years ago which gives the counties a chance to match dollar for dollar with the state in securing agriculturists. In every county in which this system has been tried out, said Mr. Smith, it has been a success.

Gathered about the banquet table O. N. Wilson, president of the Coos Bay Association, the hosts of the occasion, welcomed the dairymen and their wives from Coos River. To this W. H. Smith, of the Coos River Association replied, laying emphasis on the thanks to the women who had provided the banquet. The business meeting of the afternoon held up until boat time when the dairymen left for their homes and chores.

Those who were present from the Coos Bay and Coos River Associations were: Prof. W. A. Barr, J. L. Smith, John W. Motley, F. E. Rogers, F. A. Sacchi, L. F. Price, T. M. Collier, Mrs. T. M. Collier, Mrs. C. H. Dungan, Mrs. W. H. Smith, Mrs. J. J. Clinkenbeard, Mrs. J. L. Stevens, E. G. Smith, H. I. Savage, George Ross, Mrs. George Ross, W. H. Smith, A. H. Collier, Charles Selander, John Hendrickson, Albert Collier, J. T. Collier, Fred Bunnell, R. A. Nass, John Mattson, W. M. Black, G. Selander, H. W. Walker, N. O. Watson, E. W. Smith, H. J. Russell.

WILSON KEPT HOME.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 10.—Formal announcement that President Wilson would be unable to attend the Panama-Pacific Exposition this month was made yesterday at the White House. The President gave as his reason the necessity to keep in close touch with "various matters with which the government has to deal."

ALFALFA GROWING SUCCESSFUL HERE

COUNTY AGRICULTURIST JUBILANT OVER DEMONSTRATION—SUCCESS DEPENDS LARGELY ON TYPE OF SOIL.

Alfalfa will grow on Coos Bay; it will grow in many parts of Coos County. A year ago farmers said it couldn't be done. It has been done; was grown last year and already this year is seven and eight inches in height on the farm of Charles Selander, on Catching Inlet. J. L. Smith, County Agriculturist, brought down several samples. He became interested in the problem last year and aided in inoculating the seed on the Selander place and also in sowing the acre now in alfalfa. The results have been encouraging, he says. "And this was grown on bench land, too," said Mr. Smith. Over in the Coquille Valley he told of two fields on the banks of the river where four crops were raised last year.

The demonstration, he points out, shows that alfalfa can be grown here. He advises the farmers to experiment. To start a crop of this perennial is a painstaking task; once completed the alfalfa repeats every season very easily.

The planting of last year was an experiment on the Selander ranch. The seed was inoculated with an artificial culture. Quickly there developed on the roots little nodules, germ laden that draw the nitrogen from the air through the leaves and stems to the roots. This nitrogen spreads through the soil, replenishing it with the food necessary for any crop. Should corn or some other crop be raised on this tract next year, said Mr. Smith, the farmer would at once see a difference. He would have better success now than ever before. The foods are put back in the soil that wears out the same as machinery.

Lime is needed to correct the acidity of the soils, declares the agriculturist. Lime is costly and so as the next best expedient he advises strongly the use of clam shells pumped up from the bottom of the bay. Samples sent to O. A. C. for analysis show the shells to contain between 75 and 78 per cent of calcium carbonate which is quickly available as plant food. "Dredger Island is uninhabited now," said Mr. Smith. "I believe the farmers could get hold of the shells there very easily." It is not even necessary the shell be pulverized, though in such shape they are quicker available as plant food.

Good sub drainage is necessary for alfalfa. Water standing underneath the soil rot the roots.

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