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FARMERS FAIL TO APPRECIATE VALUE OF COOPERATION

Many Fruitgrowers of Willamette Valley Now Regret Failure to Join Associations.

LOWER PRICES PAID THEM

Menace to Oregon Prune Seen In Advertising Campaign Undertaken by California People.

By J. F. Languer

Hundreds of fruit growers of the illamette valley are today regretting at they were not members of a cooperative association of farmers during the recent frenzied prune activity. The farm editor of The Journal has en invited to attend many farmers' ings in the state of Oregon to adss them on the subject of cooperative parketing. Despite the fact that praccally every farmer in the state is conof the value of cooperation; armers in the state of Oregon are re-civing on the average a higher price their prunes than those who perted in remaining outside the great ols; in spite of the fact that hundreds of prune growers sold their prunes at ing prices, at prices less than the while the members of the Salem Pruit union are to receive the highest price for 2,000,000 pounds of prunes. sere are still a large numebr of farmers

the have not yet conceived the idea of soperative marketing. COOPERATION IS DEFINED

Cooperation means working together a common good, such as obtaining a algher price for a product. Once more We reiterate that it is believed by those farmers who are cooperating that they are as much entitled to have a voice in fixing the prices at which they shall ell their product, as is any other pro-

Farming is more of a business than it Competition is perhaps reater in the disposal of farm products, rticularly in the fruit business, than in any other, and the life of the future horticultural industries of the state of Oregon depends absolutely on the wills to get together, the foresightedtess of the farmers in creating and assuring markets for future surplus. CALIFORNIA GROWERS ADVERTISE

The announcement of the California Growers' association that it will nd \$210,000 advertising California this year should awaken every prune grower in the state of Oregon to the realization of what this means. means that whenever you pick up a gazine you will see an advertisment 1,000,000 Americans are to be urged to rive their preference to the California rune; it means that every jobber and etailer, every wholesaler and grocer and very kind of distributor will "push" the California prune in preference to the Oregon prune; it means that as the prune crop in Oregon gets greater, as will each succeeding year we will ve more and more difficulty in selling; it means that once more the great a prospective consequent disintegration year. consuming public of this nation will be which would result from a profitiess misled into the belief that prunes do not grow in Oregon to any extent and that the California prune is better. DANGER TO OREGON SEEN

Unquestionably capital will be made not affiliated with one or another of California prune grower and compar- The Journal. atively harder for the Oregon prune OREGON PRUNE BEST GROWN

farming community.

It is useless because we happen to delude ourselves with the belief that we are always going to get high prices. The greatest ruthorities agree that if we have anywhere near a normal crop in prices of prines next year will probably prune growers always get the best tion of American swine raisers. It will be foolish of us to sit prices to which they are justly entitled still and let California take the cream of the market because they have in 250,000,000 pound prune crop next more careful production of livestock. year and that it will have a 600,000,000 und crop in the next five years. CALIFORIANS SHOW SENSE

Formerly the prune consumption in the United States was only 100,000,000 pounds per year. The California associa-tion was organized at the time when cause the growers down there had the resight to realize that bigger crops meant less money without organization.
The Journal is deeply interested in the future of the prune growers of Oregon and believes that a strong cooperative association of Oregon prune owers should be organized to compete with the already strongly entrenched California prune growers; The Journal believes that the Oregon prune growers face a period of ruinous prices, with a



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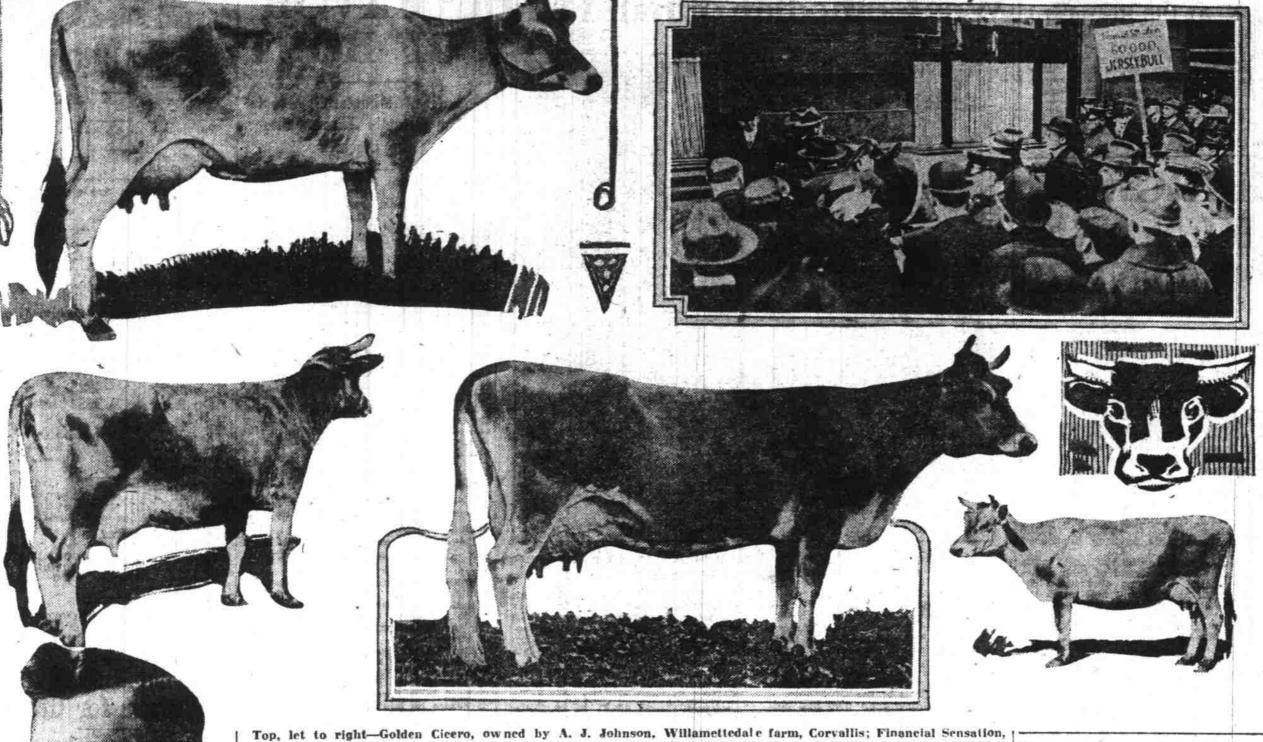
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JERSEY COWS ARE MAKING OREGON INTERNATIONALLY FAMOUS



who held many world's records entering Waldorf hotel, New York, where she attended a dinner. Bottom-Old Man's Darling 2d, junior 4 year old world's champion, and Vive La France, world's champion Jersey cow. Vive la France holds both junior 3 year old and senior 4 year old world's records. Both Vive la France and Old Man's Darling 2d are owned and bred by Ovid Pickard of Marion, Marion county, Oregon. To right of Vive la France is La Creole's Amys Queen, owned by W. O. Morrow, the well known Jersey breeder of Independence. Bottom, left-Walter K. Taylor of Corvallis, president Oregon Jersey Cattle club, president State Livestock Sanitary Board and director of Oregon Dairy Council.

IVESTOCK GRAZING LAW IS

fourths of which are preventable by proper preventive measures and modern veterinary practice, amount to enormous sums each year-in 1915 they were estimated as reaching \$212,000,000. This sum, say specialists of the United States department of agriculture, would supply the entire American expeditionary forces consequent lowering in land values and of 2,000,000 men with meat for nearly others which, though indirect, are nevertheless as important. The discourage ment of stock raising is one indiret loss, In the interest of the Oregon prune and this in turn retards the developindustry every prane grower who is ment of diversified agriculture.

During the 12 months ending June 30 of the fact that the California prune is the prune associations of the state 1917, the exports of pork and pork prodsweeter prune and requires less sugar should communicate with the manager ucts from the United States to the allies, than the Oregon prune; unquestionably of the nearest local association for fur- neutrals, Belgian relief, and American the public sentiment is already attracted ther information on furture prospects expeditionary forces amount to 1,498,-towards California fruit products. And of the prune industry in this state; or, 312,713 pounds. For the following year way will be made easy for the if they prefer, with the farm editor of they amounted to 1,719,701,176 pounds. The requirements for shipment abroad in 1919 necessarily must be somewhat The Journal believes that the Oregon greater than the amount sent in 1918, prune is the finest in the world, and according to the United States departthat it is entitled always to command ment of agriculture, and to meet this the top prices, and it believes that with demand and to feed the population at a strong association of prune growers, home without decreasing this country's this desirable end will be accomplished. ability to maintain a high rate of pro-Oregon and California this year that It will do its share towards seeing that duction is the opportunity and obliga-

At the farmer's breakfast table Recent market values for meat ani- 1918 he drank coffee that cost him 16 that state a strong association of 7000 mais have caused a renewal of interest per cent more than in 1914, and he had prune growers banded together to sell in the raising of livestock on farms of sugar that cost 59 per cent more, bread two pounds of prunes where they could all sizes. The study of raising and dis- made from flour that cost 92 per cent pound of prunes before. posing of crops to the best advantage more, and, whatever use was made of Keep in mind that California will have also suggests the more general and lard, it cost him 133 per cent more than

Cattlemen Meet in Ashland and Demand Enforcement of Recent Act Protecting Food.

Ashland, May 10 .- Priority cattle grazing rights, cooperation in protecting them and the united force of a big body of cattlemen to demand the enforcement of the law recently passed by the sided in the absence of the president, egislature which forbids the encroach- George W. Dunn. George Grieves is ing of sheep and goats on cattle ter- secretary for the Skookum Gulch Catritory were discussed by representatives the association. of the Keene Creek Cattle and Horse association, the Skookum Gulch Cattle association and local sheepmen at a largely attended meeting Tuesday after-

the Dead Indian country. The ranchers ley all would have been sent out.

cooperate with the government and use lands in the Crater national forest. The Skookum territory is in the Klamath country on private leases.

sheepmen are so closely cooperating. These outsiders have encroached on Jenny creek and east into Klamath country It is stated that the Western Sheep company has unloaded a double-deck car trainload at Ager and will have 40,00 sheep ranging on recently acquired hold-

this summer. Representatives of these organizations will attend the next meeting of the Jackson County Stock association and try to get action through them. F. C. Homes, secretary of the Keene Creek Cattle and Horse association, pre-

ings along the Klamath river range

Last year nearly 500 business and professional men and clerks and city uployes of Portland volunteered for farm work during their vacation time The Keene creek territory lies east of About 200 of these were placed and but Ashland to Jenny creek and north to for the short crop in the Willamette val-

Farm Bureaus Are Arousing Interest Of Agriculturists

in the county agent counties are getting into the game better than was hoped for." says I. W. Brawer farm ball for," says J. W. Brewer, farm help specialist. "An interest is being manifested and many a farmer who never on April 1, 1918: Corn, 35.8 per cent; Stocks of condensed and evaporate and devoting part of his time to those things which make for better things on the farm. Organization counts and barrels; whole wheat and graham through it practical results can be ob- flour, 73,882 barrels; barley flour, 43,- 122.6 per cent of the stocks held by the tained that would never be accomplished

United States now than ever before, pounds. These stocks represent the fol-More acres and more bushels of rye lowing percentages of the stocks on warms up a bit. It will prevent goring

Cow Testing Worth All It Costs
"I would not take four times what
my testing work has cost me for
what it has been worth to me," is the
way a Tennesses dairyman expresses
his appreciation of the benefits he gained as a member of a cow-testing association which was organized by the United States department of ag-riculture in his community. "The riculture in his community. "The cow which has proved to be the best one in my herd was the one that I considered poorest before the tests were made. I priced one of my cows at \$125 before she was tested, but now I price her at \$250."

The test showed that the 19-yearold cow which this dairyman had used for the foundation cow of his herd made 68 pounds of butter fat in November. The average production for the herd during this month was over 40 pounds of butter fat.

DEPARTMENT SURVEYS SHOW BIG INCREASE IN WHEAT PRODUCTION

Commercial Stocks Nearly Four Times Previous Year's Figures.

Commercial stocks of wheat reported n a survey made by the department of agriculture for April 1, 1918, amounted rag, as they do better work and are to 155,954,626 bushels. These holdings, more easily kept clean. reported by 10,264 firms elevators, warehouses, grain mills and wholesale firms a year earlier, the actual percentage being 384.9 per cent of the 1918 thing. stocks. The figures refer to stocks actually reported, and do not represent upon every farm where either a few or the total commercial stocks of the many cows are kept if it is practicable country, nor do they include stocks on to secure ice for use in summer.

Visible Supply Figures Compared The commercial visible supply figures. to April 1), 1919, show 92,546,000 bushels of wheat, as against 5,381,000 bushels a year earlier. The corresponding Bradstreet figures show 100,505,000 bushels, as against 10,180,000 bushels for 1918. As compared with the same date last year, these figures, as well as those obtained by the more extensive Other Cereals, Flour and Corn Meal

The commercial stocks of other cere- represent the following percentages of als reported for April 1, 1919, accord- the corresponding stocks on hand April "The newly organized farm bureaus ing to the department's statement, were 1, 1918: Beans, 152.5 per cent; rice, as follows: Corn, 17,374,387 bushels; 155.2 per cent; rolled oats, 115.2 per

033 barrels; rye flour, 210,559 barrels; same firms a year earlier, while the corn flour, 14,130,740 pounds; corn meal, 51,818,695 pounds; buckwheat flour, 22,- 103.7 per cent of the April 1, 1918, stock.; Rye is receiving more attention in the 340,628 pounds; mixed flour, 47,002,755

DAIRY EQUIPMENT MUST BE CLEANED

Abundance of Hot Water at All Times Is Great and Necessary Convenience.

One of the greatest conveniences on the farm where cows are kept is some means for heating an abundance of water for washing the milk vessels. Where a considerable number of cows are kept, heating water by means of steam from a small low-pressure upright boiler is desirable, but on the small farm a stove with a basin fitted into the top (or it may be separate from the top) can be purchased cheaply and will serve the purpose, provided the water is properly heated. Water can be pumped from the well directly into the basin. In order to avoid heating the milk room and to do away with smoke and ashes, the water heater should be placed immediately outside the milk room, and if elevated the water from it can be run into the washing vat. Some equipment is necessary in which to wash utensils used in handling milk. A vat is very convenient. One end of the vat can be used for washing and the other for rinsing and scalding. Fiber brushes for washing milk uten-

sils should replace the common dish-On every farm where as many as four or five cows are kept a cream

dealers-were nearly four times as separator is advisable, as it will reduce large as the stocks held by the same the labor required in handling the milk from cows more than any other one A refrigerator or ice box is desirable

per cent; corn flour, 99.4 per cent; corn

meal, 56.9 per cent; buckwheat flour, as published by the Chicago Board of 351.6 per cent; buckwheat flour, Trade for March 29 (the date nearest cent. Stocks of Selected Commodities

Elevators, warehouses and wholesale dealers reported stocks of dry edible beans amounting to 7,635,539 bushels, while wholesale grocers and warehouses reported the following commodities in the quantities indicated: Cleaned rice survey, show a very great relative increase in commercial stocks of wheat pounds; canned salmon, 127,595,280 pounds; canned corn, 118,628,621 pounds sugar, 205,446,536 pounds. These stocks

Wheat flour, white, 6,189,256 pounds. The holdings of condensed milk holdings of evaporated milk represented

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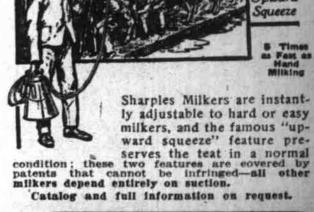
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