

# ONE OF THE MOST UNUSUAL FARMS IN THE WORLD IS LOCATED IN THE COUNTY OF MIAMI; IN OHIO

### It Has Twenty Complete Sets of Farm Buildings and Thirty Dwellings—Experts Come From All Over the Country to See the Arrangement and Operations of This Model "Strictly Business" Farm

TROY, O., Sept. 9.—One of the most unusual farms in the world is located in this section. It is a model "strictly business" farm in the lower section of Miami county, consisting of 5,000 acres and operated by the Miami Conservancy District.

Farmers and university experts from all over the country come to see it. Farmers in other countries have heard about it.

There are 20 complete sets of farm buildings which include 30 dwellings. Most of these groups consist of the usual farmstead, one, sometimes two, dwellings, barn, granary, poultry house, hog house, tobacco sheds and silos.

Two of the farmsteads on this tract are somewhat out of the ordinary. One of these contains

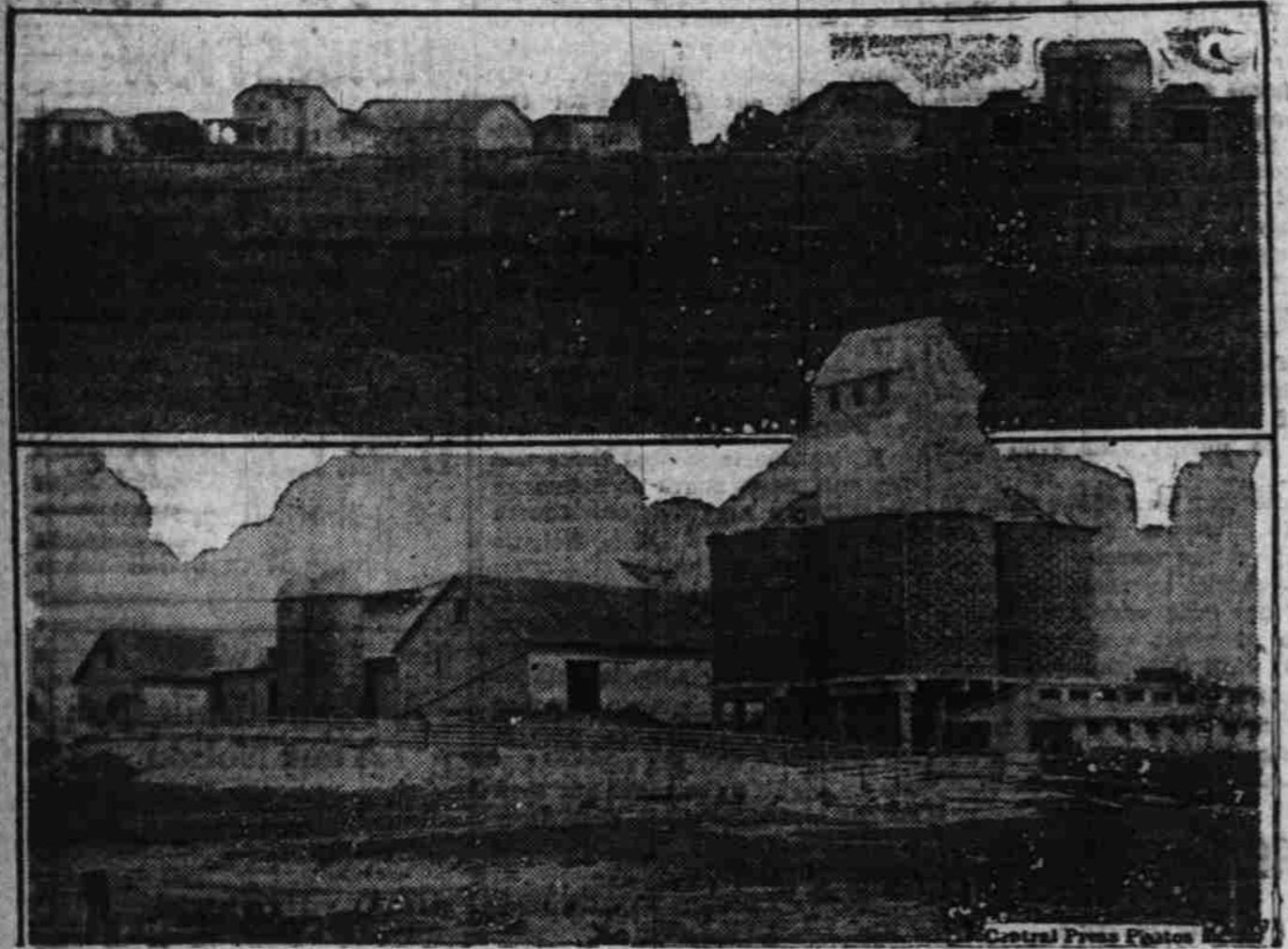
barn in this group is believed to be the largest in the state of Ohio and probably the entire country, measuring 60 feet by 170 feet, with 50 feet by 80 feet wings on each end and with a full basement under the whole structure. Besides this it has two silos, hog house and what is probably the finest farm granary in the country. This granary is constructed of concrete and tile, all grain put in with a power dump and elevator with with-drawals through the bottom. The storage capacity of this granary is 32,000 bushels of ear corn, and 13,000 bushels of small grain. This group also is equipped with electric light and power and running water. The dwellings have all modern plumbing with both hard and soft water.

Another barn, 60x240, in another of the groups, is equipped with a double hay track in the center and single tracks in the wings, making it possible to run four hay forks at the same time. As there are no timber in the frame running across from one side to the other through the center of the mows, cross-draft hay carriers are used and the hay is transferred direct from the wagon to its permanent place in the mow without the time and energy loss of hoisting it clear to the track under the roof peak.

Nothing Fancy About It.

The hog houses are half-montor type with concrete floors laid over hollow tile, giving all the sunlight possible and the cleanliness of concrete without the cold

MODEL STRICTLY BUSINESS FARM



Ohio has a model "strictly business farm. It contains 5000 acres near Troy, and is operated by the Ohio Conservancy District. There are twenty complete sets of farm buildings and thirty dwellings, and one of the tenants has the use of the largest barn in the country. Professional agriculturists and university experts from all over the country are visiting Troy to see it. The upper photo shows a typical group of dwellings. In the lower photo is seen a scientifically planned and constructed granary and barn. Note the size of these.

three small dwellings, small out-buildings such as fuel houses, garages, chicken houses for each dwelling, work shop, large bank barn, two silos 10x60, and a granary with power dump and elevator and basement underneath high enough for wagons and trucks, into which the grain will flow from the cribs and bins above. The dwellings are equipped with modern plumbing, bathrooms, etc., and electricity for light and power.

**An Unusual Barn**

The other unusual group consists of four dwellings, with complete outbuildings; workshop with cement floored basement, where are located the force and central pumping station. The

This larger farmstead also has a smoke-house for the farmer's meat that is somewhat unique in design. The building is constructed of hollow tile with reinforced concrete roof and floor. The walls are laid up so that recesses are left on the inside to receive cross timbers which are provided with hooks to hold the meats, and may be taken down or put up at will. The firebox is completely inclosed with brick, arched over the top, and the doors are of castiron, opening to the outside. This smoke-house is absolutely fire proof and will take care of three or four times as much meat as the ordinary type of the same size. This building is of the very latest type and few are found through the country today.

and dampness.

This big tract has nothing fancy in the way of buildings or other appurtenances. It is intended to be just what it is, a strictly business farm. The fields are large and level; the soil, naturally fertile, is increasing in fertility under the present system of farming.

Located in the heart of a highly developed industrial region, with a rapidly growing population; railroads and highways all around it and through it; in the corn-belt with perfect soils for this grain, as well as for wheat, alfalfa, clovers, soy beans, tobacco and truck crops; rich, level land and substantial, modern improvements; what other feature, farmers ask, could be desired for a perfect farm?

## FINE RACING CARD IS OFFERED AT FAIR

### Harness and Running Events Will Excel Anything Heretofore Seen

A fine racing card is staged as one of the leading features of the amusement program of the sixty-fourth annual Oregon state fair, which opens in Salem, September 23 and holds over until October 3, inclusive. The entry list for this season's fair, according to Wayne A. Stuart, racing director, is by far the classiest that has ever been arranged to furnish entertainment for the thousands that annually flock to this, the state's greatest annual race meet and agricultural exhibition.

The list of horses this year is remarkable both from the point of number and quality. The purses named are sufficient to attract owners of notable strings up and down the coast, with \$15,000 posted in the harness events and \$5,000 up for the runners. Racing will be under the American Trotting association rules, that is the harness events, with New York jockey regulations adhered to in the running races. Jockeys will appear in the proper colors, with assigned numbers, and will parade before the grandstand before each race.

Many new horses will seek to win honors this year on "Lone Oak" track, and a representative number of old favorites will be back once more to contest in the various events. Joe Huber of Bozeman, Montana, is among the owners of horses, never before shipped to Salem for the state fair. Among his horses is "All Silk," "Muggins," and "The Northern," all consistent winners on the North Canadian circuit. Another horse that promises to hold the spotlight is "Cyncofed," a pacer recently shipped out from Kentucky to Tom Howitt of Portland, one of the most prominent racing men of the northwest. This animal was sired by "Cynco," the latter the progeny of "Mocho," members of one of the most noted racing families in America. "Cyncofed" won a race in Victoria, B. C., last week, beating a large field.

Among the old timers who will enter horses at the state fair is William Williams of Payette, Idaho, who brings a strong stable to Salem this year. He is bringing back "Mary J.," the little bay pacer, which made her debut last year on this circuit. She is said to be developing into a fast pacer. Mr. Williams is also racing this year "Hal Fitzsimmons," a pacer previously raced very successfully through the northwest by George L. Parker.

J. J. Kaddery of Portland, probably the best-known racing men in Oregon and considered one of the gamest horsemen ever racing a stable of horses will have "Edna M." and several other good horses.

J. Elmo Montgomery of Davis, Cal., is coming north again this year. He has in his stable one of the most promising race horses for this season's campaign, "George M." Mr. Montgomery is also bringing back, "Barondale," a horse well-known to state fair racing fans, which, following a year's rest should attach honors to the Montgomery colors. H. S. Hogoboom, who has not been represented on northern tracks for several years, is another Californian to participate in the Salem meet this fall. He will ship in from Sacramento, George J. Glanini of San Francisco, will arrive shortly with his fine stable.



The W.L.W. control panel interests young Warren Foster. Warren Foster is only 12 years old and yet he has gained a reputation that many singers much older would envy. This boy has a natural high soprano voice and has been heard through the Crosley W.L.W. super-power station. His concert have brought him telegrams and letters of praise from teachers of voice throughout the country.

"This juvenile prodigy is heard on the Tuesday evening concert but he says his greatest pleasure is singing for the students on the Wednesday afternoon recitals."

"Practice for forty minutes a day" has been prescribed for him but, like a lot of other real lads, he does not always follow instructions and prefers to play. His teacher predicts he will either keep his present soprano voice or have a high baritone when his voice is ready to "change."

He is a pupil in the seventh grade public school and his parents will insist that he continue with his studies despite offers he has had to sing for various organizations.

## FARM REMINDERS FROM THE COLLEGE

### Suggestions About Getting a Larger Use of Vegetables in the Family's Diet

(The following are excerpts from a current weekly bulletin of the department of industrial journalism of the Oregon Agricultural College.)

Dusting seed wheat with copper carbonate for smut control has been proved the best method under many conditions in Oregon and growers can make their own dusting machines after the pattern described by G. W. Kable of the extension service in extension bulletin 331. An empty oil drum from a nearby garage and some inch water pipe, with a few pieces of lumber and some nuts and screws are about all that will be needed. The handy man on the farm can make it himself, as can most any farmer with the exception of cutting some threads on the pipe. A 50-gallon drum or barrel will treat two bushels at a time. Merely shoveling the grain over with dust added is not satisfactory, and some type of duster is necessary.

## THE SEVEN SALEM CANNERIES BUSY

### Some of Them Will Be Going Till End of the Year, Wind-ing Up on Apples

The seven Salem canneries are all going, with full supplies, and full handed. Some of them will be going away up to very near to the end of the year. The last work, carrying into the rainy season, will be on apples.

The Hunt cannery is running on prunes, pears and blackberries. They expect to finish their prunes and pear packs very soon. They will continue on blackberries, and then take the first of the apples and pumpkins, so that there will be something doing all the time, with very little lull.

The Oregon Packing company, at its Twelfth street cannery, is working full handed on pears and evergreens. They have not taken any prunes, needing all their facilities for the evergreens and pears—especially the pears, of which they are making a great pack. At their other plant, on Thirteenth street, they are receiving more beans than heretofore, and more cucumbers than they expected; so that they must provide additional salting facilities. They will go from beans and cucumbers, here, to pumpkins, in about three weeks. They will not put up any apples at Salem.

The Starr cannery is running full handed on prunes and evergreen blackberries; literally covered up. They expect evergreens for three weeks yet. Then they will go onto apples.

The Pacific Canning and Packing company (West Salem) is working full handed on pears and prunes. Good supply of both. They expect a supply of pears for 10 days yet.

The Producers' Canning and Packing company is through with pears. Is running on blackberries and prunes. When these are cleaned up, its season will be over.

The Northwest cannery is running on pears, prunes and blackberries. They expect a pear supply for a couple of weeks yet.

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## Irish Pamate Advocates Strict Sunday Prohibition

### DUBLIN.—Archbishop O'Donnell, Primate of all Ireland, has denounced the evasion which the difference between the drink laws in Northern Ireland and the Free State permits. The North has wholly abolished Sunday drinking. The South maintains an exemption in favor of the bona fide traveler.

Omeath in County Louth in the Free State is half a mile of water across the border from Northern Ireland, and on Sundays large numbers of Northern excursionists go there to avail themselves of the privilege of Sunday drinking granted in the Free State.

"Drunkness is not the only evil which these unworthy members of society exhibit," says the archbishop. "They have also brought with them the practice of dancing degraded dances from which decent paganism would recoil, and they are quite unabashed in desiring further facilities for drink and dancing in juxtaposition." He advocates the closing of public houses on Sunday altogether.

## FIRE HAZARDS DEBATED

PORTLAND, Sept. 9.—(By Associated Press.)—State and private forest service agencies trained their runs on the interior department for fire hazard conditions existing on timbered sections of the public domain and in the Oregon and California land grant timber sections at the hearing here today before the senate public lands committee which opened the first day of its two-day session in Portland.

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**Wet Sweden More Sober Than Dry Law Neighbors**

STOCKHOLM.—Sited between Finland and Norway, both partial prohibition countries, Sweden, a non-prohibition country, claims to be soberest of the lot.

In Finland and Norway the illegal consumption of liquor is said to far exceed the amount legally used, while the amount consumed in Sweden is steadily decreasing, figures show. The Swedish policy is said to be toward reducing the consumption of liquor, rather than total prohibition.

Each household is allowed four liters of liquor a month and the supply for restaurants also is restricted.

During the period of 1911-13 when the system of restriction was new, consumption of liquor in Stockholm averaged 24 liters a year for each person. Public offences were 47 for each 1,000 inson; public offences to 19 for each 1,000 persons and drunkards treated to 3.6 for each 10,000 of population.

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