

Near at Home But Far Away Is this Trip

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Rugged! A common enough expression these days, and applicable, it seems to almost anything and everything. I have joined the line-up for the word. This week I found something which appeared to me as being rugged!

In part, it is rugged beauty—the snowcapped peaks in the background, the Cascades nearer, and the hills right at hand—the other part is just rugged.

Our starting point (for I had company) was Silverton, our destination, Scotts Mills. However, we took the long way around, turning over East Hill toward Marquam and Molalla. The autumn brightness gave an extra sheen to the T. T. Leonard's holly orchard a mile east of Silverton. The trees, I recalled, were not in their infancy when they were moved from Winlock, Wash., some years ago. It took a little while for them to recover, but they are doing all right now, and appear to have holly berries ready to cut for market this season.

Late chrysanthemums were still blooming, under shelter, at the Clarence Halverson home. Mrs. Halverson is widely known as a "mum fancier," and those who have seen her blooms understand why.

Marquam
All turkeys have not been sold. I noted, looking at huge flocks at the Ira McBride and C. S. Christianson ranches, and sheep were fattening on cover crops in hop yards north of Marquam. Marquam itself is an attractive little rural town with a couple of stores, a church, service stations and homes.

I couldn't help wondering a bit what were the incentives for the school Glad Tidings and Mt. Hope as we drove by the little rural educational centers.

Molalla
Molalla proved a surprise. I hadn't seen it for some years, and its proportions have changed. It has almost everything a town should have—a hotel, library (a Clackamas county library), grade hall, several churches, stores, theater (a new one is now being built), pool halls, mills—but no new coffee shops.

We had no real business other than curiosity to head out through the town, across the beautiful Molalla, toward North Fork Station and Trout Creek, but the hour of hooky-playing was well worth it. We passed the H. T. Riding pioneer home, the Shady Dell community, saw some unusually fine cedars, the Crown Willamette logging operations, opened here a year ago, and a number of fine Herefords fattening on pasture.

Back in town, our party chatted a bit with Dr. John Tweed, veterinarian, son of the John Tweeds of Pratum, and nephew of Dr. Peter Tweed of Lebanon. He found Molalla a good place, he said, for a "horse doctor," as there are lots of horses in the territory. He expressed appreciation for the work he had had with the government remount service before coming here a year ago.

Rugged
The road took us out past the attractive Union high school, with brief stops at the A. Earl Davidson and Marlin Fox Jersey farms, the latter with its 1945 gold star herd. Past the pretty George Parks dairy farm, and then to the rugged part of the journey.

If you like pavement, don't take this. Even the gravel isn't too good in places. But the drive from Molalla to Scotts Mills, through the Willhout country, is well worth while to anyone even the least bit venturesome. It has a beauty and interest you will not always find along paved roads. Many of the homes you pass are small, unpainted, crowded against hillsides with no pretense at lawn maintenance. Goats stalk the roadside and hills, grazing along the sharp banks of the many little mountain streams. Chickens run at large. As you view a different type of farming—that of logging and chorefarming—you feel you are much, much more than the 10 miles from your starting point.

Fighting Cocks
It was the chickens at large, KITHEL BAKER holds a fighting cock from the flock belonging to her stepfather, R. V. Fisher of Molalla. She says this cock would really fight if encouraged. Fisher, who raised them as a hobby, makes the sideline pay for itself by selling them.

that brought us to a stop. No ordinary chickens, these. Fighting cocks, we found. R. V. Fisher raises goats as a sideline, logging is his chief income tax worry, and fighting cocks are a hobby. There are a number of breeds—many with unusually beautiful coloring and feathering—kept separately for breeding purposes. Each year Fisher sells enough to make the hobby pay for itself.

While we were yet traveling the ridge, before we dipped down to Scotts Mills, deep in the canyon to our left a little farm settlement along the river between heavy growths of timber surprised us. The ravine looked for all the world like something from a motion picture setting.

Scotts Mills
Scotts Mills, like Molalla, has changed in the last year or two. A town named for a mill a number of years ago, but without one in recent years, now has two sawmills—the Kellis and the Jacobson mills. I think I liked it better before the mills came to town, and the high school was closed. Students now go to Molalla and Silverton.

A few miles out of Scotts Mills, at Walt Saterlee's country store, we again encountered the highway we started out on—an interesting loop trip of but 43 miles—without one new coffee shop or somebody, we all felt, is missing a good bet! A coffee shop would certainly make the trip less rugged for me, at least.

Livestock Meeting Plans Progressing

Preparations are rapidly being completed for the Western Oregon Livestock association's annual meeting to be held in Salem December 12 and 13, reports Ben A. Newell, secretary of the committee on arrangements.

Opening day will see lively discussions of all phases of livestock production and marketing. Elmer Lorence, president of the Marion county association, and Charles A. Evans, Polk county president, have appointed a number of committees to complete arrangements.

Legislative work will be in the lime light during the two day session in view of the coming legislature which will meet in January. The annual banquet and entertainment meeting will be held in the Marion hotel on December 13.

Macleay Women Have Party for Husbands

MACLEAY—Mr. and Mrs. Milton Kephart entertained the 4-M club at their Central Howell home last week. After a short business session, with Mrs. Cleo Morris presiding, 500 was in play. Score honors went to Mrs. Harry Martin, Sr., and M. M. Magee. Later Sharon Wells gave a group of accession numbers.



This cement sidewalk on the George Parks farm which joins the house to farm buildings saves lots of work by making the ranch a cleaner place. The walk connects the two insulated fruit houses, smoke house, milk house, garage and the barn, all to the back porch. The Parks came in August from Yakima and are farming 94 acres, including keeping Guernsey cattle.

Farm Calendar

Nov. 21 to 22—Closing days of National Grange at Portland. Headquarters, Multnomah hotel.

Nov. 21-24—Closing days of Grand National Livestock exposition in San Francisco.

Nov. 21-22—Last two days of three-day Oregon Reclamation congress at Albany.

Nov. 25—Purebred Jersey sale, Bill Schwarz farm between Mt. Angel and Silverton.

Nov. 27-30—Bank of Albany 4-H corn show.

Nov. 30-Dec. 5—Great Western Livestock show, Los Angeles.

Nov. 30-Dec. 7—Chicago International Livestock exposition, Chicago.

Dec. 3 and 4—25th annual meeting of Oregon cooperative council, Portland.

Dec. 6—Marion county corn show, Central Howell.

Dec. 9-12—orthwest turkey show, Roseburg.

Dec. 12-13—Western Livestock association meeting, Salem.

Clackamas County Corn Chosen to Represent West

Clackamas county has another feather in its hat for giving Oregon publicity in the eastern agricultural world.

In accordance with a request from Frank E. James of the national research council of Washington, D. C., the assistant county agent, Hollis Ottaway, has collected and forwarded a 20 pound sample of Clackamas county field corn to Washington where it will be analyzed for nutrients, vitamins and minor elements. Clackamas county was chosen by Mr. James to represent the far west, and this sample of the 355 hybrid variety was furnished by Stephen Eymann of Molalla.

Willamette valley corn growers are awaiting with interest to find out how the corn compares in feeding value with corn from various other parts of the United States.

Dried Whole Milk Industry May Be Direct Competitor

The development of the dried whole milk industry may be an important factor in dairy marketing during the next few years, reports a committee comprised of staff members of the agricultural division of the state college.

Further improvement in the solubility and keeping qualities would make this product a direct competitor in the fluid and evaporated milk industries, the committee feels.

Improved quality of both butter and cheese will be necessary in future to hold markets once the present abnormal situation passes. Sales campaigns may be necessary to move these products in competition with substitutes offered at prices at which they can be produced.

The analysis includes a suggested program based on better dairy stock, production testing, improved feed supply, disease control and improved quality, uniformity and packing of dairy products.

Strawberry Plant Inspection Takes Time to Complete

Second inspection of certified Marshall strawberry plantings has been completed in Marion county, reports D. L. Rasmussen, assistant county agent. Inspections were made by R. Ralph Clark, extension horticulturist, and Dr. S. M. Zeller, plant pathologist at the state college. Certification for the 1946 season will be completed when the third and final inspection is made in about two weeks.

Inspections in this county are part of the Oregon strawberry-plant certification program which encourages the production of vigorous planting stock that is true to name and will carry a minimum of virus diseases and destructive insect pests. Such plants are essential to continued profitable production of commercial strawberries in Oregon.

During the growing season, the grower makes frequent inspection trips through his strawberry fields and removes all abnormal, weak and diseased plants. Special note is taken to get all plants infested with crinkle.

In addition to the growers' inspections, each field is visited at least three times by a representative of the Oregon State college extension service, which has charge of the certification.

A third inspection must yet be made, and following this the names of growers whose fields pass the inspections will be made available.

Many certified strawberry plants are sold from Marion county.

Ranch Ramblings

By the Rural Reporter

Today (Thursday) is the final day of the national grange which has been in session at Portland since November 12. Committee reports will be heard both during the morning and afternoon sessions until 4 p.m. when the installation of members of the executive committee will be held. At 5 p.m. the formal closing in the fourth degree will adjourn the grange until 1947 when the state of Ohio will entertain the national. The executive committee later will designate the Ohio city where the convention will be held. Invitations are on hand from Cleveland, Columbus and Cincinnati.

Silverton Quartet Raised Over 8000 Holiday Turkeys

Hellick Furnus, Silverton rancher, has produced 8000 turkeys for the Thanksgiving and Christmas markets this year. Associated with him are his son, Amos, and two sons-in-law, Fred Taylor and Merle Rasmussen. The four operate 875 acres on which they finish out the turkeys and run 300 head of Lincoln-Rambouillet ewes.

The Furnus believe first, last and all the time in sanitation for turkeys, and run their 8000 market birds in units of 2000 each, with each unit being kept in a separate pasture.

In addition to producing the 8000 turkeys for marketing, Furnus also does some commercial hatching. This year he had 65,000 poults from the 1500 breeding hens. Outside of those kept for home, the poults were sold to growers in Utah, Eastern Oregon and Willamette valley.

Sales Slips Must be Shown for Payments

Marion county farmers complying with the 1946 agricultural conservation program, who did not sign their 1946 papers at the recent series of community meetings are urged to call at the county office at Salem to sign with W. M. Tate, Sublimity, Marion county AAA chairman. Reports of performance must be signed by the end of the year. Sales slips must be presented to claim credit for liming, commercial fertilizer applications and permanent pasture seedings.

Sales slips must also be presented to obtain the nine cents per pound incentive payment on Red Clover seed. This seed to be eligible must be sold into commercial channels by the end of the year and the nine cents is in addition to the market price paid by dealers.

Herschel D. Newsom, Indiana state master, was elected to the national executive board. He succeeds E. A. Eckert of Illinois, who has held his executive post for 40 years and who is the current chairman.

E. Carroll Bean, Maine state master, was named to a three-year term as a member of the board of managers of the Grange Monthly, national publication.

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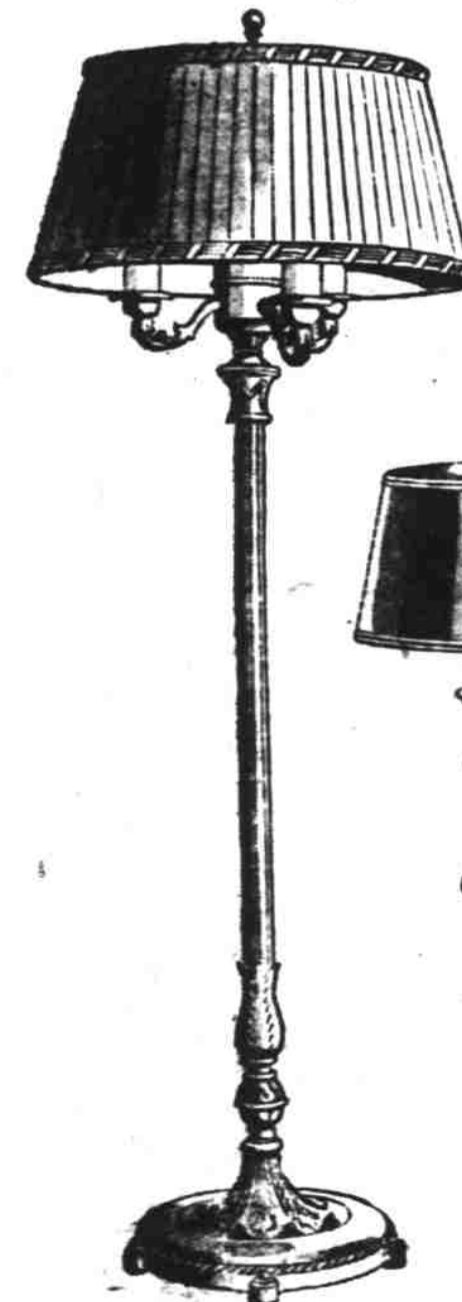
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