

Jefferson Doesn't Cry Over Highway

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Jefferson has been by-passed twice by the Pacific highway, the last time completely. But this doesn't make any difference, the folk down there will tell you. Jefferson still survives and has for more than a century.

And so long as there are farmers, Jefferson will likely be Jefferson. Miss Addie Libby, librarian, said. Miss Libby was born on a farm near Jefferson and for the past 10 years, has been in charge of the attractive little library which has built up to more than 3000 volumes. The library started with 150 books in 1923, is housed in one of the unique city halls in the state. The building, the first framed one in Jefferson, was erected by Jacob Conser in 1854 and served as a hotel for a number of years. It was restored twelve years ago as a WPA project and has since been widely publicized for its beautiful early-day architecture.

The library, Miss Libby says, like the remainder of the town, is largely dependent on the farmer trade. Almost two-thirds of the patronage comes from men, women and children whose background is rural.

Good Coffee At Jefferson
At the Jefferson Cafe (where like in so many of the smaller towns, excellent coffee is served) I heard that "hurt" from the removal of the highway "didn't amount to \$5."

Across the street, C. C. Becker, who with C. U. Buck owns the Jefferson grocery, said that tourist trade "just hadn't been," and that it was the mint, the flax, the vegetables and diversified farmers who "kept Jefferson going."

"No, I don't miss the highway in town. It's much easier to cross the street now," Mrs. Fred Wied, who has called Jefferson "home" for 25 years said, as I caught her "book-shopping" in the library.

Has Good Garden
Her son, David, now manager of the 300-acre farm out on Marion road, But Mrs. Wied claims on of "the best gardens you'll find anywhere," and the weather hasn't bothered her two much, she added, saying she has lived in the valley long enough to learn how to make garden when the sun shines — even if it is but for a brief moment at a time.

Grain, which used to be a big interest in Jefferson has been rather replaced in recent years. In 1890, early settlers recalled more than 100,000 bushels of grain left Jefferson by boat down the Santiam. Oregon's first flax plant was at Jefferson and today flax is still one of the big farm crops. Mint, green vegetables for Salem, Albany and even Portland markets, and vegetables for the Salem canneries, dairying, poultry and fox growing support the town.

Hurt Service Stations
The only ones who complain of the passing of the Pacific highway from Jefferson are those with cabins and service stations.

"It has made a difference to us all right this last year," the service station owners along the old Pacific highway 99, admitted this week. Most of the cabins are full constantly, however, although a couple of vacancies were displayed early in the day Wednesday.

"But we'll survive," said E. S. Gleason, mayor of Jefferson for the past four years, and owner of one of the highway service stations and garages. "Tourist trade was never overwhelming. Our farmer-trade is the steady bread-and-butter and now we can settle down to give these undivided attention. May be good for us."

Animal Science Group To Hold Meeting

OREGON STATE COLLEGE—Plans are nearing completion here for a joint meeting June 28 to 30 of the western section of the American Society of Animal Production and the western division of the American Dairy Science association.

The three-day meeting will include both sectional meetings and general sessions, says P. M. Brandt, chairman of the general program and planning committee. Delegates will attend from all of the 11 western states. The program being prepared is designed to stimulate closer coordination between research and teaching, says Brandt. Other members of the local committee are H. P. Byatt, A. W. Oliver, Dr. F. F. McKenzie and O. H. Richardson.

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Jefferson's city hall has been cited as among the best remaining structures of early Willamette valley. Pictured here it has retained the same lines it had when built by Jacob Conser in 1854. It houses the library, a large part of whose patronage is rural. It is also the meeting place of many community groups.



Marjorie Buck, at left, shown measuring yardage to Mrs. Bud Abney, claims that when Pacific Highway 99 left Jefferson about a year ago, the trade remained as it is largely farm trade anyway. Mrs. Abney lives six miles out of Jefferson on a farm but Mr. Abney works in Salem and they shop in Jefferson.



Addie Libby, shown at the desk, has been librarian for the past 10 years at Jefferson. At her left is Mrs. Fred Wied who owns a 300-acre farm on Marion road, and at her right is Mrs. Herbert Looney, who with her husband manage the large Looney farm north of Jefferson. Mrs. Looney is also widely known for her red anemones.

Expand Food Land By Pest and Weed Control Best Way

OREGON STATE COLLEGE—America and the world can expand acreage for food production but little more by exploration, migration and irrigation, but can accomplish much the same purpose by protecting crops on existing farm land by control of insects, weeds, plant diseases and rodents, Dr. A. L. Strand, president of O.S.C., told 165 scientists and guests at the annual Sigma Xi initiation banquet here. An entomologist by profession, Dr. Strand spoke on "Prediction of Insect Outbreaks."

Dr. Strand pointed out that combined loss from insect pests, weeds, disease and rodents probably account for an average loss of 28 per cent of the potential crop production. Scientific advance in the last 10 years has

increased man's weapons enormously against these four enemies and can do more, he said. He recounted the possibilities in advance prediction of insect outbreaks and urged increased research in this field as an important method of attack. Scientific developments followed by grower adoption of recommended methods have saved and can save many millions of dollars in crops and provide food for many millions more people, the president said.

Sigma Xi, national honor society to encourage scientific search, initiated 16 active members who have accomplished significant research and 36 associate members whose scholarship in scientific fields promise such accomplishment.

RISE IN FERTILIZER TONNAGE

Use of commercial fertilizers more than doubled in the 10 years from 1936 to 1946. Since 1932 the trend in use of fertilizers has been sharply upward.

Time Extended For Certification Of Strawberries

Strawberry growers are faced with difficult weather conditions in order to get their strawberries in this year. If strawberries are grown for certification, it has been the rule that they be planted by April 15 and the applications for certification must be in the office by May 1.

Because of the rainy weather the date for planting has been moved up to May 1 this year for those growers who plan to grow certified plants.

Requirements in order to grow strawberries under the certification program include: (1) Only first-year plantings from already certified blue tag stock may be entered for certification. (2) Certification tags must be saved and presented either to the inspector or to the county agent at the time of the application for certification. (3) The strawberry plants must be in hills not less than 36 inches apart to allow easy roguing. Crown division types of plants may be planted 24 inches apart. All runners must be trained to extend in one direction only in the row. (4) All of the strawberry field must be entered for certification. (5) Fields grown must be at least 250 yards from other strawberry plantings because of danger of spreading disease. (6) The maximum disease allowed is 2 per cent of all disease on the first and second inspections, and only 1 per cent is allowed on the last inspection. Those diseases which are most common are: Yellow, crinkle, red stele and rhizoctonia.

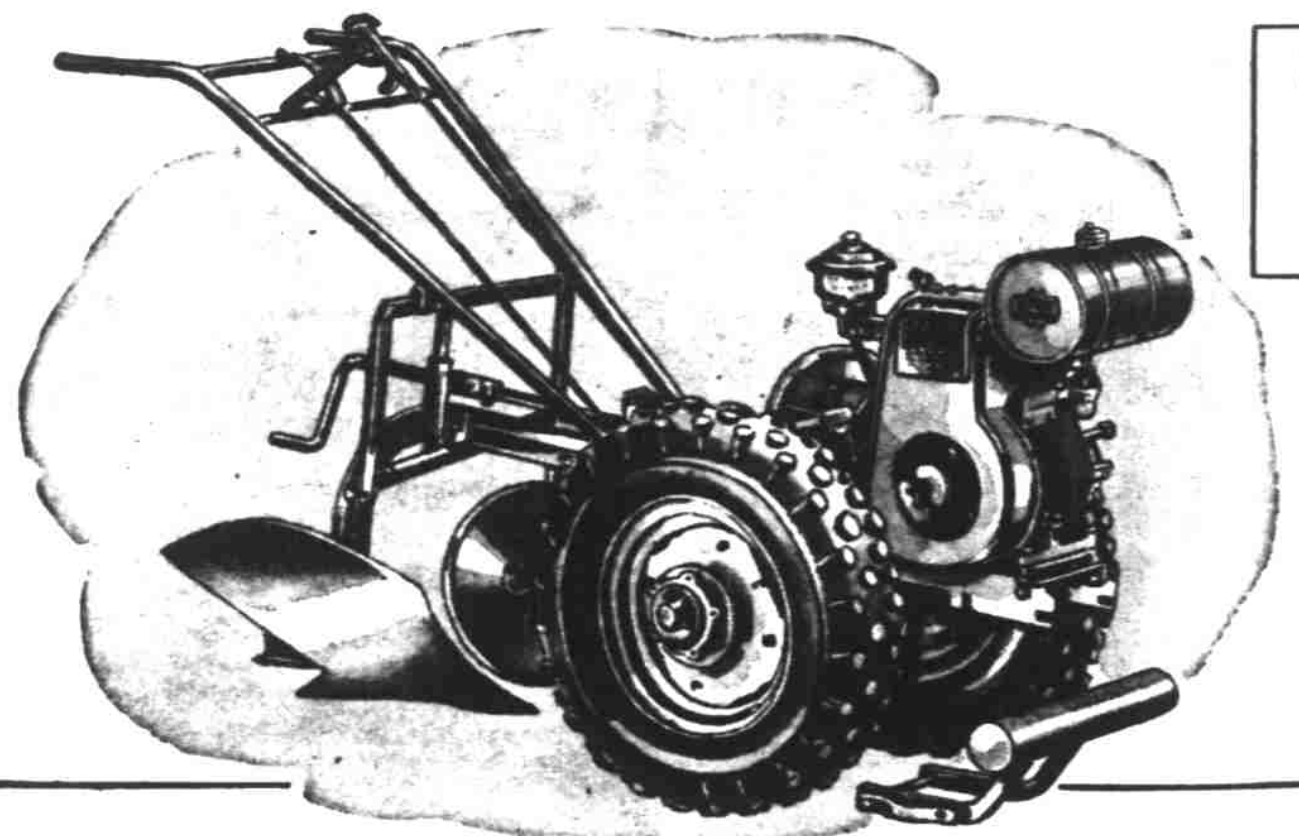
TURKEY PRODUCTION UP

Oregon hatcheries had an output of turkey pounds in March about 25 per cent above the low volume in March a year ago when an estimated 703,000 pounds were hatched. The average price received for turkey poult in April this year was 90 cents per poult, well above a year ago when poult averaged 65 cents each.

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Montgomery Ward WARD WEEK

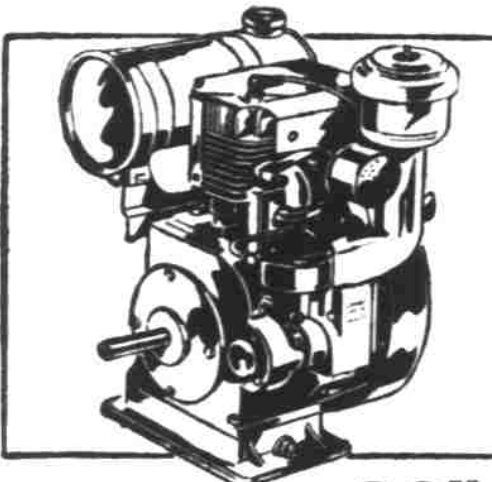
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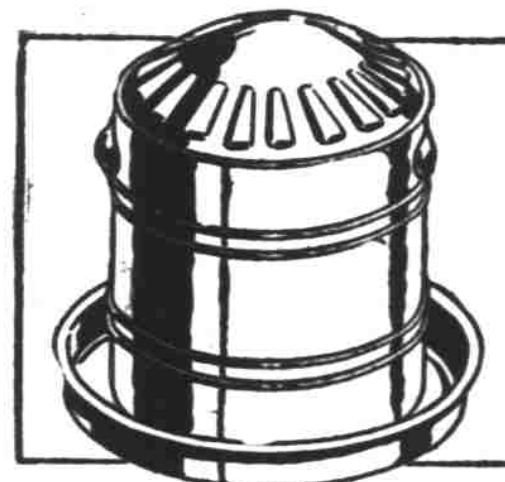
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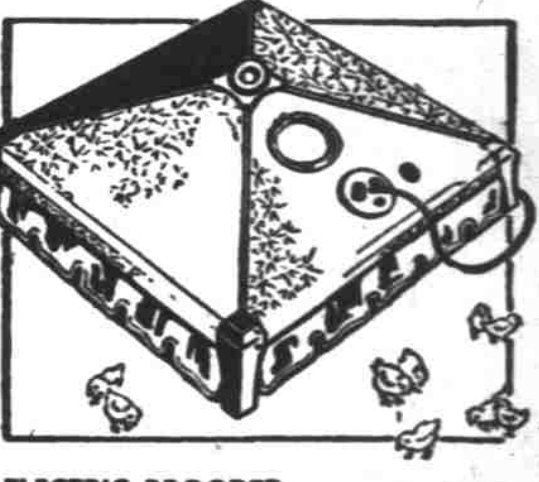
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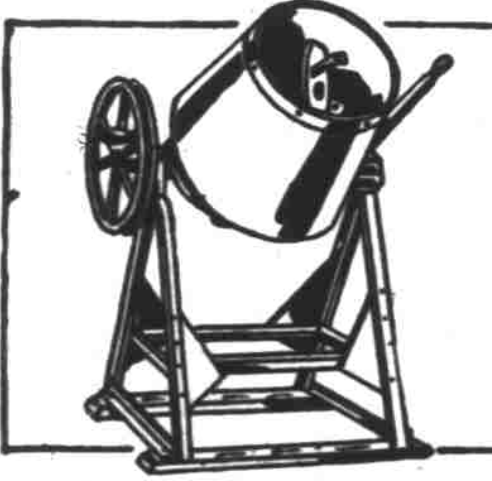
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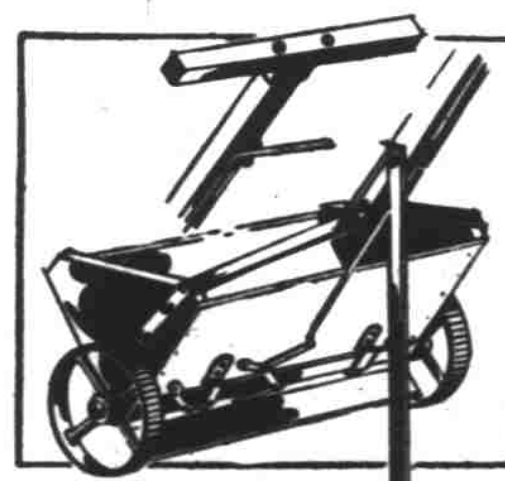
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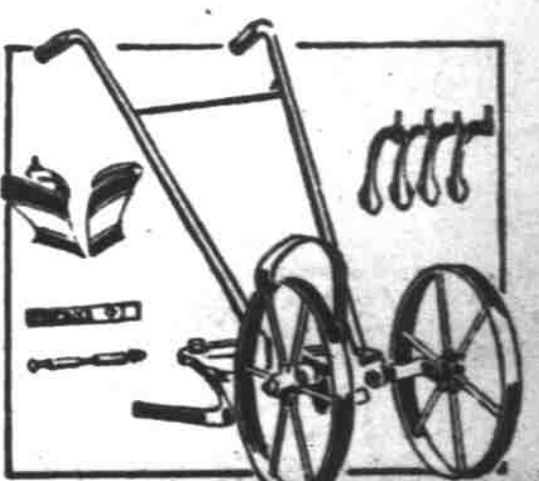
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