



MEETING OF FARMERS

Farmers Educational and Co-operative Union of America.

Farmers of Morrow county met at the court house last Saturday and organized a lodge of the Farmers Educational and Co-operative Association of America.

Organizer Chas. Hill, of Pendleton addressed the meeting.

The organization starts out with a membership of 16, with the following officers:

Pres, F P Vaughn; vice pres, G W Thomson; sec-treas, A S Akers; chaplain, C N Jones; door-keeper, J F Wilder; conductor, Chester Gammel.

The Farmers Educational and Co-operative Association of America, is a secret organization and its objects are for the promotion of farm interests in general.

The organization is growing rapidly, Morrow county having two unions, one being already organized at Ione. There are now 3,000 members in the state of Oregon.

The Dalles Chronicle: Fred A. Hackler of Wapinitia came to the city, bringing the hides of 60 coyotes and 3 wild cats. He has a unique way of trapping these animals. He kills them by means of dynamite caps placed in bait, to which an insulated wire is attached and this is connected with a battery a short distance from the trap. When the animal takes hold of the bait, the cap explodes, killing it instantly.

Men are being employed to plant 30,000 fruit trees at Sutherlin.

School Notes.

In the 15th inst I visited the school at Hardman. The work was moving along smoothly. Several families have found it necessary to move out to their ranches, and this has reduced the number in attendance. But those who are in attendance, almost without exception, are making good use of their time. The seventh and eighth grades are doing especially strong work in grammar. Prof. Gibbons seems to know how to make the work interesting. Miss Ward's pupils are awake on language work, also. I was much pleased with a drill in rapid work in numbers, which Mrs. Robison gave one of her classes. The pupils in the primary room have been provided with some excellent supplementary readers, and the results prove that the board made a good investment. The pupils in Prof. Gibbon's room have been using some of the five cent classics for supplementary reading.

The advanced division has a bulletin board upon which clippings of interest are posted. The literary and debating society is doing excellent work, and the pupils of the school take an active part in all the programs. The school gave an interesting entertainment a short time ago and with the proceeds bought a new organ.

The school board is determined to make their school just as efficient as possible, and the people seem to be ready to endorse the actions of the board. Some new maps have been ordered, a new bookcase has been purchased for the library, and it is likely that a new encyclopedia will be purchased soon. One member of the board is a subscriber of the American School Board Journal.

On the 17th inst, I visited the school in district No. 8. Miss Zena Mettie teaches this school. Some new shelves for the books and apparatus have been placed in the school room since my former visit. Several of the larger pupils have dropped out on account of the rush of spring work. The pupils remaining are orderly and diligent in their work. The pupils are making arrangements to observe Arbor day. It seems that the conditions are favorable for the growing of trees in the school yard.

Those who have sent in requests for copies of Dinsmore's Teaching a District School will receive them as soon as the copies now in the hands of others have been returned. The demand seems to be much greater than the supply, but by passing the books around, all who wish to read them will be able to do so. Nearly all who have read the book have found it very interesting and helpful.

S. E. NOTSON, Co. Supt.

John Sprowls Loses Fingers.

John M Sprowls met with a serious accident out at his place on Rhea creek last Sunday afternoon. While handling a gasoline engine while in motion his right hand was swept into cog wheels and the first two fingers of his right hand were ground and torn off.

Dr Kistner dressed the mangled hand.

Arlington Record: Oranges are shipped 1300 or more miles to Arlington and sold for less than apples that are raised in our own or adjoining counties. Raise more apples and less wheat and you will have a larger bank account and a smaller mortgage.

EXPERIMENT STATION ON CAR WHEELS

GRAND DEMONSTRATION TRAIN

O. R. & N. Eclipses all Former Efforts in Exhibits.

Carrying 40 people including experts representing all lines of agriculture and associate industries, the O. R. & N. special of eight cars pulled into Heppner last Monday morning on schedule time.

When the demonstration train was here last fall, the principal features were lectures covering the different lines in agricultural, horticultural and interests of the farm in general.

While this method was both interesting and instructive and has produced results, the experts then stated that the next train would bring less talk and more practical demonstrations in the way of exhibits that would be more impressive.

At the meeting last Monday the railroad company certainly delivered the goods.

Six cars filled with exhibits presented a grand experiment station on wheels.

The allotted time of only four hours could but furnish a glance for the great throng of spectators who crowded the cars during the entire time.

A. A. Morse was in charge of the train and his genial good natured way helped to make people feel welcome.

Dr. Jas. Withycomb, director of Oregon Experiment Station at Corvallis, opened with a short introductory address briefly stating the objects of the visit of the train.

D. O. Lively, of the Portland Union Stockyards followed Dr. Withycomb. Mr. Lively spoke of the benefits to the livestock industry that would come from the establishment of the big stockyards. He stated that the livestock market now in Portland was better than any other place in the United States. That the former monopoly opposed the stock yards owing to the competition that had been forced among the buyers. He said that in sending away for livestock for our home market, we were standing in our own light as business men.

Prof. H. D. Scudder, agronomist, of Corvallis experiment station offered a few remarks as to the objects of the train.

The cars being thrown open for inspection were soon packed like sardines.

The dry farming car was in charge of Prof. Scudder. In this car there were exhibits of soils in different states of cultivation, seed germination tests, vegetables, and in fact numerous valuable exhibits that would require much time and special study to master.

Next to the dry farming car was the horticultural car filled to overflowing with drawings of fruit orchards, trees, tools, grafting demonstrations, in fact everything that pertains to the planting, use and care of an orchard.

The dairy exhibit car was an interesting feature. Here were all sorts of tests as to milk and feeding, the building of stalls, and practical demonstrations of modern and profitable dairying.

The poultry car attracted much attention. Dr. Withycomb in his address called attention to the natural advantages offered in Eastern Oregon for the successful growing of poultry. Here were exhibits of many different breeds of fowls both old and young. Dressed fowls, incubators, houses, nests, together with all sorts of exhibits showing the proper methods used in successful poultry growing.

There was a car devoted to dry farming machinery, poultry houses, fences, et.

The stock exhibit consisted of low, blocky Shrop and Cotswold sheep, the Poland China hog, a big mare, showing the type of draft animals, and Jersey and Holstein cows showing grand specimens of the milking breeds.

This is said to be the finest demonstration train ever put out by any railroad in the United States.

Jake Wattenberger went out to the Miller place on Rhea creek the first of the week to build his shearing sheds for the machine shearing plant that he will operate there this spring. After returning from Echo, Mr. Wattenberger will start the Minor plant at the Miller place where a large number of sheep will be sheared.

Osmin Shaner Dead.

Osmin Shaner died at the Heppner Sanitarium this morning at 7 o'clock.

Mr. Shaner who is a ranger in the Umatilla National Forest started out on his work a few days ago. Being attacked with inflammation of the bowels he stopped at Parker's Mill and his condition soon became such as to alarm his friends.

Dr. Kistner was sent for and Mr. Shaner was hurried to the hospital being brought in yesterday by Al Ayers and Frank Ward.

Deceased was brought up in Morrow county. He was a young man well known and had many friends.

Collins Wireless Telephone Amuses Large Crowds.

J. H. Curry, Oregon manager for the Collins Wireless Telephone Company, requests us to announce that the stockholders and their friends in and around Heppner are invited to witness free demonstrations of the Collins Wireless Telephone which will be conducted in Heppner during the remainder of the week. Conversations are carried on from the building near Gentry's blacksmith shop to the Palace hotel, and even a whisper can be heard over the Wireless Telephone.

The news of both hemispheres—in The Weekly Oregonian.

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