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and to anyone who contemplates buying a new suit or a new overcoat: Have you seen those elegant new **FALL SUITS** at the Hub Clothing Store? If not, don't buy until you have. If you want good, honest, medium-priced clothing, we have it; and if you want a genuine hand-tailored suit, sewed with silk thread throughout, we have it in



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## PROFIT IN ANGORA GOATS

Excellent Paper Read by E. L. Witt Before Recent Session of Texas Farmers' Congress.

The general public in the past has looked upon goats with a certain amount of indifference, caused by their knowledge of the native and Spanish goats. The Angora goats are very profitable animals, both for mutton and mohair. The average high-grade Angora goat will clip three pounds a year. This mohair brings, on an average, 30 cents per pound. It has been known to sell for \$3 per pound.

Mohair is used for various things, such as hats, ladies' dress goods, gents' dress goods, upholstery, especially in coaches. There is a great variety of plushes and matting made from mohair. All this has created a demand for all classes of mohair, so that the American breeders have not been able to supply this, as shown by the importations made by the mills—some importing as much as 500,000 pounds each season. The skins from the Angora are used in large quantities where the fleece is left on them. These skins are used in many ways. They are used for finishing ladies' cloaks, lap robes, capes and rugs, and various other ways too numerous to mention. For the production of mohair alone the Angora is a very profitable animal, but the profit doesn't stop there, as the kid is one of the most delicious of meats. The Angora wether matures at an early age. When matured they bring \$2 to \$2.25; this increases the profit to a great deal more for the Angora.

I wish to call attention to the difference between the Angora wether and the Spanish wether. The Angora wether's meat is tender until the goat reaches an old age, while the Spanish wether begins to get tough after he reaches the age of one year, and continues as age advances.

Angora kids are very delicate and need careful attention until they reach the age of two to four weeks; then they are turned loose from the stake and kept in the pen until they are eight to ten weeks old. Then they can be turned out with the flock.

The Angora is an advantage to the cattle range. First, they destroy all the weeds and the small brush, affording the grass an opportunity to grow. I have seen in this country pastures in wet seasons where two pastures were located side by side; one pasture carried one goat to two acres, while in the other pasture goats were not allowed to run. The pasture that carried the goats had all the weeds destroyed, and had a very fine coat of mesquite grass, while the pasture that the goats were kept off of was totally choked out by weeds and other growth such as cattle would not eat. As a brush destroyer the goat has no equal. There have been thousands of goats shipped into the northern states every year for brush cleaners. They are also used to clear up rough farm lands.

There was a meeting held at Kansas City by several farmers and business men, and as a result of the meeting there was an association organized, known as "The American Angora Goat Breeders' Association." In less than three years there were 400 members, and nearly 40,000 goats passed the examination and were registered. This aided the few breeders who had nursed the fine fleeced beauties so long to put them before the people in such a way that they realized the benefits of having a few Angoras on their farms. Wherever the farmers have tried them they have found them to be very profitable.

I call your attention again to the uses of mohair. There is extra long mohair, used for making wigs, doll hair, and trimmings. Last year we produced some long mohair which we sold for \$3 per pound.

We have found raising Angora goats to be the most profitable business that we have ever been engaged in. We have tried sheep and cattle, yet we realized more from our goats, for the investment, than anything else. We have been in the business 10 years and find it to be a very pleasing one, as well as profitable, and think that if every farmer had a few goats on his rough land he would find it very remunerative.

Miss Mabel Cressy, of Independence, visited friends in Dallas, Tuesday.

Clarence Aikman, of Sugarloaf, was a business visitor in Dallas, Monday.

Frank J. Chapman, the furniture merchant, was a Portland visitor the first of the week.

Ralph Carter has been employed by Belt & Cherrington as night operator in the telephone office.

Miss Olive Owings, of Portland, visited her mother, Mrs. J. M. Burford, in Dallas, Sunday.

Wesley Vaughn was in Portland buying goods for the new hardware store of Vaughn & Weaver, Monday.

Judge and Mrs. J. E. Sibley, J. L. Castle and William Kersey left on Monday for a visit to the St. Louis Fair.

Deputy County Clerk A. N. Holman and County Treasurer J. Beezley attended the Fairbanks-Dolliver speaking in Portland, Saturday night.

Mrs. M. E. Weaver, instructor in the Art Department of Dallas College, will have her studio at her residence instead of at the dormitory this year.

Mr. Lute Thompson, one of Portland's promising young singers, who is spending his vacation at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Burford, sang at the morning services of the Christian church last Sunday. The young man has a splendid voice, and his solos were greatly enjoyed by the large congregations.

The Falls City public school opened for the year with pleasing exercises Monday morning. County Superintendent C. L. Starr gave the principal address, and short talks were made by members of the school board. The attendance is larger than usual, and the school begins with bright prospects for a successful year's work.

C. L. Hawley, of McCoy, left for St. Louis, Tuesday, to attend the sheep and goat show. Mr. Hawley is associated with his father, Hon. J. H. Hawley, in the livestock business, and is among the most progressive breeders of fine sheep in Oregon. The Hawley flock of Lincoln sheep is favorably known all over the Pacific Coast, and there is a steady demand for these fine animals from stockmen who are desirous of improving the quality of their herds.

A clever entertainer is Emily Squier, the 10-year-old impersonator and elocutionist, who gave a recital to a large and intelligent audience at the City Hall, Tuesday evening. As a child impersonator and dramatic reader, this charming little Miss probably has no equal on the American platform today. She has appeared in all the large cities of the United States, and her work has been favorably received by critics everywhere. She is the personification of grace and naturalness, and seems to live the character she is representing. Little Emily Squier is truly a prodigy in her art.

The first number of Superintendent C. L. Starr's new paper, the Polk County School News, made its appearance Saturday. The paper is well named, and is filled from the first page to the last with news of the schools of Polk county, written in attractive and entertaining style. In addition to several columns of local school items, the News contains notes from the Oregon State Normal School and Dallas College; an excellent production from the pen of Miss Dasie Alloway entitled "Character Training in the First Year," and other educational matter of interest. The advertising columns are well patronized by the business men of Polk county, and the paper has a bright and prosperous appearance. That the School News is appreciated by the friends of education is shown by the fact that Superintendent Starr has been kept busy writing subscription receipts ever since the first edition found its way into the homes of Polk county.

James E. Yoakum, for many years a successful hopgrower at Bridgeport, left on Monday for Brawley, California, where he will take charge of a 640-acre farm belonging to T. A. Livesley, of Salem. He was accompanied by his sister, Miss Mattie Yoakum, who came here from Tennessee last Spring. The Livesley ranch is about thirty miles from San Diego, and is said to be one of the best tracts of land in Southern California. Mr. Livesley has planted one acre of hops on this ranch as an experiment, and if the crop matures, he will set out a large yard. He has a capable hop man in the person of Jimmy Yoakum, and if hops can be grown at all in Southern California, the best possible results will be reached through the new foreman's method of cultivation.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Madison and Mrs. Walter Williams were Portland visitors the first of the week.

The Washington county assessment roll for 1904 is \$1,500,000 larger than that of two years ago. The total valuation of taxable property is \$5,123,239.

All unpaid taxes on the 1903 assessment roll became delinquent Tuesday, and taxpayers who are still arrearers will have to pay both penalty and interest when settling their account with the county. The exact amount of the delinquency will not be known for several days, but it is believed that it will be even smaller than it was last year.

An Eastern Oregon paper boasts of having in its possession a tomato weighing two and one-half pounds. That's a big tomato all right, but Polk county can beat it. C. W. Matthews, of this city, received from Rickreall last Friday a tomato measuring eighteen inches in circumference, and weighing two pounds and nine ounces. This splendid specimen was raised on the Orr farm. The judges of the county exhibits at the last two State Fairs made no mistake when they awarded the first prize to Polk county.

Hon. D. L. Keyt, the well-known Perrydale merchant and junior member of the Dallas firm of Ellis & Keyt, was in town Sunday. He says that the high prices paid for wheat and hops have made prosperous times in northern Polk county, and trade in all lines is livelier than usual. The Perrydale public school, one of the best in Polk county, will be in charge of Miss Rosa Smith and Miss Evangeline Hart this year. The school building, recently completed at a cost of \$1500, is heated by a furnace, and is nicely furnished throughout. No expense has been spared by the directors and patrons of the school to provide every improvement necessary for the health and comfort of the pupils.

State Labor Commissioner Tells of Local Conditions in Oregon's Banner County.

State Labor Commissioner O. P. Hoff is arranging a general description of all the counties of this state to be incorporated in his report which is sent out from answers to a blank form sent out by him to all the county clerks throughout the state. His report of Polk county is as follows:

Population, 10,243.

Land mountainous, rolling and level.

Good building stone.

Good mountain streams; water power.

Roads fairly good; kept up by taxation.

Fuel used is wood, of which fir and oak are grown; fir selling from \$2 to \$2.50 per cord; oak from \$2.50 to \$3 per cord.

Hops most important crop.

Wheat, oats, hay, corn, rye, vegetables, cattle, sheep, horses, goats and hogs sufficient for home consumption and some for market.

Healthy, pure water, grand scenery, good railroad and steamboat facilities.

Fine churches and good schools.

All that can be said for the Willamette Valley can be claimed for Polk county.

Farm hands receive wages equal to those paid in other sections of Oregon.

Mrs. Eliza Hembree, of Sacramento, and Mrs. George Patten, of Amity, visited friends in Dallas this week.

Mr. and Mrs. William Toney, honored pioneers of Yamhill county, visited their son, Dr. H. L. Toney, in Dallas, Tuesday. The old people were on their way to Lane county to visit friends.

D. O. Bronson, for many years a resident of Polk county, but now living near Prineville, was in Dallas, this week. His health has improved since he moved to Eastern Oregon, and he may decide to remain there permanently.

The Falls City brass band will give a concert in their home town tomorrow night. Besides band music, the program will include vocal solos, duets and quartets. The entertainment will conclude with a laughable farce. A large advance sale of seats is reported.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Myer took their little son Merle to Portland, Monday, and had the surgeons remove a tumorous growth from his throat. The operation was exceedingly painful, but the lad bore it bravely, and was able to be brought home the first of the week. He is reported to be improving rapidly.

FRANK J. CHAPMAN  
MILL STREET, DALLAS, OREGON

GOOD SHOWING FOR POLK

MAY INCREASE THE ACREAGE

High Price of Hops Will Probably Result in Expansion of the Industry.

The veterans in the hop trade are speculating on what the farmers will do with the pile of money they are making, says Saturday's Oregonian. The general belief is that the growers will expand their business, investing their profits in larger yards. Hops are going to be good property for a few years, or at least until a surplus has been accumulated, but after that, look out. History has always repeated itself and its course probably will not be changed in the future. Only a few years ago the hop business was so overdone that it was followed by a plowing up of yards and the wise ones predicted that the same thing will happen again.

But in the meantime the growers have the best of the situation and all of them, even those that sold early, have money in the bank. As an instance of the profit in hopgrowing in Oregon this year, the case can be cited of one farm of 28 acres which has produced 42,000 pounds of hops. At the present value the crop is worth \$12,000. Extra care was taken in cultivating, irrigating and spraying, but the cost was only 12 cents a pound. This farm yielded 1500 pounds to the acre. The average yield in Oregon the present season is placed at about 750 pounds, though had the season been more favorable, the average would have been 1000 pounds.

The Knights of Pythias ball in the Bryan-Lucas hall at Falls City last Friday night was a pleasant social affair. Music was furnished by the Independence orchestra, and a large crowd of dancers were present. A special motor was run from Independence, Monmouth and Dallas to accommodate the visitors from these towns.

8 Cents

Eight cents a pound is what a young woman paid for twelve pounds of flesh.

She was thin and weak and paid one dollar for a bottle of Scott's Emulsion, and by taking regular doses had gained twelve pounds in weight before the bottle was finished.

Eight cents a pound is cheap for such valuable material. Some pay more, some less, some get nothing for their money. You get your money's worth when you buy Scott's Emulsion.

We will send you a little free.

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50c. and \$1.00; all druggists.

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No money is as well spent, or buys as much happiness, as that which furnishes a comfortable home.

## GREAT FALL CLEARANCE SALE

It is our idea to sell all the patterns of furniture now on hand, that we may have an entirely new stock for the holiday trade. **Every price has been cut and cut deep;** in some instances even below cost price. This presents to you an unparalleled opportunity to furnish your home at very little cost.

We further extend to you the courtesy of installment or little-at-a-time payments, if you do not feel like paying cash.

That old bugaboo, "presidential year making dull times" has, so far as we are concerned, been killed off, for business this year has greatly exceeded all former years. But still we are not satisfied—we want more business.

Will not attempt to quote prices here, but watch our windows, or, better still, come in and talk over your wants and ideas. We take a number of trade papers and journals, and furthermore, we read and study them, and are prepared to offer you suggestions on anything pertaining to home furnishings.

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