

NEWS OF COUNTY TOLD IN BRIEFS

Items of Interest In Country Districts Interestingly Told

OBSERVER SPECIAL SERVICE

AIRLIE

Earnest Guinn of Dallas was a caller here Thursday.

Lige Caughy returned from a visit he made to Southern California, Thursday.

Z. A. French made a business call at Independence Friday.

It is reported the S. P. Company will build an engine house here in the near future, the evening train lays over here now at night and leaves at six o'clock in the morning.

Airline is on the boom.

The hotel is not large enough to meet the demands made on it now.

Our new depot is finished up to date, and is a fine addition to the town.

J. F. Ulrich has a fine lot of porkers ready for market.

Tom Brinkley of Independence visited at Homer Grunks a few days this week.

Shewy has sold his house and lot, and may depart for other fields, in the future.

E. M. Haley was called to Portland Friday. The serious illness of his mother was the cause.

A. R. Lewis was a business caller in Dallas Friday.

H. Brinkley has returned from a visit to the eastern part of the state. He thinks there is a bright future for that part of the country.

R. G. Dykstra principal of the Buena Vista School and some of his pupils visited our school and inspected the manual training and laboratory department.

Frank Ray of Pelee was a business caller here Saturday.

Mrs. Buris Rose and children of Dallas are visiting Mrs. W. J. Rose.

The Sigt boy who got his leg broke in the knee joint last week has returned home from the hospital.

The S. P. Co. has an extra crew improving their road bed, putting in new ties.

BRUSH COLLEGE

Mr. Scott Lake of Viroqua, Wisconsin is visiting friends and relatives in the neighborhood.

The scarlet fever scare is over and school began Monday with a full attendance. Only one case has been reported.

Mrs. D. S. Adams and Mrs. E. J. Lawson of Corvallis spent the latter part of the week with Mrs. C. W. Beckett.

Mr. Oliver who was hurt some time ago while repairing telephone lines is improving rapidly.

Mrs. Chaffler and baby returned home last week from an extended stay in Alberta.

Several of the Brush College stock holders in the Telephone Company attended the meeting in Salem last Saturday.

Miss Pauline NeSmith of Portland visited at the Beekwith home during the week.

The Brush College Dramatic Club will present the drama, "The Dust of the Earth" at the Wallace Fruit House, Saturday evening, February 7th for the benefit of the school.

CAST OF CHARACTERS

David Moore, of Maple Farm Cottage, Frank Wilson.

Susan Moore, his wife, Bertha Palmer Elizabeth, their daughter, Almeda J. Fuller.

Jerry, their son, Robert Cutler.

Rev. Dr. Templeton, a young divine.

Burl Oliver.

Miss Arabella, the village newspaper.

Myrtle Pelker.

John Ryder, the young master of the Maples.

Wandering Tom, a mystery, Fred Westermeyer.

Old Morse, his companion, Carl Beckett.

Nell, "The Dust of the Earth", Helen Cook.

Given under the direction of Mr. Fred Ewing.

FALLS CITY

J. L. Bell has sold his Falls City property, "the Bellmount Orchard", to Stephen Crocker of Texas. Mr. Crocker will make Falls City his home in the near future. Mr. Bell is undecided as to his future plans.

Bert Iverson and Leda Lewis were married last Sunday at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Lewis. They left for a short honeymoon trip to Portland.

M. L. Thompson was a business visitor in Portland the first of the week.

Mrs. C. F. Vick and son Alfred spent a few days in Salem last week.

Mrs. Emma Oglesby is employed in the Harrington Confectionery.

E. G. White went to Dallas Monday to make application for his final citizenship papers; the new laws make this necessary in order to be allowed the privilege of voting.

Paul Rusk and family of Black Rock have moved to the city and are making their home in the Jonah Lowe

house. Mr. Rusk will work with the S. P. bridge crew.

C. J. Bradley is taking Dana McPherrin's place at the Selig store.

Mrs. Edith Wambough has purchased the Geo. Hegler poultry ranch. Mr. Hegler has not decided where he will locate yet.

O. Aurland has been hired by the city to build new steps up the school house hill. He began work Tuesday morning.

Ralph Cook was accidentally shot in the foot last Sunday morning. He and a couple of other boys were camping in the woods and while chopping wood one of the boys struck the gun with the ax. Ralph was brought to town at once and Dr. Hellworth dressed the wound. The boy is getting along very nicely.

The city has granted permission to the Boy Scouts to build a log cabin in the city park for their headquarters. The boys are certainly alive and should be encouraged. A few days ago they gathered all of the rubbish from the streets and had some hand bills printed and handed around the town requesting all to help to keep the streets clean.

Mrs. C. W. Lee, who has been in the Salem hospital, returned to Falls City Sunday much improved in health. Chauncey Ferguson returned to Falls City from California, last week. Miss Pimm was a Dallas visitor, Saturday.

MONMOUTH

The mid-year commencement at the State Normal School began on Friday, when the class day program was given. This occupied the closing part of the last assembly. Following Pres. Ackerman's address came a brief talk by a representative of each of the other classes, and the seniors closing the program with the "Seniors' last Council." The various members of the class came in for a touch on some peculiarity of their furnishing an opportunity for some very clever jokes.

On Sunday Rev. Dr. Benjamin of Portland delivered the Baccalaureate sermon to the class using as his text, "Where There is No Vision, There is Death" and the point was clearly made that each one must have a vision. No vision said the doctor no progress, no progress, death and destruction; the opportunity for the teacher and the absolute need of the teacher having a vision was fully shown. The Dr. is a clean, forceful speaker and it is not too much to say that the sermon was truly "good to hear."

The exercises proper were held on Monday when the class of 33 received their standard diplomas certifying to their preparation and endorsing them as teachers for the elementary schools.

The charming young ladies with their well appointed dresses and wearing a small bouquet of violets made a picture that one will not soon forget. The member of the class represent various parts of Oregon and the Northwest and they take to their work a quiet determination and a mind well trained for this difficult work. Supt. Churchill gave a talk full of practical suggestions and helpfulness, speaking from long experience and a thorough knowledge, his plain, simple statements to the class were given the closest attention. Supt. Churchill has an easy way of putting a plain fact most convincingly. Pres. Ackerman presented the diplomas in a short, well timed speech, his remarks were interspersed with a touch of levity and his words of counsel and good cheer will long be remembered by the class. The music during the entire program was exceptionally good under the direction of Miss Hoham.

The June class, seeing the success of the February class, took fresh courage and took hold of their work with a determination to conquer their studies.

A. V. R. Snyder, sealer of weights and measures was in Monmouth last week and only found one or two scales not true in weights, and they were made right by the owners.

Ed. Huber of Carlton is visiting his brother, A. F. Huber this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Kirk Hoover and two sons of Philomath, were the guests of their uncle's family, C. P. Cornwell, last week.

Mrs. P. H. Bert of Portland, formerly of Monmouth was visiting her daughter, Mrs. George Carmichael over Sunday.

There was quite a delegation of the citizens of Airlie in town Monday, transacting telephone business. They held their annual meeting and elected officers. Among those present were W. Williams the Airlie giant, and Cland and Elsie Lewis, they reported every thing prosperous in their city.

Mr. A. Pender of Vancouver, formerly of Monmouth entered the Normal this week as a post graduate, and will finish in June.

There has been quite a number of new students entered at the Normal this week which will about make up for those that graduated.

Mrs. H. Black of Portland, a friend of Miss Lorane Johnson, who graduated, came up to attend the commencement exercises and be with her friend. She was the guest of D. M. Hamtzo family and A. F. Huber's family. She left for her home in the afternoon Monday.

Miss Lorane Johnson, one of the February class, 1914 has a school in Umatilla County, Oregon, and her work will begin immediately which shows the Normal teachers are in demand. There is several of the class that have positions already.

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PRACTICAL TALKS BY GOVERNMENT FARM EXPERTS

No. VI.—Advice to Millers. Humane Slaughtering. Poultry Accounting.



(Official News Summary of Up to Date Matters Compiled by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

THE farmer has long relied on the chemist in regard to human food, fertilizer and feeding his cattle. The miller, according to the bureau of chemistry, department of agriculture, has been behind other industries in putting the chemist to work.

The small miller can often attend to his machinery and, in addition, make baking and other tests, but in the larger mills, which manufacture a variety of products and prepare mixed feeds, there should be a division of labor, the miller and the chemist each doing his share of the work.

The moisture content of flour is a point too little considered, according to the department. If in buying and selling grain the moisture is taken into account, as it should be by sound business men, the moisture in flour and meal as well as in the byproducts should also be given suitable attention. The variation of a per cent of moisture in the flour of the big mills is equivalent in a year to thousands of barrels and thousands of dollars.

The moisture content will be one of great importance a year hence. It is contended by some of our leading millers that in judging as to shortage in weight the government should always take into account the moisture content. For example, if four percent moisture when shipped 13 1/2 per cent of moisture, which has been accepted as the standard, and if the sample shows but 11 per cent of moisture when examined an allowance of 2 1/2 per cent shortage in weight should be allowed. Experiments are now in progress as to the shrinkage in flour as caused by loss of moisture.

The amount of moisture in meal is even more important than in flour, because moisture is not only commercially valueless and influences shrinkage, but also because it is an important factor in causing spoilage. It is therefore specially desirable that the chemist aid the miller in drying to the proper degree.

Poultry Accounting.

The department of agriculture has issued a system of poultry accounting which, it is expected, will assist the poultry owner to determine the status of his flock at the end of each year. One of the greatest needs of most poultry keepers is a definite record of expenditures and receipts.

A system formulated by the department consists of a monthly and yearly summary, inventory, balance sheets and yearly record. On the monthly sheet is placed the number of chickens and eggs for each month in the year. All eggs and chickens used at home should be credited to the flock at regular market value, and eggs used for hatching at home should be both credited and debited against the flock at the same price. The labor of the owner should be estimated and charged against the flock each month if desired. The balance at the end of the year will then show the net profit of the flock. The yearly summary sheet consists of the summary of the monthly totals of expenditures and receipts for the year. The inventory sheet should be used at the beginning of each year, and a complete inventory should be taken of the equipment, stock, feed, etc. Each piece of equipment should be listed at its actual value. In the case of buildings which are substantially constructed a 5 per cent deterioration should be sufficient to allow for the passage of a year's time.

The balance sheet shows the actual status of the flock for the year. It will be found desirable to keep a simple egg record for the year in connection with the account, as it will enable the poultry keeper to check up the number of eggs used at home and thus be sure to credit the flock with them.

Poultry and Egg Cans.

What is regarded as the largest poultry and egg handling extension work ever carried on in this country is now being conducted by the department of agriculture in co-operation with the University of Missouri and the Missouri state poultry board. The government and state are operating two demonstration cars throughout the state.

The work is planned to assist farmers and poultry dealers to obtain a better knowledge of the business, to increase their profits, to increase the supply of poultry and eggs for use as food for the public and to prevent the large waste now existing due to faulty methods of handling.

The Missouri car contains live specimens of the best breeds of poultry adapted to general farm conditions, models of poultry houses, incubating and brooding devices and other appliances used for the raising of poultry. The other car is an especially equipped refrigerator car containing a cooling, candling and chilling room. It is the only one in existence.

Proper Slaughtering.
While the federal meat inspection law, administered by the United States department of agriculture, does not have authority to prescribe particular methods of slaughter, the government co-operates with those working to prevent abuses. The three general methods of slaughter used among civilized people are: bleeding preceded by stunning, bleeding preceded by pithing and bleeding without stunning or pithing.

Stunning produces concussion of the brain and the immediate destruction of consciousness. Stunning previous to bleeding meets the demands of humanitarian sentiment and of hygienic requirements, according to animal industry authorities of the department.

Pithing is performed by a knife thrust through the space between the base of the skull and the first vertebra into the medulla. The pithed animal falls instantly under a complete muscular paralysis, but neither consciousness nor sensibility is immediately destroyed. The paralysis of the vital centers interferes with effective bleeding and does not satisfy either humanitarian or hygienic requirements, and its use should not be encouraged.

The shipping of young calves long distances without the mothers is a cruelty, and the enactment of a law to remedy this abuse has many advocates, among whom are officials of the department. Federal regulations require that animals going through the dipping process be handled as carefully as possible and that cattle be freely watered before they are dipped. During the last fiscal year inspectors of the department supervised the dipping of more than 12,400,000 sheep and cat-



SLAUGHTERED HOGS.

tle, and the requirements as to humane handling were met.

There still occurs frequently at different public stockyards the cruelty of depriving cattle of water. Those arriving too late for the market of the day are not watered until the following morning in order that they may gain weight. While weight is gained, the deception is recognized instantly by buyers. The practice is a deliberate cruelty and should be suppressed.

Changes Affecting Hog Cholera.

By order of the secretary of agriculture the federal meat inspection regulations are amended to provide that when any hogs of a lot offered for slaughter show signs of cholera there shall be made a temperature test of the suspected animals in the lot to determine their true condition. One of the first proofs of cholera is the presence of high fever, and the test for its detection has been frequently employed by the government inspectors at various packing centers. The new order is an official recognition of the value of the test and makes its employment general and compulsory where federal meat inspection is conducted. Under the new order when a hog is suspected of cholera and is found to have a fever of 106 degrees F. or higher the carcass of such animal shall be condemned even though the disease does not show in the organs or in the dressed carcass.

The temperature test, however, is but one determining factor, and the order provides that the carcasses of hogs which plainly showed the disease when alive and also those which show the disease plainly on postmortem inspection shall be condemned. Only those which do not show symptoms of the disease when alive and are without signs of the disease in the dressed carcasses may be passed, while those regarding which there is doubt or which are affected in a slight and limited degree may be passed for hard, provided the lard is rendered at a temperature of not less than 220 degrees F. for a period of four hours.

Waste in Vegetables.

According to canning experts of the department of agriculture, about 50 per cent of all the vegetables that are produced every year go to waste and are actually lost for human value because the average home has not learned how efficiently to care for the surplus product.

The Word Improve.

Improve at first meant to rebuke, to condemn or disapprove. In the French it means precisely the opposite of the English word. Milton uses it in the same sense. Only in the course of ages did it take on the present signification of bettering.

Unsociable.

Gabe-Smith is an unsociable cuss, isn't he? Steve—Should say so. Why, that guy wouldn't even talk in his sleep.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Current Comment.

A dispatch from Paris says it will cost \$40,000,000 to restore order in Morocco. When was there any order in Morocco?—St. Louis Republic.

Glenn Curtiss promises flying motorcycles. If they make as much noise as those that travel on the ground the higher they fly the better.—Philadelphia Ledger.

A New York theater announces "a clean play for clean people." Why not try that kind of a play on the other kind of people and see if it wouldn't help some?—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

DIRECTORY

FIRE NOTICE

The general alarm is rung from the office of the Telephone Company. Every telephone in this city is a Fire Alarm Box. In case of fire, call Central Operator in the ordinary manner, giving her your name and telephone number. Then the nearest cross street location to the fire.

(For example thus)

(This is John Doe, Telephone No. 241) (There is a fire at Main and Court) If the public will carefully observe this notice, it will greatly facilitate matters and give the firemen an opportunity to pick the best route, and locate the nearest hydrant to the fire. AUG. F. RISER, Chief Dallas Fire Department.

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SCHOOL EXAMINATIONS

Third Wednesdays of June and December of each year.

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DALLAS POSTOFFICE

C. COAD, Postmaster.
Departure of Mails from Dallas Post-office, daily, except Sunday.
PORTLAND—7:55; 10:20 a. m.; 2:10 p. m.
SALEM—7:55; 10:15 a. m.; 4:25 p. m.
PORTLAND—CORVALLIS—INDEPENDENCE—No. 1 (south) 10:20 a. m.
BLACK ROCK—11 a. m.
FALLS CITY—8:45 a. m.; 2:50 p. m.
MONMOUTH—AIRLIE—11:7 a. m.
PORTLAND—CORVALLIS—INDEPENDENCE—No. 75 (south) 6:40 p. m.
BUELL—1 p. m.

SUNDAY

PORTLAND—3 p. m.
SALEM—3 p. m.
PORTLAND—CORVALLIS—INDEPENDENCE—No. 1 (south) 10:20 a. m.
MONMOUTH—AIRLIE—11:7 a. m.
Pouches close twenty minutes before train time.

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Courier and Post.

Louis XIV., having shown Bollean some verses of his own composition, demanded his candid opinion about them.

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