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REGULAR PORTLAND LETTER

Dairymen Hold Big Annual Convention

\$65 & \$35 PRIZES FOR DAIRY PRODUCTS

Biggest Salmon Hatchery in World Operating in Oregon

Portland, Or., Nov. 15—Oregon dairymen will meet in Portland December 9 and 10 and plans already under way for the gathering indicate it will be one of the most interesting conventions in the history of the association. There will be a large attendance of dairymen from both Washington and Oregon and a fine lot of exhibits of dairy products.

One prominent creamery will exhibit over 50 kinds of cheese gathered from all over the world. This showing is bound to be of great interest.

T. B. Wilcox, president of the Portland Flouring Mills, has offered prizes of \$65 and \$35 for the best exhibits of dairy products at the convention and competition for the prizes will be keen.

The programme as now planned is an excellent one. Among the most prominent speakers will be Mr. Rawl, of Washington, D. C., chief of the dairy division of the Department of Agriculture, who will be in attendance. Others of note will speak.

The convention will be held in the W. O. W. hall on Eleventh street, near Alder. Attendance promises to be unusually large because of the fact that the Oregon State Horticultural Society holds its annual meeting just before the dairymen's convention and many will attend both gatherings.

Manchurian larks, entirely new songbirds for this country, will be liberated in Oregon next Spring, being the first of this species ever brought to America. Mrs. Fred D. Fisher, wife of the American consul at Niu-Chwang, Manchuria, who returned to America last week with her husband, brought back 15 of the birds. She will keep them through the Winter and liberate them in the Spring. The imported songsters are rated as among the best song birds in the world. They are about the size of the native lark but are the color of the wren. The Chinese keep them in cages in their homes.

The State Threshermen's Association has its annual convention in prospect on December 2 and 3 at The Dalles. There is a prize offer of \$200 for the best bushel of wheat grown in the state, offered by Phillip S. Bates, secretary of the association. Judges in this contest have been named as follows, Prof. H. D. Scudder, agronomist at the Oregon Agricultural College, and J. W. Ganong, vice-president of the Portland Flouring Mills. Addresses of note are on the programme. Prof. Phil S. Rose, Madison, Wisc., will lecture on

the use of gasoline power on the farm, and Byron Hunter, of the Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., will speak on the selection of seed wheat and the organization of seed growers association. The government good roads work will be represented and other speakers will tell of the threshing industry in this state. The business men of The Dalles will give the threshermen a banquet at The Dalles hotel.

The Bonneville Salmon hatchery, the biggest in the world, which will be the central fish hatchery for this state, was opened yesterday with appropriate exercises. Governor Benson, State Treasurer Steel, Fish Warden McAllister, of Oregon, and Fish Commissioner Riesland, of Washington, together with a number of prominent cannerymen of both states, attended. The new hatchery is a model plant, and has a capacity of 60,000,000 eggs, there being now about 20,000,000 on hand. Nursery and feeding ponds are provided for 3,000,000 young fish.

Atheletic Association

The first Basket Ball games of the season were played Saturday evening. The girls of the High School played the first game and the High School boys vs the Town boys, the second game.

The line up:—
Junior girls — vs — Freshmen and Sophomore girls
Agnes Clark Center Loraine Johnson
Mignon Burt Forward Mildred Force
Olea Shore Forward Doris Herren
Bessie Graham Guard Loette Shore
Hazel Work Guard Lottie Fream
Score 5 — 5

Although the girls have not had much coaching this year, yet they played a fairly good game, and the association hopes to be able to get a High School team, which can play other high school teams in the State.

Line up:—
Town High School
Jess Zook Center Ervin Springer
Eddie Huber Forward Lloyd Waller
Cletus Butler Forward Ray Chute
Darrell Stump Guard Lloyd Springer
Chance Mulkey Guard Fred Smith
Score 34 — 2

This was only a practice game between the Town and High School boys. This score shows what our High School boys can do in the future.

Basket Ball Again

The basket ball team of the Monmouth High School and the Dallas College Juniors will meet in the Gymnasium at this place, Saturday evening, Nov. 20, at 8:30 in a contest to see which are the better players.

This will be something to break the usual order of things and will afford an hour's pleasant amusement, so turn out and encourage the boys.

Admission 25 and 15 cents.

Miss Opal, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Boothby, left for Astoria last Friday, where she became the bride of Mr. Raymond E. Derby on Nov. 14, being accompanied as far as Independence by her mother. At the station here she received a liberal sprinkling of rice by her friends who gathered to see her off.

NEWS FROM COUNTY SEAT

Court House Notes.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

M. R. Black and Hattie Mix.
Ward H. Evans and Lydia R. Muscott; Maurice E. Townsend and Lena Warren.

PROBATE

Guardianship of Gladys E. Martin, a minor—report of sale of real estate approved; guardian ordered to execute deed.

Estate of J. M. Dennis, deceased—will admitted to probate J. V. Dennis appointed executor; bond fixed at \$1000; S. H. Tethrow, Charles Ritchie and B. F. Boughey appointed appraisers.

Estate of Merle Singleton, deceased—estate admitted to probate; I. G. Singleton appointed administrator; S. H. Tethrow, Charles Ritchie and Ed. Rich appointed appraisers.

Estate of Maggie Miller, deceased—final account allowed and discharge entered.

REAL ESTATE

Philip H. Johnson et ux to Grove A. Peterson, lots in Monmouth, \$1300.

George F. Brice et ux to W. Y. Masters, one-half int. 120 acres, t 9 s, r 6 w, \$10.

F. J. Coad, trustee to W. L. Soehren, lots in Klose Illihee, \$1.

W. I. and Delia Morrison to Jesse E. Emerson, 80 acres, t 8 s, r 5 w, \$2100.

Myrtle Govro to W. A. Govro, lots in Independence, \$125.

Margery S. Bentley to S. L. and Grace Stewart, 8 acres, t 6 s, r 4 w, \$500.

Mina Bond to Nellie and Nancy Williamson, lots in West Salem, \$1.

Eliza J. Estes and hd to Hattie M. Coquette, 1 1-2 acres t 8 s, r 6 w, \$750.

J. C. Talbott et ux to W. J. Southwell, part lot in Falls City, \$10.

Julius Essig to Sophia Essig, lots in Dallas, \$1.

R. M. and W. B. Ewing to Alice C. Clarke, 110.18 acres t 7 s, r 5 w, \$10.

R. E. Prather et ux to John R. Loy, 4.37 acres t 10 s, r 4 w, \$100.

H. G. Campbell et ux to M. C. Hubbard, 20 acres t 8 s, r 6 w, \$100.

James Simonton to R. P. Boise, 20 acres, t 7 s, r 6 w, \$200.

Clarence Whitman to George Accuntius, 225 acres, t 6 s, r 6 w, \$10,000.

N. L. Butler et ux to Fred Werth, 639.71 acres, t 6 s, r 7 w, \$500.

Margaret M. Devine to James D. Hubbard, 39.15 acres, t 8 s, r 6 w, \$1400.

George M. Harris et ux to John Young, 27.10 acres, t 7 s, r 4 w, \$3500.

Moses Manston et al to Willamette Valley Lumber Co., 1.93 acres in Dallas, \$1.

Elnora J. Franklin and hd to C. F. French, lots in Falls City, \$550.

Willamette Valley Lumber Co., to W. H. F. Manston, land in Dallas, \$1.

W. P. McBee and Morris Hughes to Roger Mahoney, 23 acres, t 8 s, r 5 w, \$1800.

Dallas City Marshal to H. G.

Campbell, lots in Dallas, \$52.64.
C. F. Smith to George G. Smith et ux, lots in Independence, \$300.

G. A. Brock to Anna Brock, 88 acres, t 7 s, r 5 w, \$1.

Oregon Agricultural College Press Bulletin

PEPPERMINT IN OREGON

by
C. E. Bradley, Chemist, Oregon Experiment Station.

In May, 1908, the Michigan Experiment Station shipped, at the request of the Chemical Department of the Oregon Station, a quantity of well bred peppermint roots for trial on the Oregon beaverdam lands. The roots were planted by Mr. S. K. Inkley of Banks, Washington County, on a typical beaverdam soil where the plants made an excellent growth during the past season. A quantity of this peppermint has just been tested by us and a yield of .43 of oil found on the green plant. This is a good average yield and, taken in consideration with the excellent growth of the plant, indicates that the culture of peppermint would be successful on the Oregon beaverdam soil.

Three kinds of peppermint are grown in the United States, Black Mint (*Mentha piperita vulgaris*), American Mint (*Mentha piperita*), and White Mint (*Mentha piperita officinalis*). The Black Mint is hardiest, yields more oil and is used very largely by peppermint growers. White Mint yields a high grade, much prized oil.

Japan is said to have first cultivated the peppermint plant for the oil and the records show it was grown in this country before the Christian era. The plant was also early cultivated in England and a fine grade of oil, the "Mitcham" oil, is still produced there. In 1816 peppermint was first grown in America on a large scale in Wayne County, New York, which is still a producing district. Later the plant was introduced into Michigan and Indiana, the former state being at present the largest producer of the oil in this country.

In 1908 the principal areas of mint in cultivation in the United States were as follows: Wayne County, N. Y., 121 acres, Michigan, 1016 acres and Indiana, 204 acres.

In practice the plants are cut and while green or partly dried are packed into wooden stills and subjected to live steam. The oil, like all essential oils, is carried over with the steam and after passing through cooling pipes collects on top of the condensed steam. A good average yield is about 35 pounds of oil per acre though as high as 50 - 60 pounds are sometimes obtained.

It is estimated that it costs from \$10 to \$20 an acre to cultivate the mint and from 25 to 35 cents per pound is the price paid for distilling the oil at the central distilling plants which are established in the peppermint districts. The price realized on the oil has varied from 80 cents to \$5 per pound, with an average price of probably \$2 per pound.

During the past few years there

15 AND 16 COWS VERSUS 13

The Scrub Cows as Money Makers

THE ORETOWN DAIRYMEN HEARD FROM

Old Tillamook County Grass Fed Common Scrub Cow's

High Test

Oretown, Ore., Nov. 10, '09

EDITOR HERALD:

I see in your issue of Nov. 5th, that John Palmer received a check for \$168.17 for the cream from 13 cows during the month of October, but did not state how much feed he fed them.

You can hear of Polk county dairymen getting big money from a small bunch of cows but they never state how much the feed costs them. Of course most of them raise their own feed, but they could sell that feed for a good price this time of the year.

I have 15 cows and 10 of them are coming three years; my check for the month of October was \$146.35, and I never fed them a mouth-ful of feed, and they are nothing but scrub cows.

There is a man living near me, who milks 16 scrub cows, and his check was \$190.10, and they had nothing to eat but grass.

My cows are testing 5.20 now, and some are testing as high as 7.10 on nothing but grass. I do not suppose the dairymen of Polk county will believe this, but I can show them the figures in black and white.

Yours Truly,

C. A. KURRE.

Oretown, Tillamook Co., Ore.

has been an over-production of the oil, and the small growers have had to sell at a very low figure. Like various farm products, there is considerable fluctuation in price and no surety of getting good returns from every crop. It is evident however, from this experiment that a large area of swamp land in our State is especially adapted to the growth of peppermint and with a reasonable price for the product good returns could be obtained from what is, in many cases, waste land.

Corvallis, Ore. Nov. 1, 1909.

Fire Scare

The sounding of the fire alarm Tuesday, shortly afternoon sent Monmouth citizens scurrying to see what the trouble was; the Herald force being among the number. Upon emerging from the office black smoke was seen to be rolling up from the roof of J. E. Winegar & Co's hardware store, but by the time we reached the scene the fire was all over.

Winegar and Co. was painting their roof and had taken up a gasoline stove to heat the paint. The stove was installed in a dry goods box and the paint boiled over and caught on fire. One of the firm managed to pitch the box from the roof and the fire was soon put out.

The loss of the stove and about a gallon of roof paint was the sum of the damage.