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Oregon Makes Livestock Record During 1913

MARKETING FARM CROPS BY PARCEL POST

O. W. R. & N. Co. To Help Farmers And Also Planning For Boys' Corn Clubs

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 20.—According to the annual report of the Portland Union Stockyards Company, Oregon marketed more livestock during the past twelve months than during any other similar period in the state's history. Not only was 1913 a record-breaking year in the production and marketing of livestock, but Oregon farmers received the best prices ever paid in the West for all classes of meat animals, the prices for hogs, especially, being higher than in any other market in the United States. From shipments originating wholly in Oregon, the company received 40,329 cattle, 3,069 calves, 217,634 sheep and 94,319 hogs, the latter of an average weight of 218 pounds.

The present year is also starting out with a most encouraging movement of stock, the local yards having received in one day, January 12, a total of 99 carloads of meat animals of all kinds, of which 53 carloads originated in this state. With Oregon farmers increasing their holdings of stock while paying careful attention to the production of animals of better quality, there is every reason to believe that 1914 will equal, or surpass, the record of last year.

Farmers of Oregon who determine to make corn one of their crops next year will be furnished free seed by the O. W. R. & N. Co. on condition that they plant, cultivate and harvest the corn in the manner prescribed by the company's crop experts. Since the corn shown of last Fall many inquiries regarding seed have been received, and, as far as it will reach, the corn exhibited will be distributed among interested farmers. The company is also planning to organize boys' corn clubs throughout its territory and will offer prizes to the lads raising the best field corn in the largest quantities per acre. The company will require each farmer receiving free seed to agree to dispose of none of his crop except for seed and if he has more than enough for his own and his neighbors' use, the company will buy it from him at 10 per cent above current market prices.

Under the co-operation of the Agricultural College and the Southern Pacific railroad, it is planned to run a dairy and hog special train through the Willamette Valley, probably starting about February 1. The plan contemplates making a special campaign on dairying, silos and hog raising. The train will not only carry the most modern dairy equipment, but it will also carry a number of cows of the different breeds, also 15 or 20 hogs representing both desirable and undesirable specimens, treated

from the standpoint of the marketable animal. Short stops will be made at important points and lectures given by experts from the college.

Marketing farm crops by parcel post is to be given a rather severe trial in Wallowa County where two carloads of timothy seed is ready for delivery. It is said the seed can be moved by mail at a considerable saving in transportation expense.

The Oregon Agricultural College has enrolled 1,646 students for this year's work, an increase of 20 per cent over the number entered a year ago. The students represent not only Oregon, but 30 other states of the Union and 8 foreign countries. Many of the students come from states which maintain agricultural colleges of their own.

Dairy Demonstration Train

Under the auspices of the Experiment Department of the Oregon Agricultural College, and with the co-operation of the Southern Pacific Company, a special dairy demonstration train will be run over the latter's lines through the Willamette Valley and Southern Oregon in February. The object of the special will be to increase the interest in dairying everywhere and to revive it in those localities where it has been slack in the last year or so.

The operation of these trains is a factor of great importance to the dairyman and farmer. The object lesson, the lecturer, the personal interview, the answering of questions—all of these methods are used on the train and each has its part and place in the effort toward improving the producing capacity of Oregon farms.

The agricultural college decided upon the dairy special late in December and was assured of the railroad's support and co-operation by General Freight Agent H. A. Hinshaw and General Passenger Agent J. M. Scott. The company will furnish free the stock cars to accommodate the hogs and cows; a flat car for demonstration purposes; baggage car for exhibits and display; day coach for accommodation of the public at the lectures and Pullman sleepers for the party accompanying the train. The trip will last about ten days.

Basket Ball

The Newberg High School basketball team will be here Saturday evening to play the Normal team. Newberg had a fast team last year but the Normal boys are getting in good practice and expect to win the game.

The Normal team has arranged for a series of twelve games, six of which will be played on the home court, and this is the first of the series and should be a good game.

The Monmouth High School will go to Independence Friday night to play the second team of the high school there.

This is the third game between these two teams, each team having won one game, and as each team expects to win, the game should be a good one.

STATE NORMAL SCHOOL NOTES

Program for Commencement Week Given Below

LITERARY SOCIETIES MEET TONIGHT

Miss West, Miss Kennon and Miss Arbuthnot Entertain February Senior Girls

On January 10, Miss West, Miss Kennon and Miss Arbuthnot were hostesses at a tea given in honor of the February Senior girls. Some thirty guests responded to the invitation to bring their sewing and spend the afternoon. While the guests sewed, Miss Arbuthnot read a charming little story, "Everybody's Lonesome," which was the center of interest for everyone. Just at the twilight tea was served in front of the open fire. Other guests besides the Senior girls were Mrs. J. H. Ackerman, Miss Helen Holbrook, of Portland, and Miss MacManima.

On Friday evening of this week the three literary societies are giving another joint program which promises to be of unusual interest.

On Friday morning the Oregon Normal School was especially honored in having as its guest the Honorable Milton A. Miller, Collector of Customs, of Portland, Oregon. Mr. Miller was also for some years a member of the state Senate. In his interesting address on "Legislation" a subject with which he was particularly fitted to deal, he advocated that fewer laws be introduced into our legislative assemblies and that more time be given to the consideration of measures introduced. Mr. Miller showed himself thoroughly conversant not only with Oregon political life but also with the conditions in other states. The address was intensely interesting to the students who felt as if they had had a glimpse into the larger world about them.

Following Mr. Miller, Professor A. R. Sweetser, of the University of Oregon spoke for a few minutes in which he expressed his enthusiasm concerning the spirit of the student body and his earnest wish to come again.

On last Friday evening Colonel E. Hofer delivered a most instructive lecture on the subject of "Education and Industries" before a large audience composed of the faculty, students, and citizens of Monmouth. Col. Hofer showed clearly what could be done by small communities which were willing to use all of the facilities at their command in building up home industries.

He also demonstrated conclusively some of the reasons why the cost of living is so high. He presented in clear outline the work that could be taken up by transportation companies and citizens in general. His handling of the subject of bread was greatly appreciated, especially by those who are taking the domestic science work. Col. Hofer spent Friday in the Normal and thoroughly inspected all its departments, and his visit was

most helpful in every way. The music furnished by the orchestra and glee club under the direction of Miss Hoham was greatly appreciated.

At noon Friday the guests of the day, Colonel Hofer and Mr. Milton A. Miller, were guests at a luncheon served in the Domestic Science Department of the Oregon Normal School. Gathered about the charmingly decorated table were the members of the faculty, the honor guests, and Mr. Powell, of Monmouth. An excellent luncheon was served by a group of Senior girls who had been responsible also for its preparation. The guests were lavish in their expressions of appreciation for the kind hospitality of the students and faculty.

Miss Cornelia Marvin, a member of the Board of Regents, together with Miss Margaret Cosper, principal of the Garfield School in Salem, and Miss Allen, head of the book department of the J. K. Gill Company, spent Sunday as the guests of Miss Todd at dinner and at the close of the dinner Miss Marvin gave a most helpful talk to the girls of the dormitory. Miss Marvin inspected all departments of the dormitory, and also the several rooms in the Normal building. She was particularly interested in the actual workings of the dormitory and the home atmosphere which prevails there, and especially in the furnishings as the furniture and equipment was practically selected by her. Every one was delighted at having her and Miss Cosper and Miss Allen here and we hope they may find it convenient to visit us again in the near future.

The program for commencement week is as follows: January 20, at ten A. M. the President's breakfast to the Senior class; January 28, final examinations begin; January 30, ten A. M. last chapel and class day exercises; January 31 at two P. M. the faculty reception to the alumni and Senior class, and at eight P. M. the program given in the gymnasium by the Physical Education Department under the direction of Miss Taylor. February 1, eight P. M. baccalaureate services, and the sermon will be preached by Rev. Benjamin Young, of Portland. February 2 at ten-thirty A. M. commencement exercises; the address to the class will be given by Supt. J. A. Churchill, and charge to the class by Pres. Ackerman. February 4 second semester begins. The public is cordially invited to be present at any or all of the numbers of the program.

Miss Parrott made a visit to Portland Saturday to hear Mantel in his rendition of Shakespearean plays, and reports a very pleasant and profitable trip.

Miss West, Miss Butler and Miss Kennon went to Salem last Friday evening to hear the third number of the lyceum course there, Madame Treville, and also report a most pleasant evening.

Miss Butler and the Domestic Science class gave a delightful dinner last Tuesday evening in the Domestic Science rooms.

DESERVING PEOPLE NEEDS AID

A Chance For Farmers To Secure Help

WOMEN ARE SEEKING EMPLOYMENT

Confer With Secretary of Local Commercial Club or Write to Portland Organization

All of the unemployed in Portland this Winter are not I. W. W.'s or idlers; there is among them a sprinkling of men who are really willing to work. Some of them have had experience on farms and would make competent farm hands. They are anxious to get out into the country, and if they knew where to go would be glad to make the trip. Farmers desiring farm help are requested to communicate with their local commercial clubs or the commercial club at Portland. The latter organization is in touch with the Y. M. C. A. and other clean employment bureaus and will refer only such men as appear to be honest, capable and deserving. There are some married couples who would like a chance to work on farms, also women who would make good domestic servants. Persons desiring help can confer with the secretary of the Monmouth Commercial Club who will take the matter up with the Commercial Club at Portland.

Covers were laid for thirty. The guests were President and Mrs. Ackerman and the February Senior class. The tables were beautifully decorated in white carnations and violets, and the entire color scheme was purple and white, the class colors. After dinner the party was entertained with many amusing stories, among those deserving mention as story-tellers were President Ackerman, Miss Butler and Mrs. Hinds.

HOME AGAIN

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Howell arrived home yesterday, noon, from their trip through California and east to Omaha, well satisfied with their visit and pleased to get home again.

Mr. Howell remarked that they did not run into the rain until they got back to Oregon and that if it didn't stop he was likely to go back to Missouri again. However, he was not quite sure of Missouri weather as he had to bundle up his ears somewhat while there, and that didn't exactly suit him as it was detrimental to his dignity. Altogether he thinks Oregon a pretty good place.

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