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Local and Personal

Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Catbreath were Monmouth visitors Monday.

C. D. Tyler, John Riddell and J. C. Clark were Dallas visitors Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Hewitt visited their son, Guy, and family on the Luckiamute last Saturday returning home on Tuesday evening.

The Simpson logging camp on the Big Luckiamute closed down last Saturday for the winter.

Lloyd B. Waller quit his position at Corvallis and returned to Monmouth. He gave Pendleton a visit returning here Tuesday.

The saloon keepers of Dallas have enjoined the county officials from enforcing the local option law in Dallas, which voted to be dry in the election just past. The claim is made that the election was irregular and illegal.

Dr. Bowersox and Charles Smith have gone to the Alsea country to fish. Rumor says that the time of their return depends on their success as they are after fish and will not come back till they have caught sufficient to cool their ardor.

William Cusick, a gentleman from Illinois, purchased a lot a short time ago from Archie Parker on Broad street, south of Clay street, and has begun the erection of a house on it. He purposes to build the kitchen part this fall and has the frame up now.

The brewers are reported as making preparation to move out of Washington and Oregon and it looks as if California will catch them. They are like the wild geese. They have seen the storm brewing in the North and will migrate Southward. There have been no arrangements made for their return.

Foot and Mouth Disease and Methods of Spread

O. A. C., CORVALLIS, ORE., Nov. 16.—Foot and mouth disease is one of the most contagious of all the diseases from which animals suffer, says Dr. Simms, veterinarian at the Agricultural College. Cattle, sheep, goats, and hogs are attacked most frequently, but horses, cats, dogs, and humans have been known to develop this trouble. Some investigators have claimed that the fowl is susceptible.

The cause of this disease is not definitely known. Experiments have proven that a porcelain filter which will remove all bacteria from a liquid will allow this germ to pass through. For this reason it is called a filtrable virus.

Practically all of the excretions of an animal affected with foot and mouth disease are infectious. The milk, the saliva, the feces, and the fluid in the blisters contain the virus. The sick animals may contaminate everything with which they come in contact. The virus may be transmitted to other animals by direct contact or indirectly. Cases have been known in which the disease was spread through hay carried from an infected farm, through wool or hides of infected animals, and by people who carried the virus on their shoes or clothing. Hence the quarantine must be very strict to control outbreaks.

From three to six days usually pass between the time of exposure and the appearance of the first symptoms. At the beginning there is fever and loss of appetite. This is usually followed in less than twenty-four hours by the appearance of blisters or vesicles. As soon as the blisters form the temperature drops back to just about normal.

In cattle the mouth is nearly

always affected. The animals either eat very slowly or refuse food. The mouth is kept closed and the lips stick together. This causes a smacking sound when the mouth is opened. The blisters form on the inner surface of the cheeks. They vary in size from that of a pea to as large as an egg. After one to three days they rupture and then healing follows rather slowly.

In sheep the mouth is quite frequently not affected and in hogs the mouth is usually free from disease.

Hogs nearly always, and cattle and sheep very frequently develop similar vesicles or blisters on the feet. The most prominent symptom is the lameness which appears as soon as the vesicles begin to form. The animals may lie down the greater part of the time. The blisters are most frequently between the toes and at the base of the dew-claws.

Other parts of the body which may be affected are the udder, the skin around the base of the horns, the muzzle in cattle and sheep and the snout in pigs.

Most cases result in recovery in from two to three weeks from the appearance of the first symptom.

The disease is a very serious one, not on account of its high mortality, but because it is very infectious and by attacking so many animals it causes a very considerable loss in milk, in beef and in pork.

Any suspected cases should be separated from all other animals as soon as the first symptoms appear and either the state veterinarian or the county veterinarian should be notified at once.

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