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CHAIN FARMING PLAN

We have witnessed the growth of chain stores, chain newspapers, chain theatres and various forms of allied enterprises popularly known as trusts. Now we may see an interesting experiment in chain farming.

J. C. Penney, whose success as a chain store operator is well known, has evolved a plan which he proposes to apply to a tract of 120,000 acres of farm land in Florida. The plan is to subdivide this tract into 20-acre farms, each with a comfortable farm house and improvements costing \$25,000, to be sold to purchasers making an initial payment of \$500. It is intended that future payments shall be made from earnings of the farmer.

Provision is also made for return of the farmer's initial investment in the event that he shall be dissatisfied. Some rather stringent requirements are to be laid down by the Penney corporation, however, among which it is stipulated that the settler shall not use liquor or tobacco, and preference is also to be given to church members.

The experiment will be interesting to watch, regardless of how it turns out.

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FIVE COWS ON A FARM

Much has been said and written concerning the advisability of keeping a few good cows on every farm. General statements advising such a course are more or less effective, but a more definite illustration set forth by a country banker is even more convincing.

He declared that if each farmer in his county had five good cows, and sold the milk or cream which they produced, the cash returns would do these things in a year:

- Pay the farmer's state and county taxes.
- Pay his automobile license and buy two new tires.
- Provide a \$40 kitchen cabinet, a \$50 sewing machine and a \$40 suite of furniture for the farm home, and school books for the children.
- Clothe a farm family of five persons.
- Buy \$50 worth of paint for the farm buildings.

Besides doing all these, the fertilizer produced would increase the soil fertility of the farm, and the farmer in addition would have all his calves for sale or for keeping to augment his herd.

Bankers are generally glad to encourage farmers in their efforts to establish a dairy herd, and many of them can easily arrange to borrow money for this purpose, if necessary.

Many of the merchants of farm communities no doubt would be glad to co-operate with the farmers in the sale of their product by refusing to carry in stock any butter substitutes. Cheap substitutes for cooking may prove a great convenience to some families, but the prosperity of the community probably would not be reduced if such sale was prohibited or discontinued by mutual agreement.

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POSSIBLY A COMPROMISE

While Oregon City and Molalla are "scrapping" over the possibility of a "round-up" in both cities around July Fourth, the News, as a compromise proposition, suggests that one or the other community appropriate the Labor Day date; instead of "bucking" each other inject a little co-operation.

Molalla has staged the "buckaroo" on the Fourth for several years, and, in fairness to that city, it appears that its rights should be considered. However, if either of the towns would hold their show Saturday, Sunday and Labor Day we believe that it would prove to be profitable, in fact more profitable than on the Fourth without nearby competition, with favorable weather conditions.

Personally, we are not interested in this sort of entertainment. However, we regret to see two communities in a mix-up that is not going to do either any good, and in the interests of harmony would be glad to know that an agreement of some kind had been reached in regard to the proposed round-ups, buckaroos, or whatever they are called.

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President Coolidge has signed the bill authorizing the construction of 15 battleships, which bill also appropriates \$50,000,000 for the purpose. This is a part of a preparedness program that will eventually amount to almost \$275,000,000. This is cheap insurance for a nation as wealthy as the U. S. A. Men who actually know what war really means, do not intend to ever let another conflict find us totally unprepared as the last one did.

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Senator Edward F. Bailey of Junction City has introduced a bill in the state legislature which provides "that weeds shall not grow to a height in excess of 12 inches." This part of the bill is a mighty fine thing for the farmers if the legislature can compel the weeds to obey the law.

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Some minds are so open that they appear unable to hold anything.

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Women tailors have designed a fashionable "sevenths coat." To be worn, we presume, with the one-eighth skirt.

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At last, we again are enjoying typical Oregon weather. Twenty years from now we'll still be hearing about the unusual cold spell of 1929.

THE LEGIONNAIRE

A Little Truth and a Little Hokum

Once every year a day is set apart to celebrate George Washington's birthday, and for some reason or other, this is the day. You know, George is the fellow that chopped down the cherry tree and didn't get licked for it, either. Must not have been a very valuable tree. It is just possible that old man Washington was going to cut it, anyway. If he had licked George for cutting it we never would have heard about the tree, and would never have had to play with fake little paper hatchets at parties and pretend that we were pleased with them and enjoying ourselves.

George was a good soldier. He licked the British army single handed. The British, to a certain extent, observe February 22 in honor of Washington. Perhaps they're afraid not to. Afraid he might come back and lick them again. Washington saved the British army once, after it had been defeated by the Indians and French. George, who was then a major in the army of Virginia, offered his services to General Braddock. He warned the general that his army was in grave danger while marching in close formation in enemy territory. Braddock became angry, and exclaimed: "What! A Virginia major teach a British general how to fight!"

George couldn't teach 'em how to fight, and so he had a cinch when he went into battle against them instead of being with them.

George had one outstanding virtue. He would not, or could not make a speech. That made a big hit with the people and they elected him president.

The Virginia Assembly called George before that august body to extend their thanks for his service in the French and Indian war. He tried to say something, but could never get farther than "Mr. Speaker Mr. Speaker, Mr. Speaker—"

"Sit down, Major Washington, said the speaker of the Virginia Assembly, "your modesty is exceeded only by your valor."

Washington was famous because he never told a lie. Only one man is known to have called George a liar. George called General Charles Lee a dam fool. Lee called him a liar, but didn't make it stick.

It is more than a century know since Washington passed on, and the people are just beginning to fully appreciate George Washington. Perhaps after World War veterans have been dead a hundred years someone will appreciate the service they rendered their country, also.

We can't tell you a lie. The dance at Eagle Creek Saturday night is going to be a humdinger. A lot of the gang will be there, and so will Loyd Smith's Red Hot Band.

Dustin Lake of Barton is a new member of Carl Douglass Post and says last week's Legionnaire column got him. We have been wondering if anyone would fall for it.

Rudolph Lange, route 2, Boring, is one of the ex-service men whose name has been turned in to the News and which will appear on the bill board that will be erected "sometime" by the Legion committee.

Speaking of the bill board, we are glad to report that the committee is making progress. Just 17 days after they were authorized to have the board erected they got up sufficient courage to get an estimate on the necessary lumber. Doc Gilbert and Rex Parks compose the committee, and we are satisfied that, barring unseen incidents that may arise, the board will be ready for the painters by the time of the state convention at Salem next August.

W. M. and H. J. Christiansen of Barton were out to the meeting on Monday night and made their presence known. This happens to be two of the fellows the post had not before contacted, and the fellows all hope to have them come out often.

Ralph DeShazer of the Dover district had a hard time getting out Monday night, but he was present, which is the interesting part of it. When fellows show interest enough to travel that distance over the roads in their present condition, it ought to convince some more of the men

at home that the Legion is really worth while.

The News has been criticized two or three times recently because of its giving the Legion so much space each week. This is a civic organization which is devoting itself to the interests of the public, as well as its own members and ex-service men. The Legion does not recognize rank, race or creed, and is ready to lend its support at all times to any worthy undertaking. Its efforts to raise funds for the purpose of continuing its charitable work, its promotion of athletics, and the care of ex-service men of all wars, is often criticized, but—oh well. Some folks just naturally have to "knock" something, and it probably hurts the Legion less than any organization in existence.

Tune in on KEX Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock if you want to hear the dope on the junior baseball project being undertaken throughout the state of Oregon and the other 48 states.

If—if we heard the truth about Banks post, can you blame Comrade F. E. Dooley for getting away and joining Carl Douglass?

Oregon has a chance to grab off the national trophy for membership on February 28. Help your state and your own post by paying your fee before next Thursday, and don't forget the dance at Eagle Creek Saturday night.

This station is now signing off until Friday morning at 8 o'clock.

SANDY LOCALS

George Roberts and his mother are at Rickreall, visiting. This is Mrs. Roberts' first trip to see her daughters since she returned from Kentucky.

Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Horr and R. W. Mallory attended the Bull Run party Saturday night.

W. G. Duncan took the little Enyart boy of Sandridge to the county hospital, Friday. The child fractured his leg and ankle while coasting last week.

The H. B. Reed family, R. S. Smith, Roberta and Donald, C. O. Duke, Dr. H. A. Schneider, Ernest Bowlan, Web. McGinnis and Billy, Albert and Ellsworth Bell, all of Sandy were observed by Mrs. Miller as winter sports enthusiasts at Mt. Hood Sunday.

Mrs. N. L. Horr and Marietta plan to leave on a visit to Montana in a few weeks. Mrs. Horr's brother, whom she has not seen for eight years, came here last week.

A young people's choir is to be organized by Rev. O. J. Gill, pastor at Sandy.

Augusta Ruther was home from Monmouth over Sunday.

Walkie Proctor of the Orient store is in poor health again from sinus trouble and has gone to California to try a change of climate for an indefinite stay. Commissioner and Mrs. W. A. Proctor are helping the former's wife in managing the store.

Saved Payment of Taxes Second Time

A lady customer of ours held receipt for taxes paid. Tax collector was attempting to collect again. The lady had paid her taxes at the First State Bank. The First State Bank was able to show that the tax collector received the money for the lady's taxes along with that for other taxes all in one check; that if part were paid, all were paid.

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Station	Time of Departure	Time of Arrival	Day	
Lv. Portland	10:00 a. m.	2:00 p. m.	6:20 p. m.	11:00 p. m.
Lv. Clackamas	10:35 a. m.	2:35 p. m.	6:55 p. m.	11:35 p. m.
Lv. Carver	10:50 a. m.	2:50 p. m.	7:05 p. m.	11:50 p. m.
Lv. Barton	11:05 a. m.	3:05 p. m.	7:25 p. m.	12:05 a. m.
Lv. Eagle Creek	11:15 a. m.	3:15 p. m.	7:35 p. m.	12:15 a. m.
Lv. Cedar Brook	11:18 a. m.	3:18 p. m.	7:38 p. m.	12:18 a. m.
Ar. Estacada	11:30 a. m.	3:30 p. m.	7:50 p. m.	12:30 a. m.

Station	Time of Departure	Time of Arrival	Day		
Lv. Estacada	*6:15 a. m.	8:30 a. m.	4:30 p. m.	7:00 p. m.	8:15 p. m.
Lv. Eagle Cr.	6:30 a. m.	8:45 a. m.	4:45 p. m.	7:15 p. m.	8:30 p. m.
Lv. Barton	6:35 a. m.	8:55 a. m.	4:55 p. m.	7:25 p. m.	8:40 p. m.
Lv. Carver	6:50 a. m.	9:10 a. m.	5:10 p. m.	7:35 p. m.	9:05 p. m.
Lv. Clack' mas	7:00 a. m.	9:20 a. m.	5:20 p. m.	7:45 p. m.	9:10 p. m.
Ar. Portland	7:35 a. m.	9:55 a. m.	6:00 p. m.	8:30 p. m.	9:45 p. m.

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