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NOTES AND COMMENTS

Judging from the number of Loganberry juice plants in the state, this berry is one of the most important of the fruit crops of Oregon.

The Chautauqua was a mighty nice thing—educational, inspiring and entertaining, but it does not compare with a county fair as a community booster. Let's make the 1916 county fair a feast of boosting for Washington county.

In 1907, during the Roosevelt administration, the banks of the country couldn't cash the checks of depositors. In 1916, under the Wilson administration, the banks not only have plenty of money to cash checks, but they have money to loan. Under the circumstances, people who vote in November for a change in conditions may get all the change they want—and then some. You know Teddy has endorsed Candidate Hughes, so their policies are not greatly at variance.

With \$1,468.42 of state money and more than \$500 donated by Forest Grove business men for special prizes, there is no reason why the 1916 Washington County Fair should not be the best ever held. The officers and committees are working hard to make it such and it is the duty of the farmers to co-operate with them. It is not prizes alone that make a county fair; the farmers and stock-raisers must bring in products to compete for the prizes.

All Indiana and a big portion of the population of the United States will mourn for James Whitcomb Riley, the "Hoosier Poet," who died at his home in Indianapolis, Saturday. While Mr. Riley has never figured as a financier or captain of industry, he will be more missed in America than the men who built railroads, established libraries or bribed legislators. The people loved Riley for his sympathetic writings and utterances.

Eastern and central states are more prosperous than they have been for years, due, the republican politicians say, to the war in Europe. But the politicians have so faithfully taught the American voting kings that "good times" and "bad times," as well as good and poor crops, depend on the whim and caprice of the political party in power, that it is going to require lots of writing and talking to induce the busy wage-workers and prosperous farmers of the east and middle west to turn down Wilson and prosperity for Hughes and uncertainty.

DID YOU MAKE AN INVESTMENT?

Mr. Sias, who talked at Chautauqua Friday evening on "Home Town Preparedness," evidently has a deep grasp on town-building and town-killing and he repeated what the Express has often told its readers—that dollars sent to mail order houses are bricks from the foundation of the home town. And did you notice how the merchants applauded when the speaker scolded the "proletariat" for patronizing mail order houses? But the shoe was on the other pedal extremity when Sias roasted the merchants for setting the example. We called him a gentleman and scholar when he praised

our town, but silently glared at him when he held some of our broken sidewalks and moss-grown fences up to ridicule.

You paid to hear Mr. Sias and, judging from the applause you gave, you believed what he said. If you act on his suggestions, you have made an investment; otherwise you might better have kept your money.

WILL THIS WAR PAY?

That this war in Europe has gone too far to be of pecuniary benefit to any belligerent is a fact that ought to be considered. The present war would never have come about if it had not been that Europe has, in recent years, seen wars that paid. It paid Prussia to fight a few weeks for Schleswig-Holstein. It paid her to fight a few days to whip Austria. It paid her, in territory, in francs and in political unity to fight France, who paid "through the nose" for the privilege of being thrashed and gave up Alsace-Lorraine besides. All these wars were highly profitable for the victor. The present war cannot be. It has gone too long and cost too much. No indemnity that could be paid to any nation by any other nation could make it profitable to the recipient of that indemnity to have engaged in the fight. The total resources of all the belligerents would be but a trifle beside what the war has cost either England, Germany, France or Russia. In other words there is nothing in this war that ought to make any nation glad when the profit and loss is figured up, and when it is over they ought all to be willing to quit war forever and turn to the paths of peace and harmony. But right here strikes a discordant note. It comes from Prince Von Buelow, who, in his new book on "German Policies," boldly announces: "We must make ourselves stronger and harder to be attacked on our borders and coasts than we were at the beginning of this war. Our enemies, too, will strengthen armaments on land and water and we, on our part, must meet this condition."

If this means that any peace that might be concluded at this time would be only a breathing space, in which the contestants can regain strength to again spring at each other's throats, it were better to have the war continue until the nations are forced to come to an agreement of some kind for permanent peace.

But there ought to be a better way.

PATRONIZING HOME INDUSTRIES

The following trite illustration of the trade-at-home policy is attributed to Governor Ferguson of Texas:

"I remember that upon one occasion a certain Farmers' Union lecturer was telling the farmers of Texas of the mistake they were making. He said: 'The great mistake with the Texas farmer is that he doesn't live at home, he depends on selling cotton too much. You are continually buying something and you don't ever sell anything. To illustrate what I mean, I need but call your attention to the fact that when you

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awake in the morning it is to the alarm of a Connecticut clock. You get up and button on Chicago suspenders to your Detroit overalls. You go out and wash your face with Cincinnati soap in an Indianapolis wash basin. You sit down to your breakfast and eat from a table made in Grand Rapids and you eat Chicago meat. And your bread is made of Tennessee flour, cooked on a St. Louis stove. You go out and put a New York bridle on a Kentucky mule, fed on Iowa corn, and plow your farm all day, which is covered with a Massachusetts mortgage. And at night when you get home you read a bible printed in Boston and you say a prayer that was written in Jerusalem. And you crawl under a blanket manufactured in New Jersey, to be kept awake all night by a d—d dog—the only home product you have on the farm."

Fire Wardens Appointed

The following-named persons have been appointed to act as fire wardens in Washington county, under the supervision of District Warden Allan Rice:

E. Dethlefs, Gaston, Route 1; John Friday, Banks; Fred Hamel, Hillsboro, Route 4; H. Robinson, Beaverton, Route 1; J. S. West, Forest Grove, Route 1; Grant Mann, Cornelius; Abbo Peters, Sherwood, Route 5; Alfred Pieren, Hillsboro, Route 1; J. Schmeltzer, Sherwood, Route 3; Chas. O'Neill, Dille, (volunteer).

There are four regular patrolmen, who patrol certain districts. Wm. J. Wier, of Banks, patrols the "Pumpkin Ridge" country and the railroad lands in that part of the county; Fay Meade, of Banks, patrols East Dairy Creek down to Mountain Dale; W. R. Hayden, of Banks, patrols upper Gales Creek and D. C. Zenor is what is called a "lookout" man, and is stationed permanently on the summit at the head of Clear Creek. His postoffice is Gales Creek.

Persons desiring burning permits should apply to the warden of their respective districts.

Dogs In Moccasins.

After the first severe freeze at the beginning of winter a band of prospectors working in northern Canada found themselves on the wrong side of a lake over a hundred miles wide, on the other side of which was the winter headquarters.

They were without any means of transportation other than a boat in which was stored all their belongings and provisions. Hiring a halfbreed with his dog team, they put runners under the boat and made their way easily and safely across the smooth miles of frozen water, helping along the dogs by setting a sail on the boat. To protect the feet of the dogs from the hard surface of the ice small moccasins of buckskin, well padded, were provided for each.

Greece Only an Oligarchy.

Greece, as many people do not know, is a country managed by 500 families who hate one another like poison in true classic Greek fashion. The peasants, the hack drivers and the fishermen talk radical politics all day long, but when election day comes they vote for a member of one of these big aristocratic—namely, "best" in the Greek sense—families. A republic for Greece would mean anarchy, chaos.—World's Work.

If you have a book entirely or partially filled with S. & H. Green stamps, take it to A. G. Hoffman & Co., and it will be redeemed.

Curious Request.

A doctor in the country received one day a letter from an old woman asking for a bottle of cough mixture for her husband, ending with the postscript: "Please, sir, don't make it too strong, as the poor man has only got one leg."—London Tit-Bits.

Different From Her Ma.

He—Why is it that there's never a match in this house? She (curtly)—I can't make matches. He—That's strange. Your mother could.—Boston Transcript.

That's So.

"I hear strange sounds in my ears, doctor."
"Well, where would you expect to hear them?"—Boston Transcript.

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FARM NOTES

(Western Farmer)

It pays to take time to bathe frequently—every day if possible—and you will feel fresh and ready for work. Wash the horse off frequently, too. Fortunate the man with a creek nearby or a good water system in the house and barns.

Weed out cows that are getting in debt to you. Put all on record with the Babeock test. No dairyman can afford to go too long without having his cows tested for butterfat and production.

Why not get a home-canning outfit and preserve some of the good things growing in garden and orchard? You can't have green beans, tomatoes, etc., next winter unless you can them this summer.

The horse, friends, works with his shoulders. Keep them well. Take a look at them several times during the day and above all keep the collar and the shoulders clean, and never let a horse work a minute in an ill-fitting collar.

To make things look brighter, get on the sunny side. Remember there can be no shadows where the sunshine is. Long faces, constant sighing, chronic groans and looking for trouble shut out lots of sunshine and make many, many shadows.

"Hats off" to the Babeock test! It points out to the dairy farmer his unprofitable cows. It has placed creameries on a profitable basis and has solved many economic problems in profitable dairying. Every farmer with dairy cows should have one.

A social center helps to make a community. The fact that a number of people live in the same neighborhood does not necessarily form a community. We say this because these same people may have, and often do have, so much jealousy, bitterness and downright hatred as to make true community feeling and action impossible. Remember that the social center is where people get together for relaxation and amusement and for co-operation. It is the natural meeting place for clubs, for the farmers' union, the Grange and other like organizations that are making country life more attractive.

PUBLIC SALE

Having rented my farm, located six miles south of Cornelius, I will hold a public auction sale on the above-mentioned premises on SATURDAY, JULY 29th beginning at 10 a. m.

for the disposal of the following described articles:

- Five high-grade Jersey cows, fresh Sept. 1.
- One two-year-old heifer, fresh Sept. 1.
- Three Jersey heifers, yearlings past.
- Three Jersey heifers, coming one year old.
- One span matched Percheron mares, 10 years old, weight 1300.
- One black mare, 6 years old, weight 1400.
- One 3-year-old gray mare, weight 1300.
- Two registered Jersey brood sows, farrow in September.
- One Duroc-Jersey boar, one barrow.
- Sixty-five Angora nannies.
- One heavy wagon, one light wagon.
- One two-seated hack.
- One Empire Cream Separator, 850 lbs.; one Jumbo stump puller, with wire cable; two sets heavy work harness.
- One breaking plow, one 14-inch plow.
- One 12-inch disc.
- One drag harrow, one grindstone.
- Cross-cut saws.
- One potato planter, potato forks.
- All kinds of small farm tools too numerous to mention.

FREE LUNCH AT NOON

Terms—All sums under \$10, cash; on all sums over that amount four months time will be given, with 6 per cent interest and approved security.

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are on sale daily from all sections to Tillamook County Beaches. These include Bayocean, Neah-Kah-Nie, Manzanita and the Garibaldi Beaches.

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