

TITLE FROM THE WEST

Typing This Region of Stock to be Fed in East for Market

T SUM TRANSFERRED WEST

Distances Have Forced the West to Clean up and Conditions Exactly the Reverse Have Enabled the Mississippi Valley to Meet the Emergency at Once.

ing in live stock annals compared to the current and ovine exodus from the West for several months past. The Missouri region has been gorging while the farming to the east has been what promises to be a migration. Fortuitous chances have forced the part of the continent to and conditions exactly the have enabled the Mississippi to meet the emergency. Otherwise the results have been calamitous. As the West has been hit hard by. Nothing but superb conditions east of the made possible a market of the stuff thus liquid. As it is the westerner complaint to register. At he has always found for both cattle and the thinner they were they sold. Great of thin range sheep one into the hands of farmers and while net have been small to the was real money and he that with assurance of from loss. In the a vast sum has been from the East to the consequence of this it, relieving financial and clearing the decks propitious times.

year the season would have been a prosperous one. Inability to put weight on cattle and a short lamb crop have been responsible for inestimable loss. As a result the largest supply of store cattle and sheep that ever went into feeding territory east of the Missouri river is in finisher's hands. That this region was able to care for the stuff is providential. The packer is assured a supply of raw material and the public beef and mutton that would not have been made had corn been even a partial failure or the midsummer drouth lasted a few weeks longer.—Breeder's Gazette.

ARE COYOTES A BENEFIT?

The fact that Crook county is paying a bounty for coyote scalps seems to many experienced farmers hereabouts as a bad thing. Of course the coyotes kill a few chickens and perhaps a sheep or two and do a little damage generally. However, there is another important side to the question. The coyotes keep down the rabbits, squirrels and field mice. Rabbits can do far more harm to the farmers than many coyotes. Many countries are practically overrun with them, and crops damaged very heavily. Crook county is making a mistake. Its bad policy. Coyotes do more good than harm.

The above is the complaint of a farmer writing to the Bend Bulletin. He states a fact regarding the increase of rabbits and it is a matter for consideration. We do not agree with his statement that the coyotes do more good than harm under present conditions. All of interior Eastern Oregon must depend upon the raising of livestock as its only export until railroads come, therefore the coyote must be kept down. As the country settles up and more farming is done both the rabbits and coyotes will be gradually exterminated but at present we must look after our stock interests as well as the farm.

BANK CASHIER INDICTED.

Indictments were returned in the United States court on Friday of last week against Elwood L.

Clark, ex-cashier of the United States National bank of Vale, charging him with making false entries in the books of the bank in order to accommodate customers, to decrease the overdrafts account, and to mislead the Controller of the Currency. Clark will be released on bonds. Clark is held on six counts, none of which charge that he appropriated bank funds to his own use. One of the charges concerns the reporting of ownership of an old bank building in Vale as the property of the bank, after the building had been sold to others.—Vale Enterprise.

VOTE ON PROPOSED LAWS.

The official count of the vote in Harney county on the 32 initiative and referendum measures gives the following totals:

- Woman's suffrage, yes, 351; No 414.
- Eastern Oregon Insane asylum, yes, 481; no 279.
- Constitutional convention, yes 213; no 452.
- For separate district for state senators and representatives, yes 173; no 317.
- Taxation amendment, yes 212; no 270.
- Permitting state construction of railroads, yes 213; no 266.
- Changing methods of taxation, yes 183; no 345.
- Raising salary of circuit judge of Baker county, yes 91; no 637.
- Nesmith county, yes, 154; no 556.
- Monmouth normal school, yes 458; no 308.
- Otis county, yes 304; no 532.
- Annexing portion of Clackamas county to Multnomah yes 103; no 605.
- Williams county, yes 142; no 552.
- Allowing each county to regulate taxation, yes 403; no 342.
- Home Rule, yes 411; no 427.
- Protect persons in hazardous employment and extending employers' liability, yes 478; no 301.
- Orchard county, yes 180; no 516.
- Clark county, yes 172; no 517.
- Weston Normal school, yes 442; no 322.
- Annex portion of Washington county to Multnomah, yes 99; no 491.
- Ashland Normal school, yes 374; no 376.
- Prohibition, yes 360; no 491.
- Enforce prohibition, yes 367; no 502.
- Create board of commissioners to prepare employees' indemnity yes 287; no 432.
- Prohibit fishing in Rogue River except angling, yes 435; no 283.
- Deschutes county yes 168; no 532.
- Creating of new towns, counties and municipal districts, yes 351; no 353.
- Good roads amendment, yes 396; no 312.
- Extend direct primary, yes 362; no 346.
- Create board of people's inspectors of government, etc. 304; no 403.
- Increasing initiative, referendum and recall powers, etc., 276; no 401.
- Changing jury and judicial system, yes 377; no 336.

SUNSET NEWS NOTES.

Messrs. Graw and Tomlin N. Henney and Ben Rader are among the farmers planting a good acreage of winter grain this fall.

Mr. E. F. Samuel, special agent for the Oregon Life, of Portland, has been visiting in Sunset the guest of E. C. Eggleston.

Notwithstanding the fact that Sunset homesteaders have stuck closer to their claims than any other section of Oregon, they must be continually hampered by special agents of the U. S. Land office.

Ed Moon is busy fencing his homestead.

Barrow Bros. and Chester Myers are hauling sand and building an ice house upon the holdings of W. G. Howell, making preparation for the ice harvest.

ESTRAY—A sorrell bald face horse with three white feet, weight about 1,000 lbs. Brand heart with bar over on left stifle. Came to my ranch near Emigrant creek. Owner prove property and pay charges.

J. T. GARRETT, Burns, Ore.

TOO MUCH FEATHERS

Real Things in Poultry Industry are Overlooked Says Writer

OREGON'S GREAT CROP SHOWING

Short Paragraphs of Resources and Prosperous Condition of Our State—Farmer and His Wife The Best Poultry Keepers in Country Says Prof. Dryden.

That utility measured by the egg and meat production is the real standard for the determination of the value of a hen and not the shape and color of feathers is the proposition upon which Professor James Dryden of the Oregon Agricultural College, in a bulletin which has just gone to press, takes issue with the editors of the American Standard of Perfection and breeders of fancy chickens.

operations has a record of 150 eggs a year."

OREGON'S GREAT SHOWING.

The fruit crop of the Hood River district for 1910 is valued at approximately \$1,000,000.

One monster log, the biggest ever sawed in the Coquille Valley, Coos County, was 9 feet in diameter and made 11,000 feet of lumber.

Eight acres near Eugene produced 103 bales of hops, which is over 2,500 pounds an acre.

The Mount Hood Railway & Power company has started a saw mill near Bull Run with a capacity of 30,000 feet daily. It will saw ties almost exclusively.

"To encourage the poultry industry," says Professor Dryden, "hundreds of poultry shows are held each year and thousands of dollars are paid on premiums and all the premium are awarded on the basis of the American Standard of Perfection.

"We think we are encouraging the poultry industry by paying premiums for feathers and other fancy points and for shape of body, and farmers go to the shows to purchase their breeding stock. They never suspect that the premiums indicate nothing of the egg laying qualities of the fowl.

"The best poultry keeper in the country is the farmer and the farmer's wife. I have been ashamed of myself many times in my chicken career that we who were 'educating the farmers' were raising sickly, constitutionally weak chickens, and then go on to a farm and see running around the barnyard, without attention or care, thrifty, robust, lively chickens. We are slaves of the dogma of the feather and the Standard and the farmer produces the eggs. I believe that the farm stock, the cross breed stock, or shall I say, the mongrel stock, have better vitality, are more fertile, are less preyed upon by diseases and produce more eggs than the average flock of pure bred.

Much interest is manifested in walnut culture in Oregon, and the fact that trees of bearing age are loaded with nuts of fine quality gives great encouragement to growers.

Crook County contains one of the largest bodies of irrigable land in the West, having 350,000 acres.

Oregon's apple crop is gaining on the original estimates and the State Board of Horticulture places the 1910 yield at 1,250,000 boxes.

Postal receipts for Portland for October show an increase of 22.65 per cent over the corresponding month of last year. Moreover the latest figures are the biggest in the history of the city.

Two great conventions of National interest are already scheduled for Portland next year. They are the gathering of the woolgrowers of the country next January and the session of the Christian church next July.

Portland has completed about 50 miles of new hard surface street paving this season. In smaller cities throughout Oregon it is estimated 250,000 yards of paving have been laid during the same period.

Lake County lands, a few years ago considered worthless, are now producing splendid alfalfa seed selling at 15 cents per pound.

Exports from Portland during October totaled 11,511,476 feet of lumber and 1,173,240 bushels of wheat.

"The way to develop the poultry industry is to stop advocating pure bred or standard bred fowls for the farmer. He should decide on the type of fowl to breed and forget the names of the breed. Let him decide whether he wants an egg type, a meat type or a general purpose type and then purchase pure bred males and grade up his flock. He should start with cross bred fowls and use pure bred male to bring up the grade. The country wants eggs and poultry and we can not get these by building on the foundation of feathers or fancy points.

"To discover the egg type we have to use the trap nest or some other means of keeping a record of eggs laid by individual hens. The trap nest is about the best thing we have discovered in the poultry business. We will make slow improvement in breeding without an egg record for each hen in the flock. The objection to the trap nest is that it requires too much labor for the farmer. I believe that the state or experiment station should come to the rescue here by establishing a breeding station where farmers could secure at nominal prices cockerels of good laying pedigree to mate with their flocks. It would not take very long to furnish every farmer with a male bird whose ancestry during two

Under the direction of the Harriman lines in this territory, a splendid exhibit of Oregon products has been gathered that will be shown at Chicago, excellent space having been secured for it. The products of the state on view there will be explained by competent lecturers in charge and the state generally will profit very largely from the showing to be made.

Prominent Oregon citizens will participate in the exercises at the land show on Oregon day. Among them are William Mc-

INDUSTRIAL NOTES.

(Portland Correspondence.) Oregon will have a special day at the Chicago Land Show, it having been fixed on November 30. Oregon people will be held in the lecture room of the Coliseum in honor of the occasion.

Joseph Brucker, the German-American journalist, will seek to emulate Wellman next year. Brucker will attempt to cross the Atlantic by traveling from the Canary Islands to the West Indies. His airship, which is now nearing completion, is 200 feet long; has 8,500 cubic meter gas capacity and is driven by two 200 horse-power motors. A motor boat 35 feet long and 10 feet wide serves as a car.

Good, substantial, well cooked meals at the Home Hotel is what the boarder likes.

Murray, General Passenger Agent for the Harriman Lines in this territory; John M. Scott, assistant general passenger agent; B. W. Johnson, Corvallis; E. D. Waterman, Medford; J. C. Skinner, Hood River; E. B. Bolton, Grants Pass; W. E. Benton, W. D. Skinner and A. A. Morse, Portland.

The biggest mining deal in the history of the state took place during the past week when the Rainbow Mine, in the Mormon Basin, near Baker was bonded to the United States Smelting, Refining and Mining Co. for \$1,050,000. The purchasers have four months in which to look over the property and make a cash payment of \$350,000. At the end of six months the balance of the purchase price is to be paid. This is one of the best known properties in the state, and has a gold production of about \$200,000 to its credit.

That the Hill interests are prepared to spend from \$7,000,000 to \$10,000,000, on extensions to the Oregon Electric and United Railways in Western Oregon during the coming year or 18 months, is the statement of John F. Stevens, head of the Hill system in this state. This will mean the construction of from 200 to 250 miles of new interurban roads in the Willamette Valley, Southern Oregon and the Coast country.

The Oregon branch of the National League of Postmasters of the United States will hold its annual meeting in the rooms of the Portland Commercial Club, Sixth and Oak streets, Saturday, December 3. The meeting will be called at 10 a. m. and the session will last one day. A night session will be arranged if necessary. The coming convention of postmasters is said to be the most important ever held by the Oregon Association and it is desired that a full representation of the members be in attendance.

Realty dealers of the state are to be asked to attend the Annual Convention of the Oregon Development League at Salem during the last three days of November. It is felt that these two organizations can accomplish a great deal by coming together and working for the advancement of the whole state. It is expected the realty men will hold their first annual gathering at the same time as the Development League convention.

Ashland claims it will have the most beautiful street in Oregon when its new boulevard is completed. This thoroughfare will be 100 feet in width, with paving on both sides of a park row in the center that will be beautified with trees and shrubbery. The paving will be completed next spring.

Portland Y. M. C. A. is teaching apple culture to those interested in the science. Classes will be delivered by experts. This work is intensely practical and will be productive of good results.

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100,000 copies of literature were distributed describing the various districts. The Great Northern will start three exhibition cars on a circuit of Eastern States within the next two weeks.



Boston Exhibit; 10,000 People a Day Look at It.

demonstrated by the ag-mechanics' campaign," the of which were fired at the during the Western Exposition.

Northern secured space in building and installed an exhibit of grain and grasses from Oregon and Washington. Nearly

In addition to these cars, permanent exhibits are maintained at St. Paul, Chicago, St. Louis, Boston and Philadelphia. For the first three days of the Boston Exhibit the attendance ranged from 10,000 to 12,500. It will require about two million pieces of advertising matter to meet the demand for literature created by these exhibitions.

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