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GOAT RAISING PROFITABLE BUSINESS

Brings Bigger Profits Than Sheep
—Opening for Farm Goat Ranches Here.

L. A. Marsters, who has the distinction of being the largest Angora goat raiser in Josephine county, and whose ranch is two miles north of Merlin, was in Grants Pass, Monday. Mr. Marsters has 436 head of goats. The increase of his band this spring has been 184 kids from 172 does, which is about the average rate of increase each spring for his band. In addition to Mr. Marsters several other farmers in the vicinity of Merlin have goats, there being in all some 700 head of goats in that section. Some of these goats are well bred, especially those of F. A. Pierce, many of which are thoroughbreds.

Goat raising is being taken up by the farmers of Josephine county to quite an extent and it bids fair to become one of the leading industries of the county. Goats have been found to be more profitable than sheep. The grass and hay required to keep one sheep during the year will easily feed five goats, for the sheep will eat grass as long as a blade is to be found and then grub out the roots, and during the winter when the grass is short the sheep have to be fed considerable hay. During the winter the goats feed largely on brush, eating but little hay and in the spring so soon as the tender buds are out they range altogether in the hills and mountains. Coyotes and dogs that cause such havoc in sheep herds in Southern Oregon, seldom raid the goat herds, for goats are more pugnacious than sheep and will fight the coyotes and dogs. With a little training a goat can be taught to give a knock-out to coyote or a dog that will prevent him from dining on goat venison. Sheep when attacked scatter and become easy prey to the coyotes, while goats when endangered band together with the best fighters on the outer circle and with a war-front presented that effectually repels the onslaught of the coyotes. Goats are also better to return to their corral, or sleeping place for the night than are sheep. Goats, if kept on their natural range in the hills and mountains, are seldom diseased.

As to the relative value of the meat and wool from sheep and the meat and mohair from goats, the selling price is to the advantage of the sheep, but the cost price is in favor of the goats. At the present price of wool, mohair and meat goats will yield a larger per cent profit to the farmer than will sheep. The average clip of mohair per goat is about five pounds, and the price this spring was from 30 to 31 cents per pound. Mr. Marsters received 36 1/2 cents per pound for his mohair, thus each goat would produce about \$1.50 worth of mohair. The average clip of a sheep is about seven pounds and the price this year was 25 cents per pound, thus giving the value of wool from a sheep at \$1.75. The cost of feed for the goats is practically nothing for brush and sprouts are plentiful in Southern Oregon, while sheep feed almost exclusively on grass and that is expensive in this semi-arid region. Goat venison does not bring the price that mutton fetches, and there is little sale for it on this coast other than as it can be sold as mutton. The flesh of the goat is as tender and healthful as that of the sheep and when Americans learn to eat it, goat venison will sell here as well as it does in Europe, where it is as much in demand as mutton. Already the canning of goat meat is extensively carried on, and thousands are sold each year in Kansas City and the other big packing centers.

There are locations for many goat ranches in Rogue River Valley, where in small valleys there is water and sufficient tillable land for garden purposes for the rancher's use, and to grow the little hay that is required during the cold spells of winter for the goats. While back of these valleys lie thousands of acres of hill and mountain land, rock and brush and good only for goat pasture. This land is either government, railroad or speculator and will be open for pasture for years to come at no cost to the goat raiser.

Huge Task.
It was a huge task, to undertake the cure of such a bad case of kidney disease, as that of C. F. Collier, of Cherokee, Ia., but Electric Bitters did it. He writes: "My kidneys were so far gone, I could not sit on a chair without a eddion; and suffering from dreadful backache, and depression. In Electric Bitters, however, I found a cure, and by them was restored to perfect health. I recommend this great tonic medicine to all with weak kidneys, liver or stomach. Guaranteed by all druggists; price 50c."

Do you know that you can make a five days' visit to the Exposition at Portland, including railroad fare and all expenses for \$26.95; ten days \$36.95 full information can be secured on application at this office.
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Hop Buyers Expect High Prices.

War is on in the Willamette Valley between the hop growers and the hop buyers. The latter are trying to form a union and the former are endeavoring to prevent the growers from uniting and selling their own crops and thereby eliminating the middlemen's profits. Anticipating big prices the buyers are now out

trying to contract this season's crop and by beginning this early they hope to so control the situation as to effectively cripple the growers' pool. None of the hop growers of this county contracted their hops last year and as they all realized more than the contractors offered, they are not likely to contract their crop for this year. Hop growers of experience have learned that when the future of the hop market is uncertain and falling prices a possibility there are no dealers out seeking contracts, but let the hop market look encouraging and there is a certainty that prices will raise them then the buyers are more than anxious to make contracts.

KILLED AND MAIMED ON THE FOURTH

Loss of Life and Property Growing Bigger as Patriotism Grows Noisier.

The Fourth is now near at hand and with it must come the modern method of showing patriotism by making a tremendous noise, and it seems to be generally understood the more noise the more patriotism. But to give expression to this new form of patriotism costs more lives and more casualties each Fourth, than results from the average battle in the great wars of the world. In discussing this same subject, a recent issue of the Ladies' Home Journal contained the following:

In about five weeks we shall reach another Fourth of July, and the Journal earnestly wishes that parents might give a little forethought to the present method of celebrating the day. Why must we go on, year after year, making a noise, day practically a day of terror and what an infinitely worse, a day of death and casualties? Each year a longer list of killing, maiming and burning confronts us. Take such a single list as this, summing up one year's deaths and injuries:

Died of lockjaw caused by injuries, 406.
Died from other injuries, 60
Totally blinded, 10
Number who lost one eye, 75.
Arms and legs lost, 54.
Number who lost fingers, 174.
Number who were injured, 3670.
Total number of casualties in the United States, 4449.

Where is the sense in this sort of thing? It is perfectly proper that the young should want to celebrate the anniversary of the nation's independence, and there is no need that this pleasure should be denied them. But is it necessary to sacrifice sight, limb, hand and life to incite a spirit of patriotism in the hearts of our children in this barbarous celebration of the day, or allowing them to handle the deadly explosives which with each season are being manufactured with the single idea of making a greater amount of noise, and, of course, a corresponding amount of personal danger. Firecrackers have become larger and larger, and have been substituted for gunpowder in their manufacture, anything for a noise, and anything, apparently to increase rather than lessen danger. And this year will be no exception to the rule, the intensification of this noise and danger element.

The greatest elements of danger have been found to lie in these three explosives:

First—The toy pistol, which shoots blank cartridges.
Second—The toy cannon.
Third—The giant firecracker, or the "cannon cracker," as it is called.

The blank cartridge is so constructed that it is easy of discharge while the child is loading it, since the pressure on the trigger is made particularly easy to respond to a child's strength. In the wadding and in the powder used in the toy cannon, the fatal germ is also found, and likewise the paper which envelops the limb, hand and eye, through this lockjaw germ that the least stimulus of death occur, and the death is a fearful one.

Then to add to this maiming and killing by the deadly cracker and bomb comes the loss by fire, for the records show that there are more fires on the Fourth than on any other day of the year. All this loss of lives and property that the thoughtless boys and men, and too often work of malicious hoodlums, may demonstrate that they are patriotic. Grants Pass has a fairly efficient restrictive ordinance against the indiscriminate firing of crackers, bombs, rockets, etc., but the risk to life and property from these deadly missiles could be greatly reduced were this ordinance made more rigorous in its provisions. It would assist in the general movement now on all over the country to get us back again to a sane, safe and enjoyable Fourth of July.

That Tired Feeling!
If you are languid, depressed and incapable for work, it indicates that your liver is out of order. Herbine will assist nature to throw off headache, rheumatism and ailments akin to nervousness and restore the energies and vitality of sound and perfect health. J. J. Holbard, Memphis, Texas, writes, March 22, 1903: "I have used Herbine for the past two years. It has done me more good than all the doctors. When I feel bad and have that tired feeling, I take a dose of Herbine. It is the best medicine ever made for chills and fever." 50c a bottle, at Rotermund's and Model Drug Store.

Three Physicians Treated Him Without Success.
W. L. Yancy, Paducah, Ky., writes: "I had a severe case of kidney disease and three of the best physicians in Kentucky treated me without success. I then took Foley's Kidney Cure. The first bottle gave immediate relief, and three bottles cured me permanently. I gladly recommend this wonderful remedy." For sale by H. A. Rotermund.

PRESTON PEAK COPPER DISTRICT

A Mountain of Copper—Accessible, but Undeveloped—Good Opening for Capital.

J. F. Sanger, who was in Grants Pass last week, returned last Friday to his copper claims in the Preston Peak district. Mr. Sanger has five claims located on the north-west slope of Preston peak on the divide between Illinois river, that flows northwest into Rogue river, Smith river that flows west into the Pacific ocean, and Elk creek that flows southeast into Klamath river. He goes in by way of Waldo, and from that place goes 20 miles south, 10 of which is by trail. Mr. Sanger's cabin is up some in the world for it is at an elevation of 4,400 feet and, though 20 miles from the sea, with a glass on clear days ships can be seen on the ocean. The snows are very heavy in the winter on Preston peak and Mr. Sanger has seen it 20 feet deep some winters and he is compelled to use skoes to get to, or from his mine.

Mr. Sanger has held his claims for nine years and has considerable development work done. The outcropping shows a width of 3,000 feet and across the mountain, in fact the mountain appears to be one great deposit of copper. There are several other claims held in this district, one group of which is owned by C. L. Mangum, of Grants Pass, and John R. Reeves, of Waldo. Development work on these claims is now being carried on by Mr. Reeves with two men to assist him and an immense vein is being opened up. The Preston Peak Mining Company, also held a group of claims, but no work appears to have been done upon them for the past five years. This company was made up of New York parties and had plans, that if carried out, would have been the means of that district having a big smelter, but litigation brought an end to their efforts.

This district is credited by experienced mining men with being one of the largest and richest copper districts on the Pacific Coast. It is practically a continuation of the big copper district about Taklma and of the Blue Ledge on the head of Applegate, and its development will come along with those districts, for when the electric railroad is put in from Grants Pass to Taklma, which is quite certain to be done within the next year, the road will be extended on up the Illinois river to Preston Peak.

Whooping Cough in Jamaica.
Mr. J. Riley Bennett, a chemist Brown's Town, Jamaica, West India Islands, writes: "I cannot speak highly of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It has proved itself to be the best remedy for whooping cough which is prevalent on this end of the globe. It has never failed to relieve in any case where I have recommended it; and grateful mothers, affording me, are daily thanking me for advising them." This remedy is for sale by all druggists.

YELLOW JACKET BEING DEVELOPED

Ore Being Shipped From a Promising Mine on Forest Creek, Jackson County.

The installation of a 10-stamp mill at the Oregon Belle mine on Forest creek has stimulated the development of other properties in that district and considerable work is being done by claim holders this summer. One of the most promising of the properties is the Yellow Jacket, three miles down the creek from the Oregon Belle, and six miles from Jacksonville. A shaft was sunk two years ago to the depth of 70 feet, but owing to the great quantity of water that came into it, work was discontinued. A crosscut was then begun down the hill, but after it had been driven some distance the owners, who were then Eugene parties of whom Geo. A. Dyson was one, and also the superintendent, discontinued work.

Last fall the claim came into the possession of H. A. Mears and W. P. Shaffer. These men took up the development work and after driving the tunnel 250 feet tapped the vein. An apraise of 25 feet was then made to make connection with the shaft. The vein has a width of five feet and carries good values, both in free milling and base ores. Messrs. Mears & Shaffer are now getting out a car load of ore which they will ship to the Tacoma smelter next week from Jacksonville. Development work will be continued and if the showing continues as now made the owners will either put in a mill themselves or sell the property to parties who would put up a mill.

Sprained Ankle, Stiff Neck, Lame Shoulder.
These are three common ailments for which Chamberlain's Pain Balm is especially valuable. If promptly applied it will save you time, money and suffering when troubled with any one of these ailments. For sale by all druggists.

Fine Sardine Creek Property.
Of one of the most promising properties in the Gold Hill district the Gold Hill News has the following to say:
Messrs. McCleary & Hoff are driving ahead on their Van Molke mine on Sardine creek. The Van Molke is the

mine formerly owned by the Surran Bros. who it will be remembered by many took out several hundred dollars at or near the surface but lost the pay chute and then left it. Messrs. McCleary & Hoff, thinking that by running a crosscut below and striking the ledge at a depth of about 100 feet it would show up again and acting on this idea they began lower down on the mountain and ran in about 60 feet when they struck a fault in the ledge following this up for a distance of 70 feet. They have now at a distance of 70 feet struck a fine body of sulphide ore containing galena and chalcite. The values are highly satisfactory.

FRUIT INDUSTRY FAST DEVELOPING

Jackson County Leads Now, but Josephine Soon to Equal Its Neighbor.

At the recent annual meeting of the Rogue River Fruitgrowers' Union at Medford officers were elected for the ensuing year. All the old officers, other than two of the directors, were re-elected, this being the third time for President Bennett to be chosen, he having been president of the Union since it was organized two years ago. The officers for this year are: President S. L. Bennett; vice-president, H. F. Meader; secretary, J. A. Perry; treasurer, Geo. R. Lindley; directors, S. L. Bennett, H. F. Meader, S. W. Boyd, J. W. Mitchell, Wm. Carroll, J. McPherson, G. A. Hoyer, J. A. Perry, A. Andrews.

The Union is in a very strong condition and embraces in its membership most of the fruit growers about Medford. The Union has been of much advantage to its members for it has enabled them to get a high grade, uniform pack of fruit, which with selling by car load lots direct in New York and Europe has enabled the highest prices to be realized. The Union also supplies its members at cost, wholesale price, with boxes, nails, packing paper, spraying machines and material. The supplying of these supplies is by contract to the lowest bidder and it has made a big saving in the expense account of the fruitgrowers.

Rogue river valley in Josephine county has the same climate, soil and transportation advantages as obtain in Jackson county, and when fruit raising is taken up in this county and carried on with the same skill and business forethought, as it is in our neighboring county, it will become one of our greatest industries. But with no union to educate the growers in the proper varieties to plant, the adaptation of soils, cultivation, pruning, spraying, picking, grading and packing, and to market the fruit in quantities, the industry will be slow to build up. But the time is not distant when fruit by the hundreds of car loads will be shipped from Josephine county. Already the county contains the largest vineyard in Oregon, and it has apple and peach orchards that are of large acreage. With irrigation made possible by the great pumping plants and by the great system of ditches that are being put in, there will be thousands of acres of land set to fruit trees and to grape vines, and then with union to bring co-operation to the growers the fruit business will be placed on a sure and profitable basis in Josephine county.

Acute Rheumatism.
Deep tearing or wrenching pains, occasioned by getting wet through; worse when at rest, or on first moving the limbs and in cold or damp weather, is cured quickly by Ballard's Snow Liniment. Oscar Gleason, Gibson City, Illinois, writes, Feb. 10, 1903: "A year ago I was troubled with a pain in my back. It soon got so bad I could not bend over. One bottle of Ballard's Snow Liniment cured me." 25c. per bottle, \$1.00 at Model Drug Store and at Rotermund's.

Leland Sittings.
Mrs. Culp, of Cottage Grove, is a guest of Mrs. George Chapin, while here on a trip for her health.
Quite a number of our people have been to the Lewis and Clark fair, preferring to go before the big rush is on, while others prefer to wait until the fair is completed.

The fine weather of the past week has enabled farmers to complete the curing of their first cutting of alfalfa. But little hay was injured by the rains and the yield is fully up to the average.

The steam shovel crew are handling a big lot of earth. Mr. Hinton is the superintendent. The crew purchase most of their supplies in Leland and find they can get as low prices as in any other town.

A number of large and fine appearing buildings are being erected in Grave creek valley this summer. Our people are prospering and raise all they need, even to mortgages and children. We have well established schools, good climate, no fevers or mosquitoes and life is worth living here.

A correspondent to the Oregonian has been writing that the fruit crop in Southern Oregon will be short this year. That may be so in some sections, but about Leland the trees never had a heavier crop of fruit than is now on them. The valleys of this section are above the frost belt and a failure of fruit is very seldom experienced by the farmers.

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COUCHES—well upholstered in Corduroy, cheap at \$9.50; Sacrifice Price..... \$7.50
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RICH STRIKE ON PICKET CREEK TO BE RAISED TO SECOND-CLASS OFFICE

Van Dorn Bros. Find a 40 Foot Vein Carrying Good Values in Copper and Gold. Grants Pass Postoffice Receipts Exceed \$2000 Per Quarter—Salaries Raised.

The report comes that Van Dorn Bros. have discovered a 40-foot vein of ore on their place at the mouth of Big Picket creek, on Rogue river, 12 miles below Grants Pass. Assays give the ore a high per cent of copper and from \$4 to \$6 in gold. Van Dorn Bros. have three men at work on the vein developing it, and they will continue work until the full extent and value of their find is known. The strange thing about this discovery is that the Van Dorns have lived on this place for 28 years and have been over the hills on which the vein is located many times hunting cattle and for other purposes, yet failed to note its presence, the growth of vegetation and covering of trash on the ground concealing the treasure rock. This instance is another proof that but little is known of the mineral wealth of Southern Oregon and that when it is thoroughly prospected on the surface hundreds of rich veins will be found, that now are passed over unobserved by prospectors. And it is held by prospectors that the "blind" veins, as those are called that do not extend up to the surface of the ground, far exceed in number the surface ledges. The finding of these veins is a difficult matter and hundreds of them will never be found. Some are discovered when trees have tipped up and taken off the surface ground, and road grading and other excavations bring to light some, while a good many are found in carrying on mine work to reach known veins.

The country about Picket creek is known to be rich in gold and copper, for it is an extension of the famous Galice district. Several good claims have already been located in this district, and this find will stimulate more thorough prospecting with the likelihood of other rich properties being opened up.

Have You a Cough?
A dose of Ballard's Horehound Syrup will relieve it. Have you a cold? A dose of Herbine at bedtime and frequent small doses of Horehound Syrup during the day will remove it. Try it for whooping cough, for asthma, for consumption, for bronchitis. Mrs. Joe McGrath, 527 E. 1st street, Hutchinson, Kan., writes: "I have used Ballard's Horehound Syrup in my family for 5 years, and find it the best and most palatable medicine I ever used." 50c. per bottle, \$1.00 at Rotermund's and at Model Drug Store.

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