

Gleaned by the Western  
Newspaper Union for  
Busy People

Frank Delbert Jones, 41, painter, was killed instantly at Medford by a fall from a barn which he was painting.

The graduating class of the Pendleton high school that will complete its work in June will include between 55 and 60 students.

Portland will be the greatest convention city in the United States this year, with about 30 large and small conventions scheduled.

The first annual Lane county Jersey jubilee will be held at the farm of L. D. Griggs in the Willakenzie district some time in May.

The Sunset Co-operative Fishermen of Nehalem bay have started construction at Wheeler of a packing and cold storage plant to cost \$5000.

Since January 1 23 new families have been located in Jackson county by the land settlement committee of the Medford chamber of commerce.

Portland again led the Pacific northwest in value of building permits issued during the month of February, with 1236 permits, valued at \$3,504,650.

Despondent over ill health for more than a year, Mrs. S. Kinser, wife of a well-known farmer at Needy, attempted suicide by leaping into the Molalla river.

Two bond issues, \$40,000 for additional fire equipment and \$15,000 for the construction of a new city jail, were defeated at a special election held in Bend.

Robert Crumley, 50, operator of a donkey engine in the camp of the Crown Timber company at Linslaw, was killed when the disc on the engine broke and struck him in the side.

Work of laying rails above the present rail head at McCredie Springs on the Southern Pacific company's Eugene-Klamath Falls line will begin March 15, according to company officials.

A hundred tons of road building machinery are at Bend, ready to be rushed to the McKenzie pass and placed in operation in an effort to complete the road over the mountains this season.

The Douglas county court has called for bids for the paving of approximately one-half mile of Edenbower road, which branches off west from the Pacific highway about a mile north of Roseburg.

The Gates Mill company, whose sawmill is located at Schroeder, about a mile east of Gates, has started the plant for the first time in about two years, and it is planned to operate steadily from now on.

Contrary to usual custom, the annual Polk county fair will be operated with a free gate this year, according to a decision made by the new fair board. The dates for this year's event were set as September 10, 11 and 12.

The Crown-Willamette Paper company has torn up two miles of its Neacanicum logging road track and is sending the rails to Cathlamet, Wash., where a logging road extension is under course of construction.

Work is being rushed by the Hammond Lumber company on the completion of several new bridges on their logging railroad to camp 24 at Mill City, and as soon as finished the camps will be reopened for the summer run.

The work of paving the left span of the new Lewis & Clark bridge at Astoria has been completed and it is announced that the bridge will be opened as soon as adjustments to the span lifting machinery had been completed.

Vera Klore of Looking Glass and Wendell Smith of Klamath Falls received grades of 100 per cent in examinations having to do with the Old Testament, while Winton Erickson of Oregon City scored 100 per cent on the New Testament, according to a report prepared by J. A. Churchill, state superintendent of public instruction. The examinations were held in connection with Bible study in the high schools, for which the students receive credits for graduation.

The weekly lumber review of the West Coast Lumbermen's association showed that 120 mills reported for the week ending February 28 the manufacture of 100,414,367 feet of lumber; sale of 98,000,108 feet and shipment of 106,951,382 feet.

James S. Stewart of Corvallis was appointed special investigator for the state land board. Mr. Stewart will investigate all applications for school fund loans, and arrange for the sale of lands on which these loans have become delinquent.

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# The Great Outdoors

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## Linn Lincolns Are Money Makers

### And This Is a Year of Profit in Sheep in This Country

Just at present sheep are the most profitable four-footed stock in Oregon. As in other general, different breeds have their champions. Of the Lincoln there are a few flocks in this neighborhood. One of their breeders is Elmer C. Munson of Peoria, who replied to a few queries by the editor the other day. Mr. Munson was attracted to this breed by the long staple of its wool and the heavy fleeces it produces, averaging 14 or 15 pounds. He started in about seven years ago with 20 animals and now has 50. Until the last year or two his sales of animals have been mostly on the stock market, but within a year or two, with the rise in the price of sheep and wool, the demand for registered stock has increased and he has been selling such for breeding.

Mr. Munson mentioned as others interested in the breed Ernest Abraham, who has been raising them for about 10 years and has about 70 now, and Charles Pugh, who has been in the Lincoln business nearly the same length of time and has perhaps 40 of the animals now.

The sheep is the most economically fed animal on our pastures. Sheep will eat nearly every weed that grows, and are useful in clearing old pastures of weeds which other stock have avoided and permitted to multiply.

Following the custom when the price of a product goes up, owners are increasing the size of their flocks and new flocks are being started where there were none. How long it will take this process to depress the price of wool below the profit point cannot be foretold.

## State Market Agent's Letter

### Real Co-operation Pays if the Farmers Stay Together.

Portland, March 5. Of the 88 counties of Ohio, 84 have organized marketing associations and nearly every farm product is embraced. Over \$12,000,000 of livestock was sold through the farmers' agencies last year; one local sold 2,000 tons of cabbage, and there are 70 co-operative profitable creameries.

Here are seven lessons the U. S. Trade Commissions hands out to the farmers of this country to study.

1. Bridge the chasm between farmers and consumers through co-operative sales agencies, reaching to the urban household. Warehouses and elevators are a part of this plan, covering entire states.
2. Credit unions of a simple type to provide loans for farm communities.
3. Distribution of electric power in rural communities through farmer organizations.
4. Retail consumers' co-operative stores in thickly populated farm districts.
5. Co-operative distribution of coal.
6. Co-operative distribution

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of milk to keep down high prices and insure quality.

7. Co-operative export associations for farm products. Copies of this report may be obtained by applying to the federal trade commission, Washington, D. C. It comprises chapters on consumers', agricultural and credit co-operative societies, co-operative banks and education, and copies of by-laws of the larger and successful European societies.

Wisconsin is credited with having the largest co-operative cheese selling agency in the United States. It has been in successful operation eleven years and has handled 154,000,000 pounds of cheese, valued at \$34,000,000. It cost but 2.89 cents on each dollar's worth of product to handle the big business.

Those in Oregon who have become discouraged over failures of co-operative organizations, and who say "it won't work," should get new hope from government facts and figures which state that the sales of farmer organizations this year will total more than three billions of dollars. Farmers are realizing that they have the power in organization to protect their industry.

C. E. Spence, State Market Agent.

## Timely Hints From Oregon College

### New Machine for Killing Smut. Have Seed Tested Free

(By O. A. C. Experts)

A machine for treating seed wheat with copper carbonate for smut control, simple and inexpensive, as devised by George W. Kable, agricultural engineer of the O. A. C. extension service, can be made on the farm in a few hours. It has a capacity of two bushels and will treat 15 to 40 bushels an hour. Need for an effective method of treating seed wheat for a relatively small acreage is met in this machine. The copper carbonate must coat every kernel, which requires some sort of special machine.

Two ounces of the dust are required for each bushel of wheat.

The seed laboratory at the state college tests seeds free of charge. There is no recourse after the seed is purchased unless they are guaranteed. Care must be taken to get a fair sample, getting it from all portions of the sack or bin. Send all samples to the seed laboratory, at the state college, Corvallis.

Failure to separate the young cockerels from the pullets is likely to result in stunted pullets. It may be advisable to sell the cockerels at a low price as soon as the sex can be determined.

Soon after the foal is born the navel should be painted with iodine, says the Oregon experiment station. The navel should not be tied with a string or handled by the caretaker.

Many peach trees are showing dead buds scattered along the branches, and sometimes numerous dead twigs. These effects are due to peach blight and peach die-back fungus. It is too late to do anything for this year's attack, but almost 100 per cent protection can be obtained in the future if bordeaux 4-4-50 is applied thoroughly before the fall rainy season starts. July or August are the best months for this spray.

For January 2399 cows were tested in seven Oregon associations, with 15 detected as loafers and killed. The average production was 606 pounds of milk with 25.3 pounds of fat. Of the cows tested, 253 produced 40 or more pounds of fat.

Substitutes for genuine butter

have decreased in sales in recent months and exports of butter from this country have increased.

## New Juvenile Clubs

The Linn county Jersey cattle club has planned promotion of boys' and girls' club work. Willard Brown, Edith Pugh and Harvey McConnell have been appointed a committee. Miss Pugh and Mr. McConnell are ex-Jersey calf club members. Both have been on winning stock judging teams.

The committee will co-operate with the state officers, and the club workers in organizing clubs over the county. Shedd club is widely known, having taken prizes at the fair and winning in stock judging contest.

## Holstein Men to Meet

Holstein breeders will hold their county convention at Harisbutg next Friday and a basket luncheon will be a feature. Outsiders will be welcome to come and learn more about the big milk producers and the business of handling them.

C. R. Evans is president of the club and has secured outside talent for the oratorical program.

The club will have a business meeting also.

Contracts under which dairymen of the west end of Umatilla county expect to sell their cream co-operatively have been drafted, and a meeting to put the plan into effect is to be held in the near future.

Early lambing results have been very satisfactory on the whole, though not so big a percentage of increase has been secured this spring as was born last spring, according to Dan P. Smythe, prominent sheep man of Pendleton.

At a meeting of the Oregon Jersey Cattle club, definite dates were set for the county shows to be held throughout the state. The Columbia county show will be on May 18; Clackamas county on May 20; Marion on May 21; Polk, on May 22; Linn, on May 23, and Lane, on May 25. Other counties are scheduled, but definite dates have not been set.

## THE MARKETS

Portland

Wheat—Hard white, \$1.90; soft white, northern spring and hard winter, \$1.75; western white, \$1.89; western red, \$1.73.

Hay—Alfalfa, \$18.50@19 ton; valley timothy, \$19@20; eastern Oregon timothy, \$22@24.

Butterfat—47c delivered Portland.

Eggs—Ranch, 25@28c.

Cheese—Prices f. o. b. Tillamook: Triplets, 29c; loaf, 30c per lb.

Cattle—Steers, good, \$8.00@8.50.

Hogs—Medium to choice, \$11.75@13.00.

Sheep—Lambs, medium to choice, \$11@16.

Seattle

Wheat—Soft white, northern spring, \$1.78; western white, hard winter, \$1.77; western red, \$1.76; Big Bend bluestem, \$2.

Hay—Alfalfa, \$23; D. C., \$23; timothy, \$26; D. C., \$23; mixed hay, \$24.

Butterfat—45c.

Eggs—Ranch, 23@30c.

Hogs—Prime mixed, \$13.80@13.90.

Cattle—Choice steers, \$7.75@8.50.

Cheese—Washington cream brick, 19c; Washington triplets, 19@20c; Washington Young America, \$1@22c.

Spokane

Hogs—Prime mixed, \$12.75@13.10.

Cattle—Prime steers, \$7.85@7.75.

## Raise Poultry and Dairy Feed at Home

### Cut Out Middlemen's and Freight Cost. Shedd Man Gives Advice

The farmer who buys much feed for the dairy, the poultry flock or other animals is at a disadvantage, and more so if that feed comes from some other locality instead of from neighboring farms. In buying prepared dairy or poultry feeds he must pay not only freight on the materials from their sources to the factory and from there to his farm but the percentage of profit taken by every person through whose hands they pass, for these people are not working for nothing.

On the ordinary farm all the food elements can be produced and with a little care can be fed in the most desirable proportions.

In an address at the state dairy convention at McMinnville Clarence R. Brown of Shedd declared hay, grain, succulence and pasture essential to successful dairying. Fall, he said, is the best time for freshening, and that through the winter months hay is the basis of the ration. He likes to put his clover in one corner of the barn and the vetch alongside of it; each hay in a place by itself, as far as possible. Cows like a variety, and if a cow is not eating one kind of hay very well he would try her with another. Alfalfa can be grown in some parts of the valley and where that is the case it is a wonderful dairy feed.

Oats are the foundation for his grain ration. He suggested the use of brown oats rather than white oats. On the Brown farm a little bran and oil meal is fed. It helps to balance the ration and make it palatable. He said:

In winter what pasture can be had is worth nothing. But there must be succulence. For this, first in importance comes the silo. Corn can be raised profitably and cheaply and makes the best winter silage. But the real succulent feed of the Willamette valley is kale. It can be grown and fed with less labor than most crops. It is also a good policy to have some horse carrots or half sugar beets. Silage and hay combined save hay. When we have both silage and kale, cows eat less and give more milk.

When we turn into the clover pasture we are nearly ready to quit feeding silage. The grain ration can be cut down, but we figure it pays to feed nearly as heavy in summer as in winter. We feed one pound of grain for one pound of butterfat per week. I think this is a better plan for a Jersey cow than basing the grain fed on the amount of milk. The grain ration on cows drying up can be slackened and the cows still be built up for freshening in the fall.

A total of 247 applications for loans aggregating \$197,785.87 have been received by the state board of control under a law enacted at the recent session of the legislature extending financial relief to farmers in the frost infected areas of eastern Oregon.

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Collection of the unpaid portion of the state income tax for the year 1924, based on incomes for 1923, will get under way within the next few days, according to announcement made at the offices of the state tax commission at Salem.

Members of the state board of control held a special meeting at Salem Saturday to consider plans and specifications for the proposed new state training school for boys to be located near Woodburn. The proposed plant will cost approximately \$200,000.

Because of the new prohibition law, providing for the distribution of money for enforcement purposes, and giving the state agent 50 per cent of all fines collected, it will be necessary to reduce the law enforcement staff in Douglas county, according to District Attorney Cordon.

The state supreme court handed down an opinion affirming the decree of Judge Kendall of Coos county in a suit brought by J. E. Norton to enjoin Coos county, a municipal corporation, and its officials from issuing and selling highway bonds for \$280,000. The lower court held in favor of the plaintiff.

Orin W. Train, 69, well known in the Evans creek district, near Medford, where he had lived nearly 40 years, was found dead on his ranch with a bullet wound through his head. Although the dead man had a 38-caliber revolver in one hand, from which a shell had been exploded, there is some doubt of suicide.

The United States bureau of public roads will co-operate in a Eugene-Bend celebration over the completion of McKenzie pass, according to word received at Eugene from C. H. Purcell, district engineer. Mr. Purcell suggested Frog camp as the celebration site, and late August as the time. Definite plans have not been made, however.

Oregon dealers disposed of 5,316,955 gallons of gasoline and 62,618 gallons of distillate in January, according to a report issued by Sam A. Koser, secretary of state. Taxes remitted on the January sales of gasoline and distillate aggregated \$160,945.07. As compared with January, 1924, gasoline sales increased approximately 25 per cent, while distillate sales increased 15 per cent.

To insure that Medford's clean-up and paint-up week, designated by the city council as April 1 to 8, is thorough, the Crater club, city booster organization, has adopted the plan of displaying photographs of unsightly buildings and untidy yards in the chamber of commerce windows and will award a prize to the person who submits a complete list naming those responsible for the eyesores.

Governor Pierce announced that he had refused either to sign or veto a bill passed at the recent session of the legislature increasing materially the fees on automobile buses and trucks operating on the highways of the state. Unless attacked in the courts the bus bill will become effective at the expiration of the 90-day statutory period. The law requires buses to pay three-fourths of a mill per passenger seat per mile, while trucks would be assessed a fee of 1 mill per ton per mile. It has been estimated that this law would return to the state treasury approximately \$400,000 during the biennium. The attorney-general, in his legal opinion to the governor, held that the law was unconstitutional.

## John Bull Shows Stubborn Phase

### Fate of Great Peace Pact Depends on Action of the League Assembly.

Geneva. — The Geneva peace protocol fashioned by the nations to outlaw war is not acceptable to the British empire, Austen Chamberlain, British foreign secretary announced to the council of the league of nations.

In a lengthy pronouncement Mr. Chamberlain clearly set forth the British objections to the protocol as at present framed.

Whether it will be possible to save the Geneva great peace effort by revision and amendment so that it can be secured British support, which is essential to its success, will depend partly on the council, but especially on the league assembly, to which the entire question will presumably be thrown. At all events it seemed clear that serious remodeling would be necessary to satisfy British home objections as to military and naval commitments in the maintenance of peace and the disinclination of the dominions to permit any examination by the league council of domestic questions, like immigration.

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