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LINN FARMS O. K.

At Los Angeles, where people live on the glorious climate, they must have milk with it. Henry Ford's synthetic fluid has not yet come into the market, so they keep cows. They don't raise calves, because pasturage is too scarce. To keep up the stock of milk producers they buy 2000 a month.

A couple of carloads of Linn county Jerseys went there recently, for they want the best. Importing their cows and the most of the feet therefor, milk costs more than here. Probably they also buy a good deal of canned milk down there, too. We don't know how many nor what varieties of vitamins there are in canned milk, for vitamins go unbranded and we cannot round them up and count them, but we do know that fresh milk is necessary for the best growth of children.

Hurrah for the vitamins! Hurrah for the good, fresh milk! Hurrah for the cow! Hurrah for our green pastures and golden grain fields and milk-producing vegetables! Hurrah for the Linn county farm and its life-sustaining products!

SCATTERGUN SHOTS

Stanfield is for Longworth and McNary as the next republican national ticket. That would not be a bad one, but who is for Stanfield on any ticket?

It takes three years for automobiles to kill as many Americans as lost their lives in the world war, but they are speeding up and may yet accomplish the feat in a year.

If you want to raise a part of those 20,000 barrels of strawberries for barreling this year, see Stenberg Bros. at Albany, plant the varieties the barrelers want, and plant them as early as possible. The earlier they are planted now the better will be this year's yield.

An article on this page from the Oregonian tells how our strawberry barrelers convert 300 pounds of clean berries and 150 pounds of sugar into 450 pounds of sweetened fruit, with the full strawberry flavor, for use at any time of year, which commands 20c a pound at wholesale. Of course the labor of barreling, the apparatus and the cold storage cost money, but the consuming public is evidently willing to pay the cost.

We expect to see the democrat-run Walter M. Pierce for another term as governor. He has been blamed for every evil that did or did not come to the state during his term except the present smallpox epidemic, and perhaps for that.

In "wild and woolly" days many a town was kept "wide open" in the interest of so-called financial prosperity. Now we are asked to pledge fifteen years of wide openness to the class of tax-shirking crooks that has caused such a stench in Florida that that state is attempting a clean-up.

There are more candidates for nomination as state school superintendent than ever before. One of the latest is Mrs. Emma Bryant of Hillsboro, for over four years county superintendent, president of the state association of county school superintendents and many years a teacher. Why not a woman as state superintendent when most of the teachers are women? Mrs. Bryant is 42 and has a husband and four children, three in college and one in high school.

Santa and His Reindeer in Portland

The Portland Journal maintains an organization of young people—the Journal Juniors—and pulls off stunts and entertainments which interest these future citizens. Like the Boy Scouts this leads upward, instead of downward, towards good citizenship and away from profligacy and crime. The paper runs for the young people a "Journal Junior department."

Its most spectacular stroke this winter was the introduction and maintenance for several weeks before Christmas of a Santa Claus, with sleigh drawn by four reindeer. These paraded the streets of Portland, visited the parks and public places, and the animals, which were very tame, were seen and petted by thousands of youngsters who are ready to testify that "there is a Santa Claus," for they have seen him and his reindeer and sleigh.

On one occasion the outfit visited the state capital and created enthusiasm there among the little folks.

For some time before Santa made his appearance daily telegrams were published from an envoy who had been dispatched to the north pole to engage his services.

The animals which participated in this demonstration have their home between Christmas on a farm in Alaska.

It is safe to say the Journal did not lose any subscribers or popularity by the enterprise.

What this cost the Journal we do not know. We understand some eastern papers have spent as much as \$100,000 on a similar stunt.

Effects of Tobacco

(John Joseph Gaines, M. D.) Cancer, one of the most dreaded conditions, may be aroused into activity by excessive smoking. It is not caused by excessive smoking; high blood pressure, paralysis, formidable diseases of the heart, raised nerves—even insanity—are often attributed to the wiles of madly Nicotine.

Chewing tobacco drains the salivary glands, causes "acid indigestion" and invites necrosis of the stomach. If you have sour stomach quit chewing. The saliva is a valuable corrective of acidity, and should not be wasted. Smoking poisons the olfactory, cardiac and respiratory nerves. Nicotine is a subtle drug and will enter the system from any point of contact. A wet tobacco leaf, laid on the surface of the body, exerts a profound effect upon the nerves beneath. Some of our useful ointments contain oil of tobacco and their use must be practiced with great caution.

Growth in our young people is interfered with and mentality dulled very perceptibly in youthful cigaret smokers. The man who does not use tobacco in any form is easier to relieve of his illness than the addict; his system is cleaner, his nervous system more stable, and he responds to treatment more promptly. Any sort of drug addiction cannot be too strongly condemned, "moderate indulgence" in any seductive thing is so impossible.

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Ten Carloads of Strawberries

Barreled Fruit Will Carry Fresh Flavor All Year to Easterners

(Portland Oregonian.)

One of the largest ice cream companies in the country, with headquarters on the Atlantic coast, has placed a contract for 12,000 barrels of Oregon and Washington frozen strawberries, to be shipped across the continent from the pack of 1926. This contract involves ten cars of strawberries representing a value of \$75,000, according to Gordon C. Corbaley of Seattle, who has just completed another swing of the country in the interest of northwest food products.

These will be provided by the berry growers of Puget sound and the Willamette valley in June. The fruit will be picked fresh from the field, all stems and other foreign matter removed, and then it will be placed in new, paraffined, fir barrels. As each 20 pounds of berries goes into the barrel it will be covered with 10 pounds of granulated sugar. When completed the barrel will contain 50 gallons, or approximately 300 pounds, of strawberries and 150 pounds of sugar. The latter is dissolved by the juice of the berries, forming a heavy sirup that preserves the flavor and odor of the strawberry.

Immediately after the barreling the berries will be placed in cold storage at a temperature just below freezing.

This purchase of strawberries is an evidence of a large industry that has developed in Oregon and Washington in the last five years. The production of barreled strawberries in the two states during the coming year will probably exceed 30,000 barrels.

Almost as great a quantity of red and black raspberries will be barreled for the same trade. A few thousand barrels of loganberries, blackberries, sour cherries and other fruits used in manufacturing.

THE MARKETS

Portland Wheat—Big Bend bluestem, hard white, soft white and western white, \$1.88; hard winter, northern spring, \$1.53; western red, \$1.57. Hay—Alfalfa, \$20@25.50 ton; valley timothy, \$19@19.50; eastern Oregon timothy, \$22@22.50. Butterfat—42c shippers' track. Eggs—Ranch, 25@29c. Cheese—Prices f. o. b. Tillamook: Triplots, 31c; loaf, 32c per lb. Cattle—Steers, good \$8.50@9.00. Hogs—Medium to choice, \$12.50@13.50. Sheep—Lamb, medium to choice, \$12@14.

Seattle. Wheat—Soft white, \$1.85; western white, \$1.64 1/2; hard winter, northern spring, \$1.50; western red, \$1.59; Big Bend bluestem, \$1.63 1/2. Hay—Alfalfa, \$28; D. C., \$28; timothy, \$20; mixed hay, \$26. Butter—Creamery, 43@46c. Eggs—Ranch, 33@35c. Hogs—Prime, \$13.50@14.00. Cattle—Prime steers, \$8.50@9.00. Cheese—Oregon fancy, 28c; Oregon standard 25c; Washington triplots 25c. Spokane. Hogs—Prime mixed, \$13.10@13.25. Cattle—\$7.75@8.25.

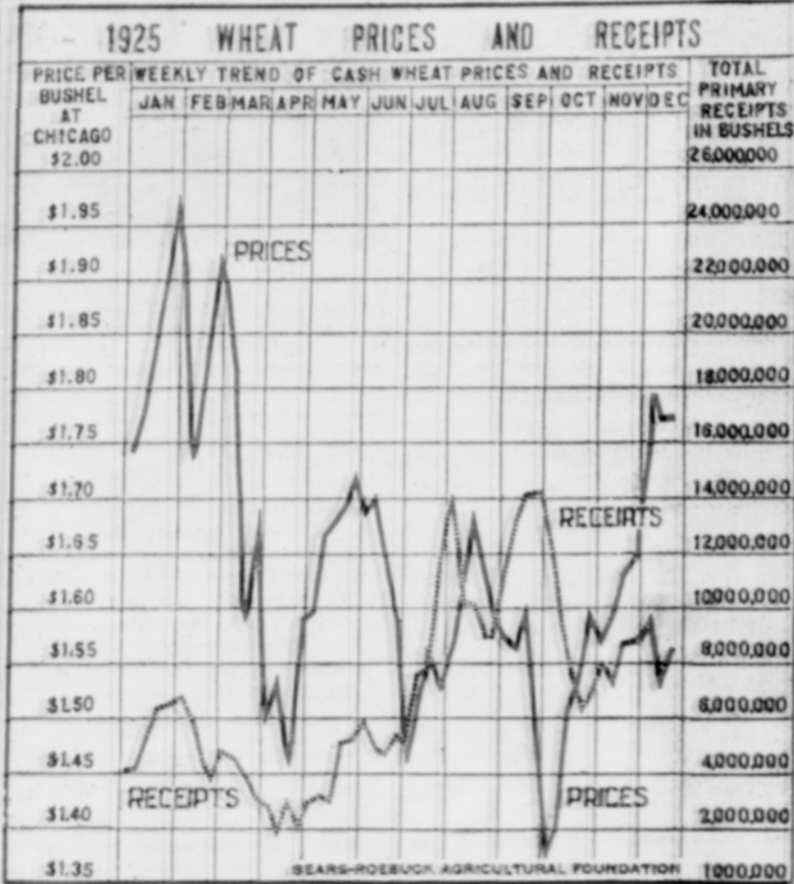
Thrashing the Same Old Straw

Washington, D. C.—A bill was introduced in the house by Representative Beck, republican, Wisconsin, to provide for incorporating a United States agricultural co-operative marketing association. The organization would be without capital stock and would be controlled by the producers of crops. The treasury would advance the association \$16,000,000 to be repaid within ten years. The association would dispose of crops and otherwise aid the farmers. Representatives of farmers in nine mid-western and western states, appearing before the house immigration committee, urged a loosening of restrictions upon the importation of labor from Mexico and Canada to save

The Great Outdoors

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Wheat Crop of 1925 Shows Lowest Average Since 1904



Owing to unfavorable weather conditions last winter, which caused a large abandonment of winter wheat acreage due to the winter killing of nearly ten million acres, or 23 1/2 per cent of the area sown in wheat, the total crop production in 1925 reached only 892,985,000 bushels as compared to 892,927,000 bushels the year before. With the exception of 1917, this is the heaviest abandonment of wheat area on record. The final harvest averaged only 12.8 bushels per acre, which is the lowest average since 1904. Spring wheat, which looked very promising at first, also lost heavily through injury from rust. The yield per acre was cut down to 12.9 bushels, which is 2.3 bushels below the 1924 average.

The carry-over of wheat from 1924 was moderate. From 635,000,000 to 650,000,000 bushels are required for domestic consumption. Exports up to the end of December were nearly 60,000,000 bushels, and the remaining exportable surplus is small. Both winter and spring combined production totaled 193,292,000 bushels less than in 1924, making it the smallest wheat crop since 1917 in terms of production, and in proportion to population, the smallest wheat crop since 1890.

Because of a belief in a world shortage, wheat prices early in 1925 reached a high level, going up to \$1.95. When it became evident that the apparent world shortage had been exaggerated, the market declined rapidly and went as low as \$1.46 in April.

Agriculture from "almost certain destruction."

Hearings, begun nominally on a bill by Representative Box, democrat, Texas, to bring the nations of this hemisphere under quota restrictions, brought out not only opposition to this and other similar proposed measures, but requests from farmers for removal of many restrictions now in effect.

The beet sugar industry in particular faces extinction, witnesses said, unless cheap contract labor is made available for hand work that laborers in this country refuse to do.

A \$500,000,000 "American stabilizing commission" would be created to purchase all farmers' surplus crops at a price fixed "before the planting season" under terms of a bill introduced in the senate by Senator Norbeck, republican of South Dakota. The secretaries of agriculture, commerce and labor would organize the proposed corporation.

"New Fruit keeper" next week.

Attractive prices are given on half-ton lots or more of KERR'S OR FISHER'S EGG PRODUCER Molasses in barrel lots. O. W. FRUM

American Eagle Fire Insurance Co. Hay is worth just as much in storage as you might get for it in case of fire. The American Eagle Fire Insurance company will pay you 85% of the cash value in case of loss by fire. C. P. STAFFORD, Agent

Can Save Our Own Nitrogen

A Problem of the Ages is Yielding to Modern Research

Nitrogen has always been the most expensive ingredient in artificial fertilizers. Though it constitutes four-fifths of the atmosphere in which we live, we knew no economical way to make it available as plant food. In the last half century it had become known that certain bacteria, if present on the roots of certain legumes, would capture nitrogen from air which entered the soil and surrender it for use by their host plant. Many a farmer, by taking advantage of this fact, has built up productivity on his land by raising frequent crops of clover, beans, vetch, peas or other legume. If his soil lacked the bacteria required by the particular legume he grew he could get a culture from his agricultural college or the federal department. Or he could send his money to some advertising concern and probably get bilked.

For a long time nitrate of soda from natural deposits in Chile has been the chief resource for commercial nitrogen for the farm. Of late steel mills, coking plants and gas companies have been producing it in the form of ammonia liquor derived from by products. All these enterprises are now likely to be put out of business by an improved method of capturing the nitrogen of the air. The following is from an Associated Press letter from Indianapolis which we find in the Eugene Register:

Announcement by the Citizens' Gas company of the scrapping of \$100,000 worth of ammonia distilling apparatus and its replacement with a \$250,000 ammonia sulphate plant brought from Clarence Kirk, president, the story:

"Fifteen years ago German scientists perfected the Haber process of fixing nitrogen. Man's supply of nitrogen before that was confined to natural beds of sodium and potassium nitrate found almost exclusively in Chile.

"The war forced Germany and other nations to speed up their work of fixing nitrogen. Then came the problem of a peace-time use for the product of costly equipment and it was discovered that it could not only be made into a purer ammonia than the steel and gas companies were making as a by-product, but could be made much more cheaply."

WANTED To Buy SHEEP

S. Crippen, Halsey Inquire at Enterprise office

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT of the State of Oregon, in and for the County of Linn

In the matter of the application of Seth S. Hayes, Daniel J. Hayes, Frank Hayes and Gertrude Pentland to register the title to the following described land, to wit:

The east half of the southeast quarter of section twelve (12) in township fourteen (14) south of range four (4) west of the Willamette meridian, containing 80 acres, more or less, situated in Linn county, state of Oregon. Against Otis F. Neal and all whom it may concern, Defendants.

To Otis F. Neal and all whom it may concern, defendants:

Take notice that on the 4th day of December, 1925, an application was filed by said Seth S. Hayes, Daniel J. Hayes, Frank Hayes and Gertrude Pentland, in the circuit court of the state of Oregon in and for Linn county, for the initial registration of the title to the land above described. Now, unless you appear on or before the 6th day of February, 1926, and show cause why such application shall not be granted, the same will be taken as confessed and a decree will be entered according to the prayer of the application and you will be forever barred from disputing the same.

Witness my hand and the seal of said circuit court this 2nd day of January, 1926. K. M. Russell, County Clerk and ex-officio Clerk of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Linn County. Hill, Marks & McMahan, P. O. address Albany, Oregon. Attorneys for Applicant.