

RURAL ENTERPRISE

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\$1 a year in advance

Dairy
Poultry
Wool

ANOTHER DEACON COMING!
DEACON DUBBS
to be presented by the
**OAKVILLE
DRAMATIC CLUB**
for the benefit of
The High School Gymnasium Fund
Everybody Come
Friday Evening, May 27
at the
CITY HALL
Admittance 45c, 35c and 25c
Reserved seats on sale at Clark's



Achievement Day
Saturday, May 21
Big Parade, 10:30 **Big Community Dinner, 12:30**
Track Meet in Afternoon.
Club and School Exhibits All Day
PRIZES AWARDED ON CLUB WORK
Everyone invited to attend with well-filled lunch baskets. Bring plate, knife, fork, spoon and cup
[P. T. A. COMMITTEE]

From the Editor's
Point of View
Coast Farmers Who Help Themselves

"Figures don't lie" — not always — but part of the figures in a given case may give a wrong impression. We have been lugubriously told how the farm population in Oregon has decreased, despite the influx of farmers from eastward and the natural growth of population.

On page 5 is given a counterbalancing statement from no less an authority than the bureau of economics of the national department of agriculture.

Fewer tenant farmers. Some of them have gone to the cities and into employment for which they were better fitted. It requires brains to do good farming. He who lacks them can do better as a part of the machinery of a factory, where superintendents and foremen will tell them what to do and how to do it. Some tenants have used their brains to such good effect that they have become owners. Thus the number of owners is greater and the tenants are fewer.

We recently cited the case of a farmer at Lostine who has reduced the cost of raising wheat to 20c a bushel by doing his own work and using big teams and improved machinery, but other crops than wheat have been responsible for most of the prosperity that has come to farmers in the Willamette valley. Dairying, poultry production, wool growing, etc., with co-operative marketing, are among the occupations that have prospered. Co-operative fruit packing, like that at Eugene, deserves a part of the credit. The more prosperous farmers have not made as much noise as some who have been devoting time and energy to the seeking of help from congress. The former help themselves.

Under date of May 14 the Mountain States Power company writes: "We are furnishing electric service to not less than 1000 real dirt farmers in the Willamette valley and are rapidly extending our lines to reach others."

This is good news to the whole family. Tractors and combined harvesters lighten labor out of doors on the farm, but electricity can make housekeeping as easy as any of the vocations to enter which so many girls seek the cities. And 1000 farms in this valley already have it!

And Edison lives to see it!

Our objection to the Patterson income tax bill is not because of any shortcomings as an income tax law. It is a splendid income tax law if we are to have an income tax.—Oregon Voter.

Oregon is the only Pacific coast state in which tax-shirking incomes contribute to an anti-income-tax propaganda. The decrease in incomes reported for taxation is the only indication we see of a decrease in incomes. Sympathetic with the aforesaid propaganda is an increase in falsification to evade the tax.

Federal authorities contemplate a permanent ban of the Decameron and the Arabian Nights, but have not yet begun to expurgate the Bible.

"Defeat the income tax and speed up the destruction of our forests," say those timber owners who have the ear of the Oregon Voter.

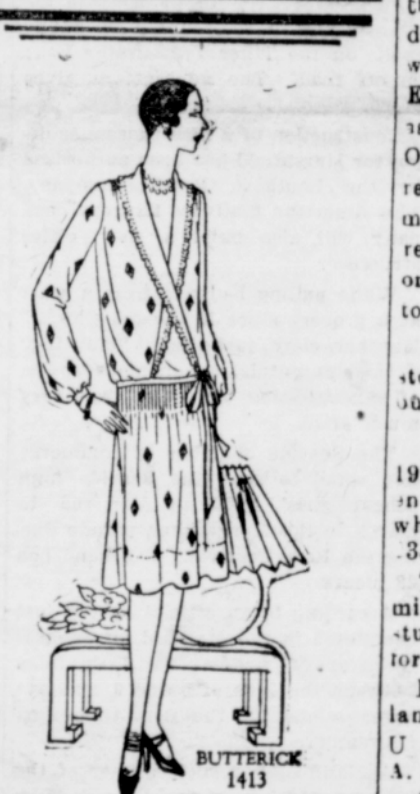
The latest attraction in Halsey is the new tennis court at Clay Moody's.

Hogs, Veal, Poultry
Oregon Produce Exchange,
102 Front street,
Portland, May 17.
The market today is as follows:
Hogs—Fancy, 110 to 150 pounds,
14 1/2 to 15c.
Veal—Fancy 80 to 125 pounds, 16
to 16 1/2c
Poultry, net f. o. b. Portland—
Heavy colored hens, over 4
pounds, 23 to 24c; light hens,
under 4 pounds, 18 to 19c;
springs, over 1 1/2 pounds, 18c;
old roosters, 10c.

Joe Lytle took a run up from Portland Thursday, bringing Mrs. Lytle with him to take a look at Halsey. He has not fully decided whether or not to go into the publishing business in Oregon yet, and probably will not until the season advances far enough to see how our climate affects the hay fever from which Mrs. Lytle suffered a good deal in the east and from which she hopes to gain relief by a change of location. They returned to Portland Friday afternoon.

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Doings in Educational Field
Achievement Day Promises to Be Halsey's Greatest School Event

SHABBY TREATMENT GIVEN O. A. C. AT SALEM
O. A. C. Was Unfairly Treated
A Packed Tribunal and Faked Figures

When it was announced, prior to the start of the last legislative session in grinding out laws, that O. A. C. and the U. of O. had agreed to defer until another term the presentation of their needs for building funds it seemed that the two leading higher educational institutions of the state were in harmony. They recognized the state's financial difficulties and were willing to wait.

When proposed tax reforms suggested improved finances both institutions put in requests, but that of O. A. C. was soon withdrawn, and some of us wondered why. Reports from Salem led the Enterprise to regard Charles Hall as a prejudicial influence against O. A. C. in state finance plans. It remained for the May issue of the monthly O. A. C. Alumnus to reveal a game that was played on members elect before the session to prejudice them against O. A. C.

We have not space for the whole story, but the following excerpts outline it:

During the seven-year period 1920-1927 the average student enrollment at O. A. C. was 3480, while that at the U. of O. was 350.

The average income from the millage tax per year is \$363 per student for the U. of O. and \$328 for O. A. C.

Investment for buildings and lands, equipment and books at the U. of O. is \$1,082,212 and at O. A. C. \$1,275,015.

An alleged "summary of fact relating to the millage tax and financial support of higher education" was sent last December to members of the late Oregon legislature and others giving \$514,569 and \$608 as the cost per student at O. A. C. for the last three years. President Kerr says the correct figures ranged from less than 300 to 350. At the U. of O. they were \$426, \$393 and \$388.

The actual square feet floor per student is 80.58 at the U. of O. and 80.03 at the college. Laboratory and shop work require 2 1/2 times as much space as lecture and recitation work. The proportion of laboratory and shop work at the university is 27.4 per cent and at the college it is 54.3 per cent. It follows, therefore, that the pressure for room at the college is much more pronounced than at the university.

Mayor's Proclamation

Saturday, May 21, has been set aside by our schools and boys' and girls' "4 H" clubs as achievement day, a day for displaying and judging of their work.

This movement deserves the approval and hearty support of all school patrons and members of the community.

In order that all may have the opportunity to view the parade and attend the exhibits and community dinner, I do declare this day as achievement day for the city of Halsey and extend an invitation to all the surrounding communities to co-operate with us in making this an educational and civic success.

Signed this 17th day of May, 1927.
Bert S. Clark, Mayor.

Money for prizes has been contributed as follows:

Frum and Cross Bros.	\$5.00
Halsey State Bank	5.00
M. V. Koontz Co.	5.00
Bert Clark	2.50
George Laubner	2.50
Amor A. Tussing	2.50
Hill & Co.	5.00
E. C. Miller	1.50
T. J. Skirvin	1.00
K. A. Bramwell	1.00
T. I. Marks	2.50
George Hoffman	1.00
D. H. Sturtevant	5.00
F. Workinger	1.00
F. B. Morris	1.00
E. E. Gourley	.50
Q. C. Rossman	1.00
J. W. Stephenson	.50
Arrow Garage	2.00
John Salash	1.00
W. M. Burbank	1.00
Brad Moss	1.00

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The P. T. A.
The last meeting of the Parent-Teachers' association for the year was at the schoolhouse Friday evening. There was a song by the club girls. Reading, Ernestine Coleman. Piano solo, Georgina Clark. Recitation, Wanda Veatch. Piano duet, Falk sisters. Song, club girls.

After the election of new officers and adjournment the president called a meeting of the executive committee and committees for the coming year were appointed as follows: Membership, teachers of outlying districts, Mrs. Sturtevant; program, Mrs. Kizer, Gladys Hadley, Mrs. Isom; publicity, Mrs. Moody; social, Mrs. Patton, Mrs. Isom, Mrs. Frum; by-laws, English teacher, Mr. Patton, Mr. Sturtevant.

School Notes
(School Reporter)
The student body held its regular business meeting Wednesday and agreed to accept the offer of the proceeds from the play to be given at Koontz' hall Friday, May 27, by the Oakville community in exchange for "The Path Across the Hill," which will be given at Oakville May 20. The name of the play is, "Deacon Dubbs." It will be produced at Halsey for the benefit of the gym fund. Be loyal to your school and support this play. The paper contest which has been in progress closed Friday the 13th—lucky day. The winners have not yet been decided upon. The money from

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