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The recent conferring of degrees by a middle western university upon a number of farmers whose work had been of aid in the progress of agriculture, is a salient example of American democracy. It but shows again that this is the one great country in the world where a man is rewarded and judged entirely upon his work, and not by social and economic standards beyond his control. These men being given this honor was but little commented upon for the reason that it is nothing unusual; the people realize it is natural that anyone who distinguishes himself in any way will get credit for it.

Cost of producing alfalfa hay in Oregon varies from \$6.56 to \$9.11 a ton finds the experiment station in summarizing the results of two years study in the cost of producing forage crops in the state. Figures on every type of hay production have been compiled by H. E. Selby of the department of farm management who made a survey of eight Willamette valley counties. In the Willamette valley clover hay cost \$7.38 when seeded with grain, \$10.32 when seeded alone. Vetch and oats hay costs \$10.29, cheat hay \$8.77 and alfalfa \$9.11. Corn silage was produced at \$7.72 a ton, vetch silage \$4.40 and kale at \$3.75.

The United States department of agriculture has a market news service designed to put every grower and shipper of potatoes on an even

footing by giving all alike accurate and timely information on the nation-wide movement of potatoes, the actual prices received for them in the consuming markets day by day, and the prices being paid for them in competitive producing sections. This daily service is free for all interested parties and may be secured by application to its office at 129 Union Avenue, Portland, in charge of R. L. Ringer.

The schoolma'am and her little coupe are conspicuous by their absence on the highways. You will now find her guiding the young American mind through the intricate channels of educational traffic and just as sure of herself there as when wending her way through the maze of autos.

It's a mighty hard thing for a tourist to get through the Willamette valley this kind of weather. They just sort of want to hang around and enjoy themselves.

We failed to get a glimpse of "Lindy" and his old bird as they flew up the valley Friday morning but Corvallis did. Ain't it awful the way we're sighted.

Tundey and Dempsey are doing a grandstand stunt by writing naughty letters to one another. That should help box office receipts some and thrill the fans.

Farmers are coming more and more to the idea of letting electricity and machinery rather than muscle do farm work.

S.P. Motor Coaches Make Maiden Trips

Following an inaugural ceremony in which city officials of Portland and representatives of the state of Oregon participated, the new Southern Pacific Motor Transport Company of Oregon started its new palatial passenger coaches on their maiden trips over the four routes

through western Oregon September 20.

The first coach left Portland at 7:30 a. m. Tuesday, bound for Ashland by way of Eugene and Roseburg. At 8:30 a. m. the second highway liner got under way for McMinnville by way of Hillsboro. A third coach left at 3:00 p. m. for Corvallis and Newberg, and at 3:35 p. m. another left for Oswego and Cook. These are the four routes established by the new Southern Pacific Motor Transport Company to supplement its train service. Frequent departures from each terminal of the routes insure rapid service.

O.A.C. Radio Farm Program Broadcasting

Radio Station K. O. A. C. 270.1 meters; 500 watts; Pacific Standard Time.

Monday evening, September 26, 7:00 The newsboy.
7:10 4 H club meeting.
7:30 Farm utility program.
Tuesday evening, September 27, 7:15 The newsboy.
7:30 Timely farm topics.
7:45 Chats with the homemaker.
Wednesday evening, Sept. 28, 7:15 The newsboy.
7:30 Farm utility program.
8:00 Grange lecture hour.
Thursday evening, Sept. 29, 7:15 The newsboy.
7:20 The collegiate spotlight.
7:30 Timely farm topics.
7:45 Chats with the homemaker.
Friday evening, Sept. 30, 7:15 The newsboy.
7:30 Farm utility program.

Card of Thanks

I wish to thank the members of the Fair Committee who so generously helped with their time in making our booth a success. To the patrons who loaned their trucks to haul our exhibit, and to the people who gave fruit and vegetables and for the individual exhibits.
Mrs. S. J. Smith,
President P.T.A.

Grain Marketed by Coöperation

Shows Greatest Development in Farmers' Elevators in Western States.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Co-operative marketing of grain in the United States shows its greatest development, from the standpoint of the volume of business handled, in farmers' co-operative elevators, of which there are more than 3,300 listed with the United States Department of Agriculture. Most of them appeared in the Middle Western states. Farmers' elevators are most numerous in Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, North Dakota, Minnesota, South Dakota, Ohio and Missouri. There are a few co-operative warehouses in eastern Washington which receive and market grain. Some attempts have been made by farm organizations to form federations of local elevators, but on the whole these attempts have not been successful.

Organize Wheat Pools.
A total of 19 wheat pools have been organized since 1920, but only 9 of these were active in 1925. The first association was formed in Washington and a second association was formed in Idaho in 1920. Organizations were set up in Oregon, Montana, Oklahoma and Kansas the following year. In 1922 the Arizona, California, Colorado, Nebraska, North Dakota and Texas associations were organized. South Dakota and Minnesota did not organize until 1923, and the most recently organized association, that of the Central states soft wheat growers, began operating in 1924.

The wheat pools quite generally utilize the facilities of the farmers' elevators in receiving and forwarding grain to market. Several of the associations lease or own terminal facilities for the handling of grain, while certain of the pools are now considering, or have already organized, subsidiaries for the acquisition and operation of country elevators.

Organize Sales Agencies.
A number of attempts to organize co-operative sales agencies have been unsuccessful, but in spite of this other associations organized for the same purpose have been successful. There are at the present time at least four central selling agencies operating on our principal grain markets, as well as several sales agencies which serve only certain of the wheat pools.
The total volume of business handled by all co-operative grain marketing associations in 1925 was \$750,000,000, transacted for 520,000 members.

Some Species of Hawks

Beneficial to Farmers

Not all hawks are harmful, in the sense that they are supposed to be; that is, in catching chickens and song birds and quail. The biological survey of the United States Department of Agriculture points out that there are a number of different species of hawks, and the food habits of all are not the same. Some prey almost entirely upon small mammals, such as mice, ground squirrels, and rabbits, whereas the food of others consists chiefly of birds. The latter are the species that are responsible for the bad reputation of all hawks. The bird eaters should be killed at every opportunity, but it is equally important that the others be spared, for they do a great deal of good in destroying small-animal pests of the farmer. The bird-eating hawks include the Cooper hawk and the sharp-shinned hawk, and these species prefer to capture their prey by swift, fierce darts from the concealment of thick foliage. Most of the other hawks are beneficial to the farmer.

Agricultural Items

The only good corn borer is a dead one.

A barn owl makes a valuable mouse catcher.

Sharp tools save power, power costs money, hence—?

Send for experiment station bulletins on fertilizers and soils. They will help your garden.

The crop that suffers most for proper cultivation is the crop of country boys and girls.

Competition may be the life of trade, but co-operation will certainly add vigor to the life of farming.

Wool should be stored in a clean, dry place until it is sold. It should never be stored in a basement.

The farmer who has no more live stock than a chicken on the farm should have a permanent pasture.

Sweet clover may be sown alone in the fall like alfalfa. If sown in wheat it should not be seeded until spring.

Discouraged farmers have this consoling encouragement: When you are at the bottom of the grade the only way you can look is up.

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