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Heretofore the conferring of degrees has been confined to persons of purely educational attainments, usually as a result of college training. We have had in profusion masters of arts, masters of science and the like. But recently a new degree is being conferred as a simple recognition of practical merit in one of the world's basic activities. It is that of Master Farmer.

During the past year this degree or title has been conferred upon successful farmers selected by agricultural journals in 17 states, the qualifications for the honor being stated as follows: "those who have maintained and improved the fertility of their farms through crop rotation, fertilization and the production of live stock; used labor saving equipment; modernized their homes by installing electric lights, running water and other conveniences. It is a good idea, worth developing until all outstanding farmers in the country have been awarded this recognition."

The Washington Grange News

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save that Cowlitz county has adopted the slogan, "5,000 cows and 1,000,000 hens by 1930" and that it is a good slogan for any farming community, with the further suggestion that it could be improved by adding at least 10,000 hogs. Dairy cows, poultry and swine have saved thousands of farms and every farm that has those in quantity is going strong, while the "one crop" farm is going behind each year.

An argumentative point for the \$3 and \$5 auto tax is that the car should be taxed according to its value, that an old car should pay less than a new one. We contend it should pay more as the miles pile up on the speedometer for one of the necessities of the highway today is the old bus parked two wheels on pavement waiting for a shot of mechanical skill before proceeding.

Scores of bottles of legume cultures are being prepared in the bacteriological department of the Oregon experiment station to supply the annual demand from farmers of the state preparing to inoculate seed of alfalfa, clover, vetch, peas, beans and soy beans.

Artificial inoculation is especially necessary for alfalfa in western Oregon as the soils here do not naturally contain the nodule bacteria needed by alfalfa. Before successful yields can be obtained these must be supplied either from pure cultures or by spreading from 200 to 500 pounds to the acre of soil taken from a successful alfalfa field.

Such inoculation is of course not a "cure-all," warns the state college specialist, as it will not take the place of lime for sour soils, or manure or fertilizers where these are needed.

Pure cultures of the various bacteria needed for legume crops are distributed by the college at 50¢ a bottle, which amount barely covers the cost. Details of their use is supplied by county agents or direct from the bacteriology department.

The Oregon division of the American association of university women, at the annual meeting held in Portland, Saturday afternoon, February 11, decided to offer a fellowship of \$1200 to a woman resident of Oregon who holds at least a bachelor of arts degree from a standard college and has definite plans of research in any field of study. This is the first time that the association has offered a graduate fellowship and the announcement is expected to arouse considerable interest among the college women of the state.

At the beginning of its existence in 1905, the Portland branch of the American association of university women, wishing to pass on to other women the joy and help they had received in college, established an undergraduate scholarship at the University of Oregon. This has been continued, with some changes in conditions, up to the present. As other branches have been established throughout the state, they too have aided girls in their neighborhoods by loans. With the establishment of many other such funds in the various colleges, the need for undergraduate help has ceased to be pressing and the association has felt that its efforts should be transferred to more advanced work. When the state organization was

formed three years ago, the first work undertaken was that of raising the money for a graduate fellowship and this has just been accomplished.

The committee in charge of awarding this fellowship is composed of five members of the association—one woman from the faculty of each of the three accredited colleges in the state, U. of O., O. S. C. and Reed college, and the state president ex officio, with Miss E. Ruth Lockwood of Portland as chairman. Circulars containing information as to requirements may be obtained from Miss Lockwood at the Library Association, Portland, and applications may be filed with her not later than April 1st.

Presidential elections used to be accompanied by business disturbances that sometimes reached the catastrophic stage. Business faced the presidential year with the trepidation of a man on his way to a pagan holiday; not knowing if he was to be stabbed, burned, hanged or eaten.

Now there is small likelihood of financial or social upheaval, the people are no longer unadvised about fundamental business and economic principles. They will demand that the next president be a safe one, that's all.

Getting Uneasy

To Abate a Menace.—Editor of Enterprise: The killing or wounding of people in my line of occupation has lately increased alarmingly in frequency. A law forbidding the possession of pistols or other firearms by ordinary citizens is much needed and some influential newspapers are advocating it.

A. Working Yegg, Sr.

SNAP JUDGMENT

By THOMAS ARKLE CLARK
Dean of Men, University of Illinois.

HIGDON was taking issue with me as to certain statements which he alleged I had made in one of my books. He took the other side and argued fluently for his point.

"I don't believe what you say; I think you are wrong in your conclusions."

"Well, what are my conclusions?" I inquired, for it began to dawn upon me that Higdon was more than a little vague as to what I had been trying to elucidate. He hesitated, and stumbled in his attempt, and got rather red in the face.

"When did you read my book?" I asked finally, "and how carefully did you do it?"

"I've never read it at all," he finally confessed. "I heard some of the fellows talking about it, and I formed my opinions from what they said."

"I laughed, and Higdon's method of forming a snap judgment from few data is not uncommon.

Brown makes no secret of the fact that he doesn't put any faith in the Bible either as history, literature, or as the basis of a religious faith. He laughs when anyone cites the scriptures as authority for anything. He talks flippantly about it but with an assumption of thorough conversance with its contents. Now the truth is that Brown has never read the Bible. Excepting for a desultory acquaintance with its general external appearance and the recollection of some scattered verses which he learned as golden texts during his brief acquaintance with Sunday school he knows nothing about the Bible.

He couldn't find the ten commandments in half an hour. He doesn't know whether it was Moses or William Jennings Bryan who led the children of Israel out of Egypt, and if you would ask him to turn to the book of Micah he would not know whether it is in the front or the back of the book. The wisdom and the poetry of the Old Testament he has no acquaintance with, and the life and doctrines of the greatest Teacher

who has ever lived as recorded in the New Testament he has really never given any serious attention to, and yet he throws over the whole thing and will have none of it.

Snap judgment, and unwarranted! Jordan tells me that he does not care for either Dickens or Robert Louis Stevenson as writers. There are others who would reach the same conclusion, so that I am not shocked at Jordan's statement, but only curious. "What have you read of Dickens?" I inquired.

"Oh, I started 'Dombey and Son,' but I couldn't get very far into it. It didn't interest me."

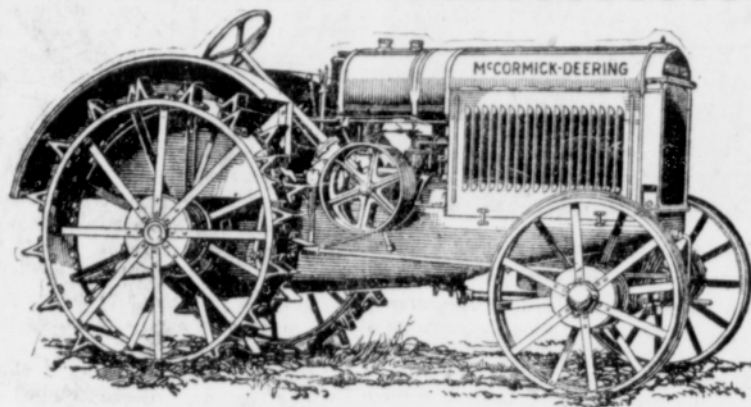
He knew nothing of the "Pickwick Papers," or "David Copperfield," or "Martin Chuzzlewit," or "Bleak House," or best of all I think, "Great

Expectations." He had read a chapter or two of a great author and not liking it had condemned all the rest. It was the same way with Stevenson. Of all the infinite varieties that that charming author had written he had read scarcely one volume.

It is the way we judge people sometimes. From one chance meeting, or from the conversation of a few moments we form settled opinions and promulgate them.

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