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## ELECTRICALLY SEPARATED

Interesting facts go hand in hand with the development of electrically equipped contrivances that from time to time are being introduced to lessen the cost and increase production on the farm. Those of our farmer friends who are confronted with the task of supplying muscular power will be interested to know that one-fifth of one kilowatt-hour of electrical energy applied to a milk-separator will separate the cream from the milk of one average cow for one month, according to a recent report from a western college to the New Jersey Public Utility Information Committee. For one year a standard separator, driven by a one-quarter horsepower motor, was used to separate the milk from a herd of 21 Guernsey cows. In this period they produced 143,755 pounds of milk, while the separator consumed 54 kilowatt-hours of current, and was run for 160 hours. The 160 hours of operation represent an equal number of hours of labor of one man, and this at twenty-five cents an hour, would total \$40, whereas the cost of current at an average rate of ten cents a kilowatt-hour would amount to but \$5.40. A further saving is reported in increased butter-fat taken from the milk as a result of the more uniform speed maintained by the electrically-operated separator.

The Prairie Farmer discusses a subject that would appear to be important in considering schemes for the relief of agriculture, but is rarely mentioned, if at all, in legislative bodies. It says: "Some day we will wonder why we ever allowed our most important food-stuffs to be used as a football for gamblers, to the detriment of producers and consumers alike. Private business, indeed. Is market manipulation of no concern to the man who raises the grain? Is it of no concern to the millions of people who depend on grain for their daily bread? Are we to consider only the interests of the non-producers who bet on the ups and downs of the market?"

The feats, color and glamor of the Round-Up cling with undiminished popularity to the public, and the crowds at the annual presentation of the "epic drama of the West" never grow less. There are rodeos and rodeos, but only one Round-Up. With its perfect setting amidst sun tinted hills, fronting a forest of trees on the banks of a mountain stream, the artist has a plenty for inspiration without the mighty Indian spectacle—the real bone and sinew of the great show. Greater than ever, the Round-Up wove fresh laurels for itself this year.

The difference between full returns to the vegetable gardeners and fruit raisers and what they now realize for their products may be seen any day along the highways in big elaborately painted trucks with trailers, loaded with their produce to be distributed to the retailer. Those trucks, owned by commission firms are doing the work at high pressure cost; the work that gardeners' and the fruit raiser's trucks should be doing. Then the profits would go into the right fellow's pocket.

The state market agent says an Oregon farmer cut his Canada thistle crop with his oats last year and put it all in the silo, fed it to his milk cows and they seemed to enjoy the mixture and do well on it. That ought to solve the Canada thistle problem. Just as soon as mankind finds it valuable and begins to cultivate it, it will probably die out. Only the useless and harmful things are self-perpetuating and resistant.

Bumper potato crops throughout the country do not apply to Oregon, where protracted dry weather in July and August give prospects of light yield, estimated at 5,200,000 bushels, as compared with 6,240,000 bushels last year. The verdict is a low price in the markets of the country over. With last season's experience to spur them on, mountain potato raisers will doubtless sell on the early market.

Business is picking up with the railroads. The Northern Pacific has put on twelve hundred additional train and engine men to handle transportation of the 1928 crop. Employment of this additional force, means that in the next four months more than \$1,000,000 will be added to the payroll of the company's workers on trains only, in the northwest.

When you construct an automobile road from the mouth to the forks of as likely a fishing stream as the Umatilla river, it is easy to surmise

why fishing is poor there. On top of this the Bingham hatchery is idle for some cause or other and the season's hatch was dumped into McKay reservoir and streams other than the Umatilla. S'matter?

Maybe, were the power companies to show the fish a better way to surmount the dam obstructions in the streams at their present power sites, they would have less opposition in locating new ones.

With timothy and clover, Jersey and Guernsey, year in and year out, wouldn't the cream can pay the mountain farmer better than the spud sack? Might try it half-and-half, anyway.

"Alexander the Great" mystic vaudeville entertainer, has been entertained by the government to the tune of \$77,500 back taxes.

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## 22 Years Ago

September 28, 1906

Miss Maud Ditty and Mr. Grant Steen were married at Walla Walla, Wednesday.

Henry Dell has purchased the Jones cottage on Jefferson street and will occupy it in the near future.

W. R. Taylor left this morning with his string of horses which he will enter in the relay race at the Walla Walla fair next week.

Hugh Walker, who for a time was in a Portland sanitarium, underwent a surgical operation at St. Mary's hospital, Walla Walla, Tuesday.

Rev. W. E. Potwine, for many years rector of the Church of the Redeemer at Pendleton, but who is stationed in Honolulu, for the past week has been visiting his friends in this county.

That irrefragable, impressionable sidewheeler, Kit Wilson the comedian, is again in town. After catching all the trout in the Umatilla river Kit will bury himself in work for a while.

Joe Hodgson, who recently purchased the Jarman residence, has moved his family to town. Mr. Hodgson will continue to operate his farm residing there during the summer months.

Mrs. G. C. Osburn of La Grande visited friends in Athena and vicinity Tuesday and Wednesday, taking yesterday morning's train for Portland. Mr. and Mrs. Osburn have purchased a residence in La Grande and will live in that city permanently.

W. J. Gholson and Ed Koontz returned from Spokane last night. They report a large attendance at the Spokane fair. Mr. Gholson and Mr. Koontz visited Coeur d'Alene and Harrison, Idaho, going there from Spokane by electric car and boat.

L. L. Montague came up from Arlington Saturday evening.

Frank Beale, the Pine creek rancher, was in the city Saturday.

Prunes at the J. S. Harris ranch on Wild Horse creek for 50c per hundred pounds.

W. G. Preston is down from Waitsburg, and is the guest of his son D. H. Preston.

A number of Athena people have expressed their intention of attending the races at Walla Walla this week.

York Dell went down to Pendleton today for the purpose of preparing the Preston-Parton fair exhibit for return shipment.

W. K. Wall, a recent arrival from Kingman county Kansas, with his wife, is in the city. Mr. Wall is a brother-in-law of Theo. Danner, the photographer.

Mrs. T. J. Watts, who for several weeks was in the hospital at Walla Walla, returned to her home in this city Saturday evening somewhat improved in health.

Attorney Will M. Peterson is confined to his home with a severe attack of sciatic rheumatism. Mr. Peterson has been unable to attend to legal affairs at his law office for several days.

Stockmen are bringing their cattle down from the mountain range. A large band was driven through town Saturday evening, and Sunday the process of "cutting out" took place at the Brotherton place north of Athena.

George Hansell was in town yesterday. He paraded up and down the street before the Press man, wearing a new Stetson hat. Asked where he got the price of the hat, he answered the question by displaying a roll of wheat receipts. George used to be a pretty good fellow, but since he went to farming a radical change has taken place. He now wears the brand of the "yellow rich," and if Homer Davenport ever sees him there will be a dollar mark cartoon in the Press.

## Simple

Flannigan and Hannigan were in a dilemma—in fact, they were in a regular Irish stew.

"Shure," exclaimed Flannigan, "these scales is no good at all, at all! They only weigh up to 200 pounds, and Of'm near to 250."

They put their heads together and considered the matter.

"Av course," reflected Hannigan, "we must cut some av the superfluous off ye, till ye balance."

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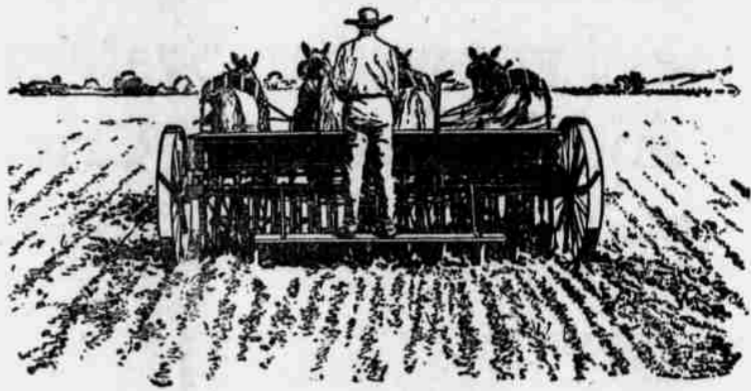
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