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## SCHOOL RALLY AT ORETOWN

Large and Enthusiastic Gathering  
—Splendid Program.

The school rally, held at Oretown last Saturday, March 18th, was a complete success in every way. The grange hall did not furnish seating room for all who came. All showed a deep interest from the first and many joined in the discussion of the several topics that were brought before the house.

The ladies provided an excellent dinner after which the following program was rendered:

Song, "My Tribute"	Neskowin School
Recitation,	Mable Dunn
Song,	Evelyn Smith
Recitation.	Ted Myers
Recitation	Ona Bailey
Song	Lyda Shoultz
Recitation	Anna Christensen
Song, "Teaching Public School"	
	Meda Bays
Pantomime	Irma Tatro
Washington Boy Army	Oretown Boys
Recitation	Mabel Wilson
Recitation	Harvey Tatro
Recitation	Russell Fox
Recitation	Mrs. Redberg
Sweetpeas' Drill	Oretown Girls
Recitation	Mrs. Ward
Recitation	Lawrence Whiteman
Song, "Farewell to Thee,"	Neskowin

Great are those 25c dinners at the Ramsey Hotel dining room, Tillamook, Ore.

## RANCHING IN TILLAMOOK COUNTY

Report of H. F. Keyes, of the Oregon Agricultural College.

(Evening Telegram)

One hundred and nine farmers of Tillamook county, average a surplus of \$400 a year each after all operating expense and 5 per cent interest upon their investments are deducted according to figures compiled by H. F. Keyes, who is employed by the Oregon Agricultural college at Corvallis and the department of agriculture to make farm surveys in the different counties of the state to ascertain to what degree of success the farmers are enjoying in their business.

The average investment in the 109 farms surveyed, says Mr. Keyes is \$35,000, and the average size of the farms is 80 acres. The average number of cows owned by the farmers is 29 each and the average production is 224 pounds of butter fat, which is about 60 pounds above the general average in the state. Five per cent interest on \$35,000 is \$1750, which added to \$400, makes a total of \$3150 which is the average sum made by these farmers above expenses.

"The farmers of Tillamook county grow nothing but hay," says Mr. Keyes, "and they feed all they raise and more too." It appears as if this is a good opportunity for the valley farmer to get rid of their surplus of hay. They run short of feed of their own, especially during a winter like the past.

"Land values are very high in Tilla-

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mook county, but the farmers are paying out, just the same," continued Mr. Keyes. "One man whom I met there contracted to buy a farm for \$30,000 and had only \$1,000. He paid this down and in five years he had paid \$12,000. You see in a very few years he will have his place paid for and he has enough money to keep him and his family in comfort. Of course, this is an exceptional case, but I cite this to show what can be done in dairying along the coast of Oregon. This man and a single hired man milk 51 cows daily, besides doing all the other work on the farm. These two, with the assistance of a third man who cost only \$60 in wages put up 80 tons of hay last summer. Every bit of the other work on the farm is done by two men."

Portugal's Decline.

Portugal has not always been the small affair that it is today. The little country once meant a great deal more than it does at present. To Portugal belongs the honor of having been the leader in fifteenth century exploration and discovery. Her great prince, known as "Henry the Navigator," may well be called the father of deep sea navigation. It was owing to his zeal that the voyages began which were to end in the circumnavigation of Africa and the finding of the way to India. Until well into the sixteenth century Portugal was rich in colonial possessions and was not without great weight in the diplomacy of Europe, but by the close of the century her decline began.

Did They "Hock" Them?

"In the olden days they had no watches, you know," said the father.

"And how did they tell the time?" asked the son.

"By sundials."

"Well, father," said the young man, feeling of his watchless chain, "how much could a fellow get on a sundial, do you suppose?"—Exchange.

Siam.

The kingdom of Siam covers an area of about 200,000 square miles, and the last census gave a total population of 8,149,487. The highest temperature of about 106 degrees F. in the shade at Bangkok is usually reached in April and May and the lowest of about 52 degrees in December and January, the latter two months being the most suitable for tourists and commercial travelers to visit northern Siam. The spoken and written language is Siamese, but for commercial purposes the English language is in general use.

Didn't Awe Him.

The members of a Greek letter fraternity from a southern university were being shown through the library of congress. They were apparently stricken dumb with admiration of the beauties of the building. But the atmosphere of awe was dissipated when one of the party, a red headed youth, exclaimed fervently:

"Gee, fellows, wouldn't this make a dandy frat house?"—St. Louis Republic.

Thoroughly Pessimistic.

"Why don't you announce yourself as a candidate?"

"Because," replied Senator Sorghum, "I don't believe I could get nominated. And if I did get nominated I couldn't get elected. And if I did get elected I couldn't fill the position properly. And if I did fill it properly I wouldn't get much credit for it anyhow."—Washington Star.

Our Friendships.

Our friendships hurry to short and poor conclusions because we have made them a texture of wine and dreams instead of the tough fiber of the human heart. The laws of friendship are great, austere and eternal—of one web with the laws of morals and of nature.—Goethe.

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