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The farmer sells at prices fixed in free trade markets and buys everything he wears and uses in a war tax market.

The farmer can not be helped until he organizes, and no government can help the farmer except through organization.

Canadian governmental officials are trying in every possible way to have farmers of that country double the wheat output for next year by seeding all available land and using new land for growing barley, oats, etc., needed on the farm.

More than \$20,000 worth of ostriches have arrived on "The Zone" of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition. The first shipment was 100, and the birds were brought in two box cars and transferred in padded vans to the ostrich farm of "The Zone."

The last federal census reports Oregon as having 45,502 farms, the average size being 257 acres, valued at \$528,243,000. The same report estimates that \$13,205,000 worth of implements and farm machinery and \$59,461,000 worth of domestic animals, poultry and bees are owned by farmers. The average value of an Oregon farm is placed at \$11,609.

The department of agriculture has had an expert in Oregon for some time gathering samples of wood for testing their resistance to bending, cross breaking, compression both parallel and perpendicular to the grain, etc. The data will be used by architects and builders and will do away with an architect insisting on the use of building material from foreign sections of the country, such as bringing yellow pine from the southern states to Portland, three thousand miles, when better material was grown in the state of Oregon.

The Successful County Fair.

There are two appeals a county fair may successfully make. One is to the social instinct and the other is to vanity. The fair can be made to serve as a reunion at which people who do not see each other often may meet to renew old acquaintance and discuss the things that have happened since they last met. This is one of the most pleasurable features of the Sherman county fair. It is not only enjoyed by residents of different parts of the county, but proves a strong attraction to former residents. Every county fair should be a "home-coming" occasion. But the value of this is largely social.

Another feature of our county fair is a proper appeal to vanity, which brings more tangible results. Each one attending should have some part of the pavilion decorated with an exhibit, and thus enhance the displays of the products of the farm, orchard, oven, dairy and needle, school exhibits included. The lessons to be taught are not all for the winners of prizes, but relate more particularly to those who may not be so fortunate and the reasons why this may be.

The days of the old-time county fair was given over to so called attractions, faked shows, etc. Several county fairs have been forced to discontinue for lack of patronage and the indifference of the people they tried to serve; more because the fair officials themselves failed to realize that no county fair, regardless the size, can afford to allow itself to become a second rate circus and survive. When this occurs and the people want such entertainment, the railroads are in position to place the means of gratification within easy reach.

Those in charge of the Sherman county fair have at all times had in mind the educational benefits to be derived from a proper use of the fair by exhibitors and visitors. All the time and money of the county, the fair officials and individuals has been towards this end. It is the hope of all who have the best interests of the county at heart that the Sherman county fair grow along these lines each year a little stronger.

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W. C. BRYANT, Notary Public for Oregon. My commission expires October 24, 1914.

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School Houses as Social Centers.

The need of rural Oregon is social centers where our young people can be entertained, amused and instructed under the direction of cultured and competent leadership; where aesthetic surroundings stir the love for the beautiful; where art charges the atmosphere with inspiration and power, and innocent amusements instruct and brighten their lives.

To hold our young people on the farm we must make farm life more attractive, as well as the business of farming more remunerative. The school house should be the social unit, properly equipped for nourishing and building character, so that the lives of our people can properly function around it and become supplied with the necessary elements of human thought and activity.

There is food for reflection in the fact that the exigencies of commerce, the advantageous pursuit of industrial operations, and even the preparation for real or anticipated war may promptly bring about hygienic reforms which wide-spread preaching and earnest exhortation are at best slow in promoting. The "safety first" slogan which one hears in nearly every city of the United States at the present time is one aspect of a movement to increase the personal welfare of the individual by decreasing the liability to injury through the carelessness of a fellowman.

Six additional Chinese workmen have arrived from China with the Chinese government pavilion and a duplicate of one of the temples of the Forbidden City for the Panama-Pacific International Exposition. The buildings were built in China and "knocked down" to be brought to the exposition. A gang of Chinese workmen have been building the wall and the main supports of the buildings on the exposition grounds, and the parts completed will be fitted in at once. The Chinese appropriation is \$750,000.

The Sherman county fair board is now kept busy in arranging detail and attending to the thousand and one things necessary to get ready for the greatest and most elaborate fair ever held in Sherman county. Already many applications have been made for space for exhibits, not only from farmers for agricultural and horticultural exhibits, but from business men and manufacturers who will have an interesting commercial display.

Robert F. Magure has resigned as chief deputy district attorney for Multnomah county and has formed a law partnership with Judge E. V. Littlefield; formerly of Moro. The new firm will be known as Littlefield & Magure and will occupy Judge Littlefield's former offices in the Corbett building.

The annual report of the state board of health for the year ending December 31, 1913, received at this office, shows a total birth record in Sherman county of 60, 35 males and 25 females. During the same year the total number of deaths was 12, seven males and five females.

The state railroad commission has protested against a three per cent tax on freight shipments as a means of raising governmental revenue to offset the effects of the European war.

- During harvest season, to save crops, farmers must work 12 to 14 hours. What will an 8-hour law do to the farming industry?

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WILLIAM HOWARD TAFT

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THEODORE ROOSEVELT

Ex-President, Soldier, Explorer and one of the most remarkable leaders in the United States, is a strong champion of LOCAL SELF-GOVERNMENT and Home Rule. He has never raised his voice in behalf of statewide prohibition, and so he has suffered attacks from radical and hysterical prohibitionists. As between a man of Theodore Roosevelt's ability and standing and those who are the paid emissaries of professional propagandists, the voters of Oregon will not be slow in passing upon the wisdom and credibility of the witnesses.

With these three National Leaders agreed on the issue of Prohibition, isn't it wisdom to follow their course?

Register and Vote

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Secretary Fortner, of the county fair association, has received word from the state live stock sanitary board that all animals exhibited at the coming fair must undergo the required tuberculin test prescribed by law. It is requested that all desiring to exhibit will have their animals at the fair grounds the morning of October 7th. A representative of the board will be present to make the examination, for which there will be no charge.

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The Wheeler County Fair.

Senator Ragsdale and D. E. Stephens, superintendent of the local Experiment Farm, motored to Fossil last week to attend the Wheeler county fair on September 22d and 23d. From what these gentlemen report, this fair was unique in several particulars. First, bucking broncho contests and horse racing were conspicuously absent, and excellent displays of farm produce and farm animals were everywhere present. Second, competition was keen all along the line, as it took two expert judges nearly two days to do the judging. And last, but not least, was the splendid character of the individual farm exhibits, several of the farmers having over 200 different farm products on display. The genial Scotch journalist-politician-farmer, Hon. Jas. Stewart, of the Fossil Journal, won the \$50 prize offered by the Oregon Conservation Commission and also the \$40 prize offered by the O. W. R. & N. Co. for the best individual farm display.

Mr. Stewart owns a small hillside farm, on which he grew over 250 varieties of farm products, including different kinds of grains, grasses, corn, field and garden peas, vetch, alfalfa, and various root crops and vegetables. His display will be shown at the state fair, two four-horse teams and wagons being required to transport the exhibit from Fossil to Condon.

Sherman county was represented at the Wheeler county fair by an exhibit of dry farm corn, sent over by L. L. Peetz. The exhibit was considered so good an example of what can be done with corn that a special was made of the exhibit, and Mr. Peetz was awarded a blue ribbon for the best 12 ears of dent corn on exhibition.

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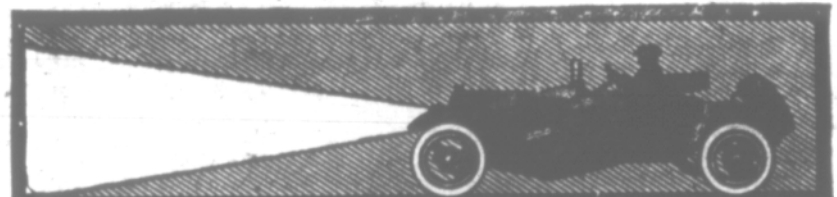
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