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A FEW SUGGESTIONS FOR THE FARMERS ASSOCIATION.

The average wagon road in the Northwest is little better and often not so good as the open prairie. The improvement of the main roads would prove of vast benefit to the people and would soon pay for itself in saving of time and labor. The matter of warehouse charges we think should receive the attention of the association. The present rates are based on prosperous crops, and we believe, if the matter was properly presented the warehouse people would be glad to reduce the rates at least for the present season. The suggestion of manufacturing dematurized alcohol from Sherman county potatoes, contained in an interview furnished the Journal by Mr. Martin of the E. O. L. Co. might be a valuable one to our people. It would be a good idea for the Farmers Association to investigate the matter of manufacturing dematurized alcohol with a view to encouraging the industry.

The interests of warehousemen and farmers are identical. We believe that if they would make an effort in this direction they would find it by no means hard to get together, and much good could be accomplished for all concerned.

Our mill men are as much interested in the general welfare of the community and with other business men working in conjunction with the farmers would present a front that would counteract the influence of Portland and other wheat buying points.

The interest of the farmer is not alone in securing better transportation rates and better prices but in the improvement of his methods of farming and the standard of his produce. Poor farming is quite as much a detriment as is any act on the part of grain dealers or transportation company. The Farmers Association should so direct their efforts as to ascertain the most successful and practical in all phases of the business, with a view to getting just as much out of an acre of land in quality and amount of produce as it will give under the most favorable circumstances. All matter looking to the increase of quantity and quality, faculty in handling and disposing, improvement in price and quality security of crops, are legitimate and profitable for consideration by the association and until it does consider such matters generally and specifically it will fail of giving the best results.

ADDITIONAL WASCO LOCALS.

It is intimated that the sugar trust is to be investigated, a reminder of the fact that the last time it was under fire it was discovered to have some powerful friends in Congress.

The did not keep Mr. Roosevelt from talking to the Oyster Bayster. It would require something more than barometric pressure to bottle up the President's enthusiasm for talking.

Two able trust lawyers at Toledo have been committed to jail for contempt of court; that is, they will go to jail unless some higher court shares in their contempt for the jurist, they insulted.

No news from San Francisco these days, will be understood as good news.

Switzerland has been doing a little investigating on its own account and finds Chicago meat all right, thank you.

The President doesn't mind making a speech out of doors, in the rain, but persons comfortably sheltered in covered carriages, must not interrupt him with their loud conversation.

Republican organs are still pointing to the fact that the recent Congress broke several records, while the Democratic organs profess to be thankful that the country didn't also go broke.

Does Mr. Bryan expect the common people to continue to toss aloft their \$1.98 hats for him, if he puts in his time in London hobnobbing with lords and riding in automobiles.

None of the cigarette manufacturers are advertising the fact that they make the brand of cigarettes that Harry Thaw has been smoking.

A California teacher says that we are mad in the race for riches. It certainly makes some of us mad to see the other fellows get a head of us.

Geo. Fred Williams has his doubts about Mr. Bryan's ability to bring the radical and conservative wings of the country together, although the tax assessor's figures show that the Colonel is no slouch at making both ends meet.

There are intimations that the Adla E. Stevenson boom is about to be taken from the sheds, dusted off and placed on exhibition again.

Tom Taggart the National Democratic Chairman, need not be surprised to find hotel properties raised to the dignity of a national issue, in the forthcoming campaign.

Mr. Bryan might be better pleased if he could encounter a little democratic opposition just to keep up the interest, heyday.

The present year will break a great many records in development and growth, and in no particular line is this more in evidence than in that of railway building. During the past ten years the average has been about 1,000 miles for the first six months of each year, and about 3,000 miles for the entire 12 months. Last year 1,284 miles were laid in the first six months, and the year showed railroad building to the extent of 5,009 miles. The first six months of the present year amounts to 2,300 miles of railway laid, and the record for the entire year, if it follows the general average of years gone by, will probably amount to nearly 7,000 miles. The development of railway building is not confined to any section of the West, but is spreading from the Mississippi to the Coast with wonderful speed.

An apt illustration of the economy of good roads was made by Congressman J. H. Bankhead, of Alabama, recently. In an address before the house, Mr. Bankhead said: "The amount of money it takes to haul a ton five miles on our dirt roads will pay the freight for 250 miles on a railroad, or 500 miles on a river and 1,000 miles on the lakes. These figures prove conclusively the enormous tax levied by the bad roads on the farmers, and how much of their legitimate profit is consumed in hauling from the farms to the railroad station, river landings and to the towns and cities. Not only have the farmers suffered great loss on account of poor roads, but the people in the towns and cities who depend upon them for their supplies have suffered also."

The North Bend railroad, it is announced by those in authority over it, will be one of the best ever built in the United States. Great care has been taken in the selection of the route; no expense has been spared in securing the latest equipment and the finest materials for its construction and operation. It is not at all surprising that railway builders should plan new roads better than in days gone by. The real economy of solid construction and standard equipment is more apparent to contains of industry now than ever before. It pays to build well. It is a mistake to use shoddy materials and careless methods in the rearing of an industry, whether it be a railroad or anything else.

Estimates made in advance indicate that the total exports of American manufactures for the fiscal year ending with the last of June will amount to \$600,000,000. The preceding fiscal year's totals were about \$543,000,000, and 1900 showed a total of \$434,000,000. The increase of exports in manufactures in ten years amount to 160 per cent, while the gain of other exports is but 75 per cent. Our export trade in manufactures is growing about twice as fast as export business in raw materials. This is exactly as it should be. Aggregate imports of materials to be used for manufacture amount to close to \$590,000,000.

MORO LOCAL ITEMS

We understand several of our merchants have put their business on a cash basis. Poor crops causes suffering all around. And then some say the farmer is not the backbone of the country. When the farmer is prosperous everyone else is prosperous, but when the farmer is hard up all are hard up. The merchant cannot be blamed, for unless he can make collections he will be forced into bankruptcy.

Angus Kuks arrived from Portland few days ago and will harvest with N. W. Thompson.

The warehousemen are beginning to turn out the sacks to the farmers. They are hauling quite a few out and we hope they will all return well filled.

A. M. Wright, of Monkland, was transacting business in Moro Wednesday.

HENRY KRAUSE

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Keeps a complete stock of team harness, buggy harness saddles, bridles, halters, bits, spurs, sweat pads, rings, whips, curry combs and brushes, robes, gloves, etc.

Wasco, Oregon.

THE MASSACHUSETTS Mutual Life

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H. G. COLTON, Manager.

ARTHUR W. CLOTHIER, Special Agent.

R. M. Brash and Louie Heydt returned from a ten days outing in the mountains Sunday. They report a fine time.

There seems to be a scarcity of harvest hands in this vicinity this year. In past years at this time of the year one could always see 50 to 75 men in town looking for work. Sherman county is probably to "dry" for the average farm hand.

Harry Kunsman arrived on Sunday's train to work through harvest. Harry has been spending the summer at the Warm Springs, Indian Reservation.

The Supreme Court of the State of Oregon has held that the exemption is unconstitutional. This will make a difference of about \$10.00 in the taxes of each resident of Moro.

Fred Schilling has the court house walk about completed. It is a fine job.

C. K. Cockran returned Tuesday from a business trip to Gilliam Co.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Logan left for a short visit with friends and relatives at Salem Wednesday.

A load of hay that was standing between the two livery barns was discovered on fire about 12 o'clock Monday night, but was seen in time to be put out. Had it been unnoticed a few minutes later Moro would have had a conflagration proper, as the barns are located in the midst of score of wooden structures, and there is no question but what the greater part of the city would have been burned. It is thought by everyone that the fire was of incendiary origin. It is to be regretted that the bell hound was not caught in the act and given 99 years in the penitentiary.

The Misses Holman, daughters of J. B. Holman of Portland, arrived on Sunday's train for a short visit with friends in this vicinity.

Miss Foss, sister of our townsman John Foss, and Mrs. Mitchell are visiting here this week. Miss Foss is from Umatilla county.

R. W. Montgomery, who accompanied his wife to Collin's returned home Sunday evening.

W. H. Moore came up on Sunday's train from Portland, returning Monday morning.

E. A. Cushman is helping Mr. Christensen start his combined harvester this week.

Thompson, Meloy & Poetz will start their outfit, consisting of three headers and a steam threshing rig, next Monday. The firm has about 3000 acres to harvest.

Some of our farmers are disgusted on account of the poor crop. Well, gentlemen, you can't expect to make a fortune every year. And while we think about it, with all the bad luck of this year and comparatively short crops of last year, we would like to know where there is another country that can show a better average than Sherman county this year. The goods can't be delivered.

Notice For Publication

Notice is hereby given that Charles O. Porter, of Early, Oregon, has filed notice of his intention to make final five-year proof in support of his claim viz: Homestead Entry No. 8901 made January 18, 1901, for the SW 1/4 Section 33 Township 3 N. Range 18 E. W. M. and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver at The Dalles, Oregon, on August 31st, 1906.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of the land viz:

Jerry Lester, Frank A. Kollas, William Bartlemay, Herbert K. Porter, all of Early, Oregon.

Dated at The Dalles, Oregon, July 18, 1906.

Michael T. Nolan,
Register.

Notice For Publication

Notice is hereby given that John Freeman, of Klondike, Oregon, has filed notice of his intention to make final five-year proof in support of his claim, viz: Homestead Entry No. 9426 made June 4, 1901, for the SW 1/4 NE 1/4 Section 15 and NW 1/4 SW 1/4 Section 14, Township 2 North Range 18 E. W. M. and that the said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver, at The Dalles, Oregon, on July 23rd, 1906.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of the land, viz:

Lein Agee, G. C. Fridley, A. S. Johnson, C. W. Johnson, all of Klondike, Oregon.

Dated at The Dalles, Oregon, June 16, 1906.

Michael T. Nolan, Register.

THE DALLES HOSPITAL



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ESTRAY HORSES.

One Black gelding branded N on right shoulder; bay gelding branded J C, one white hind foot, star in forehead; grey gelding branded S on left shoulder; grey mare branded J R, connected, on left hip; grey gelding branded & on left shoulder; all work horses, came to my place about June 1st, 1906, and I am sure they belong in Sherman county.

Conn Yeackel,
Centerville, Wash.

For sale cheap, the old Webb place known as the DeMoss place. For information write to, or enquire of Prof. Jas. DeMoss, DeMoss, Oregon.