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WASTE LAND

According to the department of agriculture, only 25 per cent of the tillable land of the United States is actually under cultivation. This statement is based on the reports of 35,000 correspondents. These reports were obtained in order to gain information as to the tillable area of the United States, the amount of land that cannot be used for crops that have to be plowed, but available for pasture or fruits, and the total number of acres that never can be used for agricultural purposes. From the returns, which were generally very consistent, preliminary estimates have been made for each state and for the United States. Further investigation in the Western states may modify somewhat the present estimate for those states.

The entire United States, excluding foreign possessions, contains about 1,900,000,000 acres. Of this area about 60 per cent, or 1,140,000,000 acres is estimated to be tillable, that is, capable of being brought under cultivation by means of the plow. This includes land already under such cultivation and that which in the future may be brought under cultivation by clearing, drainage, irrigation, etc.

Three hundred and sixty one million acres or 19 per cent, are estimated to be non-tillable but valuable for pasture or fruit. Only 21 per cent, 399,000,000 acres, was estimated to be of no use for agriculture present or future.

According to the census of 1909, the land area in crops where acreage was given was 311,000,000 acres. This is about 16 per cent of the total land area or about 27 per cent of the estimated potential tillable area of the United States, excluding foreign possessions.

In other words, for every 100 acres that are now tilled, about 375 acres may be tilled when the country is fully developed. In the development of the agriculture of the country the land which was most easily brought into a state of cultivation, as the great Mississippi valley, was the first to be brought into such use. Extension of tilled area will be at greater expense for clearing, drainage, irrigation, etc. The increased production of the future will be the result of the increased yields per acre as well as extension of area.

HARVEY W. SCOTT

The quarterly bulletin recently issued by the Oregon Historical Society is devoted exclusively to the life and character of the late Harvey W. Scott. Commencing his newspaper career at the modest salary of fifteen dollars per week, Harvey Scott rose from poverty to wealth and from an obscure position to one of commanding importance in the Pacific Northwest. His Creator not only gave him a pleasing flow of language but a massive intellect to guide his pen. Added to these virtues was an insatiable thirst for knowledge. He was a thorough student and much of his success may be attributed to the fact that he never wrote upon any subject until he became master of his facts. There was nothing shallow about Harvey Scott. He never lost his brain in a veritable maze of high-sounding words or wrote an editorial unless he had something to say. He was no straddler and knew not the meaning of the words compromise when it meant the compromise of some vital principle. He blazed the trail of real journalism on the Pacific Coast and for nearly half a century was the best known and most respected editorial writer west of the Rocky Mountains. His fame came to him not because of mere personal popularity, family connections or political prowess. It came to him through sheer force of intellect. When our pioneer governors and former mem-

bers of the United States senate from Oregon are forgotten, the memory of Harvey Scott will live. He has indelibly impressed himself upon the early and later day history of the state. Notwithstanding the fact that we disagreed with the former editor upon many political questions, we respected his honesty and admired his talent.

The Oregon Historical Society did well when it preserved for future generations, an intimate and personal view of the veteran editor and publisher.

An "army" of jobless men who won't work for \$3.00 per day because their sleeping quarters are not to their liking is truly a curiosity. Their thirst for notoriety is evidently stronger than their pangs of hunger.

GRAND PRAIRIE GRANGE HELD ROUSING MEETING

Last Saturday was a red letter day for Grand Prairie Grange No. 10, the occasion being the annual installation of officers.

There certainly could not have been a more enjoyable session all the more than forty years since the grange was organized, or a more sumptuous feast provided. All the officers select were present and were duly installed by Eugene Smith of Tangent grange. Other visitors were also present from Tangent, and from Harmony grange.

With a few felicitous remarks the installing officer carried out the impressive service in a masterly manner. Mrs. F. M. Mitchell assisting, first installing Hon. C. L. Shaw as master, then on behalf of the grange presented him with a beautiful gold ring with a valuable setting. The gift was a surprise and was received with evident emotion. Following the installation came the feasting. Last of all came a literary program with grange songs, solos, instrumental selections, recitations and readings.

Mrs. Grace LaSalle, Miss Nani Rodine and Miss Maude Rolfe each gave selections upon the organ and each responded to an encore. Rodney Floyd sang several songs with mandolin accompaniment and Clifford Walker with a guitar gave several numbers that also won applause. The leading officers are C. L. Shaw, master; Otto Froman, overseer; Clifford Walker, lecturer and F. M. Mitchell, secretary, and under their management and guiding hand of a favoring providence, a very successful year is expected.

CYRUS H. WALKER.

PERSONAL MENTION FROM SHEDD AND THAT VICINITY

Shed, Ore., Jan. 14.—(Special to the Democrat.)—C. A. Pugh had business calling him to Albany Monday.

Mr. C. A. Pylburn made a business trip to Halsey Monday.

The Misses C. J. White and B. M. Bond of Halsey were in Shedd Saturday evening.

Wm. J. Dunlay had business calling him to Albany Saturday.

Mr. C. H. Davidson had business calling him to Albany Monday.

Mr. A. Sutherland had business calling him to Shedd Monday and Tuesday.

Fate Thompson of Albany had business calling him to Shedd Monday and Tuesday.

Miss Margaret Sutherland expects to leave this week for her school near Astoria.

J. E. Painter of Fayetteville was in Shedd Monday.

J. C. Davis shipped a car load of sheep and hogs Thursday.

J. C. Brown is building an up-to-date implement barn on his place near town.

The Shedd Gun club will give a practice shoot Saturday afternoon.

Dan Sutherland left Monday for San Francisco, California, where he expects to stay until next fall.

The officers of Amico Lodge No. 232 L. O. O. F. installed at an open session here Monday evening by District Deputy Grand Master Wm. McMahon, assisted by Past Grand Masters D. Standish, Robert Mills, Geo. Lauffer, J. M. Dickson and Bilyeu.

After the installation a short program was rendered and a banquet was served. There were fifty members present and about two hundred guests enjoyed a good time.

Mr. Chas. Grell and Geo. H. Moss of Tangent were in Shedd Saturday evening.

Mr. Robert Arnold had business calling him to Albany Monday.

Miss Wilma Dillax of Lebanon is a guest at the home of her uncle, L. B. Kind, this week.

Mrs. Hurley Morgan went to Albany Tuesday to do some shopping. Miss Lenna Powers of Albany is visiting at Shedd this week.

PERSONALS AND NEWS NOTES FROM FAYETTEVILLE

Fayetteville, Jan. 15.—(Special to Democrat.)—Mr. and Mrs. Stuart and children of Portland are visiting at the home of Mrs. R. G. Hamilton.

Mr. Oscar Ehrlich who has been visiting at the home of Ernest Marquardt for some time, returned to Portland Saturday.

Mrs. McBride and children George, Lila and Edith and Mrs. Bayne were Albany visitors Saturday.

Mr. John Johnson came up from Portland on business Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Argyle Kendall took the evening train Saturday for Albany to stay over Sunday with friends.

A number of Fayettevilleites attended the Odd Fellows installation and supper Monday night at the hall in Shedd.

The Peorias are busy hauling lumber from Fayetteville for a building for their school children to play in.

Wrennie Brown who is attending the short course at the O. A. C. returned home Friday.

Miss Eva Stokes returned to Albany Tuesday after nursing in the vicinity and is now waiting for another patient.

Mrs. Clarence Brown went to Albany Tuesday.

Mrs. R. G. Hamilton went to Portland Monday evening.

Mrs. Joseph Painter took the noon train Tuesday for Corvallis.

Mr. James Johnson and family drove to Albany Tuesday.

JORDON NEWS NOTES AND PERSONAL MENTION

Jordan, Ore., Jan. 13.—(Special to Democrat.)—Ray Combs and wife of Albany are visiting relatives and friends here.

Chas. San has rented the farm which Gehlen Bros. purchased from Jno. Downing.

Walter Trask of Lyons visited his uncle, Wm. Brotherton here over Sunday.

Mrs. Annie and Steve Bender are home for a short stay.

Jno. Rohwein went to Scio Wednesday.

Dr. Adams went to Scio Wednesday. He is making final proof on his homestead.

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Guardian's Sale

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned guardian of Juanita E. Thompson, an insane person pursuant to the order of sale duly made by the County Court of Linn County, Oregon, in the matter of the estate of said insane person on the 20th day of November, 1913, will, from after the 21st day of January, 1914 sell, at private sale, for cash in hand all the right, title and interest of said insane person in the following described real property, to-wit: Lot 4 in Block 5 in City View Addition to the City of Albany, in Linn County, Oregon, said sale to be made subject to confirmation by said court.

L. G. THOMPSON, w. d23-30 16-13-20 Guardian.

SUMMONS

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Linn County. Department No. 2.

Herbert W. Pryme, Plaintiff, vs. Amy A. Pryme, Defendant.

To Amy A. Pryme, the above named defendant:

In the name of the state of Oregon you are hereby notified and required to be and appear in said court in said suit, and answer the complaint of the above named plaintiff now on file herein, on or before the 17th day of February, 1914, and you are hereby further notified that if you fail to appear and answer said complaint as above required, for want thereof the plaintiff will take a decree against you for the relief prayed for in said complaint.

A decree of said court dissolving the bonds of matrimony now existing between you and said plaintiff.

This summons is served upon you by publication for six consecutive weeks prior to said 17th day of February, 1914, in the Semi-Weekly Democrat, a newspaper published twice a week in the city of Albany, Linn County, Oregon, and of general circulation in said county, by order of the Hon. D. B. McKnight, county judge of said Linn county, Oregon, which said order bears date December 19th, 1913, and the said D. B. McKnight, judge of said county court of said county, in said order for the publication of this summons upon you, has prescribed said 17th day of February, 1914, the time on or before which you shall appear and answer the said complaint in said suit.

The date of the first publication of this summons in said newspaper is December 25th, 1913.

W. R. BILYEU, Attorney for Plaintiff.

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SUBSTANTIAL IMPROVEMENTS AT TANGENT DURING YEAR

Tangent, Ore., Jan. 12.—(Special to Democrat.)—D. F. Newland, the poet of Ash Swale, was visiting relatives in Tangent last Friday; Mr. Newland is much interested in education and spent the afternoon visiting the school here. He gave the students some good advice and encouragement and wished prosperity and success.

Wm. Roseburg, a former resident of this section of the county, but now of Los Angeles, is visiting friends here.

Is. Stelmacher, who was in a Portland hospital for a month, has returned.

Several substantial improvements have been made in Tangent during the past year, as follows: The South Methodist church has been practically rebuilt. It will soon be occupied. It is a credit to the town and cost nearly three thousand dollars. L. B. Marsters has built a two story building on his lot, which he uses for a store and postoffice. John Neeldham has built one residence, one small barn and two woodsheds on his lot in West Tangent.

Arch Westcott has built a barn; R. Jones, a woodshed and also finished his house on the outside.

Tangent is also quite a shipping point. Four car loads of clover seed, two or three of apples, several of hay besides quite a lot of grain has already been shipped from here since harvest.

Farmers say that all kinds of fall grain looks fine, also the young clover which was sown in the stubble.

There certainly will be a large crop of clover this year as the acreage is unusually large.

All kinds of stock is standing the winter very well so far, as most of the farmers have good shelter and plenty of food.

Mill City Beats Silverton. CITY TREASURER IS FILED

Showing receipts and disbursements of the various city funds for the quarter ending January 9, the report of City Treasurer Conick was read before the council meeting last night and placed on file.

The report is in part: General fund—Receipts, \$5,207.29; disbursements, \$5,207.29. Street fund—Receipts, \$2,245.50; disbursements, \$2,245.51. Street paving contracts—Receipts, \$14,377.61; disbursements, \$14,377.61. Library fund—Receipts, \$2,123.86; disbursements, \$2,123.86. Bond redemption fund—Receipts, \$2,319.56; disbursements, \$2,319.56. Bond interest fund—Receipts, \$5,095.96; disbursements, \$4,095.96. Plumbing fund—Receipts, \$22.20 on hand. Interest account bonds and street improvements—Receipts, \$3,418.86 on hand, paying alleys in blocks 7, 8, 9 and 10—Receipts, \$2,446.37; disbursements, \$2,446.37. Other street paving—Receipts, \$2,654.86; disbursements, \$2,654.86. Water street paving receipts, \$138.99 on hand.

University Professor Here.—Professor Howe, of the University of Oregon is in the city and this afternoon will lecture on "How to Study Shakespeare" at the meeting of the Shakespeare club at the home of Mrs. W. H. Davis.

Visiting Relatives Here.—W. S. Smallwood, of Portland, arrived in the city yesterday to visit O. L. Smallwood, editor of the Rural Oregonian. W. S. Smallwood is the secretary of the Rural Oregonian Publishing company.

Will Raise Clover.—William Richards, a well known traveling man, who is attending business here today, has purchased a tract of Linn county land and will have it sowed to clover.

Frisco Ladies Visiting Here.—Arriving in the city last night from their homes in San Francisco, Mrs. J. C. Davidson and Mrs. Wayne Reed, after spending the night at the Hammett, left this morning for Lebanon to visit relatives.

Sheriff's Sale.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of an execution and order of sale to me directed, issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Linn, in the case wherein J. K. Weatherford is plaintiff and W. S. Paul is defendant, I will on Saturday, the 14th day of February, A. D. 1914, at the hour of 1 o'clock p. m., at the front door of the court house in Albany, Linn County, Oregon, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash in hand the following described real property, to-wit: Beginning at a point on the north boundary line of the D. L. C. of W. A. Paul and wife, Not. No. 71 in Tp. 11 S. R. 2 West of the Will. Mer. in Linn County, Oregon, which is 34.13 chains west from the northwest corner of the said D. L. C. and running thence West on the north line of said D. L. C. 36.11 chains, thence East 9.00 chains, thence South 16.66 2-3 chains, thence East 27.11 chains, thence north 80 chains to the place of beginning, containing 274 acres more or less in Linn county, Oregon, and known as the W. S. Paul Farm, to satisfy a judgment rendered in favor of the plaintiff and against the defendant in the sum of \$2000.00 and interest from June 17th, 1910 at the rate of six per cent per annum and the further sum of \$150.00 attorney's fees herein together with his costs and disbursements taxed at \$62.31 and accruing costs.

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PICTURE ORDINANCE WAS AGAIN DEFERRED BY COUNCIL

Anti-Sunday Moving Pictures and Card Playing Measures Snowed Under.

Dying a natural death when they were left on the table after the old council surrendered the reins of office, the ordinance commonly called the "anti-Sunday moving pictures" and the "anti-card playing, dice throwing, and other chance games" ordinances, of which the majority of the people of Albany are already familiar, were resurrected last night at the meeting of the council, re-introduced and again deferred.

Councilman M. J. Cameron introduced the former measure and Councilman E. A. Johnson the latter.

Three for and Three Against.

It was on motion of Councilman F. T. Blount that the first measure was referred to the next meeting. It was brought up and read the first, and second times, when Councilman Pfeiffer moved that it be left over. His motion was lost when Councilman Blount called attention to the fact that the procedure of the council was that an ordinance must be deferred, when upon its third reading there is one dissenting vote. He moved that it be read the third time. Those who voted for its passage were Cameron, Blount and Johnson; against, Pfeiffer, Simmonson and McElmurry.

The anti-card playing ordinance was read the second time and upon motion of Councilman Blount was referred to the committee on ordinances, because it contained an emergency clause.

Mill City Beats Silverton.

Mill City, Ore., Jan. 15.—(Special to Democrat.)—In a fast and exciting game of basketball at the City Opera House Saturday the Mill City five won from Silverton Commercial second team by a score of 21 to 9. The routing of the two hundred Mill City fans deserves special comment. The stars of the game for Mill City were McQueen and Wolford, while one credit should be given Scoby of Silverton, who did noble work.

After the game the Mill City boys gave a dance in honor of the Silverton boys which proved to be another one of those good dances which the boys always have.

MAYOR MAKES STATEMENT RELATIVE TO UNEMPLOYED

Claims Citizens Furnishing Food Worked in Opposition to Authorities.

In an interview with a representative of the Democrat, in regard to the army of I. W. W. Mayor Carl this morning made the following statement:

"There are doubtless few people not actually in touch with conditions existing, the claims and demands and general demeanor of the so-called army who can realize the difficulties the officers of a city like ours have in financing matters of this character. These men make fair pretenses. They claim to be orderly, and I believe if they were given leather beds and jumpin' pie rations regularly, they would use. They were offered food and shelter if they would show their good faith by performing work in cleaning the streets, but this was refused because they did not wish to work in the muddy streets. They are an ugly lot of fellows when their demands for food without work are refused, and to accede to their demands for food and shelter without work would be setting a precedent that would be continually vexing and annoying us."

"I regret to say that some of our citizens while endeavoring to exemplify a charitable disposition by furnishing supplies to these men, were working directly in opposition to those in authority and making more difficult the performance of official duty. People who have charities to bestow on such cases should report the same to those upon whom the responsibility rests. There was no disposition to break vengeance upon these individuals or to unduly deprive them of food. The purpose was and will be in such cases hereafter, to control the army instead of being controlled by it. There are many of this same class of people in the country and submission to their demands without restriction or regulation would place us at their mercy."

E. Bertraz, of Mill City, transacted business here this morning.

C. M. Henderson and wife have just returned home. Mrs. Henderson has been visiting in California and Mr. Henderson has been east on a business trip.

SCHULTZ GROCERY STORE SOLD TO O. P. ALLPIN

Closing the deal last night, E. F. Schultz disposed of his grocery store on Lyon street to O. P. Allpin, a former resident of the state of Nebraska. Mr. Allpin was engaged in business in the middle west and comes well recommended to Albany. He will enlarge the stock and expects to have one of the best grocery stores in the city.

Mr. Schultz has a timber claim in view and expects to retire from the mercantile business. He will pay all bills against the store.

NEW INDUSTRIES URGED FOR STATE

Factories Promotion Congress Grew More Interesting at Each Session.

BROUGHT TO CLOSE AT CORVALLIS YESTERDAY

Many Local People Attended Session and Report Great Meeting.

The factories promotion congress which closed at Corvallis yesterday grew more popular and interesting at each session, the last being the banner day—declared those who attended as representatives of the Agricultural club and manufacturing plants. The returned home last night.

The morning session speakers were Professor Lewis, of Oregon Agricultural College; J. F. Bachelier, of the cooperative products committee, of Hood River, both of whom spoke on the utilization of by-products; Steve Tressner Kay, who spoke on the subject of woolen mills; Professor Teeter, the application of water power to engineering; and J. L. Stockton president of the Oregon Retail Merchants' Association, whose subject was "How the Oregon Merchant Can Help Oregon's Industry."

Mr. Kay deplored that Oregon is not only unprepared, as a manufacturing state, but that much of the products of Oregon woolen mills are marked California or European, because people demand those brands and will not have the Oregon brand. He said that California blankets have a wonderful reputation, but that they are nearly all made in Oregon; also that the mills of this state manufacture large quantities of fabrics for women's wearing apparel, but that these are sold as European products generally because if they were known as Oregon products they would not be acceptable to purchasers.

Mining Addresses Made.

At the final session of congress the speakers were: H. M. Parks, of the state bureau of mines, who spoke on the mineral resources of the state; Professor Williams, whose subject was the possibilities of the clay industry in Oregon; Major H. L. Bawley, who spoke on road building; Professor Sessler, who explained that the manufacturer of starch from Oregon grown potatoes can be made a most profitable industry, and Professor Peary, who spoke on the timber resources of Oregon.

Several resolutions were adopted, favoring better moral and industrial conditions, endorsing the work of industrial education and recommending that the people of Oregon support established industries.

IMPLEMENT DEALERS ARE INVOLVED IN CIVIL SUIT

Waldo Anderson & Son Sued by Farmer for \$1546.38 on Clover Contract.

To recover on a purchase contract made August 1, 1912 for 30 tons—valued at \$3 per cwt., F. O. B. Tangent, A. C. Armstrong has brought suit in the circuit court against Waldo Anderson & Son, the Broadblain street implement dealers.

According to the complaint the plaintiff and defendants entered into the contract on August 1. It is set up that the sum of \$1 was paid on the contract but that the defendants have refused to receive the shipment, notwithstanding the fact that the plaintiff is now ready and has been ready for more than four months to fulfill the terms of the contract. Judgment in the sum of \$1546.38 and costs of the suit is demanded. The plaintiff is represented by Attorneys Weatherford & Weatherford.

WHO PAYS THE ORGANIZER OF UNEMPLOYED "ARMY"?

Conflicting opinions were voiced on the streets of Albany today in regard to the few score of unemployed men who were lodged in the engine house last evening.

It seemed to be the general opinion that the "army" was organized in Portland by a paid organizer and sent southward to rid that city of an undesirable class of itinerant tramps. It is claimed that but few if any of those enlisted are either anxious or willing to work.

Others claim that the men were organized in the Rose City and sent out purely for political purposes, the expenses of the organizer being paid by those who were interested in creating discontent with the present conditions.

Mrs. F. V. Smith, of Primeville, is a visitor in the city. P. P. Kline, of Corvallis, transacted business here this morning.