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EDITORIAL
Opinions of the Observer.

Mrs. Frank Swanton, of the Oregon Humane Society, recently gave a banquet for cats and dogs. The next move will probably be a party for Teddy Bears.

The meeting of the Marion Co. Federation to be held at Mt. Angel April 25th will be one of great interest to farmers of this community and should receive attention from all the farmers and others who can get there.

Apart from any organization which may be effected in the interests of the people of this county, the program itself should be worth the time spent in attendance.

Marion County Community Federation Will Hold Meet Many From Aurora to Attend

Governor Walter M. Pierce and potatoes will mix at the meeting of the Marion County Community Federation to be held at Mt. Angel on Wednesday evening April 25, in the Mt. Angel high school building.

The governor will attend the meeting and will speak on "Taxation." An expert on potato growing from the O. A. C. will be on hand to tell of proper methods of growing and ways that will insure a higher grade of potato.

Col. Carl Abrams of the agricultural department of the Salem Chamber of Commerce will speak on the boys and girls club work of the county. The Mt. Angel Federation will also pre-ent several numbers on the program.

The Marion County Federation, composed of delegates from 25 communities in the county, is now doing practical work for the farmers. At the Mt. Angel meeting, President Jos. J. Kahn will tell of efforts made to secure certified potato seed in ear lots and where and when it may be had and at what prices.

Delegates who will represent the Aurora federation are H. L. Bents, Zeno Schwab and Jack Sadler. All three have taken great interest for several years in the development of the federation.

Marion county ranks first in the state in its production of potatoes, with its 660,000 bushels produced last year, according to government reports.

Efforts are being made to secure the attendance of every potato grower in the county and encouraging reports have been received from a number of the community leaders.

The Mt. Angel meeting will be one of the most interesting ever held and the indications are that the large auditorium of the Mt. Angel high school will be taxed to its utmost.

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HOUSEKEEPER WOULD HAVE IDEAL LAUNDRY

Running Water and Modern Labor-Saving Devices Cannot Always Be Provided.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

The ideal of every housekeeper would be a separate room for her laundry with running water and modern labor-saving devices. These cannot be provided in every home, but even where the arrangement and equipment are necessarily very simple it is often possible to make minor changes or to plan the work in such a way that it will take less time and strength.

In older days, tubs and wash benches were brought into the kitchen because water could be heated there most conveniently, and from this seems to have developed the idea that the kitchen is the place for the laundry. The doors and steam from laundry work, however, are disagreeable in a kitchen, and the handling of soiled clothing in any room in which food is prepared is highly objectionable. If clothes must be washed in the kitchen the preliminary sorting should be done elsewhere.

In some sections it is considered preferable to have the washing done out of doors or in a room outside of the house. Otherwise the best place for a laundry is usually either in a room next to the kitchen or in a basement room directly below it, because this makes it possible to use the same chimney and if the house is equipped with running water the same water pipes for both rooms. A basement laundry generally means too many stairs for the housewife, while a room adjoining the kitchen may enable her much more easily to carry on or oversee the work in both rooms at the same time.

Good lighting is necessary for good laundry work, and tubs and ironing board should be so placed that the light comes from the side. Doors and windows should be arranged to give the thorough ventilation especially necessary because of steam, odors and heat.

A laundry floor should be of material that wears well, is not too hard for the feet, does not soak water or get slippery when wet, and is easily cleaned. Wood, cement, composition and linoleum are used. Wood floors are not easily cleaned and are often slippery when wet. Cement floors are common in some parts of the country and relatively inexpensive, and if painted with special cement paint they do not absorb water. Some composition floors are not too hard, are less expensive than hardwood, and are easily cleaned. A floor covered with linoleum is easily wiped up, is impervious to moisture, and is easy to tread, but is slippery when wet. Oil paints are preferable to water color for the walls.

The room should be divided into a washing and an ironing section. The position of the stove will determine the details of this division. To make boiling the clothes convenient, the stove should be near the tub. If a washing machine is to be used, the tub should be so arranged that the garments go directly, without handling, from the machine through the wringer to the tub, and vice versa. If arrangement is well planned, one wash-tub will be sufficient with a washing machine.

Notice of Hearing of Final Account

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Marion.

In the matter of the estate of J. A. Winell, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the final account of Conrad Winell administrator of the Estate of J. A. Winell, deceased, has been filed in the County Court of Marion County, Oregon, and that the 14th day of May 1923, at the hour of 10 a. m. has been appointed by said Court for hearing objections to said final account, at which time any persons interested in said estate may appear and file objections thereto in writing and contest the same.

CONRAD WINELL

Administrator.

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Thomas Brown, Salem, Oregon,
Attorney for Administrator.

ACCOUNTS GREAT AID TO ECONOMY

Keeping Track of Expenses of Household Supplements Records of Farm Business.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Household accounts are valuable on the farm as elsewhere, even though farm household expenses are very intimately associated with the business of the farm itself. The farm normally supplies much material which otherwise would become a household expense. The household, in turn, very often furnishes board for farm labor, which would otherwise be a farm expense. Keeping track of household expenses therefore supplements the records of the farm business, points out the United States Department of Agriculture.

More than this, household accounts are an important aid to economy. The first step toward saving lies usually in finding out where unnecessary expenses are incurred. It is important, therefore, to analyze or classify the expenditures and go over them carefully at the end of regular periods. One way of doing this is to record all purchases when money is paid out and then make up a monthly statement for each kind or class of expenditure.

Another method is to enter everything in a column at one side of a broad page, and at the same time enter the amounts again in the columns for each class. This system makes it possible to find out at any time the amount being spent for any given kind of purchase, and the monthly totals are easy to add up.

Book Not Important.

The kind of a book to use is not important. Each family will have a different way of classifying its expenses. An ordinary ruled, square blank book bound at the left side is usually satisfactory for dividing off into columns according to the needs of the individual family. To avoid



Keeping Household Accounts Will Show Where Leaks Occur.

the work of writing the heading over and over, a number of pages may be cut off at the tops so that permanent column heads may be read above them. A large page is usually easier to record on and to study when the record is complete.

Foods may be classed as "animal foods," "fruits and vegetables," "cereal products," "groceries." Many farms furnish a large part of the first three

items. The totals for these groups should offer suggestions as to how the expenses for them may be reduced by greater home production. It has been found that on the average farm 80 per cent of the animal products and 70 per cent of the fruits and vegetables consumed by the family are taken out of the farm.

Clothing, household furnishings, running expenses, advancement, incidentals, and savings are other general classes of expenditures for which separate accounts may be kept according to the second method. Under each of these heads many subdivisions may be made, but for the most purposes this general classification will be found sufficient.

Analyze Totals Yearly.

Recording the expenditures, however, is but half the task. If the totals are not analyzed at least once a year with the idea of making a spending plan for the coming year, little is gained from merely writing down the daily expenditures. This spending plan may be made for a month or even a week ahead, if the future is uncertain. The aim should then be, if possible, to spend less actual cash than the proposed plan allows. On the farm it is often possible to accomplish this by enlarging the vegetable garden, so that the family eats more vegetables and desires less of foods which must be bought, and also so that there is a good surplus to can for winter use. More well-managed poultry may be needed to provide eggs for the table and chickens to eat or can. The amount of milk, butter and cheese furnished by the farm cows may be insufficient. Possibly investigation will show that this is because of a low grade of farm animals which could be improved by better farm practice.

It has been found that, in general, over 60 per cent of the food and over 50 per cent of the fuel consumed by farm families are produced on the farm. Some records showing what farm products have actually been used in the household is of interest and value. One might not be able to write down each bunch of beets, each head of lettuce, each quart of berries, and each quart of milk taken from the products raised for sale, but the estimated quantity of the different kinds of vegetables, the number of eggs, quarts of milk and other products used by the housekeeper during a week would

Household Questions

Remove scorch with sunlight.

Remove milk and cream with cold water.

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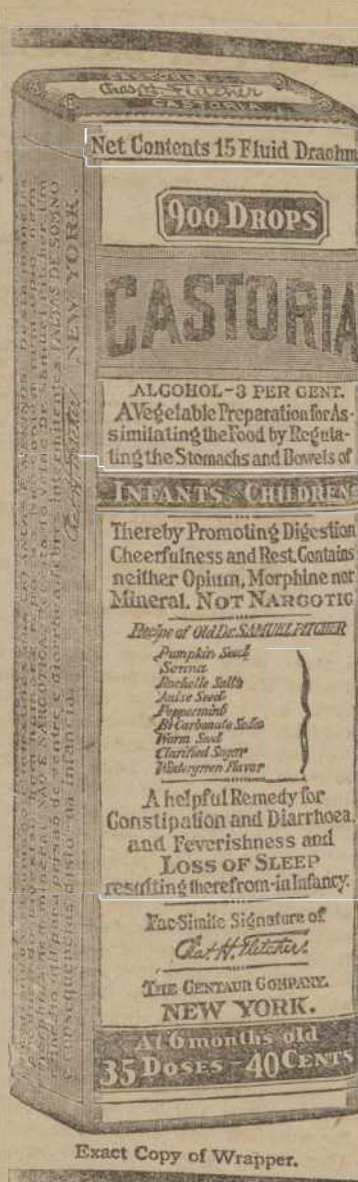
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