



EDITORIAL Opinions of the Observer

Supporters of the bus and truck bill, known as House Bill 413, are making a strenuous fight to keep the law on the statute book and prevent a referendum, thereby hoping to put the highway carriers out of business.

Prophets of good told us that 1925 would be ushered in by increased business and better times. We fail to see the justification for that prophecy.

Powerful, Yet Helpless

A. S. Goss, master of the Washington State Grange, says the farmer pays three times his share of taxes; that the middle man gets twice as much for selling the farmer's stuff as the farmer gets for raising it.

"The wonderful thing is that the farmer, with more capital invested than any other three industries in America, and with more economic power than all the other industries combined, is so unwilling to help himself that he won't take this plain business proposition into his daily life and spend a portion of his time and money in building up an organization which will do for agriculture what other organizations have done for other industries."

Can You Beat It?

Following is a copy of part of a letter written March 25, 1925, on the stationery of the Yreka Inn, Yreka, California, to the Knight Packing Company, Portland, by their representative, Mr. T. F. Mosch:

"This is a new hotel and run by the Weaver boys who also have the Umpqua Hotel at Roseburg. On my last trip here (while the hotel was still under construction) I talked Knight's Rogue River Catsup to Mr. Weaver and he bought 5 cases through Mason, Ehrman Company. So, tonight, after finishing my dinner, I introduced myself to the steward and told him I was very much pleased to see

Knight's Rogue River Catsup on the tables.

"Here's the joke," he said. "I like it and think it's a fine catsup but I had to get another brand, a California catsup, for so many California people refuse to eat any other but California products."

"He's from Southern California, but Mr. Weaver had bought those Oregon products and thought it only fitting to put them on the menu the same as he does in Roseburg. I was talking to Mr. Weaver about it and he tells me that they brought a bunch of soap down from their Roseburg hotel (made in Oregon soap) and said you would be surprised how many people here called him on it, saying: 'Why do we have to use Oregon soap in California?'"

"I told this steward, 'Why, you can find California catsup in many Oregon restaurants and hotels,' and he acted rather surprised. He said, 'Why, that's funny! Why don't they use Oregon catsup?'"

"Can you beat it? We in Oregon preach it, but in California they live it. If only the Oregon merchants and Oregon people took that stand we sure would have some catsup business."

T. F. MOSCH.

RAISING SHEEP ON DIVERSIFIED FARM

There are three systems of sheep management in the United States.

- 1. Running sheep in large bands on the range.
2. Keeping small flocks on the farms.
3. Fattening of range sheep.

The second and third are farm enterprises. The third is often more or less a speculative business, but the second—keeping a flock on the farm—may well be considered a permanent part of diversified farm business.

Sheep fit well into a system of farming because of the small investment required, the quick returns, their habits of feeding, their benefit to the land and their "two-way" cash crop.

It is usually considered that sheep can be purchased cheaply in comparison with other live stock. At present prices, however, an animal unit of sheep (seven ewes), is not so much lower in price than in other classes of live stock.

A very large part of the feed for sheep should be roughage. This makes it possible to utilize large quantities of grain that would otherwise have very little value.

Sheep benefit the land upon which they run, in two ways, by keeping down weeds and by increasing the fertility. Their value to soil fertility has been so generally recognized that they have been called the Golden Hoof.

Nature's Kindness

Asked by her school teacher to describe the backbone, a schoolgirl said: "The backbone is something that holds up the head and ribs and keeps one from having legs clear up to the neck."

Preserving Blankets

Blankets, when they have been washed and thoroughly dried, should be well beaten. This has the effect of making the wool light and soft, and giving the blankets a new and fresh appearance.

LIVE STOCK

FEEDING COLTS ON GRAIN IS FAVORED

That young colts to do their best must be fed grain, has frequently been advised in these columns. Recently it was our pleasure to visit one of the large stock farms located in the central portion of the state, writes an expert in the Farmer and Breeder.

We visited at the farm for several hours with the herds and in the fields, observing the results of breeding which had been practiced in the former and the methods of management which were being practiced about the farm.

When we went to the horse barns just as the caretaker was feeding the mares at four o'clock p. m. before turning them, together with their colts, out to pasture for the night. Immediately we looked into the stalls to see what the colts would be doing while the mares were munching their grain.

While they were lying down and asleep, standing back in the stall, or nursing the mothers? Not a single one of them. As we passed from stall to stall, we found every colt standing up to the feed boxes and enjoying its bite of grain with its mother.

While at this farm we had an opportunity to further study the benefit of feeding the colts on grain and continuing to do so during their early development. Out in the pastures we saw a number of yearlings, two-year-olds, and three-year-olds, all of which had been fed similarly to this year's colts.

Feeding of Tankage on Any Pasture Is Favored

Working with growing shotes the past summer and fall, Professor Leefel of Nebraska found that where shotes had access to alfalfa and received only corn, that the cost of producing 100 pounds of pork was \$8.94, whereas when tankage was fed with the corn and alfalfa, the cost was \$7.62 per 100 pounds of gain.

Where corn alone was fed, the cost per 100 pounds gain was \$8.41, whereas with the corn-tankage-sudan-grass pigs, the cost was \$7.14 per 100 pounds gain. In this test \$75 profit was made on each ton of tankage fed when full fed in self-feeders.

Other feeds like ground oats, ground barley, shorts and hominy feed will no doubt be used very extensively this summer, and the corn can be made to go much further by adding to it ground oats, barley or shorts.

Transferring Pigs

If another sow, with a small litter farrowed about the same time as the large litter, is available, some of the pigs from the large litter can often be transferred to the sow with the small litter.

MAN NEAR PERFECT "STATE OF HEALTH"

Mortality Rate Steadily Being Lowered.

It is probable that civilized man in the Twentieth century is not only healthier than any other human being that ever lived, with the possible exception of a few happy-go-lucky savage tribes living in lands of plenty, but that he is the first civilized man who ever attained anything like a state of health, is the comment made by Robert L. Duffus, in the Century Magazine.

The proof is in death and mortality rates. At the beginning of the century, in the United States registration area, the death rate was 17.6 a thousand, in 1921 it was 11.6 and though it rose to 12.6 during 1923, its general tendency is still downward.

As hygienic knowledge spreads, the average will naturally tend to approach the minimum. But even now medical science in the United States may be credited with saving at least one-half million lives yearly that twenty-five years ago would have been lost.

The baby born in 1900 had a life expectancy of about forty-nine years; now it may count on living, with reasonable luck, seven years longer. Certain diseases, as everyone knows, have been almost wiped out. The death rate from typhoid has been reduced nearly 80 per cent, that from tuberculosis nearly 50 per cent.

More and more the treatment of disease is an exact science, with predictable results. The modern physician is almost as far ahead of the practitioner of the eighties as the latter was ahead of an Indian medicine man.

Bananas Grow in Favor

The import record of 1924, says the Trade Record of the National City Bank of New York, shows a larger number of bananas entering the United States than in any earlier year, and the sum paid therefor also the largest on record.

Lotta's Esprit

"Lotta left a lot o' money." An actor was talking about the famous Lotta Crabtree, who bequeathed her \$4,000,000 estate to charity.

"Lotta was funny to the end. I asked her one day to buy some oil shares—I was interested in oil at the time—and she said if she did that she'd be as ignorant as the old lady."

"Here's a French franc, ma'am," said the art student, "that I've brought you from Paris as a souvenir."

"The old lady looked at the coin and frowned."

"Oh, shucks," she said, "I'd rather ye'd brought me one o' them there Latin quarters."

Rats in Fatal Tangle

A group of fat-sized rats was the first thing that Rev. Olney L. Darling of Warren saw when he opened his hencoop, and instead of a mad scramble at his intrusion, the rats were unable to get away.

Turbans and Nests

The turban is a fashionable head-dress in Burma, and each girl eagerly looks forward to the time when it will be her privilege to swathe her head in yards and yards of dark cloth.

Almost Unanimous

"Why are you always bragging about yourself?" "You don't ever brag about yourself, do you?" "I certainly never do."

Early Advertisement

In 1649 there appeared in a sheet called Moderate the first-known English newspaper advertisement. It was an inquiry for a stolen horse and the offer of a reward for its return.

Notice of Hearing of Final Account

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In the Matter of the Estate of Laura Ann Beeler, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, as administratrix of the estate of Laura Ann Beeler, deceased, has filed her final account in the County Court of the State of Oregon for Marion County, and that Monday, the 11th day of May, 1925, at the hour of 9:30 a. m. in the forenoon of said day and the court room of said court has been appointed by said court as the time and place for the hearing of objections thereto and the settlement thereof.

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MINNIE B. RUPARD, Administratrix. Oliver M. Hickey, Atty., 826 Northwestern Bank Bldg., Portland, Oregon.

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A Test Every Man Past 40 Should Make

Medical authorities agree that 65 per cent of all men past middle age (many much younger) are afflicted with a disorder of the prostate gland. Aches in feet, legs and back, frequent nightly risings, sciatic pains, are some of the signs—

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Table with 2 columns: Train No. and Time. Includes No. 32 (on Flag) 5:44 a. m., No. 16 (on Flag) 7:38 a. m., No. 62 (Stop) 10:19 a. m., No. 18 (Stop) 1:23 p. m., No. 34 (on Flag) 6:47 p. m.

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