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## OUR OWN IRON CURTAINS

Marilyn Simonson is a student of the Medina, North Dakota, high school.

Recently Marilyn wrote an editorial in her high school newspaper on "Our Own Iron Curtains."

The Jamestown, N. D., Sun thought well enough of it to reprint it on its editorial page, and we do likewise here.

Marilyn wrote: "There has been a lot of talk ever since the end of World War II of the Iron Curtain. What is the Iron Curtain? We know that it is not really a curtain of iron, but we do know that it is just as strong and just as solid."

"It is a barrier built of jealousy, fear and hatred that divides the world. It is a barrier in which there are no doors or openings so that anyone can see the other man's viewpoint."

"None of us like the Iron Curtain and we think it should be done away with, but there are more Iron Curtains in the world than the one which separates the Communist nations from the rest of the world and we're the ones who set them up."

"There are Iron Curtains in our school, in our towns, and in our community. Like the curtain that divides the world, these curtains are woven of malice, hatred and jeal-

ousy. We draw them around ourselves and refuse to open them and let the light of another's opinion illuminate our little corner.

"We don't come out from behind our barrier to lend the other guy a helping hand because we're afraid he might boost him too far and he will get ahead of us. That is what keeps communities, towns, schools and the world from progressing."

"A basketball team can't hope to win a victory if all the players don't play together. Neither can this world hope to win the victory of peace or even continue to exist if every man, woman and child does not play the game together."

"Let's start in by tearing down the Iron Curtains right here in our own school. Without these barriers hindering our vision, we can see to progress."

Well said Marilyn!  
What is true of the Iron Curtain in North Dakota, is true also throughout the Tualatin valley.

Sensible progress and orderly development of this region depends upon co-operation between all communities.

It depends upon destruction of our own pet Iron Curtains.

—Ivan Smith

## 2nd Lamb Show In No. Portland Dated May 22

PORTLAND — Lamb producers, livestock marketing agencies and packers are expecting 1000 lambs to be entered in the Second Annual Pacific International Lamb Show and Sale to be held in North Portland, May 22.

The Show which was originated by the Oregon Purebred Sheep

Breeders' Association will be classified in pens of 5, 10, 25, and 50 lambs, all breeds competing with each other. There will be cash awards amounting to more than \$600.00 and special trophies, with entries open to anyone, anywhere.

In addition to lamb producers of the Northwest other active interests include the Portland Union Stockyards, Pacific International Livestock Exposition, commission firms and packer interests operating at North Portland.

Entries close May 19th. Judging will begin at 9:30 a. m. on May

22. The show will be held in the swine barn of the Pacific International Livestock Exposition where last year's Show proved to be such a successful event.

Those responsible for the Show and Sale call attention to the eligibility of 4-H and F. F. A. members in competition.

### PATIENT NOT CARELESS

Patience does not mean indifference. We may work and trust and wait, but we ought not to be idle or careless while waiting.

Gall Hamilton

## Committee Reports County Library Study

By Mrs. E. A. Moore  
What is a county library? Who benefits from such library service?

Should Washington County have a county library? If so, in what form, and how should it be administered?

Many of these questions were answered recently by Miss Eleanor Stephens, Oregon state librarian, when she met with nearly 100 representatives of 28 organizations, covering most of Washington county when she said, "A county library divides costs and multiplies benefits for all concerned."

Miss Stephens went on to tell how 50% of Oregon's counties are already reaping those benefits and obtaining the advantages of large libraries throughout small communities and yet dividing costs to the great advantage of all citizens.

Miss Stephens spoke not only as state librarian, but as one of a committee of three requested by the Washington county library board, a non-paid group of five set up by authority of the county court, to make a survey of Washington county's resources and needs of library service, and to make recommendations and suggestions for problem solutions. Other members of the committee include Miss Eva Santee, librarian of the Fort Vancouver regional library, and Mr. Carl Hintz, librarian for the University of Oregon, both of whom, as well as Miss Stephens, have had extensive experience in the organization and operation of county library systems.

This committee has been completing its survey and is now ready to make known its report and suggestions to the people of Washington county, as will be set forth in other articles in this series.

A county library may, according to Oregon State Law, own and purchase, within its resources, a permanent collection of books. It may also contract with any nearby large library, for periodic service, and may also draw upon the greater storehouse of books to be found in the state library in Salem, explained Miss Stephens. It may be organized according to the type of county it serves, and circulation may be handled through existing community libraries, through schools and, as has been found practical in many Oregon communities, by bookmobile. Through bookmobile regular schedules, small school libraries may be greatly supplemented, isolated communities may have weekly or biweekly visits.

These visits can bring books requested from the central source, and books too little in demand or too expensive for ownership in small libraries, which may be borrowed from the central source, so that one purchased book may be circulated as the need for it comes. Membership in the present Wash-

ington county library board is comprised of Mrs. E. A. Moore, Tigard, chairman; Mr. D. D. Rutz, Forest Grove; Mrs. Edgar Leming, North Plains; Mr. R. E. Wiley, Hillsboro; and the Honorable J. O. Johnson, Metzger. Cooperating with the board are the Friends of the Library, a volunteer organization headed by Mr. Kenneth Coates.

### LC SINGING PIONEERS PLAN THIRD SPRING TOUR

LEWIS AND CLARK COLLEGE. (Special) — Third annual spring tour of the Lewis and Clark college choir will take 60 "Singing Pioneers" on a week's trip down the Willamette valley to southern Oregon and back through central Oregon.

Beginning March 25 in Lebanon, the group will present concerts under direction of L. Stanley Giarum in Corvallis, Eugene, Cottage Grove, Roseburg, Grants Pass, Medford, Ashland, Klamath Falls, Redmond and Bend.

### Ballad Singers Begin Warm-up

FOREST GROVE — Male quartets in many cities and towns of the Pacific Northwest are limbering up their vocal chords these days, preparing for the fifth annual competition of the Original All-Northwest Barber Shop Ballad contest February 23 and 24 at Forest Grove, Oregon.

Invitations have gone out to hundreds of organizations and quartets throughout the Northwest, urging them to enter the gala festivities when Forest Grove turns back the clock to the Gay Nineties. Chambers of Commerce and college fraternities are among those being urged by the sponsoring Forest Grove Gleemen to send quartets to the contest. However, no special invitation is needed to enter. Quartets may receive details merely by writing Ray Haas, general chairman, PO Box 13, Forest Grove.

A grand total of \$1000 in prize money plus a chance to receive a large trophy award and to appear at the Pendleton Round-Up next fall are among the awards for which quartets will vie this year. In addition, arrangements are again in the making for a special coast-to-coast-broadcast featuring finalist quartets.

During the two-day festival, Forest Grovers revive the good old days of the 90's, donning handlebar mustaches, sideburns, derby hats and long skirts. A Gay Nineties ball, parade, and three big stage shows are planned as part of this nationally-known quartet round-up. Tickets are to be placed on mail order sale early in February.

Hillsboro.  
Editor's Note: Mrs. Moore's article is the first of a series explaining the needs for and benefits of a county library in Washington county.

### Market Review

WEEKLY DAIRY MARKETS  
Corvallis—U.S. cold storage holdings of dairy products have dropped sharply during recent months, according to the weekly dairy market review prepared by the OSC extension service from USDA reports and other data. Government stocks of butter and cheese are virtually depleted. Butter held strong up to the forefront of this week but have shown weakness during the last few days. Cheese markets continue strong.

U. S. COLD STORAGE STOCKS OF DAIRY PRODUCTS DROP RAPIDLY: Cold storage holdings of dairy products throughout the nation reached record highs by the end of last summer. Since that time the out-of-storage movement has been very heavy. During November cold storage stocks of dairy products moved out of storage faster than any time on record. This steady out-movement continued well into December. The total holdings of cheese for the nation at the end of December amounted to around 188 million pounds. This is about 11 per cent higher than a year ago and nearly 50 per cent higher than average. Butter on the other hand is down compared to a year ago. Total holdings at the end of December were around 105 million pounds. This, however, continues well above average and is about double the previous average for storage stocks at this time. Cold storage stocks of evaporated milk are about 28 per cent higher than a year ago. Condensed milk, however, in bulk form is about 30 per cent less than a year ago. Cream holdings in storage have reduced sharply compared to a year earlier and are also around 20 to 25 per cent lower than the previous average.

WEST COAST BUTTER HOLDING VERY LOW: On the Pacific Coast the cold storage holdings of butter have dropped sharply compared to a year ago. At the end of December there was only around 1.5 million pounds of butter in storage on the West Coast. This is about 70 per cent less than a year ago.

CHEESE STORAGE HOLDINGS UP ON COAST: Cheese holdings on the other hand stepped up during December on the West Coast. Total amount in cold storage at the end of December was nearly 8.8 million pounds. This is about 41 per cent higher than a year ago at the same time. Big increase occurred in Oregon, while decreases occurred in California. Washington also showed a slight increase. Cheese holdings in Oregon amounted to around 4.2 million pounds at the end of December. This is almost equal to the holdings in California.

CCC STOCKS OF BUTTER AND CHEESE SOLD BACK TO TRADE: Government-owned storage stocks of butter and cheese have been sold back to the trade at rapid rates during the past several weeks. Government stocks of butter reached their peak late last fall. Total amount purchased by the government for price support purposes amounted to around 166 million pounds. All of this supply was practically depleted by the middle of December. Recently, however, around 4.9 million pounds were offered to the trade, which is reported to be the remainder of the government supply. This butter is being offered to the highest bidder. These stocks are all in the midwest. Cheese purchases for price support purposes during the past year have also all been disposed of to the trade.

BUTTER MARKETS TREND EASIER — CHEESE UP: Butter markets during the past week have shown a slight lower trend at some of the West Coast markets. Drops occurred this week principally at Los Angeles. Other West Coast markets are fairly steady. Eastward, however, butter prices have dropped around 3-4 cents at both Chicago and New York. Cheese markets, however, continue strong. West Coast markets have advanced from 2-4 to 3 cents a pound on American Cheddar cheese this week.



**SMALLEST COWBOY** George Havens conducted his "Round-up for God" last night at the Village Baptist church on Murray road. Havens stands four feet, eleven inches tall and is billed as the smallest cowboy in show business.

### Pray God In

Geo. N. Taylor  
Back in Finney's time, storekeepers locked up at mid-day and met to pray. One winter saw 100,000 converts and a canvass some years later saw a big percent true to God.

Pray God in . . . God alone can move men. He has kept for himself that power. We cannot do it. Our part is to pray God to open their eyes and turn them from darkness to light and from the power of Satan unto God. Acts 26:18 tells it. Then set to and pray God to bring them on to forgiveness of sins and to give them an inheritance among those saved by faith in Jesus Christ. List your lost and pray. The saved have been on someone's prayer list.

**Geo. N. Taylor**  
S. W. McChesney Rd., Portland 1, Oregon.

This Gospel by newspaper now in 27th year. It spreads as funds come in. This space paid for by a Seattle family.

**Now you Know!**  
The answers to everyday insurance problems\*  
By Leonard Adams

**QUESTION:** Not long ago I took out some automobile insurance. The agent asked how much my car was used in business and when I told him about half the time he said we'd just forget about that as it would raise my rate. The policy has been issued but I got to wondering if that misstatement of fact might not affect any settlement the company made in case of an accident.

**ANSWER:** You are absolutely right and should make another and correct application immediately.

\*If you'll address your own insurance questions to this office, we'll try to give you the correct answers and there will be no charge or obligation of any kind.

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## WHAT IS A reasonable PROFIT



6%  
10%  
15%  
20%

A recent survey of Oregon people says  
**10%** (yet PGE's average return is only 6½%)

We thought you knew. But when a survey was made of Oregon people we found that some thought electric company profits were as much as 70%. The average of all answers was 19%! The survey also showed that most people considered 10% a fair profit for power companies. And yet the return to PGE investors over the last 5 years, has averaged much less—only 6½%! Don't be alarmed, we're not going to increase our profits. We just want you to know the facts. Actually, power company earnings are limited by state law to a "reasonable" return on the value of electric facilities "used and useful" in the public service.

**Average return over last 5 years only 6½%**

About \$83,000,000 has been invested in PGE facilities. This money came from thousands of investors who expect only a reasonable return. This return has averaged 6½% in the last five years.

### THE STATE OF OREGON REGULATES PGE

The law protects you in these three ways:

1. It sees that electric rates are reasonable and nondiscriminatory, that everybody is treated alike.
2. It assures that electric service is maintained at the highest practicable standard.
3. It regulates profits to a "reasonable" return on the value of facilities "used and useful" in the public service. (In the last 5 years, the return on PGE facilities, figured at original cost, less depreciation, has averaged 6½%.)

## PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY

Owned in the West; managed and operated by Oregon people



From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

### Right Under Our Nose!

Sometime back, we got word from the Governor, asking if we wanted to use the State Fire Inspection Team—a group of experts they send around to communities to inspect public buildings.

We sent a letter saying: "Okay! Give us the once-over!" They came down, all right—last week.

After the inspection, we got their report. Came out pretty well, all told. Town Hall and the School were O.K. Post Office just needed more sandbuckets. In fact, everything got a clean bill of health, except—the Fire Station!

From where I sit, we volunteer firemen had just been too blamed busy keeping everyone else on the ball—and not realizing our own firehouse was not up to snuff. Like the man who worries so much about his neighbors—about whether they work hard enough, about whether they can really afford their new car, about their enjoying a temperate glass of beer—that he forgets to take a good critical look at himself now and then.

Joe Marsh