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139 MORE MILES OF U. S. HARD ROADS FOR OREGON

Oregon farmers and tourists now enjoy 139 miles more of federal-aid highways than they did a year ago. This mileage, completed in the year ending June 30, cost a total of \$2,365,315, of which the federal government furnished \$1,323,270. Highway construction under this plan now under way in the state totals 136 miles, while the total mileage completed previous to last year was 655 miles. This additional mileage, while a convenience to the tourist in the state, is a godsend to the farmer. It is estimated that each and every farmer in this section of the country averages 69 tons of farm products hauled to market and 13 tons of feed, fuel, fertilizer, machinery, supplies, etc., from town. When good roads make trucks feasible this is not very burdensome, but it represents a good many hours' labor where horses and poor roads must be used. And so while the tourist finds inter-city roads mighty comfortable, to the farmer a good serviceable road from his farm to the nearest market is a downright necessity.

The expansion of hard road systems both in this and other states in recent years has given the farmer an added inducement for going into business for himself. That he has not been slow to take advantage of the opportunity is testified in the increasing number of roadside markets on the more frequented highways. Figures show that each of these markets takes in fifteen to thirty dollars up to several hundred dollars a day, varying with the locality, the preponderance of buyers being tourists driving through the vicinity. Some of these are nothing more than stands of simple board construction while the more pretentious are housed in buildings which may be locked after the day's or the season's business. The most successful of the markets are so placed as to have convenient parking facilities where prospective buyers may examine the articles of goods, which should be of good quality yet moderately priced and attractively displayed.

McKENZIE LOCAL

A meeting of the community fair board was held last Thursday night at the hall. The date set for the fair was September 18 to 25. A great deal of enthusiasm was shown at the meeting and all are in the harness working to make the first community fair a success.

The committee is composed of the following: C. W. Allen, chairman, Mrs. Walt Post, Mrs. Roy Payne, Sam Swafford, Sam Goddard, Mrs. William Hucka, Matt Emerick, M. J. Weaver, Mrs. Lynn Fountain, Lester Millican, Matt Momb, Mr. Dee Jackson, Mrs. Ray Remie, Mrs. Jim Hill, O. L. Clement, Marian Chase, Jesse Gates, John Preschug. The committee will make a canvas of the territory for entries.

County Agent Fletcher and Club Leader Collier will classify exhibits and select judges. The committee will meet again on September 1 at 8 P. M.

This movement is for the betterment of our community. Let's all get behind it.

Dr. S. Ralph Dippel, Dentist, Vitus building, Springfield, Oregon.

Local Reporters

- Canary J. L. Northrup
- Central Ray Bower
- Cloverdale Mrs. L. J. Getchell
- Coast Fork Mrs. Geo. Keibelbeck
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- Hadleyville Mrs. M. Gillespie
- Jasper Mrs. Grace Jones
- Lorane Mrs. C. M. Foster
- McKenzie Harry C. Jackson
- Mt. Vernon Mrs. V. A. Reynolds
- Silk Creek Bulah Smith
- Trent E. B. Tinker
- Vida Mrs. W. E. Post

COAST FORK LOCAL

Miss Florence Huff from Portland is visiting at the home of her brother L. D. Huff.

Mrs. Dan Beck of Cottage Grove spent a week at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Robert Phillips.

Threshing in the upper end of the district was finished Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cherry left Monday for a vacation of one week. They will spend the time at the coast.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Woodward returned from a visit to Falls City where Mrs. Woodward's people reside.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Callahan of Portland spent the week-end at the W. C. Johnson home.

Mrs. Robert Campbell of Astoria with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Ream of Waverlyville, were guests Sunday at the George Keibelbeck home.

Mrs. Alfred Powell has rented her farm land to John Hubbard who is building a house and will move his family there.

Murry Newton is in a Eugene hospital following a major operation. Members of this local wish him well.

TIME AND PLACE OF LOCAL MEETINGS

- Canary—First Sunday and Third Saturday, Farmers Union Hall.
 - Cloverdale—Second and Fourth Fridays, Cloverdale School House.
 - Creswell—First and Third Tuesdays, Creswell, M. W. of A. Hall.
 - Coast Fork—Second and Fourth Thursdays, Farm Union Hall.
 - Danebo—First Tuesday, Danebo School House.
 - Dorena—Second and Fourth Tuesdays, Dorena Church.
 - Hadleyville—First and Third Thursdays, Hadleyville School.
 - Heceta—First Sunday of each month, Heceta School House.
 - Jasper—Second and Fourth Wednesdays, W. O. W. Hall, Jasper.
 - Lorane—Second and Fourth Wednesdays, I. O. O. F. Hall.
 - McKenzie local, second and fourth Wednesday, 8 p. m., I. O. O. F. hall, Waverlyville.
 - Mt. Vernon—First and Third Wednesdays, Brasfield Store.
 - Silk Creek Meets First and Third Thursday at Cedar School House.
 - Spencer Creek—Third Friday, Pine Grove School House.
 - Trent—Second and Fourth Wednesdays, Pleasant Hill High School Bldg.
 - Vida—Second and Fourth Saturdays at Minney Hall.
- Secretaries will please send in time and place of meeting and changes of date as they may occur.

CANARY LOCAL

Neighbor Phelps is acting as donkey engineer in Will Erhart's logging camp.

The oat hay crop in this valley is an excellent one and the farmers are getting it in in good shape.

Brother Les Austin is making some repairs on his barn.

School in the Siltecos district will open Monday. The school board has made a few needed improvements during vacation.

Remember the Sunday school at the hall every Sunday at 10 A. M. We are having some interesting and profitable sessions. You are cordially invited to attend.

President Sylvester has called a special meeting of the farmers union for Wednesday night, August 26 to consider the cooperative store movement.

BIG BUSINESS ON NATIONAL FORESTS DURING YEAR

That over one million dollars were received from the national forests of Oregon and Washington during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1925, is shown by a statement just issued by the U. S. Forest Service. These receipts accrued from sales of government timber, grazing fees, special use permits and other miscellaneous business.

Under existing laws, 25 per cent of all national forest receipts are returned to the states in which they accrue, for the road and school fund. An additional 10 per cent is made available for use by the forest service for road and trail work. This is an interesting contrast with some of the European countries having crown or national forests. In Sweden, for instance, it is said that only 3-3-10 per cent of the crown forest receipts are returned to the local communities.

According to the report, the total receipts from the fourteen national forests in Oregon for the fiscal year 1925 amount to \$675,114.12. This would make a total of \$168,778.53 due to the state under the 25 per cent fund, and \$67,511.41 to be available under the 10 per cent fund.

The eight national forests in Washington produced \$395,198.92, giving \$98,799.73 under the 25 per cent fund and \$39,519.89 under the 10 per cent fund. In addition to the 10 per cent fund, the government makes large direct appropriations for the forest road development in both states.

Dot Funny Leedie Bable.

Get up and rock the baby;
Rock it yourself, sez Pete;
Well half of it's yours, sez Nellie;
And the other half's yours, sez Pete;
Now the rest of the story I hate to tell
But Nellie got up and rocked her half
And Pete let the other half yell—
The Jersey City Elk.

"Did you behave in church?" asked an interested relative when Junior returned from the service.

"Course I did," replied Junior. "I heard the lady back of us say she never saw a child behave so."—Christian Register.

"So you let your husband carry a latchkey?"

"Oh, just to humor him. He likes to show it to his friends to let them see how independent he is—but it doesn't fit the door!"—The Passing Show (London).

FARM REMINDERS

The season for the fall planting of vegetables for fall, winter, and spring marketing in western Oregon is the fourth regular planting time listed by the experiment station. The first is for planting the seed of early hardy vegetables, the second of tender vegetables after the disappearance of frost, and the third of vegetables in late summer for fall and winter use.

In late cabbage production the seed strain, soil fertility, good moisture holding capacity of soil, and protection from injurious insects are listed by the experiment station as factors determining the quality and profits of the crop.

Clean nursery stock is the first recommendation of the experiment station for prevention or control of systemic diseases of brambles in Oregon—mosaic, leaf curl and bramble streak. These diseases are carried from diseased plants in the tips and transplants taken from them.

A vigorous young queen is the big factor in preventing premature swarms as viewed by the O. A. C. bee specialists. Colonies headed by an old queen are likely to supersede her, in the process of which they often swarm.

To get cows on feed test to eat a full ration of sunflower silage required a 10-day transition period for the O. A. C. station herd. Only two cows of one lot on test cleaned up the sunflower silage as ravenously as they ate corn or vetch and oats silage.

Delinquent Property to be Sold
Nearly 200 pieces of delinquent property will be offered for sale Saturday by the sheriff for taxes. The sale will be on the courthouse steps at 1 o'clock. Some of the property offered for sale are valuable according to the deputy tax collector.

Prairie Road Finished.
Rock surfacing of eight miles of the Prairie road has been finished between Eugene and Junction City. Work on the end of the road at Eugene has been held up pending a decision as to whether the highway will be moved on account of the S. P. terminal site.

Grading on the Row River road has also been completed, according to county officials.

An Englishman and an Irishman lived in a coast town and both owned boats. One day the Englishman decided to christen his, and on the stern painted: "Henry the Eighth." "An' wot the divil will I name mine?" mused the Irishman. Rejecting the suggestion of the others that he call his "George the Fifth," he became suddenly inspired, got out brush and paint and inscribed the legend: "March th' Seventeenth."—American Legion Weekly.

BAPTIST CHURCH.

Bible school—10 A. M.
Morning Worship—11 A. M.
Young people's service—7 P. M.
Gospel service at 8.
The ladies have charge of the opening exercises and special music. Topic of the sermon will be Ruth.
Bible study and prayer service Thursday at 8 P. M.

While they last, fine canning peaches, \$1 a box or \$2.50 a bushel at the White Front Grocery.

OFFICERS OF LANE COUNTY FARMER'S UNION

- Ralph Laird, Creswell, President.
- Will Wheeler, Trent, Vice-President.
- Betty Kappauf, Cottage Grove, sec. Treas.
- N. A. Horn, Cottage Grove, Door Keeper
- H. C. Jackson, Waverlyville, Conductor.
- O. L. Clement, Chaplain.

JASPER LOCAL

The recent rain was welcomed by the farmers of this vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Hack of Springfield visited Sunday with P. S. Hills and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Arlo Jones and son, Neil, returned Saturday evening from a three weeks motor trip to southern Oregon and the coast country.

Three of the sawmill workers at this place have purchased new automobiles this summer. The recent purchasers are Chilly Walsh, a Chevrolet, and Theodore Russel a Star.

Harry Jones was admitted to the Eugene hospital Friday.

COUNTY GRANGE MEETS SATURDAY AT BLACHLY

Pomona grange will meet with Tri-angle grange at Blachly next Saturday, Aug. 29. F. L. Ballard, county agent leader from O. A. C., will speak to the grangers. County Agent O. S. Fletcher and State Lecturer M. E. Bond will also speak.

An old fashioned basket dinner will be the feature of the noon hour.

On account of the distance, grangers are requested to make an early start.

The program is as follows: Song, "How do you do," Mrs. J. Stauffer and Mrs. Irving Higgins' recitation, Floyd Maxwell; "Ann Harbor," a short play, three ladies from Elmira grange; reading, J. G. Phelps; "Too Late for the Train," Mrs. Ernest Fields; addresses by visiting speakers; song, "Tomorrow Land," Mrs. Stauffer and Mrs. Higgins.

Chart Lecture Monday.

Rev. Gordon will give another chart lecture on the Bible at the Bell theatre Monday night. The lecture last Monday was attended by 100 people. His lecture next Monday will be 35 minutes in length and there will be special song service. Lela and Gladys Griffiths, of the Christian church; Mr. and Mrs. Dennis of the Bible standard will take part in the song services. The meeting will start at 7:45 o'clock.

Yes, we have peaches, \$1 a box, \$2.50 a bushel. White Front Grocery.

GREAT AMOUNT OF FRUIT AFFECTED BY PICKING

Both quality and amount of fruit are affected by the time and manner of harvesting. Fruit loses weight when taken from the tree, and this loss in storage may be as great as 15 per cent. The two factors that cause this loss, as reported by the Oregon experiment station, are loss of moisture and natural decomposition.

Loss through decomposition of winter apples slightly stored is very small, so the main loss is from evaporation. This is governed by the humidity, aeration, temperature, time of picking condition of the skins and the kind of variety of fruit.

Lack of moisture in the air is the leading cause of heavy evaporation. With humidity at 85 to 90 per cent, loss of weight in winter was practically nothing over a period of seven months. If gathered in low humidity the fruit may lose considerable weight in the orchard or packing house. Bartlett pears lost four per cent when left four days under the trees in exceptionally dry weather. Much of the loss can be prevented by covering the boxes with wet canvas.

The heavy moisture loss wilts the fruit and damages its appearance. No indication was found that this wilted fruit goes down more rapidly, or loses texture and juiciness. It seems to be slightly more resistant to decay.

If the fruit is picked too immature it wills more than if picked at the right time. The type of wrappers used on pears had but little influence on the rate of evaporation.

Loss of weight of pears evidently was steady at about the same rate throughout the storage season.

Late peaches may be scarce. Buy now at the White Front Grocery for \$1 a box or \$2.50 a bushel.

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