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A Farmer's Views.

To the Editor:

Your editorial entitled "Why Is It?" appearing in your issue of April 15, is not only causing much good comment here but in neighboring towns as well.

Now I believe in everyone being a home town booster until conditions become such as to warrant otherwise and I speak without prejudice or malice to anyone. Being a newcomer here I do not know of the past conditions, but only as they present themselves today.

I have been most fortunate in being detailed on work that has taken me to most of our larger surrounding towns where I have had the pleasure of meeting several of their business men, and quite a number have taken pride in telling of the business and trade they are doing with the people of Scio; and what I have heard of our slowness, tightness and backwardness is far from being complimentary. It is a known fact that the business men make any town just what it is. Show me a town that has a business men's association and a commercial club, and I will show you a town that is going ahead. Business men cannot afford to be at loggerheads with one another. The merchants at Albany, Lebanon, Salem and Portland are either underselling our merchants or the people are trading there for various other reasons.

Crabtree is the latest contender for some of the Scio trade. Why? Because some of the roads leading there are better than those coming into our own town, and I for one would rather go five miles farther on a good road to another town to trade than travel over the disgraceful road which leads thru Richardson Gap.

Even when we get to town we cannot get to the mill for feed, etc., without going in nearly up to the hub in mud and slush. These con-

SANTIAM FARM TOPICS

Saturday and Sunday reminded us of good weather after so long a time yet we fear our hopes will be blasted.

Our cheese factory is moving along nicely, paying promptly in full.

Mr. Mulligan is doing his darnedest to make our impassable roads passable.

Monday morning farmers' and gardeners' hopes were blasted so far as seeding was concerned.

Sunday at the Santiam Farm was a reminder of old times as our good friends came in. Mr. and Mrs. Archer of Seattle with her famous Persian cat; Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Lovejoy of Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Newton Crabtree, George and Curtis Griffin, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wesely and two daughters. We had one of those old times we read about in the bible, where they killed a fat calf, with beefsteak, mutton chops, ham and eggs.

PIE EATER.

Billy Abbott awakened Monday morning feeling more than anxious to get to work at seeding. He abused the weather then came to town. He says it is very strange that when he is overcome with the work spirit it rains, and when the sun shines he is so completely under the influence of lassitude that even his wife cannot drive him to work.

Salem merchants are reaching out after the patronage of Scio and vicinity.

ditions should not exist, as this is one of the oldest farming districts in Oregon.

If the business men do not care to make it an object for us to trade here, why should we give them our trade? I have stopped doing business with one firm because they voted against school movements, the new electric plant, and also against paving Main street. Now my trade isn't going to make or break anyone, but the other towns are always glad to get it.

One reason Albany is getting so much of the Scio trade is because the merchants are continually advertising, keeping their goods before the public and invariably running one article as a headliner at or below cost, and the people fall for it, because 10 cents saved is 10 cents earned, especially at this stage of frenzied finance. Now it may be true that all of us do not know the existing prices on everything, but we are learning every day. It is not the place for the public to tell the merchant what to keep, but the duty of the business man to find out what the public wants; and no business man can continue with the old practice of getting a customer inside and then pulling a gun on him.

Therefore it is up to our business men to get back their lost trade and keep it, and go out after more. See that the roads and streets are fixed, get the railroad back, have the people stop here instead of leaving us until we will be clear off the map.

Now we have places of business here and also some business men who would be a credit to any town, but we only have to look in the mirror to see "Why It Is."

R. E. MANTOR.

When You Come Back to Me.

When you come back to me, my love,
I wonder shall I find
The old love flame still burning.
Or has time been unkind?
Oh, will we then be yearning
For clasp of heart to heart;
Or has our love been lifeless turning
In years we've spent apart?

Chorus.

When you come back, my loved one
Into the past we'll swing;
Renew the ties of olden,
To which we fondly cling.

We'll feel our pulses quicken
With love that will not fail
To cheer us on our journey
A-down life's long, long trail.

If in your eyes the lovelight lies,
With faithful, tender glow,
Whisper my name in accents low,
If you're the same, I'll know
Your heart is free, and some-day we
Happy again will be.

Our love will ever deeper grow,
When you come back to me.

—Cora W. Eichinger, Scio, Ore.
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Local Institute.

Mrs. Ida M. Cummings, county school superintendent, write The Tribune: "The local institute will be held at the Albany high school building on April 24, commencing at 9:30 a. m. The speakers will be State Superintendent Churchill, J. C. Almack, E. D. Ressler, Dr. V. S. Smith, W. A. Eastburn and H. C. Seymour.

Farm Bureau Meet.

At 10 a. m., tomorrow (Friday, April 23) a big meet of the Linn County Farm Bureau will be held in the court house at Albany.

It is desired that all parts of the county be represented, for subjects of great importance to the farmer will be discussed, among which are: Rodent control, drainage, poultry, wool and mohair, livestock improvement, co-operative shipping, etc.

At noon everybody will assemble at the armory for an indoor picnic, where a free band concert and community sing will be held with Dr. D. V. Poling as leader. Hamilton's store will furnish hot coffee and sugar free. So take your lunch and enjoy a full day of instructive pleasure. Farm bureau members and others who desire to become members are especially invited. Wear your tag. S. V. SMITH, County Agricultural Agent.

Commissioner Tom Butler was over from Albany Wednesday morning endeavoring to arrange for right of way for public road through B. A. Holteen's farm at Munkers.

The Tribune learns that disagreement between man and wife, who are prominent in the social set, is of such nature that it may lead to permanent separation. Let us hope the difficulty may be adjusted and that the family will live happily hereafter.

License was issued by County Clerk Russell Tuesday for the marriage of Samuel Shenk of Scio, and Frankie Parker of Albany.

A truck loaded with grain had a hard time negotiating the mud on Pentland avenue yesterday morning. The driver was trying to avoid the deeper mud on Mill street.

JORDAN ITEMS

Mrs. John Foltz was a Jordan visitor Friday.

Mrs. Fred Pepperling is visiting at the Frank Pepperling home.

Mesdames Phillips, Privet and Wortman called on the A. Arbuckle family Sunday afternoon.

Charles Barrett and Clyde Thomas motored to Lacombe Sunday.

Mrs. Haman Shelton of Crabtree is visiting her sons John and Hal.

George Witting and wife of Salem came over Thursday on business and to say goodbye to their friends, as having sold their property are going to California.

Mrs. Frank Pepperling, who has been quite poorly, is improving.

N. Schmidt of Saskatchewan, B. C. is here looking for a location. He says "the winters are too close together in B. C."

H. C. Foltz has taken the job of boarding the laborers on the power plant. Mrs. Harve Shelton is cook-pro tem.

R. C. Pepperling and wife of Crabtree visited here Friday.

F. Roydt is working on the Jordan hydro plant.

Henry Neal and Alvin Pepperling left for Roseburg Tuesday to locate on a homestead.

Thos. Phillips and family of Lebanon motored to our burg Sunday to visit his parents and plant potatoes. He works in the paper mill.

Mrs. John Neal, who has been quite ill, we are glad to announce, is improving nicely and able to be up again.

OREGON MIST.

News Items—1940.

The peace has been ratified with Germany.

A cigaret, a pipe, a cigar, and a jar of tobacco have been placed on exhibition in the museum of natural history.

The city adopts plans for cleaning the streets.

Gunboat Gertie knocked out Battling Bessie in the third round.

Union men go on strike for a two hour day and \$500 a week.

Sugar drops to 90 cents a pound.

Dr. W. D. Wood of Hillsboro, Washington county, was a Scio visitor yesterday. The doctor is a candidate for the nomination for secretary of state. While here he paid The Tribune office a pleasant call. We will make further mention of his candidacy next week.

Scio Sanitary Market.

Having sold my interest in the Sanitary Market, I would be pleased to have my credit customers come in and balance accounts.

GUY MCKNIGHT.

"Sally Lunn."

The high school pupils will give their play "Sally Lunn" at the Peoples Theatre Wednesday evening, April 28. First performance 7:30; second at 9:30.

R. C. Pepperling, Candidate.

R. C. Pepperling, of near Crabtree, made The Tribune a very pleasant call Tuesday. He stated to this writer that since The Tribune's mention of his name for county commissioner last week, so many of his neighbors and friends had insisted that he stand for the nomination that he had concluded to do so, and on Monday of this week made the proper filing, so that his name will appear on the republican ballot next month.

Mr. Pepperling is an active, energetic man of 47 years, is a successful farmer and has had nine years of practical road work experience. He is a pleasant, affable man to meet, practical in his views, and will make Commissioner Butler know that he has been in a race when the vote is counted May 21.

Contract for Lumber Let.

The Linn County Fair Association has let the contract for 283,000 feet of lumber with which to construct the several buildings necessary to house the fair next fall.

The cost of the lumber at \$30 per thousand is considerable, and when placed in construction will make \$20,000 look sick. When the grounds are paid for and the many other expenses accounted for the fair people will find the cost not much under \$75,000. But then they have the whole country to draw from and in these days when people think in big figures it will be raised as easily as could \$10,000 a few years ago. In the end, however, the fair will return good dividends in the way of improved stock and agricultural conditions. And as Scio is a part of Linn county she will reap some of the benefits and should join wholeheartedly in making the Linn county fair the best in the state aside from the state fair.

R. C. Daniel Writes.

Newberg, April 19.

To the Editor:

We have a new boy, arrived 29th ult. and we feel like we are succeeding in getting some future help anyway. We expect to set our place out in different kinds of berries this fall. You were speaking about this being a good country for chickens. It sure is. Mr. Sandoz has a neighbor who is in the chicken business and is doing fine. We expect to set our incubator right away so we can have a few ourselves.

Mr. Sandoz and Mr. Moses, also Mr. and Mrs. Pace are well and like the country. R. C. DANIELS.

Our county court has published its plans for improving the market roads during the present year. Some 22 miles are to be graded and rocked in which are included the road from Green bridge, 4 miles and 2 miles of road from W. W. Miller's place to intersect the Jordan-Stayton road.

At The Peoples Theatre

For this week, Saturday and Sunday evenings at the Peoples Theatre will be presented Dorothy ("Pep") Gish in "I'll Get Him Yet"; also Fatty Arbuckle in "The Hayseed."

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