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INDUSTRIAL ITEMS OF GENERAL INTEREST

The state campaign to build up industries and payrolls and hold down taxation is still on.

Clover seed industry has produced as high as \$63 per acre this year.

The Oregon Power Co. is rebuilding its plant at Springfield.

The Pacific Telephone Co. has bought line from Glenada to Gardiner.

The L. O. O. F. lodge is erecting a two-story building, 48x60 feet at Alsea.

The St. Johns Stove Factory has resumed operations.

The Dufur Dispatch asks Commissioner Wells about the suits against Horticultural Insurance Co. "What we cannot understand in this matter is, why let the directors and president of this association go scot free and all the liability fall on the policy holders?"

Coos county is to vote in November on \$370,000 good roads bond issue. The Eastbrook Co. is assembling 60,000 ties for shipment at Broadbent, Coos county.

Juntura—Burns telephone line under construction with large force.

The Rainier stretch of Columbia highway is to be finished this year.

Thirty of the 70 miles of Warrenite paving in Multnomah county is completed.

Redmond will rebuild large warehouse burned two years ago.

Harriman is the first new town on the O.-W. R. & N.'s extension in Harney county.

Hubbard is letting contract for a \$15,000 school house.

Fairview is planning a municipal water system.

Streets on fifty blocks in Warrenton have been vacated and \$4000 expended preparing the land for factory sites.

Woodburn voted \$40,000 high school bonds.

Salem—The flax industry is to bring 250 Belgian families to this part of the state.

State Press Association delegates to O. & C. land grant conference held at Salem, September 16 were E. Hofer, Pacific Manufacturer; E. J. Fineran, Eugene Guard; and Robert E. Smith, Roseburg Tax Liberator.

The Masonic orders of Gresham have bought site for new lodge building.

Seventh Day Adventists are to erect new church in east Portland.

Logging has started for new mill at Enterprise, employing 250 men.

Sandy citizens have petitioned to connect paving with Portland city paving.

Lane County News: "The policy of any enduring newspaper must necessarily be based on what is true and what is right, even though it may sometimes come in conflict with the opinions and prejudices of its readers."

The Hood River Forest Products Co. is putting in sawmill plant.

A new bridge is to be built two miles above Mt. Vernon.

The Oregon Sunday Blue law has been upheld by the Oregon Supreme court.

Fall Calves Best For Early Beef.

(By R. E. Reynolds)

Walter M. Pierce, Union County farmer and stock-raiser member of Board of Regents of the Oregon Agricultural College, has started the practice of raising fall calves instead of spring calves with very good success.

His plan of handling these calves is to have them dropped along about November. The cows are placed in covered sheds and fed all the alfalfa hay that they will consume until the following spring. During this time the calf is so small that it will not eat grass if there is any, and it also has the advantage of being kept indoors during the winter time.

About the first of April, the cow with her young calf is turned out on the mountain ranges. Here, due to the green grass, the milk flow of the cow is very much increased. The calf now being a few months old will be able to handle this increase without difficulty. The calf runs on the range until about the first of July when it is taken to the valley and weaned, and turned on new mown meadows or alfalfa or clover pastures.

In this manner the calf avoids the shortage of pasture during the drier months of the summer. Also the calf is weaned at a time when the cow will dry up much more quickly when put back into the mountains on the dry feed. From the alfalfa pasture or the meadows the calves are turned into the stubble fields and allowed to run there until late in the fall when they are put into lots and fed all the alfalfa hay they will eat. Most of them are then sold at from 12 to 15 months of age.

This method of handling calves, Mr. Pierce thinks, has many advantages. First, the calf comes during the time of the year when the cow will not give an oversupply of milk, due to not having green grass, but on good alfalfa hay will give an abundance for all present needs. Then when the cow is turned on the green pasture in the spring time the milk flow is increased but the calf is large enough at this time to handle it all to very good advantage. Another thing. Weaning the calves coming along about the first of July, the dry pasture is avoided when the calves really do make as good gains as at other times of the year. It is also possible to market the cattle at an earlier age, due to good feed and care.

As Mr. Pierce says, "The Fall calf never stops growing, but can be gotten to the butcher a good deal more quickly and cheaply than can the spring calf." A fine bunch of these calves was to be seen at Mr. Pierce's

place last July. They had just been weaned, and he had refused \$35.00 per head from the local butchers.

The advantages of the fall calf over the spring calf are many, and no doubt in time raising fall calves will become very popular among the stock raisers of Eastern Oregon.

SHEEP DECLINE IN OREGON.

An announcement just made by the Forest Service, covering the grazing business on the National Forests for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1915, shows a decrease of over 100,000 in the number of sheep grazed on the Forests of Oregon, and an increase of approximately 44,000 in the number grazed in the Forests of Washington.

For several years past the grazing business on the Forests of Oregon has been in excess of that in Washington, but the influx of settlers in those parts of Oregon where good forage was to be found has made it difficult for the big stock owners to find sufficient winter range for their sheep. This fact, combined with the recent high prices of wool and mutton, has led many sheepmen to sell out. In Washington there has not only been an increase in settlement, but also an increase in available National Forest range, which has induced many to go into the sheep business. Hence, the Oregon sheepmen found the Washington ranchers ready to buy their sheep.

There has been an increase in the cattle business in both states—over 10,000 increase in Oregon and nearly 3,000 head in Washington. Many of these new cattle men were formerly sheep owners grazing stock on the National Forest.—National Wool-grower.

Offers Special Silver Trophy.

Salem, Ore., Sept. 24.—The American Hampshire Swine Record Association offers a special Silver Trophy to the exhibitors of Hampshire pigs at the Oregon State Fair, provided there are three or more exhibitors enter the competition for the said trophy. The trophy will be awarded on the following class: Four pigs, any sex, under six months of age, bred and exhibited by a resident of the State of Oregon. Pigs purchased in dam are eligible to this show.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Neel and Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Neel were taking in the Morrow County Fair the past week, and enjoyed a good time with their many relatives and friends here.

Mr. Cummings Effuses on the Fair

The following poetry is the out come of the inspiration with which Harry Cummings was seized after visiting the exhibits at the Morrow County Fair. Mr. Cummings has always been an earnest and consistent booster for Morrow county soil and climate. The copy below contains the introduction used by the author in reciting the poem to Fair visitors Friday afternoon.

Ladies, Gentlemen and Visiting Friends: The people of Morrow county have an abundance of those qualities that bring success. God, in his wisdom, has given them the climate and the soil. He has also given them the faculty to get the most from their opportunities. It was deemed most advisable to hold these county fairs that all those good people from Missouri may be shown. In appreciation of the splendid efforts of our people to make this fair a success, I have written some verses, entitled "Our Morrow County Fair," which I am permitted to read to you.

Another year has quickly past, Laughter is ringing in the air, The people now are coming fast To attend our county fair. They are coming in from every way, They will make this fair a great success;

They have planned and worked and now today They are coming in with all the best Of all the things that they have grown.

That in this fair they may be shown. There are so many kinds of grain, And such splendid sheaves of wheat, Although they had but little rain, These samples can't be beat.

When it comes to corn and cabbage, D. Cox beats all the rest, And of all the great big squashes, Billy Bayless grows the best; For fine grapes and watermelons, Susbauer takes the lead. Say, some fellows stole the melon I bought of him for seed.

George Rand excels in apricots; His muskmelons are so fine, George has a lot of trouble To keep them on the vine. Mrs. Roadruck makes the best preserves, They are so pleasing to the eye, You would like it if you could A sample of them try.

French Burroughs grows big apples, Pine pears and peaches too; It is a treat to anyone, His fine orchard to go through. Just see those fine big onions, Gosh, but arn't they great, Grown here in Morrow county, They can't beat them in the state.

See those beets and mangle-wurtzels, How the dickens can they grow, And get such monstrous whoppers, In time for the county show. They have peaches that will weigh a pound;

Their flavor can't be beat. Now just go on and look around, And your surprise will be complete.

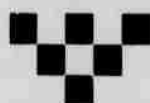
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