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DAIRY HERDS SHOW HIGH PRODUCTION

A. R. COPPOCK HERD AVERAGES
459.0 POUNDS BUTTERFAT

Twenty-seven Herds Average Over
300 Pounds Butterfat; 125 Cows
Produce Over 350 Pounds.

The annual report of the Umatilla Cow Testing association made by Willard Kernkamp shows a high percentage in herd and individual production during the past year. The two herds averaging 300 pounds of butterfat at the highest average belonged to A. R. Coppock, Adams, with 459.0 and C. W. Acock, Irrigon, with 402.8. Individual cows producing over 350 pounds of butterfat, listing the three highest only, belonged to A. R. Coppock, Buttercup, 680.1 lbs., H. J. Bear, Blossom, 534.8 lbs., and A. R. Coppock, Primrose, 526.8 lbs.

A tabulation of the full year's record is listed below:

Number of herds tested during the year, 51; number of herds completing year's test, 43; number of cows tested during the year, 624; number of cows completing year's test (12 mo.), 380; average pounds of milk produced per cow, 6198 pounds; average pounds of butterfat produced per cow, 300.73 pounds; average value of products per cow, \$122.25; average cost of roughage per cow, \$42.26; average cost of grain per cow, \$14.19; total average feed cost per cow, \$56.45; average profit above feed cost per cow, \$65.80; average returns per dollar expended for feed, \$2.16; average feed cost per 100 pounds milk, 91 cents; average feed cost per pound butterfat, \$1.87; number of cows culled out, 104; number of members having purebred sires, 45.

Officials of the organization are: L. C. Dyer, president, Hermiston; S. R. Cooper, secretary-treasurer, Stanfield; Bertha Cool, Ione; A. R. Coppock, Adams; W. A. Chaney, Irrigon.

The work of the association is carried on through the O. S. C. Extension service including the united efforts of the officials and dairymen in the Umatilla project. A higher grade of produce can be realized by weeding out inferior breeds.

USE OF OILS HITS LARD SO LIGHT HOGS FAVORED

Increased use of vegetable oils in cooking has decreased use of lard, and therefore at the present time packers want a 160 to 180 pound hog instead of a 200 to 225 pound hog, says the Oregon Experiment station.

The present type demand resembles the old bacon type hog and it is thought that this type can be put in good market condition (180 pounds) more cheaply than the heavy hog, which would be to the farmers' advantage.

OREGON POTATO SEED IS MUCH IN DEMAND LATELY

The sale of certified Oregon potato seed promises to be brisk this season, reports R. E. Jackson, extension specialist in farm products, in charge of potato certification work in Oregon. More interest than ever before is being shown.

Requests have lately been received from all parts of Oregon and from neighboring states of Washington and California, asking for lists of certified seed growers. Growers of this seed report that a good many carloads have been sold at prices ranging from \$2 to \$3 per hundred.

"Development of good clean potato seed is helping to put this state back again into the potato growing business," says Jackson. "Formerly Oregon was one of the leading potato growing states in the west but has been passed by others during the last ten years. Our potato crop is now climbing up again and we are rapidly gaining upon our competitors. This year's crop is worth about five million dollars."

Willard Kernkamp left Friday for Los Angeles, Calif., to spend the holidays, and upon returning to Oregon will enroll at O. S. C. Miss Emma Thoeny accompanied him to San Jose where she will spend the holidays with relatives and friends.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

MINNEHAHA NEWS NOTES

A program was given at the school house Friday evening, December 19, by the pupils of the Minnehaha school under the supervision of Mrs. Clara Deeter. The program consisted of "A Living Christmas Tree," a group song; a recitation, "Who Filled Santa's Stocking," by Donald McKenzie; "The Doll Dance," by Janice Matott assisted by Rosella Matott; a recitation by Marvin McKenzie; a recitation by Dorothy Russell; "Grandma's Second Childhood," by Janice Matott, Bobby Jackson and Charles McKenzie; "Aunt Jimima's Present," a play by the upper grades; recitations by Della McKenzie and Dan Russell, and pantomime, "A Christmas Story" by the upper and intermediate grades. Mrs. A. M. Franklin was accompanist for the program.

After the program Santa Claus appeared with sacks of candy, nuts and popcorn for everyone. The children enjoyed a Christmas tree.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Cronk are ill with the flu.

C. Seitz has recovered from a severe case of blood poisoning.

Christmas vacation began at the Minnehaha school Monday. School will begin December 29.

The Butter Creek highway has been repaired, greatly improving the road.

Mayor M. T. Matott of Hinkle has been supervising the regrading of the Hinkle boulevard.

Howard Young was a Pendleton visitor Monday.

IRRIGON NEWS ITEMS

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE

The regular meeting of the Irrigon Grange No. 641 met Wednesday evening and the following officers were elected: E. A. Houghten, master; Fred Markham, overseer; Mrs. E. A. Houghten, secretary; Mrs. W. C. Isom, lecturer; W. C. Isom, steward; Floyd Oliver, assistant steward; Mrs. J. Oliver, lady assistant steward; Frank Brace, treasurer. Installation of officers will be held at the Pomona meeting at Boardman January 3.

Mrs. John Smith was a Pendleton visitor Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Batee Rand and Mr. and Mrs. George Rand were in Pendleton on business Friday.

A Christmas program was given by the school Friday evening with a large crowd attending. There was a beautiful Christmas tree with treats for all handed out by a very fat, jolly Santa Claus.

Mr. and Mrs. Dawald, school superintendent, left early Saturday morning for Lewiston, Idaho, where they will visit with relatives during the holidays.

Emil Helmie of Prescott is visiting in the home of his uncle, Fred Markham.

The Arlington basketball team and the Irrigon town team played a game in the gym Friday evening which closed with a score of 32 to 12 in favor of Arlington.

Mrs. Wilbur Stevens left for Portland Wednesday to visit with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Bronell.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bruce and family, Mr. and Mrs. Vern Jones and family and W. C. Isom and family were shopping in Pendleton Saturday.

Mrs. Jess Oliver entertained the H. E. C. ladies at her home Thursday afternoon. Officers were elected for the coming year as follows: Mrs. W. C. Isom, president; Mrs. F. Markham, vice-president; Mrs. Houghten, secretary-treasurer.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Isom left Monday for Monument, Oregon, to visit Mr. and Mrs. Dave Musgrave during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Caryell motored to Hermiston to see the show Saturday night.



CHRISTMAS MAILS HEAVIEST IN SIX YEARS EXPERIENCE

According to Mrs. Lella Phelps Monday was the heaviest mail ever handled by this office during the six years she has been postmistress. Friday and Saturday were heavy mails but most of this went to eastern states. The heavy receipts for Monday were not due to long-distance mailing, however, as most packages went to surrounding communities.

RECKLESS DRIVERS TO STAND COST OF AVOIDABLE ACCIDENTS

During 1931 a determined campaign to outlaw the reckless and incompetent motorist from the public highways will be made in many states. Authorities are urging legislatures to adopt stringent licensing laws for drivers.

The Saturday Evening Post editorially recommends that automobile liability insures rates, instead of being the same for all motorists, as at present, be raised for drivers with accident records and lowered for safe drivers. Casualty insurance companies are already doing this to some extent. This has a tendency to encourage carefulness and more equitably distributes the premium burden. It is estimated that ninety per cent of motorists are careful and responsible but they pay the bills for damage done by the ten per cent who are reckless, irresponsible or incompetent.

We have a long way to go before we settle all the factors of the accident problem. Prevention, cure, indemnity for the injured—each requires careful study. The growing public and official interest in the problem is an encouraging sign.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Bearley of Berkeley, Calif., were visiting with his mother, Mrs. F. L. Bearley, three days this week. They returned Saturday morning.

EDWARD E. JOHNSON

Edward E. Johnson passed away at the Hermiston Medical hospital Tuesday morning at 1:00 o'clock. He had been ill but a short time and followed his wife's death by a short two weeks.

Edward E. Johnson was born at Lafayette, Oregon, December 29, 1862, and died at Hermiston Tuesday, December 23, 1930, at the age of 68 years. He had resided at Echo for the past two years, working as a farm laborer. According to Prann Funeral Parlors, no arrangements had been made for the funeral at this writing.

COLUMBIA NEWS NOTES

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE

The Columbia school presented the Christmas operetta, "The Miser's Dream" on Wednesday night, the twenty-third. A large and appreciative audience was present.

Miss Pauline Morris sent mistletoe, Oregon grapes and cedar from Yamhill county for our Christmas stage decorations.

Columbia folks are not forgotten by Santa, according to Mr. Todd, rural postman, since he had to make three trips out Monday. Who says "hard times?"

Miss Clea Sias went on a shopping trip to Pendleton Saturday.

Mr. G. O. Edwards, son of Mrs. E. Edwards, of Columbia district, is visiting at the home of his mother. He is a resident of Great Falls, Montana.

Miss Elsie Paxton and Miss Helen Upham visited the Columbia school Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Scroggs and nephew are visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Tuttle. They expect to stay until after Christmas.

Mrs. Julia Quinn and father were visitors at the home of W. H. Tuttle.

TOWN BASKETBALL TEAM WINS, LOSES, IN TWO FAST GAMES

The Hermiston town basketball squad played a fast game at Heppner Saturday night, losing by a score of 14 to 5. Good sportsmanship was shown throughout the play and the locals came out with the long end of the score at the end of the half. They could not prevent scoring against them the remainder of the game, however.

Saturday night the Pendleton Oregon Bakery team played on the local floor, losing to the Hermiston boys by two points, 16 to 14. It was a good game with the interest evenly divided throughout.

Coach A. E. Bessel promises a good game Friday, December 26, when the Irrigon boys meet his squad here in a contest. They have been doing some rigid practicing along with their experience gained in previous games.

The lineup follows:
Roy Bills and Leonard Nation, forwards; Ernest Cox, center; Earl Bessel and Allen Bowman, guards; Elvert Bowman, John Pace, Slim Roberts and Harold Woodward, substitutes.

W. L. Hamm is confined to his home with a bad cold this week.

Grade of Marketing Turkeys Good

The Twin City Creamery purchased 17,228 pounds of turkeys at 26c last Thursday, Friday and Saturday from farmers in this locality. According to B. I. Whitney, representative field man, the quality was never better.

The local Swift & Company representative, Fred Barker, bought 10,000 pounds of turkeys last Friday, which brought the growers 26 cents. This lot was shipped to Portland markets. On December 9 Swift & Co. bought 22,000 pounds, one carload, shipped to Hartford, Conn. Both lots were of a very good quality.

UMATILLA NEWS ITEMS

Mr. James Byrnes and daughters Irma and Myrtle, visited in Tuochee, Washington, over the week end.

Mrs. Albert Foord and son Don of The Dalles, were week end visitors in Umatilla.

Herb Thompson, who is salesmar for McCannon products around Dayton, Washington, visited his parents here for several days.

Mrs. Del Jackson of The Dalles, spent Saturday here.

Leander Ervin of Canada is visiting his brothers and sister here.

Mrs. Robert Barrett spent Saturday and Sunday visiting his mother in Walla Walla.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Erwin, who recently resided here before moving to Weiser, Idaho, have again returned here to make their home.

This year the school is furnishing the Christmas program and the church is to give the treat. This program will be given at the high school gym Tuesday night at 7:30. Everyone is invited.

The Junior dance which was given Saturday night in the high school gym was very well attended.

Those people from Umatilla attending the recital in Stanfield given by the Frederickson sisters and Jane Gibson were Mrs. John Wurster and daughters Annie, May and Sarah Mrs. James Byrnes and daughter Myrtle, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rodenbough, daughter Doris and son Keith, Mrs. Jay Berry and daughters Lola and Barbara, Pansy Williams and Mildred Conlon.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Baldwin and Lola Hyatt, of Heppner, visited at the home of Ursel Hlatt Saturday and Sunday.

Umatilla high school played the second game on the home floor last Friday night with Arlington. Both were hard fought games with Umatilla coming out on top at the end. The girls' score was 23-21, the boys score being 21-17. After the game Umatilla served the players and drivers of each car of Arlington in the basement of the school house. Our next game is January 9 at Hermiston. Both teams are looking forward to these games.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS

The telegram company is again working in Umatilla.

Mrs. Harry Jones of Condon and Mrs. Bullard of Portland, were here for the Eastern Star meeting Tuesday.

Mrs. Fred Knudson has returned from Portland where she has been under the doctor's care.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Smith and Mr. McCellan of Portland visited at the home of their sister, Sarah Rix Tuesday evening the teachers are leaving for their Christmas vacation. Miss Gilbert will spend part of her vacation in Hermiston with her mother, going to Portland for several days. Miss Roth will visit her grandfather in Chilton, Mr. Bullard will go to Portland, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Yeager will visit in Walla Walla, Miss Ricco in Portland and Aberdeen, Miss Clara Corrigan in McMinnville, and Mr. Bloom in Spokane.

Walter Bullard spent the week at his home here.

Mrs. McKenzie visited in Portland last week.

Lucille Wilson, who has been confined to her home in Irrigon, has returned to school here.

Dorothy Lash attended the Christmas program last Friday night in Plymouth.

Turkeys Donated for Xmas Cheer

Members of the Eastern Oregon Turkey Growers have shown the spirit of the Yule-tide season by donating some 18 choice turkeys to be distributed to deserving families in this community. The distribution is being taken care of by committees from the American Legion, Commercial club, lodges and churches.

Mrs. Marion Coe left Tuesday night for Portland where she will spend the holidays with her mother and family, Mrs. Wm. Leedy.

HIGH QUALITY OF PRODUCE ENCOURAGED

"HIGH QUALITY FOR PROFIT" IS
MARKETING SLOGAN.

Standardization of Farm Products
To Be Considered at Portland
Meeting, January 10.

A statewide meeting of all people interested in agricultural standardization has been called for 10:00 a. m. of January 10, at the Multnomah hotel in Portland.

Standardization of farm products has become the keynote of successful production within the past few years, and the practices necessary to put a high quality product on the market are yielding excellent returns to the producers.

In sections of the state where little or no attention has been paid to trading and standardizing the products, the farmers are experiencing great difficulty in moving their goods, and what are being moved bring very unsatisfactory prices. In communities that have established a reputation for high quality, the producers are moving their products at more nearly satisfactory prices.

Hood River apples are known over the entire country and bring a premium for their quality. Deschutes Notted Gem potatoes are in big demand and bring a fancy price because of their reputation for high class products. Butter from the Co-operative Creamery at Astoria moves readily because it is kept at a 92 core or better. Tillamook cheese is nationally known for its quality and the growers there realize the benefits of standardization.

Bringing the example closer home, several carloads of early potatoes were shipped from Hermiston in July, and brought very satisfactory returns as they were federal graded, U. S. No. 1. The turkey crop raised this year is being sold on the basis of U. S. government grades and the top prices go to the producer who is willing to put out high quality birds.

Thus it goes down the list of commodities; the producers that put out a high quality product of uniform grade are more apt to find a ready market, while products of inferior quality go begging.

Chas. G. Burke, Inc., has moved a small stock of his merchandise over in the building by the MacMarr store on Main street. He will continue to operate both stores until further notice.

Among students returning home for the holidays are Jewel Smith, Albany college; Shirlee Brownson, Dick Upham, Joe McNaught, Gerald McKenzie, all attending O. S. C.; Jane Warner, Marian Henderson, Florence Woughter, Frances Sale, all of U. of O.

Leo Smith, who is principal in a school in Montana, returned to Hermiston this week and will spend the holidays with his parents Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Smith.

Lenore Dyer who teaches near Pilot Rock is home for the holidays.

Donald Klages, who has been working in Tecton, Wn., will spend the holidays in Hermiston before going to Spokane where he will enter Blair Business college.

Philip Winters, who operates the Hermiston Bakery, was stricken ill while at his duties early Tuesday morning. He had arose early to perform his usual routine of breadbaking and was found weak and helpless when his wife came to work. He was some improved Tuesday evening and hopes to be on the job again soon. Roy Bills is working at the bakery.

Hugh Fraser returned home Saturday from Idaho where he is employed with the Anaconda Copper Mining company as office assistant. Conda is located about seven miles from Soda Springs, Idaho, and is a prosperous mining town. Mr. Fraser will spend the holidays with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Fraser.