

Real happiness is cheap enough; yet how dearly we pay for the counterfeit!—Hosca Ballou.

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A County Taxpayers League! A meeting leading up to the forming of such will be held in Pendleton Saturday. It is to the taxpayers interest to be there.

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HEATED DISCUSSION HELD ON FEDERAL AID TO FARMERS

NEW THOUGHTS BROUGHT OUT BY WRITER, G. W. BURKETTE.

4-H Club Work Defended; Cause of Overproduction Charged; Upkeep Charge Small for Farmers.

A very interesting discussion was held at the regular Stanfield Grange meeting last Monday night as the result of an article written by Glen W. Burkette, entitled, "Leave Us Alone," published in the County Home magazine. Mr. Burkette is an educated farmer and the article is written cleverly. It is centered around the idea that federal farm aid is detrimental to the farmer rather than beneficial. He states that the government does not help educate boys and girls in other professions and should not molest those living on the farm, through the 4-H clubs and Smith-Hughes work. He dogmatically clings to the idea that the farmer would be able to take care of himself without these highly sophisticated college graduates telling them what to do and how to do it. He maintains that this is the indirect cause of the present over-production of farm products.

Mr. Burkette has written numerous articles but has been unable to interest a publisher until the Country Home magazine accepted the above mentioned manuscript. Several affirmative and negative speakers expressed their ideas on the subject. C. M. Jump, the first affirmative speaker, upheld the article by saying that the 4-H club work hindered the young people instead of aiding them because they only followed in the footsteps of their leaders instead of forming and developing their own ideas. He also stated that at one time farmers got along very nicely without the aid of experiment farms, county agents, cow testing associations, cooperative creameries, and the aid of the federal government.

Stanley Green, an outstanding 4-H club leader, gave figures showing how much the dairymen in the state had been benefitted by records which are kept by the Herd Improvement associations. He stated that the production for one cow for a year had been raised from 150 pounds of butterfat to 4000 pounds, and that production generally had been raised 100 per cent through the testing done in the 26 associations in the state. He also showed that the Tillamook dairymen found a ready sale for 200 heifer calves from registered sires which would otherwise not have been salable.

In defending the experiment farm and county agent Stanley brought the example of a condition in Kansas when 1100 square miles of farm land was swept by disease and pests, destroying every growing thing. This could have been checked by following the advice of trained men, as it was in Klamath Falls last year when the grasshopper was halted in its advance, and the disease in orchards cleared by application of chemicals.

Why not deliver your eggs to market in the best possible condition. During the summer months eggs lose moisture besides deteriorating in quality.

The care of eggs on the farm practically determines the price per dozen the poultrymen will receive. Eggs must be gathered at least four times a day and immediately placed in a cool place.

The iceless cooler is highly recommended in Eastern Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Utah, for storing eggs on the farm. Every poultryman can afford a cooler because it can be made on the farm at a total cost not to exceed two dollars.

Plans of the iceless cooler can be secured from your County Agricultural agent or the State Agricultural college.

High quality eggs delivered to your Association will help in the selling program if increasing the consumption of eggs.

R. C. WOODWARD PITCHES FOR MISSION INDIANS

R. C. Woodward, who is employed at the Rohrman Motor company, pitched six innings of baseball for the Mission Indians Monday afternoon in a fierce battle against the Gilkerson Colored Giants of Chicago.

The Giants are making a tour of the Pacific coast and won from the Indians by a score of 11 to 5.

Mr. Woodward has gained favor and popularity with baseball fans during the few times he has pitched for the Mission Indians. At Pendleton Monday he struck out three batters and in his hitting made two 2-baggers and a single. His batting average for the season is 500.

Woodward was the only white boy on either team, the others being composed of three different races, which were Negroes, Indians, and a Cuban.

TEXAS WHEAT KING IS FIGHTING SLUMP

Texas has a wheat king in the person of Hickman Price, who will harvest a 23,000-acre crop on his 30,000-acre holdings in two weeks' time. He is fighting depression on a wholesale basis.

Though no expense is being spared in setting up an organization of 300 men to harvest the estimated 500,000 bushel crop, every item of cost is being watched. Price expects to establish a new low cost level for getting the grain to the market.

"We thought we would have to spend \$50,000 or more for combines," Price said, "but found we could buy slightly used machines that had been repossessed for \$200 each in large lots. We bought 25 of them."

"We are getting fuel for our tractors delivered at headquarters for 4 1/2 cents a gallon."

Price is sending his machinists to the used car markets in the Panhandle to buy wheat trucks that are needed.

"We have machine shops and workmen to recondition and keep in running order all our machinery," Price explained. "We believe we can buy machinery at prevailing prices for 10 cents on the dollar and make it function 85 per cent efficiently."

The harvest forces are organized as thoroughly as a circus crew, with each man assigned to one specific duty.

Once the harvest has begun, the machines will not stop, day or night, except for two brief periods daily to change crews and for lubrication and refueling. A dining room and portable bunk houses, equipped with a water system, will follow the crews.

The big crop will be harvested in two weeks, or at the rate of about 40,000 bushels a day, under the present plan.—Athens Press.

Delegates Return.

Miss Elsie Reeder and Miss Edith Clark returned early Sunday morning from San Francisco, Calif., where they attended the International Convention of the Christian Endeavor. They will give a detailed report of their trip next Sunday morning during the regular church service hour.

GARDEN CLUBS SPONSOR BEAUTIFICATION CONTEST

J. G. Edwards, president of the Memory Garden Highway Association and Chairman of the Sam Hill Roadside Contest committee, announces that his committee has decided to grant an extension of one year's time to all the counties of Oregon to prepare for this contest.

J. G. Edwards, chairman, Mr. Wells Gilbert, secretary, and Mr. Peter Kerr are the members of the Sam Hill Contest committee. They have driven over the Pacific Highway on a tour of inspection and have found so much new construction, new routing, and incomplete clearing of debris on property adjacent to the highway that they think it unfair to judge the effort made toward the contest at this time.

The judges who will decide the winning county of Oregon will base their decision on the following points:

1. Approaches to towns clear of unsightly auto dumps, unbraced shacks and all sign boards not in commercial districts.
2. Property along highway free from debris, old unused barns, and signs on roofs of barns, fences, etc.
3. New planting on property adjacent to highway, equally with—
4. Protection of old planting and proper regard for suitable view view points.

PLAN MEETING TO FORM COUNTY TAXPAYERS LEAGUE SATURDAY

As a result of the recent request by Governor Julius L. Meier that tax levying districts of the county form a county tax payers league, a meeting has been called for Saturday afternoon, at 2:30, in the county court house in Pendleton. Representatives from each Grange, each town, school district, and from each tax levying district in the county is expected to attend. City mayors are urged to see that their town has a representative present.

UNION PACIFIC OFFICIALS VISIT LOCAL BUSINESS HOUSES

Four Union Pacific railroad officials called on local businessmen Tuesday in the interest of freight patronage for the U. P. system. F. C. Woughter, local depot agent, took the visiting officials around town, among whom were F. N. Finch, general superintendent of the Oregon-Washington Railroad & Navigation company, Portland; W. H. Guild, superintendent Oregon division, Portland; H. E. Loufsberry, general freight agent, Portland; and J. L. Purdy, traveling freight and passenger agent, Pendleton.

According to the officials the business for the railroads has fallen off to such an extent in the past few years that the situation is desperate. They are urging all business men to patronize the railroads whenever possible in order that they might meet the competition of the trucks.

AFGHAN TO BE GIVEN AWAY BY AUXILIARY JULY 29.

Early in the summer members of the American Legion Auxiliary made a large Afghan which they intend to sell Wednesday, July 29, at the Oasis theatre. The person holding the lucky number will receive the Afghan. The main feature picture is a comedy production, "The Gang Buster." Prices will be 25 and 50 cents.

VESTAL-BILLS

Mrs. Amy Bills and Wm. Vestal slipped away quietly last Thursday to Pasco, Wn., and were married by a Methodist minister of that city. After the ceremony they made a short trip to other Washington and Oregon points and returned to Hermiston Saturday evening.

Mrs. Bills has lived in Hermiston for the past three years, coming here from Portland, and is well known by local residents. Mr. Vestal operated the Mutual Cream station here until recently when it was dissolved after the opening of the Umatilla Cooperative Creamery. He has been visiting his brother in Terrebonne, Oregon, until he returned to Hermiston Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Vestal plan to make their home here for the present.

FAIR BOARD MEMBERS HAVE NEW DISPLAY PLAN TO PRESENT

POULTRY PREMIUMS MAY BE DIVIDED MORE EVENLY.

Board is Getting Plans Under Way For Coming Fair; Splendid Cooperation Maintained.

The Umatilla County Fair board will meet Saturday night in the office of Assistant County Agent Best, at which time they will discuss new plans for displays for the coming year. Baxter Hutchison, superintendent of the farm products displays has a new plan to present which he believes will be decidedly different and interesting. Instead of displays carrying every product on the farm, have them centered around the main industry showing every step possible in the growing or raising of that one product.

Mr. Hutchison states that he hopes to get Mr. Tabor, the bee man, and Mr. Ott, the poultry man, and others to center their displays around this main industry, showing each step from the beginning to the finished product. It will mean a little more work on the part of those displaying but Mr. Hutchison thinks it will make it decidedly more interesting.

R. C. Todd has been asked to arrange the poultry display and he has a new idea he will present for the approval of the board. Heretofore all first grade poultry has received numerous prizes and it is his idea to divide prizes more evenly among the birds.

All fair board members are getting down to work on the program for the coming fair and are receiving fine cooperation from farmers on the project thus far.

Car Hits Stage.

A Chevrolet roadster driven by Robert Connor of Yakima, Wn., collided with a Union Pacific west bound stage Sunday on the highway near the Beebe place south of town. The roadster hit the stage just back of the engine. The driver headed the car away from the stage so that its back fender was caught by the back bumper on the stage. The car was thrown from the road and lit on all four wheels, completely demolishing the two back ones. E. J. Natlon was called to the scene immediately and the boys were taken to Pendleton where a charge of illegal possession of liquor was made and a fine of \$25 imposed.

The driver and Homer Haventian were on their way from Yakima to Pendleton to visit Mr. Connor's brother. Neither were injured.

TURKEY GROWERS PLAN FARM TOUR FOR SATURDAY, AUGUST 15

A picnic committee, appointed recently by the Eastern Oregon Turkey Growers association, met in the office of Assistant County Agent Best, Wednesday night and made plans for a farm tour and picnic to be held Saturday, August 15. The group will start from the experiment station and journey to the farms owned by Potter, Sanders, Linder, and Jenderjewski. The tour will be made in the morning, followed by a picnic dinner in the early part of the afternoon.

LaGrande Couple Married Here.

Miss Edith Taal and Monroe Hemphill, both of LaGrande, Ore., were united in marriage Sunday afternoon at 1:00 o'clock, at the Methodist parsonage, with Rev. O. W. Payne reading the ceremony. The only witnesses were Mrs. Payne, A. C. Hemphill, father of the groom, and Miss Margaret Hemphill, sister of the groom.

Mr. Hemphill is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Hemphill of Hermiston and has worked near LaGrande for a number of years. The young couple left immediately following the ceremony for Yakima, Wn.

School Bus Contract Let.

The Westland district school bus contract for the transportation of pupils to the Hermiston Union high school was let recently to O. O. Felthouse. Mr. Felthouse also operated the bus line for the Columbia district school. Between 40 and 50 pupils constitute the enrollment of the Westland district at present.

New Blackberry Found.

What County Fruit Inspector Van Trump of Marion county declares is the finest blackberry in existence, if it will hold up under cultivation as it shows in its wild state, has been discovered by D. G. Drager, Marion county treasurer. The blackberries, which Van Trump says are an entirely new variety, were found by Drager growing on the edge of a patch of timberland a few miles south of Salem, and a row about 50 feet long had grown up from a single seedling before the patch was discovered and identified as something new.—Athens Press.

Stolen Car Traced Here.

Carl Lutus, supposedly of the Marines, was arrested here Sunday night by B. J. Natlon, deputy sheriff, on a car theft charge. Lutus had picked up a Nash sedan in The Dalles and his direction was not definite, determined until Mr. Natlon saw him drive down the street in Hermiston Sunday afternoon. Later that evening he was picked up and held until Traffic Officer Glen Mayfield arrived from The Dalles and took him into custody.

ROUND-UP CITY MAKES ELABORATE PREPARATIONS

PENDLETON, Oregon, July 22, (Special)—This is the Pendleton outfit's busy season. It is overhauling its chuck wagon, checking over its corrals and wrangling up its remuda in preparation for the 22nd annual Round-Up and its companion piece, Happy Canyon.

With some \$15,000 total prize money as the magnet, eyes of top hands all over the West are turning toward the event which is set for August 27, 28 and 29.

One of the annual chores connected with the show is finding room for the thousands of visitors to lodge. Last week the accommodation bureau was opened to list all available lodging places and see that no prices are boosted.

Two pre-Round Up events are now awaited eagerly—the arrival of the rangy Texas longhorns, scheduled for August 5, and the dress-up night parade, August 15, when the whole city and country round goes cowboy. After that night it will be a heinous offense for anyone to appear in Pendleton in anything but cow country going to town garb.

Pendleton is like that about its Round-Up. The show is a community affair and everybody seems to realize his part ownership in it. Even the Indians look forward to the affair, with its pageantry on streets, in arena and in the night show.

The big parade is Western Ho and is programmed this year for the closing Saturday morning. Thousands of whites and Indians appear in frontier costume.

The Southwest is expected this year to send a large delegation of skilled cowboys. Among them undoubtedly will be Bob Crosby, Monument, N. Mex., who took permanent possession of the Roosevelt trophy in 1928, and Jack McClure who got a leg up on the new Sam Jackson trophy last year.

McCarty & Elliott, Chugwater, Wyo., and George Drumheller, Walla Walla, Wn., will bring their famous relay and flat race strings. Mabel Strickland, one of the most famous all-round cowgirls, will ride the Drumheller horses in the women's relay.

UNION PACIFIC OFFICIALS CONCERNED ABOUT PATRONAGE

The 4,965 employees of the Union Pacific in Oregon, aroused over the loss of freight and passenger business to unregulated forms of transportation, have in the past few months marshalled their forces in this and every other community served by their railroad, urging their fellow townsmen to ship and travel by rail. They frankly recognize the serious railroad situation which could easily result in further cuts in local payrolls. They are driving home the cold fact that the prosperity of these communities will stand or fall with that of the railroad; and that the railroad's prosperity depends on whether it gets the business for which it is constructed and equipped.

Pointing out that the railroad, through the Union Pacific Stages Motor Transport pick-up and delivery service, now meets the fastest and lowest rate freight competition with the advantage of more careful and dependable handling by rail, the U. P. employees' groups are getting a hearty response from local merchants. Many merchants have pledged their full support to the "ship and travel by rail" campaign. In numerous Oregon towns the business men and the newspapers have collaborated in issuing strong advertisements promoting the preferential use of the railroad's facilities.

More than \$9,000,000 was paid out by the Union Pacific last year in wages and salaries in the state. This huge sum was expected in Oregon by the wage earners who received it, supporting approximately 20,000 persons. Part of it was spent with merchants, part of it deposited in banks where it helps keep Oregon business ventures going, and a sizable portion was paid out in taxes on homes because 2,262 Oregon homes are owned by Union Pacific workers. Of the 4,965 U. P. employees in the state, 3,413 are heads of families. Taxes paid by the Union Pacific in Oregon alone in 1930 amounted to \$1,366,196.49.

Mrs. C. H. Nuckolis and daughters, Juanita and Carmelita, of Portland, who have been visiting at the home of Mrs. Nuckolis parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Pace, returned to their home Saturday morning.

DAIRYMEN URGED TO KEEP COW TESTING RECORDS

ADEQUATE RECORDS MUST BE OBTAINED FOR PROVED SIRE.

J. C. Knott, Washington State Supervisor of Official Testing, Shows Necessity of Herd Improvement.

In an article in the Oregon Farmer by J. C. Knott, Washington state supervisor of official testing, the value of cow testing associations is brought clearly before farmers and dairymen. In a little aside Mr. Knott says: "Sentiment is admirable in its place, but few dairymen can afford to maintain a free home for ancient and indigent dairy cows."

"We sometimes find cows that seem to be dogged by hard luck. Usually that hard luck seems to run in families and we are suspicious in such cases that there may be inherited weaknesses which predispose the animals to such troubles."

"Those people get the most enjoyment out of life who can make the most contacts with their fellows with the least friction. Dairy herd improvement associations are or should be potent factors in promoting friendly fellowship in a common cause."

The following article speaks for itself:

There are in the United States approximately 23 million dairy cows. Of course of this number nearly eight million are losing money for their owners, nearly as many more are merely paying for their keep and the remainder are carrying the dairy industry so far as making profit is concerned. Strange as it may seem, we do not know which of this vast number of cows are profitable and which unprofitable, but we do know that about one-third make a profit, one third break even and one third are actually costing their owners more for feed and labor and investment than they are returning in milk and butterfat.

Some of this lower one-third are cows that do not have the inherited ability to produce profitably. Others have the ability, but their production is limited by improper feed and care, disease or other factors. (Concluded on page Three)

ALONG THE CONCRETE

It has often been said (and experienced) that vacations leave one in very strict financial straits but when we saw Mr. Deeter walking down the street the other day with a bundle of Oregon Journals under his arm, the truth of such a statement was confirmed. He was attired in knee breeches, which added to the newsboy aspect. Even vacations must come to an end.

Mrs. Harry Kelley tripping along to work at the telephone office carrying her little orange basket. What mysterious and valuable objects are contained in that little basket, we wonder?

J. A. Clark, manager of the Hermiston Light & Power company, rolling down the awning in front of his place of business early in the morning. With all the free air they get over there the heat should not be noticeable. What a break these power company managers get when it comes to using power.

We have some hot news for you this week. Many local residents tell us that the mercury is going up every day.

We take it that O. O. Felthouse had better hustle through his vacation before his assistant, M. L. Watson, leaves too many cakes of ice on the back door step of people who have gone away for the week end. We have heard of tree sitters, and ice sitters, but never before have we heard of a cake of ice sitting on a back door step until it melts. The hot sun makes shorter work of it than the human ice sitters.

The following is gleaned from the "Those Who Come and Go" column in the Oregonian: "R. C. Begg, who is the theatre manager of Hermiston, Or., let the stars get along without him yesterday while he came down to Portland to discuss opera house problems with men in the business here. During his stay, Mr. Begg was registered at the Imperial hotel."

Mr. Cityman Comes to Fairyland By Albert T. Reid



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