

## EAST AND WEST MEET

Walter McCormack, Famous Grand Opera Tenor, makes Friends with the Blackfeet Indians from Glacier National Park

The East and the West came together in a rather striking and unusual fashion at the recent concert given by the St. Paul Symphony Orchestra in the Auditorium at St. Paul. The Indians attended the concert as guests of L. W. Hill and were very appreciative not only of the splendid

solos sung by Mr. McCormack, but of the rather intricate and high-brow type of orchestration rendered by Prof. Rothwell and his well-known orchestra.

Chief Fred Big Top, in referring to the concert, said he enjoyed it very much—"some of it was just like Indian music."

The Indians applauded long and loud at times and attracted considerable attention themselves. While the elite of St. Paul were present in evening dress they had nothing on the Indians, who were very elaborately attired and carried themselves with dignity and ease.

After the concert, the Indians were introduced to and photographed with Mr. McCormack as shown in the picture above. They extended him a cordial invitation to visit their native home, Glacier National Park, Montana, next summer.

## SAVE CROPS BY FIGHTING FROST

In the current issue of Farm and Fireside appears an article showing how science enables the fruit farmers to make a 'brilliant' fight against Jack Frost. Following is an extract containing some account of scientific heating:

"No longer need the fruit-grower suffer a crop failure. No longer is fruit production on the gamble it used to be, for, with the intervention of science, neither frost, insect or disease can give the grower off years when he receives no income from his high priced land.

"Spraying and heating go hand in hand. Jack Frost is now driven back from the tender blossoms and fruit by a process of heating which is fast becoming popular. Scientific orchard-heating is a new thing, but a sure thing, and a 200-acre orchard can have its temperature raised ten to fifteen degrees with absolute certainty.

"Orchard-heating was first practiced in California, although smudging, or the formation of a dense blanket of smoke over orchards, has been practiced in Europe before. In 1908 some Grand Valley fruit-growers in Colorado practiced orchard-heating with the burning of oil in simple pots of the lard-pail type, with the result that they saved their crop. Since then the

fruit-growers of Colorado have saved annually four or five million dollars' worth of fruit.

"Several types of heaters have been invented. Oil and coal are used for fuel. It is claimed by many that oil is the best all-around fuel. It lights easier. The heaters are placed throughout the orchard at regular intervals, one to a tree if the setting is from seventy-five to ninety trees per acre. If small heaters are used, double or triple the number. All moisture must be eliminated from the fuel used. The heaters are made ready with fuel beforehand.

"When the temperature falls within a degree of the danger point, the trees are started. If oil is used make a torch of gaspipe, and to light the oil torch on about a teaspoonful of gasoline. The ignition is immediate and the generation of heat begins.

"While the heater raises the temperature some, the real purpose is holding it against a fall. Under the most favorable condition the heated one has been held to a point of safety while the outside thermometer reached sixteen degrees. Eighteen and twenty degrees are easily carried through with safety. Conditions vary. A wind makes the work more difficult. A young orchard requires more heaters than an old one, and garden truck twice as many."

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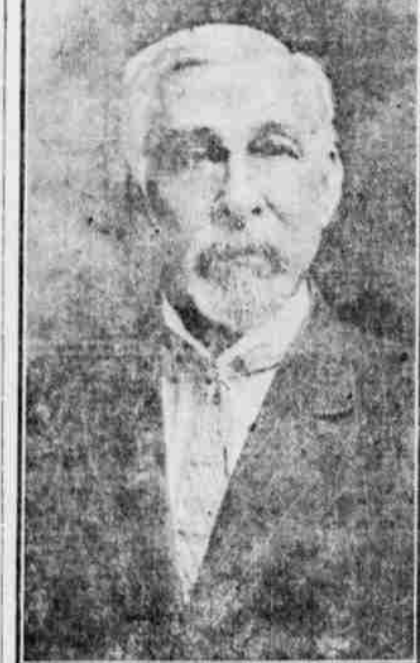
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### THE FARMER'S INSTITUTE AND POULTRY CULTURE.

When corn reached 3,125,713,900 bushels the huskers in the corn belt sang, "Corn is king!" But our billion dollar Biddy is chasing the corn, and if poultry got a true census the song would be from sea to sea: The old farm men now on the top perch tops.

In Uncle Sam's dominion she's the leader of all crops. She's not so very stylish, but she gets there just the same. And you bet she's the top liner in the nation's Hall of Fame!

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354 fowls, an increase over 1800 of \$65,000,000.

Chickens jumped from 23,596,621 to 280,345,133, an advance of 256,778,212, while eggs went from 1,293,622,433 dozens to 1,591,311,371, an increase of 297,688,938 dozens, and the value of eggs advanced 112.6 per cent.

Pity the last census didn't cover the whole poultry industry!

A true census will show Biddy above them all, and all credit to the factors that put her there. Prominent among these is the farmers' institute. Pennsylvania's poultry has advanced 71 per cent in value, chiefly through this agency, the director of institutes, Hon. A. L. Martin, being an energetic promoter of advanced poultry culture.

Poultry products mainly come from the farms, and the farms in each state are under the care of the state departments of agriculture, and these departments have organized the farmers' institutes, where experts meet the farmer face to face, solve his problems and furnish him practical information on the different phases of modern scientific agriculture. Such instruction meets local condi-

## THIEVES OUSTED BY VIGILANTES

Bend Bulletin: Over in the homestead district in Lake county, the settlers have been pestered with thieves, and the other day a vigilante committee got busy. The result is that three suspects have been run out of the country. The men, Gilmore, Dewade and Blaise by name, were given the choice of standing trial for theft or leaving the county. They chose the latter and came to Bend to take the train for more congenial climes. In the homestead country in southeastern section of the country, there have been similar trouble and the settlers have declared that they will do as the Lake county homesteaders did unless the thieving stops.



Honorable W. H. Storms, State Mineralogist of California, who officially endorsed Camp High Grade last Fall after spending 10 days studying the topography and inspecting different properties of the district.

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The farm home, the farm school, the farm church and the farm crops have received an uplift thereby, and thus this nation is not only the workshop of the world, but the up plus alpha in agriculture.

Poultry and the staples reach \$5,000,000,000 per year, and much of the improvement in quality and quantity is due to the farmers' institute.

Poultry looms so big, pays so well, cuts such a figure on the national bill of fare that it has become a feature at institutes, and it is the aim to secure authorities to lecture on poultry topics.

Hence experts, famous the country over, are engaged in this work for the advancement of practical poultry husbandry.

Our readers should attend and profit from the instruction of these men who have made good. Yes, all should encourage an institution that is not only promoting poultry culture, but advancing the great cause of agriculture in general. For agriculture is the keystone of our national prosperity and the bed rock of the welfare of the race.

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