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FARMERS' INSTITUTE SUCCESSFUL.

Large and Attentive Audiences Attend the Sessions of the Institute Held in Jacksonville Dec. 19th, by Oregon Agricultural College and the Local Board of Trade.—Excellent Instructors Attend.

With one of the heaviest rainstorms of the season making it as disagreeable for farmers to reach town as it ever gets in Southern Oregon, Saturday was anything but a favorable day on which to hold a meeting for farmers, yet notwithstanding this serious handicap there were about 50 persons present at 10:30 a. m. when Chas. Meserve, president of the Jacksonville board of trade, called the meeting to order of the Farmers Institute that had been advertised to be held in Jacksonville under the joint auspices of the Oregon State Agricultural College and the Jacksonville board of trade.

The address of welcome was given by Hon. Wm. M. Colvig who after expressing the pleasure of the citizens of Jacksonville at having this meeting of farmers in their town and at the presence of the distinguished speakers who were to address it, gave a brief sketch of the development of agriculture in the Rogue River valley beginning with the pioneer days of the '50s, when the immigrant with his crude farming implements sowed wheat that in the virgin soil would yield two and three crops before another seeding was necessary and when hay could be had for the cutting from the wild Grasses, and all other farm products were had in equal plenty, to the time when the primitive richness of the country was exhausted and modern methods of agriculture were to be adopted to maintain the productiveness of the Valley. To meet this new condition in agriculture is to be the problem of the day and it is now imperative with the farmers of Rogue River valley to study how best they can meet them and make the most productive capacity of their lands and the best returns from the markets. Dr. James Withycombe, director of the experimental station of the Oregon State Agricultural College, made the response to Mr. Colvig's splendid address and after thanking the Jacksonville board of trade for its efforts in aiding the betterment of the agricultural interests of Rogue River valley, he outlined the work of the farmers institutes, stating that they were schools for the farmer wherein they could learn improved methods of agriculture and gain knowledge from the experience of others and compare their own experiences as to success and failure in their farm work. He spoke of the growth of the institute work in other parts of Oregon and how the farmers were at first skeptical as to the worth of these institutes and made no special efforts to attend them, but that so soon as they became convinced of their value they came for miles to attend and the institute attendance had gained from a few dozen farmers to well up into the hundreds at the meetings in the sections where the College had held several institutes. He predicted that the time was near at hand when institutes would be held in each farm district in Oregon and that farmers would then give them as loyal support as men of other vocations give their organizations.

Hon. Miles Cantrall, one of the leading stockmen of Applegate, made an address on "The Future of the Stock Industry in Rogue River Valley," in which he spoke of the growth of the industry during pioneer days and of the haphazard methods then employed, but conditions had changed and it was no longer possible to raise stock profitably as was the case in years past, for the taking up of land for farm purposes, the overstocking and eating out of the ranges had made it imperative to the stockman to adopt new methods of handling his herds. From now on it would be less stock better breeds, better care and the growing of crops for feeding, and with these advantages, stock raising should continue one of the profitable industries of the Rogue River Valley. As to breeds of cattle, Mr. Cantrall considered the Hereford as

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LOCAL NOTES.

Miss Bertha Goode, of Medford, passed through Jacksonville Thursday on her way to Ruch, where she will spend several days a guest of Miss Della Throckmorton.

All the latest magazines and periodicals at the City Drug Store.

W. M. Scheble from Griffin creek was in Jacksonville Thursday purchasing supplies. Mr. Scheble attended the farmers institute Saturday and he expressed himself as greatly pleased with its work.

A. Throckmorton, of Ruch, was in Jacksonville Wednesday accompanied by his daughter, Miss Ina, and son Lester, making Holiday purchases. His daughter, Miss Della, who has been stopping in Medford for some time, accompanied him home where she will spend the Holidays.

Santa Claus has fitted the entire second story of the Medford Book Store with toys, books, games and pictures.

Rev. W. F. Shields, pastor of the Presbyterian church, was in Jacksonville Tuesday for a short time. Rev. Shields stated that the union revival services that have been held in his church for the past three weeks closed last Sunday. He reports that the meetings were well attended and that a deep interest was manifested by the congregation and that a splendid spirit of co-operation was displayed by all the city pastors in carrying on the work of the meetings.

C. C. Culey, postmaster, merchant, hotel keeper, farmer and all-around hustler at Steamboat, the embryo town on the head of wagon navigation on Thompson creek, was in Jacksonville over Tuesday night, leaving for his home Wednesday morning with a load of supplies. Mr. Culey reports that stock is wintering in fine condition. That valley is also coming into prominence as a mining section and Mr. Culey states that the miners are opening some fine prospects that indicate mines that will be profitable producers.

County Commissioner Joshua Patterson drove down early Saturday morning from his home east of Talent and after attending the day sessions of the farmers institute he was so pleased with the addresses that he remained over until Sunday, that he might attend the session Saturday evening. Mr. Patterson is one of the county commissioners of Jackson county and the good road topics on the institute program deeply interested him. Mr. Patterson is a strong advocate of good roads and is confident that the betterment of the highways of Jackson county would do more for the prosperity of the county than any other one undertaking.

The Griffin Creek settlement is entitled to the credit of being one of the most progressive neighborhoods in Jackson county for they have roads that are better than the average, rural free mail service a fine two room school building and as well kept farms as are to be found in Rogue River Valley. The latest public improvement that this neighborhood has undertaken is to purchase an acre of land adjoining their present school ground, which gives their school an acre and a half of land. This flat will give ample space for a play ground and a space about the school house for shade trees and ornamental shrubs which are to be planted. Tuesday of this week the residents of the district had a fencing bee and built a substantial fence about the addition to school ground. This school is in charge of Prof. G. Samuels and Mrs. Samuels and so well are the patrons of the school satisfied with their work that at the school meeting week ago Saturday it was voted to increase the tax levy to enable the district to have an eight instead of a seven months term of school this year. It is expected that for next year a nine months term may be had.

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the best beef animal for this Valley, for they were the best range cattle and were the most hardy and yet were large and well formed animals. For strictly dairy purposes the breeds were the Jersey and the milking strain of the Shorthorns. A short discussion followed Mr. Cantrall's address, during which Dr. Withycombe gave the points by which a beef animal and a dairy animal could be judged.

The next address was by S. W. Boyd, who two years ago came from the East

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"I was much afflicted with sciatica," writes Ed C. Nud, Iowaville, Sedgwick Co., Kan., "going about on crutches and suffering a deal of pain. I was induced to try Ballard's Snow Liniment, which relieved me. I used three 50c bottles. It is the greatest liniment I ever used; have recommended it to a number of persons; all express themselves as being benefited by it. I now walk without crutches, able to perform a great deal of light labor on the farm." 25c, 50c, \$1.00. Sold by City Drug Store.