

Country General Store Is Still Going Strong Today

By HAL BOYLE
 NEW YORK, Dec. 12 (AP)—A voice from the clover-laden air along the banks of the Wabash lifts itself above the monoxide-poisoned clamor of Manhattan to deny that the old-fashioned country general store has moved to town.
 Answering a recent lament in the column that city slickers had stolen the cheese-and-cracker forum of the rural folk and turned it into a neon-lighted saloon, Ernest A. Gady, proprietor of Gady's General store at Gainville, Ind., wrote this refreshing rebuttal:

"The old country store is still present in a big way, plus its old-fashioned republican and its die-hard democrat, both going strong with the pot-bellied stove. Mighty is their combined draft! Election prophecies, weather forecasts and crop estimates still rate tops above John L. Lewis, Joe Louis and football. The stuff box still hangs on the wall, and the spittin' terbaccer outsells the camel which created so many pedestrians.
 Egg Purchase
 "A sign proclaims that the grocer is paying thirty-four cents a dozen for good eggs and four-

teen cents for bad ones. Another sign announces that the political views expressed here do not necessarily reflect the opinions of the storekeeper."
 Gady said that international affairs get a quick brush-off in the store debates.
 "Molotov must be a contrary old coot and Truman gits his dander up too quick" disposes of all the heavy politics," he wrote. "The township trustee race is far ahead of the Olympic games in the country store."
 The proprietor of Gainville's leading emporium has a comfortable life with a pleasant brook full of bass within strolling distance. But he has no illusions about a business boom.
 So far the township fathers have made no effort to get the United Nations on the map by inviting it to settle down in the heart of Gainville.
 "Animated and enthusiastic

individuals are encouraged to settle elsewhere," said Gady, who has this sign penciled on one corner over the nose valve: "Public opinion forces us to operate on fast time. Wonder if it will work?"
Tule Growers Hold Membership Meet
 TULELAKE, Dec. 12—Clifford Woods, manager of the Tulelake Growers association, today announced the time and date of the annual membership meeting of the association which will be held Monday, December 16.
 The business meeting will be held at 2:30 p. m. on that date in the American Legion hall. At 6:30 p. m. members will attend a dinner at the Sportsman's hotel.
 Classified Ads Bring Results.

Wonderland Office Opens

MEDFORD, Dec. 12 (WNS)—Establishment of a secondary office for the Shasta-Cascade Wonderland association in Medford, has been announced this week by Arthur H. Fickert, president of the association.
 Branch offices will be located in the Jackson County chamber of commerce building under the management of Dean Pieper, public relation director.
 Fickert said the association's expansion was in line with its 1947 program to provide a closer coordination of joint southern Oregon-northern California activities along the lines of high-

way development and tourist promotion.
 He said also, that representatives of the association would be in Klamath Falls within a short time to confer with Klamath County chamber of commerce officials and civic leaders on plans to stimulate travel in the Wonderland area.
 Time and place of the meeting will be announced as soon as final plans have been completed, he said.
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School Teachers Return To Work
 PAWTUCKET, R. I., Dec. 12 (AP)—Pending resumption of pay-raise negotiations, 400 grade and high school teachers returned Wednesday to classrooms which had been closed for two days after the instructors took a strike vote last week.
 The teachers are seeking a new salary schedule with \$1800 minimums and \$4000 maximums which would bring net annual increases of \$300 to \$600.

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