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COMMITTEE REPORTS ON FLAX EXPERIMENT

Gives Figures As To Cost of Production and Value of the Various Products

Far different from the report of an ordinary committee was that read by W. M. Hamilton relative to the flax industry at the monthly meeting of the Commercial club Wednesday evening of this week. For this report was of more vital interest to the future of Salem than any report ever read, as it told of the first year's efforts to establish the flax industry in Oregon, with Salem as the district in which flax was first raised.

Before the Board of Control would take any action, they required that contracts be signed by farmers agreeing to plant and raise sufficient number of acres of flax to assure enough raw material to keep the plant busy and justify its construction. The Commercial club sent men into the country and secured the signing of contracts necessary, whereupon the Board installed the plant at the penitentiary.

Another fact that will produce better results the second year, is that the men in the penitentiary had to be taught the work with the machinery, while next year, the same men easily handle almost double the material of one year ago. Values of Product According to the report, the products of the flax straw and minimum values of the present stock at the penitentiary are as follows: Flax seed at \$1.50 a bushel. Upholstering tow at \$60 a ton. No. 1 tow at \$240 a ton. No. 2 tow at \$200 a ton. Hacked flax, worth \$400 a ton.

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SOCIETY

ALINE THOMPSON

Honoring Mr. and Mrs. Mack Hofer who are planning to leave Saturday for an extended trip to California. Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Brown entertained informally Wednesday evening with a dinner. The artistically-appointed table had covers for six. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas R. Kay and Ercel Kay motored to Portland Wednesday where they spent the day motoring on the Columbia highway. They returned last evening. Mrs. Edgar Hartley entertained yesterday with a few tables of bridge. The majority of the Thursday afternoon club and several additional guests were asked to make up three tables of the game. Mrs. Melvin Plimpton went to Portland today for a brief visit. Mr. and Mrs. George Palmer Putnam accompanied by Mrs. R. S. Wal-

lace and Paul Wallace motored to Corvallis Tuesday where they enjoyed luncheon with Mrs. James Withycombe and Miss Mable Withycombe. Mr. and Mrs. John Morrison entertained Wednesday evening with an informal dinner. The affair was planned in celebration of first birthday anniversary of their little grandson, E. Treatie Clarke, Jr., who with his mother, Mrs. E. Treatie Clarke (Bella Morrison) has been the guest of the Morrises for several weeks. The table was centered with an art basket of Cecil Brunner roses and sweet peas. Small cakes aglow with tiny candles marked places for nine of the immediate family. Mrs. Clarke and her small son left for their home in Seattle today. They accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Livesley in their car as far as Portland.

on the occasion of their second wedding anniversary, Mrs. E. E. Botsford entertained Sunday with a pretty dinner party. It being the paper anniversary of the honor guests, the hostesses artistically carried out the table decorations in keeping with the occasion. Covers were placed for Mr. and Mrs. Butler, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Johnson, Mrs. G. W. Putnam, Miss Margaret Putnam, Miss Irma Botsford and the hostess.

The matrons of the Degree of Honor society gathered at McCarnack hall Thursday afternoon for an enjoyable sewing bee. The hostesses for the affair were Mrs. A. Bailey, Mrs. Edith Darr, Mrs. Jessie Croffan and Mrs. Margaret Dimeler. Late in the afternoon refreshments were served. The tables were prettily adorned with garden flowers. The club members present were: Mesdames A. Anderson, Nellie White, Dora Hill, Carrie Holman, Frank Darcy, Leslie, Minnie Patterson, William Esch, Bertha Viesko, Pearl Roth, Ruby Pougide, Laura Selwood and Miss Greta Bailey. The guests of honor were: Mesdames Scott and Dodge.

About twenty six matrons of the Naomi Circle and several guests gathered at the informal afternoon for which Mrs. W. E. Vincent and Mrs. Noah Welch were hostesses at the country home of the former Thursday. The rooms were aglow with Scotch broom. A brief business session preceded an enjoyable social time and instrumental selections by Miss Katherine Vincent. On May 24th members of the Naomi Circle will entertain the general ladies aid society with a delightful programme and social afternoon at the Methodist church.

PERSONALS Miss E. Holmes of Dallas is in the city. C. Ramsey was in the city yesterday, from Silverton. W. E. Wilson was in Portland yesterday, registering at the Oregon. J. H. Jacobson and wife of Silverton were Salem visitors Thursday. Paul Hauser went to Eugene this morning to look after the new store of Hauser Bros. in that city. P. R. Ritchie, P. P. A. Northern Pacific, and Otto T. Brandt T. P. A. Union Pacific, are in the city. EXPLOSION SUNK CYMBIC Berlin, May 19.—(By wireless via Sayville, L. I.)—The liner Cymbic was sunk by a boiler explosion and was not torpedoed. This assertion was made by a member of the crew upon reaching Amsterdam, according to dispatches received today.

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and 50,000 pounds sold to the Portland Lined Oil company. The Board of Control has been offered \$840 a ton for hacked fiber. This price is much above the average, on account of the war in Europe. In Ontario, Canada, farmers are quite willing to grow flax at a price of \$12.50 a ton for first quality dried straw. The state of Oregon, in order to encourage farmers to grow flax guarantees to pay \$15 a ton at the penitentiary, and to furnish labor free for the pulling of the flax. Cost Here and in East In the east, \$6 per acre is paid for pulling flax or \$3 a ton on the basis of two tons to the acre. On the basis of receiving \$12.50 a ton, after deducting \$3 for pulling, the eastern farmers net \$9.50 a ton, compared to the \$15 a ton offered by the state. One ton of flax straw costing the state \$15, produces as follows, after going through the machinery in the penitentiary plant: 5 bushels of seed at \$2 a bushel. 100 pounds of tow fiber worth 15 cents a pound. 100 pounds of line fiber worth 30 cents a pound. Thus with its labor costing nothing, the state will realize \$35 from each ton of flax straw. Deducting the cost of the straw, \$15, the net profit is \$40 a ton, figuring on the present high prices of flax products, which will continue high for several years, as Russia and Belgium have issued orders forbidding the exportation of any raw flax materials. The present plant in the pen will be able to handle about 4,000 tons of flax a year and when the inmates become more efficient in handling the machinery, it will require from 1,300 to 2,000 acres of flax to keep the plant busy. Some General Information As to the character of soil, the committee recommends any good grain soil, but especially good loam with a clay subsoil. Eighty to ninety pounds of fiber flax seed should be sown to the acre. The planting should be done as soon as the frosts are over, and 80 to 90 days are required for the straw to mature, bringing harvesting time about July 1. The state has been selling seed to the farmers for \$1.50 a bushel, or about two and three quarter cents a pound. The general opinion of experts is that flax should be pulled and that it should be poot retted. The committee making this report, consisting of W. M. Hamilton, Jos. H. Albert and Carl Abrams was appointed by the agricultural department of the Commercial club and were given a vote of thanks for their efforts in giving a history of the first year of flax in Oregon.

this afternoon preparing two acres for the children's playground. Besides cleaning up and raking over the grounds already assigned them the pupils will help in the forming of a dam in Mill creek to be used exclusively by the children this summer for a bathing pool. In order that the children may work with some system, G. E. Bessell of the senior high school, was placed in charge and the children divided into squads of 20, each working under teachers from their own school. After today's clean-up, all the old city playground apparatus will be installed, and after the close of the school year, competent persons will be put in charge of the grounds. The pupils were all dressed in appropriate working clothes, many of the boys carrying spades, axes and shovels. The playgrounds have been tendered to the children of the city through John H. Albert, who has given them permission to arrange the grounds and the free use of them during the summer season.

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Salem Young Folks Cleaning Play Grounds

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