

BETTER METHODS ON FARM RESULT OF COUNTY AGENT

Simpkins is Fifth Man on Job Here, But His Work Has Been Far-Reaching to Farmers.

"Bringing the city and county together," has been the aim and the object of county farm agents ever since the system was established several years ago, and to the agent perhaps more than to any other cause has a better feeling been engendered between the dwellers in the rural districts and those who live in towns.

Carter county has had the services of a county agent for several years, in fact from almost the beginning of the system, and the agent has been a big factor in bringing about better conditions on the farm and better methods of farming.

The work of the county agent is no sinecure he must be a man who understands people, know whereof he speaks and be able at all times to give true and direct information to the farmers upon all subjects in which they are interested. Such a man is a valuable asset to the community and worth every dollar the state and county pays him for his salary.

Carter county has been extremely fortunate in this respect, inasmuch as all agents who have been assigned here have been men who were well up on the duties and requirements of their office, and the labor they have accomplished is very evident to those who knew conditions as they existed on the average farm before the work was started.

The present agent, John W. Simpkins, is the fifth man to hold the job in Carter county. Mr. Simpkins was agent in Tillman county before coming here. He has been here more than a year and has fairly started to put into operation many plans that have been maturing for some time.

One of the principal features that he proposes to advocate this year is terracing of farm lands to keep the soil from washing away. He has given several practical demonstrations of the methods employed in various sections of the county that have created considerable interest in this branch of farm work.

Mr. Simpkins has the farm boys of the county well organized and taking an interest in their work, the various clubs throughout the county have developed a spirit of rivalry among each other that stimulates every member to keener action, and the result is showing in more and better cows, pigs and poultry on the farms.

When the farm agent was first installed in Carter county he met here, as the agents met everywhere else, severe opposition from farmers who resented his presence and he was told more than once, to go about his own business as they were getting along very well, and did not ask, or would not accept any of his advice.

This reception did not phase the agent. He told Mr. Farmer that he was here to stay and that Mr. Farmer might just as well take a few moments off and listen to what he had to say.

Better Methods Established
The result was that first one then another farmer was won over until before very long all became tolerant of the county agent, and were willing to take his advice on many things that they had hitherto been total strangers to.

The result was better farming methods, better condition of living on the farm and better contentment in rural communities generally. The same ones who opposed the agent at the beginning would be the first to raise a very audible protest were it to be announced that his services would no longer be available in Carter county.

and the board of county commissioners need have no fear that they will be criticized for allowing his salary, but they were in the beginning, for spending what a lot of farmers thought was money needlessly spent.

HOW MANY BEANS CAN ONE HUNGRY MAN EAT AT ONE TIME?

A New York City restaurant keeper promises to satisfy the appetite and fill to capacity with beans any man who comes into his place. And all for the sum of fifteen cents.

At first glance it looks as though the restaurant keeper stands to lose on this offer, but it is safe to say that nine out of ten of his patrons will fall far short in their capacity for beans from taking his profit away from him. The tenth man may eat so many beans that there will be no profit to the server, but his offer is attracting so much business to his place that he can afford to forego the profit on one dish of beans out of every ten.

BOON FOR MANKIND COMES: TRY THIS ON THE WOMEN

A veterinary of Tacoma, Wash., has discovered that an operation on the larynx of a mucky goat has removed the cause of her continual bawling. In other words, it has been a silence to the goat. The goat's owner and his neighbors are greatly pleased at the result and have made up a purse to buy the veterinary a present.

Experiments are now being made on cats and dogs. No doubt within the next few years big cities will see catmen and dogmen visiting citizens who wish to keep a cat, to have the operation performed on it. This, of course, is all dependent on the point of whether the operation is successful in the case of cats.

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Resolved

Resolutions? Yes, we make 'em. Not to keep them, but to break them. For we're only poor weak mortals after all.

"Little Johnny Jones."

G. P. Selvidge, manager loan association: I am going to push my business more than I did in 1921; I will devote as much time as possible to public affairs; I am going to give my family every advantage within my income.

Resolved: To keep cool when hot checks come in on cold water bills. This is signed by employees of the city water office.

H. O. Bailey, fire chief: The fire boys are determined to make their work as efficient as humans can possibly perform.

George Alexander, waiter: To live a life so that my children can point to their father and say "He was a Man." How's that?

"Uncle John," cook at city jail: "Well, sir; I've just about reformed. But I'm resolved to get mah-self a wife before this next year is out."

G. M. Henley, retail merchant: Live better—do more business—and have the "Smile that won't wear off."

C. A. Crockett, manager Bass Furniture Company: I am resolved to bend my every effort in employing and using all the diligence in my power to cooperate with the authorities in making the streets and sidewalks of our city more inviting.

Col. S. A. Mills, Indian agent: Whadda yeh mean, resolutions, Volstead fixed it so resolutions are unnecessary forever. Forget it."

James Barron, secretary Chamber of Commerce: "I am going to keep after the city duds until something is done about our water supply or I lose my job."

Bro. R. L. Davidson, pastor Broadway Baptist church: "I have resolved to abstain from any ardent spirits and to lay off my six gun during the coming year."

J. W. Krueger, shoe dealer: All of us should resolve to cooperate closer with the Chamber of Commerce, and I am resolved particularly to get behind the movement for a better water supply.

Alma May Wintin, telephone operator Hotel Ardmore: Not to get angry when someone trying to telephone gets mad, but to give due consideration to the source.

A. E. Ewell, Jr., with the Humble Oil and Refining Company: Never to make any more resolutions because I am too tender hearted to break them.

J. C. Clopton, manager Hotel Ardmore: To fill every room in the hotel each day for 365 days during 1922 and let Pep reign. Shalom Alcehem.

Ed Galt, oil operator: What's the use of making them? You always break them the next day.

L. O. U.: Never to tell a reporter when I return from a trip but always tell him I'm leaving after I'm on the train.

J. Robert (Wildcat Bob) Gilliam, champion wildcatter of 48 states and Mexico: Resolved: Never to drill any more dry holes, and to extend the Hewitt southeast extension to Love county and then some.

State Checker Playing Champ. STILLWATER, Okla.—L. Elmo ofushing won the state checker championship here by defeating J. M. Graves in the finals of the 13th annual checker meet.

MENTAL MARRIAGE PROVES SUCCESS! WIFE TELLS WHY



Mr. and Mrs. John G. Neihardt

OMAHA.—Would you marry a man without even seeing him, just because you liked his poetry? Mona Martinsen, daughter of a New York capitalist, did. And her marriage turned out successfully. Now she's mother of four children. Returning to New York from Paris where she'd studied art under the famous sculptor, Auguste Rodin, Miss Martinsen read a volume of verse by John G. Neihardt.

She liked them. She wrote to the poet six months later a train was carrying her to Omaha and Neihardt was standing on the station platform with a marriage license in his coat pocket.

"Why should it be foolish to marry without seeing each other with the physical eyes?" Mrs. Neihardt asks. "Is not the ideal more real than the material? When Mr. Neihardt was in Omaha and I was in New York, I

know that in the things that really counted we were one."

Neihardt is the only poet laureate in the United States. The Nebraska Legislature has given him that title in recognition of his epic poems immortalizing the west.

The four Neihardt children are prodigies. They know the Iliad and Odyssey. They introduced as young boys knew "Mother Goose" and "Peep."

Gorman Takes Census of Boll Weevil and Finds 'em Fewer

Mike Gorman of the American National Bank who gives much thought to agricultural interests in this country states that there are fewer boll weevils here this year than a year ago. He bases this statement upon experiments made by himself. About this time a year ago, Mr. Gorman says, he made a trip to the country to make investigations concerning the presence of the weevil. He found many of them. In the last few days he has made a trip of the same kind for the same purpose and says he did not find a weevil. "That does not mean," said Mr. Gorman "that there are no weevils here, because there are, but it does mean that there are not so many as a year ago."

Mr. Gorman has just returned from a trip to Collin county, Texas, where the weevils are known to be and where the farmers raised a half bale of cotton to the acre. He says the farmers there have learned to make cotton in spite of the presence of the weevil. They do it by burning the stalks, the weeds, the grass, the cane patches and then they clean out the fence corners and they burn the weeds and trash that accumulate there. By destroying one weevil in the winter they save themselves of the presence of a million during the cotton maturing season. These farmers thin out the parent stock of weevils, they render them so few in number that they have to multiply many times before they become so plentiful as to have numbers enough to destroy all the cotton.

After they destroy all the parent stock possible, they plant early, they cultivate intensely, they get as quick a growth as possible and they make some cotton every year.

"It is my opinion," said Mr. Gorman, "that the farmers in this section of the state should meet at their school houses, they should appoint captains, they should organize to carry on this cleaning up until every farm is given the same attention. If one farmer works ever so hard he cannot accomplish anything. It is like killing rats. If rats are exterminated all must work together."

"How much cotton should the farmer plant?" was asked Mr. Gorman. "All he can attend to," was the reply. "Cotton is our money crop. We cannot get along without it. Every farmer should attend to pigs and calves and sheep and cream etc., but many of them do not have a chance at that kind of farming and they must stick to cotton. There is nothing here to justify idleness. We have a task and we must study the situation, learn how to triumph and then do it. I have faith in these farmers and believe they will win."

Threw Stones; Fined \$5
OKLAHOMA CITY.—Ten dollar fines were assessed Saturday against three men charged with having thrown rocks during a disturbance recently at Packing Town incident to the strike of packing house employees there. The men were alleged to be strikers. Ten men were injured in the melee.

HUGHES RECEIVES GERMAN CHARGE

WASHINGTON.—Diplomatic relations between Germany and the United States were resumed officially late Saturday when Carl Lang, charge d'affaires from the Berlin government presented his letters of credence and was received by Secretary Hughes.

The German charge presented his credentials to Mr. Hughes at 2:33 and at that exact moment were resumed the diplomatic relations which have been broken since Feb. 3, 1917, when Count von Bernstorff the German ambassador here was handed his passports.

Mr. Lang arrived in Washington only last Wednesday. The haste to have Mr. Lang recognized as Germany's official diplomatic representative was occasioned by his desire to be received with the other members of the diplomatic corps by President Harding at the New Year's reception next Monday.

The new Austrian charge, Edgar A. C. Prochnikalski will be among those to be greeted by President Harding at his reception.

NUT CRACKING DEVISE ATTRACTS ATTENTION

An invention of particular interest at this time and which has caused much comment in Ardmore is a nut cracking device that is so adjusted as to crack a nut entirely and in such a manner that the "goodies" are not crushed or chipped.

This machine was invented and is now being manufactured in Ardmore by H. C. Atwood, who has a shop at the corner of B and F streets, northwest. Mr. Atwood has been working on this and other inventions for several years and has had the nut cracking machine on the market for about a year. It is now being sold all over Oklahoma and Texas and Mr. Atwood is planning to enlarge his factory in order to take care of the increased demand for this machine. In addition to the hand nut cracker, which is so made as to automatically adjust itself to the size of the pecan and therefore to crack it without injury to the meat, Mr. Atwood has also perfected a motor driven nut cracker for use in the large nut cracking and shelling factories throughout the country.

Mr. Atwood was formerly connected with an oil firm in Ardmore having come here from Durant, Oklahoma, in 1914 and he has constantly worked on different inventions.

OUTLOOK ON CONSTRUCTION WORK IS FAVORABLE
D. N. Ferguson of the Carpenters' Union of Ardmore, in contact with men of his profession in Shawnee, Tulsa, McAlester and other cities of the state. These men say that the building outlook is favorable. The prospects are that there will be more construction work in 1922 than in the past year. "Labor and construction work are undoubtedly on the upward trend," said Mr. Ferguson.

Osage Claims Ordered Paid.
PAWBUSSKA.—The Osage Indian agency received government order to begin paying claims against incompetent Osages, under bill of March 3. The claims amount to more than \$700,000.

Another 'Meanest Man' Robs Cripple at Hotel
What is claimed to be the world's meanest man has been discovered at Saranac Lake, N. Y. The expression, "he's so mean he'd take money from a cripple," was borne out in this instance. Allen Sevey, so crippled that he must be moved around in a wheelchair, is at Saranac Lake for his health. Recently he asked an acquaintance to take \$147—all the money he had—to the hotel office for safe keeping. That was the last Sevey saw of his money, as his acquaintance de-camped with it without paying his board bill at the hotel.

SportitorialS

This here resoluoshun bizness is all right—it shows a fellers got good intensions, anyway.

Even at that, what's the harm in breakin' them—because if yuh keep 'em yuh won't have any to make next year. Logic.

Sounds kinda funny—"If yuh keep 'em yuh won't have any." Hah!

The girls "il hafta help the fellers out if they swear off smokin'."

By the way, girls of the 23rd century model, are yuh gonna swear off smokin'?"

The fellers wot bumps over the oil field roads is gonna make 'em a resolution to only swear twice when going over the holy highway—once when they hit the first bump, and then when they hit the last.

Doggonit, now they've gone and fixed the road and we ain't gonna have much to joke about any more.

But, maybe, now we'll hear some funny stories for the fellers wot ride the roads is gonna be in good humor after they're fixed.

And with the fixing of the roads, the osteopaths oppozishun is gone.

By golly, they oughta make them bone massagers pay double taxes for good roads.

Happy New Year, and a thousand more of them.

Sell it through the Ardmoreite classified ads.

GOLF CHAMPIONS HERE THIS MONTH

All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy," so the old adage goes. As an antidote for this possible evil Dornick Hills country club offers one of Ardmore's remedies.

Under the direction of Perry Maxwell the club has one of the finest golf courses in the entire southwest and through his personal efforts the 200 members are daily taking more active interest in the club. This interest has extended to the women and during 1921 a Golf Luncheon club was formed which meets every two weeks. Daily playing of golf is also indulged in by feminine club members.

An interesting announcement to golf enthusiasts is that Mr. Maxwell is now negotiating with two famous golf players, James Barne of New York, national champion, and Walter Hagen of Chicago, western champion, to have a matched game here during this month. Definite announcement of these arrangements will be made within a short time.

During 1921 the club building was enlarged and improved in many ways and the club has been the center of number of very enjoyable social events.

Duff Heads Bar Association
OKLAHOMA CITY.—John Duff of Cordell was elected president of the Oklahoma State Bar Association at the closing session of the annual convention here.



HAPPY NEW YEAR

1922 WILL BE A GREAT YEAR. A YEAR OF SOUND INDUSTRIAL LIFE AND BUSINESS ACTIVITY. A YEAR OF PROSPERITY. WE HOPE THAT YOU WILL GET YOUR SHARE—FOR THERE ARE GOOD TIMES AHEAD!

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