

They have recently secured the state agency for the well known Empire Separators and the Boise plant a short time since received a carload of these machines. The company expect to dispose of at least three carloads during the present year. They are making a very liberal proposition to parties wanting

to buy separators on the installment plan, asking only \$10.00 per month and accepting payment in cream. Any of our readers interested in this offer are advised to write them for particulars. Their advertisement appears in this issue of the "Rural-Journal."

## Aberdeen, Idaho

NOT a large number of people, comparatively speaking, have seen, if they have heard of, Aberdeen, the new town located in the southwestern corner of Bingham county, in Idaho, and yet it is a locality with natural resources that should and will command attention at no distant day. Of course it is an agricultural section and a good one, and enjoys the somewhat unique distinction of combining irrigation and dry land farming probably to a larger extent than any other locality in the State. Aberdeen is scarcely two years old yet, but is one of the wide-awake communities of the "Kingdom of Bingham," as that county of broad, fertile acres, is not inappropriately termed.

Probably 100,000 acres of irrigable land is directly tributary to Aberdeen, and it may be more than this will be found when the irrigation system of that region of country is fully developed.

As to how much there is of rich dry farming territory that stretches out for miles and miles in different directions from the town, might not be easy to estimate; for the distances are magnificent and the acreage appears almost boundless.

There is certainly enough to make it worth while to those who want to exploit this system of farming, as well as an ample supply for those who prefer the canal projects.

Aberdeen is therefore doubly favored in the possession of this two-fold resource as the foundation for her permanent prosperity. The town is being rapidly built up by a good class of improvements with plans well in hand for several business houses, including a \$25,000 hotel, churches and a two-story cement structure, the upper floor of which is to be occupied by the Odd Fellows' fraternity.

The people are most of them from the middle west and Pacific northwest and are not only enterprising but intelligent and refined.

One pleasing and commendable thing which means much to any community is the disposition shown by the residents there to pull together. They appear not alone pleased with their adopted homes, but manifest a disposition to work for the common good. That is impressed on the visitor in no small degree and augurs well for the future of the place.

They are now passing through the usual experience of those living under a new irrigation system and the evolution is going to take a little time to get matters to working smoothly. But with an ample water supply from the great Snake river, there should be no serious obstacle in the way of perfecting a system of water distribution that will prove ample and satisfactory to the farming interests of that portion of the realm.

Aberdeen needs, just now the protection of a proper stock fence law, as live stock appears to have the right of way in the town and surrounding country. This, however, is another one of the experiences met with by the pioneers in agriculture in the arid west, and like the irrigation system must have its period of evolution before final adjustment.

The altitude of Aberdeen is about 4,300 feet and it possesses the same characteristics of soil, climate and adaptability to diversified farming that are making Bingham county and other older portions of eastern Idaho justly famous.

Among the active and prominent

Fugate, banker; J. A. Toner, ex-editor and newspaper man of large experience in the east; Arthur Hickman, Paul Ellis, J. R. Foulks, one of the original promoters of the canal enterprise and an extensive land owner; E. D. Hines, E. W. Harold, P. A. Fugate, E. E. Stonehocker and W. S. Alvord.

Mention should be made of the organization known as the Aberdeen Potato Growers' Association, which is in existence for the purpose of advancing the industry of the commercial potato in that locality.

Aberdeen appears to be exceptionally well adapted to the production of the great tuber and the Association will undertake to bring about not only uniform and up-to-date methods in its culture, but give the necessary attention to reaching the markets of the country. Many hundred acres will be planted this season. The intention is to specialize with one or two leading varieties. The Carman is one that attains high quality here and yields well.

The officers of the Aberdeen Potato Growers' Association are: E. D. Hines, president; R. A. Stearns, vice president; P. A. Fugate, secretary; F. L. Wenger, treasurer; W. S. Alvord, superintendent.

The Oregon Short Line railroad is constructing a road into Aberdeen. The grade is already completed and it is understood that the rails will be laid and cars running within the next few months.

The present railway service is from American Falls, 14 miles south.

It goes without saying that a great development is now on in all portions of South Idaho's irrigable lands, and that the Aberdeen-American Falls section is receiving its full share of attention.

### State Summer Normal School.

The "Rural-Journal" takes pleasure in publishing the following announcement of summer school:

To the Teachers of Idaho and Adjoining States:

It gives me great pleasure to announce that through the assistance of Supt. Charles S. Meek and the Board of Education, of Boise, Idaho, and County Superintendent Ivy M. Wilson, of Ada County, we have secured for the Summer School at Boise, Idaho, July 13-August 24, the services of Dr. Henry Suzzallo of Columbia University. Dr. Suzzallo is recognized as one of the greatest educators of the day. Heretofore he has confined his summer school work to Yale University, Columbia University and the University of California. He will give two lectures daily, upon the Principles of Teaching, which will be adapted to superintendents, principals and teachers of all grades; one on School Supervision, intended for school superintendents and principals particularly.

Dr. Suzzallo's visit to Boise will give the teachers of Idaho and adjoining states an opportunity to get the highest grade of professional work without the great expense incurred by a trip to eastern institutions. There is no man who is greater authority upon educational questions than Dr. Suzzallo and those teachers of Idaho who had the pleasure of hearing him during the last State Association know that he is not only a scholar and philosopher, but a very entertaining speaker, and will anticipate with much pleasure the opportunity of hearing him in a series of lectures.

This is the greatest opportunity ever offered to the superintendents and principals of the northwest to get the very best and latest in education and school supervision. They simply cannot afford to miss this great opportunity, the like of which may not come again for many years. A large number of the most progressive city superintendents have signified their intention of attending.

In addition to Dr. Suzzallo's lectures the usual work of the summer normal school will be offered. Classes will be organized in the subjects required for examination for county certificates of three grades. In addition special instruction in primary methods and music will be given by experts in those subjects. Especial attention will be given to the professional side of the work in all classes. Every effort will be made to make this the greatest summer normal school that has ever been held in the northwest. Very truly yours, G. A. Axline, Conductor.

Read the letters in the "Good"

# All Important Awards

WON BY THE

## United States Separator

AND ITS USERS

GRAND PRIZE

The Grand Prize (highest award) awarded to the United States Separator at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition, Seattle, Washington. The scale of judging was agreed upon by all separator companies entered.

FIRST PRIZE AND GOLD MEDAL

National Dairy Show, Milwaukee, Wis. October 14th to 24th, 1909. First Prize and Gold Medal on Market Cream, J. Gilbert Hickcox, Whitefish Bay, Wis.

GOLD MEDAL

California State Fair, Sacramento, Cal. August 28th to September 4th, 1909. Gold Medal awarded to the United States Cream Separator.

FIRST PRIZE AND GOLD MEDAL

Intermountain Four State Fair, Ogden, Utah. September 6th to 12th, 1909. United States Separators awarded First Prize and Gold Medal. First Prize and Gold Medal on Dairy Butter, James H. Toomer, Morgan, Utah.

FIRST PRIZE

State Fair, Huron, So. Dak. Sept. 13th to 18th, 1909. First Prize on Dairy Butter, Mrs. M. F. Andrews, Huron, So. Dak.

FIRST PRIZE AND SILVER CUP

Winnipeg Industrial Exhibition, Winnipeg, Manitoba. July 10th to 17th, 1909. First Prize and Silver Cup, value \$100, on Print Butter, Mrs. Alex. Simpson, Atwood, Ont.

FIRST PRIZE

Western Fair, London, Ontario. September 10th to 18th, 1909. First Prize, highest score, on Home Dairy Butter, Mrs. Alex. Simpson, Atwood, Ontario.

4 FIRST PRIZES

Viking Agricultural Fair, Viking, Alberta, Canada. October 5th, 1909. Dairy Butter, Mrs. S. Stenberg swept all four First Prizes. Another Great Victory for the United States.

FIRST PRIZE

Illinois State Fair, Springfield, Ill. October 1st to 9th, 1909. First Prize on One Pound Prints, Robert Moren, Morrison, Ill.

FIRST PRIZE

New England Fair (including the Six New England States), Worcester, Mass. September 6th to 9th, 1909. First Prizes on Creamery Print Butter and Creamery Tub, Gloverdale Creamery, Tunbridge, Vt.

FIRST PREMIUM

New England Fair, First Premium, Dairy Butter, Harry C. Shepard, Deputy of Massachusetts State Grange, Sturbridge, Mass.

FIRST PRIZE

Maine State Fair, Lewiston, Maine. September 6th to 9th, 1909. First Prize on Butter (Creamery Tubs), Waterford, Me., Creamery Co. First Prize on Dairy Tubs, Mrs. S. L. Brimmer, Tilden, Maine. First Prize on Creamery Print, Waterford, Me., Creamery. First Prize on Creamery Package, Oxford County, Me., Creamery.

FIRST PRIZE

Alabama State Fair, Birmingham, Alabama. September 11th to 20th, 1909. First Prize awarded to the United States Cream Separator on closest skimming.

FIRST PREMIUM

Georgia State Fair, Macon, Ga. October 27th to November 6th, 1909. First Premium on both Separator and Exhibit, awarded to United States Separator.

FIRST PRIZE

Vermont State Fair, White River Jct., Vt. September 21st to 24th, 1909. First Prize on Dairy Butter, L. R. Dana, North Pomfret, Vt. Score 98. First Prize on Creamery Butter, A. E. Kendrick, Groton, Vt. Score 98.

SWEEP STAKES

Vermont State Dairymen's Ass'n. Jan. 4th to 6th, 1910. Sweepstakes won by M. K. Bruce, Passumpsic, Vt. Score 98% Perfect. Highest Score on Market Cream, Quechee Fells Farm, Quechee, Vt. Score, 97%.

If your dealer cannot supply you, send us his name and ask for Catalogue No. 25. No dairyman should be without this booklet.

Vermont Farm Machine Co. Bellows Falls, Vermont

houses at Portland, Ore., Stockton, Cal.