

**CO-OPERATIVE EXTENSION WORK
IN
AGRICULTURE AND HOME ECONOMICS**

The State College of Washington
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STATE OF WASHINGTON

EXTENSION SERVICE
Agricultural Agent Work

Postoffice.....Port Orchard.....

.....Kitsap.....County, Wash., week ending.....Sept. 1st..... 1917.....

PLACE	TYPE OF WORK PERFORMED
	Monday
Port Orchard	Office Work:-
	Tuesday
Port Gamble	Visited the Todhunter place where threshing was being done. The grain was yielding well and the quality was very good. A small plot thresher was being used and the tendency was to crowd it too much.
	Wednesday
Bremerton	A study made of the markets and looked over the proposed situation for the establishment of the Direct Marketing place.
	Thursday
Port Orchard	Office Work:- Made out the budget for the next year and fixed up the accounts for the end of the month.
	Friday
Tracyton	Visited a farmer who has a small place of about twelve acres and he is going into the individual hamper market by the Parcel Post method. He is quite anxious to have some help on this subject.
	Saturday
Tracyton & Manette	Committee meeting at Tracyton on the Direct Marketing Work Manette in the afternoon to see small grains and grass exhibit of Mr. Armstrong and advise with him as to getting ready for the State Fair.

Days in Field.....4.....in Office.....2.....Office Calls.....9.....Letters written.....2

Farms visited.....7.....Demonstrations visited.....Circular letters mailed.....

Miles traveled: Train.....Automobile.....194.....

Demonstration meetings held.....Attendance.....

Other project meetings held.....Attendance.....

Miscellaneous meetings held.....Attendance.....

SUMMARY OF PROGRESS

Project—Organization:—

The efforts to complete the formation of a County Agricultural Council have been delayed for the last two months due to the fact that many of the Farmers organizations over the county have not been holding regular meetings and it is hard to get them lined up. I think, however, that a new campaign can be started during the month, but I hardly believe a working bases can be reached before the middle or later part of October. I am going to make an effort to get them together sooner if possible. I believe a circular letter will probably hurry matters up some what.

Marketing:—

Project—

There is a ready market for everything raised in this county in the City of Bremerton and no one has any trouble of disposing of ~~his~~ his produce. Ten times as much could be disposed of if the Farmers would raise it. The present method of getting produce to the market, is by each individual taking his own produce and disposing of it either by peddling or otherwise which takes an enormous amount of time. If some system of organization could be perfected whereby less time would be taken in the disposition of this produce and more time given to its production, this would simplify matters greatly, especially for a county like this where the places are all so small and the amount of produce raised, to market, is not sufficient to warrant the expenditure of ones time in marketing. The establishing of a Direct Marketing scheme, as outlined formerly, will help this condition some what. The committee from the Pomona Grange have reported favorably for its establishment, if the finances for the initial start and equipment can be met, consisting possibly of the sum of three hundred dollars.

The individual hamper method through the Parcel Post is being studied up quite thoroughly by one farmer and we may have a chance to study some developments along this line later. He is going to proceed very cautiously, however and intends to take a long time in working it out.

COMMENTS:

Crop Pests & Diseases:—

All plants of the Cabbage family are at the present time suffering from the attacks made by the Cabbage worm and the Plant louse. Repeated inquiries have come into the office for methods of control. Some interesting results should be gathered a little later along this line as to what proved the best.

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PLACE	TYPE OF WORK PERFORMED
Port Orchard	<p align="center">Monday</p> <p align="center">Holiday (Labor Day)</p>
Port Orchard	<p align="center">Tuesday</p> <p align="center">Office Work:- Commissioners Meeting</p>
Bremerton	<p align="center">Wednesday</p> <p>Visited the Bremerton Creamery Co. in regards to prices of feeds and the coming Creamerymens meeting at Puyallup. Figured with Mr. Codiga on the price paid for his alfalfa hay.</p>
Burley	<p align="center">Thursday</p> <p>Visited Mr. Boyde of Burley in the interests of the Community Fair to be held there the 13th of next month. The premium list is all made out and now the work is to get the exhibits part of it talked up</p>
Port Orchard	<p align="center">Friday</p> <p>Office work on the direct markets problem and looking up what reference I could find on the subject Preparing plan for to present to the Committee.</p>
Seattle	<p align="center">Saturday</p> <p>Spent the day in the markets there and tried to gather some ideas that might work here in this County. here</p>

Days in Field.....5.....in Office.....2.....Office Calls.....16.....Letters written.....12
Farms visited.....2.....Demonstrations visited.....Circular letters mailed.....
Miles traveled: ~~Train~~ 40.....Automobile.....37
Demonstration meetings held.....Attendance.....
Other project meetings held.....Attendance.....
Miscellaneous meetings held.....Attendance.....

SUMMARY OF PROGRESS

Project—

Organization:-

A Community Fair is to be held in Burley District the Thirteenth of October and some follow up work will need to be given it, to get out a creditable exhibit. A nice premium list has been collected together and the district in general is looking forward to having a good little fair. It is the only district holding a Community Fair this fall and I think they will respond with a great deal of pride. It seems to be the one thing that the district is pulling for this fall and all of the farmers, I talk with, are planning to attend but they are backward, at the present, to enter their products in competition, believing their stuff not to be good enough. If we can get out the exhibit material I believe the fair will be a very good thing for the district and they will profit by the experience and work up a great deal of Community spirit and may be the means of helping us revive the County Fair another year.

Project—

Dairy:-

The dairymen are putting in their supply of hay. Alfalfa is costing them \$26.00 per ton laid down on the dock here in Port Orchard. One man told me he got the same grade of hay on the wharf last year for \$15.00 per ton. The feeding problem is the one problem that seems to be the critical one now. A contemplated advance is talked among them for their milk and butter fat but as yet nothing has come to pass. Many of the herds have dropped in their returns for the last month owing to the extremely dry spell of weather. Those who were not feeding silage could not keep their cows up to the standard.

Project—

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Kitsap County, Wash., week ending Sept. 15th, 1917

PLACE	TYPE OF WORK PERFORMED
	Monday
Port Orchard	Office work:- making out reports, straightening up correspondence, and studying on the market problem
	Tuesday
Silverdale	To talk with the Poultrymen as they come to market their eggs and poultry. Poultry still coming to the market in good numbers. Buyers report a good many pullets are being disposed off.
	Wednesday
Waterman	Examined the soil on the Corst place for a party and advised as to its probable best uses. Advised to the reseeding of a certain piece of clover, that suffered from the dry season.
	Thursday
Poulsbo	Took a Mr. Johnson a receipt for his cow from Dr. Nelson and advise as to its application. Talked to the Banker at Poulsbo about the buying of cows and the possibility of starting some pig clubs
	Friday
North Bethel Pragaria Manchester	Visiting the schools with the G. A. R. and Spanish War Veterans as a patriotic duty to enlighten the school children of their part in this war.
	Saturday
Crosby	Office in the forenoon; to Crosby in the afternoon to visit the Grange in its social meeting at the home of Commissioner Palmatier. A very good time.

Days in Field 1 1/2 in Office 4 1/2 Office Calls 3 Letters written 5
 Farms visited 5 Demonstrations visited Circular letters mailed
 Miles traveled: Train Automobile 220
 Demonstration meetings held Attendance
 Other project meetings held Attendance
 Miscellaneous meetings held Attendance

SUMMARY OF PROGRESS

Project—

Poultry:-

Spent some time in the planning of a Poultry house and its location on a new farmstead and asked to locate one hundred and pullets that are choice. The man wants to go into the poultry business as a sort of an experiment and on a small bases at the start.

Project—

The price of feed is compelling many of the flocks to be quite severely culled and the number of birds is still going down. Pullets are beginning to lay and I think as soon as some returns from the marketing of eggs begins to look up that the out flow of birds will lessen somewhat.

Farmstead:-

Did some work on the planning of a home grounds and the arrangement of the drives and plantings. Also the selection of suitable and recommended trees for this climate.

Project—

Boys and Girls Club Work:-

Talked with the Banker at Poulsbo in regarding the starting of some pig clubs and he is quite willing to help us in some of this work and we are going to see what we can do along this line and see if the pigs can be procured from some source.

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Kitsep.....County, Wash., week ending.....Sept. 22nd, 1917.....

PLACE	TYPE OF WORK PERFORMED
	Monday
Silverdale	Visited Mr. Love's and Mr. Smale's place both are in the poultry business and doing well. They are buying pullets for fifty cents a piece and adding to their flocks. Met Mr. Johnson on the road, another
	Tuesday
North Yakima	poultry man; he also reports good returns from his flock Judge at the State Fair
	Wednesday
North Yakima	Titto
	Thursday
North Yakima	Titto
	Friday
North Yakima	Titto
	Saturday
North Yakima	Locked over the Fair in the forenoon, enroute to Port Orchard in the afternoon

Days in Field.....6.....in Office.....0.....Office Calls.....2.....Letters written.....1
 Farms visited.....2.....Demonstrations visited.....Circular letters mailed.....
 Miles traveled: Train.....370.....Automobile.....57
 Demonstration meetings held.....Attendance.....
 Other project meetings held.....Attendance.....
 Miscellaneous meetings held.....Attendance.....

SUMMARY OF PROGRESS

Project—

Miscellaneous Work:—

Acted as one of the judges in the agricultural and horticultural exhibits of the Washington State Fair.

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PLACE	TYPE OF WORK PERFORMED
	Monday
Port Orchard	Office work: Made up reports and figured on some feeding rations for the herd of cows for Mr. Price.
	Tuesday
Bremerton	Talked with Mr. Urban and Mr. New about sending an exhibit to the Creamerymen's convention at Puyallup and also for the Fair.
	Wednesday
Poulsbo	To see Mr. Brigger cashier of the Bank there about the purchasing of cows and pigs for that district and talked up the matter for a boys pig
	Thursday
Brownsville & Silverdale	To Mr. Carlson's dairy ranch then back to the Silverdale Cheese Factory to talk over the matter of sending an exhibit to Puyallup and figured with the maker on the cost of manufacture of his cheese
	Friday
Crosby	To look over some drainage work for a Mr. Shrett and plan the rejuvenation of an old rundown place.
	Saturday
Burley	To get Mr. Boyde and Mr. Bonner and then drove to Ionic Point to the Bay Island Fair.

Days in Field.....3.....in Office.....1.....Office Calls.....6.....Letters written.....4

Farms visited.....4.....Demonstrations visited.....Circular letters mailed.....

Miles traveled: Train.....Automobile.....200.....

Demonstration meetings held.....Attendance.....

Other project meetings held.....Attendance.....

Miscellaneous meetings held.....Attendance.....

SUMMARY OF PROGRESS

Project—

Crop Pests and Diseases:-

The control of the cabbage worm and the cabbage louse has been rather difficult by the gardeners this season. The best results with the former, was found to be lead arsenate, one pound to fifty gallons of water, although many growers were loath to use it for fear of poisoning. The latter pest, readily succumbed to the tobacco sprays and the soap emulsions. With the arrival of the rains and the cool weather the ravages of the louse is about over but the worm is still doing great damage.

Project—

Dairy:-

A little time was spent in trying to interest the Creamerymen and Cheese Factory men in making an exhibit, of their wares, for the Convention to be held at the Western Washington Experiment Station on the 8th & 9th of this month.

Our dairyman began cutting his corn for ensilage this week. Corn was hardly mature enough but the dry weather caused a good deal of drying of the lower leaves. An effort is being made to have some cow testing work done in the Burley section, and one man has offered to do the work for the neighborhood in order to get it started.

Project—

Drainage, Diking, and Irrigation:-

A new drainage problem was taken up in the Crosby District comprising a marsh of 40 or 50 acres. To get an outlet blasting has to be resorted to, to get through the hard pan. A cut 12 feet in depth had to be made to gain an outlet for the water. Costs of the entire work is to be given us on the completion of the same.

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