

COOPS DO WELL

But Heavy Rains Retard Plowing.

FARMERS NOW SEEDING

Fall Grain Has Met With Little Damage.

FRUIT TREES ARE THRIVING

Little Farming in November on Account of Drenching Downpour—Pasture is Good and Cattle in Fine Condition.

Crop reports throughout the state during the past two weeks are exceedingly favorable as compared with reports of a corresponding period in 1922. The fall grain is doing well throughout the state, although no plowing or seeding was done during the first three weeks of November, owing to the heavy rains. During the past ten days the farmers have all been busy with the plow, and some seeding is being done. Fruit trees are in good condition generally, although the high winds have done some damage in several counties. Pasture is generally good and little grain is being fed, but cattle are in prime condition. Along the Columbia River the pasture is good when not covered with snow. Conditions are much the same throughout the state, heavy rainfall and high winds being reported in Eastern as well as Western Oregon.

The rainfall has been the heaviest along the coast and in the Willamette Valley. In Columbia County the grain is doing well. The early part of the month was too wet for plowing, but some plowing and seeding has been done the past two weeks. Fruit trees are in splendid condition. Potatoes are somewhat affected by the blight, and there is a shortage of hay. Clatsop has experienced cold weather, with heavy southeast gales and gusts. No farming was done in the early part of the month. Early grain and stock are doing well, although pasturing is short. Wind has done slight damage to fruit trees in some places. The creamery output is good.

Too much rain is the complaint from Tillamook. Crops planted early are doing well. Clover is more than a foot high in several localities. Cabbage, carrots, beets and celery are making a good growth. Some surface sowing of grass is being done. All stock is doing well, and very little feeding is being done. High winds have damaged some trees. Pasture is doing well. In Lincoln County pasturing is better than for several years, and fruit trees are doing well. Little or no frost is reported. The weather has been favorable for plowing and seeding in some places, and stock is doing well.

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THE DEFENSE HAS ITS INNING

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Oh, what some power the little girl has. Taa see ourselves as iters see us.

If Robert Burns could have been in Charles Cunningham's shoes yesterday, the desire expressed in his poetic lamentation would have been more than satisfied. Mr. Cunningham probably didn't have the desire that filled the heart of the poet, but regardless of this he had the opportunity to see himself as at least 20 of his fellowmen see him. And the picture drawn by them was not characterized by any element of artistic idealism.

The greater portion of the day was used by the defense in bringing out the alleged character of the "sheep king." Forty witnesses had been subpoenaed for that purpose and 23 of them were placed upon the stand. If their testimony is true Mr. Cunningham's reputation among the people of his county for truth, veracity and honesty is shabby, to say the least. Each one swore that Cunningham's relations with the truth were very strained.

The prosecution's principal witness in the case against Asa B. Thomson, listened to this fire of adverse criticism until he could stand it no more. With anger flashing from his gray eyes he interrupted the court to denounce one witness as an accuser and another as a liar. He said more, but the court warned him to keep silence under penalty of a fine for contempt. He was forced to sit in silence and listen to the remainder of the array of criticism.

The evidence in the case was completed late in the afternoon and the argument will commence this morning. It is expected that a verdict will be rendered by the jury before tonight.

The case opened yesterday morning with T. C. Taylor on the stand. He testified that he saw Thomson get off the train in Pendleton on the morning of the hearing of the Heppner road. R. Alexander testified to the same facts.

W. C. E. Pruitt, a reporter on the Pendleton Tribune, testified that he had interviewed Cunningham a short time ago. "He told me," said Pruitt, "that the prosecution of Mr. Thomson was simply a political game. He said that he was tired of the whole thing and wished he was out of it." The witness said that Cunningham was drunk when he gave the interview.

Colonel J. H. Raley said that he did not see Thomson on Sunday, June 21, and was not talking to him on the street, as was testified by those who claimed that Thomson had asked for a bribe.

Thomas McNutt, special agent for the Land Office, testified that the claim proofs were suspended at his instance. He had heard that the letters were never received, but had not examined them particularly. He stated that as soon as this case is finished he will begin an investigation of the fraudulent methods of obtaining land, as done by Thomson.

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asking him to come to Pendleton to see Cunningham. Mr. Hall introduced an affidavit made by Thomson, in which he is quoted as saying that he met Cunningham about half way between the depot and the postoffice, while on the way to his hotel.

Thomson said this was a mistake, he had said that he met Cunningham about half way between the depot and the postoffice, but did not say the meeting occurred when he was going to the hotel.

R. J. Slater, State Senator, testified that the general reputation of Cunningham was bad, but he asserted that Thomson bore a good reputation.

"How do you know his reputation?" asked Mr. Hall.

"He was nominated for the Legislature and during the campaign nothing was said against his character."

In reply to questions, Slater said he was a Democrat and Thomson was a Republican.

L. B. Reeder, former Speaker of the House of Representatives in the Oregon Legislature, testified that Cunningham bore a bad reputation and that Thomson bore a good one.

Zoeth Houser was testifying that Cunningham's reputation was bad, when Cunningham shouted: "I pay my bills and that sounds like a good reputation."

Judge Bellinger rose up and, pointing his finger at Cunningham, said: "If you speak again when you are not spoken to, I will have you in contempt of court. I am strongly tempted to do so."

Mr. Hall asked the witness what he had heard that militated against Cunningham's character.

"He was accused of burning his sheep and of having his herders drive them on the railroad track so he could make the road pay for killing them."

ANNUAL Y. M. C. A. CONVENTION

Delegates From Oregon and Washington to Meet at Forest Grove.

The annual convention of the Y. M. C. A. for Oregon and Idaho, which commences today in Forest Grove, will be attended by 50 or 60 members of the Portland Association. The object of the convention is to spread the work of the Y. M. C. A. among colleges. Last year the convention was held at Newberg.

Several prominent Eastern members will be present, who have come West to attend this convention and the Washington convention, which commences three days after the present meeting is ended.

Today's program is to be short, as nothing is scheduled for the morning or afternoon. On Saturday and Sunday there will be three sessions daily. Today's proceedings are limited to the following:

7:30 P. M.—Convention called to order by President C. L. Fay. Song Service, led by Fred B. Willis, general secretary, Omaha, Neb.

8 P. M.—Address, "A Twentieth Century Movement," Fred B. Willis.

Temple Beth Israel.

Services will be held this evening in Temple Beth Israel at 8 o'clock. Dr. Levine will lecture on the subject, "Is God Interested in Man?" All are welcome.

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The Giraffe

SACAJAWEA A GOOD "AD."

Booklets Telling Her Story Booming Lewis and Clark Fair.

OSWEGO, Or., Dec. 2.—(To the Editor.)—The little editorial from the Fairfax, S. C. Enterprise, copied in today's Oregonian, provoked me. I have repeatedly said and written to the Sacajawea Statue Association that their efforts to commemorate the part this Indian woman took in the Lewis and Clark expedition have done more to advertise the coming Exposition than the entire work of the Committee or committee of publicity. Thousands of the little booklets containing the story of Sacajawea, with notices and references to the Fair, have been sent broadcast over the United States. Now have they been scattered promiscuously, but have been sent with personal letters, Sacajawea buttons, and other matter, directly to people interested along such lines as to the history of the Exposition. The booklets are sent daily to women of other states who send for them to distribute among the patriotic women of the country, but all this has taken money, and the association has had no one to care except what has been made by membership fees. It would now become those who are getting so much free advertising, at the expense of the association, to come forward with a handsome donation for the Statue Association, thereby "casting their bread upon the waters."

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I. B. Hammond, Elected President of the Board of Trade.

ing of the date for the annual banquet, which is to be held at the Hotel Portland January 5. The following officers were unanimously elected:

President, I. B. Hammond.

First vice president, C. M. Idleman.

Second vice president, Guy Willis.

Treasurer, E. Lee Paget.

Trustees, Seneca Smith, L. J. Shell, T. B. Potter, P. W. Custer, G. W. Allen, G. W. Morrow, B. S. Pague, Paul de Hase, J. Harvey O'Bryan.

The annual report was read by Secretary Shillock and it combined, in a measure, a treasurer's statement. The finances of the organization have been in bad shape, but during the past year a feeble protest and as the chances of the outstanding debts have been paid. Only a few bills remain unpaid, and when all of the dues have been paid by the 15 delinquent members, considered good by the secretary, the Board will be out of debt. Only a few of the members were present at the meeting and the only bit of flurry that was occasioned was brought about by Thomas Guinean, who thought he should be a member of the nomination committee presented the list of officers that were elected. Mr. Guinean managed to get well along in what had the ear marks of a scorching denunciation of the method adopted by the Board of electing officers.

"It strikes me that this course is stupid and silly," he said, his voice just getting up to a high key of surprise indignation, "and I for one—"

Just here the wind was taken out of Mr. Guinean's oratorical effort by President Idleman when he calmly informed Guinean that he was not a member of the Board. Mr. Guinean was very much surprised.

Secretary Shillock informed the meeting that Mr. Guinean's resignation had been taken place some months ago and that his request for reinstatement had not been acted upon and therefore he had no voice in the proceedings. Mr. Guinean made a feeble protest and as the chance of his being able to deliver his nomination speech seemed about done, C. M. Idleman came to his rescue with a motion to the effect that the rule be suspended in Mr. Guinean's case and that he be elected a member in good standing without waiting for a report from the committee on membership to report. In order to do this all business was temporarily suspended until Guinean again became a member of the Board.

When this was done, Mr. Guinean rose and picked up his speech where it had been broken off and nominated E. Lee Paget for president. Mr. Paget thanked the board and established as an adjunct to the board an anti-knockers' league, whose duty it should be to throttle every attempt or semblance of an attempt to injure the fair name of this city and state by word of mouth, pen or emblem. While we are all proud of the Webfoot State, there are ratnapsy emblems pasting all over the place, in evidence in the shop windows of Portland, that are a libel upon Oregon's climate, and their use should be discouraged if not prohibited by means of the misleading impressions they give strangers.

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FARMERS BEING UNIONIZED.

Texas Organization is Spreading Like Wildfire.

FORT WORTH, Texas, Dec. 2.—The farmers of Texas are being unionized at a rapid rate. There are today 2000 unions in Texas, with total membership of 40,000 or more, and the organization is spreading like wildfire. It began at Emory, Raines County, about 19 months ago, under the name of the Farmers' Educational and Co-operative Union of America, and is now established in nearly every populous county in Texas. About the middle of February next a meeting for the purpose of organizing a state organization and it is believed the movement will spread to other states, as the Farmers' Alliance, which organized in Kansas, did a few years ago.

The purpose of the union is to buy and sell in bulk, to educate along agricultural lines and to eschew politics, but nevertheless to discuss political economy.

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Secretary Max Shillock read his first annual report.

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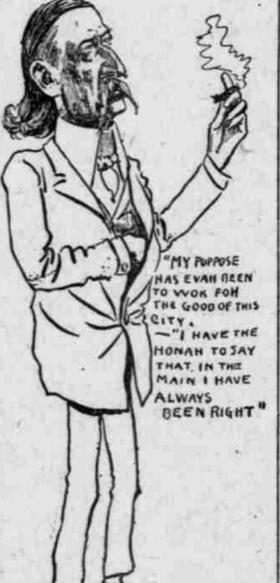
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Colonel Tom Guinean bobbed up at the meeting for the first time in eight months. Guinean, but declined and insisted that he would accept no other office but the one selected for him by the committee.

When the matter of the banquet came up Mr. Guinean again lifted his voice in protest. He would have no banquet until the organization had done something creditable.

Secretary Shillock's report follows in part:

Today the board has a membership of over 300. All of the old obligations have been wiped out and with the exception of some back arrear owing the secretary and a few other small items, all of which can be met through the