

REAL PROSPERITY.—Eugene Guard, Jeff Couch, of Junction precinct, is a happy man, having cleared an 80 acre wheat farm with the net proceeds of one crop. Mr. Couch bought the 80 acres last fall, paying \$1000 for the same. He sowed it with wheat and yesterday sold the wheat just harvested for enough to pay all expenses of the crop and the thousand dollars paid for it. Last fall Mr. Couch offered to sell the place for a price that would even him up. Now he asks \$3000 for the farm.

THE LARGEST STEAMER.—The big steamer Glenloch, said to be the largest steamer that ever entered the Columbia river, passed this place for Portland early yesterday morning. The dimensions of the big craft are as follows: Length, 400 feet; beam, 49.8 feet; depth of hold, 28 feet; engines, triple compound, 20x47 and 77 inches diameter with 54 inches stroke. The Glenloch comes to Portland for a cargo of lumber for the Orient and will take cargo at the North Pacific and Inman-Poulsen mills. When loaded she will carry in the neighborhood of 3,000,000 feet.

FRUIT IN DEMAND.—Reports from various sections of the United States indicate a brisk demand for dried fruits, and the prospects are that fruits properly dried will sell readily this winter. One advantage in drying fruit is that it does not have to be rushed on the market, and does not have to be quickly disposed of. It can wait for a favorable market. Dealers throughout the valley are in daily receipt of inquiries regarding the amount of dried fruit available, and are asked to quote figures on large lots. Indications are that the producer who cures his crop will find a market for the same at paying figures.

THE OLD WAY.—The Corvallis Gazette says: A new arrival from Nebraska is Wesley Newton, and he made a long trip across the plains as they used to do in the days of '49. His two covered wagons rolled into Corvallis Wednesday afternoon, and the long trip of 1800 miles was ended. The start was made from Arapaho on the 10th of May, and the route traveled was the same as those now call pioneers followed westward in the early days, but 21 days of the period was spent at Boise City in rest and recuperation for the remainder of the trip. The horses arrived in first rate condition, and after a short rest will be able to resume hard labor. Mr. Newton is a brother-in-law of O. W. Beckwith, and wants to rent a farm.

BENEFIT ENTERTAINMENT.—The entertainment given at the opera house last Friday evening for the benefit of Rev. W. L. Blackwell was a success in every detail. The programs rendered were not too long, neither too short; just right; and the different sections were well rendered. The solos by Miss Longacre and Miss Jones and the duet by Mrs. Watts and Miss Longacre were especially good, as was also the recitations by Miss Boyle and the character sketch by Miss Jennie Gilson. During the rendering of the programs short intermissions were had during which ice cream was served and social chat indulged in by the large crowd. By the time the entertainment was brought to a close eight gallons of ice cream had been disposed of at two for a quarter, and the receipts amounted to \$21. It was about 11 o'clock when the festivities closed.

DISHONEST SALMON PACKERS.—Complaint is made that cannerymen on the Sound are putting up the small and comparatively low-grade salmon caught there under the name of Columbia river salmon, says the Oregonian. It is said that no less than seven labels used by Sound cannerymen bear the inscription, "Columbia River Salmon, put up at Astoria." A few years ago a great "howl" was raised here because packers of fall fish in the Columbia, labeled them Columbia river salmon, and thus injured the reputation of the Columbia river fish in the market. This is understood, has been stopped, or is elsewhere, put up on the coast, or elsewhere, equal to the genuine chinook of the Columbia, and the standard brands of this fish, put up by packers who have an established reputation, have always commanded a higher price than any other. Whether there is any way of preventing outside fishermen from forging the name of Columbia river salmon for their pack of inferior fish is not known, but every effort will be used to prevent it, and to expose dishonest packers.

FRIGHTFULLY LACERATED.—A quite serious accident happened near Vernonia last Saturday when Cleve, the 13-year-old son of Mr. Wm. Mellinger, received a full charge of shot in the fleshy part of the left forearm. The boy, in company with his older brother, Perry, and Ray Mills, were out gunning near the Midway farm, and while Cleve was reloading his gun—a muzzle-loader—the butt of the gun slipped off the log on which he was standing, and the loaded barrel was discharged, with the result stated before. A messenger was dispatched to this city for medical aid, and Drs. Cliff and Ross left here at 10 o'clock that night for a long, mountain drive to Vernonia, reaching there at 5 o'clock Sunday morning. Upon examination of the wound the tendons, muscles and arteries frightfully torn and severed. The wound was carefully dressed, and as there could be detected a faint pulsation, it was decided not to amputate the member for a day or two. Mr. Mellinger brought the boy to this city Monday and the physicians are more hopeful than ever now of saving the arm and hand. If sufficient circulation can be had there is scarcely any question about saving the member. Although the wound is a serious one, the little fellow stands the unaccountable of it manfully, and is getting along as nicely as could be expected under the circumstances. The charge of shot entered from the outer side, passing between the two bones of the forearm, and coming out on the inner side.

Mr. J. L. Charlton, who has been residing in the neighborhood of Yankton for some time, is now living in this city, having moved here for the purpose of schooling his children.

PERSONAL AND LOCAL.

Mrs. J. W. Day was in Portland Tuesday.

Fred Watkins was circulating in the metropolis a day or two this week.

T. J. Cleston was looking after business matters in Portland Wednesday.

The game season opened Wednesday and the sports were out in full force.

D. W. Price, of Scappoose, was seen in town Tuesday evening for a minute or two.

The regular September session of county court will convene next Wednesday, the 8th.

Mrs. Way and daughter Mabel returned from their place near Bunker hill last Tuesday.

We have carefully prepared descriptive pamphlets of Columbia county for sale at this office.

The rain and cool weather the first of the week turned the tide of travel from the coast inland.

Seven thousand bushels of wheat were sold at Mouthouth last Monday for 75 cents per bushel.

Mr. W. B. Dillard and Mr. E. H. Philbrook are out on a fishing expedition on North Scappoose.

Mrs. Holcomb, of Portland, arrived in this city Tuesday evening and is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. W. B. Dillard.

Hon. Norman Merrill, of Clatskanie, accompanied by Mrs. Merrill, was in town Tuesday last, and from here went to Portland.

Johnnie Lamberson, employed on the Gatzert, spent last Monday forenoon at home, it being the lay off day for that steamer.

The boy stood on the burning deck, rubbing his hands with glee; "I'm from Clondyke," he exclaimed—"this is just right for me."

Deputy Sheriff Hattan and family returned last Tuesday night from Clatskanie where they had spent several days visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Gray went to the seaside on Thursday night of last week, where they remained for several days enjoying ozone from old ocean.

A letter from Judge Switzer states that he reached his destination in Grant county all right, and reports that considerable mining is being done there this season.

The steamer Mascot resumed her Lewis river run last Saturday, the Elwood having been placed on the upper Willamette route to haul wheat, hops and loppickers.

The property owners in Columbia county are evidently very well pleased with the 1897 assessment, as very few petitions were filed with the board of equalization for change.

A number of people have left this county within the past two weeks for the hop fields of Wallamette valley. The price paid for picking this year is better than for two or more years in the past.

James Fitzgerald, of Los Angeles, Cal., returned Tuesday evening from near Vernonia, where he had been visiting his parents. He went to Oak Island the next day to visit his sister, Mrs. Frank Dow.

A seventy-acre tract of land near Forest Grove yielded an average of 42 bushels of wheat to the acre. This, at 75 cents per bushel, would net the owner \$3,205, or \$31.50 per acre. Nothing slow about that.

W. A. Harris has leased the corner lot on Strand and Covell streets from Aaron Kelley and will move his present store building to that location. Meantime Dr. Cliff's office will be moved a few feet north.

The board of equalization met in this city last Monday and remained in session five days. No serious complaints were made from any quarter and the opinion is freely expressed that Mr. White has been exceptionally fair in his assessment.

The hay crop on the bottom lands is said to be somewhat shorter than usual, owing principally to the excessive heat during the greater part of August. Haying, however, is well under way, and although the crop is reported short there is plenty for home consumption, and to spare.

The prospects of the Clatskanie high school for the next term is out. A full high school course is outlined. All the educational features connected with such an institution are to be found there, and the city of Clatskanie is bound to profit by the concerted action of her people along this line.

It is said that about 150,000 shingles per day are shipped from Clatskanie, the price ranging from \$1.20 to \$1.35 per thousand in Portland. The output of most of the shingle mills is being increased and in a short time it may not be unreasonable to expect that all the shingle mills of the county may be running at their full capacity.

Loggers along the Columbia rejoice in a better demand for their product than for some time. The price has not yet advanced, but such is expected daily and for that reason the Portland mills are using every available means to capture a large supply of logs ahead of an expected advance, and in consequence tow boats are in great demand, every available one being in use.

Frank Bishop, of Goble, was in town Tuesday night and reports that one bridge about 100 feet long in his road district was destroyed by the recent destructive fire in that vicinity. A second bridge was somewhat injured but is now in condition for travel. That fire was a very unfortunate thing and is one of those occurrences in which no one really seems to be at fault.

Frank H. Frye, of the Frye-Buhn Meat Company, of Seattle, was in this city and vicinity a few days this week buying large beef cattle for his establishment. Mr. Frye says that no state in the Union has brighter prospects for humming times this fall and winter than Oregon. With big prices for beef, mutton, wool, hops, wheat and fruit, and so much of it to sell, Oregon is bound to feel the good times.

VERNONIA GLEANINGS.

Fatter, fatter, came the rain. Everybody has gone hop picking.

Rev. Fisher left here on Monday morning for Portland.

At present there are three threshing machines operating in this valley.

Thomas Pettijohn and Ed Webster, of Keasey, were in town last Friday.

The recent showers will cause the threshing machines to stop for a day or two.

John Brown and family passed through town last Wednesday en route for the hop fields.

It is rumored about that Grandpa Hess intends to start a small grocery store in Vernonia.

Miss Myrtle Powell has been engaged to teach the school in the Ray district, below Pittsburg.

Miss Bertha Dietrick closed a very successful term of school in the Keasey district last Friday.

Miss Lulu Shannahan, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Cleston, at St. Helens, returned home last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Dow went to Clatskanie the latter part of last week to dispose of their stock of buckskin gloves.

Mr. John Van passed through town for St. Helens last Friday to meet his daughter, Dora, who has been working in Portland the past summer. They arrived home Saturday.

The youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Lane, who live below Pittsburg, died last Friday. The funeral was presided by Rev. Palmer in this city Saturday, followed by the burial in the Vernonia cemetery.

The wedding bells were ringing at the parsonage last Sunday, Mr. George Parker and Miss Anna Solomon being united in the bonds of matrimony by Rev. Fisher. Frank Malmsten and John Baker were the witnesses. The newly married couple left Monday for a wedding trip to the hop fields. We extend congratulations.

"We, the undersigned, of Vernonia, and vicinity offer ourselves as matrimonial candidates as our wives have gone hop picking. Any good looking woman will be accepted provided she can cook, wash dishes and patch old clothes: Frank Tracy, L. W. Vandyrke, M. Davison, L. Spencer, S. A. Hooford, Sol Sheeley, Ernest Shannahan, "Doc" Beeghly, E. B. Throop, J. E. Dow.

News of the death of Abie Reed, at Forest Grove, was received here last week. Mr. Reed had been a resident of this valley for a long time, and had gone to Forest Grove only a short time ago for medical treatment. Mr. Reed was very aged and has not been expected to live for some time. He was an old war veteran, and a member of John Bucher Post No. 70, G. A. R., of this city.

Wm. Wilkinson, one of Nehalem's oldest pioneers, passed away quite unexpectedly last Tuesday, a week ago. Deceased was about 80 years of age, and very feeble, has long not been able to perform hard labor for some time. He served as a volunteer scout in the Union army during the late war. He was one of the first to settle in this valley. He leaves a wife and four children to mourn his demise.

EXCELLENT CONDITIONS.

A gentleman residing in this city, who made a trip through the lower valley a few days ago, returning home yesterday, expressed himself as highly pleased with the conditions and prospects of the country, as a result of the excellent crops and good markets. Among other things he said:

"The hot weather, prevailing at this time and which is the best that could be had for hops, is rapidly making away with hop lice. The country between Salem and Oregon City is in a state of golden glory. Many fields of spring wheat, which appeared worthless last spring, are now covered with shocks of bound grain, the heads well filled and hanging over heavily."

"At many places along the road I noticed prune orchards heavily loaded and one in particular in this county was loaded until the trees were breaking down. A number of the hop yards are in excellent condition, promising a splendid return for the capital invested and the labor performed, and many others are very good, though some few have suffered."

"I was in Portland on Friday when the news came that in the Eastern market wheat had gone to \$1 per bushel, and this caused an exceptionally buoyant feeling in business circles, and in fact among all classes of citizens, and the same feeling was noticeable in the valley towns as I returned home today."

"There is no use denying it any longer, prosperity has returned, and it has come to stay with us for a long time. If we will only have the good judgment not to set it back by vicious legislation in the various states, and thereby drive invested capital away."—Salem Statesman.

"My boy came home from school one day with his hand badly lacerated and bleeding, and suffered great pain," says Mr. J. Schall, with Meyer Bros' Drug Co., St. Louis, Mo. "I dressed the wound, and applied Chamberlain's Pain Balm freely. All pain ceased, and in a remarkably short time healed without leaving a scar. For wounds, sprains, swellings and rheumatism I know of no medicine or prescription equal to it. I consider it a household necessity." The 25 and 50 cent sizes for sale by Dr. Edwin Ross.

It Saves the Croupy Children.

SAKVIEW, Va.—We have a splendid sale on Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and our customers coming from far and near, speak of it in the highest terms. Many have said that their children would have died of croup if Chamberlain's Cough Remedy had not been given.—KELLMAN & O'BRIEN. The 25 and 50 cent sizes for sale by Dr. E. Ross.

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VALLEY NEWS ITEMS.

We had quite a heavy rain here Monday night.

Frank Cobiski, who has been confined to his bed for a long time, is now reported to be improving.

Harvesting is about over, except some very late grain, and a large number of poor have gone to the hop fields.

Mr. Wharton's family and relatives who have been camping on Bear creek, near here, moved last Friday for St. Helens.

Crops are very good here. In some places the hay yield has been as high as three tons to the acre. Potatoes promise a good yield.

The rain that came this week served a good purpose in putting out the forest fire and starting up the second growth clover. It has also been good for the gardens.

Fred Zeller is busy threshing out near river front and is expected to go over to Mist with his machine as soon as he completes the work in this neighborhood. His machine is said to be doing good work this season.

Crop and Weather Report.

PORTLAND, OREGON, Aug. 30, 1907.

Fall sown wheat is safely stored in warehouses, etc. Threshing of spring-sown wheat is nearly done. All reports agree as to the excellent yield and quality. Spring-sown grain is considerably above the average. Oats are safely out of the way; they are of a superior quality, and the yield has been excellent.

Prunes are ripening rapidly; large quantities are being shipped for fresh fruit, and those over ripe go to the driers. The driers are all starting up. The prune crop is much heavier than was anticipated. The shipment of Bartlett pears and Crawford peaches continues. Trainloads of fruit consigned to the Middle West and the Atlantic Slope cities have left this city every other day for the past two weeks; the fruit has arrived in good condition and commands good prices.

The main crop now demanding attention is the hop crop; the weather prevailing is not favorable. Picking has commenced in all sections. The hop louse is bad. Mould has appeared in some yards, and the total product will be less than heretofore expected. Hoppickers are not over plentiful. The quantity and quality of the hops will not be an average.

The apple and late peach crops will be good, the former being freer from the effects of the Codlin moth than usual. Corn is a good crop for Oregon. Corn in Oregon does not grow to that perfection that is found in the Mississippi valley. Pasturages are now at their poorest, though stock is not in a good condition. Potatoes continue to be reported a big crop. Melons, squashes, cabbage, etc., are prolific.

Within a few weeks all crops and produce will be gathered, and plowing for next year's crops commenced.

A Cure for Bilious Colic.

RESOURCES, Screven Co., Ga.—I have been subject to attacks of bilious colic for several years. Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy is the only sure relief. It acts like a charm. One dose of it gives relief when all other remedies fail.—G. D. SMARK. For sale by Dr. E. Ross.

What Dr. A. E. Satter Says.

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Catarth Cured. A clear head and sweet breath secured with Shiloh's Catarth remedy, sold on a guarantee. Nasal injector free. Sold by Dr. Edwin Ross.

Karl's Clover Root Tea, for consumption it's the best and if after using it you don't say so, return the package and get your money. Sold by Dr. Edwin Ross.

School Warrants Payable.

ST. HELENS, Or., Sept. 5, 1897.

The school clerk of school district No. 2, Columbia county, Oregon, has money on hand to pay the following numbered warrants of said district: Nos. 129, 130, 131, 132, 133 and 134. Interest will cease after this date.

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March 8, 1897. *Samuel Pitcher*

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Black Sateen	19
Light Sateen	19
Outing Flannel	20
Gliding	20 1/2
Lawn	20 1/2
L. L. Muslin	20 1/2
Beached Muslin	20 1/2
Calico	20 1/2
Duck Suiting	20 1/2
Ladies handkerchiefs 6 in. each, three for	15
Ladies heavy vests with long sleeves	15
Ladies corsets	20
Ordinary plus per paper	20
Childrens shoes 25 cents and up	20
Dragon spool cotton, 300 yards on a spool	20
Three spools for	20
Chas. H. R. T. spool cotton, three spools	20
Childrens hose, per pair	20
Gents shirts, each	20
One dressing comb	20
One towel	20

Ladies hose..... 20
Gents white shirts..... 20
Gents wadigan pants..... 20
Gents cotton pants..... 20
Gents jumpers..... 20
Gents heavy underwear, each..... 20
Gents suspenders, 10 oia, two for..... 20
Gents woolen sweaters..... 20
Gents overalls..... 20
Gents socks 4 pairs for..... 20
Gents mits 12 in. and up..... 20
Gents handkerchiefs two for..... 20
Two dozen dress buttons..... 20
Twelve dozen white buttons..... 20
Six dozen black buttons..... 20
Three dozen safety pins..... 20

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