

OUR PORTLAND LETTER

Remarkable Advance in Prices Paid to Farmers for Foodstuffs.

Portland, Or., March 14. After a careful and exhaustive study of market conditions in the Pacific Northwest during the past eight years, President Harvey Beckwith, of the Portland Commercial Club, makes the startling statement that prices paid to farmers for eleven different articles of food, all necessities, advanced 31.4 per cent between April, 1902 and October 1910, and he backs up his statement by quotations from market reports published in Portland during that period.

"These figures," said President Beckwith, "indicate that Portland is a high-priced market for farm produce, and the high prices are directly chargeable to the great increase in consumption over production. The demands of a rapidly growing population have more than kept pace with the increase in the quantity of essential foodstuffs sent to market by the farmers of the state, and this condition is one that is not likely to be changed for a long time, if ever, and the situation is a very inviting one to the producer."

"In the table of prices submitted here with are two items to which I desire to call particular attention—eggs and poultry. There is no good reason why the Pacific Northwest should not produce eggs and chickens enough to fully supply the local demand and thus relieve the wholesalers from the necessity of ordering carload after carload from the Middle west. There is absolutely no danger of overproduction in these lines, in fact, there is little prospect that the supply will ever exceed, or even equal the demand."

"Let us assume that there are 5,000 farmers in Oregon and that at the present time each farmer is keeping an average of 20 hens. It is probably fair to estimate that each hen will raise, during the coming summer, a brood of ten chickens and during the balance of the year will lay 12 dozen eggs. The chickens should certainly be worth 50 cents each when ready for market, and the eggs will sell at a minimum price of 25 cents per dozen, a total of \$8.00, and the farmer still has the original hen. An addition of only one hen by each farmer, on this basis, will amount to \$40,000 annually and, if given the time and attention this important industry deserves, the net returns from the poultry yards of the state may easily exceed those from the wheat fields."

A banquet in the Portland Commercial Club during the past week was attended by over 200 men and women, more or less directly interested in the dairy interests of the state. Speeches were made by C. C. Chapman, representing the Commercial Club, T. S. Townsend, representing the creamery interests, Dr. Andrew C. Smith, of the State Board of Health, Prof. F. L. Kent, dean of the dairy department of the Oregon Agricultural College, W. W. Cotton, representing the Harriman system, and others, and the subject was discussed in all its bearings. At the close of the meeting a committee was appointed to formulate plans under which the various interests could be brought together for future practical and effective co-operation.

DEER ISLAND

Mrs. Herman Usher, of Houlton, visited friends in this place over Sunday. Miss Blythe Gattens visited with relatives in Houlton Sunday.

The Artisans dance Saturday evening was a success in every way. Miss Hazel Loyd, of Portland, is visiting relatives in Deer Island this week.

Mrs. Godfrey and child, niece of Mrs. C. H. English is visiting in Deer Island.

A benefit dance for Mrs. Pike will be given in the Artisan Hall, Saturday, March 18th. Everyone is cordially invited to attend and make this dance a success.

Mr. Thomas Keelan, of Portland, is visiting his brother, B. J. Keelan, of this place.

The State Superintendent of Schools will visit Deer Island Wednesday evening, March 22nd. A program will be rendered by the Deer Island and Carico schools. Everyone invited to attend.

Any information regarding Yum Yum trees will be eagerly welcomed by some of Deer Island's young people. It is rumored that Keelan's have some Yum Yum seeds which they will plant soon. If this is true Keelan's farm, "Garden of Eden," is destined to be a popular resort this summer. YUM YUM.

CIRCUIT COURT

Monday, March 13, 1911.

Ella Hemple, ex. vs. A. and R. M. Eastman. Suit to foreclose mortgage. Judgment for plaintiff.

M. A. Conyers, admx., vs. Clatskanie Lumber Co. Order allowing defendant until April 10 in which to file bill of exceptions.

Wolf vs. Wolf. Decree of divorce. Marquam vs. Carlson. Motion to strike out cross complaint overruled. Plaintiff allowed twenty days to plead. State ex rel vs. School Board District No. 37. Permanent writ of mandamus allowing child to attend school.

Lee Stubbs vs. Peter Felton. Defendant allowed ten days in which to answer. Kellar vs. Kellar. Decree of divorce granted.

Connors vs. Connors. Decree of divorce granted.

Court adjourned until April 10, 1911.

CLEAR UP YOUR ORCHARDS

Now is the time to do the most effectual work. A little money and labor expended now will mean increase in your bank account next fall. Good clean fruit will command a good price but the inferior article hardly pays for picking. This is naturally as fine an orchard section as there is in the State, and we are glad to see the interest being taken in modern methods of raising and handling orchard products.

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GEO. H. FLAGG, City Recorder.

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior

U. S. Land Office at Portland, Ore. February 25th, 1911.

Notice is hereby given that Nathalie Dowse Hinton, whose post office address is 22 1/2 West 79th Street, Portland, Oregon, did, on the 22nd day of August, 1910, file in this office sworn statement and application, No. 02715, to purchase the W. 1/4 of E. 1/4, Sec. 28, Township 3 S., R. 2 W., Willamette Meridian, and the timber thereon, under the provisions of the act of June 15, 1908, and acts amendatory, known as the "Timber and Stone Law," at such value as might be fixed by appraisement, and that, pursuant to such application, the land and timber thereon has been appraised, the timber estimated 180,000 board feet at 50 cents per M, and the land \$30; that said applicant will offer final proof in support of his application and sworn statement on the 15th day of May, 1911, before the Register and Receiver at the United States Land Office at Portland, Oregon.

Any person is at liberty to protest this purchase before entry, or initiate a contest at any time before patent issues, by filing a corroborated affidavit in this office, alleging facts which would defeat the entry.

H. F. HIGBY, Register.

Summons.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Columbia County. Ollie Stewart, Plaintiff, vs. H. L. Stewart, Defendant.

To H. L. Stewart, Defendant. In the Name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled Court and cause on or before the 17th day of March, 1911, and you are hereby notified that if you fail to appear and answer or otherwise plead within said time, the plaintiff for want thereof will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in her complaint, on file herein, to-wit: For a decree forever dissolving the bonds of matrimony now and heretofore existing between plaintiff and defendant, and for such other and further relief as the Court may see equitable in the premises.

This summons is served upon you by publication in "The Oregon Mist," a newspaper of general circulation, published at St. Helens, Oregon, and pursuant to an order of the Honorable J. A. Eakin, duly made and entered in this cause on the 28th day of January, 1911.

COLLIER & COLLIER, Attorneys for Plaintiff. Date of first publication, February 3, 1911. Date of last publication, March 17, 1911.

IN THE COUNTY OF THE STATE OF OREGON, FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY.

In the matter of the Estate of John Pringle, deceased.

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, the administrator of the estate of John Pringle, deceased, to the creditors of, and all persons having claims against said estate, to present them, with the proper vouchers, within six months from the date of this notice, to the said administrator, at his residence, at St. Helens, Columbia county, Oregon, the same being the place for the transaction of the business of said estate.

Dated March 10th, 1911. JOHN G. PRINGLE, Administrator of the estate of John Pringle, deceased.

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Notice to Creditors.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Columbia County. In the matter of the estate of August Scholz, deceased. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of August Scholz, deceased, by the County Court of the County of Columbia, State of Oregon, and has duly qualified for said trust. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified and required to present the same, duly verified and with proper vouchers to the administrator at the office of C. H. Johns at St. Helens, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice. Dated at St. Helens, Oregon, February 23rd, 1911. C. H. JOHNS, Administrator of the estate of August Scholz, deceased.

Notice to Creditors.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Columbia County. In the matter of the estate of Albert Lange, deceased. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Albert Lange, deceased, by the County Court of the County of Columbia, State of Oregon, and has duly qualified for said trust. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified and required to present the same, duly verified and with proper vouchers to the administrator at the office of W. A. Harris at St. Helens, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice. Dated at St. Helens, Oregon, February 23rd, 1911. GUSTAVE LANGE, Administrator of the estate of Albert Lange, deceased. W. A. HARRIS, Attorney for Administrator.

SUMMONS.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Columbia. Mary S. Cron, plaintiff, vs. Charles C. Cron, defendant. To Charles C. Cron, the above-named defendant:

In the name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled suit on or before the expiration of six weeks from the date of the first publication of this summons, to-wit, on or before the 20th day of April, 1911, and that if you fail to so answer for want thereof the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief prayed for in the complaint, to-wit, for an absolute divorce and dissolution of the marriage contract now existing between you and the plaintiff.

This summons is had by order of the Hon. James Dart, Judge of the County Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Columbia, made on the 8th day of March, 1911, directing that said publication be made at least once a week for six consecutive weeks in The Oregon Mist, and that the date of the first publication of this summons be made on the 9th day of March, 1911, and that the last publication be made on the 20th day of April, 1911. WILBUR & SPENCER, Attorneys for Plaintiff.