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HOPS GOOD THIS SECTION OVER THE STATE POOR

Value of Experience Shown This Year; 40 Cents Per Box To Be Paid Pickers

The advantage of experience in hop raising is plainly shown in Oregon this year. In the Independence district where most of the growers are old hands at the business, the scientific and never ceasing fight against lice insures a good crop with a good quality, while in other parts of the state where inexperience and careless growers have yards the yield will be small and the quality poor. C. A. McLaughlin, who has observed the condition of yards in other sections, says he has seen a number of fields that it will be a saving of time and money not to pick at all. The attacks of lice have been unusual this year and it was only by continual spraying that the pests were overpowered. Many growers did not commence the fight against the lice soon enough. Their yield will be short and of a poor quality.

Forty cents a box will be paid this year for picking and fifty percent of the growers in the Independence district have their help all secured. Cleaner picking will be insisted upon this year and better conditions in general will prevail in most of the yards.

Harvesting is now in full blast. Oats are turning out 40 bushels and a fair quality. This year's wheat is of a good quality and is averaging about 25 bushels. There was a good yield of hay. Fruit of all kinds is in good condition. A 75 percent crop of prunes on an average is expected.

The Monitor always leads.

LAW'S SPEED SAVES LYCHING

Two Fiends Assault Woman On Thursday; Land In Pen For Life On Saturday

A speedy record in handling a criminal case was established in Oregon last week.

Two fiends assaulted a woman in Lincoln county last Thursday afternoon. Several minutes afterwards she was found by an Independence man and the authorities notified. At 7 o'clock the two men were captured. They were indicted by the grand jury on Friday, plead guilty on Saturday morning, were given life sentences, and landed in the penitentiary at 2:20 P. M. Saturday.

This fast work probably prevented a lynching. While enroute to Salem, crowds gathered at every station and harassed the prisoners with cries of "Get a rope" and "Lynch 'em."

The White Terror

A Story With a Purpose

(continued from last week)

"Get out or I'll throw you out!" he shouted and then advanced on Doyle. The old man retreated. He took his coat and dinner pail and proceeded to the paymaster's window to draw the pay for the day and a half he had worked that week.

The paymaster looked at the old man sternly.

"There was \$4.20 coming to you, to be sure, Doyle," he said, "but Mr. Duncan just phoned down to me that you had been fined \$5 for the trouble you caused today, and so you owe the shop 80 cents."

Tears of despair gathered in the workman's eyes.

"I ain't got 80 cents," he said in a breaking voice.

"Well, come back and pay it when you get it," was the curt reply.

Old Doyle, half dazed, stumbled through the doorway and wended his way slowly homeward.

"How can I break the news to Maggie?" he murmured. "She's near dead now. This will sure kill her—and she'll die—she'll die thinking I'm no good because I lost my job—and maybe she'd be right, after all."

The picture of Maggie's daily life rose in his tortured mind. How she worked at a sewing machine making clothes for a big department store—sewing and combing and thinking hot—

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RECALL SEEMS TO BE LAGGING

THE RESULT IN DOUBT

County Court Is Enjoined From Paying Surveyor, Not Canfield, For Work Done

General Canfield of the recall army visited these parts recently and spoke very encouragingly of prospects. He seemed to be especially pleased with the report that the grand jury might investigate the charges made against the county court. The general seemed quite sure of a vindication.

From what can be learned, the recall petitions are being favorably received and signed in some sections, while in others they are being frowned upon. The expense of more than \$2000 that would be necessary to hold a special election is one important item that is retarding the movement.

Road Master Finn's resignation has been laid on the table. This would indicate that he is still to hold the job and the county to pay the bill.

The county clerk and treasurer have been enjoined from the payment of a warrant allowed by the county court in favor of the Hines Engineering Co. It is alleged in the complaint that the county court exceeded its authority in employing the Hines company to make plats and surveys of county roads. It has been Mr. Canfield's contention that the county court is unlawfully depriving him of the fees of the surveyor's office by giving the work to others, and Henry Voth, a farmer, has brought the matter into the circuit court for a judicial opinion.

Even if the present attempt to recall the members of the county court fails, it has created a division in the republican party which will be a factor in next year's primaries and election.

MAKE IT THOROUGH

The declaration of District Attorney Sibley to have the grand jury called in special session to investigate the charges made in the recall controversy is a good one. If, as some believe the charges made by the petitioners for the recall, are false and libelous, they should be stopped from further besmirching the names and reputations of honest men and officials. If, on the other hand, the charges can be substantiated, the grand jury or some other agent of the law, should step in and put a stop to the illegal practices that are alleged to be in vogue at the court house. If the district attorney and the grand jury start an investigation, it should be a thorough one.—Dallas Itemizer.

CAR BEING PAINTED

The I. & M. is now running two coaches, so that the regular coach can be painted. Did you ever notice that while the I. & M. cars may not look so pretty as others on the outside, the boys keep them clean and tidy on the inside.

SIX LARGE HOP HOUSES BURN

Also Two Hundred Cords of Wood Go Up In Smoke on Mitoma Ranch

Six hop houses, on the farm of Frank Mitoma, north of Independence, were burned Tuesday night. 200 cords of wood also went up in smoke. The origin of the fire is unknown. This loss coming just before picking time makes it necessary for Mitoma to rebuild in double quick time, yet he can be thankful that the fire did not come a month hence.

A JOOLY CROWD

For the past week a jolly crowd of girls from Independence and vicinity have been camping in the suburbs of this city. They came out for pleasure and they undoubtedly got what they came after. We do not wish to flatter them, but will say that they were a comely lot and there undoubtedly was more than one sorrowful looking swain when they left for home. But, cheer up, perhaps they may come again. They were chaperoned by Mrs. Kate Walker of Independence and Mrs. Florence Murphy of Suver.—Falls City News.

TELEPHONE RATES

The Monitor has received several complaints recently relative to telephone rates. For the benefit of the complainants, the Monitor will investigate the matter.

OVERLOOKED THE SUN

Two business men of our town, George Walker and Willard Huff, donned in bathing suits and looking rather rough, took an outing Sunday to have a day of fun, but did not take into consideration the horrid blistering sun. They departed in the morning on their joyous lark and neither would turn homeward till it was nearly dark; hours they lingered and provisions for the future neither one had made, they forgot all business worries and did not hunt the shade. Now when one with a feeling for their welfare information begs, the hardware man replies, "You ought'er see my legs" and the grocer in a comic fashion for which he has a knack, answers very quickly, "Well, I don't sleep upon my back."

CAPS AFTER BIG GAME

J. C. Mitchell, Portland capitalist, and Ivan Clark of Concord, Nebr., mayor and stock holder in three banks in his home town, passed through Independence Wednesday on their way to the Coos Bay country after bear and deer. Mr. Clark is on his honeymoon and all called at the Monitor office to tell us that Independence was a "swell town." Mr. Clark was so pleased with our paved streets that when he gets home he will pave a half mile if he has to foot the bill himself.

A FAT BOY

Clarence, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Quartier, is attracting much attention because of his size. Only five years old he weighs 90 pounds and the boys have reason in calling him "Fatty."

NEWPORT SPECIAL

The Southern Pacific will run a special to Newport Sunday. The fare will be \$2.50 for the round trip.

A large crowd will go from Independence.

CITY COUNCIL GETS QUORUM

LONG RECESS BROKEN

Motor Cop Provided For, Bonds Sold, Contract Given and Printing Bills Held Up

The city council finally got a quorum Wednesday night, the mayor and all councilmen except Goetz being present.

The ordinance relative to the appointment of a motorcycle policeman was passed and the appointment placed in the hands of the police committee. The motor cop will receive half of the fines collected. He ought to make good money for a time or until all motorcycle and automobile riders learn that they have to "slow down to 60 miles an hour" within the city limits.

The anti-gambling ordinance, which was to prohibit all games of chance, was indefinitely postponed. This is a method of burying without a death certificate. The proposed ordinance was a copy of the state law.

Hereafter it will be unlawful for anybody to hitch a horse or team on the paved streets of the city. This is all right, but some provision should be made for a place where the farmers may tie their teams. Many come to town for only a short time and do not believe that it is necessary to put their horses in a barn.

The city sold \$7910.23 worth of bonds to the Western Bond & Mortgage Co. of Portland at a premium of one percent. They run for 20 years but may be paid by the city in 10 years if desired. There were five bids in.

Bramburg, Johnson & Coquette was awarded the contract for the proposed street improvement work in the city. As an injunction was placed on the work on North Main street, it will not be started until after the courts make a decision.

The usual grist of bills was allowed except two for printing, which was referred to the finance committee. As far as the Monitor is concerned, it at all times welcomes an investigation of its bills. The one in question is a few cents short of what it should be. The finance committee may go further and investigate all bills rendered within the past year. The Monitor gives them an invitation to do so.

The council meets again Wednesday night in regular session.

RE-ELECTED

E. L. Keesel has been re-elected principal of the Monmouth schools.

Latin has been dropped and more time will be given to business instruction. This is a step in the right direction.

TOURISTS SCARCE

The large number of tourists, who were expected to pass thru Independence during July and August, are not coming very fast. Must be following the Pacific highway.

MEXICAN CRISIS THOT NEAR

Texas Invaded By Robbing Bands and U. S. May Have To Do Some Spanking

The Mexican situation is rapidly approaching a crisis. Bands of Mex are raiding Texas along the border. An ignorant bunch of Mexicans has conceived the idea of seizing the western and southern part of the United States and establish a new nation to be ruled by Mexicans, Negroes and Indians. It is planned to kill all white males over sixteen years of age. By this we judge that our female population is in no immediate danger, outside of the prospect of having Mexicans for husbands. One Independence woman has picked Caranza believing it will be possible for her to lead him around by the whiskers.

American warships have been sent to Mexican waters, the U. S. army is ready, and it is not at all unlikely that there will be a fight within a week.

SURPRISE PARTY

A "surprise" party was perpetrated upon Mrs. M. C. Williams at her home last Friday afternoon, it being her birthday anniversary. About sixteen ladies were present and amused themselves at the delightful old-fashioned "game" of sewing carpet rags. The pleasures of the afternoon were supplemented by substantial refreshments.

DIVORCES WANTED

W. H. Engelke has filed suit for a divorce at Oregon City, against his wife, Lillian M. Mrs. Engelke lives in Independence.

Nora Ackerman wants a divorce from R. H. Ackerman, who lives in Independence.

BEWARE!

This is Friday, the 13th. Therefore, take no chances. Avoid black cats. Don't pass a graveyard. Carry a rabbit's foot.

FALL BUSINESS WILL BE GOOD

ALL AUTHORITIES SAY SO

Independence Is On the Threshold of a Very Prosperous Period

FROM THE MONMOUTH HERALD

D. L. Keyt and family, who have rented the J. W. Howell residence for one year, will move here Tuesday of next week from Perrydale.

Mrs. Katie Macy, Registrar at the Normal, will visit friends in Forest Grove the latter part of week after which she will expect to go to Newport for an outing.

A. H. Craven and wife and Miss June Hess returned home from Cascadia Tuesday and left yesterday for a visit with Mrs. Craven's people at Bandon. Mr. Craven will take a hunt while on the coast.

Mrs. W. H. Mack and Mrs. Ella Thorpe were in attendance at the revival services at the Christian Church at Independence Monday night. Others from here are attending and good sermons are reported.

Work is going ahead on the Willamette Valley & Siletz railroad between Airlie and Independence. A gang of men is at work on the bridge across the Luckiamute near the Helmick place. Also construction work is being done all along the line.

SMALL CHANGE

District Attorney Sibley states that the grand jury will not be called into session until after harvest.

Elliott and Eddy, successors to Wetherbee & Jones, were in Independence this week, chiefly for the purpose of securing houses. Mr. Eddy rented the Wetherbee residence.

JUNE BRIDE A FEW WEEKS LATER.



—Williams in Indianapolis News.



—Taylor in Los Angeles News.