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## HAIL AND RAIN DAMAGE CROPS

Several Thousand Dollars  
Loss in Wheat Belt

## Lamonta Country Struck

Some Benefit Predicted, How  
ever, For Spring Sown  
Wheat

There was a cloud burst, in fact two of them in the Lamonta and Old Culver country Monday, which was much heavier than anything that has fallen in that vicinity for some time.

The rain was accompanied by hail in the country north of Lamonta, damage being done to a number of wheat crops in that vicinity, notably on the Russell place and C. F. Smith farm. On the latter the loss from hail is estimated at about \$1000.

Hail fell in a strip of country about three quarters of a mile wide and five or six miles long, and damaged the crops of Glen Ridgeway, H. F. Mitchell, and 160 acres of the Weigand crop besides those mentioned above. The damage was from a nominal amount of approximately one bushel per acre of a total loss of the field hit by he hail.

Considerable good is predicted however for some of the spring wheat, which will no doubt offset the loss to the community.

Potatoes will perhaps be damaged as much as benefited, and the garden and fruit crops will no doubt be benefited wherever the hail did not reach.

C. L. Shattuck who was in the vicinity at the time, says that the roads were washed full of all kinds of things, and that the water in every ravine looked like a small river, reaching a depth of five feet or more in some of them, where they became too deep even for a Ford.

In the summer fallowed fields the water stood in every depression.

## Trains Delayed By Heavy Rains

Cloud bursts in the Deschutes canyon on Monday afternoon, delayed the O-W train from Portland to Bend until late into the night. Tracks and bridges were washed out in a number of places, and on the joint road between North Junction and South Junction, tracks were washed out so that both roads were put out of commission for several hours. Service was established again during the night and has been regular since that time.

## Portland and Seattle Market Quotations

**Portland.**  
Wheat—Club, 90c; bluestem, 95c; red Russian, 87c; forty-fold, 94c; red life, 90c.  
Hay—Eastern Oregon timothy, \$17; alfalfa, \$13.50.  
Butter—Creamery, 27c.  
Eggs—Ranch, 24c.  
Wool—Eastern Oregon, 28c; valley, 30c.  
Mohair—31c.  
**Seattle.**  
Wheat—Bluestem, 99c; club, 93c; red Russian, 90c; forty-fold, 95c; life, 92c.  
Barley—\$24 per ton.  
Hay—Timothy, \$17 per ton; alfalfa, \$14 per ton.  
Butter—Creamery, 27c.  
Eggs—24c.

Now turn to the classified ads on page 3

## Prineville Merc. Co. Buys Foster & Hyde

The Prineville Mercantile Co., bought the mercantile stock and fixtures of Foster & Hyde the last of the week, and have already taken over the control of the latter business.

The businesses will both be continued under the new management for a time, and later the general dry goods and ladies furnishing line of the old firm will be closed out and the business housed in the Christiani building where it will be conducted as a men's furnishing store exclusively.

The building is being remodeled and overhauled to suit the requirements of the new firm.

## Tax Roll Completed By Assessor Foster

Assessor H. A. Foster completed the county tax rolls Saturday and has them balanced for the board of equalization meeting which we are advertising in another column.

While the balances have been made, the grand totals have not been arrived at by the assessor for the reason that they will change materially by additions to the roll and in other ways before the final results are obtained.

The valuations are almost exactly the same as last year, and the amount of taxable property is the same, or some greater than before, less the amount of the assessable property in Jefferson county which amounted to a little more than 30 per cent of the total.

## Mrs. Hamilton Hostess To Many Friends

One of the most enjoyable events of the season was an at home given by Mrs. Sarepta Hamilton last Thursday afternoon in honor of her friend Mrs. Lillian McBroom, of Vancouver who is visiting at the Hamilton home.

About fifty guests were present during the afternoon, and the time was spent very pleasantly.

At the close of the afternoon delicious refreshments were served by the hostess assisted by her sisters, Mrs. Mary Howard and Mrs. C. M. Elkins.

## Boy Scouts Out On a 22-Mile Hike

Last week the Boy Scouts took a hike to the forks of Mill Creek, making the distance, 22 miles in one day. Here a camp was pitched and the sports of out-door life and camp-craft were enjoyed for a few days. Fishing and swimming, cooking and marksmanship, camp fires and ghost stories, of which the Scouts are capable of invention if the stock is not weird enough for the occasion, were thoroughly and heartily entered into. Only one thing marred the completeness of the trip, and that was, we had been warned concerning a certain bovine that has treed some of our townsmen and boy-like we wanted to see him. After several scouting expeditions the man treeing animal was put to rout and chased up the right fork some little distance. So much for boy-hood bravery.

The only trophy brought back was a badger skin about three feet long which is to be tanned and reposed on the table in Scout headquarters. The boys on this hike were John O'Kelly, Edbert Zell, Walter Flin, Martin Hoover; Raymond Smith, and he acting scout master, Geo. H. Ramsay. Be ready for the next trip for more are to come. All on this one wants more.

## Crook Co. High Without a Peer

During the next thirty days the plans and arrangements for the coming school year will be made by the large majority of the young people of the country, and what school shall I attend, or whether shall I go to school or not, is a vital question with many just at present.

To those who have not completed the grammar grades the matter is easily settled, and in fact there is left but little if any question. The schools are all good and accessible to practically everyone, and of course this class of young people will be found at their district school on opening day.

After the eighth grade diploma has been received and framed at an expense of \$1.75 and a place found on the parlor wall however, the question is somewhat different. There is no suitable source of learning in the district school, and to get greater advancement some other source of learning must be sought.

It was to meet this condition that the county high school bill was framed and passed and the Crook County High School was founded and has been developed at considerable expense to the taxpayers with the single object in view of affording a good working education to the boys and girls of the country at no additional expense to the individual.

No matter what branch or work of life a child wishes to lead, there is no longer any question that the education should be as complete and as broad as possible.

Should the boy have ambitions to become president, enter the professions take up any of the various activities of the business world, or become a competent farmer or stockman, or simply be a good citizen which in itself is a noble aspiration, a high school education is absolutely necessary.

In the case of the girl the subject is but little different. In this day, the women of America and of the world for that matter are recognized as never before. In Oregon they have the right to vote, and in many ways considered an equal with the men of the state. In some respects they are superior, and surely in the shaping of the future of the nation and the world for that matter, they are by

far the greatest factors.

The girls of Crook County are entitled to the best there is in the land, and for them are many modern devices at the county high school to assist in their development. It is estimated that to date the taxpayers of the county have paid not less than \$1,000 each year for the graduates of the county high school, and I think the figures are about correct. This money has been a great investment, in fact no better investment could be made.

The buildings have been built and paid for, the different courses have been outlined and selected by competent men, and this is supported by the ablest faculty that money can hire, until today this institution is at the top of the list in the state for efficiency. The Portland schools are not acknowledged by authorities as superior to us, which means that there are no better institutions of learning on earth, of the kind, than the Crook County high.

The constantly increasing number of students in this school is indeed gratifying, and it is your opportunity and your duty to secure a good, working education, or the substantial foundation for a higher and broader education by attending this school, if you have reached the stage in life where you are eligible.

There have been district and union high schools established in several parts of the county, but at best these are poor makeshifts, and are a very inferior substitute for the real high school. It is impossible to get the different lines of study without instructors who are specialists, and to get the benefits of such specialists, you cannot improve in the county institution.

Of course the question of finance is always involved when we mention school matters, especially away from home. In this connection it must be remembered that to accomplish anything there must be some expense and self denial.

The Journal will be pleased to hear from anyone that wants assistance in the way of work after school and on Saturdays, and will publish the names of those who wish this kind of assistance and do whatever else is possible to assist them to find posi-

## A New Stunt at the Crook County Fair

There will be a fat steer given away on the last day of the fair to the person guessing the nearest his weight. The steer will be placed on exhibit each day of the fair in a small tent where all may get a good view. The contest will be open to all people over 15 years of age.

A small fee of ten cents for each guess will be charged and a limit of five guesses for any one person will be made.

The steer will be weighed at 6 P. M. on the last day of the fair and the contest will close promptly at 5.30 o'clock on the same day.

tions, absolutely without charge.

Information as to the school will be furnished of course by the faculty or high school board. Write Superintendent J. E. Myers, Prineville, Oregon, if you have not already decided, investigate, and arrange to be present when the school opens for the fall term on Monday, September 13, and you will never regret the step.

## Deer Season Opens August 15 This Year

The Journal has the following letter from the state game warden, Carl D. Shoemaker, concerning the change that has been made in the game laws of the state:

The State Game Warden is very anxious to give all the publicity possible to the fact that the deer hunting season this year does not open until August 15th, which is 15 days later than has been customary for many years, and will greatly appreciate the co-operation of the State Press in getting the fact before the people that it is unlawful to hunt deer in Oregon until the 15th day of August. The season for hunting deer will open on August 15th and will close on October 31st, next.

This change in the law should be as widely advertised as possible, otherwise some hunter may be found unintentionally violating the law and subjecting himself to a heavy fine. The State Game Warden's office would rather prevent violations than make an arrest, and to this we have the hearty co-operation of the State Press. The game laws, however, must be rigidly enforced.

## Opening Was Voted A Decided Success

Lafley's Confectionery & Art Shop held their opening last Saturday night and the event proved to be all that it was advertised to be, a big busy evening. Everything came off as advertised; music, both instrumental and vocal, and the crowd was all that could be handled in the place, in fact many were compelled to leave that could not get into the building.

Commencing at 8 o'clock and lasting until well toward midnight, a program in which Miss Alma Noble was chief pianist, and a number of vocalists participated, was rendered.

Mrs. Rosenberg and Mrs. Adams sang a number of beautiful selections and Miss Garfield brought down the house arrayed in a Japanese costume, by her rendition of "Towsie Mongalay" and other selections.

Dr. Gove and Joe Smelzer were heartily encored when they sang various selections.

Mrs. G. M. Cornett and family and Mrs. James Toney went to the Mitchell country the first of the week where they will spend the next three weeks visiting friends.

The Journal office does modern printing on short notice.

## CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEET

Pay Too Much For Water  
Even For a Wet Town

## Cut Your Weeds Now

City Park Will Be Watered By  
Gravity System. Bridges  
Were Discussed

The city council, at its regular meeting Tuesday night, decided to apply some of the teachings of old man Eck Onomical and the Deschutes Power Company was handed a solar plexus that it will remember for the remainder of the summer.

The company's bill, which totaled \$257.80 for the month of July, something over \$80 of which was water for the street sprinkling, and \$16 for water on the city park for the month, was held up, and ordered into the hands of the fire and water committee for investigation.

The company's water will be ordered out of the city park and unless a material reduction is made in some manner in the expense of the water for street sprinkling, that will be discontinued also, the councilmen decided. They thought that the amount of water that is being used, or the price that was being charged for it was not altogether right, and this committee was ordered to locate the trouble, and given power to act for the council.

The matter of oiling the streets was discussed, and will be investigated at once.

Engineer Kelly was requested to get figures for the construction of new bridges across Ochoco on Main street and at the west end of Second street at the crossing of the old mill race.

Both the bridges in question are becoming unsafe, and the council will consider figures for more substantial structures than have been built in these places in the past.

The weed nuisance came up for liberal discussion, and it was decided that the property owners be given a little more time before starting legal proceedings to enforce the weed ordinance. It was thought that they should be given until about the middle of the current month.

Recorder Hyde was requested to write to the City Recorder at Baker, also the City of Enterprise, asking them about the fire alarm systems that are in use there.

Present at the meeting were: Mayor Edwards, Councilmen Reams, Still, Elkins, Foster and Noble. Also Recorder Hyde, Marshall Pollard and Engineer Kelly.

The following bills were ordered paid:  
Wn. Trichel \$25.00  
W. R. Pollard 77.00  
L. M. Bechtell 25.00  
T. J. Minger 4.00  
E. O. Hyde 7.80

## Residence Property To Be Sold by State

The residence on First street that belonged to the Smith estate, and has been occupied by F. A. Rice for some time past, is to be sold to the highest bidder by the State Land Board.

The property went to the state at the death of Wm. Smith, there being no heirs, and notice was received the first of the week from G. G. Brown to the effect that the place will be sold. See the advertisement in another column.

BARB WIRE.



—Harding in Brooklyn Eagle.