

COMEWEST OF FARM

Eastern Washington Gets Majority of Newcomers.

STATE POPULATION, 825,000

Deputy State Commissioner of Statistics Says His Estimate Proves More Attention Should Be Made to Agriculture.

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—A. W. Prater, Deputy Commissioner of Statistics for the State of Washington, has just completed an estimate of the population of the State of Washington, based on the complete school census of the various counties. This gives a total population at the present time of 825,000. When the full returns of the November elections are available, Mr. Prater intends to verify his statistics by a comparison of the vote cast, but he is convinced that the vote will not materially change the result of the estimate based on school population.

It is significant of Mr. Prater's figures that the greater percentage of increase in population is shown in Eastern Washington. Okanogan, for instance, made the entire state with a gain of 30 per cent, and Kittitas is second with 14 per cent. Kitsap, the Western Washington county with the greatest growth, shows a gain of 13 1/2 per cent.

Based on a statement of these figures, Mr. Prater declares that the result demonstrates the soundness of his theory, advanced a year ago, that more attention should be paid to the development of agricultural resources, as the larger percentage of emigrants is interested in that phase of the state's resources.

The older agricultural counties, such as Whitman and Lincoln, show an appreciably smaller percentage of growth than in the newer districts. This fact is attributed to the circumstance that there is a smaller area of cheap lands in the older counties. The farms have been developed and are under a high state of cultivation. They are naturally sold at higher prices and many farmers refuse to sell. In the new counties the emigrant has an opportunity to secure cheap land and develop it for himself.

In addition to this circumstance is the fact that greater efforts are being put forth to settle the sparsely-settled communities. This is true not only of railroad but individual and state movements. Okanogan's great percentage of gain illustrates the success with which this movement is met.

Eastern Washington percentages of growth are interesting. Okanogan's 30 per cent contrasts sharply with the 3.2 per cent in Whitman and the 2.1 per cent in Lincoln. Pierce shows a gain of 13 per cent and Kittitas of 14 per cent. In Adams the gain was 12.3; in Walla Walla, 11; Yakima, 9.4, and Stevens 7.

Western Washington percentages are illustrated by Kitsap's maximum of 13.5 and Skagit and Clark's 8.5. Skagit and Clark are second in Western Washington, though their growth is rapid as in many Eastern Washington counties.

All the percentages given have been worked out in greater detail by Mr. Prater than those given, but the details are carried forward sufficiently here to illustrate the growth.

Mr. Prater's figures indicate a gain since June 1, 1903, in this state of 33,333, or one year ago of 33,333. The following shows the King, Pierce and Spokane figures for June 1 of this year and the same date of 1903:

Table with 3 columns: Year, King, Pierce, Spokane. Rows for 1904 and 1903.

DROWNED IN WASHTUB.

Mysterious Death of a Stranger at Astoria.

ASTORIA, Or., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—A mysterious death occurred here some time during last night. Whether it was the result of an accident or a case of suicide will probably never be known definitely.

Early this morning J. A. Eakin, who resides on the hill at the west end of Grand avenue, found the dead body of a man hanging over the end of a washtub that was standing under a faucet in a neighbor's yard. The knees were on the ground, the arms resting on the edge of the tub, while the head was submerged in the water. The body was cold and death had probably resulted several hours before.

Papers found by the coroner in the man's pockets showed that the remains were those of Inar Sjoblom, a stranger, who arrived here last Thursday from British Columbia. In the pockets were \$123.40, the greater portion of which was Canadian money, a watch and a letter written by the deceased to his father J. G. Sjoblom, in Finland. The letter was dated at Enzerly, B. C., and said the writer was ill and was going to a hospital.

On arriving here Sjoblom complained of being ill and consulted a physician, who says the man was afflicted with a slight stomach trouble. The people at the boarding-house in which he stopped, however, assert that he acted strangely and was evidently insane. He was seen about the city yesterday afternoon and nothing peculiar was noticed in his actions and so far as known he had not been drinking. How he came to be in that part of the city, which is in the outskirts of the town, and a long distance from where he roomed, and whether he fell into the tub or deliberately drowned himself are a mystery.

The deceased was about 35 years of age and evidently a native of Finland. An inquest will be held by the coroner tomorrow.

SAFE CRACKED AT HOOD RIVER

Postoffice Riddled of \$400 in Coin and Stamps—Robbers Escape.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—Robbers cracked the safe in the Hood River postoffice last night and got away with \$37 in stamps and \$173 in money. The robbers were two men, one of whom was a crowbar and other tools used in effecting an entrance came from the railroad shops here. On discovering his loss Postmaster Yates immediately wired the postal inspector at Portland, who will make efforts to apprehend the culprits.

Common black powder was used in cracking the safe door. One or two persons sleeping nearby, claim to have heard a slight explosion during the night, but paid no heed to the noise.

WASCO TEACHERS MEET.

Plan for Educational Display at Lewis and Clark Fair.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—At the meeting of the Wasco County Principals' Club in the rooms of the Hood River High School, Saturday, Professor Wiley, of this city, discussed the subject of "Supervision" in school work. Miss Mary Mathews read an excellent paper on "How Reading Should Be Taught in the Primary Grades," which was discussed by several of the teachers, and complimented the higher. City Superintendent Landers, of The Dalles public schools spoke on the

educational display at St. Louis, and explained the methods of preparing exhibits from the schools of the county for the Lewis and Clark Exposition at Portland.

CHINESE DEN IN JOHN DAY.

Proprietor Finally Found Guilty of Selling Liquor to Minors.

JOHN DAY, Or., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—The China nuisance has again broken out in this place, and the manager of the Kam Wah Shung Company, Leon, has been arrested, indicted, tried and convicted for selling liquor to minors. Leon, or Lee On, as the Chinaman calls himself, runs a joint in old Chinatown, at the lower end of the little city, and has depended almost wholly upon white patronage for the support of his business.

Originally, the Chinese company ran a miners' supply and general merchandise store, but the days when any such business could have succeeded in legitimate trade have long gone by. Not more than a dozen Chinamen are now in the vicinity, and these mostly worthless, decrepit old fellows, who are anything but paying customers, and as two stores continue to exist and do considerable business, the concern receives practically all their support from the ranks of American citizens.

The whole establishment of this company is a most foul Chinese joint, if reports are to be believed. Inspector Barbour, of the Immigration Office in Portland, is in charge of the case, and has never seen, not excepting the dens of San Francisco. City officials and disgusted citizens have pulled young chaps out of their beds at early morning hours, and would have prosecuted the proprietors long before this, but that the wily youngsters, fearing to lose their access to the place, and adhering to their old ideas of "loyalty," have stoutly refused to give evidence which would convict.

About this time last Fall the matter grew so bad that attempts were made to burn the Chinamen out, but were unsuccessful. Another attempt of the same kind was made a few nights ago, but the blaze was discovered and put out by the watchful Chinese. Then one of the boys, no wiser than his fellows, gave the accused house away, and in his testimony swore that he had purchased liquor from Leon, and paid him for it with two 50-cent silver pieces. A feeling of relief is felt in town, as it is hoped that the sentence will put him out of business.

CARS ARE ABUNDANT NOW.

But Whatcom County Lumbermen Have No Use for Them.

BELLINGHAM, Wash., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—Unless the lumber and shingle industry in Whatcom County makes an immediate demand for service, 250 cars now here, at the disposition of the Great Northern Railroad, will be sent empty to Eastern Washington to be loaded with wheat.

The agents of the Great Northern say that the yards are crowded with empty cars that must be filled at once or they will be taken to the mill. The condition has come about owing to the recent shortage and the demands for service made by the lumber and shingle mills. Never before has a shortage been relieved so promptly as this one has.

The situation now is unprecedented in Whatcom County. Other roads are facing the same situation, and in view of the fact that the mills will soon be closed, the demands may be reversed and the roads be asking that the mills use the cars furnished.

Women Take Part in Election.

TILLAMOOK, Or., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—Owing to the saloon faction making nomination by petition George Cohn for Mayor, Thomas Coates for Recorder, Emmett Quick for Marshal and A. K. Case for Constable in the First Ward and M. F. Leach in the Second Ward, in opposition to the Citizens' ticket, which was pledged to the enforcement of the laws, considerable interest is manifested over the city election, which will take place on Monday.

The women of Tillamook City are taking a hand in the fight, and they have held several meetings, culminating in a public meeting this evening at the Opera-House, in support of the Citizens' ticket.

The saloon people and gamblers are wanting to control the city Council and it will be a close fight, as Cohen and Leach are gambling men.

Concatenation at Bellingham.

BELLINGHAM, Wash., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—Hoo Hoo is being flocked to this city December 15 for their great concatenation which takes place then. It is expected that at least 50 blind kittens will be initiated into the secrets of the Black Cat at this meeting.

Y. M. C. A. Convention Ended.

BELLINGHAM, Wash., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—The State Y. M. C. A. Convention closed here tonight. A mass meeting for men was held at Beck Theater this afternoon, and a general meeting at night. Rev. Mr. Hinkley, of Spokane, gave the evening address.

HAPPY CHILDHOOD

Right Food Makes Happy Children Because They Are Healthy.

Sometimes milk does not agree with children or adults. The same thing is true of other articles of food. What agrees with one sometimes does not agree with others.

But food can be so prepared that it will agree with the weakest stomach. As an illustration—anyone, no matter how weak the stomach, can eat, relish and digest a nice hot cup of Postum coffee with a spoonful or two of Grape-Nuts poured in, and such a combination contains nourishment to carry one a number of hours, for almost every particle of it will be digested and taken up by the system and be made use of.

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HORSES SHOT DOWN

Kelley Mountain Ranchers Are Guarding Their Ranges.

INTRUDERS GIVEN WARNING

Band of Sheep, Containing Several Hundred, Met a Like Fate From Unknown Hands When Driven in a Year Ago.

BOISE, Idaho, Dec. 4.—(Special.)—A remarkable case of shooting of stock by persons jealous of intrusion upon the range is reported from Kelley Mountain, 20 miles above the mouth of Little Salmon River. The stock killed were horses, 60 head being shot.

W. A. Scott and Ed Robie drove a band of 80 animals in there for winter pasture. Recently they heard something wrong with their horses. On making an investigation they found 50 head had been killed, 20 being found at one watering-place.

Kelley Mountain is a fine range some 20 miles in length. It is a sparsely-settled region but it appears those living in that section are determined that others shall not use the range. A year ago Kelley Mountain sheep was cut to pieces by unknown persons, several hundred head being killed. It was supposed that shooting was an outlaw of the "Jed" against sheep on the public range, and it is shown by the killing of these horses that some settlers in there do not propose to have any outside stock on the range.

and Clackamas County in various official capacities. He was at one time State Senator from this county, served as County Clerk, City Recorder, and only a few days before his death resigned as District School Clerk, a position he held for four years. Besides a wife, he left three daughters, as follows:

Mrs. J. M. Lawrence, Bend, Or.; Mrs. C. G. Miller and Miss Veda Williams, both of this city.

SIU SLAW WORK UNFINISHED.

Congress to Be Asked to Make Use of Plant Already Installed.

EUGENE, Or., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—In view of the uncompleted condition of the harbor improvement at the mouth of the Siuslaw River, prominent citizens of this county are now interested in bringing the matter before the committee of the House of Representatives, hoping to make it clear to that body that the continuation of work on that harbor would be wise.

Many years ago the Government began the improvement of the Siuslaw River. After abundant reports had been secured from engineers regarding the proper method of deepening the water on the bar, the plan adopted was the jetty system. Small appropriations were made and the work progressed to the extent of the funds available. Then all would rest until another small appropriation was made. The jetty was only fairly under way and just beginning to show what might be done, when appropriations ceased to come.

The business of the harbor has been increasing and now amounts to considerable, and business men of Florence and Eugene now hope to prevail upon Congress to go ahead and finish the work now being done. A feeling of relief is felt in town, as it is hoped that the sentence will put him out of business.

NEEDS OF THE STATION.

Additional Appropriation is Necessary at Astoria Quarantine.

ASTORIA, Or., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—To complete the construction of the Government quarantine station at the mouth of the Columbia River an additional appropriation of about \$85,000 is necessary. The plans for the station were made a long time ago, but only about half the construction work has been done, owing to lack of funds, although the Government has expended several times that the money be set aside for the purpose.

While several improvements are needed at the station, the most important are a retention hospital, a hospital for contagious diseases, barracks for crews of infected vessels and an adequate water system. To provide the latter will necessitate the purchase of about 300 acres of land which comprise the watershed. The necessity for these improvements is imperative, as under present conditions Dr. Earle and his corps of assistants are unable to handle infected vessels and care for the sick on board them, as the work would be done.

Owing to the lack of accommodations, patients cannot be afforded the proper care and as the crews must be kept on board, vessels are liable to be delayed much longer than they would be if the station was properly equipped.

LAUTH HAS RESTLESS NIGHT.

Hanging is Set for Friday, January 27, at Salem.

OREGON CITY, Or., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—The date named for the execution of George W. Lauth, who was yesterday sentenced to be hanged for the murder of Mrs. Leonard B. Jones in this city last September, is Friday, January 27, 1905. Lauth passed a restless night last night, spending the entire night playing cards with the death watch, Peter Nehren, Senator Brownell and Grant B. Dimick, counsel for Lauth, will appear the case to the Superior Court. Sheriff Shaver will take Lauth to the state penitentiary at Salem some time this week.

In case Lauth is hanged, he will be the first white man to be convicted of murder in this county. The four Indian murderers of Dr. Whitman were tried, convicted and hanged in this county in an early day. William Henderson, who, in 1852, murdered St. Suter at Canby, was convicted of first degree murder and was sentenced to be hanged. He succeeded in having his sentence commuted to life imprisonment.

NORTHWEST DEAD.

Mrs. Elizabeth Hayden.

FLORA, Or., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—Mrs. Elizabeth Hayden died November 24 at the home of her daughter, Mrs. L. C. Rinehart. Mrs. Hayden was one of Oregon's earliest settlers, having crossed the plains with her husband, William U. Hayden, and their children in 1827. They traveled with the Corcoran train of wagons on their journey and endured many dangers and hardships. They first made their home in the Grand Ronde Valley, where they remained for years, then back again to Oregon, and finally went to Moneta, Cal., where William U. Hayden died. Mrs. Hayden returned to Walla Walla County, Oregon, where she had lived until the time of her death. She was the mother of ten children, seven of whom survive her. They are:

Arthur Hayden, Imnaha, Or.; Mrs. Mary Fleet, Arko, Or.; Touah, Elmer and Eugene of California; Mrs. Ella Rinehart, of Leap, Or.; and Miss Lissa Hayden, Imnaha, Or. Mrs. Hayden was 75 years of age.

C. O. T. WILLIAMS.

OREGON CITY, Or., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—C. O. T. Williams, a pioneer of 185 and for more than 50 years a prominent business man and resident of Oregon City, died this afternoon at his home in this city after an illness extending over several weeks. He was aged nearly 72 years and had served the people of Oregon City

THE PILLS THAT

RESTORE FAILING STRENGTH

Mrs. C. O. Smith, 56 Bowen St., Nashua, N. H., says: "My trouble began with hemorrhages of the bowels. I became white as snow, my heart palpitated and my head throbbled continually. My limbs ached and I grew too weak to walk. Doctors said my case was incurable and that I had but a few weeks to live. Then my son-in-law brought me the best remedy ever discovered for wasting diseases."

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musical programme presented was one of the finest in the history of the lodge. The address was delivered by John C. McCue, of this city.

ELKS' MEMORIAL AT SALEM.

Crowded Opera-House Hears Well-Prepared Programme.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—Salem Elks held Memorial services in the Opera-House this afternoon. The memorial address was delivered by Hon. L. T. Harris, of Eugene. A large crowd was in attendance and close attention was given to all the exercises.

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