HOPGROWERS

Oregon Farmers Are Not Likely to Be Frightened by the Bears.

NATURAL COURSE OF PRICES

Study of Quotations for Ten Years Will Show That Values Have Averaged Highest in the Midwinter Months.

From the views expressed by hopgrowers who have been in the city recently and from the talks that buyers have had with those who are now harvesting their crops, it seems that a much firmer feeling prevails throughout the state than was supposed. Hardly a hop farmer can be found who does not declare his faith in the future of the market. Whether this is due to the poor showing made by many of the early-picked yards or because the growers are financially independent and will hold their concerning they know and will hold their crops until they know to a certainty where the market will go, cannot be told. The fact remains that the growers, as a class, are putting on a

Picking Is Under Way.

Picking is under way in most of the Ficking is under way in most of the small yards, but the big growers generally will not begin until Monday morning. It is said that the hops in many sections are not fully matured yet, and growers who have crowds of pickers on hand are only giving them enough employment now to keep them from dispersing. A slight error was made in the statement yesterday morning regarding the results at the McCormick yard at Woodburn. Mr. McCormick has 80 acres of hops and is only Cormick has 80 acres of hops, and is only getting 65 boxes to the acre this year, where he got 100 boxes last year.

The bears in the hop market are trying to impress upon the growers, in their ef-forts to induce them to sell their crops early, that when the market once fairly nothing can stop its downward. This certainly has not been the history of the hop market in the past. A careful study of prices that have ruled in the height of the hop season for the las ten years will convince growers that hops well at the highest prices in the mid-Winter months. In fact, the course of the market in that time has been steadily upward until New Years. Soon after the turn of the year the market would go off on the other tack, and prices would gradually decline until they struck the lowest level in hop-picking time. The buyer who asserts that history will not repeat itself this year is not likely to have much of a following.

Average Midwinter Prices.

The hop market prices quoted in this paper for ten years show that the averpaper for ten years show that the average of the point of the property of the September 29, when harvest was practically over, 14.4 cents; on October 1, 15.4 cents; on November 1, 16.5 cents; on December 1, 16.1 cents; on January 1, 16 cents; on February 1, 16.6 cents; on March 1, 15.7 cents. This same price movement to January in years when prices climbed as found in years when prices climbed as high as II cents, as well as when 7 cents was the top mark.

In the meantime the market is dull and almost stagmant, but growers are not worrying on that account. This is proved by the difficulty which dealers find in filling the few orders that are

Against Certain Methods of

Private advices received yesterday from the outside contained no new developments. Two dispatches from New York contained estimates on the crop of that state, one at 30,000 and the other at 35,000 bales. A cablegram said the English crop is rotting with mold and it is doubtful if over two-thirds of it will be harvested.

Yield in Sacramento Valley ..

In an interview with the Sacramento Union, A. H. Donovan, a well-known denier is quoted as saying that this season's hop yield in the vicinity of Secramento will exceed that of last year by about 2000 bales. He bases this statement on the fact that there are statement on the fact that there are some 2200 acres of new hops. The old fields will fall considerably short, but he thinks the new acreage will much more than offset the deficiency. The same conditions, Mr. Donovan says, apply to Sonoma County. Being asked that the church must lay burdens of re-

"Just now the market is quiet, but there is an increasing inquiry as to early shipments. This I consider an indication of a shortage of 1904 hops in the hands of the brewers. The market is as yet in an unsettled condition, make him successful.
but it is safe to say that prices for the "The crisis which new crop will open at between 14 and 26 cents a pound. "Wery few, if any, Sacramento grow-

entertain any offers under 16 cents. However, everything depends on the market in England, for the hop market is regulated in London. The senson there is later than here, and we

HARVEST IN LINN COUNTY.

Output Will Be Fully as Large as Expected.

ALHANY, Or., Sept. &-(Special.)-Hops in Linn County are holding up to the fondest expectations of growers. After nearly a week's picking in the yards around Albany, the statement is made by a prominent grower that the output of Linn County's hopyards for the 1965 season will be fully as large as promised early in the Summer.

The hops that are usually developed on the lower branches by the Summer rains are missing this year. Likewise, the long arms which the vines run out during the Summer months, and which annually bear many pounds of hops, are not to be counted on this year. But these little deficiencies are offset by a crop of well-developed and sound berries on the body

of the vines.

In the yards of J. S. Cooper, of Independence, which are located barely outside the corporate limits of Albany, picking has been progressing all this week, and the yard boss stated today that hops were entirely up to early estimates. The shortage in one section of the Cooper yards is made up in another, thus bringing the average up to par. This condition seems to be true in other yards in Linn County.

of the Albany Brewing Company, and one of the largest hopbuyers in the Valley, comes the report that Linn County's output for the season will foot up the early estimate of 200 bales. This is an increase of about 500 or 600 bales over the

1804 crop, due to increased acreage in the county. Mr. Neiss is a very large hopgrower, owning and being interested in some of the largest hopyards in Linn. Benton and Poik Counties, and he does not view the situation from the point of a buyer only. His figures, however, are substantiated by estimates made by other prominent growers. All admit that reports from other counties indicate a great falling off in Oregon's output, there being possibly a decrease of 30 per cent from the early estimates since picking began; 1904 crop, due to increased acresse it the early estimates since picking began; but all agree that Linn County will hold up to the early figures.

LANE COUNTY CROP.

Growers Begin Picking Early as a Measure of Safety.

EUGENE, Or., Sept. 8.—(Special.)—The hoppicking season has begun in most of the yards in this vicinity, some having begun as early as last Monday. It is admitted by all that it is a little early, but fear of damage by delay usually urges. growers to begin earlier than they really would like to. The condition of the crop in this vicinity is probably better than almost anywhere cles. There has been less ladication of injury here than in most places all Summer, and during the past month the hors have been conting on past month the hops have been coming on better than was expected. Nearly all the yards expect a fair average yield, while some report the heaviest they ever had, only a few reporting short crops. Compared with last year, it is probable that if the crop is all saved there will be in this county from 500 to 1000 bales more than last year, and possibly even more than that.

than that.

The quality of the hops will not be up to that of last year. This is on account of the hills not all starting together last Spring, so that in every yard there are now ripe hops and green ones side by side and all mixed tagether. This lack of unformity in ripeness will put the crop below last year in grade. As for lice or other damage, there is no fear on that line, the only menace now being the weather. With good weather for two weeks the crop will practically all be weeks the crop will practically all be saved. Rains might be the cause of ruin, but such continued rains as would be necessary for that are not expected.

POOR YIELD IN CLACKAMAS

Crop Will Be From a Half to

Third Less Than Last Year. OREGON CITY, Or., Sept. 8.—(Special.) -Hop-picking has begun in the south end of the county, and, while no definite in-formation has been received, it is known that the yield will not equal expectations. It will be from a half to a third less than

last year.
Mr. Pressey, of the West Side, reports that a large yard belonging to a Chinaman in his vicinity that last year produced nearly 60,000 pounds of hops will this year yield not to exceed 46,000 pounds. Reports from other sections promise about the same proportion of a drop.

Good Results in Benton County.

CORVALLIS, Or. Sept. 8 .- (Special.)-Hop-picking is progressing very favorably in all the yards in the vicinity of Corvalils. In most instances growers report a better yield than was estimated before the picking began. This is notably true in the Ireland yard, where a yield of a ton per acre is being realized in the old portion. It is also true in the Osburn and where both quantity and quality and yard, where both quantity and quality ex-

Average Crop in Douglas County.

CARD-SIGNING AND HAND-RAIS-ING OF NO VALUE.

Evangelists at Conversion.

"Evangelists who come around with card-signing and other forms of easy card-signing and other forms of easy salvation, bringing into the church half-converted people, are the worst enemies God Almighty has in this world," declared Dr. Clarence True Wilson, pastor of Grace Methodist Episcopal Church, in a rousing address before the first annual convention of the East Side District Epworth League at University Park last

night. "People brought into the church by these means are ready for fair, festival and oyster supper religion and service, and nothing else. The very worst enemy of God is such an evangelist," continued

his opinion as to the prices that will sponsibility upon the Epworth League prevail when the new crop of hops is hosts if it desired the best results from therested, Mr. Donovan said:

"The crisis which determines human life," said Dr. Wilson, "comes in early life. Alexander, the Great lived to the age of 33, but conquered the entire known world: "Thanstopsis," Bryant's greatest poem, was written when he was aged 18; Daniel Websier, at 25, astounded New England by his profound knowledge of law; Bishop Asbury planted American Methodism at the age of 16; Christ com-pleted his earthly career at 32.

"The church must get back to first principles," said Dr. Wilson, in closing. "She must teach radical conversion, such as she taught in olden times: card-sign-ing, the raising of the hand and other contrivances, arranged to make the way contrivances, arranged to make the way of salvation easy, must be trampled under foot if Methodism ever gete back to first place as leader of world evangelism. If the Epworth League does its duty, and the church hers, there will be no more agitation about it being a spent force?"

Today election of officers will occur, and business will be finished. Tonight Rev. T. B. Ford, pastor of Sunnyalde Church, will deliver an address and will vigorously will deliver an address and will vigorously defend the Epworth League against ad-verse criticism recently heaped upon it by some who claim to believe it has out-lived its usefulness.

BEACH RATE REDUCED.

Three Dollars for Round Trip Announced by O. R. & N. Co.

The every-day round-trip rate from Portland to North Beach points has been reduced by the O. R. & N. Co. from 14 to 13, tickets on sale until October 15, with final return limit October 15. been reduced by the to the a N. Co. from it to it, tickets on sale until October 15, with final return limit October 15.

The T. J. Potter, queen of river boats, leaves Fortland for Astoria and North Beach points as follows: September 7, 5:65 A. M.; September 8, 1:60 P. M.; September 12, 7:00 A. M.; September 14, 5:00 A. M.; September 14, 5:05 A. M. The Potter is now making certain daylight trips from liwace to Portland.

The Hassalo leaves Partland for Astoria and way points, cosnecting at Astoria with Nahcotta for Ilwaco and North Beach points, Ash-street dock daily at 3:00 P. M.; excepting Sunday (Saturday at 16:00 P. M.)

Particulars and O. R. & N. Summer book by asking at Third and Washington stroots, Portland.

General Discusses Democratic Party Tendencies He Does Not Approve.

MAKES CLEVER DIAGNOSIS

Also Suggests That the Brethren of His Political Faith Imitate the Republicans and Call a Love Feast.

General Killfeather, Democratic warhorse of renown, thinks it time to match the Republican peace conference with one of the Democratic brand, but his friend Warhorse Pat Powers is of an opposing mind; so are Alex Sweek, state chairman of the foriorn hosts in Oregon, and John B. Ryan, secretary. The General and Pat were alleged to be

mixed up in the scramble for the job of crematory superintendent, the former desiring it for his brother-in-law, Buckley; the latter for himself. And there is said to be a rankling soreness in the breasts of both over Daggett's snatching the job

But Pat bravely denies; foreooth contends that he never wanted the job.
"Why, biess your heart," he exclaimed "I'd just as soon have expected to be an angel or a dogcatcher; in fact, I'd rather be dogcatcher, because there's more money in it if it's worked right," and Mr. Powers looked very wise indeed, as if he might be willing to wait a while before becoming an angel.

Blames Reform for Humiliation. Killfeather was prone to blame "re form" for all the humiliation that has come to Democratic job-chasers in gen-eral and the Irish in particular. An om-inous cloud darkened his gaelic brow yesterday. Lightning was in his eye and he was spitting dynamite.

"Fiat and insipid is the Dimmycratic party of Portland," said he, "they'se no juice on the trolley, the power is turned off, they'se's break at headquar-ters. The great Multnomah Dimmychatic Club, the erstwhile creator and incubator of publicists and statesmen. has moved its headquarters to the curb-stone forum at the corner of Fourth and Washington streets to save rent; up in the sumptuous environs of City Hall its a clear case of 'abas les Irelandais' and a muttered rejoinder of 'et tu Brutus,' which means in English 't'

'ell wid yez.'
"In the kodak of me mind I can see the once glorious symbol of our dis-tracted party, the animated and vocifrous donkey, stript of his plumage and pacing the plaza with wistful eyes in the direction of the City Hall; they'se no fountain to slack his thirst, no verdure to quicken his footsteps, age to appease his hunger, as he walks forlorn in a barren waste with his ears melancholy flopping in mournful caience to the sad requiem of base in-

Glassy Eye and Frozen Face.

"If one of us is graciously admitted to the ixclusive precincts of the throne room, he agethur confronts the glassy eye and frozen face, or receives that marked and rayspectful attention that a man gives who picks his nose during a sermon in church.

"It all comes from what is called rayform," said the Gineral, "I would diagnose this rayform to consist of aguil parts of puree of ego, ministerial hash and mugwumpish ple, seasoned and flavored with the oxone philosophy of the little great. It is the science of municipal physics which irritates the bowels of the body politic but does not alse them like the ginuine old-fash-loned Pennoyer pills. It may pass for medico-politics, but its dom poor Dim-mycratic chemistry."

"And this is what they call rayform." said the Gineral. "Whin did rayform keep its neck out of the yoke of the coin? What, as the lawyers say, what is the quid pro quo for this blessed privilege of rayform? Did yez ever see a successful rayformer dining on biled dog and a scoop of Weinhard's? Naw sir!

General Discusses Reform.

"Glory be! I'll give thirty cents as me individual subscription to install an organ built of Oswego pipe for the private use of the insickutive comity, so that their munical member can elevate their delib-

rations with the chastely strains of the 'Holy City.'

"Rayform." said the Gineral, "what is rayform? Ax John Lamont, ax Pat Powers, ax Joe Malley, ax Jim Foley, ax any of the warriors old and patriots bold! They might sprain their jaws if they tried to tell ye. I pray his Serene Highness to rayform his rayform before aberration sets in; for like the rainbow-chaser in Hutch's sacred drama, one may shoot his orifismme up to the stars, but he'll never get his picture on a cigar box."
"I would rayspectfully suggest to me frind Aleck Sweek that now is an auspi-

cious time to issue a call to the loyal braves to commune in convintion assembled for the purpose of meeting the on-slaught of the coming love feast of the great Tycoon of the Raypublican party. He might add be the way of postscript: Police, doctors, stretchers, bandages, crutches and ambulances close at hand in case of emergency."

NO CALL FOR DEMOCRATS.

Will Wait to See What the Repub-

Democrats will not summon their State Central Committee together for the pres-ent. Alex Sweek, chairman, and John B. Ryan, secretary, had almost decided on a meeting for next month, but the an-nouncement that the Republican commit-tee would come together October 12 changed their minds, for they reasoned

changed their minds, for they reasoned that they would better wait to see what their Republican brethren would do, in order if possible to make campaign thunder out of any mistakes.

Such was the decision of Mr. Sweek and Mr. Ryan yesterday. Both said that their party needed no peace conference, because it was already at peace, and that party affairs could be run by the rank and flie of the party without suggestion by a committee.

committee.

The real purpose of the proposal to call the committee together was to devise persussions to induce Democrats to seek nominations for other state offices besides Governor. It is no secret that leaders of the Democratic host view with coneern the coming of the primaries, because of the shyness of eligible stalwarts who are needed on the ticket. A man who seeks a nomination will have to go down in his pocket for considerable money for campaign expenses, and if he sees no chance of election he is likely to stay out of the race for the nomination.

held a family reunion at her home last Saturday evening in honor of her brother, Captain James Smith, who recently re-turned to Portland from New York, after an absence of 15 years. The house and yard were decorated with Chinese lan-terns and refreshments were served on

the lawn.

Those present were: Captain James H.
Smith, of New York; Mrs. G. M. Smith,
of Chicago; F. L. Hughes, of Seattle;
Mrs. W. T. Heals, Mr. and Mrs. Walter
Wright and Miss Jessie Smith, of California, and Mrs. J. B. Smith, Miss A. R.
Hughes, Misses Jessie and Hazel Smith,
Messars, Donald and Raymond Smith and
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PHOTOGRAPHERS END MEET

More Than a Hundred Exhibitors at the Convention.

A short session yesterday morning losed the most successful photographers' onvention ever held in the Northwest. There were in all 100 exhibitors and about 250 delegates present, including the best-known photographers in Oregon, Wash-ington and California. The exhibits were somewhat smaller than some which have been made at previous conventions, but the quality of the work shown was of a much higher standard than any collec-tion ever brought together in the North-

largely with a discussion upon the advisability of readopting the prize system. During the first year after organization prizes were offered for the best pictures shown in each of access different different prizes. shown in each of several different classes. This plan was found to cause much dissatisfaction among the members and af-ter a short time it was discarded. At yesterday's meeting several favored adopting the old system and the matter was left entirely in the hands of the ex-ecutive board. It is thought that a plan will be chosen providing for a hoard of judges to select the best picture from each individual exhibit. While this would not provide for competition it would be valuable in pointing out to each exhibitor the line of work in which he was espe-

cially proficient and would give no cause for professional jealousy. The report of the secretary-treasurer. Charles Butterworth, was especially gratifying, showing a surplus of \$300 in the treasury, whereas a deficit of \$50 had existed at the beginning of the last year Mr. Butterworth has served in the same capacity four years in all and as a recognition of his untiring and successful work he was made the recipient of a valuable

In the foreign class F. E. Child, of Inaward.

Young Will Appeal.

Attorneys for Joe Young, who was found guilty of shooting Kaspar Van Dran, state that they will appeal the case to the Supreme Court. The first move will be to file a motion for a new trial, and sentence will not be pronounced until this motion has been new trial, and sentence will not be pronounced until this motion has been disposed of. The penalty for the crime out of the window. Mayor King was in is imprisonment of from three months to one year in the County Jali, or six come to the approval of the minutes of

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months to ten years in the Peniten-tiary, or a fine of from \$100 to \$1000.

Deadlock Continues in St. Johns. At a meeting of the St. Johns Council last night the hopes of those who ex-pected to see the squabble ended were doomed to disappointment, for the mem-

Councilmen Legett, Shields, Edwards and Edwards as a legal member. Attorneys Brice were absent. Without settling this for Mayor King refused to agree to recogquestion of approval one way or the nize Edwards as a member. An effort other by agreement, Attorney McCarry drew up a written basis on which the foregoing Councilmen agreed to submit the case to the Circuit Court. This statement was to the effect that the Circuit hitch. If an agreement can be reached, ment was to the effect that the Circuit Court should pass on the eligibility of Councilmen C. D. Edwards and P. J.

Court should pass on the eligibility of Edwards and Peterson's status will be Councilmen C. D. Edwards and P. J. submitted to the Circuit Court upon a Peterson to remain and take part in the statement of facts, and if not, then the

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