

# Phases of Industrial Growth in the Pacific Northwest

## OREGON HIDES IN TEXAS SADDLES

Leather Tanned by Hemlock Bark Possesses Valuable Lasting Qualities.

## ALBANY TANNERIES BUSY

Demand for Output Takes All the Factories Can Supply—Lull in Lumber Business Affects Supply of Bark for Tanneries.

ALBANY, Or., July 19.—(Special.)—To ship leather from Oregon to Texas where millions of cattle roam its plains and hills, would seem like the proverbial carrying of coal to Newcastle. But Oregon tanneries find their best market for leather in Texas, which is famed as the greatest cattle state in the Union. The cause of this unique industrial condition lies in the fact that Oregon hemlock furnishes the best tanning bark in the world for saddle leather.

The two largest tanneries in Oregon which manufacture saddle leather are in Albany. They are the Star Tannery and the Albany Tanning Company. Both make big shipments to Texas and have a market there constantly for all of the heavy leather they can supply. There are only three other tanneries in the state which use hemlock bark in tanning, and all ship largely to Texas. One is at Brownsville also in this county; another is at Dallas, and the fifth is a new one just starting at Toledo, Lincoln County. The only other tannery in Oregon, which is situated at Fulton, a Portland suburb, uses California oak bark and manufactures a different grade of leather.

There is a greater market for saddles in Texas than any other place in the United States. They are manufactured there by the thousands, and the manufacturers have learned that the best saddle leather, "skirting," it is technically called, can be made by using Oregon hemlock bark in tanning.

Hemlock trees grow in all parts of the United States but the peculiar quality of the bark which produces its superior finish in tanning is found only on the trees which grow in the Cascade Mountains of Oregon and Washington. The Cascade hemlock contains qualities which produce a better finish and color in the leather and also makes it wear longer. Another quality in the Oregon hemlock is that it is so soft and pliable that it can be oiled up and will present as good an appearance as when new, something no other leather will do.

So the Oregon tanneries, and particularly the two large plants in this city ship hundreds of thousands of pounds of leather annually to the wholesale leather houses in Dallas, Austin, San Antonio and Waco, in Texas, which in turn retail it out to the saddle-makers in every city, town and hamlet in the Lone Star State.

The lighter weights of leather manufactured here go to many places in the Middle West, but all of the heavy leather which the local tanneries make goes direct to Texas. The demand from the biggest of states has been apparent for many years and right now efforts are being made by a big Texas firm to contract with one of the local tanneries for all of the heavy leather it can supply.

Oregon skirting leather has a world-wide reputation in the leather markets for its superior quality to any leather manufactured. At the World's Fair at Chicago in 1893 the first prize for skirting leather was won by the old Astoria tannery, now dismantled, whose owner, J. W. B. Lewis, is now foreman of the Albany Tanning Company's plant in this city. At the Lewis and Clark fair the Albany Tanning Company took the prize for the best skirting.

Albany is an ideal location for tanneries because of the fact that the Corvallis & Eastern Railroad taps a big hemlock tract and the bark can be secured advantageously. The two local tanneries are a big industry and their output is valued at about \$1,000,000 annually, and but for their raw material here, while all of the shipments are made to points outside the state. About 1000 cords of hemlock bark are used by the two Albany tanneries every year, the bark costing, when delivered, an average price of \$12 per cord.

The supply of hemlock bark in the Oregon mountains will likely suffice for many years, but right now there is an apparent scarcity in the market. This is due to the fact that no trees are needed until they are felled for logging purposes, commercial economy dictating this system, and since there has been very little activity in the logging industry recently because of excessive railroad rates, the bark is scarce.

## MONTESANO CANNERY OPEN

WILL OPERATE CONTINUOUSLY THROUGHOUT SEASON.

Logged-Off Lands to Be Utilized in Future for Growing of Various Small Fruits.

MONTESANO, Wash., July 18.—(Special.)—The cannery of the Montesano Fruitgrowers' Association was steamed up Friday for the first time. Everything is now ready for a steady run when the products are ready, which will be in a week or two.

The cannery will employ an average of 20 people and the output will be 2000 one-gallon cans of fruit per day. The officials say the principal output will be blackberries and string beans, although there will be some plums, prunes and apples. An experienced canneryman has been engaged to take charge of the working of the institution, and it starts with every indication of success. Arrangements have been already made with one party to take the entire crop of string beans and it is estimated that this will amount to about \$7000. Besides canning fruits and vegetables, the association will ship fresh fruit, to outside markets and thus add materially to its revenue.

It is said that this will raise the price of the logged-off lands, as it has been proven that these lands are the best to be found for evergreen blackberries and other small fruits and vegetables. The natural advantages of the Chesalt Valley make such crops almost certain.

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## MEDFORD'S NEW CITY FIRE HALL



RECENTLY ERECTED AT A COST OF \$10,000.

MEDFORD, Or., July 19.—(Special.)—Medford numbers among its municipal improvements for the present year a new City Fire Hall, built at a cost of \$10,000. The building is complete in every detail, containing large, airy Council Chambers, a fireproof vault for the city's records and Recorder's office, and large sleeping rooms with bath room for the firemen. One of the rooms on the second floor will be used for the present as a library and reading room, the library having been recently acquired through the efforts of the women of the Greater Medford Club.

## YAMHILL GROWERS ELATED

POINT WITH PRIDE TO SUCCESS AT CHERRY SHOW.

Millard Lounsdale Says Willamette Valley Is Natural Home of the Luscious Fruit.

Cherry-growers of Yamhill County are much elated over the fact that the product of that county took the grand prize cup at the Salem Cherry Show last week.

There are some interesting facts connected with the growth of the cherry industry in Yamhill County, which is the native section of several of the finest varieties of the fruit known. In the exhibit of Millard O. Lounsdale were specimens of at least three varieties—the Bing, Royal Anne and Lambert—grown to the largest size yet attained in any section of the world. Mr. Lounsdale's Yamhill County exhibit was assembled from orchards at La Fayette, Dayton, Newburg and Springbrook.

Mr. Lounsdale, in referring to the Salem show, said yesterday: "The Salem Cherry Fair was a revelation, both as to size and quality of cherries grown in Oregon. The exhibit was the finest display of cherries ever shown in the world; not the largest—not as large as that of last year, nor as the cherry grown in Oregon. The exhibit was marvelous in artistic delicacy and exactness. These points were said to be deciding factors in bringing the award to Yamhill County."

"The competition for the great prize of the fair, the County Cup, was remarkably spirited, and revelations of quality and class were found in the exhibits of all competitors."

"The leaders in the competition, Yamhill and Lane, were so close together in the race that Yamhill was given the award by a margin of only three points, the score being 83 to 80. This is a great victory for Yamhill, as it was competing practically against the world, for the other competitors, Wasco, Lin, Lane and Polk, together with Yamhill, the winner, represents the greatest cherry-growing section yet known to man."

"It is a surprising fact that of the six or seven leading varieties of cherries in the world today, all but one of them originated in the Willamette Valley, and that one, the Royal Anne, is in our valley twice the size and of higher quality than in its native home, the South of France. The Bing, Lambert, Hoskins, Lake, Black Republican and several others all originated in this valley, proving that our valley is the natural home of the cherry."

"Taking all these things into consideration, the people of Yamhill are naturally elated at winning the \$50 grand prize cup in competition."

"This prize cup will be on exhibition in the window of Olds, Wortman & King, at the corner of Fifth and Washington, this morning, together with a few boxes of the prize-winning varieties."

## SCAB ON VALLEY APPLES

Disease Due to Continued Wet Weather Affects Yellow Varieties.

OREGON CITY, Or., July 19.—(Special.)—County Fruit Inspector Lewis is authority for the assertion that many of the apples in the Willamette Valley are affected with scab, due to the wet and backward spring. While the red apples are not seriously affected, scab has appeared on the light skinned fruit, such as the Yellow Newtowns and Bellflowers. Had the apples been sprayed with the right kind of material in time the scab would have almost entirely disappeared, but it was not noticed until late. Only the exterior appearance of the fruit is injured, as the fruit under the skin is in prime condition.

San Jose scale is not nearly so general this season as in former years, and the Clackamas County growers are learning modern methods in caring for their fruit.

Builds Big Fruit Evaporator.

COTTAGE GROVE, Or., July 19.—(Special.)—The Cottage Grove Fruit Company, which was organized in this city last Spring, with C. M. Denmore, of Eugene, as manager, is now rapidly completing its building on ground adjacent to the Southern Pacific Company's right of way. The dryer will be one of the best in Lane County, with a capacity of 20 tons of green fruit every 24 hours. The building is 60x20 feet, and is built on the Payette River; second, the north side Boise division, comprising the lands on the north side of the Boise River that will be irrigated by means of a canal delivering from that stream an area of 23,000 acres; third, the south side Boise division, comprising the lands on the south side of the Boise Valley, 22,000 acres in extent, that are to receive water

from the Boise River; fourth, the Succor Creek division, 25,700 acres, consisting of the lands on the south side of the Snake River near the Idaho-Oregon state line in the vicinity of Succor Creek. The great works which have so far been done on this extensive project have cost almost \$2,000,000, considerably more than was originally allotted to the project.

These are the things done and to be done by D. W. Ross, retiring Reclamation Service engineer of this city. In his report he shows how, by the development of the Payette-Boise project, 400,000 additional acres of land can be brought under cultivation. In tracts of 40 acres, this area would support 10,000 families. This mammoth project is tributary to Portland.

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Special sale fine shoes at Rosenthal's.

## MOVING PICTURES TO SHOW PROJECT

Payette-Boise Undertaking Is Soon to Be Ready to Receive Immigration.

## 400,000 ACRES INVOLVED

Wonderfully Rich Country in Eastern Oregon and Idaho to Be Reclaimed From Desert Wastes. Will Support Thousands.

BOISE, Idaho, July 19.—(Special.)—The Western man's dream is coming true in Eastern Oregon and Western Idaho. The prophecy in which an engineer foretold the reclamation of 400,000 acres of barren sage brush land through the medium of life-giving water, properly stored and controlled, is about to be a realization backed by hard work and tireless energy of brain. In other words a great slice of one-time worthless land in Oregon and Idaho is soon to furnish homes for 10,000 people.

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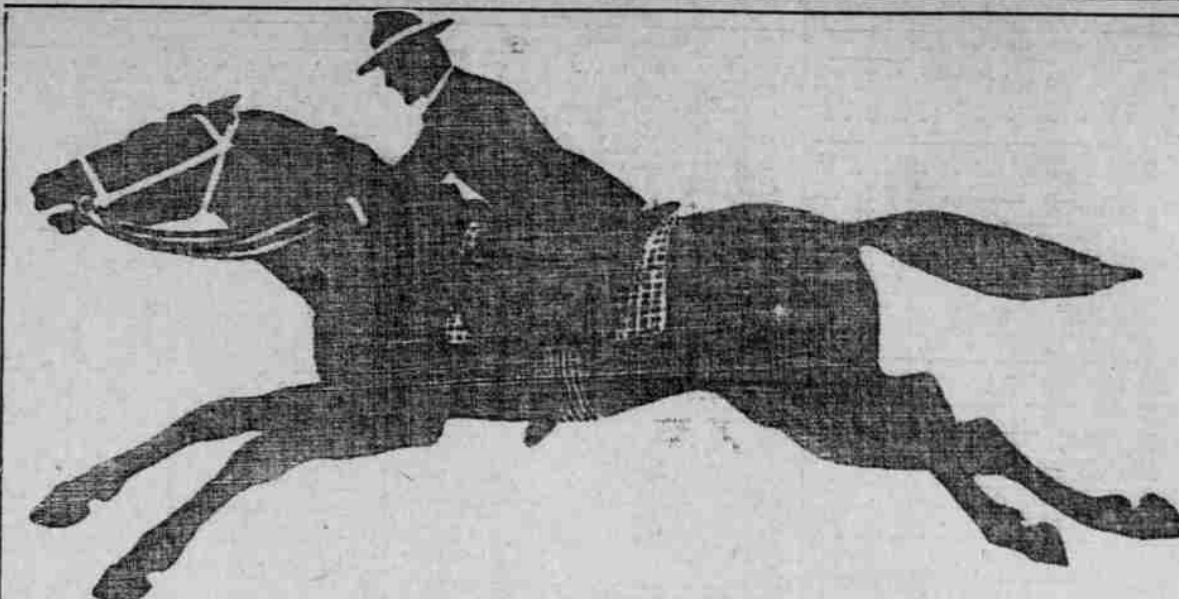
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## DAILY METEOROLOGICAL REPORT.

PORTLAND, July 19.—Maximum temperature, 92 degrees; minimum, 69 degrees. River reading at 5 A. M., 11.3 feet; change in last 24 hours, none. Total rainfall, none; total



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## PACIFIC COAST WEATHER.

rainfall since September 1, 1907, 39 inches; normal rainfall, 44.38 inches; deficiency, 5.38 inches. Total sunshine, July 18, 15 hours, 18 minutes; possible sunshine, 15 hours, 18 minutes. Barometer, reduced to sea-level at 5 P. M., 29.84 inches.

ern Oregon the high mark of 102 was recorded during the afternoon. At Portland the maximum temperature was 92 and this point has been reached before this season, but not exceeded.

The indications are for fair weather Monday in this district, with continued high temperatures east of the Cascade Mountains but in Western Oregon the indications are favorable for a slight amelioration in the heat.

FORECASTS

Portland and vicinity—Fair and probably not quite so warm; winds mostly northerly.

Washington—Fair and continued warm; north to east winds.

Idaho—Fair and continued warm.

EDWARD A. BEALS, District Forecaster.

Wireless Weather Report.

City of Puebla, of Destruction Island, 3 P. M., July 19, 1908.—Barometer, 30.04 inches; thermometer, 62 degrees; weather clear, sea smooth, wind northwest, light (Sailed).

CITY OF PUEBLA.

Late Marine Notes.

The steam schooner Washington is due to arrive from San Francisco tomorrow.

The Norwegian steamship Sark, from California, is due to reach Astoria today. She will complete cargo for Port Pirie.

The steamship State of California is due to arrive from San Francisco tomorrow morning.

There has been a marked fall in pressure over the North Pacific states during the last 12 hours, but no rain has fallen and cloudiness has increased but little in any locality. The temperature everywhere continues unusually high and in the Sacramento Valley the thermometer again registered 108 degrees and at Rossburg in South-

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