

HOP HARVEST IS HALTED BY RAINS

Pickers in Many Localities Leave for Homes and Growers Worry.

BIG YARDS LOSE HEAVILY

Torrents Through Valley Are Completing Devastation Begun by Wind and Hail—1000 Pounds Now Best Yield to Acre.

PRESENT STORM TO ABATE WITHIN 24 HOURS IS FORECAST.

Forecaster Beale announced last night that the indications were that the storm would not continue longer than 24 hours, if as long as that. He did not think much rain would fall today and that would be in the forenoon.

The total rainfall for the month to 7 o'clock last night is 4.44 inches. The heaviest rainfall on record for the month of September is 4.25 inches in 1888. The rainfall for this month already exceeds the record by 0.19 inch.

Forecast for today for Portland and vicinity: Showers, probably followed by fair weather during the afternoon. Warmer. Westerly winds. Maximum temperature in Portland yesterday 57 degrees.

WOODBURN, Or., Sept. 12.—(Special.)—The storm last night did considerable damage to hopyards in this vicinity. Many of the vines are on the ground and with a heavy rain still falling it will be impossible to complete the harvest.

Small yards have finished picking, but in the large yards pickers are going home and harvesting is demoralized. So far the yield is even less per acre than expected. The best yards are not producing more than 1000 pounds to the acre.

Fields of corn suffered severely in the storm, having been entirely blown down. There is also a heavy loss by wind, on apples, pears and prunes. Unthreshed grain and clover seed is suffering damage from the rain.

LANE CROPS IN GOOD SHAPE

Hops and Prunes Not Damaged, So Growers Report.

EUGENE, Or., Sept. 12.—(Special.)—In spite of yesterday's unprecedented hail storm and the unusually heavy rain of the last ten days, Lane County's hop and prune crops have not suffered disastrous damage. In many of the hopyards yesterday's storm blew down the poles and vines, but by quick picking the crop can be saved.

The hail apparently shattered very few hops from the vines, more damage resulting from the blowing down of the poles.

The chief difficulty confronting the hopmen is to keep the pickers in the yards. Large numbers of them are breaking their camps and leaving for their homes because of the extremely disagreeable weather. Growers will probably have to offer bonuses to the pickers, as under the weather conditions rapid picking is imperative.

The amount of damage done in different yards varies. At the old Neils yard just above Springfield, the vine picked crop is virtually ruined. At the Campbell & Walker yard, between Eugene and Springfield, the damage was heavy, the vines being blown down and badly damaged. At the Seavy yard on the McKenzie River, the largest in the county and one of the large yards of the state, the damage was slight.

Seventy acres of vines fell to the ground a week ago when the rain first began, but most of the hops were saved. Yesterday's storm seems to have knocked off only a few of the hops in this yard. The Bushnell yard, just north of town, has suffered little damage as yet, and the Thornsbury yard, on Patterson island, is only slightly injured.

Prunes and peaches have so far been little damaged, owing largely to the fact that the season is very late and the crop has ripened slowly. Very little fruit was beaten from the trees by the hail and the fruit is not ripe enough for the rain to cause bursting.

Considerable corn is grown along the Willamette and McKenzie Rivers, and yesterday's wind and hail storm blew it down badly. It is the prevailing opinion of fruit and hopmen here that with fair weather conditions from now on, a fair crop will be harvested.

HOPPICKERS' EXODUS FEARED

Yards Near Salem May Suffer by Delay in Harvest.

SALEM, Or., Sept. 12.—(Special.)—Fears are being expressed here that continued rains will cause the hop-pickers throughout this part of the valley to become disgusted and leave the yards. Otherwise the general feeling as to the condition of the crop is not one of apprehension aside from the fact that it is believed the quality has been injured to a certain extent. Some dealers have reported that they have noticed slight traces of mold, but do not think these will develop into anything serious unless the rains are continued. Practically no fear is expressed as to either lice or mold. The principal fear is that late picking may be caused by an exodus of hop-pickers.

The prune crop so far is not materially damaged. Peaches are damaged perhaps 10 per cent. Some cracking has resulted. Unless the rain brings the prunes to the ground not much fear is expressed at the present time. Picking is due to start in about a week.

FRUIT IS BLOWN FROM TREES

Orchards Are Damaged, Hoppickers Drenched at Brownsville.

BROWNVILLE, Or., Sept. 12.—(Special.)—A terrific wind, rain and hail storm that passed over this section at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon damaged telephone and electric light poles and wires and blew considerable fruit from the trees. Grain and hay in the fields not yet taken to shelter were thoroughly soaked and will undoubtedly suffer greater damage than from the preceding rains.

The storm, which was accompanied by a high wind, lasted about 20 minutes and the rain fell in such torrents that

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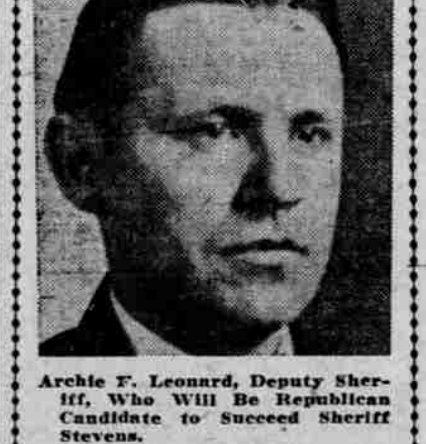
LEONARD IN RAGE

Deputy Sheriff to Be Candidate for Shrievalty.

THREE NOW SEEK OFFICE

Noted Capturer of Criminals and Sleuth Under Many Administrations to Announce Self When Back From East.

Before going to Chicago to return a prisoner to this state, Archie F. Leonard, Deputy Sheriff, confided to his friends the fact that if Sheriff Stevens did not run for re-election he would be a candidate for the Republican nomination for Sheriff in the primaries next Spring. Although Mr. Leonard has not returned from the East his friends yesterday announced his candidacy. Sheriff Stevens having formally declared last Saturday that he would not seek re-election. Mr. Leonard will make a formal announcement of his candidacy when he reaches Portland, aver his friends.



Archie F. Leonard, Deputy Sheriff, Who Will Be Republican Candidate to Succeed Sheriff Stevens.

with the police department and the Sheriff's office, few men are better known in Portland and throughout the state than Mr. Leonard. For a number of years he was a member of the police and detective forces and for a time served as private secretary to different Chiefs of Police. When Tom Word was elected Sheriff Leonard was offered and accepted a deputyship in recognition of his reputation for efficiency as a sleuth. He was retained in the same capacity by Sheriff Stevens and, including the two-year term of Tom Word, has served as Deputy Sheriff continuously for nine years.

As Deputy Sheriff, Mr. Leonard has run to earth scores of criminals and as a successful manhunter he has few equals. In addition to his qualifications as a sleuth, Mr. Leonard has had considerable experience as an accountant.

usually with Mr. Hollingsworth last week.

KRUSE HERE, IS REPORT

Hotel Man, Long Missing, Is Said to Have Been Seen in City.

That relative of Theodore Kruse, missing hotel proprietor, know where he is, is the statement of persons who have been watching the case since August 21, when Kruse disappeared mysteriously 10 days before he was to take a lease on the new Carlton Hotel. Rumors were circulated yesterday that Kruse was in the city and that he was seen on the streets as recently as last Monday.

Among those who have heard that Kruse has returned is Philip Govurtz, of Govurtz & Sons, who says he lost \$40,000 as a result of dealings with Kruse. Mr. Govurtz said yesterday he heard that Kruse was seen near the Belvedere Hotel. Others also say they saw Kruse.

Employees of the Belvedere deny that Kruse has returned, saying that nothing has been heard of him as far as they know.

The belief that Kruse has either come back or is in hiding in or near the city is strengthened by the fact that Mrs. Kruse has recently become silent on the subject. Attempts to interview her at the Belvedere, where she formerly volunteered information readily, have been of no avail and it is thought she knows where her husband is, but has decided not to make his whereabouts known.

HORSE'S RUN SPILLS FRUIT

After Circling Block, Runaway Returns to Bruised Drivers.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Sept. 12.—(Special.)—Becoming frightened at a passing automobile, a horse driven by Mat Spurgeon, Sr., and Chat Knight, who had the wagon filled with fruits, grain, vegetables and grasses for the Clark County Harvest Show, dashed down Fifth street, rearing, turning the buggy, and then returning to the curb, where the frightened animal would stop.

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