

CENTRAL OREGON HAS LAMISH CROP

Rains Delay Harvesting, but Farmers Prepare to Gather Record Production.

NEW TOWNS SPRING UP

Corn Favorite Crop, Giving Promise of Increased Livestock Industry—Area of Great Territory Astounding.

BY R. G. CALVERT.

PRINEVILLE, Or., Aug. 18.—(Staff Correspondence)—Columbia County is not worrying about autumn rains, although more or less moisture has fallen throughout Central Oregon in the last three days. The harvest season had been delayed by previous rains, which came in the growing season. With promise now of good weather the farmers are preparing to gather in the greatest crop ever known in the district.

Through smiling fields of promise, the advance guard of the Portland delegation to the development meeting at Lakeview traveled a greater part of yesterday. The day was cool, the rain had laid the dust, every farmer had a cheery greeting, induced perhaps in part by his prosperous outlook. The machines hummed along without a single untoward delay. In Wasco County some damage was noted. There the harvest is earlier than in Crook. In some of the fields grain in sacks lay exposed to the elements, but these were the exception rather than the rule.

In the Agency Plains district near Madras, the exceptional season has put hundreds of new homesteaders on their feet and has brought encouragement to the older settlers of the district. Therefore the advent of the railroad through the Agency Plains were not famed for scientific agricultural methods. There was not much inducement to grow grain. There was no adequate market. Many farmers merely scratched the ground and were content to plow along and postpone the day for more active effort to the time when a rail outlet would be provided.

Corn Is Favorite Crop.
The railroads—two of them—have now come. Along with the railroads has come also the Oregon Agricultural College. It has established a dry farming demonstration tract near Madras. It is showing by ocular proof the value of conservation of moisture and the fact that corn and alfalfa can be grown on dry land.

If one may judge conclusively from farm appearances, the settlers have had greater faith in the growing of corn than they have had in the possibilities of dry-land alfalfa. Agency Plains farmers have put in a surprising lot of corn and, as a rule, it looks almost as well as that produced on the demonstration tract. A person could not lose himself in a present-day Central Oregon cornfield without being struck by the fact that it is a new thing. Even if he entered a large one he could see his way out over the tassels. The dry-land corn is a rotating crop to be fed to stock. In a succession of seasons like the present one it could be made to take the place of summer fallowing. There would then be a crop on every acre of year, which is the doctrine the college experts have been preaching to the farmers of districts where the rainfall is not actually scant. The crop of corn growing in a promise in itself of more livestock on the farm. It is a programme in which Portland is, or ought to be, intensely interested. It means more money for the farmers, better prices for the consumers and general prosperity all around.

Transportation Changes Map.
Two railroads into Central Oregon have changed materially the aspect of the country. Yesterday I traveled by automobile over a route practically the same as one I followed two years ago. Then the railroads had not been completed. Yesterday I ate lunch at a thriving town that was not in existence two years ago, and again at dinner I had the same experience.

Maupin was the lunch stop for the party. It is a new town, a few years old but it has two general stores, a drug store, hotel, restaurant and several other business enterprises. It lies in the Deschutes canyon on one of the old trail routes from the interior to the Dalles.

Wasco county has replaced the pioneer ferry with a new bridge across the river, and a new road will connect both sides of the deep depression where runs the foaming river. These roads are on well-planned grades—grades that are the easiest of any leading into the Deschutes canyon. The result is that Maupin is becoming the trading and shipping center, with two railroads an outlet, for a district about 20 miles square.

Metolius Has Blossomed.
Metolius is the town less than two years old. Two years ago it was a characteristic Central Oregon flat, with a juniper tree growing here and there. Today there are an excellent hotel and several prosperous-looking business houses. Cement sidewalks are laid where the jackrabbits 24 months ago were wont to scamper.

The trip of that portion of the delegation which preceded the main Portland body began at The Dalles. It gave the speakers for knowledge of their own state a glimpse of Dufur, Wamie, Tygh Valley, Maupin, Shaniko, Antelope, Gateway, Madras, Metolius and Lemoine, with a stopover night at Prineville. The route followed was not the shortest between The Dalles and Prineville, but the party is out to see the country. The visits to Wamie and Agency Plains were really side trips.

This journey covered a distance of 176 miles by automobile after a trip of 88 miles by rail to The Dalles. And at that, the party at Prineville is not yet at the center of Oregon.

Mileage figures do not mean much to many readers. If one should say that the distance covered by automobile Saturday was almost the equivalent of a journey from Portland to Seattle, perhaps a better idea would be given of the ground covered and a fuller knowledge of the magnitude of what that country which Portland people refer to in general terms as Eastern Oregon, amounts to in extent.

Whereas the advance guard goes to Lakeview by way of Burns and Colonel Hanley's P. ranch, the main delegation will follow the route that leads by Silver Lake, Summer Lake and the Chewaucan. The latter party will leave Bend Monday, attend a development meeting at Fort Rock and spend the night at Silver Lake, proceeding Tuesday to Lakeview.

MILK MICROBES LIMITED
Vancouver Proposes to Wage Campaign for Clean Dairies.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Aug. 18.—(Special.)—Milk that contains more than

200,000 microbes for each cubic centimeter will be considered unclean and unfit for use, if the ordinance prepared by the City Council to take effect tomorrow night. The ordinance provides for the inspection of dairy herds from which milk is taken for consumption in Vancouver, milk and cream, and the regulation and disposal of it.

The stall for each cow in the dairy must be provided with a window pane at least two feet square, and each cow must have a good tight wall around her, and so placed that she will not be subject to unkind draughts of air, according to the provisions of the proposed ordinance.

If a milkman desires to sell skimmed milk, he must label the can he carries it in with red letters, three inches high, "Skimmed Milk," and if a restaurateur has decided to serve skimmed milk, this fact must be posted in a conspicuous place. "We serve skimmed milk."

Should an inspector find a cow that is diseased, he must place a permanent metal tag in the right ear of the animal, but if he is not sure, and only suspects disease, the tag is to be placed in the left ear.

MILWAUKIE TO DECIDE

MASS MEETING CALLED TO DISCUSS WATER PROBLEM.

Election to Vote on \$40,000 Bond Issue to Build New Plant Arouses Argument.

MILWAUKIE, Or., Aug. 18.—(Special.)—The voters of this place will pass on the proposition to issue bonds to the amount of \$40,000 at a special election to be held next Thursday, the money to be used in establishing a municipal water plant. In order to discuss the matter a mass meeting of citizens has been called at the City Hall Tuesday night.

At the election only the question of issuing bonds will be decided, although a preferential vote may be held to decide whether Milwaukie favors Bull Run or Minthorn Springs water, and these are the questions which will be considered at the mass meeting Tuesday night.

It had been supposed that Bull Run water might be secured by extending a main to Sellwood and there attaching to the system, but after some investigation it was ascertained that only a few portions of Milwaukie would have sufficient pressure from that source, and hence an eight or 10-inch main would be required from the higher elevations at Mount Tabor, the cost of which would absorb most of the money realized from the bond issue. However, if Minthorn Springs were used it will require a pumping station in order to cover the entire district. Milwaukie at present is fairly well piped in the residence sections, and would only require a few large mains for fire protection.

At the last meeting of the City Council the following judges and clerks were appointed to serve at the special election: Judges, P. Kling, F. S. Lachler and H. Phillips; clerks, F. S. Lachler and Leo Johnson.

REWARD OFFER MAY REACT

Roseburg Officers Not Pleased at West's Bootlegger Scheme.

ROSEBURG, Or., Aug. 18.—(Special.)—That Governor West's action in offering a reward of \$100 for the arrest and conviction of "bootleggers" will greatly enhance the number of "would-be" bootleggers in Douglas County is the belief of local officers here today.

While the Roseburg sleuths have the liquor situation well in hand, it is not altogether probable, so they say, that many individuals will enroll themselves as detectives in order that they may share in the liberal reward posted by the state. The officers are of the opinion that too many "private detectives" will have the effect of making it most difficult to secure such evidence as is necessary in warranting the arrest and securing convictions of this particular class of law violators.

Sheriff George Quinn, of Douglas County, has made a number of raids during the past year, and in nearly every instance he has secured sufficient evidence to warrant a conviction. He believes in working quietly, and, through this system, he says, he is better able to secure evidence which cannot be shaken by the defense.

Bridge Work Is Rushed.

JUNCTION CITY, Or., Aug. 18.—(Special.)—Work is being rushed on the five-span steel bridge of the Oregon Electric over the Willamette near Junction City. The temporary wood bridge has been completed and the excavation for four of the concrete piers has been completed to a depth of 40 feet below the surface of the river. These four solid concrete piers are now nearly completed. Excavations for these piers had to be made under air pressure, three shifts of negroes being employed in the work. The bottom of the excavation is being rushed so that the steel bridge can be completed before the high water.

Burglars Busy at Grants Pass.

GRANTS PASS, Or., Aug. 18.—(Special.)—A burglar entered the home of Michael Clemens Friday night, and after ransacking the place carried away a gold watch and several dollars. His entrance was by way of the basement, and the inmates of the house failed to hear the intruder. A number of places for the burglar to enter, but so far the police have been unable to round up the right man.

Mrs. Hannah Norton Dead.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Aug. 18.—(Special.)—Mrs. Hannah Norton, of Walnut Grove, who has lived there for 45 years, is dead at the age of 87 years. A funeral will be conducted tomorrow morning at Glenwood by Rev. Father Felix Verwiltgen, of St. Joseph's Catholic Church of this city. Mrs. Norton died five years ago. Mrs. Norton was born in Pennsylvania.

Jap Aviator Hurt in Fall.

LIBERTY LAKE, Wash., Aug. 18.—K. Thaelsh, of Los Angeles, a Japanese aviator, was badly injured late today, when his biplane crashed into a grove of trees as he made a landing from a practice flight. He had reached the ground safely but was unable to stop the plane after it touched the earth.

Albany to Send 50 Men.

ALBANY, Or., Aug. 18.—(Special.)—Fifth Company, Coast Artillery Corps, O. N. G., will leave Albany Tuesday morning, under the command of Captain Powell, for the mouth of the Columbia River to participate in the annual maneuvers. Fifty members will be in attendance.

Centralla Wants Sub-Station.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Aug. 18.—(Special.)—Owing to the increase of postal business in Centralia, Postmaster John Benedict, Jr., has recommended to the Postoffice Department the installation of a sub-station in the north end of the city.

Attend Rosenthal's great shoe sale.

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This is the statement of Secretary Olcott, in commenting on Dan Kellaher's declaration that the question of what will be done with Kellaher's name as Republican and Bull Moose elector is entirely up to the Secretary of State. Secretary Olcott declined further to comment on the situation today.

Whether Kellaher's name can appear more than once on the ballot is a legal point which Olcott will have to crack. Kellaher is a candidate for the State Senate, as well as for National Elector on both the Republican and Progressive party tickets. Section 337 of Lord's Oregon laws provides that "no person shall be qualified to become a candidate for more than one office to be filled at the same election."

On interpretation of this provision will depend somewhat the attitude of the Secretary of State, although in the case of Sears vs. Kincaid, decided by the Supreme Court, it is held that the only duty of the Secretary of State is to certify to the County Clerks such information to appear on the ballot as is required by law, and that his duty extends no further, and that he has no right to investigate as to the validity of a candidate's nomination or as to the regularity of the contention making the nomination.

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TALES of the TURKISH TROPHIES



TALE 15-THE NEW SLAB ARTIST

"WHO is the new Southpaw?" asked the Kink, as the Sebastopols took the field against the Constantinoples.

"That is O'Whiff of the Persian League," answered the Royal Scout enthusiastically.

"He cost us a barrel of coin, but he is the best that ever went into a box."

"Have a Turkish Trophy," said the Kink. "They cost us hardly anything, but they are the best ever came out of a box."

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CHANCE ARREST IS CLEW

Thief Who Stole Handbag Owned by Boston Woman on Alaska Dock in Seattle Falls in Effort to Hide Booty.

SEATTLE, Aug. 18.—Mrs. Harriet E. Balch, a wealthy Boston widow, was robbed of a handbag containing jewelry valued at \$4000 to \$5000 at the Canadian Pacific wharf last night, on the arrival of the steamship Princess Charlotte from Victoria. Two hours after the robbery the police made an arrest in the case, and the bag and its contents were restored to their owner.

Mrs. Balch did not report her loss to the police, and it was only through the arrest of a man giving the name of Patrick McDonald, and the finding of the jewelry that the theft became known.

A policeman walking his beat noticed McDonald acting suspiciously. He questioned the man, who did not give satisfactory answers, and arrested him. On the way to the patrol box McDonald induced the policeman to make a short cut through an alley, in which he stopped a moment and then proceeded. After his prisoner had been sent to headquarters the patrolman returned to the alley and found two diamond bracelets valued by their owner at \$2000.

In a handbag, said by McDonald to belong to his wife, other jewelry, valued at \$2000 to \$3000, was found. Mrs. Balch, who had reported her loss to the management of the hotel at which she was staying, but who did not think it necessary to notify the police, identified the bag as her property, and said that it contained all her jewels.

The robbery, Mrs. Balch said, occurred as she was waiting for a taxicab to take her from the wharf to the hotel. McDonald insisted that the handbag belonged to his wife. He said that he had just arrived from San Francisco, and that his wife would be here tomorrow.

Militia Equipment Burned.

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., Aug. 18.—The equipment of two companies of

state militia was destroyed and damage estimated at \$40,000 was done last night, by a fire which partially destroyed the warehouse of the Yakima Grocery Company.

NEW ROAD NEARLY READY

Autos May Soon Travel to Historic Modoc Lava Caves.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Aug. 18.—(Special.)—The Modoc lava caves will soon be within reach by automobile. Men employed in clearing the rocks and brush from the road will soon have completed their work.

These caves are in California about

40 miles southeast from Klamath Falls. They are well worth visiting for themselves, aside from the historical associations connected with them. It was here that the Modoc warriors fled after their murderous raid on the Klamath Valley; here that the gallant Canby was murdered, and here Captain Jack and his associates were captured after that murder, tried and afterwards hung.

County Physician Resigns.

GRANTS PASS, Or., Aug. 18.—(Special.)—Dr. Cora Lemon, Josephine county physician, has resigned her office, assigning as a reason therefor that the county home superintendent did not follow her instruction as to the sanitary conditions among the pa-

tients. The County Court held a special meeting this afternoon to consider the resignation as well as to make a thorough investigation of matters pertaining thereto.

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