

UNPRECEDENTED RAINS IN VALLEY

Rui.ous to Clover hay, cut or Standing.

CROP PROSPECTS ARE EXCELLENT.

Hops will not be a Full Crop. Berry Crop Unusually Large.

"Haying has commenced, especially in the Southern counties. The grass is ready to cut throughout this portion of the state, but it is delayed, owing to the rains. A small amount of hay has been injured somewhat by being rained upon. As soon as the weather becomes fair, haying will be general. The rains have caused some cherries, especially on the lower branches, to rot; the injury is not sufficient to cause a financial loss, as there are more cherries than can be marketed or for which there are facilities for canning. The rains likewise caused some strawberries to rot. While the rains have produced the foregoing, the good they did more than compensates. The spring-sown wheat and oats now promise yields as good, or better, than the fall sown. That the grain crop will be unusually large there can be no question. Corn is in need of warmer weather. The berry crop is unusually large. Except peaches in portions of the Willamette Valley, fruit is a large crop in every section. There is no improvement in hops; those that are up have excellent growth. The missing hills will reduce the total yield from one half to one-third. Flax for fibre is thirty-six inches high; it will be ready to be pulled the latter part of the month. Reports indicate that flax culture will be more successful in Oregon than the most sanguine hoped for. Wheat sown on land which last year was used for growing flax, is better than in adjoining fields. Sugar beets are making a fine growth and now promise better returns than they did last year, when the experiment was so successful. Pasturage is good and stock is in prime condition."

W. P. THOMAS

A Forest Grove Painter
Fatally Injured Sunday Night.

When one of the sections of last Sunday's excursion was pulling up Fourth street, in Portland, on its return home last Sunday night, A. P. Thomas, a painter of Forest Grove, tried to board the moving train. Catching hold of the side arms of the platform, he found the steps had been torn away. His feet swung in across the rails and before he could gain control of himself the wheels had passed over his legs, badly crushing his ankles. He was at once removed to the St. Vincent Hospital. Amputation may follow. Thomas is a man of family and has several little children. No responsibility can be attached to the railroad company, as he was trying to board the train while it was in transit.

Later: Thomas died at the hospital Tuesday.

The Christian Endeavor Society of the Congregational Church will give a concert next Friday evening, June 24, at the opera house. Admission, 25 cents; reserved seats 35 cents. Program will appear later.

Many went to Astoria on the Excursion Sunday and all are unanimous that the trip was a tiresome one. The first section did not arrive at Hillsboro until 3:00 P. M. Monday morning, the last getting in after broad daylight.

Bethany Hall dance, Saturday evening, July 2. Admission 25 cents; supper 20 cents. Bethany orchestra. Good order. A splendid time, always. A. Hansen and E. Moore, managers. Come and have a good time.

Don't forget to visit the veterans at Forest Grove when they are having the annual encampment. Let them know that you have not forgotten them and that you appreciate their services for your country.

E. E. Colestock gives you the best shave in the city. Hair cut at popular price. Try his baths. Don't forget the place—City shaving parlors, Main street.

A. G. Lucas, at present with the Southern Pacific station at Independence, was in the city the first of the week, having been on his return from Astoria.

A torpid liver robs you of ambition and ruins your health. Dewitt's Little Early Risers cleanse the liver, cure constipation and all stomach and liver troubles. The Delta Drug Store.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jenkins were in the city last week, attendant upon the trial wherein an endeavor was made to break the will of Mrs. Sarah E. Patterson, Mrs. Jenkins' mother.

To cure a cold in one day take Eucalypti Bromo Quinine Tablets. The druggists refund the money if it does not cure. 25c. For sale at the

R. E. Bryan did business in Portland Monday.
Wehrung & Sons for groceries. Stock complete and prices cheap.
By this time our Hillsboro boys should be taking sidelong glances at Admiral Dewey.

Watches just received at Hoyt's. Will go at prices to suit everybody.

Go to F. J. Barber, Second street, for a neat shave or hair cut. Satisfaction guaranteed.

Quite a number of bridges are to be built by the county. See the article in another column.

I am prepared to cut and rake your grass and take my pay in hay. Call at the Bakery. F. M. HEIDEL.

Yes; Wehrung & Sons are daily bringing their offers closer and closer to the purses of the people.
Mr. and Mrs. Archie Walker, passed through the city yesterday for the Gaston farm on their return from a visit to Cedar Mills.

If you want a good young draft horse—driving or riding animal—see or write Jas. H. Sewell, Hillsboro, Oregon.

Read the telegraphic news in THE ARGUS. No other paper in the county sent gives such a complete service. The people want all the news.

The "Go west, young man!" of Horace Greely still applies to the young American. It is Manila and Hawaii. What will it be next? Even Hillsboro is going westward, with Manila the goal.

The Webster that doesn't like rain is a rarity; so is the person who doesn't know that Wehrung & Sons' clothing contains more "hon ey inside as well as outside" than any other make afloat!

R. H. Walker, of Cedar Mills, was in the city Saturday last. He was in an especial good humor, having had only sixteen acres of clover hay saturated with rain—nearly worthless.

Essays on milk are good, perhaps, but cream is better. We give you the cream of the clothing subject when we say that for "style, service, satisfaction" and price H. Wehrung & Sons clothing carries the palm.

Thousands of sufferers from gripe have been restored to health by One Minute Cough Cure. It quickly cures coughs, colds, bronchitis, pneumonia, gripe, asthma, and all throat and lung diseases. Delta Drug Store.

What is the matter with Cornelius, anyway? With money in the city treasury; with an ordinance preventing cycling on the sidewalks and with a handsome new floating mill about completed, we reiterate—what's the matter with Cornelius?

Frank Stewart, a bright and gentlemanly young fellow from Hillsboro, arrived here Tuesday morning and will spend the summer with his brother, Jesse Stewart. He will probably secure a position as clerk in one of the stores here—Heppner Times.

J. T. Fletcher, one of our pioneer county teachers, was in the city Tuesday, after having concluded a successful term of school at Gaston. He contemplates moving his family to Forest Grove in the near future, where they can have good school advantages.

The little five-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Wold, of Cornelius, while playing with a younger child, accidentally fell into a pan of scalding water, Monday last, badly scalding her. For some time the little one's life was despaired of but she is now improving.

A little boy asked for a bottle of "get up in the morning as fast as you can," the druggist recognized a household name for "DeWitt's Little Early Risers," and gave him a bottle of those famous little pills for constipation, sick headache, liver and stomach troubles. The Delta Drug Store.

Numbers of farmers have recently been complaining about the myriads of aphids which are attacking the wheat heads of many fields. This is no new thing in this section and time and again it has been demonstrated at harvest that these insects do no harm. They are doubtless due to the wet weather and it will be remembered that 3 years ago they were troublesome, although harmless.

Now is the chance for Argus readers to get 10 series of 16 photographs each—160 photographs in all—of the American navy, Hawaii and Cuba. The size of the photographs is 10 1/2 by 14 inches and the reproductions are simply grand. Give your orders at this office. The complete series and the Argus one year, \$2.00. Come and see what they are. You can't afford to be without them.

Glencoe, June 21—On Saturday last Dr. Sandford was called to attend a boy about sixteen years of age, named Buehler, living in the Swiss neighborhood, about five miles from Glencoe. The boy was standing with the muzzle of his gun under his arm when another boy caused the gun to discharge. The load of shot entered under the right arm and came out on the top of his shoulder, causing a very serious wound.—The Rev. Atkins, of Hillsboro, preached a very able discourse to a crowded house, Sunday last.

INDEPENDENCE DAY AT THE GROVE

Promise of the Largest Crowd for Many Years.

EVERYONE WILL GO TO CELEBRATE.

It Will be one of the Most Rousing Times Ever held in Washington Co.

Independence day will soon be here and the people of the county intend making Forest Grove the pivotal point of assemblage. The College City has fine grounds and can make it very pleasant for its visitors. The veterans will have concluded their annual reunion and will hold over from Saturday until Monday in order to be participants of the Independence day celebration.

There is much in the idea of celebrating this day of all days. One hundred and twenty-two years ago our forefathers, with all their families comprising but three millions, made a declaration of independence. It was a parallel of modern Cuba against Spain. Those old patriots of liberty successfully fought England, the greatest nation of the world, against fearful odds, and notwithstanding our enemy inaugurated a savage and Indian warfare against them, the revolution was successful. Let it be remembered that they were not afraid of going it alone and if necessary, to die for liberty of their posterity, and so, when we, their posterity, are fighting that liberty may enter the souls of the people of Cuba, let all go to this annual demonstration with a full importance of the word liberty and with a more complete comprehension of what our fathers have inaugurated. Let us all go to Forest Grove on the Fourth—and don't forget the old boys of the 60's, meanwhile.

T. A. Ritchie was in the city from Greenville Monday.

For limb wood for sale at \$1 per load. Leave orders at the Bakery

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Notice to Taxpayers.
Notice is hereby given that taxes for the 1897 roll will become delinquent on and after June 20, 1898. W. D. BRADFORD, Sheriff.

Bridge Contracts Let.

The following bridge bids were received at the commissioners' court, June 16:

Repairing Hess bridge—T. C. Johnson, \$268; M. S. Dailey, \$268; J. W. Goodin, \$273; E. Johnson, \$245.60. E. Johnson awarded contract. Manning bridge—T. C. Johnson, \$329; M. S. Dailey, \$390; C. W. Young, \$414; E. Johnson, \$337.80; J. W. Goodin, \$318. Goodin awarded contract. Repairing Taylor bridge—T. C. Johnson, \$145; M. S. Dailey, \$140; E. Johnson, \$134.85; J. W. Goodin, \$185. E. Johnson awarded contract, \$134.85. Kinton bridge—T. C. Johnson, \$133; M. S. Dailey, \$142; L. Sparks, \$129.50; E. Johnson, \$129.45; J. W. Goodin, \$97. Goodin awarded contract. Buck Myers bridge and fill—T. C. Johnson, \$549; M. S. Dailey, \$560; C. W. Young, \$730.94; E. Johnson, \$595; J. W. Goodin, \$665. Contract let to T. C. Johnson for \$549.

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MORE CLAIMS WERE AUDITED

Several Transcripts Have Been Passed Upon.

ELECTION OFFICERS ARE PAID.

Commissioners' Court Business at June Terms. Inquests Paid.

Additional claims allowed by the commissioners' court for June terms:
Dr. J. P. Tamsieie attendance and medicine Neilson family, Laurel, \$66.00
Dr. Tamsieie attendance and medicine Bersley, 30.00
Briggs Bros picks and spikes district 23, 3.60
C. W. James as rd sup'vis'r 50.00
J. B. Wilkes specifications for bridge work, 6.50
W. A. Finney key & lock, .40
F. M. Austin 3 days engineer rock crusher, 6.00
Wm Tucker 3 days use of engine \$4.50; sledges and other tools \$4, 8.50
J. T. Young, powder, etc for road districts, 30.00
Woods, Caples & Thomas, supplies Francisco family Jas Laidlaw & Co, powder etc road district 51, 20.00
J. S. Jackson, helping official count, 7.20
W. D. Smith the same, 6.00
California Powder Works, powder dist no 8, 10.00
W. D. Smith 5 transcripts filed in circuit court, 10.50
J. C. Smock nails dist 2, .50
Wiley & Dennis, 1700 feet of lumber dist 53, 10.20
Ford Groner fill Scholls Ferry road, 25.00
E. W. Haines 9,750 feet lumber O. K'd by Todd, 53.60
J. A. Imbrie, Steeves case, Multnomah county, 28.00
T. G. Todd as commissioner, 7.80
D. B. Rensner, 10.00
Warrants have been drawn for election expenses, judges, clerks and marshals, viz: Beaverdam, judges, \$20; clerks, \$12; Beaverton, judges \$20; clerks, \$12; marshal, \$2. Buxton, judges \$22; clerks, \$12. Cornelius, judges, \$18.60; clerks, \$12; marshal, \$2. Columbia, judges \$19.40; clerks, \$12. Dairy, judges \$20.20; clerks, \$12. Dilley, judges \$19.60; clerks, \$12. E. Butte, judges \$21.40; clerks, \$12. Gales Creek, \$21.40; clerks, \$12. Mountain, judges \$21; clerks, \$12; marshal, \$2. N Hillsboro, judges \$18; clerks, \$12; marshal \$2. N F Grove, judges \$19.20; clerks, \$12; marshal, \$2. Reedville, judges \$19; clerks, \$12; marshal \$2. S Hillsboro, judges \$19.20; clerks, \$12; marshal \$2. S F Grove \$19.20; clerks \$12. S Tualatin, \$19.60; clerks \$12. Wapato, judges \$20.60; clerks, \$12. Washington, judges \$19.20; clerks, \$12. W Butte, judges, \$19.60; clerks, \$12. W Cedar Creek, judges \$21.60; clerks, \$12; marshal \$2. E Cedar Creek, judges, \$22; clerks, \$12.

In each instance the judges and clerks were allowed for two days at \$3 per, the judges' claims in precincts being over \$18 having been brought in returns \$39.80; total paid to judges, clerks and marshals, \$685.80. To ascertain what each precinct was paid for bringing in the returns take excess over \$18 allowed judges.

State Cases—
State vs Yell.....\$10.30
Justice W. D. Smith.....6.10
Constable Sappington.....16.40
Witness fees.....1.30
State vs Ordway.....11.75
Justice W. D. Smith.....6.10
Constable Sappington.....16.40
Witness fees.....1.30
State vs Wirth.....5.00
Justice Smith.....5.00
Constable Sappington.....16.40
State vs Inyard.....3.45
Justice Dahlstrom.....5.00
Constable Vaughn.....5.00
State vs John Doe.....3.10
Justice Dahlstrom.....5.00
Constable Westcott.....1.00
State vs Wardle.....9.65
Justice J. S. Jackson.....15.30
Special Constable Ulysses Jackson.....17.90
Witness fees.....1.30
State vs Harper.....4.65
Benton Bowman Recorder Hbo.....2.00
Gheen, marshal, libo.....5.00
State vs answer.....5.00
Justice Savage.....5.00
J. Meyers special constable.....17.00
Witnesses.....11.95
State vs J. C. Dolan.....11.95
Justice W. D. Smith.....6.10
Gheen marshal.....7.50
C. W. Pedmond constable.....14.00
Witness fees.....14.30
State vs Harrison.....6.15
Justice Smith.....7.25
Constable Redmond.....6.00
H. T. Lacey.....3.40
Kerrigan and Snow.....6.00
State Cases, Miscellaneous.....6.10
W. Specklemer, state vs Seshauer.....1.90
Justice Dahlstrom, bill.....1.75
J. S. Jackson, bill.....1.75
Purdy Inquest.....11.50
Wm Lacey.....3.90
J. C. Miller.....3.90
C. Allison.....3.90
J. H. Davis.....3.90
C. W. Redmond.....3.90
Dr. Vial.....10.00
Geo. Smith.....15.00
Coroner Large.....12.85
Wilson Allen Inquest.....1.50
Alton Allen.....12.00
Coroner Large.....12.00

Patterson Will Case Settled.

The will contest brought by Mrs. Addie Jenkins has been settled out of court. The two sisters met in this city yesterday and made an amicable settlement, thus taking the matter out of the courts. Miss Amy keeps the 60 acres deeded to her prior to her mother's death, to

offset certain money given to Mrs. Jenkins by Mrs. Patterson some years ago. The sisters divide all the property left by the will to Miss Amy, share and share alike. This will give Mrs. Jenkins about \$1,250, which under the provision of the will would have gone to Miss Patterson. Each party will pay her own costs incurred by the litigation.

War is a luxury. Those who dance must pay the fiddler and those who go to church must pay the preacher. After July 1, you will have to pay war tax as follows and it will catch many dollars:

The bank will pay per year \$50.00
Bowling alley, each alley... 10.00
Billiard Rooms..... 10.00
Opera house (will have none) 100.00
Other transactions will pay a tax as follows, by purchase and sticking of stamps:
Warehouse receipts each..... 25 cts.
Power of attorney each..... 25 cts.
Each money order, check, certificate of deposit, etc. 2 cts.
Notes, for each 100 or fraction, express packages, telephone and telegraph messages..... 2 cts.
Tea per each pound..... 10 cts.
Deeds for each \$500 consideration..... 50 cts.
Mortgages for each \$1500, (over 25 cts for each \$500 25 cts.)
The business will be handled by the Internal Revenue Collector. The drug stores will catch the burden very heavily.

Cornelius, June 21—A gentleman by the name of Smith is building a new house on the property lately purchased from Mr. Shook, who left here a short time ago for the east.—J. D. Phillips, who left here awhile back for Oklahoma and Colorado arrived home last Friday evening.—Dr. Standlee made a short visit to Corvallis to see his son who has lately located in that city. He returned to Cornelius Monday.—Thos. Talbot has the finest piece of fall oats we have seen in the country. It is expected to yield 60 or 75 bushels per acre.—J. C. Buchanan's hop houses are nearing completion.—If you have a piece of land you want to sell, you can place it in the hands of A. A. Phillips, of Cornelius, who will look after it for you. His office is in the St. Joseph Hotel.

Probate matters: Order granted Administrator of J. W. Sappington estate privilege to sell 10 shares of Gaston mill company stock.—D. C. Stewart has been appointed guardian over person of Eva Stewart, the objector being not present at time set for hearing.—The estate of T. J. Reed has been closed of record.—S. B. Huston has been appointed guardian ad litem of the minor heirs of W. A. Freeman, and adm'r allowed to sell the real estate at public sale for cash in hand.—The estate of T. D. Humphreys has been appraised, gross value, at \$23,102.80, and the estate of W. J. Robinson, gross, at \$19,407.31.—E. P. Stevenson has been appointed administrator of the estate of Jos Stevenson, deceased.

Mr. Levi Armsworthy, whose son is editor and manager of the Wasco News, Sherman county, was in the city this week, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Masters. Mr. Armsworthy came to Oregon in 1852 and settled near Reedville. He was married in 1855 at the house of A. J. Masters. In those days Mr. Armsworthy and Thomas Tucker were the harvesters for that section, both having been cradlers.

Jesse Stewart, now at Heppner, has severed his connection as salesman for Minor & Co., and has gone into business for himself. We wish him every success in his new venture. He is in