

COMMERCE - TRADE

HOGS SOLD FOR 6 1/2 CENTS THE PAST WEEK. Eggs Very Plentiful - Potatoes Coming in to Market in Large Quantities - Hides Are Lower.

Only five or six hundred sheep pelts have been sold to local buyers during the past week. Many of them are ewes lost during lambing.

The expiration of the time limit on fish catching will soon put fresh salmon on the market. There have been during the past week five hogs sold for 6 1/2 cents per pound.

Eggs are more plentiful as the season advances and are off 2 1/2 cents per dozen. The farmers have begun to unload their over-winter stocks of potatoes in such quantities that the price has fallen to 60 and 70 cents per bushel.

Parsnips, 75c per sack. Onions, \$1 per sack. Beets, \$1.50 per hundred. Potatoes, 60c to 70c per hundred.

Pendleton Livestock and Poultry. Chickens - Hens, 7@8c; \$4.00 per dozen; roosters, 4 to 6 cents. Turkeys, 12 1/2c per pound.

Choice Beef Cattle, Etc. Cows, per hundred, \$25.00 to \$30.00. Steers, \$14.00 to \$15.00. Hogs, live, \$5.00 to \$6.00.

Pendleton Retail Grocery Prices. Coffee - Mocha and Java, best, 40c per lb; next grade, 35c per lb; lower grades, 25c to 30c per lb.

The Wheat Trade. Portland, March 26. - The wheat market during the past month has been inactive and very little wheat has passed into exporters' hands.

STUBBLEFIELD WILL. Is Admitted to Probate Today - Part of the Estate is in Umatilla County. R. M. Dorothy, E. A. Reiser and G. M. Rader, of Walla Walla, the trustees and executors of the famous Stubblefield estate, are in the city today to have the probate admitted to probate, as a portion of the estate, a 50-acre farm, lies in this county, just inside the state line, and about 60 miles southeast of Walla Walla.

PROFITABLE READING. Will be Found in the April Shower of Bargains Presented by the Peoples Warehouse. The spring season is opened by the Peoples Warehouse with an "April Shower of Bargains," which offers an opportunity to get seasonable, up-to-date goods at prices that make it a great inducement to buy at this great sale.

BRIGGSON ITEMS

SNOW IS DISAPPEARING FROM THE MOUNTAINS. Crops Generally in Good Condition - Six Feet of Snow at Fletcher's Mill - C. W. Avery Making Preparations to Open Bingham Springs - Fred Erickson Leaves for Sweden.

Briggsion, March 23. - The weather is more spring-like, the sun is quite warm and snow is disappearing. It has been a long, though not severe winter in this section. Some snow-belt winter to feel very much alarmed on account of the scarcity of feed.

Lewis Van Winkle, an extensive farmer of this locality, has in a large amount of fall-sown wheat, and reports it as being in good condition, and good crops in general is the anticipation of all farmers hereabouts.

Miss Elsie Plankington, who has just closed quite a successful term of school on Wild Horse Mountain, will hold the rod of correction at the Sheppard schoolhouse for the ensuing term, which will commence April 1st.

Henry Lacy, of Bingham Springs, was visiting a few days at this place last week. He reports having had a large lynx near the hotel at the springs a short time ago. He also says a very large cougar visited them one night, at which Henry had a rather a busy retreat at the animal made a hasty retreat at the report of the gun, and by climbing a very high bluff, made good his escape.

Charles Veroni and family have gone to St. Helena, Cal., to reside in the future. Grandma Greer, who has been critically ill for the past month, of pneumonia, is convalescing.

A. Campbell, who has just completed a term of school at Warren, is visiting at the home of W. B. Bowman on Wild Horse. Six of eight feet of snow is said to be at Fletcher's Mill. Yet snow are busy logging and expect to make an excellent run the coming season.

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NEWS OF MALTON

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Mrs. J. E. Platter, of McKay, is a guest at the Hotel St. George today. W. H. Hartley is very ill with pneumonia at his home on East Webb street. James P. Tott arrived this morning from South Dakota. His intention is to locate in Adams.

I. N. Pitzer, of Wallowa, is in the city taking medical treatment for a very lame back. The 5-year-old son of A. L. Robinson, of West Railroad street, is very ill with typhoid fever. George Ferguson is at Weston this week in the interests of the Lee Trench mercantile establishment. J. L. Kigore, cashier of the Farmers' Bank at Weston, was in the city yesterday, the guest of the Hotel St. George.

C. M. Rader, the Walla Walla attorney, is in the city on business, and is the guest of M. A. Rader, his brother. Mrs. Bratton, a milliner from Stevenson, Washington, has filed on government land in the Butter Creek reservation. John Cochran is here from Chelsea, Indian Territory. He has come West with the intention of locating in Umatilla county.

J. L. Irwin, a barber from Colfax, is in the city. He has just returned from the Echo district, where he filed upon government land. Miss Margaret McCanter, of Moscow, Idaho, is in the city on a route home from Echo, where she filed on land in the government experimental district. C. N. Hincheliff, of Colfax, a merchant and contractor, is in the city today. He is on his way home from Echo, where he filed on government land. D. A. May has returned from Condon, Oregon, where he filed on land in the government experimental district. The building is to cost \$13,440.

Someone Tried to Burn Warehouse Tuesday. Spraying Trees Now in Order - "Bobby" Hays and Wilbur of Athena, were visiting at this place Sunday. Frank Taylor and family were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lockwood, near Holix, last week.

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SCALE AND APHIS

MANY TREES AFFECTED IN UMATILLA COUNTY. Byron March Tree Expert, Gives Some Timely Advice on Care and Treatment of Trees. Byron March, the tree expert, has noticed a great deal of scale and aphis on the fruit trees throughout this part of the state this spring. The condition is not confined to Umatilla county by any means, but prevails all over Eastern Oregon.

There are here and there areas of limited extent where there is little evidence of either of these pests. Hundreds of fruit raisers are spraying and whitewashing and using all the devices they have ever heard of for getting rid of these pests. Mr. March calls attention to a remedy for both the scale and aphis that he claims is extremely effective, although there is the widest kind of difference in the character of the scale and the aphis, the former being fungoid and the latter a parasite.

His Remedy. The remedy consists in hating a quarter or a half inch hole in the affected tree, or rather several holes, the number depending upon the size of the tree and the severity with which it is afflicted. The holes may be bored directly toward the center of the tree, but should not touch the core or they may be bored more nearly parallel with the side of the tree. They fill the holes with sulphur, by any means, but pay no more attention to this. This should be done in the early spring, just after the sap has begun to flow freely. In 12 or 14 days the scale will become dry and almost ready to fall off of its own weight - its capacity for propagating itself and destroying the vitality of the tree will be entirely gone, and it can be removed from the tree with the thumb nail like a streak of whitewash. In case of aphis the parasites swell up, turn yellow and drop off in about the same length of time - from 12 to 14 days.

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