

A FAVORABLE WEEK

ASIDE FROM SLIGHT FROSTS  
CROPS ARE DOING WELL.

Stock in Excellent Condition—Fall Wheat, Barley and Rye Heading Out Nicely—Strawberries Are Ripe and on the Market—Prune Crop Will Be Light—Other Fruit Crops Will Be Heavy.

The past week has not been altogether favorable for the growing crops; the days were warmer than usual, but the nights were cool and several frosts occurred, but the damage done by them was slight and confined principally to tender vegetables, such as beans, tomatoes, etc.

Some fruit, however, was killed in the Grande Ronde valley and a few other localities east of the Cascade mountains. The rains early Tuesday morning occurred after the following reports were made. They were not only timely, but well distributed, and give promise of continuing for another day or two, in which case they will be sufficient for all needs and greatly stimulate the growth of late crops.

Late wheat is coming up to poor stands, and corn, potatoes and garden crops are growing slowly. Potatoes, except timothy, are doing well and the first crop of alfalfa is being harvested with satisfactory yields. Stock everywhere is in excellent condition.

Fall wheat, barley and rye are heading nicely, and these crops are generally in a very promising condition, notwithstanding that some low land wheat in Umatilla county was badly damaged by freezing weather earlier in the season. Hops are growing nicely and the hop men have now caught up with their work so that the yards generally are well cultivated.

Strawberries are ripe, and home grown berries will be plentiful in the markets during the week. Apples have set well. Prunes will be light but peaches, pears and cherries are turning out better than expected earlier in the season.

Columbia River Valley.  
Molter, Wasco county, J. M. Carroll—Weather warm; all crops doing nicely; cherries left off badly; grain pasturage and gardens good; lambing all done.

Wasco, Sherman county, W. C. Morehouse—Volunteer and fall wheat beginning to head; all crops growing rapidly.

Condon, Gilliam county, F. B. Stevens—Fine growing weather; grass has made a better growth than for years; grain growing finely; light frost Monday and Tuesday nights did not hurt fruit; sheep are now going to their summer ranges in the mountains.

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