

# FARM LABOR GROWS SCARE

### Oregon Agriculturalists Confronted by Shortage of Help—Prices High.

### FRUIT ROTS AS RESULT

#### Fruit Inspector Reid Believes in Chinese Labor—Says They Make Good Hands.

(Oregon Journal.)

"Ten thousand farm laborers can be used at once in Oregon and be given steady employment 'the year round,'" says Fruit Inspector Reid. Unless some relief is forthcoming in the near future the Oregon farmer will find himself confronted with an exigency that threatens to assume colossal consequences. The Oregon producer will be unable to compete against the eastern grower because of the steadily increasing wage demanded and paid the farm laborer.

"Every thoughtful agriculturist realizes the truth of this assertion," says Reid, "whether he be a grower of hops, fruit, grain or a dairyman. Mildard C. Lowndale, for instance, the most extensive orchardist in Oregon, last year lost 15 carloads of apples because the labor to gather the crop was not available.

#### Hop Growers Big Losers.

"Losses that will aggregate in the hundreds of thousands will be sustained by the hop growers alone in Oregon during the present season because of the short condition of the labor market. Buyers are offering 7 cents a pound for the product and pickers can not be secured to save the crop for \$1.10 a hundred pounds, a price very seldom paid for picking. "In the east the average wage paid the farm laborer is \$1.50," continued Mr. Reid, "while we are compelled to pay \$2.50. What will eventually be the consequence with the trend toward higher wages and labor more scarce?"

Mr. Reid believes in Chinese labor and tells his experience with both Japanese and Chinese.

"The Chinese is an ideal farm hand. I would trust him to work about the farm in preference to many others and certainly before a Japanese. I can handle my product each year with eight or ten Chinamen in eight weeks. I hire the same crew each year. Once I tried Japanese. I hired 42 before the crop was all in. Orientals Going Home.

"The Chinese are going back to China very rapidly, and staying there. Chinese labor is becoming exceedingly scarce. I have just heard of one of my men, Chung, who left me a year or two ago. He now owns an orchard in China, raises nuts for the trade and is getting rich. He knew more about horticulture than I and taught me many valuable little tricks."

The same is true of Bing of the Seth Lewellyn place. Bing was the Chinaman after whom the now famous Bing cherry was named.

He now owns an orchard in China, raises fancy nuts and fruit and is getting rich. Chinese are leaving Oregon in great numbers every year and this fact also tends to the scarcity of labor for all kinds of work.

Railroad work requires a large number of men; so does the lumbering industries. Unless some of the foreign immigration that rushes to the crowded districts of New York City can be diverted to the far west the labor condition promises to reach an acute stage.

#### AT THE HOTELS.

Central:—Roy Conger, H. R. Fowler, Mrs. Harragan, L. J. Seldelbach, C. Wearn, James Wearn, Nevada City, Calif., Roll Anderson, John Hedman, T. P. Russel, San Diego, E. Anderson, Coquille, F. Willits, Coquille, Will Gay and family, Kamloops, B. C., J. W. Coach, Lampa, Fred Lee, C. A. Fox, J. E. Cathey.

Blanco:—E. T. Lane, Eureka, W. A. Williams, Portland, M. T. Jaquist and wife, Clifton, Colo., Mrs. J. A. Glidden, Port Orford, C. H. Rogers, H. H. Baldwin, R. S. Wright, W. C. Rose, Coquille, L. D. Kinney, Dan R. Murphy, E. M. Furman, G. A. Murray, San Francisco, O. C. Shaw, San Francisco, M. B. Wilcox, Berkeley, Mrs. D. Sparks, Mattie J. Plamer, Oakland, R. W. Campbell, San Francisco, O. F. Henry, San Francisco, Geo. W. Hatch.

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### PERSONAL MENTION.

Mrs. Herbert Rogers was down from Coos River yesterday.

Mr. Charles Pratt, of Minneapolis, is a visitor in this city.

Miss Stella O'Connell was a city visitor yesterday.

Mrs. E. J. Coffelt was in this city shopping Tuesday.

Miss Lillian McCann was in this city yesterday.

Miss Lizzie Tellefson was a city visitor yesterday.

Mrs. A. E. Seaman is spending a few days in this city.

Mrs. Frank Reibe, of East Marshfield, was here Tuesday.

Mrs. Frank Hodson was down from Coos River yesterday.

Mrs. L. V. Jones, of Highland, Cal., is in this city on business.

Mrs. Tellefson, of East Marshfield, was a city visitor yesterday.

Mrs. M. D. Cutlip was a business visitor in this city yesterday.

Mrs. Tom Castle, of Pendleton, Ore., is in this city for a few days.

Mrs. Jesse Smith of Coos River was in this city shopping yesterday.

A. S. Bawer, M. D., of Salt Lake City, is in Marshfield for a short time.

Mr. F. A. Golden and daughter, Francis, were in Marshfield yesterday.

Mr. L. A. Desmond, of Highland, Cal., is making a business tour of Coos Bay.

Mr. Wm. H. Brown, of Walla Walla, Wash., is in Marshfield on business.

Mr. R. G. Bonell is in this city looking over business prospects and investments.

Miss Ira Knowley, of Grants Pass, is in this city visiting with friends and relatives for a few weeks.

Mrs. Kramer Batsford and child, of San Francisco, are in this city visiting her mother, Mrs. M. S. Merchant.

Miss Ursula Farringer returned home Monday evening from a week's visit with Miss Marie Seaman at the "Orchard."

Mr. Ironton and family, of San Francisco, arrived on the Plant, with intentions of remaining on Coos Bay permanently.

His Nineteenth.

M. O. Warner, the well known piano tuner, is on his 19th annual visit to Coos Bay and Coquille River country. Newcomers in this section will do well to take advantage of his visit and have their pianos properly cared for. Orders may be left at W. R. Haines' Music Store. Phone 1441.

EAST MARSHFIELD.

Rev. Gray, of Allegany, held services in the school house Sunday afternoon.

F. B. Moulton passed away in his home in Berkeley, California. His death removes the last one of the well known firm of E. B. Dean & company, who were pioneers and builders of Marshfield. He leaves two grown sons. He was a veteran of the Civil War.

Mrs. H. Nabb returned on the Breakwater to her home in North Bend. She had been for the past two months in a sanitarium and her health was improved.

Percy Pratt has accepted a position with the S. P. at the depot and will move with his mother from North Bend to Marshfield.

Miss Eliza Flagstaff, of the telephone office, spent a few days at her sister's Mrs. A. Vineyard, of East Marshfield.

Prof. G. Ayers, accompanied by his wife, and daughters, spent Sunday here.

George Bolster, of North Bend, left on the Breakwater for an extended visit with his aged mother in Coburg, Canada, whom he has not seen for twenty years.

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NOTES OF PROGRESS.

John Cox has ordered lumber from the C. A. Smith company for a seven room residence to be erected at a location near the race track.

Harry Graves has taken estimates for an eight room house in East Marshfield. This section of the country is building fast and every day witnesses some new home projected.

John Hayes has lumber ready for the erection of a small home in the southern part of the city.

The C. A. Smith Lumber company has commenced driving piles for their large planing mill on Isthmus Inlet. The mill will be 168 feet in length.

The three masted schooner Okland is loading at the old Smith mill on Isthmus Inlet.

## TO THE PUBLIC

Davis & Davis, proprietors of the A street Delectessen, regret being compelled to announce that after SATURDAY, Sept. 14, they will be compelled to discontinue serving meals and lunches until such time as they can get more commodious quarters.

This move on their part is due to the remarkable growth of their bakery business, which is far beyond their anticipations. In fact the growth has been wonderful and we desire to thank the public for their somewhat generous patronage.

We will confine ourselves exclusively to the bread, pie, cake and delectessen business.

### DAVIS & DAVIS A St. Delicatessen

#### ALLEGANY NEWS.

Mrs. Kate Prey returned home last Saturday after a two weeks visit with friends at Myrtle Point and Bandon.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Webster are spending a few weeks in Empire.

Miss Lou Mahaffy is expected home on the next steamer from St. Louis, Mo., where she has been visiting relatives for the last year.

The schools at Allegany and Glen Creek both started last Monday with the Misses Inez Bunch and Cora Miller as teachers.

There will be a dance at the North Coos River hall on Saturday, September the 14th.

#### HENRYVILLE ITEMS.

Mr. Wright and wife spent Sunday at Z. F. Siglin's place on the Isthmus.

Mr. Utter has closed his brick yard on the Isthmus and will not run it any more until next spring.

A large crowd from Flagstaff spent Sunday at the Utter brick yard.

Mrs. M. J. Bowron, of Henryville, is spending a few days in Marshfield.

Mr. Fred Kruse was a Marshfield visitor Saturday.

## INTEREST STILL INCREASING.

Interest still increases the longer the Phenomenal Medical Expert remains in Marshfield. Crowds throng his offices in search of relief. They come from all over the county. Many cures have been made of chronic and nervous troubles. They are made to hear in a moment. Gallstones are removed with three doses of medicine; cancers, tumors and appendicitis cured without knife, pain or blood.

The great Syarthgil has been used to cure many of the heretofore incurable diseases.

The entertainment is the best ever seen in the city; the program is changed every night. Masonic Opera House is packed to the doors every night, and hundreds are turned away who cannot get in. The best people of the city are attending every night.

The doctor is to be found at Hotel Blanco every day between 10 and 12 and 2 and 4. Admission to opera house tonight will be ten cents, but the entertainment will be worth a dollar.

Read the ad. in another column—How to get a Talking Machine cheap.

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Adds To Business.

A. Helming the fur merchant, has added a feature to his establishment that will please the ladies especially. He is now prepared to take your orders for fur coats, muffs, coats and jackets, to be made of beaver, marten, wild cat, etc. He is also prepared to take orders for fur rugs of bear, panther, etc. and have all animals and birds stuffed. He has two fine specimens of stuffed cougars, prepared by a Klamath Indian. The process of curing is unknown to the white man.

#### TEACHERS REQUESTED TO ATTEND MEETING

Superintendent of Schools W. H. Bunch, has sent the following letter to the teachers of the county, requesting them to be present at the meeting and lecture arranged by the Chamber of Commerce for next Monday evening:

McKinley, Oregon, Sept. 9, 1907.

Dear Teachers:—Dr. J. W. Kerr, president of the State Agricultural College of Corvallis, accompanied by three of the most prominent members of his faculty will be in Marshfield on the 16th, inst. While the whole day will be devoted to matters of the greatest importance to all the people of this county yet I especially desire to call your attention to the address in the evening of that date by Dr. Kerr on education and solicit your presence if it is possible for you to be there. As you doubtless know that with the introduction of the new text books we enter on the first movement looking to the adoption of Agriculture as a part of our regular course in the public schools in this state. Hence the importance of your presence at Dr. Kerr's address. Dr. Kerr is one of the leading educators of the West and you will surely never regret availing yourselves of this opportunity of listening to him though it require an extraordinary effort to attend.

Very Truly Yours,  
W. H. BUNCH, Co. Supt.

#### HOTEL COMPANY GETS DOWN TO BUSINESS

The hotel committee held its organization meeting yesterday afternoon in the Chamber of Commerce headquarters. The temporary organization was effected by electing Father Edward Donnelly chairman and Henry Sengstacken secretary. A committee was appointed to draft by-laws for the company and J. S. Coke was selected to prepare the incorporation papers for approval of the next meeting, to be held on next Wednesday at 1:30 at the same place. The committee voted unanimously to build the hotel without incurring any debts and the enterprise will commence business with a free and unrestricted hand. Nearly all the stockholders were present to take part in the business proceedings. New Subscriptions since the last report are as follows: I. S. Smith, \$300; I. S. Kaufman & Co., \$300; F. A. Sacchi, \$200.

#### WIFE BEATER SENT UP FOR ONE YEAR

McKinstry, Whose Crime Caused a Sensation in Marshfield, Will Have Long Rest.

The case of McKinstry, who was arrested and on preliminary trial confined in the county jail for wife beating, came up in court at Coquille yesterday. He pleaded guilty and was sentenced to one year in the penitentiary. The case occurred in Marshfield early in July, and was a most brutal affair. McKinstry and his wife were camped near the cemetery, in company with a number of other campers. The preliminary evidence showed that he struck her with his fist and kicked her when she was on the ground. Mrs. McKinstry, who was in the hospital for several days, returned to her mother's home in Oregon City when she recovered.

—Drugs and Toilet articles at, Leckhart-Parson's Drug Co.

New Shoe Repair Shop.

—Just opened on A street near Baptist church. Prices reasonable.

### The Steamer **M. F. PLANT** SAILS FROM MARSHFIELD WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 11th F. S DOW Agent MARSHFIELD, : : : OREGON

### Where Else Can The Piano Seeker Do As Well As At Taylor's Piano House :. :.

Where else can be found such an area of strictly standard pianos? More than thirty of the finest and most foremost makes, including the most famous in all the world: Chickering & Son, Weber, Kimball, Hobert M. Cable, Hazelton, Bush & Gerts, Crown, Marshall & Wendell, Wheelock, Pense, Story & Clark, Haines Bros., Haddorf, Bailey, Foster, and the celebrated Planola Self-playing piano.

We are also agents for the self-playing Electric piano, Reed and Pipe Organ.

Where else can be found an opportunity for saving equal to that offered by the house of Taylor's? A saving which means not less in any case than \$50, and from that up to \$150, on every piano purchased here during this sale of ten days.

We take your organ in exchange, and you may pay a small payment down and the balance in small monthly payments.

You are cordially invited to visit our new store and examine our goods.

A full line of Columbia and Victor Talking Machines and the very latest records. We also sell our talking machines on small monthly and weekly payments.

### Taylor's Piano House BROADWAY

### Pattern Hats and Ready-to-Wears Will Be on Display Monday, Sept. 9

WE are confident that the large variety of styles and shapes we have to select from that the most fastidious dresser will have no trouble in finding just what they want—and at prices that are within the reach of all.

### CLARKE Broadway and C Sts., Marshfield

### A. HELMING The Fur Merchant

Is now ready to receive orders for all kinds of Fur Garments. Fur Rugs made to order. Our Taxidermist is prepared to do your work under guarantee. Prices reasonable. Give us a trial.

**Gold Storage Dock, Front St. Marshfield, Ore.**

Discontinue Meal Service. Owing to the wonderful increase in business Davis & Davis are having an extension built to their present quarters. To further help out they are compelled to stop serving meals and lunches after next Saturday, but will continue the delicatessen and add to their already fine line of pies, cakes, and baked goods. The Messrs. Davis says the continued rush has nearly taken them off their feet. They have been more than surprised at their continued success. They certainly know how to cater to the public in an up-to-date manner. They regret very much being compelled to discontinue their meal and lunch service and so will their patrons.

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