

The Salem District Should Raise More Grain, Always in Rotation With Clover and Corn and Other Crops; and Especially Thousands of Acres More of Oats

THE KINDS AND VARIETIES OF GRAIN GROWN NEAR SALEM

The Best Milling Oats Produced in the United States Go From the Willamette Valley in Car Lots to the Breakfast Food Manufacturers—We Raise the Heaviest Oats, Too

The great manufacturers of breakfast foods in the east come to the Willamette valley to buy their best oats; and then our consumers buy part of the product back from them.

An Oregon booster, in a public speech in Salem recently, made the statement that the eastern breakfast food manufacturers take all the Willamette valley oats they can get; take them in car lots, preferring the product secured here above any other in the whole world.

This booster thinks this fact ought to be heralded to every farmer of this section—that our farmers can "cash in on" this primary, if they will "get wise" and organize and work for the highest possible quality, and demand a shade better prices than are paid for an inferior quality of oats.

The Willamette valley oats weigh more to the bushel, too, than any other grown.

Kinds, Varieties, Etc.

H. O. White, of the well known firm of D. A. White & Sons, feedmen and seedmen, of Salem, furnished the Statesman with the following information:

Wheat.

The principal kinds are: Fall Wheat—White Winter, White Etow, Prohl, Kinney, Marquis, Bluestem and Club, Foisa, Red Chaff, Golden Chaff, Burbanks.

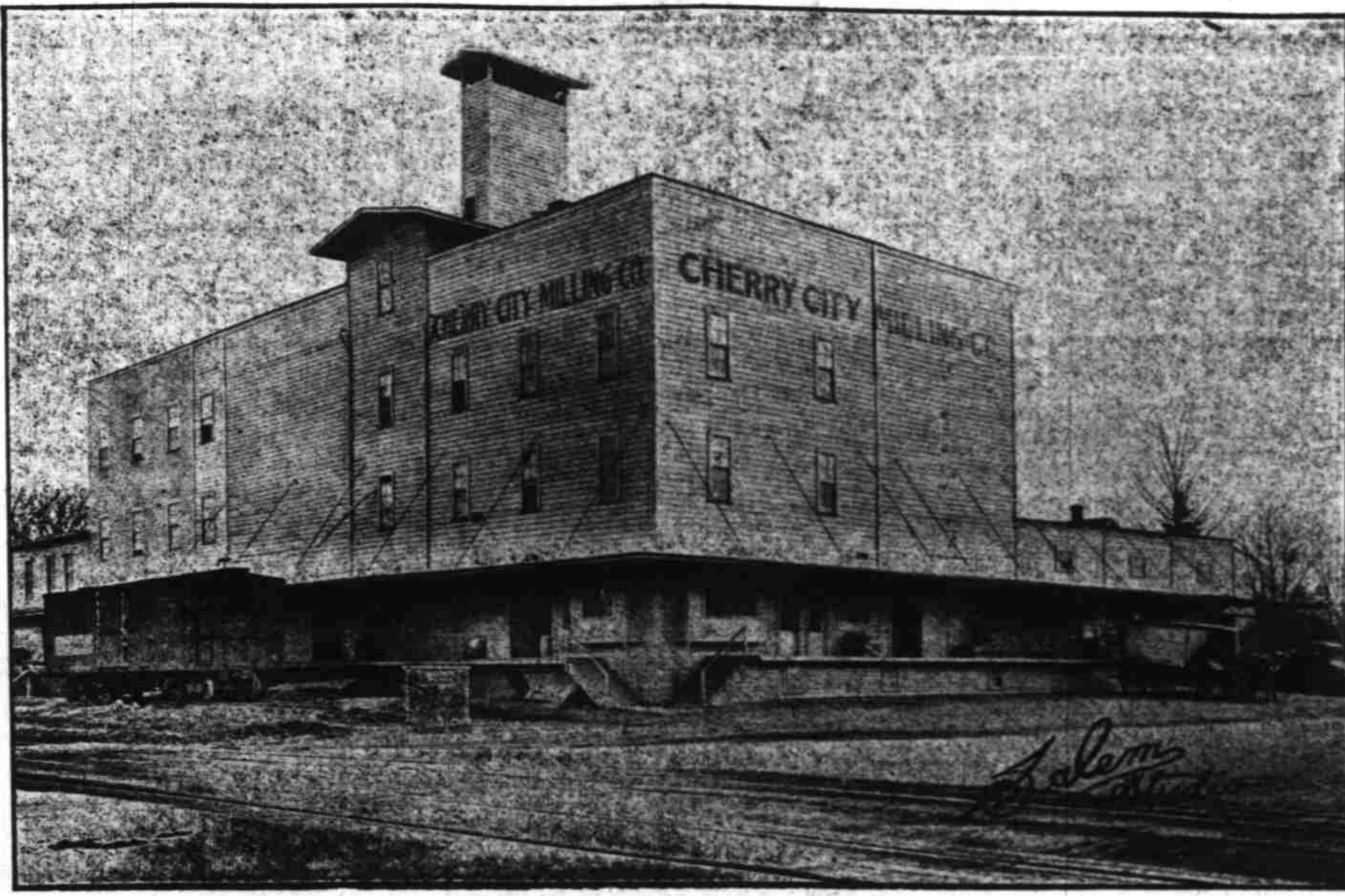
Barley.

Several varieties are grown in western Oregon, but they are usually called Two Row, Four Row, Six Row, etc.

The Blue Bloom, Hanchan and White barley are the favorites.

Rye

Rye is being sown more every year, as it makes a quick growth and a very early feed and does well on all kinds of land and can be grown on land that will not raise other grain.



A View of the Cherry City Mills, Salem.

a matter of fact, if we had not a climate permitting things to be still in a sappy state in winter it would never have happened. And I wish you would ask for contributions, reports on the sorghum planted this spring. Mama's sorghum is just fine. As big and husky as corn, but, lacking a mill, she will feed it to the cow for fodder. And say, was it not too bad that I forgot to mention the star performance of the tractor, which was clearing the streets of snow during the unpleasantness last winter when neither man nor beast was equal to the job? Mr. Huber's article was quite interesting. Isn't it elegant to have money to travel and brains enough to appreciate what you see, and strength enough not to get tired. I am always wishing to go some place, but Lord I simply have delirium tremens and St. Vitus dance when I just go as far as Salem. But sometime I hope to see Lake Labish! It is three miles from here, where I am in Canada and the rest in the U. S. Some are monthly, most of them weekly and one is a daily. So in spite of my perverted taste bread is important, and mush, although I don't like that either.

Spelts.

This is similar to barley, but is not grown extensively, as most of the land that is suitable for speltz will grow barley, which is considered the best grain.

GROWERS INTERVIEWED ON THEIR CROPS OF THIS YEAR

Scattering Reports From Marion and Polk Counties, Gathered Mostly by Phone Yesterday, When Every One Was Too Busy to Give Many Details

13,000 Bushels Oats.

Will A. Jones, on the L. C. Griffith place, ten miles east of Salem, raised the past season, on 400 acres, about 13,000 bushels of oats; the average being better than 30 bushels to the acre. Mr. Jones also had 130 acres of wheat, which did not do as well; though some of it went as high as 30 bushels to the acre; and some of it very much lower. Mr. Jones has raised on that place as high as 45 bushels of wheat to the acre. He told the reporter that he would have to get around to rotation with clover; though clover is rather hard to start in that neighborhood, but it does well after it gets started.

Averages 40 Bushels Wheat.

Max Woods, down on Route 9, Salem, could not be reached by phone yesterday, but one of his neighbors says he always averages 40 bushels of wheat to the acre, year in and year out.

Fifty Bushels Wheat to Acre.

Lafe Townsend, 10 miles north of Salem, in the Mission Bottom district, has 400 acres of farming land. He raises corn, clover and other crops.

Thirty Bushels on Hills.

Smith & Shields, the Salem attorneys, have a 207-acre farm eight miles west of Salem, on the Oak Grove road; in Polk county, near the Eagle Crest orchards, which are as high as you can go in the Eola Hills, without an airplane. They had 55 acres in wheat this year. 70 acres in oats, and 20 acres in barley, and Robert Dent, from whom they bought the farm, was the renter. Some of the wheat went 30 bushels to the acre. Reports on the other crops are not yet complete.

Got Twenty Bushels.

Mrs. W. H. Tate, in the Sublimity neighborhood, told the reporter over the phone that they got 20 bushels of wheat to the acre; but the phone was working badly yesterday, and the number of acres and other particulars were missed.

FARMERS BUILD WAREHOUSE

REDMOND, Or., Sept 8.—More than 80 farmers of this section have joined in the organization of a warehouse and flour mill company, which is soon to furnish ranchers a local market for part of their produce. The Redmond flour mill has been bought and will be moved to a location near the Turn-Lum Lumber company's warehouse, also purchased. The new company has a capital stock of \$25,000.

On the Egan Farm.

On their farm below Salem, this year, Wm H. Egan and sons raised a good deal of both wheat and oats. The best yields they secured were 40 bushels of wheat and 50 bushels of oats to the acre. Wm H. Egan, the senior member of the farm firm, told the reporter that this was about a normal year. They have raised as high as 55 bushels of wheat to the acre, on a special piece of ground, and as high as 85 bushels of oats to the acre. They rotate on their farm, everything goes in rotation.

On the Egan Farm.

The reader will be interested to know that part of the field on which 40 bushels of wheat to the acre were raised this year has

THE CHERRY CITY MILLING COMPANY DOES LARGE BUSINESS

They Had Last Year Sales Running Over a Half Million Dollars, and the Volume Is Growing—Should be More Grain Grown, in Proper Rotation With Other Crops

The Cherry City Milling company is the only concern in Salem doing a general manufacturing business in both flour and feed; though there are several other feed manufacturing concerns here.

The brands of flour made by the local mill are Cherro, Blend, Economy and Baker's. Their specialties are the Oregon Whole Wheat, Oregon Graham, Cherry Fastry Flour, Oregon Wheatola, and Tip Top Pancake.

They are also wholesale dealers in grain and mill feed.

P. W. Geiser, a bustling and hard worker well versed in his chosen field, is the manager.

The sales of the Cherry City Milling company were above a half million dollars last year, and the business of the next year will show a good deal of growth. They buy wheat all over the Willamette valley.

They ground upward of 120,000 bushels of wheat last year. This all came from the country surrounding Salem, with the exception of about 10,000 bushels of eastern Oregon "hard" wheat.

The Cherry City people use also some oats, for feeds. They turn out rolled oats and rolled barley and ground barley and ground oats.

Should Raise More.

Mr. Geiser thinks the farmers of the Salem district ought to raise more wheat and oats and other grains, in rotation with clover and corn and other crops.

He says there has been a great deal of improvement in the past few years in the quality of wheat grown. It is of higher quality than formerly; grades higher; is more free from weed seed.

Practically all buyers of wheat these days pay for it according to grade. They no longer pay good money for dirt and weed seeds. This practice gives encouragement to the farmers who will take care to raise and deliver the highest grades.

The best farmers are now raising as high as 50 bushels of wheat to the acre, in the Salem district, and, among those who employ up to date methods, the average yield is perhaps as high as 30 to 35 bushels to the acre.

There is good money in wheat for such farmers, at present prices, around \$2.10 a bushel. And good money in oats at around 70 cents a bushel, that is now being paid.

Mr. Geiser says there are numbers of farmers, in the Salem district, raising wheat year after year, in rotation with clover and other crops, who always have good average yields, in both wet and dry seasons; farmers who use their heads as well as their hands, and never score any failures.

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SAYS SHE HAS NOTHING TO SAY, AND THEN SAYS A LOT

Miss Ella McMunn Has Heard That Bread Is the Staff of Life, But She Wants Hers Hot and Buttered—A Lot of Good Suggestions for the Managers of the Oregon State Fair

Private to the Editor:

I don't want people to think that I am anxious to get my name in the paper, (although I am), but seem so full of things to say, that I think should be said, I am sure you will pardon me for what might seem an unseemly desire to rush into print. There is not anything I can add to the mill and mill feed number. I have heard that bread is the staff of life, but I do not know who said it first. I suppose it was God, maybe, or Shakespeare, and it was God or course, or some of His immediate family that said man should not live by bread alone. I do not care for bread. It is just a last resort with me, and then it has got to be piping hot from the oven and swimming in butter and preserves on top.

DATES OF SLOGANS IN DAILY STATESMAN (In Twice-a-Week Statesman Following Day)

- Loganberries, Oct. 9.
- Fruites, Oct. 16.
- Dairying October 23.
- Flax, October 30.
- Filberts, Nov. 6.
- Walnuts, Nov. 13.
- Strawberries, Nov. 20.
- Apples, November 27.
- Raspberries, December 4.
- Mint, December 11.
- Great Cows, December 18.
- Blackberries, December 25.
- Cherries, January 1, 1920.
- Peaches, January 8, 1920.
- Gooseberries, January 15, 1920.
- Corn, January 22, 1920.
- Celery, January 29.
- Spinach, February 5, 1920.
- Onions, February 12, 1920.
- Potatoes, February 19, 1920.
- Beans, February 26, 1920.
- Mining, March 4, 1920.
- Onions, March 11, 1920.
- Beans, March 18, 1920.
- Paved Highways, March 25, 1920.
- Broccoli, April 1, 1920.
- Shoe, April 8, 1920.
- Lagunas, April 15.
- Asparagus, April 22.
- Grapes, April 29.

Suggestions for the Managers of the Oregon State Fair.

(Miss McMunn's suggestions are good ones, as her suggestions always are. She is always a very present help in trouble, especially when the Salem Slogan editor is so busy with work that he does not know how in the wide world he is going to get through, or half way through; and she is a peach of a writer on peaches or any other good thing under the sun. She intended the following for the Editorials of the People department, but the Salem Slogan editor has appropriated it and purloined it, and taken it to print in this department, with the hope that it will be read more widely, and its pertinent and sage suggestions heeded more certainly.)

Editor Statesman:

It is with rejoicing that we note that Oregon women are taking an especially active interest in the coming state fair. In years past all departments handled by men for men have been well handled, but the things that appeal particularly to women have not received the consideration due them. I refer to housing the exhibits, which have entirely outgrown the space allotted them.

Beginning with the textile department, (which, as everybody DOESN'T know, is needwork), there is a very great need of additional space. At least twice the floor space could be occupied to advantage, as many choice pieces of needwork are folded so as to show but a mere fraction of the piece, all because the space is so limited. And the crowding in the aisles by the thousands who annually view the exhibit makes it difficult for late comers to see anything but the backs of other women bending over the show cases.

The art department has more exhibitors than in years past and less space, while the arrangement allowing visitors to enter either door causes confusion that could be overcome by a one way travel system. I note that there is hope of securing the Kiser pictures for the fair. If this is accomplished has something must be done to find

E. T. BARKUS & SON HAVE LARGE AND GROWING BUSINESS

E. T. Barkus & Son (W. A. Barkus being the son), at 887 South Commercial street, Salem, are dealers in hay and grain, and they grind all kinds of stock feed. They have a rolling mill operating all day long and sometimes at night. They have been handling about 1000 tons of hay and 1000 barrels of flour a year. Their business is running up to around \$200,000 a year.

ALL PORTLAND WILL EXHIBIT

Automobile Dealers Liberal in Patronage of Space at State Fair

There is a time to refrain and a time to do big things, and according to the plans being formulated by Lee Gilbert, chairman of the state fair exhibit committee of the Marion County Automobile Dealers' association, the committee considers the days of the state fair as opportune for big things, for the plans of the automobile exhibits are on a scale surpassing all similar attempts of the past years.