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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1920

**SOME POTATO FIGURES.**

Although Deschutes county prides itself on its potato crop it has still a long way to go to come up to the records made in other sections of the country. On the other hand its production is ahead of the average for the United States.

These facts are brought out in the report of a prize crop contest conducted by an eastern farm journal the results of which have just been announced. Possibly a comparison is not fair because irrigation farmers were not allowed to compete but the results and comparisons are nevertheless interesting.

The 10 year average for potatoes produced in the United States is 96.8 bushels per acre. The Deschutes county average, according to Gus Stadig of the Potato Growers association, is 135 bushels. The average for the state of Maine, where the three prize winners live, is 201 bushels. The prize winners, all residents of Aroostook county, had yields of 530.6, 529.7 and 526.3 bushels, respectively. These figures were not obtained by estimating an acre yield on the basis of a small highly productive plot but are the average per acre yield of a five acre field.

To make the comparison with local yields more satisfactory it would be very much worth while to know how the cost and returns per bushel varied between Aroostook and Deschutes. Commercial fertilizer in enormous quantities and costing \$75 or more per acre is used in Maine in order to obtain these large yields. There is also a considerable expense in cultivation and protection against insect pests. The quality is no better than, if as good as, that of Deschutes potatoes.

Although Deschutes still has a long way to go in potato raising she has already made tremendous strides.

There's a little thing in that Roosevelt letter that should please the students who had tags hung on them during the better English week last fall. Speaking of the Italian king Mr. Roosevelt wrote, "He asked us—Mrs. Roosevelt and I—to drive out with him and the Queen, etc." It is surprising that the editor of the letters let that "I" go by. Surprising and at the same time faithful editing for which he is to be congratulated.

**Listening to "Fish Stories."**  
Norwegian fishermen are using a species of submarine telephone to aid them in their work. A microphone is lowered from a fishing boat and connected by a wire to a telephone in the boat. The fisherman listens at the instrument and when the fish hold a meeting the listening device records the disturbance.—Scientific American.

**Newly Painted Windows.**  
To prevent newly-painted windows from sticking, open and run them up and down two or three times a day for three or four days. Unless this is done the windows are almost bound to stick. Always paint them as early as possible in the day so as to give them a chance to dry before you fasten them at night.

**Of Indian Origin.**  
The powerful political organization "Tammany" was named after the Indian chief "Tamanand" of the Delaware tribe, who was famous for his virtues and wisdom. The Tammany society was founded in New York city May 12, 1782, and became identified with the Republican, now the Democratic party.

**A Lucky Throw.**  
I awoke one night just in time to see a man getting out of my window. I picked up an ink bottle, the only thing handy, and threw it at him. It was a lucky throw, for, although it didn't hit him, it struck the window and splattered him liberally with red ink, which identified him later.—Chicago Tribune.



**Always Something**

If one is bound to have the blues, and grumble like the deuce, then every blooming thing he views will do for an excuse. Where'er he looks he faces wrong and misery and strife; oh, something always comes along to take the joy from life. He has a small attack of flu, and it has knocked him flat; he stands around and says, "Kerchoo!" and stronger words than that. He tells his woes to other cranks in voice of doleful pitch, and doesn't give a word of thanks that he is spared the itch. The day is dismal, and he brays, and tears his hair and robe, and he forgets the pleasant days when sunshine soaked the globe. He sadly wails the same old song, or plays it on a fife: "There's always something comes along to take the joy from life." And when one views the world like this, he is a hopeless case; he wouldn't know a slice of bliss if pushed against his face. A ton of grief upon this hick is most securely cinched, and he would make some kind of kick if he were being lynched.

**Needs to Be Shown.**

A Missouri merchant advertises: "This week we offer a choice lot of draperies, cretonnes and some heavier stuff for making kimonos of. I don't know what a kimono is, but that's what it's for, anyhow."—Boston Transcript.

**Poor Places for Pictures.**

The Corcoran art gallery says that it is harmful to an oil painting to hang it near a window where it will be exposed to the sun, or to be hung near a stove or radiator, as all heat agencies tend to dry the oil and make the painting crack.

**Fifteen Years Ago**

(From the Columns of The Bulletin of February 24, 1905.)

W. H. Staats, the Deschutes merchant and postmaster, this week sold his merchandise stock to E. A. Sather in Bend, and sent his resignation as postmaster to the department in Washington. The Deschutes post office is expected to be closed as soon as the authorities act in the matter.

An ordinance to provide for the office of city attorney at a salary of \$350 a year, was introduced by Councilman Hugh O'Kane at the Tuesday night meeting of the city council.

Anthony Ahlstrom was seriously hurt last Friday during the explosion of a drill shot on the Central Oregon canal.

Ned Maloney paid a fine of \$5 for drunkenness Monday. The fine is the first received by the city, although a \$5 bail deposited two weeks ago was forfeited.

John Sisemore, of Bend, and C. L. Gist, of Sisters, have formed partnership for the conduct of a general real estate business.

The Rev. O. C. Triplitt and family have moved out from Prineville and taken possession of their new cottage on one of the acre lots of the Cotton claim.

**Notes Sure of Victim's Death.**

Though the elephant's eyesight is poor, his hearing and sense of smell are acute, and he covers about 12 feet in one stride. When he grips his victim in his trunk he crushes him to the ground. Then, if he has tusks, he hits great holes through his body. When he kneels on his victim, then he wheels ponderously and sits on the body, rolling his tremendous avoirdupois back and forth, utterly squashing it. Finally he stumps on it, battering it into the ground.—Exchange.

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