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THE LAWRENCE THRESHING UNIT.

A few days back we dropped in at the home of Hues Mulkey this side of Monmouth and found Cassimer Lawrence with a large crew hulling wheat quick as lightning. The portable coal house is presided over by Mrs. McCaleb and Mrs. Mack, of Cooper Hollow, the former having seen four and the latter three seasons experience with that machine. No wonder they are retained so long because they are first class cooks and all the boarders like both them and their grub. We sampled their delicious cookies and would have consumed a pie or two had not the boys made way with the last one. A dozen loaves of bread and 40 pounds of meat disappear daily and a 100 pound sack of sugar lasts only a week. If there be ten pies at the beginning of a meal there are none at the close. Harry J. Mulkey is the master of the unit and it keeps him rustling to provide potatoes and other eatables as fast as they are devoured. Near the machine we noticed a pile of sacks, each one containing a bushel of some-thing. When bedtime comes each fellow digs out a roosting place in the straw pile and covers with a blanket to shield his carcass from the dew. The engine is a straw burner, there being only one other, that of Madison & Murphy, in the county. It does excellent work and the fuel is cheaper than dirt. The crew consists of W. Snyder, engineer; Millard McCaleb, fireman; Jacob Baah and Ben Whitcomb, feeders; Ernest Thurston and George Tachon, sack sewers and Bill Wanquet, sucker, while George Boothby and son take away the straw. The bundlers are Wm. Palmer, Clarence McCaleb, Leslie Thurston, John Huber, Mr. Patton and three teams of Mr. Lawrence. Mr. Moody, of Cooper Hollow, keeps the concern supplied with water. They have previously threshed for Frank Powell eighteen acres that produced forty bushels to the acre and George Boothby's forty-five acres averaged thirty bushels. The crops of Ben Whitcomb, M. W. Mix and Mr. Rider, for instance, were twenty-five bushels and a sixty acre piece of J. A. Grigby measured up to twenty-nine bushels. Mr. Mulkey's thirty-five acres was turning out well. The machine had been threshing an average of about 2,000 bushels per day.

RIDER'S GRAIN HULLING CONCERN.

We ran across it on the farm of Oliver Webster near Grace church. Mr. Rider pays his three cooks each \$1 a day, the straw bunks get \$1. or \$1.50 if they furnish their own horses, pitchers and teamsters \$1.50, a man and his team \$2.50, separator tender and sack tender each \$2, and the feeders, loaders and engineer \$3. There are thirteen teams and the whole concern consumes about fifty barrels of water a day. Mr. Rider's own sixty-five acre crop had passed out 1,500 bushels, and the forty-eight acres of Mr. Webster were expected to produce as much. They were next going to a forty-five acre field of A. B. Atkins who would have more to thresh later on. George Rogers, George Jones, Pearl Hodges, Frank Green, and Mr. Bacon. The pitchers were Gus Lemon, Wm. Bresler, Chas. McCaleb, M. Bergan, Peter Curry, Louis Wilson. The water was being hauled by Newt Jones and the straw was being gotten out of the way by Ed. Dove and H. Shafer. It was the duty of J. A. Simmons to keep the separator in ship shape. W. S. Rider kept the steam up and the cylinders moving while Chas. Foster and F. R. Rider pushed in the ripe bundles at a rapid rate after the bands were cut by Paul Rose and H. Leman. C. L. Brown watched after the sacks as the grain ran swiftly in and then Wm. Shafer and Frank Wilson sewed them up and piled them away in short order. At the cook wagon we found round about general household articles under the supervision of a trio of cooks, they being Mrs. J. N. Jones, Miss Lola Fluke and Miss Nellie Rider. The latter reported that the boys around the machine had immense appetites and put out of sight daily a bushel of potatoes, four pounds of butter, twenty loaves of bread and thirty pounds of meat, to say nothing of numerous pies, cakes and cups of coffee. It was a jolly crowd, every thing was running smoothly and the cooks and their fellow servants looked as though they would be glad for the job to last right up to humping time.

KOLA BILLS.

Mr. Clark has lost two hogs by poison.
The H. M. Sykes' estate has been appraised at \$4,525.
J. W. McDowell & Co. commenced threshing last Wednesday.
Uncle David Gibson spent Saturday in Salem, he is 81 years old.
Vine Pearce and family, of Salem, have been visiting his mother.
Richard Pearce goes to the valley to work with M. F. White's threshers.
A G. Roberts was in the neighborhood a week engaging hop pickers.
A R. Southwick and wife, of eastern Oregon are visiting relatives in this county.
Mrs. Stout and family, of Monmouth, were visiting her daughter, Mrs. Cicero Sta-buck.
William Pearce insured ten hop houses last week, he has been traveling in the interest of the Willamette Valley Hop Growers Association.
Mr. Clark is busy hauling wood to Salem, he has the contract to furnish the electric light company 200 cord.
Frank Southwick and son, of Salem,

NOTES BY A YAMHILLER.

Your correspondent in passing through Ballston noted that it is proving about as fast as most towns of its size and situated on the Willamette Valley hop growers association; having taken out about thirty applications all told.
Mr. and Mrs. Calder were visiting in the Lincoln vicinity Wednesday.
Mrs. Rebecca Skinner and daughter have gone to Canada on a visit.
Mr. McDowell's folks were surprised by the arrival of friends from Pennsylvania Saturday.
A bale of hops that was picked from Pearce Riggs' yard is to be awarded first prize at the World's fair, quite an advertisement for old Polk.

OAKDALE.

Grandpa Bell has been ailing.
Prof. Robinson has returned to the metropolis.
The peach plum is now in its prime and the crop seems to be a good one.
J. D. Chitwood, of the Newacowin county, stopped over night here in passing through to see about a hop picking engagement.
Three crews of threshers are here this week. Robbins & Luper, Farley & Jones and Sheppard & Gard, so we will be pretty well threshed out by Saturday.
Henry Tate is getting to be our most frequent visitor, as his smiling face is seen passing through the hills twice each day. He is always welcome, for none are more obliging when called on for favors.
It is not the loss of game that makes the farmers put up trespass notices, so much as the leaving open of gates, tramping down grain and the accidental shooting of stock. Apropos to the above, lately I met a young man with a loaded rifle, a lighted pipe and a big dog, three elements of destruction, and had he killed a horse, burned a logging camp, or his dog killed a band of sheep he was not able to pay any damages, even if it could be proven.
UPPER SALT CREEK.
Green beans, pease, potatoes and etc. in plenty here.
Mark and Robert Sears have been slaying to make mowdown.
They say timothy and clover will keep a horse better than brush.
Tude Tol Savery has been in this locality lately and reported Jo. Savery busy grubbing his oats.
We notice a new building going up on Mr. Hart's place, perhaps it is a home for the pet rabbits there.
Aunt Lottie Brown's niece has left for her home in Kansas. She says Oregon is good enough for her.
Uncle Matt Brown has two men at work and will soon have his farm ready for stock, hogs, sheep and goats.
Harlow Conlee is in the shake business and Cal Conlee will soon build a house and live on the old blackberry patch of W. C. Brown.
Our school teacher is looking for some school marm to assist him in school when it commences again. That teacher is a rustler and hath an eye to business.
FEEDER.
Mrs. Fowle is slowly improving.
Rice Hastings is back on feeders.
Paul Ronco will soon start his steam thrasher.
Mr. Hannum is again able to be about the house.
J. M. Craton's hop yard looks fine for the first year.
Rowell & Co. will soon have their hop houses completed.
Rev. Yost will preach here the first Sunday in September.
The family of Mr. Locke are visiting friends at Independence.
The Methodists will hold a basket meeting Sunday at the school house.
The first threshing of the season was begun at Evan Evans by Hastings crew.
Miss Mollie Taylor went to Dallas to take the teachers examination, but was taken sick the first afternoon and had to quit and come home.
KOLA BILLS.
There are fully 300 campers here, a majority of them being located at what is called Happy Camping Ground and quite a number at Cooke. The bay lies in a nice shape and has a beach drive of four miles. On the sand, across the bay is another good driving ground. This is sure to be a favorite summer resort. Clams and fish are plentiful and the tourist can find other means of pleasantly occupying his time. Several bears have been slain and others are prowling around waiting for a similar fate. This is a good game region and stock looks well. The other day I saw Robert Howe and family also Mike Flynn and lady. There are people here from all over the state and they are a very social set. This is a pretty place for a town and the store sells things about as cheap as in Dallas. The new saw mill of Mr. Hobert will be a welcome addition.

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BUENA VISTA.

T. C. Jones has returned after a prolonged trip through California. He reports times as hard there, though everything is looking well.
Mr. Robert Zachary and Johnnie Wells have been ailing.
Prof. E. S. Longacre while riding on the running year of the wagon ran over a stump, breaking both bones of his left leg. Dr. Boynton was called in and now the bones are healing nicely.
Mrs. McClain, who recently broke her limb is up and around on crutches.
Miss Berta and her brother Eddie Jeter are visiting friends around here.
Edgar Collins, of Dallas, is visiting at the home of Prof. Longacre.

MONMOUTH.

No sale for wheat at any price.
W. C. Hembree is still very sick.
N. A. Emmett is building on his Cooper Hollow ranch.
E. E. Hewitt is putting the lumber on the ground for a new house.
Mr. Edleman has been very sick for a week past, but is some better.
Max Haley threshed 10,000 bushels of grain the first five and half days run.
Rev. J. N. Smith has returned from Eugene City where his meeting was a success.
The warehouse company has let out 18,000 new sacks and several thousand old ones.
S. K. Crowley and family have returned from the coast some improved in health.
Holt Fulkerson and family have returned from the Hot Springs, but his health is no better.
W. Waterhouse is raising the roof of his store building and will add another story for Good Templar hall.
Rev. Streng's family have arrived from the east and are well pleased with their new home. They bought the Curley property.

SMITHFIELD.

All of the grain in this part of the county is out.
Mr. Ginn's hay baler was at D. L. Gibson's last week.
Geo. Meyer's steam thrasher has been running a week, and are now at Wm. Reddecope.
A letter has been received from Washington, allowing us a post office at this place.
Geo. Meyer had to raise his warehouse and move it back to accommodate the standard gauge.
J. Hastings, wife and Miss Ruby last week made a trip to Pioneer and Summit, of Benton county.
S. T. Riggs, wife and daughter Clara, and nephews Barton and Ralph Riggs passed through here this week returning from a trip to Little Neutucka. They were gone two weeks and report a fine time.
MILL CREEK.
D. W. James is up Mill creek, driving P. A. Syron's logging team.
Rev. Horton preached his farewell sermon last Sunday at Buell's chapel.
The Blair outfit and Ridgeway outfit with horse power machines are running.
If we don't make mention of "T. E. Blair's garden it is worthy just the same."
Hattie James, of Willamina, was visiting her sister Mrs. H. Hinshaw last Sunday.
Wheat was quite thin on the ground but in threshing was found to turn out pretty well.
Zina, Geo. W. and Wm. Hinshaw are with the W. B. Davis threshing outfit near Perrydale.
C. Blair is back from the coast and Mrs. Blair got somewhat bruised by the upsetting of the wagon.
Ed Woods has bought the Summers place, a part of the Blair farm, for this season, two hundred dollars and has moved there.
Hinshaw Bros. and Blair & Purvine will join in picking and drying hops this season, and will pick about twenty three acres.
We noticed two men guarding a straw stack for one of our neighbors, but no hay and straw is scarce this season.
John Bones has sold his saw mill in order to Uncle Geo. Berry, of near Sheridan, and the mill will make a short run before it moves.
The Blair outfit and T. Hinshaw for straw bays, he is only thirty six years old, but like all other straw bunks, he wants to get to the first table when meal time comes.
There has been found quite a number of hop lice in the yard of J. M. Davis, of Goose neck, and a few on the Blair yard, but no sign of a louse has yet been seen on the Hinshaw hops.

A Gentleman



Who formerly resided in Connecticut, but who now resides in Monmouth, writes: "20 years past, my wife and I have used Ayer's Hair Vigor, and we attribute to it the dark hair which she and I now have, while hundreds of our acquaintances, ten or a dozen years younger than we, are either gray-headed, white, or bald. When asked how our hair has retained its color and fullness, we reply, 'By the use of Ayer's Hair Vigor—nothing else.'"
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AYER'S HAIR VIGOR

Mrs. Albert White made him a present of a nine and half pound boy a few days since. Mrs. White is the daughter of J. M. Davis, of Goose neck, and is staying with her parents during Al's sickness.
Several of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Hinshaw gathered at their residence last Sunday to spend the afternoon. During the evening it was noticed that one young lady had left the room—it was supposed to drop a briny tear—her best fellow had just gone across the mountains for a summer stay. After an hours absence a search was made and to the joy of the searchers, she was found sound asleep on the lower shelf of the four house.

WESTERN OREGON CROPS.

The temperature during the past week was about two degrees below the normal. Cloudy weather invariably prevailed in the mornings and the afternoons were clear and warm. The sunshine was below the normal. No rain occurred, but the cloudy, cool mornings counteracted the effect of the dry weather of the afternoon and proved beneficial to grass and pastures; at the same time assisting the work of harvesting and threshing. Smoke from forest fires has been noticeable in the Willamette valley all the week, and at times it was quite dense. Haying is practically over in the coast district. It cured well and has been housed for winter use. Harvesting and threshing is progressing, and is advanced in the coast district than in other sections. Threshing reveals a yield of about five bushels per acre less than was anticipated in southern sections, while in northern sections, and the Willamette valley more favorable results are shown. In the Willamette valley the yield varies from 28 to 30 bushels per acre as is shown from threshers reports. Heavy bushels per acre is the highest reported, about are making a fine growth. Early spring wheat is being harvested, with prospects for a light yield. Owing to the lateness of the season, the crop of corn is in a doubtful condition, continued warm weather is necessary to bring it to maturity, early frosts would make it a failure. The potato crop has stood the dry season well. It will be a heavy crop in southern and coast sections, while in central counties and northern sections rhyces is complained of, which cause them to dwarf and in sections to spot. Favorable reports have been received regarding the hop crop in all sections of the state, there are less insects than in former years and the buds are thickly set. Fruit continues to fall in some sections, owing to the evil effects of the weather, the damage is more considerable in southern counties. Fruit is coming into market more plentifully. Apples, which will average three-quarters of a crop, are ripening rapidly and are being shipped to eastern and western markets. Prunes and plums mature a full crop. Freestone peaches are becoming plentiful in market. Watermelons are ready for shipment to neighboring markets.

DAN VOORHEES SPEAKS.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 22.—Senator Voorhees addressed the senate this morning at length on behalf of his motion repealing the purchase clause of the Sherman act. He explained that the purpose of the present act in converting the extra seignior was owing to the loss of confidence in the financial world. This loss of confidence, he said, was not in the credit of the government, which he believed today than any other in the globe. He praised the administration for refusing to gratify the demand of capitalists for the issue of \$300,000,000 bonds. He summarized the elements of the nation's financial strength within its own borders, and regretted that legislation had checked our foreign trade, and had left us today without a commercial friend in the world. He had faith that the giant evil which had befallen the commerce of the country would be removed with the other evils which challenged attention and action. If the true greatness of the country was studied, it would be seen that financial panics and alarms could have no foundation here. There was another exceedingly powerful test of the government's credit. Money was simply a medium for exchange of values; money was a creature, created by its creator. Gold and its alleged intrinsic value went for naught as a circulating medium unless the coin bore the stamp of the government. The same official stamp on silver or paper at once nobles them to the same quality with gold in purchasing power, no matter how debased and valueless the material may have become as commodities, by order or caprice of the legislature. There were nine different currencies used in the transaction of business in this country, which should be uniform in purchasing and debt-paying power, so as to make them interchangeable.

Pacific Hay for Europe.

News comes from Washington that 1000 tons of hay will be shipped to England from Tacoma in the wheat ship now under engagement at that port. It is said that a good quality of hay can be had for \$12 per ton, while freight to England can be obtained at \$10 per ton. Recently hay sold as high as \$50 per ton in England. There has been considerable activity in exporting hay from the Atlantic seaboard to Europe in the last few weeks. Most of these shipments have been made from Canada, by way of New York. The hay crop of Canada is large. During the month of July the exports of hay from New York for Europe were 140,000 bales.

The Lost is Found.

Luke Strong, the Perrydale young man who turned up missing, came back a week ago and related a thrilling and romantic experience. As he was going home at night from Ira Townsends two men caught, tied, gagged and robbed him. They then took him to near Bridwell where a third man had a covered wagon. They started with him across the Cascades, keeping him tied and blindfolded. During the fourth night he escaped, and when daylight came found that he was south east of Mount Hood. After many hardships he reached Portland and found home just a week after being kidnapped.

While sick sewing with the Shipley crew E. F. Sargeant hurt his back and Frank Zumwalt had to take his place.

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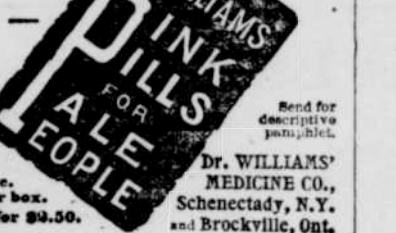
on the Spotswood property near Ballston.
W. E. Burkett, of Dallas section boss, reports a fine new boy at his home.
Judge and Mrs. Boise and Miss Mae are over from Salem for a few weeks outing.
Mr. Moreland's daughter, Mrs. Harris Glandon, is down from Seattle visiting at McCoy.
Henry Butler has bought a couple of lots at Ballston and will build and move there this fall.
C. P. Zumwalt's son, Bruce, and family have been up from Oregon City to see the old folks.
Wiley Kinsey, of Albany, has been down looking after his farming interests west of Perrydale.
A fellow without experience will do many things that he would not think of doing a little later on.
Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Moore have moved to Talmage and their dwelling here will be occupied by R. Suitor.
Mrs. Della Cox, state lecturer for the Woman's Christian Temperance Union will lecture in the Methodist church at 7:30 this evening.
M. L. Ryan, chief scribe of the Perrydale Patriot, has gone to California, and they do say that when he returns there will be a halter around his neck with a Mrs. Ryan at the other end of it.

Jas. Newbill, of Ballston, died last week, aged twenty one years. He had been an invalid for two years and a severe surgical operation was performed on him last winter, but it gave only temporary relief.
Disgusting and heathenish prize fights still go on in one part of the country and another. But public sentiment is gradually causing an abandonment of the practice. It is on a par with spanish bull fighting.
Oregon is now being well advertised in the east by its grain and fruit going there through many mediums. The fact that so few Oregonians who go east to remain there is strong presumptive evidence that our country is at least as good as that.

Polk County Normal Graduates.

Among the Monmouth Normal school graduates from this county have been E. S. Cronin and Nellie Hannum in 1885; B. F. Mulkey, Belle Ebbert, Sarah Cavitt, Viola Rubie, Mary and Anna Stevens in 1887; R. T. Burnett, Lena Butler, Lottie Ground, E. C. Penland, Ida Smith, T. A. Wann, Vida and William Worth in 1888; W. E. Barze, Nellie Collins, Curtis Hawley, J. W. McCulloch, Libbie Vaughn and J. M. Whiteaker in 1890.

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