

THE WOOL MARKET.

The wool market, while characterized by much strength in the matter of prices, fails to show any decided increase in activity. Both the wool merchant and the consumer are watching the trend of developments very closely, the two factors in the situation which are chiefly engaging their attention being the continued strengthening tendency and active buying of wool in foreign markets, and the developments with reference to the new clip in the territories. That there is to be no substantial increase in the available supplies to come upon the markets abroad during the remainder of the season is now quite generally accepted, and that relief is to come, therefore, from that quarter to those who are hoping for lower prices does not seem probable. At the next London auctions the available offerings will amount to only about 140,000 bales, as against more than 155,000 bales at the corresponding auctions last year, much of which bids fair to be eagerly competed for, nor is there any reason for believing that at subsequent sales the offerings will be proportionately any larger. Offerings at other centres are likewise very moderate.

As to the American clip, which is about to come upon the market, indications at present are that we are to have another well-grown, well-conditioned and light shrinkage clip, whose size will about equal that of a year ago. It may slightly exceed it, but not enough to be noteworthy. That the bulk of it will be wanted, in view of the fact that importations are less than those of a year ago and that supplies carried over are very small, goes without saying, unless manufacturing conditions are to be decidedly worse than they are today. It will hardly more than suffice for manufacturers' needs unless there is to be a considerable stoppage of machinery. But the ability of consumers to pay more for wool than it is costing them today may well be questioned. And yet this is what they will be obliged to do, unless there is a radical change in wool market conditions, which will lead the growers to make concessions from their present asking prices.

The present inactivity in the market is due partially, of course, to the lack of desirable selections of wools, the best territorial clips, those suitable for worsted spinning, being cleaned out long ago. Wools of which there are sizable selections are not slow sellers, as is evidenced by the quite free buying of the Australian and Argentinian wools by consumers during the past few weeks. One reason, also, why these wools have been taken so freely lies in the fact that they can be obtained at relatively lower prices than wools can be landed for from London to day. With the firm outlook abroad, and with indications of small selections available throughout the year at the London auctions, there is increasing evidence as to the truth of the contention that American buyers did not purchase as much wool as was needed.—American Wool and Cotton Reporter.

State Treasurer.

Although there are six candidates in the field for State Treasurer it is now conceded that either Ralph Hoyt of Portland or E. V. Carter of Jackson County will be nominated. Mr. Carter says, "If elected I will reside in Salem and give the office my personal attention." Mr. Hoyt is silent on this point. Mr. Carter says, "If elected I will turn over to the State every dollar of the interest paid on State funds." This money, from \$10,000 to \$20,000 per

annum, has heretofore been retained by the Treasurer.

As Mr. Hoyt is silent on this point also it is fair to assume that he intends to pocket this interest money as has been done in the past. Will you vote for a Portland man and thus continue this graft? A vote for E. V. Carter is a vote to stop this graft and reduce taxes correspondingly.

MUST LIVE ON LAND.

Eight Months of Commutation Period Must be Actual Residence.

Secretary Hitchcock has put all homesteaders on the public lands on notice that if they intend to complete their entries they shall remain upon the land continuously during eight months of the 14 months commutation period, a report that comes from Washington.

Three decisions, all along the same line, have been handed down by the secretary in the past month. One came from South Dakota, another came from Nebraska, and the third from Oklahoma. In all three cases the entrymen had offered proof with their applications to commute, which was deemed insufficient as to residence by the commissioner of the general land office, whose opinion was sustained by the secretary.

Under the practice of the interior department a homesteader may take six months to establish constructive residence on the land covered by the application—that is he may take that length of time to go upon the land and build his house and start cultivation.

The commutation period is fourteen months from the date of entry when the entryman upon paying \$1.25 an acre for his holdings, and submitting satisfactory proof of residence during that period, may receive a patent for the land covered by his entry.

The secretary is very positive in holding that the last eight months of the commutation period shall be those of actual residence. On this point he says that, "In commutation cases the law not only requires that it shall clearly and satisfactorily appear from the proof that the bona fide residence was established within six months from the date of entry, but also that the actual residence upon the land has been continuous from the time it was established until the date of the making of final report."

In the cases recently decided the proof is rejected without prejudice, which means that the entrymen are privileged to go back upon the land and establish residence and otherwise comply with the law at any time within the five-year life of the entry.

It is expected that when these decisions gain wider circulation in the public land states, there will be a general compliance with the law or else a lot of homesteads will be relinquished. Developments along this line are looked for along the extension of the Milwaukee railroad from Everts, S. D., to Seattle, Wash., where the local land officers have been kept busy in recent months receiving homestead entries.

Weekly Weather Bulletin.

The past week was sunshiny, dry, and warmer than usual. No rain fell in the southeastern part of the state and but few showers occurred elsewhere. Light frosts were reported generally on Tuesday and Thursday mornings and in a few places on Wednesday morning. The afternoons of the 13th and 14th were unusually warm, but on the 15th it turned cooler and nearly normal temperatures prevailed thereafter. The winds, as a rule, were light and mostly from the west, except where they were diverted from their normal track by topographical conditions.

PORTAGE ROAD IDLE.

Regulator Line Refuses to Run Through Three-Mile Rapids

Temporarily the portage road will be idle, and the Open River Transportation company will discontinue the business of handling through freight from Portland to points on the upper Columbia. This condition has been brought about by the refusal of the Regulator line to handle the company's business through Three-Mile rapids, the explanation being given that they are dangerous during the high-water stage of the river.

Officials of the Open River Transportation company are of the opinion that the stand taken by the Regulator line is merely assumed for the purpose of throwing the traffic to the railroad company. It is declared that a strong sentiment has been in process of development during the past few weeks against the Open River company, supposed to have been instigated principally by the railroad interests. If the O. R. & N. and the north bank roads have no opposition, it is pointed out they will secure all the traffic. Consequently it is

argued that it would be to their interest if the independent boat line which is being established were forced to abandon the route and the sooner the better.

The open river people are determined to go ahead with their plans at all hazards. They are already negotiating for other boats to transport freight from Portland to the portage road. It is declared that there is no danger whatever in sending boats through Three Mile rapids at any season of the year. The government has recently cleared the channel of all obstructions. Many of the river captains who are acquainted with the situation say the channel is perfectly safe. If it is not, they are wondering at the great expense to which the federal government is going to build a canal around the obstructions at Celilo, for when that great waterway has been built, boats will still be obliged to go through Three Mile rapids.

Until other arrangements have been completed the open river people will place the steamer Mountain Gem in service carrying freight to the contractors who are building the railroad down the north bank of the Columbia. The Regulator interests are willing to transport the freight for the open river men as far as The Dalles. When this fact became known, the former were thinking seriously of sending the freight the rest of the distance to the portage road by means of wagon teams, but later decided that the undertaking would be too expensive.

JUDGE H. J. BEAN.

Judge H. J. Bean republican candidate for nomination as circuit judge of the sixth judicial district, was in Morrow county last week in the interest of his candidacy. Mr. Bean has a large number of old acquaintances in Morrow county. He has practiced law in this district the past twenty-five years, during which time he has made many warm friends.

He was admitted to the bar in the state of Maine, March 1881, and the following June he came to Pendleton, Oregon, where he has since enjoyed a good and growing practice. He was elected to the legislature in 1888. He also served two terms as district attorney, being elected to that office in 1896 and re-elected in 1898. He was also elected to the office of county judge of Umatilla county in 1904.

The judge is a life-long republican. His qualifications for the office of Circuit Judge are unquestioned by the leading attorneys of this district and all the people who know him. He will receive a good substantial support in both Umatilla and Morrow counties.

Mr. Morgan's Platform.

I am the only candidate for county clerk in Western Morrow county. I come straight out from the rank and file of the Republican party. Am a taxpayer and stand for the upbuilding of Morrow county's financial, educational and commercial institutions, and if nominated and elected you will all get a "square deal," also an expert statement of the financial condition of your county every six months.

If I can't win on this platform I don't want it. T. W. MORGAN.

Prohibition Convention.

The prohibitionist of Morrow county, are called to meet in convention at the court house Heppner April 27th at 10 a. m. All prohibitionist and friends are requested to be present.

M. D. L. FRENCH.

WANTS.

The national want advertising medium is The Outlook of New York. Circulation 129,000 copies every week among the best people in all parts of America. Want advertisements here cost a word. Send for circular, or better still send your Want.

If you take this paper and The Weekly Oregonian you won't have to beg your news.

Morrow County's Registration of Voters.

Table with columns: PRECINCT, Rep., Dem., Soc., Pro., No. Pky, Total. Rows include Alpine, Cecil, Dairy, Dry Fork, Eight Mile, Gentry, Heppner, Lewis, Lexington, Matteson, Mt. Vernon, North Lane, Pine City, South Lane, Treggon, Wells Springs, and TOTALS.

FOR STATE TREASURER.

Eastern Oregon Candidate for the State Treasurer the Favorite.

Portland, April 17. (Special.)—The Republican press of Western Oregon are almost unanimous in favor of and using their efforts to secure the nomination of Hon. John H. Aitkirk of Huntington for State Treasurer, as the press voices the sentiment of the people, the indications are that he is the favorite in that section. In this city he has made a remarkable campaign, his friends and admirers are working early and late for him, he is sure to receive a big vote here.

It is natural to suppose that Eastern Oregon Republicans will give him a very large majority, they should rally to his support, in doing so can secure for him the nomination. He has made the cleanest canvass among all his competitors, without personalities or mud throwing, has not combined with politicians or bankers, but is conducting a clean cut honorable campaign, one the people should and will endorse.

Furniture Sold on Credit.

A firm in Portland known as the Gevartz Furniture Co., beginning in a small way just thirty years ago, has built up an immense retail business by the early adoption of a liberal credit plan. "A little down—a little at a time" was their slogan. They have issued a catalogue and are now reaching out for interior business and will extend their credit system to all parts of the state; and as a further inducement for business, will prepay all freight charges. The Gevartz Furniture Co., is located at 173-175 First Street. See their sewing machine offer in another column.

Socialist Convention.

Notice is hereby given that a county convention of the socialist party is called to meet in Heppner, Oregon, at the court house at 10 o'clock a. m. Saturday, April 28, 1906, for the purpose of nominating a full county ticket together with joint representative and joint senator.

ABNER CANTWELL,

Chairman Morrow county Central Committee. April 19.

All smart up-to-date women of today, know how to wash, bake, sing and to play; Without these talents a wife is N. G. Unless she takes Rocky Mountain Tea. —W. P. McMillan, Lexington, Ore.

For Sheriff.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for sheriff, subject to the decision of the Republican voters at the primary election on April 20.

A. K. FULLER, Lexington, Oregon.

H. E. Collier for Judge.

To the voters of the Sixth Judicial District: I hereby announce myself a candidate for the republican nomination for circuit judge of this district, comprising Umatilla and Morrow counties, subject to your decision at the direct primary election to be held April 20.

HENRY E. COLLIER, Pendleton.

For County Clerk.

I hereby respectfully announce myself a candidate for nomination as county clerk at the Republican primary to be held April 20, 1906.

LEWIS KINNEY.

Human Blood Marks.

A tale of horror was told by marks of human blood in the home of J. W. Williams, a well known merchant of Bac, Ky. He writes: "Twenty years ago I had severe hemorrhages of the lungs, and was near death when I began taking Dr. King's New Discovery. I completely cured me and I have remained well ever since." It cures Hemorrhages, Chronic Coughs, Settled Colds and Bronchitis, and is the only known cure for weak lungs. Every bottle guaranteed by Patterson & Son, druggists. 50c and \$1. Trial bottle free.

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Announcement.

My name will appear on the Republican Nominating Ballot as a candidate for nomination as County Clerk of Morrow county. I respectfully solicit the support of all members of the party at the primaries on April 20th, 1906.

W. O. HILL.

For County Clerk.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for County Clerk of Morrow county, on the republican ticket, subject to the earnest consideration of the republican voters on April 20th, 1906. If elected I will perform the several duties to the satisfaction of all.

T. W. MORGAN.

For Sheriff.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for sheriff of Morrow county on the republican ticket, subject to the will of the voters at the direct primaries on the 20th of April, 1906. If elected I shall enforce the laws and shall make war on horse-thieves and gamblers.

E. M. SHUTT.

For Sheriff.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the nomination of sheriff of Morrow county subject to the decision of the democratic voters at the primary election on April 20.

J. J. MCGEE.

For Governor.

In addition to the general support already assured in Western Oregon, I hereby ask the favorable consideration of Eastern Oregon Republicans at the coming primaries. I have been a farmer all my life, believe in the "plain people," justice to all classes, honesty in public servants and enforcement of the laws.

T. T. GREER.

For State Printer.

The undersigned announces himself as a Republican candidate for renomination for State Printer, subject to the decision of the Republican voters at the primary election April 20.

Now serving first term. The same courtesy that has been accorded to State officers generally, that of a renomination, would be greatly appreciated.

J. R. WHITNEY

Albany, Oregon.

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Republicans

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