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HOP YIELD HEAVY DESPITE RAIN AND MOLD

THIS WEEK SEES FINISH OF PICKING IN POLK YARDS; LOSS FROM MOLD REACHES 20 PER CENT.

OUTPUT IS 120,000 BALES

Heavy Crop Surpasses All Expectations; Mold Causes Abandonment of Portion of Some Yards; Little Trade Noted and Market Weak at 18 Cents; Grant Sells.

This week will end the hop picking for the 1912 season. There are few of the larger yards still at work but the most of them will finish today or Saturday and what hops are not picked then will be allowed to remain on the vines. The season has been a remarkable one in many ways, according to the statement of experienced hop men. A month ago, prospects for an immense yield were never better in Oregon, and it was predicted that 120,000 bales would be the output. Then followed the cold damp weather and heavy rains just as picking began. This led to mold and other damage which threatened to cut down the yield materially. This did happen, and hardly a yard but what lost a few bales, while some lost a considerable number. Still the crop was so heavy that, even with the losses, it will equal the predicted amount of 120,000 bales and all indications at present point to an excess of this output. It is estimated that, had the weather remained favorable, fully 135,000 bales would have been the record established by Oregon this season.

Little Trading Noted. The market however remains inactive and but little trading is noted. Some few speculators are busy, but it may be said that the market is quiet. One of the principal transactions of the week was the sale of the J. M. Grant hops to E. C. Kirkpatrick for 18 cents. These hops are graded as fancy.

The quality of the hops in the Dallas district is as usual, up to the standard," declared E. C. Kirkpatrick yesterday. "Taken as a whole, throughout the county, they are all right too. Of course there has been considerable mold, but some of the yards do not show any, while others have but little. Fully 80 per cent. of the new crop will grade from prime to choice, which is a very good showing, considering the unfavorable

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BEST IN ART WILL BE SEEN HERE

HAYTER'S BOOK STORE TO SHOW CHOICE HOLIDAY OFFERINGS.

Samples From Great Eastern Houses Inspected and Dallas People to Get Latest Novelties From the East.

J. C. Hayter, the local bookseller at stationer, returned home the first of the week from Portland, after having spent two days in the sample rooms of some of the largest publishing and art houses of the Eastern cities.

"It was my privilege to look over several mammoth sample lines," said Mr. Hayter yesterday, "and I can assure the people who do their holiday shopping at my store this year that they will be able to purchase the newest novelties known to the markets of Chicago and New York."

Better Than Last Year. "Customers were kind enough to say many nice things of my picture display last season, but I can promise them that our showing this year will be a revelation to all lovers of the best in art. The display cannot be described in words. It will have to be seen to be appreciated.

"The showings of high-grade gift books is especially attractive this year, and nothing could be daintier than the new booklets, cards and leather-bound classics.

"Our display of Hurd's holiday stationery will represent the last word in dignity and refinement. After our customers have seen this display, I am sure they will agree with us that there are only two kinds of stationery in the world—Hurd's and the other kind."

Mr. Hayter says it was pleasing to see the enterprising citizens of Newberg busily engaged in laying sixteen blocks of hard-surface pavement. At McMinnville, another paving crew is improving the main thoroughfare. Little Williams has just completed four blocks of the hard-surface paving and Mr. Hayter expressed regret that he didn't have time to run over and see that too.

Dallas' Modern Buildings



New High School building, now to be used for second year; equipped with all modern conveniences.

POLK SCHOOLS TO OPEN MONDAY SEPT. 23

SOME DISTRICTS WILL DELAY UNTIL SEPT. 30, WHILE FEW WILL NOT OPEN UNTIL OCTOBER 7.

SCHOOL POPULATION GROWS

Shows Increase of More Than 400 Over Previous Year; All Districts Supplied and Standard is High; List of Teachers and Population of Four Principal Schools.

On Monday the schools bells of the different districts of the county will again summon the youngsters from the playground and the long summer vacation will be but a memory. The majority of the schools will open on Monday, September 23, but some will delay the opening until Monday, September 24, while still others will not begin until a week from that time.

From all portions of the county come reports to the county superintendent's office of preparations for the year's school work and, judging by indications, the coming year will be one of the most successful ever experienced in this county. The different boards report that the school buildings have been thoroughly repaired and renovated and everything placed in readiness. Every district is supplied with teachers and it is believed that the standard of instruction, average higher than in previous years. There is, in Polk county, a total school population of 4,891, of which 2,585 are males and 2,306 females. This is an increase of 422 over last year.

In Dallas District. In the Dallas district the largest in the county, everything is in readiness and will be by the time the term opens, Monday, September 20. The corps of teachers is largely composed of last year's forces and a highly successful season is predicted. The population of the district is as follows:

Boys 447; girls 442; total 889. In 1911, boys 391; girls 357; total 748—an increase of 142.

The following is the corps of instructors: City Superintendent, W. L. Ford, High School—Mathematics and Latin, B. A. Tents, principal; sciences, vacant; history and English, Miss Jackson; domestic science, Miss Rose Sheridan.

Public School—First A, Mrs. F. H. Morrison, principal; first B and second A, Miss Nola Coad; second A, Miss Alice Grant; second B and

"Blue Ribbon" Officials



County Superintendent H. C. Seymour (left) and County Supervisor H. Parsons (right) who have made good, and through whose enterprise and progressive methods Polk county has attained a proud place at the head of the counties of the state in modern educational work. Seymour's Standard School System plan, is coming to be known throughout the western country and has been warmly endorsed by expert educators everywhere.

PETRE LOSES HOPS AND DRY HOUSE

ENTIRE SEASON'S CROP BURNED YESTERDAY.

23,000 Pounds Destroyed; Crop Dried and Ready For Baling; Loss Partially Covered By Insurance.

Fire which started about 3:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon from an unknown cause, completely destroyed the hop house belonging to S. H. Petre on his farm near Bridgeport, together with its entire contents, comprising this year's crop which had just been picked and dried, preparatory to baling.

There were about 23,000 pounds of dried hops stored in the building and Mr. Petre had made arrangements to begin baling at once when the fire occurred and wiped out his entire season's work in the hop yards. The loss was partially covered by insurance.

CLAIM FOR DAMAGE FOLLOWS SMASH AT CROSSING

INDEPENDENCE MAN SUES SALEM, FALLS CITY & WESTERN AS RESULT OF ACCIDENT AT WEST SALEM.

\$5,300.00 WILL HEAL HURTS

Alleging damages in the sum of \$5,300, Sanford Snyder, of Independence, has filed an action in department No. 1, of the Polk County Circuit Court, against the Salem, Falls City & Western railway, for an accident alleged to have been sustained by complainant at the road crossing near Kingwood park, West Salem, on May 26, 1912.

In his complaint, which was filed with County Clerk E. M. Smith on Wednesday by E. F. Swope, of Independence, and John A. Carson, of Salem, as attorneys, it is charged that the crossing is so located that view of trains is obstructed, especially to one approaching the crossing from the north. That the plaintiff, driving two horses, hitched to a buggy, was approaching the crossing on the date in question, and when about 400 feet distant he stopped the team and "looked and listened" for the sound of a train, and hearing none, he drove on, stopping again when about 60 feet away, and once more he "looked and listened" as the sign boards say. He heard no saw no train and started to drive across the track.

Locomotive Strikes Rig. When on the crossing a locomotive drawing a train of cars, suddenly loomed up and struck the buggy, throwing the plaintiff to the ground, whereby he was "seriously injured" and his back, more or less, was wrenched, and he was badly bruised about the head, neck and shoulders, body and limbs. In short, he says he was just about knocked out by the accident and has since been unable to pursue his regular livelihood whereby he garners the coin for his sustenance. He has been made "sick, sore and lame" and is in pretty bad shape generally. He thinks he has been injured by pain and suffering, fully five thousand dollars' worth, and that medical attention, livery hire, cash paid out to get home, and for the wrecking of the buggy, amount to fully \$200 more, whereas he asks the court to hand him a judgment against the railway company for \$5,300 in coin of the realm.

The complaint alleges that the defendant company's employees did not ring the locomotive bell nor sound the whistle on approaching the crossing, as it is their duty to do, thus he says, was cut off toward the north and hence he could not see the train approaching from that direction.

The case will probably be called at the December jury term of the court.

Action For Money. G. W. Vaughn has begun an action in department No. 1, against William Tatem asking judgment for \$211, and \$24 attorney's fees and costs. Car Hayter appears for the plaintiff.

BOY SEVERELY BURNED

Three Year Old Son of L. C. Rose, Rikreath, Is Badly Burned Last Wednesday.

Rikreath, Sept. 12.—(Special)—Ralph, the three year old son of L. C. Rose of this place was severely burned about the head, neck and shoulders about noon Wednesday. He had been playing in the house alone and in some manner his thin dress became ignited and he ran from the house screaming. A neighbor noticed the child and smothered the flames.

Classification Arranged For General Display at Polk County Fair October 3, 4, 5

Competition Open to All Residents of County, Three Prizes in Each Class Are Offered

Complete classification for agricultural products, honey, horticultural display, floriculture, vegetables, art, domestic baking, have been arranged for the Polk County Fair and are given herewith. Competition is open to every resident of Polk county. First, second and third prizes will be awarded in each class, except where special ribbon is mentioned. This classification is separate and apart from the school exhibit and will not compete with it in any way.

Dairy Department. Creamery butter shall consist of butter made in the factory where milk or cream is purchased or delivered. Dairy butter shall consist of butter made on the farm from the milk of cows kept on one farm.

Awards will be made as follows: First, second and third on following scale: Butter, flavor 45; grain 25; color 15; salt 10; finish 5; total 100 points.

Agricultural Products. Grains and Grasses: One peck. Wheat, spring and winter; oats, spring and winter; barley, rye, vetch, chest, buckwheat.

Six ears: Popcorn, field corn, sweet corn. Special ribbon: Tallest stalk of corn; best collection of grasses; hops, best sample.

One peck: Clover seed, alfalfa, best sample; millet, best sample. Vegetables. Beets for table, mangel-wurzel, rutabaga, sugar beets, cabbage, early and late; carrots, white and yellow.

Potatoes, one peck, early varieties; best display of potatoes, special ribbon. Sweet potatoes, one peck. Cauliflower, kale, muskmelons, onions, watermelons, squashes, table squashes, stock; largest squash of any kind, special ribbon.

Pumpkins, table; pumpkins, stock. Largest pumpkin of any kind, special ribbon. Turnips, tomatoes. Best display of vegetables, special ribbon.

Honey Department. Best seal section of honey in comb; best jar of extracted honey; and additional expense incurred. So far as the Polk court is concerned, it does not propose to put up continually for this sort of work unless we believe that the property should pay in proportion to the benefits derived, and the Polk court has so intimated to Salem and Marion county. Frankly, with the bridge is the greatest trouble with the bridge is that Salem wants a new one, and is taking every opportunity to discredit the present structure.

Polk Should Pay Less. "Then, again, I do not believe that Polk county should be required to pay the result of this union, survive the fact that the property should pay in proportion to the benefits derived, and the Polk court has so intimated to Salem and Marion county. Frankly, with the bridge is the greatest trouble with the bridge is that Salem wants a new one, and is taking every opportunity to discredit the present structure."

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"Certainly the bridge should be kept in good condition, but I believe we should first have an expert examination. From the facts in my possession, I do not know whether such examination has been made. Several months ago it was decided that certain repairs were required. These were at once undertaken and at considerable expense. That was supposed to place the structure in first class shape, then a few weeks later, another examination was made.

"JOHNNY COAT" IS FASHIONS' LATE CAPRICE

NEW CREATIONS IN FALL AND WINTER COATS PROMISE TO BECOME POPULAR WITH PARTICULAR BUYERS.

LA VOGUE TAILORS FIRST

Handsome Garments Attract Attention at Dallas Stores; New Styles in Footwear Delights the Eye and Please the Critical Buyer Who Wants the Best.

(By Nancy Zann.) "Beauty" bows to the inevitable, Dame Fashion's latest decree "The Johnny Coat." "The Ormond Coat," its running mate in favor bids fair to become as popular. For sheer exclusiveness and swagger personality these seven-eighths length coats, which reach just above the hem of Miss Lady's gown, will never be out-clasped. They are positively the newest thing out this year and effusive promises for a long life are predicted for them by fashionable modistes.

The La Vogue tailors were among the first to put these stunning coats on the market and P. A. Finseth, of the Bee Hive Store, is the first to secure them in Dallas.

The Bee Hive Has Them. One beautiful little coat is made of pearl grey and lavender double faced boucle cloth with a black twill. Black silk soutache braid outlines the entire garment which is cut with the new "tuck in" bottom and straight narrow side lines. Gun metal buttons afford all the trimming necessary.

Another handsome coat is made full length in the Russian House style with rich seal brown velvet collar. The material is brown chevot. A new box pleat gives the necessary fullness to the back and the manish sleeves are big and roomy and are finished with Turkish brown buttons.

As a whole the swagger little garments with their note of "difference" from the ordinary coat, are taking fashion followers by storm and Mr. Finseth, who received only a small shipment on account of the great demand for them in the East, says his supply is very limited along this line. By all means get that "Johnny Coat" girls, if you want something corset.

The Newest Boots. And shoes! What well dressed woman is not interested in them? Who likes to see shoes all run over and wobble at the heels? Better throw them away and purchase new ones when the prices are so reasonable at the shops. There are velvets, satins, gun-metals, buckram and kids in the most graceful lasts, short vamp, medium heels and close fitting ankles. A new shoe, fresh from an exclusive factory is fashioned of vic-kid, that soft velvety leather so much more comfortable than patent or gun-metal, and comes in either button or lace. One for storm or walking wear, laces just below the knee and the bottom of the boot buttons to give a slim appearance to the ankle. This one is fashioned of buckram with extra heavy soles. The little price tags are marked from \$5 up to \$5 and any or all of them may be secured at the shoe department of the Dallas Mercantile company.

Reports of Unsafe Condition of Willamette Bridge Finds Little Credence With Court

That the county court of Polk county is willing to do its share in repairing the Willamette river bridge at Salem, and place it in a thoroughly safe condition for travel, if it shall be found to be in need of repair, is the declaration made yesterday by County Judge Ed. F. Coad, after reading an account in a Salem newspaper in which it was stated that the bridge was "unfit for travel" and that a resolution calling upon the county courts of Polk and Marion counties to co-operate with Salem in repairing the structure, had been passed. The resolution of the council declares that unless steps are taken at once to repair the bridge, that all traffic over it may be forbidden.

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DEATH CALLS VETERAN

Joseph Wankey, of Falls City, at Advanced Age, Succumbs to Old Complaint; Was Old Soldier.

Falls City, Sep. 19.—(Special)—Joseph Wankey, an old and highly respected resident of this city, died at his home here of Bright's disease, on September 18, aged 80 years. Funeral services were conducted from the residence at 2 o'clock this afternoon and interment took place in the Falls City cemetery.

Deceased was a native of Ohio, where he was born in 1832. His first wife was Mary F. Ottinger who died December 10, 1905. Five daughters the result of this union, survive the father, viz: Eliza, Mary, Dena, Anselia and Margaret. Mr. Wankey came to Falls City in 1859 and during his residence here he was one of the most progressive citizens. He was married the second time in 1867, to Mrs. E. M. White, in Seattle, Wash., who survives him. Deceased was a veteran of the civil war, enlisting in a regiment of Ohio volunteers infantry from which he was honorably discharged on account of disability, and it was this complaint that eventually caused his death. During his long residence here Mr. Wankey always took an active interest in city affairs and served for several years as a member of the city council.

Mrs. Doc F. Patterson left Wednesday afternoon for Hillsboro for a visit with her parents. Her two daughters are already there. Mr. Patterson expects to go up today and remain until after Sunday.

BAND CONCERTS TO DISCONTINUE

LACK OF SUPPORT FROM BUSINESS MEN IS CAUSE.

Heaviest Subscribers Refuse to Put Up Coin and Club Declares Further Saturday Night Events Off.

Further Saturday night band concerts have been discontinued, owing to insufficient support from business men, and the band was so informed Wednesday night following the regular meeting of the Commercial club when this action was taken. The motion to discontinue the concerts came after Chairman W. A. Ayres of the special committee appointed to solicit subscriptions, had reported that the business men whom he had interviewed, had not been enthusiastic, and that the first four called upon, who had subscribed nearly one-fourth of the total weekly amount, had turned him down flat declaring that they would subscribe no more money for the purpose. The Commercial club did not feel that it could afford to finance the concerts unaided, and it was decided to drop the matter, after payment for the last concert had been authorized from the funds of the club.

Several Want Entry Blanks. Chairman W. A. Ayres of the general committee, has reported that several citizens want entry blanks for the Commercial club. (Continued on Page Four)