

## FARMERS GET BENEFIT

PROTECTED BY INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENT COMMISSION.

More Than Two Hundred Farmers Take Advantage of It, Thus Showing Their Interest.

(By Carle Abrams.)

Farmers of Oregon are coming to realize that insurance for their workmen against accident is desirable, therefore the State Industrial Accident Commission has established a rate for different lines of farming operations under authority of Section 31 of the Amended Act passed by the last legislature and which became effective July 1st. The great interest manifested by farmers is shown by the fact that up to date about 200 farmers have availed themselves of the benefits of this act, although the commission has up to this time been so busy putting into operation the new amendments to the law that no effort has been made into operation the new amendments to the law that no effort has been made to notify farmers of their privilege to take advantage of the act. This information is becoming widely disseminated and has caused a number of unfortunate instances in the commission office during the past few weeks. In a number of cases men have been injured on the farm and the employer has then made application to come under the act and sent in remittances to cover his premiums with the hope that by so doing the injured man would be cared for by the state. This, of course, is important as will be realized by all readers. It is similar to insuring a building after the same has been burned down and then expect to collect insurance on the building. Similarly a great many applications have come in from farm hands who have been injured, for benefits under the act. They thinking that as long as they have not rejected the act they are entitled to its benefits. However, no protection can be extended to workmen unless accepted by application of the employer.

The rate fixed for farming operations is general farming including all operations incident thereto, 2 per cent of the payroll. Threshing, clover hulling, hay and straw baling, 4 per cent; prune drying, 1 per cent; wood cutting, 3 per cent; land clearing without blasting, 3 1/2 per cent; with blasting 5 per cent; road work 3 per cent. In addition to the above the employer is required to collect from the workmen and remit with his own contribution one cent a day from each workman. In computing the amount due the commission adds \$15 per month for board when the men are boarded. For instance, a farm hand is paid \$40 per month and board and works 28 days, his wages would be \$55 per month. The premium would be 2 per cent of \$55 or \$1.10 plus 26 cents to be contributed by the workmen, making a total amount to be remitted to the commission of \$1.36 for the month. This is due and payable on or before the 15th of the month following that in which the work is performed.

Those farmers desiring to secure the protection of this act may do so by making application to the commission for application blanks and a copy of the law.

The protection afforded to both employer and workman is absolute. In case the workman is injured in the course of his employment, the commission will pay all expenses for doctor's bills, hospital bills, medicine, etc., not exceeding \$250 and in addition compensate the workman for time lost by paying him a portion of his wages, not less than \$30 per month. Under no circumstances can he sue the employer for damages on account of injuries sustained as the money paid by the commission is full compensation under the law for the injury. This insures the employer absolute protection from damage suits and possibly from court costs and insures the workmen of the payment of his expenses and money on which to live while injured. Workingmen's compensation is one of the greatest steps in legislation. It is not only protection to the individuals, but it is a protection to society against injured workmen who might become public charges and who often do. It is a protection to the families of injured workmen against suffering and poverty and it is a protection to the public in the way of taxes, because one of the greatest costs of our system of government is court costs and one of the greatest forms of court costs is personal injury cases. Under Oregon's present liability laws it has become comparatively easy for injured workmen to secure damages against employers by bring suit.

Lastly, state compensation is insurance conducted by the state without profit and the state appropriates sufficient sums of money to more than pay all the expenses of operation, so that every dollar collected from employers and workmen alike is paid back directly to injured workmen in first aid and for time lost. Numbers of farmers and a great many manufacturers in time past have afforded themselves liability insurance from insurance companies and in such cases the amount received by the workmen is questionable as more than half of it is used by the company in expenses and profit and a considerable portion of that remaining is dissipated by the

injured workman in lawyer's fees and court costs in suing for his rights.

## INDIAN QUARTET PLEASURES.

Organization From Indian Training School Delights Audience.

What was perhaps one of the most perfect musical organizations that has visited Dallas in a number of years was the Indian String quartet, from the Indian training school at Chemawa, that gave a splendid concert at the armory last Thursday evening. The quartet is composed of three Indian boys, students at the training school, and their instructor, Prof. Turney. The program was complete, although the patronage was mediocre, and those who heard the talented aborigines were well repaid. "Death of a Warrior," and "Braves on the Chase," were two Indian compositions that brought well-merited applause, and from that the repertoire ranged through many difficult and beautiful selections of classical music. Each of the players was a talented musician and displayed the careful instruction that had been given by Prof. Turney. Throughout the program was spirited, and the ensemble work little short of marvelous when one considers that an Indian youth is bringing such sweet music from an instrument that is naturally entirely foreign to him.

The interpretation of Victor Hugo's great character, Jean Valjean, from Les Miserables, by Prof. Kennedy, was a fine feature of the entertainment. He had a forceful delivery and a pleasant manner that made one see many new and interesting angles to the famous character.

## REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

The following is a complete list of realty transfers recorded during the week ending yesterday and reported to The Observer by Sibley & Eakin, abstractors, 515 Court street, Dallas: Mattie Koser to Samuel J. Lowry, lots in Rickreall, \$10. Albert Teal and wife to W. B. and Lillie A. Stevens, 1/2 interest 4 acres, T. 8-6, \$1. Ida Harris and husband to Orley M. Allen, 10 acres, T. 9-5, \$1. Katie Holmes and husband to J. S. and E. Johnson, 28 acres, T. 7-3, \$10. William Howe and wife to Olive F. Hobson, lot in Dallas, \$1000. Joseph W. Brown and wife to T. P. Bevens, 318.75 acres, T. 9-6, \$10. Max Hopple to Willamette Valley Lumber company, 160 acres, T. 7-8, \$10. Rachel M. Smith to George H. Sander, 40 acres, T. 9-6, \$81.19. Clear View Orchard Co. to Fred Blaisdell, lot in Clear Ciew orchard, \$2000. W. D. Pugh and wife to Alvah and C. Prosser, 240 acres, T. 7-4, \$7,000. Jerome Dornis and wife to H. Hirschberg, lots in Independence, \$10. E. B. Estelle and wife to Seventeen Day Adventists, 1 acre, T. 8-6, \$500.

## PLANT WIZARD MAY REMAIN.

Portland Commercial Body Has Plan Under Advisement. That the good people of Oregon will come to the rescue of Father Schoener, Oregon's Burbank, and enable him to continue his work in this state, is the belief of his friends. They say that Father Schoener labored for the public good, and now appreciation should be shown. The loss of his entire collection of plants in Saturday night's fire is a serious blow to the Brooks priest. His church, residence and personal belongings are all gone and he is left with no clothes beyond what he wore on the evening of the fire, and no money. In making his experiments, Father Schoener spent his personal money, and the fire leaves him stranded. The Portland Chamber of Commerce has been asked to propose a plan to keep Father Schoener in the state and already a committee is at work on a solution of the problem. Father Schoener's work has been greatly valuable and the possibilities before him are recognized by all farmers and others interested in plant propagation. It would be unfortunate to lose his services and it is generally hoped that some plan may be found for keeping him at Brooks. If retained through public assistance the priest would probably devote his entire time to his orchard and garden work.

## Ex-Mayor of Portland Visits.

A. G. Rushlight, former mayor of Portland, and a party of friends including Sam Penney, D. C. Soudworth and A. E. Frances came to Dallas on Tuesday evening and started for the fields early the following morning in a hopeful search for pheasants. Two fine pointer dogs and some dangerous looking heavy artillery composed the equipment that the party carried in its automobile. Mr. Rushlight said he expected to return with an auto load of birds, while Mr. Penney retorted that it was very "pheasant" to cherish such alluring expectations.

## Social—The sisterhood of the Christian church was delightfully entertained by Mrs. James Robbie and Mrs. R. P. Riggs at the home of the latter yesterday afternoon. The afternoon was spent in a social way and was greatly enjoyed. A picnic-basket luncheon was served.

## Prune Crop Is Packed.

The Moonmouth fruit drier has ceased operation, as the prune crop is all cared for. The total output this year was 30,000 pounds.

# EDISON WEEK

OCTOBER 18 TO 23

THE WHOLE COUNTRY IS CELEBRATING MR. EDISON'S GREAT ACHIEVEMENTS THIS WEEK. OCTOBER 21 HAS BEEN SET ASIDE AS EDISON DAY, IN HONOR OF ONE OF HIS GREATEST INVENTIONS. THE INCANDESCENT LAMP. ON DECEMBER 9, 1914, THE EDISON FACTORIES WERE DESTROYED BY ONE OF THE GREATEST FIRES THAT EVER OCCURRED. IN TWENTY-THREE DAYS, MR. EDISON WAS AGAIN MAKING PHONOGRAPHS AND RECORDS. TODAY, ONLY TEN MONTHS AFTER THE FIRE, HE ACTUALLY IS PRODUCING 100% MORE DISC RECORDS AND 50% MORE PHONOGRAPHS THAN BEFORE THE FIRE.

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## CHRIS. RISSER IS DEAD

WELL-KNOWN RESIDENT PASSES AWAY ON WEDNESDAY.

Had Lived in Dallas for Quarter Century, Coming Hither From Nebraska.

After an illness of about three weeks Christian Risser passed away on Wednesday evening from an attack of heart paralysis. Mr. Risser suffered from auto toecine about three weeks ago, and was confined to his bed until about a week ago, when he had recovered sufficiently to be up and about the house. His death was sudden and unexpected. Mr. Risser was born in Germany and came to the United States about thirty-five years ago, settling with his family, in Nebraska. He came to Dallas from that state in 1891 and has been actively identified with civic and commercial interests in the city until the time of his death. He owned and operated a sporting goods and light mechanical repair shop on Mill street for a number of years. Mr. Risser is survived by his widow, August P. Risser of Dallas and Mrs. F. J. Janzen, who resides in the east. Funeral services will be conducted at the United Evangelical church tomorrow afternoon, the Rev. Erskine officiating.

## Board Has Money to Loan.

Word has been received here by Walter L. Tooze, Jr., agent in this territory for the state land board, that that board has school money available for loaning purposes in Polk county. Money from this fund is loaned on security at 6 per cent interest for ten years, and is very desirable for anyone wishing up to \$10,000 at a low rate of interest. The board appropriates school funds for loaning purposes at different times, and when the amount appropriated is exhausted borrowers must wait until the board sees fit to set aside another fund.

## New Garage Under Way.

R. L. Chapman yesterday began the erection on North Main street of a concrete building 50x100, which when completed will be occupied by C. J. Shreve as a garage. Mr. Shreve, who now occupies the I. V. Lynch garage on Oak street, finds his present quarters inadequate for his growing business, and has leased the new building for a term of years.

## Dr. McCallon Appointed.

Dr. B. H. McCallon was appointed district registrar of vital statistics by

Dr. D. N. Roberg, the new state health officer who was in the city on Tuesday. Dr. Roberg's visit was for the purpose of organizing the county under the terms of the new law requiring registrars. Dr. McCallon is now health officer and his new position will add but little to his duties.

## Yield Larger Than Last Year.

The secretary of the Oregon Hop Growers' association, Mr. Clark, recently returned from an inspection tour of California, and has this to say of the Polk county district: "With the exception of Independence hop growing section, there is not a community of the Pacific coast where the yield of this year exceeds that of last year. At Independence, however, there will probably be a few thousand bales more than last year, but in other places the yield is smaller and this will bring down the average."

## Death of Mrs. Campbell.

Mrs. Thomas K. Campbell, wife of Public Service Commissioner Campbell, died at Salem yesterday, aged 52 years. She had been failing for several months, but her condition was not regarded as serious until the last week. She was born at Columbus, Ohio, and reared at Leavenworth, Kan. She was married to Commissioner Campbell in 1890 and besides her husband is survived by six children.

## Notice.

The Dallas Mercantile company has sold to C. L. Crider. All accounts due the Mercantile company must be paid at once, at the Dallas City bank, or to W. R. Howe. 65-11.

Earl Shultz takes possession of the Rainbow theater at McMinnville today, after visiting several cities in different parts of the state in search of a location.



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