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Local and Personal

Zook the Painter, will hang your paper for you.

Mrs. W. H. Mack was in town the latter part of last week doing shopping.

J. W. Moreland has purchased a farm in Crook County and will move there in the course of a month or six weeks.

Sunday night ushered in the heaviest wind storm of the season. There was considerable rainfall accompanying the storm.

Charles Doughty gave Independence and reports our sister city as on the up-look.

W. L. Mason and C. H. Newman have been busy this week putting in the shelves and getting the building ready for Morlan and Son's grocery store.

For Sale—California Medicated Soap. Excellent for all skin diseases, also for shampooing the hair. Mrs. J. W. Richardson Sr. Monmouth St., Independence, Or.

Mrs. Agnes Daily came home from McMinnville, Saturday evening, on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Stitt, returning to McMinnville again Tuesday afternoon.

There was advancement at the Christian Sunday School last Sunday, one of the primary classes being forwarded to the intermediate department while one of the intermediate classes made advancement to the next higher class.

We understand that Samuel Strickler had wagered a three-dollar hat with B. F. Baker that there would not be four inches of snowfall this winter. If such was the case Mr. S. was as bare of that hat as a Jack rabbit when he got up Wednesday morning.

Oregon Starts Prosperous New Year

Baker County has an irrigation project on foot involving the expenditure of \$4,000,000.

About 200,000 apple trees are being planted in Douglas County this season.

An oat meal mill is to be established at Baker.

Eugene is to have a match factory.

Polk County will have the largest English walnut orchard in Oregon. Recent purchasers of the Hart ranch near Falls City will plant 6,000 walnut trees. Oregon produced this year 615,034 bushels of corn and 17,000,000 bushels of wheat.

Oregon shipped green fruit during the past season amounting to 3,500 cars.

Orchards in the Ontario district produced at the rate of 1,000 boxes of apples to the acre.

The Columbia River output of salmon for the season was 290,000 cases, valued at \$3,500,000.

The value of traffic on the Columbia River increased \$3,200,000 in 1910 over the same period of 1909.

Oregon grows more hops than any other state, 90,000 bales produced in 1910, valued at \$3,000,000.

Eugene reports that 3,000 people have been brought into that city during the past year.

A sale of Southern Oregon sugar pine covering 40,000 acres, is reported from Medford to an Eastern syndicate. The purchase price was \$3,500,000.

The Hood River Apple Growers' Union paid \$201,000 to orchardists during the three months commencing with September.

Zook, the paper hanger will do your painting.

Getting Down to Working Order

Members of the Oregon Legislature got together at Portland last week but it seems did not accomplish much but after getting to the Capitol things began to take definite shape. Bowerman's opposition was strong enough to retire that gentleman and land Ben Selling in the coveted seat as the following item of news shows:

State Capitol, Salem, Or., Jan. 9.—Ben Selling was acting Governor of the state of Oregon for 24 hours. When he was elected President of the Senate today he succeeded Jay Bowerman to that position. By reason of Frank W. Benson being Secretary of State and Governor, pending the inauguration of Oswald West tomorrow, and Benson being in California, it makes the President of the senate the acting Governor. Bowerman was President of the Senate and acting Governor until the organization today, when Selling was selected to fill the position. This retired Bowerman as President and at the same time deprived him of the honor of being Acting Governor. By Selling's election he becomes Acting Governor until the inauguration of West Tomorrow.

This is an unusual though brief distinction, and one which could not have occurred if Benson were within the state lines of Oregon. It makes Selling absolute Executive of Oregon, with the power to pardon and make appointments, but there is no likelihood of Acting Governor Selling exercising his prerogative during his administration. Neither will he deliver an inaugural address.

At noon tomorrow Acting Governor Selling hands over the reins of Government to West, but for the next two years he will always be in a position to become Acting Executive, should the Governor and Secretary of State temporarily leave the state.

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