

SIXTYSEVENTH YEAR

DELIGHTED WITH HARNEY VALLEY

CONSIDER IT ONE OF THE BEST IN STATE

The last of those who went to Harney County in search of land return home pleased with the trip.

W. W. Percival, D. G. Dove and James L. Hanna, the last of the independenceites who went to the Harney valley in search of government lands, returned home last Sunday evening, and are very much pleased with their trip and what they saw during their absence. Each of the gentlemen filed on 320 acres of land; with the exception of Mr. Hanna who was able to get only 317 acres. They are located on what is known as the Malheur slough about three miles from Lawns in one of the most productive portions of the entire valley where everything grows without irrigation. In the same vicinity where they located, S. E. Irvine located 160 acres, Pearl Alexander 160, Prof. McIntosh 160, Prof. Rice 160, S. Sperling 160, Gus. Sperling 160, L. Damon 320, Claude Hubbard 160 and D. G. Dove 320. All of the land of the above party adjoins and it will give the Polk county delegation quite a bunch of land in a body.

Mr. Hanna in speaking of the trip says that those who returned without taking up land didn't take time to investigate the condition of the affairs or take a look at the valley, which he considers one of the finest in eastern Oregon, and he feels confident if they had taken time to go over the ground that each and every one of them would have located at least 160 acres if not more.

Mr. Hanna and party left Independence on the morning of August 10th and arrived in Portland in time to catch the night train for Baker City where they took the train on the Sumpter Valley to Austin from which point they staged into Burns a distance of 104 miles arriving at Burns about three o'clock on the morning of the 13th. After spending three days in Burns in looking up the statistics in the land office they secured the services of a locator and went to Lawns where they spent some time in looking over the territory tributary to that point. While there they spent some time in looking over the territory tributary to that point. While there they carefully inspected the land laying around both Harney and Malheur lakes. This land, while very productive with water, is not adapted to dry farming, and while there were some very good looking crops they did not compare with those in the vicinity of Lawns where you could see crops of all kinds growing, wheat that would go from twenty-five to thirty-five bushels to the acre, oats that will go fifty bushels to the acre, the finest potatoes and garden vegetables and fruit that you can find anywhere without water and that with water would far exceed anything that can be found in the Yakima valley which has a reputation over the entire northwest as being one of the finest on the Pacific slope.

While the stage trip in was enough to disgust anyone, it was not so bad at that. One went through a section of country that was rough and you did not see anything of the valley, therefore it was no wonder that those who went in on one stage and came out on the other were disgusted.

On the return trip Mr. Hanna and party secured an automobile and came out via Harney City, the agency, Dursey, Westfall, Vale and Ontario, making the trip by easy stages. The party was much surprised to see the vast improvement that has been made in that section during the last few years, when a person could have travelled for a day at a time without meeting a living soul and you had to do some great figuring to be able to get a place where you could stop over night. Now there is civilization apparent on all sides of the entire trip, towns

spring up and some of the finest farms one would want to see.

With transportation which is sure to come within the next few years you will see a wonderful change. Now where there are thousands of acres of vacant land you will find improved farms, and those who own them will show thrift and prosperity on all sides.

"I am so well pleased that I have no hesitation in advising all of those who have any desire to take up a piece of government land to get in on the ground floor, as it is about the last chance one will have in the state of Oregon, and about one-half of the last on the Pacific coast.

Mr. Percival, who was present at the time of the interview with Mr. Hanna, corroborates everything that Mr. Hanna said, and those who know the gentlemen know that when it comes to knowing a good piece of soil that both of them are excellent judges and what they say carries weight.

H. H. Hanna, a brother of Jim, L. M. Neal, a brother-in-law, and the Besette brothers, who own the Balm Grove farm north of town, left early yesterday morning for the Harney Valley and will make the trip in a private conveyance. They expect to be gone about twenty days.

It is also reported that Bill Scott and one or two other Missouri Bottom denizens will jump out just as soon as they get their threshing done.

Intense Colicky Pains Relieved

"For some years I suffered from intense colicky pains which would come on at times and from which I could find no relief," says I. S. Mason, of Beaver Dam, Ky. "Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhea Remedy was recommended to me by a friend. After taking a few doses of the remedy I was entirely relieved. That was four years ago and there has been no return of the symptoms since that time." This remedy is for sale by P. M. Kirkland.

WERE PLEASED WITH HOP YARDS

The visit of the excursion train containing presidents and representatives of the leading agricultural colleges and experiment stations in the United States and Canada, was an interesting and unusual event in our city. The train with the distinguished travelers under the direction of Tom Richardson of the Portland Commercial Club, pulled into the station at one o'clock on Monday afternoon.

Dr. O. D. Butler, president of the Independence Commercial Club, had made arrangements for carriages and other means of conveyance, to convey the visitors to the hop yards and other points of interest in the neighborhood. There were about sixty-five in the party, among them being several ladies, wives and friends of the visitors. While a part of the company were inspecting some of the larger yards on the east side, others were shown around the yards on this side of the river.

Great interest was manifested by the visitors in the growing of hops, and the manner of harvesting and preparing for market, and every group developed a vast number of interrogation points. Two hours only were allowed for the trip to the yards, and at 3:30 all had returned to the station and the train ready to depart.

Many of the visitors were most enthusiastic in their estimate of the Willamette valley, and this part of it in particular. One prominent member of the party was heard to say that in all his travels over the United States, he had seen nothing that could compare with the Willamette valley, in point of beauty, fertility, and general excellence. Baskets of fruit containing plums and apples were prepared by some of the ladies of Independence and carried aboard the train and many were the exclamations of appreciation and delight at the hospitality and thoughtfulness of the ladies of Independence.

As the train departed southward at 3:30, it is safe to say the travelers carried with them impressions of the riches and beauties of this part of the valley that will not soon be dissipated.

HOP PICKERS ARRIVE DAILY

KREBS BROTHERS START PICKING SATURDAY

Others September 1st, and the distance September 6 Will Take 10,000 Pickers to Gather the Crop.

The fore-runners of the hop pickers have commenced to arrive and the season will fairly be opened in about ten days. The crop in what is known as the Independence district will be about as large this season as last and about the same number, if not more, pickers will be required owing to the price of hops. Every grower will do his utmost to save every hop possible. Those experienced in the art of hop picking say that it will be a bird of a crop to pick from their standpoint, as the foliage is light and the hops are heavier than ordinary, the wet season having filled their lupulum. The Krebs yard will open the picking season tomorrow, their special train arriving about noon today with their pickers which come mostly from Portland, where Conrad Krebs has had an office for sometime past for the signing up of pickers. They have in the vicinity of 450 acres in hops this season, 80 of which are in early hops and are ready to pick now. The Krebs brothers estimate that this season's crop will be about as large, if not larger, than any crop raised on the place. Sam Irvine and Frank Whitaker have opened a grocery store, Chet Long a butcher shop, Koer a restaurant, and the Krebs brothers will conduct the dancing pavilion, which they have greatly enlarged this season, and besides being one of the show places of the district, it has every accommodation for the convenience of the campers, a hot water plant having been added this season for the comfort of the pickers.

Horst Bros., Walker Bros., Hubbard, Burton, McLaughlin, Davidson & Hedges and the other yards north of town will start about the 6th. The yards on the Missouri Bottom district, which comprises a little over nine hundred acres, and on which are located the Rose yards, the Fir Grove yards, Percival, Fennell, Kutch, Groves, Cooper, Damon, Owen & Maley and a number of other small yards start between the 4th and 6th of September. It is estimated that fully 10,000 pickers will be required to save the crop this season, all of whom come to Independence from which point they will scatter out to the various yards.

Percival's Horse Wins

During hop picking time Independence is generally one of the sportiest little towns in the state. The population increases from about 2,000 to 10,000 people, and there is generally something doing all the time. There seems to be something in the air, just like horse race times, and one and all are willing to go their last dollar on any kind of a proposition. As a result of the near approach of the festivities of hop picking Bill South passed through town on his way home from Prineville where he has been with his string of race horses and after passing the compliments of the day with his old friend Bill Percival, they commenced to talk horse and as a result Percival matched his three-year-old filly, Miss Condon, against South's horse LaMonte for a quarter of a mile for a purse of \$100. The horses were evenly matched and it was a guess among those who followed the ponies to pick out the winner. Miss Condon won by about two lengths the time being 24 3-4 seconds.

In the afternoon of the same day South matched LaMonte against an unknown horse for 5-8 of a mile for \$10 which he won in a walk Wednesday.

Wednesday Bill McAdams and W. J. Ball ran a foot race a distance of sixty-seven yards for a purse of \$10, the former winning by about six feet.

Opposition Launch.
A Kemp, of Corvallis, will run his

gasoline launch India between Krebs Bros. hop yards and Salem during the hop picking season. He will make two round trips daily, leaving Krebs at 8 a. m. and arriving at Salem at 10 a. m. Returning will leave Salem at 10:30 a. m., arriving at Krebs at 1 p. m. Leaves Krebs at 2 p. m., arriving at Salem at 3:30. Leave Salem at 4, arriving at Krebs at 6:30. The boat will stop at Independence and all way points for the convenience of passengers. The India is 34 feet long with 7-foot beam, equipped with an 18-horse-power four cylinder engine and is one of the latest boats on the river and accommodates forty passengers.

Fruit Lands for Sale.

E. W. Strong of Monmouth, who owns 600 acres of fruit land along the line of the Falls City railroad, southwest of Dallas, has laid it out into ten acre tracts which he is selling on easy terms. For further particulars call on the Chas. E. Hicks Real Estate Company, Independence; T. B. Ford & Co., over Ladd & Tilton's bank, Salem; or E. W. Strong, owner, Monmouth. 13-16

Late Peaches for Sale.

The late Crawford Peaches, the finest variety in the world for canning, are now ready for delivery. Those desiring peaches can be accommodated by calling up either main 364 or farmers 348. Get your orders in early as we have only a limited amount this season. 13-14

Card of Thanks.

We desire to return our sincere thanks to the many friends and neighbors who gave us such valuable assistance during the illness of Mrs. Warren and the death and funeral of our infant daughter.
Mr. and Mrs. G. I. Warren.

DIDN'T GET ANY LARGE GAME

Jim Hillard returned from his hunting trip on the coast on Wednesday. In company with G. W. Conkey and Dr. Dunsmore, he went out about two weeks ago, but unwilling to return and be forced to report his lack of success, he remained several days after his companions had given up the hunt. But in spite of most strenuous efforts, he was forced to give it up, and be content with very satisfactory catches of fish, which he was fortunate to secure. During the stay in Newport, Mr. Conkey indulged in deep sea fishing, paying the usual penalty in his contribution to the deep, in consequence of an attack of "mal-de-mer".

Ross Nelson, who was in the same party, appeared to be immune from the general distressed condition of most of them, and his command of "Heads up" whenever some of the fair ones made frantic cries of "Yewrup", did not contribute to his general popularity. There are those who would have gladly contributed to some means whereby he too, might have been forced to feed the fishes.

Daily Boats During Hop Picking

The steamer Louise will run daily between Salem and Independence during the hop picking season for the accommodation of the hop pickers.

'Twas a Glorious Victory

There's rejoicing in Federa, Tenn. A man's life has been saved and now Dr. King's New Discovery is the talk of the town for curing C. V. Pepper of deadly lung hemorrhages. "I could not work nor get about," he writes, "and the doctors did me no good, but, after using Dr. King's New Discovery three weeks, I feel like a new man, and can do good work again." For weak, sore or diseased lungs, Coughs and Colds, Hemorrhages, Hay Fever, LaGrippe, Asthma or any Bronchial affection it stands unrivaled. Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free. Sold and guaranteed by all druggists.

Wanted Mill and yard hands—\$2 per day, Willamette Lumber Company, Dallas, Oregon.

The Novelty Dress Goods For Fall HAVE ARRIVED

NOVELTY COLORS will be the special feature this season.

We are showing a remarkable range of shades in OLD ROSE, LOBSTER, WISTARIA, CATAWBA, SMOKE, TAUPE, MAHOGANY, MULBERRY, AMETHYST, and all staple colors. SATIN FINISH fabrics still lead.

Salem's best dressers have learned to look to our dress goods department for the season's most stylish creations.

Fancy Silks for waists will be in great demand this fall. The new PERSIAN STRIPES in combinations of novelty colorings are favorites. Plaids will again be popular.

Have your New Dress fitted over one of

Thompson's Glove-Fitting Corsets

The new models produce that long, slender effect so much desired by particular dressers. We show a model for very figure.

Barnes' Cash Store

E. T. BARNES, Pro., Salem

WE UNDERSELL CREDIT STORES

FARMS FOR SALE

- 102 acres, one mile from town; 45 acres under cultivation; orchard; dug well; 25 acres timber, balance pasture; new modern 7-room house and good barn and fences. Terms. Price \$3800.
- 277 acres 10 miles from Independence 150 acres in cultivation. This is another of the good buys. Will sell at \$50 an acre.
- 324 acres 4 miles from Monmouth, 1/2 from railroad; 160 acres in cultivation. Good improvements. A good buy. \$30 an acre.
- 160 acres, within mile of town and railroad. All piece of land and fine country home. Rich sandy loam soil. Good improvements. Price \$15,500.
- 235 acres, almost all in cultivation at \$40 an acre.

See Us for City Residences

- 12 room house and basement, barn, chicken houses, windmill and tanks, water system throughout. Dwelling is modern, with patent toilet, bath, laundry in basement, septic tank, etc. Range goes with property. Nothing better in Independence. \$4000.
- 9-room house and 2 lots in Monmouth desirable location; good improvements. Price \$1500.
- An acre of land and 6-room house; good improvements, lumber on the ground for barn and other improvements and goes with place at \$750. Look this up.

CHAS. E. HICKS REAL ESTATE CO.