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FLAX EXPERT REPORTS.

E. H. Smith Goes East to Tell of Campaign Here.

Portland—E. H. Smith, of the American Linseed company, has gone to Duluth to report upon the progress of his campaign to awaken interest in the flax-growing industry in Oregon. A. P. Allensworth will remain in the Northwest and continue the campaign, with the assistance of the Oregon Agricultural college and the larger commercial organizations of the state, which have endorsed the movement thoroughly.

Prior to leaving for Duluth, Mr. Smith visited the flax mill at Chehalis, Wash., and secured samples of its fiber to send back to Duluth, preliminary to entering into negotiations to take over the entire stock of fiber on hand, which the factory has been endeavoring to dispose of for some time. By assuring farmers who were raising flax for the Chehalis mill, which has been a losing proposition in many respects, of a market for their linseed at the Portland factory, and for their fiber by shipping to Duluth, Mr. Smith hopes to influence them to continue flax-growing. Many have already withdrawn or are planning to withdraw from flax culture, owing to the uncertainties that have heretofore attended it.

The entire Northwest as a flax-growing district is the goal toward which the campaign will be directed. Mr. Smith has leased 20 acres of land near Brooks, which will be operated as a flax experiment farm and the results of its operation will be turned over for the benefit of the flax farmers of the Northwest at large.

On the advice of Professor Withcombe, of the Oregon Agricultural college, Mr. Allensworth visited the farming communities of Union County to interest them in flax culture. He will meet Mr. Smith at Lewiston for a conference, and will then return to Portland to continue the campaign of education throughout the state.

PRIZES FOR BEE PRODUCTS.

Beekeepers' Association Plans Exhibit for State Fair.

The following list of prizes will be awarded at the 1912 Oregon State Fair for bees and bee products, under the auspices of the State Beekeepers' association:

Specimen of comb honey, not less than 24 pounds, first prize, \$5; second, \$3.

Most attractive display of comb honey, first prize, \$10; second, \$5.

Specimen of extracted honey, not less than 24 pounds, first prize, \$5; second, \$3.

Most attractive display of extracted honey, first prize, \$10; second \$5.

Specimen of beeswax, not less than 10 pounds, soft, bright yellow wax to be given preference, first prize, \$4; second, \$2.

Most attractive display of beeswax, first prize, \$6; second \$3.

Honey vinegar, not less than one gallon, shown in glass, first prize, \$3; second, \$2.

Single comb nucleus Italian bees, first prize, \$5; second, \$3.

Single comb nucleus black bees, first prize \$5; second, \$3.

Single comb nucleus Carniolan bees, first prize, \$5; second, \$3.

Single comb nucleus Caucasian bees, first prize, \$5; second, \$3.

For the largest, best, most interesting, attractive and instructive exhibition in bee raising, a sweepstakes prize of \$15 will be offered.

The State Beekeepers' association is anxious to make the exhibit an excellent one, since upon this point hangs the question as to whether it shall be made a permanent part of the state fair exhibits.

Rabbit War Now Begun.

Metolius—The Farmers' union of Crook county has sounded the death knell of jackrabbits, which have become numerous during the past year. Drives have taken place in nearly every section of the county. From 500 to 3,000 are generally killed at a drive. Corral are built at a central point, into which the rabbits are driven and killed with clubs. Those which break through the lines are shot. The rabbits are sold to the highest bidder, the bids averaging about 5 cents per head.

Loganberry Crop Sold.

Salem—An order from Chicago to the Salem Fruit Union for 100,000 pounds of dried loganberries, has brought to light the fact that the Willamette valley loganberry market for large lots is closed, and that heavy orders cannot be filled from here. The union is unable to meet the order because of heavy Portland contracts for the green berries and the market for heavy sales for this year is past from this section.

State Forest Bill Seen.

Salem—Governor West has received copies of a bill which has been introduced in the senate by Senator Chamberlain providing for the state to create a state forest through exchange of scattered school sections in Federal forests for a compact body of forest reserve lands.

OREGON GOAL OF MANY.

Chicago Man Says Agriculturists Are Coming Here to Live.

Portland—"In the 13 cars on the train by which I came into Oregon," said R. E. Kimball, a Chicago builder who has come to Portland to establish himself in business, at the Commercial club, "there were between 300 and 400 persons, all of whom were bound for Portland or other cities of the state."

"Although the colonist season is not far advanced, wherever I went it appeared that the stream of travel toward Oregon was on the increase, and Portland and Oregon were mentioned oftener by people westward bound than any other city or state."

Mr. Kimball said that while the letter issued by the Central Labor council warning people away from Portland and this state had been widely circulated and had attracted a great amount of attention, he did not believe that it had had the effect of deterring many immigrants from coming, unless it might have been a few who are members or sympathizers of the unions. The agricultural class of immigrants apparently ignored the letter.

PATENTS HELD UP.

Land Agent's Suspensions Delay Operation of Hawley Bill.

Washington, D. C.—A new obstacle has arisen which may delay the issuance of patents to Siletz homesteaders under the Hawley bill. Chief of Special Agents Sharp, at Portland has telegraphed the general land office that he "thinks" he has found evidence that options have been given on some Siletz lands and that "possibly" some of these options may be on lands affected by the Hawley bill. He has suggested the advisability of delaying issuance of the patents while he can look into the matter.

Sharp also reports that he does not know whether those who are supposed to have offered options are prepared to take them up and the understanding here is that land agents may have undertaken to buy up these lands without having the capital on hand to make the purchase if their offer is accepted. If the Interior department acts on Sharp's suggestions, issuance of patents under the Hawley bill may be delayed indefinitely.

FISH TO BE PLANTED.

Many Mountain Streams To Be Filled With Brook Trout.

Pendleton—State Fish and Game Commissioner Cranston has received a letter from George W. Bowers, commissioner of fisheries, department of commerce and labor, Washington, D. C., saying that in his opinion the spring-fed mountain streams and lakes of Oregon are adapted to the cultivation of the brook trout (*Salvelinus fontinalis*), and that the introduction of this species in such waters may be undertaken with reasonable assurance of good results. This is the fourth year that brook trout have been experimented with in Oregon streams, especially in Eastern Oregon, but State Commissioner Cranston had become a little doubtful as to the wisdom of further experimenting with this particular variety of trout. The results thus far obtained have not been up to his expectations. Mr. Cranston says, however, that since receiving the above reply to his inquiry he is making preparations to stock suitable streams with this species.

Nehalem Jetty Favored.

Washington, D. C.—Based on the favorable report of the army engineers, the senate committee on commerce will incorporate into the river and harbor bill an appropriation of \$100,000 to begin the construction of the jetties at the entrance of Nehalem Bay, a project to cost in the aggregate \$632,350. The scheme is that the government pay one-half the cost, the Port of Nehalem the other half. The report is now before the commerce committee and will form the basis of favorable action by that committee.

Rail Line to Tap Newport.

Salem—Supplementary articles of incorporation, which were filed with the secretary of state by the Valley & Siletz road, provide for the construction of a railroad from Independence to Newport. In the original articles the company proposed to build a railroad from the upper dam on the Luckiamute river to Simpson. Under the new plan this will give Portland a direct connection with Yaquina bay on the West Side.

Hawley to Help Commission.

Salem—In reply to a recent telegram from the State Railroad commission, asking that steps be taken to pass through congress a bill prohibiting the ownership of steamship lines by railroads, Representative Hawley writes that he will so vote unless good and sufficient evidence shall prove some modification is advisable.

Pendleton Crops Hopes High.

Pendleton—Crop prospects continue bright throughout this section. Temperatures have been low for several weeks. Grain has continued to make a good growth, while fruit buds have been kept back until there is no danger of late frosts. No fall grain was frozen out.

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