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The Ankeny Road.

A movement was started last spring to raise funds to put the Ankeny bottom road in such shape that it would be possible to use it for hauling purposes at all times of the year. One hundred and fifty dollars has been pledged by the citizens of Independence, which, together with \$50 promised from Marion county to aid in the project, makes \$200. This is not enough to put the five miles of road in proper condition for winter use. At least \$500 will be necessary. With this amount judiciously expended the highway can be made a good one, serviceable at all seasons. The people throughout the section tapped by the road are willing to contribute their share in road work and it is simply up to Independence to say whether the road shall be built or not. A few hundred more will do it, and this amount would be a mere bagatelle compared with the advantages to be derived. The trade of this rich and growing section would be secured to this city which is its natural trading center. As we said before, it is up to Independence to say whether she wants this trade or not. The roadmaster of Marion county was here a few days ago to see what we were going to do about the matter, or whether we were going to do anything. The case is one that requires prompt action.

Premium List is Out.

The premium list of the Oregon State Fair is now out and being distributed among the farmers and breeders throughout the state. It carries \$10,000 in cash premiums on livestock and agricultural products. Every farmer and breeder in the state is invited to bring something to the State Fair this year and help swell the big exhibit that is already promised. The Southern Pacific Company hauls all exhibits to and from the fair free of charge, which enables everyone to send something to help the good cause along. To those who wish to take their families and spend a week at the fair, they will find one of the finest camp grounds on the coast, absolutely free. Any information regarding the fair will be gladly given by writing the secretary at Portland, Oregon. If you have not received a premium list write for one at once.

Buena Vista Hop Talk.

Special Correspondence.

And the hop grower still smiles! Hops are in prime condition, save here and there a few lice, which it is not thought will be of any consequence, as growers are giving their yards careful attention to prevent a further spread of the pests. The hops are already as large as a man's thumb and are firm and good. The crop promises to be a heavy one.

Some contracts have been made by local growers for 15 cents, but the prevail-

ing opinion among hop men is that a much better price will yet be offered, and the majority are holding for the probable advance.

Pickers are discussing the possibility of receiving 50 cents per box this fall. Forty cents being the usual price in ordinary years, the hop financier figures that he should also reap a share of the higher prices prevailing for the product.

It is hoped that 50 cents may be the rate, for to numerous families the money earned in hop picking represents many a necessity for winter use.

Our Saturday evening band concert is becoming quite a feature. People from Dallas, Buena Vista, Monmouth and other points were noticed in attendance last Saturday.

Ballston.

Most all of the threshers around here will start Monday.

Mrs. James LeMasters, of Mt. Angel, wife of our former station agent, is visiting friends and relatives at this place.

Pete Ryan has rented the Tatom property and Mrs. Harris the Campbell property.

Mr. S. A. Ball, one of our prominent hop growers, visited his mother at Monmouth Sunday.

Miss Mary Ottinger is in McMinnville on business this week.

Mrs. Rose Fudge, Ross Clark and Tom Bowman and Misses Texie Edgar and Effie Clark are spending a week at the coast.

Rufus Bohannon has gone to Eastern Oregon to work through harvest.

The new telephone posts are all set and the line will soon be completed.

Miss Mamie Lebold is staying with her sister, Mrs. Curby, at Bellvue.

Mrs. Royal has taken charge of the postoffice.

Mrs. Mary Newbill has gone to Wheatland to go with a cook wagon.

Mrs. Lulu Short and children visited with her parents at Gopher Valley last week.

OREGON
Milling & Warehouse
COMPANY

Warehouses at Independence,
Monmouth and Airlie. Mills
at Independence.

Now ready for Business

EXCHANGES

Made at any of their ware-
houses.

WHEAT AND OATS

Received on storage or bought
at highest market price.

Latest up-to-dat processes

In wheat flour, whole wheat flour,
germea, and mill feed of all kinds.

Correspondence Contest

Contest Closes October 4 at 6 P. M.

First Prize.

Magnificent Morris Chair.



Second Prize.

A Fine \$10 Lamp.

Correspondents Contest!

- 3d Prize, \$2 worth of Photos at J. M. McCaleb's.
- 4th Prize, \$2 worth of Photos at E. PicKel's.
- 5th Prize, Subscription to Pacific Homestead.
- 6th Prize, Ladies Home Journal.

Conditions Governing Contest.

One point for every news item accepted. A story worthy of a separate heading 25 points. A column article 50 points. For every yearly subscriber, new or a renewal, 75 points. Less than a year at the same proportion. We want correspondents in every part of Polk county. Now is the time to make known our resources. Send in your contributions whether you are a correspondent or not.

How You Stand.

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| Ballston, B. | 201 |
| Buena Vista, H. | 712 |
| Pedes, P. | 590 |
| Antioch | 11 |
| Highlands, B. | 40 |
| Rickreal, C. | 81 |
| Calvary, D. | 131 |
| Parker, G. | 71 |
| Mount Hood View, C. | 187 |
| Crowley, G. | 63 |
| Airlie, S. | 25 |
| Ballston | 12 |
| Lewisville, E. | 24 |
| Monmouth, H. | 252 |
| Monmouth, A. | 117 |
| Monmouth, B. | 74 |
| Simpson, B. | 7 |
| Monmouth, S. | 175 |
| Saver F. | 16 |

Contest ends at 6 P. M. October 4.