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The great coal strike has been declared off by the mine workers' convention held at Wilkesbarre, Pa., on October 21. Not a man voted no.

It will be gratifying intelligence to the people of Independence to learn that the government has not abandoned its intention of improving the Willamette at this place. Yesterday Postmaster Wheeler posted up notices for bids for revetment work. This means employment for labor and a good many thousand dollars spent here for material.

We print an excellent article in this issue from the pen of Colonel Hofer on strawberry culture. The colonel is an enthusiast on the subject. He thinks we have every requisite in this section of the Willamette to grow perfect berries. Mr. Hofer has been offered \$200 an acre for the product of his 9-acre tract but refused it. There is good money in the industry if enough growers can be induced to take it up so that shipments can be made in carload lots.

The fame of Oregon goats is spreading far and wide. Last week a carload of goats was shipped to Troy, Montana. The Montana man, who came here, James Stonechest, says he had been hunting for goats everywhere and found none that could equal the Willamette Valley product. This ought to be the best kind of encouragement for Polk county farmers to keep right on increasing and improving their herds.

Hold Your Hops, Says Orr.

Samuel Orr, a prominent Polk county hopgrower, who was in the city recently, says the Oregonian, is of the opinion that the price of hops will advance several cents per pound and he advises all growers to hold onto their crops for some little time. Mr. Orr bases his predictions upon the condition of the foreign market and the local demand, which he says is stronger than most people imagine. He has refused several offers of 25 cents during the past week and announces his intention of holding for a higher price. When seen Mr. Orr said:

"I do not see how hops can go any lower than the present figures, and I am firmly convinced that the price will advance several cents before many weeks. If the growers will only hold their product for a time, the demand will become quite brisk and high prices will ensue. There is no use paying any attention to the fake reports start-

ed by hopbuyers and agents. Let the hop men study over the situation carefully and wait a few weeks. Parties at Dallas have paid 25 cents for hops of average quality, and I believe that higher prices will surely prevail."

Mr. Orr is one of Polk county's most successful farmers. He operates a 50 acre hop yard near Rickreall and also conducts a good-sized stock farm.

The Hop Market.

A special to the Oregonian says: Hops continue firm. Brewers' demands are moderate, and these, with local trading between dealers, sustain present values. Wires from Franklin county report firm and advancing markets. Growers refuse 33¢ bid for strictly choice. Coast wires report additional buying there for export at 25 cents for choice Oregon. German cables note firm and active markets.

Salem hop dealers report 25 cents as the ruling price for choice hops. George L. Rose purchased a 63-bale lot at that figure. Hattie Jones sold the remainder of her crop, part of which was under contract, at 25 cents.

Salem dealers have received a report of the purchase of the Anderson crop of 133 bales, at Eugene, by F. E. Dunn. Some reports have the price 25 cents, and others 25½ cents.

Kirkpatrick & Williams, of Dallas; Faber & Neis, of Salem; and E. C. Herren, of Salem, made purchases of hops below choice in quality at 25 cents at Independence.

A dispatch from Yakima says: Very little is doing in the way of purchase of hops in this valley. The growers feel that the market prices are coming their way and are holding out for prices above 30 cents.

Deafness Cannot be Cured

By local applications as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.
Sold by druggists, 75c.
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

VISITORS FROM CORVALLIS

The Rebekah Lodge in This City Holds Interesting Meeting.

Tuesday evening Clover Leaf Lodge, No. 56, Order of Rebekahs, of this city, was favored by a visit of a delegation from Corvallis. Other visitors were present from Monmouth and Dallas. Work was put on, speeches made and an interesting time in general was had. Those in the party from Corvallis were: Past President Paulina Kline, Noble Grand Mrs. Brunk and Mesdames Wicks, Broders, Wilkins, Moores, Spangler and Jacobs; Messrs. Cronise, Henkle and Norton.

**A Large Shipment of
FURNITURE**

Bought at lowest Eastern Prices has arrived for

W. L. BICE

I am now in a position to make the **lowest possible prices** for new and up-to-date furniture. I wish to thank the people of Independence and vicinity for their liberal patronage since I have been with you and invite you to call and examine my new line of furniture. Make your home cozy and comfortable while these prices last.

Goods bought right will sell themselves.

A good wool top MATTRESS \$2.25	Three piece BED-ROOM SUITES \$13	Opaque WINDOW SHADES Only 25 Cents
A large assortment at better prices.	And on up	Each. Never before could you buy as good a shade for so small a price.
A two-piece BED-ROOM SUITE Only \$8 each	Good Kitchen CHAIRS For 45 cents	Cobbler seat ROCKERS \$2.25 and up
The are good for the price	Well made and well finished	They are fine for the money.

No trouble to show goods. Call and look over the line and get prices.
W. L. BICE, Next door to PADDOCK'S.

Crowley

Thad Stevens has rented Wall Fawk's farm here at Crowley.
Elder Wm. Short filled his appointment at La Creole, last Sunday.
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Edgar, have

started back to their home in Eastern Oregon.

R. J. Williamson is having a well dug on his recently acquired property.

Elder Wm. Short is here working on Elder Pewtherer's house.

D. R. Ruble is moving to his new home at Lincoln.

We are informed that Chas. B. Whaley, has bought a part of the G. C. Smith farm.

Mrs. O. L. Nealley has gone to Salem for a few days visit.

Finely Edgar is hauling his winter's wood to his new home here.

Sam Wallace was a passenger to Portland Tuesday afternoon.



MRS. L. S. ADAMS,
Of Galveston, Texas.

"Wine of Cardui is indeed a blessing to tired women. Having suffered for seven years with weakness and bearing-down pains, and having tried several doctors and different remedies with no success, your Wine of Cardui was the only thing which helped me, and eventually cured me. It seemed to build up the weak parts, strengthen the system and correct irregularities."

By "tired women" Mrs. Adams means nervous women who have disordered menses, falling of the womb, ovarian troubles or any of these ailments that women have. You can cure yourself at home with this great women's remedy, Wine of Cardui. Wine of Cardui has cured thousands of cases which doctors have failed to benefit. Why not begin to get well today? All druggists have \$1.00 bottles. For any stomach, liver or bowel disorder Thedford's Black-Draught should be used.

For advice and literature, address, giving symptoms, The Ladies' Advisory Department, The Obstetrical Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn.

WINE OF CARDUI

**MONMOUTH
Book and Confectionery
STORE.**

Carries a complete line of

Confectionery, Stationery,

Cigar and Tobacco, School Books and School Supplies.

When in need of **ICE CREAM** or any thing in our line call and see us

Try our Fountain Soda.

**Simpson Bros.,
Monmouth, -:- Oregon.**