

INDEPENDENCE ENTERPRISE

AND WEST SIDE.

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BETTER THAN EXPECTED

County Crops Have Exceeded Expectations.

Wheat and 25-cent hogs, butter-fat, eggs, in everything a farmer has to do at a good price means prosperity for Polk county this fall. In every section comes the report of good crops, as is evidenced by the following communications from our correspondents.

Crop Report.

Grain is turning out well in the vicinity. W. J. Steele reports 52 bushels oats the acre by machine measure. E. E. DeWend's wheat made about 30 bushels to the acre as an average. Most of the grain is doing better than the farmers expected would turn out. No spring wheat has been threshed, but it is looking fine. E. Chamberlain has a new kind of spring wheat this year that is good, called "the oats."

Little Luckiamute.

Grain is not turning out extra well. J. F. Loughary had 50 bushels that made 23 bushels; N. L. L. 35 acres that made 26 bushels; G. Fredrickson, 30 acres that made 23 bushels; E. Chamberlain, 50 acres that made 16 bushels; E. Evans, on B. Suver's place, 80 acres made 19 bushels. Oats are ranging from 27 to 35 bushels, machine measure, and, by all rights, will no doubt run up near 35 bushels all through.

Crops Near Parker.

Threshers are making rapid progress in the grain fields in this vicinity. Grain is turning out well and of all kinds are far above the average. The wheat and oat crop is considered the best in several years. A field of this vicinity averaged 60 bushels per acre and some oats have averaged 60 bushels per acre. The weather has been most favorable for threshing until just recently, but the rain of threshing goes on and it is expected that the rain may prove of short duration.

Harvest Observations.

There are but few things in the world so bad that they could not be worse; even the darkest days usually have a bright spot somewhere during the twenty-four hours; even the much-abused harvesters, working long hours and sweating in the straw stack, occasionally has his innings in a treat from some unexpected source, or some off some half day when he is weary and sick of his job. One of these bright and unexpected "open-noon" occurred last week when the Evans threshing crew on the Sazn McElmurray place. McElmurray made a trip to Independence, returning with eight watermelons. These were given over to the "boys," and—

the reader may imagine the rest. No fatalities are reported! This item is written by request of the crew, as an expression of appreciation of the treat.

Claude Kurro, of Independence, who has been tending separator with the Evans outfit, has cause to feel thankful that he still has two feet with five toes per foot. It might easily have been otherwise, considering the accident that befell one of his shapely "Trilbies" last Friday forenoon. The huge separator was moving across a field, when Mr. Kurro stooped to pick up a wrench that had fallen from the machine. In some manner he slipped and fell, the six-ton separator passing over a portion of one foot, crushing it so badly that the skin was broken on the ends of the toes. The injured man was taken to his home, and it will be several days before he will be able to use the member. As stated before, it might have been worse.

The Evans thresher will be in this immediate vicinity about the middle of this week, consequently we are as yet unable to send in a report of grain yields hereabouts. However, so far, the yields elsewhere have been better than had been expected, and the growers generally appear very highly pleased.

The Oregon housewife has cause of rejoicing in the fact that the harvest "cook wagon" has come to be an established fact, and the killing task of cooking for threshing hands is no longer a dreaded feature of the summer months, to the wives and mothers. Not only is it much more satisfactory for the housekeeper to be spared this task and more convenient for the wagon to be always nearby the machine at meal time, but there is also

given those ambitious cooks who have the pluck and strength to do the work, opportunity to earn dollars enough for a handsome, winter outfit of clothing and the gew-gaws so dear to the feminine heart.

One of the highest compliments that can be paid a man is for his employes to say of him: "He is a boss fellow; always good natured; never gets out of patience when things go wrong; gives good square measure and treats everyone right." Perhaps more flowery tribute may be given, possibly a more lengthy eulogy may be written, or a more wordy and brilliant account be rendered concerning him; but what better can be said after all? What higher encomium be bestowed? It is the exemplification of the Golden Rule; an expression of the highest mode of conduct known and practiced by man. The employer who wins such praise from his crew in a harvest field, is the man whose foundation in life is built upon the solid rocks, and not on the shifting sands where the winds of ill temper and uncontrolled passions beat him about and make him not a kind and considerate master, but a tyrant to be feared and avoided.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

Has world-wide fame for marvelous cures. It surpasses any other salve, lotion, ointment or balm for Cuts, Corns, Burns, Bolls, Sores, Felons, Ulcers, Tetters, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Chapped Hands, Skin Eruptions; infallible for Piles. Cure guaranteed. Only 25c at A. S. Locke's, Druggist.

Other Needs of our Town.

EDITOR ENTERPRISE: There are many others, but prominent among them is a good reading and recreation room for the young men of the town. There are many who feel this need keenly and would appreciate any provision of this character. They desire a waiting place other than the ones presently open to them.

Also, a very prominent need is a place where mothers with little children, often babies needing attention, who have just come in from the country may go to rest. These mothers do not care to sit around the stores while the husbands do business around the town. If they had a place of this kind, a cosy little room fitted up, thither they would resort, and, remembering their needs, would do all the purchasing they came in from the country to do, instead of wearily dragging themselves and children around town, forgetting the things they intended to buy. The merchants of this town could very easily supply this felt want. Why not do this right away?

An Observer.

Miss Nellie Pomeroy was a passenger to Portland Monday on her way to Northport, Wash., where she will teach this winter.

MARRIED.

HILL—MARTIN.—In Corvallis, on Saturday, August 29, 1903, Miss Fannie Martin and Mr. Homer Hill, both of Independence.

LUCKIAMUTE LINE.

Complete List of the Subscribers to the Farmers Line.

We have been supplied with a complete list of the subscribers to the Monmouth farmers line, and a list of the names follow:

H. D. Staats, E. W. Staats, B. F. Smith, F. M. Smith, J. H. Lewis, G. G. Hewitt, A. A. Linderman, C. E. Staats, J. A. Withrow, Keller & Nehrbas, Or. Milling and Warehouse Co., W. W. Smith, Taylor, Miller & Alcorn, C. E. Tedrow, James Helmick, McCann, Frank Loughary, Jasper Bagley, A. R. Lewis, W. E. William, J. J. Thurston, Joe Smith, Percy Hadley, Mrs. O. M. Staats, O. A. Wolverton (Albert Tethrow), J. S. Buchanan, Edd Pattras, A. C. Staats, J. O. Staats, J. M. Staats.

Following is a list of the regular Monmouth city subscribers.

D. M. Hampton, P. H. Johnson, L. S. Perkins, Simpson Bros., H. R. Nehrbas, Or. Milling and Warehouse Co., G. T. Boothby, J. B. V. Butler, H. S. Portwood, H. D. Whitman, J. M. Crowley, office, J. M. Crowley, res., Frank Lucas, J. M. Flynn, M. F. Pereival, J. A. Byers, S. M. Daniel, J. W. Howell, L. Ground, A. F. Campbell, I. M. Dalton, M. A. Stine, Or. State Normal school, G. A. Forbes, Joe Rose, stable, Joe Rose, res., C. F. Fisher, W. H. Parrish, Monmouth Hotel, I. P. Reese, W. T. Hoffman, Wm. N. O'Kelly, A. S. Allen, L. E. Bedwell, E. D. Ressler, A. L. Chute, Bridwell & Craven, W. E. Bridwell, Polk Co. Bank.

What Is Life?

In the last analysis nobody knows, but we do know that it is under strict law. Abuse that law even slightly, pain results. Irregular living means derangement of the organs, resulting in Constipation, Headache or Liver trouble. Dr. King's New Life Pills quickly re-adjusts this. It's gentle, yet thorough. Only 25c at A. S. Locke's Drug Store.

A Wise Selection.

Special from Parker. Buena Vista is to be congratulated upon the selection of Prof. V. B. Goin as principal of the public school for the ensuing school year. Professor Goin has been identified with the educational work of the state for the past fifteen years, teaching principally in Linn county where he ranks among the leading educators of the state. Few indeed attain a higher standard, of social, moral and intellectual qualities than characterizes the life of this teacher. We are personally acquainted with Professor Goin, having finished the eighth grade course under his supervision and we predict for Buena Vista a successful school year under his efficient management.

Help the Contest.

Special from Parker. The eleventh correspondents' contest is sounding its commencement. The participants arrayed in mental armor proceed to their respective positions, while, like troops drawn up in battle, we await the final charge. Along out dis-

tant horizon the outlines of the coveted goal are dimly discernible. With the right hand we grasp the pen,—our sword,—and while we exert our mental forces in our endeavor to obtain a prosperous termination of our efforts, we realize that our eventual success will depend upon the kind assistance that may be accorded by our friends. We need generous support of each and every individual in our county to aid us in our strenuous efforts to earn the generous prizes that the editor has so kindly offered, and to perpetuate the interest manifested by our subscribers, readers and writers.

We want each individual reader to manifest an interest in this contest and encourage the efforts of the correspondents. We want an industrious, energetic representative from each section of our county to occupy a prominent position in this contest, and to maintain it till the close.

We want the ENTERPRISE to visit every home in the county, and we earnestly believe that when once its merits are tested it will ever continue a welcome visitor at the fireside.

Then let us stimulate our united efforts to make the ensuing contest more eminently successful than any of its predecessors.

A Tribute to the Willamette.

O, river, calm and beautiful,
My thoughts are still of thee.
Flow onward through the woods
and vales!
Flow onward to the sea!

Though clouds above thee darkly hang,
And dreary be the day,
Though all as peaceful seemest thou
As when the sunbeams play.

Whene'er the evening shadows fall
Upon thy waters clear,
All undisturbed thou flowest on;
A restful peace is near.

Across thee moved the Indian bark
In days long passed away;
The dusky Indian warrior
Loved by thy banks to stay,

And charmed by rippling waters there,
He dreamed of battles won,
Of glory, and of victory,
Until the day was done.

Willamette—river beautiful,
Go on thy winding way,
Thy sparkling waters still will charm
By moonlight or by day.

The bard his tribute still will pay,
Thy name will ever be
Aye loved by all in Oregon.
Willamette—hail to thee!

—OLGA VALERIA BOATMAN.

His Life Saved By Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera, and Diarrhoea Remedy.

"B. L. Byer, a well known cooper of this town, says he believes Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy saved his life last summer. He had been sick for a month with what the doctors call bilious dysentery, and could get nothing to do him any good until he tried this remedy. It gave him immediate relief," says B. T. Little, merchant, Hancock, Md. For sale by Kirkland Drug Co.

DR. PIERCE'S FAVORITE PRESCRIPTION

CURES BACKACHE, NERVOUSNESS, HEADACHE, AND FEMALE WEAKNESS