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## ANNUAL ARRIVAL

Pickers Plenty by Team and Train Coming in to Gather Ripening Hops.
Only Two Small Sale Yet Reported And Higher Offern Are Declined.
The hoppickers Meceal From every direction the piokers are now
poaring into Independence. In whatever direction you look, and at most any hour of the day, you behoppickers to some of the yarda in this vieinity and eyery trann bring additional pickers. They have been arriving by team for a week been
back.
Tho
Thone from the distant parte were first on the grounds but now ing their quota. There are now people here from Tillamook, Lincoln and Benton counties; pickers from Albany, Eugene, Fastern Yesterday a Chicago couple alighted from the train deelaring their intentions to experience the delights and hardebips of hoppicking. There are Americans, Bohemians, Japanese, Chinese, Italians Slavs and Indians on the ground. The proapeters are there will be no scarcity of pickers thin year. All the larger yards have all the pickors they will require engaged and
owners of small yards anticipate owners of small yards
no shortage in plekers.
Hop men now place their eatimate on the state yield higher than a month ago. Charles Livesly estimates the state at 95,000 bales;
George Dorcas, 100,000 bales. According to Mt. Liveely, the United States will produce 24,000 more hales this year than last the excess of each locality being fixed as follows: California 5,000; New York 10,000; Oregon and Waehington 5,000 . The fact is thare will no be a bumper crop in Oregon, bui there are some mighty good hops in the Independence district. have hofs that will goa ton to the acre and then some," says W. W. Percival. There are other yards in this vicinity that were not very promising a month ago that have developed surprisingly st
ing time and since the rain. ing time and since the rain.
Picking will begin in the Picking will begin in the C. A
Mattison and Sam Irvine yards Mattion and Sam Irvine yards
Saturday and J. L. Hanna will Saturday and one kiln. One or
probably pick one two others may begin Saturday. but they have not yet decided. Pickers will be sent to work in a number of yards Monday, others will hold off till Tuesday and still
others till Wednesday. Picking will be still longer delayed in a few ards cultivated late.
At the time of going to press but two sale have been reported.
Henry Hill sold 100 bales to H. L. Fenton at 25 cents the latter par of last week and Charles Livesly
hought Ed Steele's 30 -acre yard, hought Ed Steele's 30 acore yard,
standing for $\$ 6,000$. Offers of $26 \frac{1}{2}$ standing for $\$ 6,000$. anders and 27 cents are now
cents is talked.

## Lost

A Scotch Collie dog, black and yellow markinge. Answers to the yellow markings.
name of "Stub." Woars collar with harness snap sttached Tinder please return to qua'b, Parker.

Wagon tor sale
One spring wagon $1 \ddagger$ inch axlo. As good as ae
terprite offiob.

## EQUALIZ ATION BOARD.

 Board of Equalization in Seation his Wekk, County CourtNext Weet Next Week.
Dallan Correapondence.)
The Board of Equallization, com-
posed of the connty judge. olerk
and assessor, han been in seasion, ready to hear the complainte of
any who may not be satiefied with any who may not be satiefied with
their aseessment. Those who have not bad the opportunity to be hearding by going before the county ourt w $\qquad$ Comm
leave the huspital and is now at is home.
$A$ metter to come before the art al ite next sitting will be the sanessment against the county by
he City of Dallas for sewerage purposes. The city has reently intalled a sewerage syslem and the county has been
ssessed $\$ 528$ as ite part. The ourt must pass upon this assessment.
It is understond the court will be aited on by putitioners for roads ext week.
Marriage license issued to E. Prescott and Emily Purvine. No large real estate transfers re orded the past week.
The case of Peter Kurre ve. Fre Therer, has been dismissed on mo-
the plnintiff. ion of the plaintiff.
C. A. MeLAUGHLIN HOME

Returned From Northern Gold Fields After Three Months Sight Seeing and Hard Work.
C. A. MoLaughlin dropped of the train at Independence Friday direct from Alakka. The trip from Nome was made in one week. Mr. Mclaughlin is a hop man. Th hop industry of Polk connty ap peals to him at this season stronger ife, talking to himealf in the per potually sun-lit gold fields Alaska.
Mr. McLaugblin however has had three monthe hard work and to Prince of Wales and looked ver into the Siberian possessions of Russia. Behring Strait is only 21 miles wide at the narrowes point, and by the aid of glasses, a pood view of Siberia can be had Mr. MeLaughlin says. He put in some time at actual work panning out gold on his claims with Ralph Richards and the Keenes. They have good claime where one man can save from $\$ 7$ to $\$ 10$ a day during the season when water is to be had. Water, is the great desideratum in that country says Mr. MbLaughlin. The water seaso lasts only aboul why "Mack" is that is one reason why "Mack" back. The season Ralph Richards, Mr. Keene He lett hal at work on their claims. and son at work on Mr . Mackey were
Oliver $\mathrm{S}_{\mathrm{mith}}$ and mining in the vicinity of Nome. mining in the will be out later. Mr. Mc Laughlin will probably go back next season.

Elike' Charm Lost.
Lost, 'in Independence, probatly n coming from the dook up town, an elk's tooth charm, with the in-
noription "T. A. Rigg, Salem
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GETTING READY
Prospects for Good Attendance at the State Normal Are Good.

Chagge io the Faculty and Every
thing Ship Shape for Opeaing:

President Ressler has been home Wor nearly three weeks since his rurn from an eastern trip and reporte eyerything "sbip shape" for
the opening of school. He expects the oponing of school. He expects rith the exception of two flying trips vith theoxeeption of two Ilying trips and Roseburg.
After finding himself in posescion of all the information, he is uch plessed with the prospects of an increased attendance of students. Correapondence from all parte oi he state insures even a more repesentative atudent body geographically than last year's when wenty-two counties and four ther states sent atudents. The action of the board in providing a four years' course will also bave a favorable effect, so many inquiries from former atudente attest. This advanced course is credited by the State Department of Education in Washington, entitling graduates to ate examination. The only other institation in Oregon ao recoognized institution in Oregon so recognizen is the State University at Eugena.
Prestdent Reesiler believes that Prestdent Reesior believes tha
the Legilature is ready to do the ha Legielature is ready to do the sehool and
handsome tbling by the sehol put in equipment and income on an equality with the representative chools of other states. The history of the school, the work of its gradnates, the fact that it has always confined its work strictly to the raining of teachere and not made bids for studente by advertieing courseas not analyzed by law, and the representative character of it atubent body clearly demonstrating that it is more than a local school; all these thinge make the institution at Monmouth known and respectec ens of Polk county should rally ens of Polk county should rally trongly to its support and sho ther localities in promoting the intereats of public institutions intereats of public
Plane are formulating for the encouragement of the legitimate tudent enterprises as well as be routine work of the class room. Valuable prizes will be
ffered in oratory and debating with a in oratory and debaling in th view to stimulating interee mente. A chorus of mixed voices will be organized for the purpose of studying oratorio music and other works and giving several concerts during the year, and perhaps unit ing with similar organizations in Dallas and Independence in a May Festival. Private lessons in
voice, piano and string instruments vill be given by superior teachers and the Normal Cadet Band, under the efficient directions of Mr. Frank Lucas, will be better than ever. The new instructor in physioal training will carry on the regular courses and will be able to coach all in-door and out-door games. He was captain of his college football and track teams and played oams.
he faculty committee will begin the canvas of the town next week for lodging and boarding accomodations and will have cinonitied
lints postod on the bulletin board fer the conveniance of students. Any people having these accomoda dions may send notice to secrelary Buher and have them lisiod in artic vance. The authorities are partic-
ularly desirous of accertaining placen where atudents may earn a part or all of their living expensee by work. llut three changes have been made in the faculty, due to the resignations of Mr. Forbee and Mise Nash and the years' leave of absence granted:Mise Smitb. Miss Daisy B. Huntington of Geneses,
II, is the successor of Mise Smith. She is a graduate of the Illinoie Normal University, in which Principal Rice was an instructor, and has also studied in Chicago University. Misa Huntington has been primary supervieor in Streator III, doring the past two years and comes highly recommended. Mrs. May Bowden-Babbitt will have charge of the music and drawing. Mra. Babbitt has renided for a number of years st Independence where she hat built up a strong muric clase and is well and favorably known among Oregon musicisns. She studied music in Booton with the celebrated composer, Arthur Foote and Thomas Morley of London, as well as other sble instructors. Her art education as received at the Thomas Art as received at of Detzoit.
WANT HIGHER WAGES
Crew of Italian Laboress Struck for Rainc in Wages and Got Time Checkes.

Monday morning found Indeendence with a strike on. A rew of thirty Italians brought up on Sunday to work in the gravel ar refueed to work.
Looking over the pmapect before triking a lick, they informed the outhern Pacinc authonise gravel hey would not work in the gravei 82 a dov Atter wiring beok nd a Aav. Aler wiring bact nd forth from Portiand a fon Master and thenell, the company de Mastor Donnell, the company de-
clined to sccede to the demands of the Italians and they were given the lalians and they were given
time chacks. Others have been mployed and the work of taking out gravel is now in progress, though the working crew is smali. The wages paid is $\$ 1.75$ a day.

Remarkable Woman
Mrs. Isabel Sharman is a renarkable woman. She was 85 years old last April and has jusi returned from an outing on the coast that would be considered hardship by many half her age. Coming out she walked five miles
p the coast including the almost up the coast including the almost
perilous trip around Cape Perperilous trip around Cape Per-
petua. Her outing over she is pack to her post making s hand ewing in the W. G. Sharman tailoring establishment. "No, I don't think F'll pick hops-I've had my outing," she remarked yesterday and the can be depended upon to do her work as promptly and regalarly as a girl of twenty. She ynn County

