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WASHINGTON COUNTY.

The field of The News is the first agricultural county of Oregon. First for clover, for onions, for grapes, and in dairying; it also leads in diversified farming and is famous for fine horses, good cattle and blooded sheep and goats. Its hay is being bought, thousands of tons of it, by the government to feed cavalry horses in the Philippines; its wines took gold medals over California's exhibit at the Chicago World's Fair. Its prunes and hops get the top prices in the market, and sugar beets, flax, tobacco, sweet potatoes, horse radish, and mushrooms show the variety of its production. Its 18,000 people live in 3500 houses, of which 2500 are on farms, and the great majority own their own homes. Six wagon roads and two lines of railway connect the county with Portland, metropolis of the Pacific Northwest, from 40 to 52 miles distant, and here is found ready sale for its products. Good schools, roads, a network of farm telephones and many rural delivery routes affording daily mail make Washington county a prosperous country region with all the conveniences of the city.

COUNTY CORRESPONDENCE



ALBION.

Man Seriously Hurt in Engine Accident—Vernonia Campmeeting—McDaniel's Funeral.

Albion, Sept. 1.—Messrs. Gust and Ambrose Schmidlin were coming down the mountain with an engine, when the wheel dropped into a hole, throwing Ambrose, the driver, off. The horse kicked him, and in order to get out of the way he had to drop the lines. The team going farther down the mountain, the wagon tipped over, catching Gust under it and hurting him very badly. Our home doctor found it necessary to take him to Portland for a surgical operation. Mrs. Schmidlin has returned home from Portland, where she accompanied her husband to the hospital. Mr. Wilson of Vernonia and his daughter, Mrs. Holbrook, of Portland, passed through our place en route to Forest Grove, where Mrs. Holbrook took the train for home. Frank Alsleben, is building an addition to his house. Mr. North passed through our place a few days ago with a load of shingles, on his way to Forest Grove. Mrs. Raymond and Mrs. Mand Marsh were visiting with Mrs. Holt last week. G. M. Holt and family attended campmeeting at Vernonia last week. Plenty of people are passing through our vicinity every day, going out to pick hops. Mr. Schoonover and family passed through here en route to Idaho, where he intends to make his future home. There was a large attendance went out from Albion to attend the funeral of F. Marion McDaniel, at Buxton, last Monday.

Harvest News—Neighborhood Improvements—Hop Picking.

Kansas City, Sept. 3.—This little burgh is situated on the west side of Dairy creek, six miles north of Forest Grove. Herb Bros. finished threshing for Kirts & Loyd yesterday. Baker Bros. are threshing north of Forest Grove. McGraw & Co. are baling straw for Albert Bennett. George McGraw will start out with his clover huller next Saturday, beginning work for V. Crop on the Levi Smith place. Mrs. Watkins has moved to Forest Grove. Will Schneider is going to build an addition to his house. John Lee has rented the Perry Watson place. Frank Lewis has gone to help Mr. McPherson dry hops. John Nice is improving his place. Everyone that can is going, or has gone, to pick hops. Some are camp-

ing, and some will stay at home and pick the yards nearby.

BANKS.

Hop Drying—A 200lb bear—Threshers Busy and Grain Being Stacked for Fear of Rain.

Banks, Sept. 3.—Mr. A. A. Phipps has received word that his wife will be able to come home in a few days. Mr. P. C. Filbert is going to dry hops for N. C. Shipley at his Thatcher yard, and N. C. Shipley will dry at his home yard. John Carsten and Ben Dooley killed a bear weighing over 200 pounds on the hill near our village yesterday. A party of young people from here went to the Soda Springs on Gales creek last Sunday. They report having had a good time. N. C. Shipley will commence picking hops today. Hops in this neighborhood are good; I think the best for years. People are stacking their grain, as machines are behind with their work, and the farmers are afraid of rain. The funeral of Mr. McDaniel, of the Nehalem, took place at the Buxton cemetery the 31st ult. Deceased was an old soldier, and came to his death by going into an old well where there was foul air, and before help could be got his life had gone out. Mr. Garigus officiated.

MANNING.

Everybody Stacking Grain—Iowa Visitor—Slight Accident at Mill—School House Improvements.

Manning, Sept. 3.—The Manning school house is taking on quite a nice appearance with the addition in length, new roof, outside and inside improvements. R. L. Bullock and George Fisher are doing the work. Mr. William Benefiel, of Davenport, Iowa, made a flying visit with relatives in this county on his way to Spokane, his future home. Mr. and Mrs. William Mills, of Clackamas Co., were visiting around Manning the first of the week. Mr. William Green, now one of Carstins Bros.' loggers, is taking a layoff on account of a cut knee. Everybody who has not already stacked, is busy stacking grain.

CEDAR MILLS.

Potatoes—Threshing—New Prune Drier—Dance—Narrow Escape of Thresher Feeder.

Cedar Mill, Sept. 1.—The potato crop is very much improved by the recent rain. Threshing is practically over and the farmers are looking happy. Mr. G. H. Reeves has a new well on his place. H. M. Buxton and B. B. Reeves did the work. Mr. J. Q. A. Young has erected a new building for his prune drier. He has a large field this year. Miss Grace Counts, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. M. G. Reeves, for the past eight months, returned to her home near Corvallis Monday. Miss Lulu Owens will return to Lebam, Wash., Saturday, to resume her work in the Lebam school. Messrs. J. Forestell and J. Smith, of Portland, Sundayed in Cedar Mill. Mr. Jasper Young is getting ready to do some repairs on his house this

fall. Hustler Camp, of M. W. A., gave a dance in their hall Saturday evening, August 29. Jack's Orchestra furnished the music. A pleasant time was reported. One of the feeders of Wismer's threshing machine had a close call Monday. His sleeve caught in the cylinder and his arm was left bare. If the cloth had been stronger he would have been pulled into the machine. Mr. Lee Driver spent several days of last week at the J. Q. A. Young residence.

RALEIGH.

Hops—Onions—Cucumbers—Improvements—School Teacher.

Raleigh, Sept. 1.—Hop-picking is going on here at present, with prospects of about two-thirds of a crop; 40 and 50 cents a box is being paid. Lice and mold are the cause of the crop shrinkage. Onions are looking fine at present. Mr. F. Olsen has seven acres of cucumbers which look well and are bringing him a good income. Mr. H. Titus and wife returned to Indiana last Friday evening. Jas. Titus has been moving his buildings and connecting dwelling and store together. It will be a decided improvement to the property. We shall have a new school teacher this year. Look out, boys. Miss Bowman will teach this winter. Mr. and Mrs. Rine, of Beaverton, visited friends at this place Saturday and Sunday.

GARDEN HOME.

Thunder Storm—Hingley Funeral—Child Kicked by Horse.

Garden Home, Aug. 30.—Our school house has been repainted inside and out, and several other improvements made. Saturday week a heavy thunder storm passed through here and the lightning burnt out a lightning arrester at Geo. Peterson's house. Monday, Garden Home turned out to attend the funeral of Miss Myra Hingley at Progress. Mrs. Hillery has returned from her trip to California. Master Ernest Nicholson spent one day last week visiting his sister, Miss Carrie Nicholson, of Portland. Mrs. Singer is slowly improving. Mr. Huffaker and his daughter, Miss Cora, have gone to French Prairie for a short stay. Mr. Cephas King and family have moved to their new home. The little son of Mr. and Mrs. Peterson is quite ill. A horse kicked the little son of Robert Stephens last Tuesday but did not seriously hurt the child, although his face is badly swollen and there is quite a long cut in his cheek.

Visitors—Matrimonial Opportunity—Plenty of Prunes—Rural Delivery—An Active Old Lady.

Garden Home, Sept. 2.—Miss Carrie Nicholson and Iver Okestrom spent last Sunday with Miss Nicholson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Nicholson. Mr. and Mrs. Huffaker have a nephew visiting them from French Prairie. Mr. and Mrs. Morgenson are on the sick list. Miss Sophia Shoemaker is visiting her aunt on Sauvie Island. A young widower has bought the old Lehnart place, but we have not made his acquaintance as yet. Hop picking has begun, and nearly every one will be busy picking hops. The three wood haulers of Garden Home, Messrs. O. T. Nicholson, John Shoemaker and Geo. Peterson, very nearly supply the Heights with wood. A wagon load of young people passed through here this morning. A Mr. Bills spent the night at Mrs. Spencer's house. He is an agent for the Singer sewing machine. Miss Sara Jensen, of Raleigh, called on Mrs. M. E. Spencer Sunday. Little Adolph Peterson has taken a turn for the better, but is still quite ill. The prune crop is large this year, and prune drying will soon begin. Mr. Rasmus has built his chickens a nice new house. The rural mail delivery is expected to start the fifteenth of September. Mrs. Mary Spencer had quite a surprise today. An aunt, Mrs. Polly Winter, of Portland Heights, walked in when Mrs. Spencer and family were at dinner. Mrs. Winter is quite an elderly lady, being about 75 years old. She rode out on the wood wagon of Mrs. Spencer's son-in-law, George Peterson.

CENTERVILLE.

Hoppicking—Injured Boy Well Enough to Leave Hospital—Washington County People to Own Marion County Creamery.

Centerville, Sept. 1.—Most of the Centerville people will start to pick hops next Thursday at Wm. Bagley's hop yard a mile east of this place. Mr. Allen Wilson left here to attend the funeral of his stepfather, Mr. McDaniels, of near Kist, who was suffocated by gas while cleaning a well at his place. Vincent Riverman is expected home from St. Vincent's Hospital some time this week. Mr. A. Ruetten is starting a creamery at Mt. Angel. He will be assisted by John Wunderlich. Miss Rose Riverman has been visiting in Portland the past week.

GLENWOOD.

New Correspondent—Harvest—Hops—Shingle Mill Moved.

Glenwood, Aug. 31.—It has been several years since Glenwood has been able to send forth any items, but if you will watch closely you will hear from us hereafter. Davie Vincent celebrated his sixteenth birthday Sunday last. Mr. R. C. Goodwin made a flying trip to Forest Grove Saturday. Ora Smith accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Short for a two weeks' outing at the coast. George Lee has just completed a new brick barn. John Hughes and son were the guests of his brother Edward this week. William Luster was seen driving through Glenwood with his fast trotter Sunday. Hamblon Bros. have completed their new shingle mill on Upper Nehalem. The harvest round about here is almost completed so the rain did but very little damage. Johnnie Vincent, one of Woodburn's hop-growers, is spending a few days here. He reports hops in that section good, and expects to make or break this year.

REEDVILLE.

Hansen-Lost Wedding—Ohioan Returns Home.

Reedville, Sept. 2.—Mr. and Mrs. Clark Hewitt visited over Sunday in the metropolis. Wm. Wolf and John and Alice York Sundayed with their parents. Miss Julia Tweede, of Portland, is visiting her grandparents, Rev. and Mrs. M. Hansen. Mr. J. P. Hansen, of North Yakima, Wash., attended the Hansen-Lost wedding. Miss Lucy L. Woodward, of Forest Grove, spent one day of last week in our vicinity, the guest of Mrs. N. P. Oakerman. Joseph Hughes, who has been visiting his sister, Mrs. O. E. Hundley, for the past few months, departed for his home in Ohio, Tuesday morning. Married, on Wednesday, August 26, in the presence of about fifty relatives and friends, Miss Rosa Losil, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Losil, to Mr. Charles C. Hansen, of Portland. The young couple left Friday for their home in Portland. We join with their many friends in wishing them a long and happy wedded life.

GASTON.

Shipping Troubles—Influx of Relatives—Good Oats—Game Law Violations—Hunting Parties—Bad School Record of a Former Resident Now Under Arrest.

Gaston, Sept. 2.—Several parties from Tillamook report the farmers over there at fever heat over the prospect of a railroad. A railroad is a fine thing if it is so managed that the producer can get his products to market, but it is nearly ruining some who expected to get their products to market in time to meet obligations; they had contracted with the full expectation of being able to market their products, hay, lumber and grain, and they cannot get cars. No wonder so many sigh for the good old times, when they depended upon themselves and the old ox team. The railroad companies are working a great hardship on the farmers by not furnishing facilities for transporting flour, wheat, hay, lumber, etc., to markets, to say nothing about building a depot at Gaston. The most of those who have been off for their summer vacation

are back and glad they got back, as it has been too cold and wet for outing pleasures. Wade Everest, J. Satterlee and H. Naylor are in from a long hunt and fishing trip. They went down the Trask and up the Wilson. While the trip was long the game was short. Wade Everest tried the experiment of shooting deer from the upper deck of a cayuse. He killed the deer but it took some time for him to pick up and get himself together again. Miss Gertrude Marsh is visiting at the Misses Hibbs', Miss May Parker is at uncle's, and, well, if I tell about all the cousins, aunts, sisters, grandpas, etc., who are visiting at and about Gaston, there will not be room enough in your paper for the balance of this article. The farmers are about through with their harvest and threshing, and the yield has been unusually good and of the best quality. One field of oats is reported to have yielded 90 bushels to the acre and the oats weigh 50 pounds to the bushel. Hop picking is on and the hops are excellent and at present prices the producers of these parts will have money to throw at the birds, provided they can get their crop to market. We read considerable that has been written pro and con about a young man who was at one time a resident of our town and later of Forest Grove, but now is a resident of the place provided for criminals. We remember him as a bad child, and remember how much trouble he made the school board of Gaston. His crimes were lightly passed by then and the criminal element in his make-up was cultivated, and he has developed a full and complete criminal. Too fond parents and a too lax administration of our criminal laws has spoiled many a promising child. There are agent reports from hunters of open violation of the game laws. It is no unusual thing to find sportsmen chasing deer with hounds and even killing more than they had any use for and leaving the carcass untouched to rot in the woods where they shot it down. Yet our game warden draws his salary. My experience and the opinion of a great many sportsmen with whom I have talked is that all the protection the deer and birds need is to prohibit the use of dogs. At all events our present laws should be enforced, or repealed, and the useless waste of money paid to the game wardens stopped. Amador Hamrick and a few of his Portland friends have been over on the north Trask and report fine shooting. They killed what they could take care of and let many good opportunities to kill big game go by, but they saw where others had not passed the temptation to shoot more than they could bring out of the woods. Amador had no fish stories to tell, but he has forever ruined the reputation of the once famous 30-30. He tells of shooting bears all to pieces with these wonderful guns, and yet brin scurried off through the brush, paying no more attention to his shot than they would to a mosquito bite. Tracey will have to return to the shades of earth again to re-establish the fame of his pet gun. Something funny it was to hear A. M. Porter's clerk, Harry Baker, when told to get some lard for a customer, to walk to the telephone and call up Dr. Largv from Forest Grove. Harry don't care to hear about it.

cently from Nebraska, are visiting at the home of E. H. Parker. A crowd of young people from here took advantage of the fine evenings and had a merry serenading party. Their voices voices harmonized and the music floated prettily in on the still evening air.

PROGRESS.

Off to the Coast—McKay School Teacher—Hoppicking—Pulling Onions.

Progress, Sept. 2.—Maude Hingley has left for the coast to recuperate after attending her sister through a period of sickness of typhoid fever, commencing last March and terminating in her death on the 22d of August. She had a very successful career as school teacher in several counties. Miss Bowman has been engaged to teach at McKay school for the ensuing term. Mr. Sherner commenced picking hops on the 2d inst. Mr. A. J. Fanno has returned from Portland after his regular visit. Fanno Bros. have started to pull onions, there be in a full crop. The Misses Ellender are home on a vacation. Mrs. Thos. Bradley is visiting her daughters in Milton. Raleigh Robinson and son have returned from Wilhoft Springs. Miss Hattie Belle Foster, of Portland, is visiting Mrs. George Blasser.

PATTON VALLEY.

Wagon Wrecked—Young Man Gets Good Position—Unmanageable Horse Injures His Rider—Hop Field News.

Patton Valley, Sept. 2.—Mr. Pem Patton has completed his work on his hop house, which he has remodeled. Mr. Phillip Porter doing the carpenter work. Mr. G. B. Gilson, while driving from his ranch to Gaston, had a slight accident, the back axle of his hack breaking, owing to a defect in the steel. Mr. Flesher threshed his grain Sunday, last week. The weather was very changeable, and the farmers were anxious to have their grain out of danger. Several of the neighbors spent Saturday in Forest Grove trading. Mr. Willie Lee and wife left Sunday evening for Seattle, where he is going to take an examination for second engineer on a boat. If he succeeds in passing the examination he has a position offered him for one year at \$90 a month. Mr. Carl Herring spent Sunday at his ranch. He is working in Portland. Mr. N. Justensen spent Tuesday in Patton Valley in the interests of the condensed milk factory. Mr. Jack Olsen is hauling hay from Darling-Smith Farm to Gaston this week. Mr. John McLeod is helping him. Mr. Biglow and companion were in Patton Valley Friday on their way to their claims. Mr. and Mrs. Bert Rutherford, of Scoggin Valley, and Mr. Riley Lee and family were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Standbridge. Mr. Jesse Martin, of Scoggin Valley, spent Sunday at Mt. J. Bater. Mr. Alan McLeod is helping Mr. Finley McLeod with his harvesting. Mrs. Alan McLeod and daughter, Miss Mima, were guests of Mrs. Williams and daughter, Miss Hester, Tuesday. Mr. Tom Williams was badly bruised Sunday, also spraining an ankle and both wrists. He was riding horseback when his horse commenced to run with him; he did his best to stop it, but being naturally mean, it would not stop. Mr. Williams fell from the horse, and the horse fell on him, according to report. Mrs. Fred Robinson was the guest of Miss Mima McLeod Tuesday. Mrs. Fred Robinson will spend several days with her mother in Yamhill county, who is going to make her home in California. Mr. and Mrs. Lee Anderson moved to Williams' hop yard Tuesday. Mrs. Anderson will pick hops and Mr. Anderson will dry hops for Mr. Williams. Miss Mima McLeod was the guest of Miss Nellie Staudbridge Wednesday and Thursday. Several of the neighbors have started to pick hops. Mr. Williams will commence to pick his hops Thursday.

A few good horses and several second-hand buggies for sale at a bargain, or will trade. Call at News office or see Peter Peterson.