

PROSPECTS FOR CROPS BRIGHT

YEARS ACREAGE WILL BE LARGER

Heavy Snows Have Been of Benefit to the Soil—Spring Sowing to Begin as Soon as Possible—Rabbits Are Now Eliminated.

Prospect for one of the best years the Central Oregon farmers have ever experienced are everywhere patent as a result of the almost unprecedented heavy precipitation of the last six weeks and the favorable weather they are experiencing. The fall sown grain, although not as heavy in acreage as was estimated earlier in the season, is far ahead of grain sowed in the fall of 1914.

Farmers throughout this part of the state are already making preparations for spring sowing and it is estimated that the acreage will be considerably heavier than last spring. Just as soon as the frost is out of the ground spring sowing will begin in earnest throughout all of Central Oregon.

Heavy Snows Benefit. "Conditions could scarcely be better," said A. J. Kroenert, manager of the Bend Flour Mill Co., who has made a careful study of the local farming conditions. The acreage that will be sown to spring varieties promises to be heavier than in any previous year. The heavy snows have been a great benefit to the soil. The early frosts prevented many farmers from doing as much sowing as they had contemplated, but it is certain that the acreage will be more than made up in spring sowing.

Mr. Kroenert has made a careful study of the varieties of grain suitable for spring sowing, and is doing much to inform the farmers in this vicinity of the best seed varieties to select.

Acreage to Be Increased. The increased acreage promises to be particularly heavy in the vicinity of Madras, Culver, Sisters, Powell Butte and Fort Rock.

Encouraged by the work that is

going on under the supervision of J. A. Ward of the Department of Agriculture and A. E. Lovell, county agriculturist, who have been fighting the rabbit pest for several months with the co-operation of farmers, farmers seem more eager to develop their farms and to increase the acreage to which they will sow grain. The ranchers are of the opinion that they will have the pests well subdued when the grain is up.

See Edwards for good house painting.—Adv.

Has Eight Children. Mrs. P. Rhekamp, 2404 Herman St., Covington, Ky., writes: "I have been using Foley's Honey and Tar for nearly two years and can find no better cough syrup. I have eight children and give it to all of them. They were subject to croup from babies on." It is a safe and reliable medicine. Sold everywhere.—Adv.

The American Bakery announces that it has begun to make ice cream and from now on will have it for sale at all times to hotels, restaurants and private families. adv

Shearings

At a well attended meeting of stock holders of the several telephone lines in this section, on Monday, it was decided to consolidate the entire works and incorporate de novo under the title of "Central Oregon Co-operative Telephone Co." The lines involved are: from Pilot Butte to Prineville, the Prineville exchange, the joint line from Prineville to Redmond, the Redmond exchange, the Deschutes Mutual, the joint line Redmond to Tumalo, Tumalo to Bend and the Bend franchise. The change will simplify telephone conditions here and largely reduce operating expenses.—Redmond Spokesman.

Prineville may become the moving spirit in the construction of a railroad between this point and the main line after the plans that have been followed by Medford, Grants Pass and other Oregon towns. At least such a plan is under consideration by a committee of citizens and the city council, and at a meeting of the council held last evening it was the opinion of every member of the council that such steps should be taken. The plans for a bond election will be considered at a meeting in the near future.—Crook County Journal.

George Gottlieb, who has been

Possibly Vogan's Moire chocolates do cost us both a little more. MODERN CONFECTIONERY CO. Portland Oregon

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Announcement. Until the roads south are in better condition for auto travel our trucks and touring cars will not make the trip from Bend. We carry the mail by stage daily, however, and arrange for passenger transportation to La Pine, Fort Rock and Silver Lake when desired. PIONEER AUTO STAGE & LIVERY CO.

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SYNOPSIS OF THE ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE Citizens Insurance Company of St. Louis, in the State of Missouri, on the 31st day of December, 1915, made to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oregon, pursuant to law: Capital, Amount of capital paid up, \$200,000.00. Net premiums received during the year, \$309,706.27. Interest dividends and rents received during the year, 28,061.01. Income from other sources received during the year, 43,688.84. Total income, \$381,456.12. Disbursements, Net losses paid during the year, \$ 86,641.23. Dividends paid during the year on capital stock, 119,060.90. Commissions and salaries paid during the year, 102,987.96. Taxes, licenses and fees paid during the year, 1,875.50. Amount of all other expenditures, 1,139.08. Total expenditures, \$312,696.67. Assets, Value of stocks and bonds owned (market value), \$265,100.00. Loans on mortgages and collateral, etc., 61,700.00. Cash in banks and on hand, 217,073.86. Premiums in course of collection written since September 30, 1915, 32,980.44. Interest and rents due and accrued, 5,605.22. Total assets, \$682,459.52. Total assets admitted in Oregon, \$684,425.51. Liabilities, Gross claims for losses unpaid, \$ 25,783.89. Amount of unearned premiums on all outstanding risks, 165,513.24. All other liabilities, 293,128.34. Total liabilities exclusive of capital stock of \$200,000, \$484,425.47. Business in Oregon for the Year, Total risks written during the year, \$1,602,909.00. Gross premiums received during the year, 21,046.86. Premiums returned during the year, 4,108.84. Losses incurred during the year, 11,641.23. Losses incurred during the year, 12,451.25. Total amount of risks outstanding in Oregon December 31, 1915, 1,640,503.00. CITIZENS INSURANCE COMPANY OF MISSOURI. By J. G. CARR, Vice-President, Statutory resident general agent and attorney for service: John H. Burgard.