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Sugar-Beet Industry.

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson on his recent trip through Oregon has this to say: I was very much pleased with what I saw of the sugar beet industry in the great Grand Ronde valley. I saw 2000 acres in sugar-beets near LaGrande and consider the industry a great success. But it should be done in connection with dairying. As soon as the dairy men find out that the sugar beet is worth raising for the pulp alone for dairy cows and have the sugar for clear profit, then it will be demonstrated that we can produce sugar as cheaply as in the tropics.

All land east of the Dalles will raise sugar beets if irrigated. I found the Grand Ronde beets in fine condition and the people there are going to make money. There is no one thing I have seen on the coast that pleased me more than the sight of these beets. Failure to realize profit last year was because of inexperience. Such first failures occur everywhere. The conditions through all this belt of country for their production is perfect. I can't imagine anything lacking. These valleys can produce sugar for the nation and butter for the Orient. The two staples must go together.

This hint is worth careful consideration by the people of this section.—Ontario Matlock.

Clipped from the Advertiser

Joe Sturtevant, who has acted in the capacity of foreman at the Agency ranch the past few years, has resigned his position and moved to Burns, where he is engaged in the erection of a large flouring mill, of which he and N. Brown will be proprietors.

Billy Bennett and two sons, of the Narrows, Harney county, were in the city Saturday. Mr. Bennett having delivered wood here for J. H. Neal of Happy Valley. Billy stopped a short time to let the boys see the operations of the Art Preservative.

Sam Kenyon, the older brother of C. E. Kenyon, the popular book-keeper for the P. L. S. Co., is on his way home from the Klondike and has perhaps arrived ere this. Mr. Kenyon went to Dawson early and secured some good mining property which he worked to good advantage and sold for a good figure. Mr. Kenyon will probably have a quarter of a million dollars to show for his two years in the far north.

Postmaster Hembree of the Narrows Harney county, has been in the city for several days, awaiting the arrival of his daughter Rose from her home in Kansas City. She has been sick for some time and is looking quite feeble, and up on her arrival here yesterday started with her father for Harney Valley, where she hopes to regain her health. The old gentleman reports a pleasant time during his stay in Ontario.

Captain and Mrs. A. W. Waters of Burns arrived on the stage this morning en route to Shoshone, Idaho for a few weeks stay. Judge Waters, a district attorney and railroad attorney located at Shoshone is a brother of Captain Waters, and his health being very poor at this time, he sent for the Captain to come and assist him for a few weeks. The Captain paid the Advertiser a pleasant call this morning and appears in robust health and the best of spirits.

Louis Wobbenleg and Fred Haine of Burns and Harney City respectively, got into jail last night over \$250. They started the action in a justice court and after a change of venue and other cost-provoking proceedings, the case was decided

against Louis and the cost bill taxed at \$120. It was taken up to the circuit court on a writ of review and this time it went against Fred, and the cost bill took a corresponding increase. We next hear of the case in the state supreme court, where Louis again gets the worst of it and the cost advanced to \$450 aside for attorney fees. It has not yet become public whether or not the case will go to the United States supreme court, but if it does it is Fred's time to lose.

Baker City Democrat: The people of San Francisco were not influenced solely by motives of patriotism in their zeal to have the Oregon regiment mustered out at the Presidio. The soldiers will be paid off and will receive amounts ranging from \$400 to \$1500 each, making an aggregate sum of over a million dollars to be disbursed nearly at one time. After 14 months of privations the boys will naturally feel disposed to "loosen up" a little in the way of new clothing and other essential luxuries. This will be a wonderful stimulus to the trade and the beneficial influences of expansion will be directly felt by many of the San Francisco shop keepers.

Two Headed Calf.

Many persons who have seen the two-headed calf, which Eddie R. Kelly is exhibiting on Sixth Street at dusk, founded at the fact that the animal is alive and eats, runs and plays after the manner of all calves. It has two distinct mouths and eats with both of them, and three eyes, one right in the middle of the forehead, where the two heads are joined together. The appearance of the beast is not repulsive, but is very peculiar. It is fed from a bottle, and also on grass, which it is beginning to eat and like.

Mr. Kelley has every reason to believe that it will live, and has already refused an offer of \$10,000 for it. A fax is kept near the calf to prevent it from becoming lonesome.—Portland Telegram.

Horses for Manila.

Chicago Drivers Journal: Acting Chief Quartermaster Palmer received instructions from the War Department officials at Washington over the long distance telephone yesterday morning to buy 3,000 for the use of the cavalry in the Philippines. The animals must weigh between 900 and 1,000 lbs. be perfectly sound and under seven years old. Major J. B. Aleshire, Chief Quartermaster at Matanzas, Cuba, now in the city on leave of absence, has been selected to travel through the adjoining States in search of the animals needed. He expects to secure 1,000 horses in Chicago, and will then go to Louisville, St. Louis and other cities. The animals will be shipped to San Francisco in lots of 100 and sent from there by transport.

A Matter of Business.

It is purely a business proposition with the rangers—the matter of holding back his shipments this year until such time as his stock has received the full benefit of the late arriving grass, says the Denver Stockman. Nobody is suffering, however. There is no meat famine. But when the stock does begin to move the market will get the best line of leaders from the West that it has ever gotten. In this connection it might be well to state that by the West is meant Colorado, Utah, Wyoming, Nevada, Montana and Oregon.

Eastern Oregon Weather.

The following is the report of the weather for Eastern Oregon for the past week, as sent out by B. S. Pague, section director:

Bright sunshine and high temperatures prevailed up to Friday the 21st, when cooler and cloudy weather set in. A few sprinkles of rain fell on Friday. The mean temperature for the week averaged 60 degrees, which is 5 degrees lower than for the preceding week and 3 higher than for the corresponding week last year. The maximum temperatures ranged from 74 to 98 in the Columbia River valley and from 64 to 94 over the Plateau region. The minimum temperatures in the valley ranged from 52 to 70 and over the plateau from 42 to 60. The winds were northerly and light in force.

CROPS.

In most sections the grain crop is in good condition. Reports from Wasco, Morrow, Gilliam and Umatilla counties indicate that the hot winds of the early part of the week did some damage to spring sown wheat and to that which had been reseeded on summer fallow. The extent of the damage cannot be definitely stated at the present time. Spring sown wheat is turning yellow, and, although the warm weather has prevented falling to some extent, a fair crop is expected. The cool weather during the latter part of the week was very beneficial. A few scattered sections report signs of rust on fall-sown wheat. Harvesting fall-sown grain continues in Umatilla county, and reports indicate that it will be general by the middle of next week. The grain is turning out fairly well.

Barley is in excellent condition and harvesting the same continues in many sections.

Hay is about over. The crop is one of the largest and best ever secured, and it has been safely gathered. The second crop of clover is being cut in Wasco county. Stock is in excellent condition. Range food is reported to be plentiful.

Pastures have dried up rapidly. Corn and potatoes are doing well but rain would be of great benefit. In some sections corn is in the silk. Sugar beets continue in excellent condition and good reports are received relative to their growth.

Gardens are in need of rain. There is no change in the fruit crop of eastern Oregon. Cherry picking continues in the Columbia River valley, and a fair crop of Royal Annes has been secured. Peaches are ripening rapidly.

Working summer fallow continues.

LETTER LIST.

The following letters remain uncalled for in the Burns, Or., post office for the month ending July 15th 1899:

- Anstad, I
- Alison Johnnie
- Brookline, P (2)
- Boxers, J. H.
- Baker, R. A.
- Bestnam, J. W.
- Curtis, Claude
- DeCamp, Joseph
- Deary, Annie
- Edwards, Mrs. F.
- Finnerty, C. E.
- Gunter, Miss H.
- Goodman, Oscar
- Hosell John
- Hill Fred (3)
- Jordan M. Jones
- Jeffers Hugh
- Kear, Chas. F.
- Kellner Mrs. Min
- King Clarence
- Yongu C. F.
- St. Lawrence J. H.
- Mason, Chas. L.
- Murray, W. H.
- Miller, A. C. (6)
- Miller, A.
- Meyer, J. F.
- Mokey, John
- Meredith Dr. J. (2)
- McClain John
- McCrosken Calen
- Parrett, Simon
- Rushburgh A. Stan
- Vanvalt L.
- Silvester E. P. (2)
- Walitt E. W.
- Williams Mrs. G. E.
- Williams Mrs.
- Warren Alfred T.
- West Frank A.
- Yohanson O. Y.
- Yates Walter

The public will wait most anxiously for the product of the Root Mr. McKinley has planted in the Cabinet garden.

The Cleveland street railway strikers will not find wrecking cars loaded with passengers, by the use of explosives, a good route to public sympathy.

Pingree wants Alger to work the martyr racket in his senatorial race. Michigan voters know political gold bricks when they see them.

By dying "Bob" Ingersoll escaped a lot of very bad verses written about him, even if he did not find things as he expected them on the other shore.

Pingree is trying to get Alger lionized by Detroiters as a step towards pushing that Senatorial boom. The lion is not the animal Alger resembles most.

Judging from the announcements of his numerous junkets, Mr. McKinley is always "seeking rest." He may find all the rest he now so vainly seeks after Mar. 4th, 1901.

"Corporal" Tanner says Alger began life as a barefooted boy. Now, will the "Corporal" kindly inform an anxious world which of its prominent men began life as a booted and spurred boy?

If Gen. Otis is laying the surrender of the Filipinos by the payment of thirty Mexican dollars to each one of them who surrenders himself and a gun, it is not surprising that he should insist upon censoring carefully all cablegrams. Any commander would be ashamed of such a policy.

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