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Revival of Mining Industry in Eastern Linn

J. K. Weatherford and Frank J. Miller, of Albany, attended the Rose Carnival at Portland last week and Oregonian gave out the following interview:

"Once more there are signs of activity in the Santiam mining district. East Linn county is getting quite fussed up over the prospect of a revival of its mining industry. Once upon a time the mines of the Santiam were widely exploited and produced considerable wealth, but times changed and the camps languished. Now, however, according to Frank J. Miller, of Albany, former member of the public service commission, attention is being directed to the district of Santiam and also the Elkhorn district in Marion county. The state bureau of mines and geology has promised to make an investigation and report for the Albany Chamber of Commerce on the mineral resources of the district. A number of Seattle and Montana people are prospecting with a view to developing, and these people are said to be strongly backed with finances so that if the prospects warrant they can get down to business.

"Ever since the Oregon Agricultural College has been a state institution J. K. Weatherford has been a member of the board of directors. He is now president of the board. Mr. Weatherford, whose residence is at Albany, Or., was in the city yesterday. The past year of the agricultural college has been the most successful in its history.

One Hundred Railroad Crossing Signs Purchased

More than 100 railway crossing signs have been purchased by the county court as required by law for erection at crossings in Linn county. The signs consist of large metal discs upon which in black and white the letters "R. R." are inscribed.

Linn county is said to have more than 200 crossings, and two signs are required for each crossing. The railway companies also are required to erect signs to warn approaching vehicles of danger. The county will procure more signs as they are needed.—Albany Democrat.

George C. Elder, of the Bureau of Markets, Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., was in the city this week and gave it as his opinion that the price of Alsike clover seed will be around the 10 cent mark this fall. He bases his judgement on the fact there were 4,000,000 pounds of seed carried over last year and this year's crop will be about 5,000,000 pounds. Another factor is the shipment of large quantities of the seed to this country from Canada and Italy before the new tariff law takes effect.

The Murphy Seed Store today shipped 1,000 pounds of Alsike to Philadelphia on a special order.—Albany Democrat.

We are informed that a large portion of the travel on the Pacific highway is now detouring by way of the river road while the work of grading and surfacing are in progress between here and Shedd.

Brownville and Drifted Snow flour at D H Sturtevant's.

Annual Fight Against Thistles Has Begun

Notices were published today by the Linn county court cautioning Linn county land owners to start their annual campaign against the Canada thistle which it is said has come back this year with reinforcements.

"No leniency will be shown to any person allowing this weed to seed on his or her land," the court said today. The laws are very rigid regarding this matter and the county court is going to be strict in enforcing it."

Severe penalties are imposed upon violators of this law.

The Canada thistle is said to be a growing menace throughout Linn county, and county agents and county courts all over the state are waging an incessant warfare against what is termed the greatest enemy of agriculture.

Thus far the only effective method of combatting the menace yet discovered is to prevent the thistle from making seed.—Albany Daily Democrat.

Windbreaks are in many ways a farm asset. They tend to prevent the soil from drying out quickly and they protect grain and orchards from injury by the wind. A belt of trees near the farm buildings protects them from extreme cold and from summer's heat. Trees make the farm a pleasanter place in which to live. The windbreak may be also a source of wood supply for fuel or for sale.

Additional eastern roads have agreed to join with the western roads in reducing rates on export and import traffic, according to G. W. Luse, freight traffic manager for the Southern Pacific Co. Export and import tariffs applying between Pacific coast ports and eastern territory are being reissued and new publication will authorize the application of the same rates now in effect to and from Chicago to apply on traffic to and from points on the following railroads: Toledo, St. Louis and Western R. R.; Chicago, Terre Haute and Southeastern Ry.; Detroit & Toledo Shore Line R. R.; Ann Arbor Railroad.

The state of Oregon in 1920 cut 3,310 million feet of lumber, an increase of 96 per cent since 1915. Of this total 2,609 million feet were cut west of the Cascades and 707 million east of the Cascades. Oregon and Washington produce 25 1/2 % of the total lumber cut in the United States.



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