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BRIEF NEWS OF OREGON

GRAIN CROP FOR 1914 REPORT-ED TO GIVE PROMISE OF BE-ING LARGEST IN HISTORY OF THE STATE.

Portland, Ore., May 11.—Reports from nearly every section of Oregon indicate that the grain crop for 1914 will be the largest in the history of the state. Not only has the grain acreage been greatly increased, but

weather conditions have been unusually favorable and in nearly all districts the yield per acre will be larger than usual. Fruit reports from some sections are not quite so encouraging as grain estimates, but in most cases the loss from frost has not exceeded the annual thinning of fruit. A large acreage of new orchards will produce the first commercial crop this year and it is estimated the total fruit yield will be far beyond that of last year.

J. W. Brewer, special agent for the State Immigration Commission has just returned from a careful survey of the lands included in the area recently eliminated from the forest reserves in Central Oregon and his report to State Immigration Agent C. C. Chapman carries with it a note of warning to intending settlers on such lands. Already there are a great number of homeseekers in the

eliminated district and it is expected that there will be more applicants than there are claims. Of the 236,000 acres actually open for entry, at least 182,000 acres are non-tiltable leaving but 54,000 acres of a character which will support settlers. The elevation of a large part of this section is from 4,200 to 4,500 and there is danger of killing frosts at all times in the year. Distance from the railroad varies from 75 to 100 miles, making it extremely difficult to get produce to market. Prospects for grazing are fairly encouraging and Mr. Brewer advises new settlers to turn their attention mainly to stock raising.

READ THIS MR. TAXPAYER

During the four years that George J. Armstrong has been County Commissioner there has been more substantial improvement of county roads and bridges than during all the years before that Coos has been a county. Practically all the county's road machinery has been provided during that time ferries installed, bridges built, a county infirmary built at the poor farm which saves the county almost enough money to run the whole poor farm out and a careful policy of getting for the county a dollar's worth for every dollar spent, has been pursued. Mr. Armstrong came to Coos county with eight years service on the Sonoma county, California county, California Board of Supervisors to his credit, and has certainly made good throughout his service as Commissioner for Coos county. The management of county affairs is a business. Successful results can only be produced by experienced managers. Mr. Armstrong has the experience and his record as commissioner shows that he is a good manager—progressive yet economical. He believes in permanent highway construction, for the benefit of those who use the roads in the business life. He believes that Coos county is entitled to the best roads in the land, and if re-elected will serve impartially and conservatively. P. A.

FORESTRY NOTES.

There is a considerable amount of yew in California, and makers of bows are seeking material there for archery sets.

Western yellow pine cones, to the amount of 6,377 bushels, obtained on the Bitterroot national forest, Mont., yielded 2,482 pounds of seed. The average cost of the extracted seed was 41 cents per pound.

Results from the western white pine plantations three seasons or more old show an average of 97 per cent success. On average white pine soil planting can be conducted for from \$5 to \$6 per acre.

Forest botanists recognize only one cypress in the United States. Its range extends from Delaware southward around the coast into Texas and up the Mississippi valley to Illinois and Indiana. It is one of the few cone-bearing trees which drop their leaves in winter. The heartwood of cypress is noted for its decay-resistant properties.

The Chinese national conservation bureau is considering reforestation at the headwaters of the Yellow River. The government report shows that this will ameliorate the torrents and cause a more regular flow from the now denuded uplands. It is acknowledged, however, that this reforestation may not have an appreciable effect within the lifetime of the present generation.

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When Congress is not in session he spends the time going over the districts, learning its needs and the wishes of the people.

Members of the Rivers and Harbors Committee have said that he knows about the waterways in his District and presents their merits more effectively than any other who appears before them.

FOUR PER CENT OF THE WHOLE amount appropriated in the present Rivers and Harbors bill is for this District.

He has already secured over \$4,000,000 for the waterways, buildings and other public purposes and will add to that at this session over \$2,000,000 more, which is an average of over \$870,000 per year.

HE IS JUST AS DILIGENT, PERSISTENT AND SUCCESSFUL IN ALL OTHER MATTERS PROMOTING THE WELFARE OF THE PEOPLE AND THE COUNTRY.

A VOTE FOR HIM IS A VOTE FOR A FAITHFUL, INDUSTRIOUS, HONEST, ABLE AND EFFECTIVE PUBLIC SERVANT.

Congress now being in session he leaves his candidacy in the hands of the voters, to whom he is profoundly grateful, while he serves their interests in Washington.

He will appreciate all that is said and done in his behalf. (Pd. Adv.)

To the Democratic Voters.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for County Judge of Coos County, Oregon, on the Democratic ticket for the coming primary election. I favor permanent highways and the development of the wonderful wealth of Coos County consistent with economical and judicious expenditures of the taxpayers' money. J. J. STANLEY, Coquille, Oregon

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