

THE WASCO NEWS.

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Owing to the cool weather harvest will be a bit late, but slowness in maturing will only make the berry plumper and heavier.

We are going to publish the name of every person, and give them honorable mention, who subscribes to the rainmaker's fund. It is an honor worthy of approval.

If our rainmaker's committee were to develop into a permanent development league what a wonderful benefit it would be for Sherman county and especially for Wasco.

If Judge Landis will kindly receive in the name of the United States twenty-nine million dollars which the Standard Oil Company owes the people it might tend to help out the postal deficiency.

The editor of the Arlington Record has earned a Carnegie hero medal by standing out alone in defense of John D. and his methods. And he should receive this wage as he can have little hope of another reward.

Get after those weeds. While waiting for the abundant harvest almost at hand what would be more in order than to begin preparing for another banner field next year by destroying the weeds in the summer fallow.

Sherman county farmers are not ready to accept the "lucky boy" solution, and it is entirely likely that Mr. Hatfield will receive all of the pledged fifteen hundred dollars, although, technically, he has earned only a small part of it.

It will be noted that Mr. Hatfield emphasized the statement in which he laid no claim to influence upon the winds. He inferred, however, that if his system, being a moisture attracting system, would induce west winds if any at all, and his inference is most reasonable.

The recent destruction of the Wind River Company's mill again brings the thought of how puny is the hand of man. Thousands of dollars worth of Oregon's most precious product, and representing weeks of human labor were in a few short hours reduced to a heap of ashes.

Canadian census figures show that the dominion has increased in population in six years a little more than the increase in the United States in one year. It is a common saying in Canada that "the 19th century was the United States"; the 20th century is Canada's. But it will have to make better use of its time than at present if it hopes to overtake this country.

Now is the time to advertise Eastern Oregon. Stretching, practically unbroken, from the Idaho line to the western boundary of Wasco county, and south from the Columbia river to well into the heart of Central Oregon, is one vast waving field of rich, green wheat. The like is scarcely to be found elsewhere in the world. No where is it surpassed. Other localities have their special features of which to boast. In the South; rows the tropical fruits, in the North are the mines of gold, in the East the factories; but here in the West, in this Inland Empire, this land of plenty, grows the real staff of life. Not that other parts do not produce abundant and great wheat. Perhaps there is as much or more wheat grown in the Mississippi states per acre as in Oregon but those states are thickly populated and the science of agriculture has grown toward a state of perfection. Here one man farms a section or two and farms it short of its full capacity. What we want is more good people to farm smaller farms. Let us advertise our country.

One of the best ways to build up a town is to patrolize your home merchants. If you send your cash away to the mail order house the time will come when you will rue it. Our merchants are not asleep, and are willing to meet all competition. Give them a chance. Let us all pull together and succeed together.

A movement is under way to open the Heppner coal mines in order to secure a supply of fuel for our city the coming winter. The outlook is anything but favorable to obtain a supply from any other source, hence the move to open the Heppner mines. C. Q. Huelat and Clyde Brock have taken the initiative in the move and Tuesday morning telegraphed expense money to J. D. Jones of Seattle, an experienced coal miner, to come to Heppner at once and prepare for operating the mines. Mr. Jones is expected this week and will at once proceed to the mines and see what can be done toward mining enough coal to supply the local demand.—Heppner Times.

Robert G. Elder, formerly editor of Enterprise of Garfield, Washington, but now one Garfield's most prosperous and wealthy farmers, has demonstrated that there is money in small fruit. Twenty months ago Mr. Elder set out 55 strawberry plants on about one square rod of Palouse land. From these plants Mr. Elder's has picked this season 100 boxes of splendid berries, and still there is more to be gathered, as there is at present enough fruit on the vines to fill several boxes. It has been figured out by Mr. Elder that at the usual price of 15 cents a box an acre of berries would produce in cash \$2400. The Palouse, and especially the country surrounding Garfield, is the home of the strawberry and the cherry, from which more money can be realized from ten acres of ground than from the wheat at \$1 a bushels from the best quarter section of land in Eastern Washington.

Those Portland Letters

Each week we receive a letter from headquarters of the Oregon Development League at Portland, containing an account of the general development of the state, as well as other items of interest from the metropolis. These letters have been published faithfully each week by the News, not so much for their news value as because they are "boosters," calculated from beginning to end to advance the best interests of Oregon. And what other aim can an Oregon newspaper have? Of course they are supposed to dispense the news, but when thought of in connection with their great work this is incidental. The news is new one day but the next it is stale and worthless. Anything written or said in the interest of a community never loses its value. An article may be written read and forgotten by the inhabitants of a particular community, but some one will read and remember. He will be attracted by the special advantages set forth. The article tells of the country, which to him is the ideal, and many chances to one he will sooner or later come and make the community a good citizen. Thus communities experience substantial growth.

The Rainmaker Again

The farmers all over Eastern Oregon hope that Wasco will retain their imported rainmaker until the season is over. Without him how would Baker and Union counties have ever obtained the unusual rainfall they have experienced in the past few weeks.—Haines Record.

Just so. Well, Wasco has retained her rainmaker for the season and she is going to retain him for another season. Of course the question, like all others of material public importance, has a financial aspect which has this year been disregarded as to our neighbors over the mountains, but the question of a retaining fee is a feature and if our neighbors don't get their portion in evidence we will not be responsible for what may or not happen to them next year.

HARVEST AT HAND

Record Crop Will Sell at Price Highest in Years

Millions in Money About to Be Paid to Farmers of Pacific Northwest Will Benefit all Lines of Trade Throughout the Country

What promises to be a record wheat crop in the Pacific Northwest is now approaching harvest says the Oregonian, and quite naturally the weather for the next fortnight will be a subject of considerable anxiety, not only on the part of farmers, but in all lines of trade and industry in the Pacific Northwest. * * *

In some respects, a bumper wheat crop, which is now almost assured, means more to the Pacific Northwest than it ever meant before. There have been years in the past when the financial condition of the farmers was much worse than it is now, and a big crop was for that reason most welcome. But, unfortunately, in the past, most of our big crops have appeared in low-price years, some of them in years when the price hardly justified the expense of harvesting and marketing. This year it seems a certainty that the entire crop will be needed at a higher range of prices than we have known since the last year of the Leiter boom. As a result, the crop will distribute in this territory more millions than have ever before been produced by a single crop, and it will mostly go into the hands of men who will not need it for paying off mortgages. More of it will fall into the coffers of new arrivals, who have been pouring into the country in large numbers, than ever before, and the influence of a big crop and higher prices on their opinion of this new country will be highly beneficial, not only for themselves, but for their old neighbors back East, who are watching their progress in the Pacific Northwest.

Labor and grain bags, the two principal items of expense, are higher than usual, and also scarce, but much of this increased cost will be offset by low ocean freight to the markets of the Old World. The coal shortage has attracted to the Pacific coast the largest amount of grain tonnage that has ever been listed so early in the season, and from the present outlook this steam tonnage will be available for wheat much lower than the minimum fixed by the International Union for sail tonnage. A short time ago it was feared that the Eastern wheat crop was damaged to such an extent that importation from the Pacific coast would be necessary. Recently there has been an improvement and there is not much probability of wheat going East by rail, but as the East will not have the usual export, the European shortage must be made up elsewhere, and a continuation of present prices and possibly a heavy advance is reasonably certain. Another fortnight of good weather in Oregon, Washington and Idaho and the premier cereal will this year add thirty-five million dollars to the wealth of these three states.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior,
Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon,
June 20, 1907.

Notice is hereby given that Charles J. Diekmann, of McDonald, Oregon, has filed notice of his intention to make final five-year proof in support of his claim, viz: Homestead Entry No. 10489, made March 12, 1902, for the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 22, Township 1 north, Range 19 E. W. M., and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver, at The Dalles, Oregon, on August 1, 1907.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of the land, viz:
W. J. Wilson, of Klondike, Oregon.
John Gibson, of Monkland, Oregon.
Charles Huff, of McDonald, Oregon.
Ed. Robinson, of Klondike, Oregon.
C. W. MOORE, Register.

Reports from Elwood Lamborn, who is in Portland receiving treatment for cancer, are not encouraging.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, County of Sherman.

By virtue of an execution and order of sale issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, county of Sherman, on the 18th day of June 1907, in a suit therein pending, wherein W. H. Moore and H. A. Moore are plaintiffs and J. L. Smith, Willie L. Smith and George Meader are defendants, to me directed, and commanding me to sell at public sale the following real property to-wit: The southwest quarter and the east half of Sec. twenty-five (25) and the west half of the northeast quarter and the west half of the southeast quarter of Sec. twenty-four (24), all in township two (2) north range eighteen east of the Willamette meridian, also lot two (2) and southeast quarter of northwest quarter and the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter of Section thirty (30) and the southeast quarter of the southwest quarter and lots three (3) and four (4) of Section thirty (30) all in township two (2) north of range nineteen -19- east of the Willamette meridian; also the southeast quarter of Section twenty-six -26- township two -2- north of range eighteen -18- east of the Willamette meridian, all being in Sherman county, State of Oregon, and containing 1,095, one thousand ninety-five acres, more or less, to satisfy the sum of \$13,605.50, with interest thereon, from the 25th day of October, 1905, at the rate of eight per cent per annum, and the sum of \$500 attorneys fees, and the further sum of \$39.00 costs and accruing costs.

I will, on Saturday, August 3rd, 1907 at 2 o'clock p. m., of said day, at the foot of the court house, in the city of Moro, Sherman County, Oregon, sell to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, all the above described real property.

Dated this 2nd day of July, 1907.
W. B. McCoy,
Sheriff of Sherman County, Oregon.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Sherman County.

In the matter of the estate of R. W. Brock, Deceased.
Notice of Sale.

Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of an order of the above entitled court, duly made and entered on the 1st day of July, A. D., 1907, in the above entitled matter, the undersigned, the administrator of the said estate, will on and after Saturday the 24th day of August, A. D., 1907, proceed to sell the following described real estate belonging to said estate, to-wit: The north half of the northeast quarter and the north half of the northwest quarter of section fifteen, in township two north range seventeen east of Willamette meridian, at private sale, for the best price obtainable, not less than one thousand dollars of purchase price to be paid cash and if deemed advisable, the remainder may be paid in one or two installments, payable in one and two years, deferred payments to bear interest at not less than eight per cent per annum, purchaser to give notes therefor and secure same with first mortgage on said land.

Dated July, 12, A. D. 1907.
GEORGE A. BROCK,
Administrator.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior,
Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon,
June 6, 1907.

Notice is hereby given that Charles Warren of Early, Oregon, has filed notice of his intention to make final five-year proof in support of his claim, viz: Homestead Entry, No 10741 made April 25, 1902, for the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ and the E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 32, Township 3 N., Range 18 E. W. M., and that said proof will be made before Register and Receiver, at The Dalles, Oregon, on July 30, 1907.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of the said land, viz:
Orn Henderson, of Rufus, Oregon.
J. A. Pyburn, of Rufus, Oregon.
William McNab, of Rufus, Oregon.
Alexander McNab, of Rufus, Oregon.
C. W. MOORE, Register.

Notice to Creditors.

In the matter of the estate of Capt. T. J. Miller, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned Executors of the last will and testament of Capt. T. J. Miller, deceased; all parties having claims against said deceased, are hereby notified to present the same, properly verified to the undersigned at their place of residence at DesChutes, Sherman Co. Oregon, within one year from the date of this notice.

Dated Oct. 5th, 1906.
Mrs. Sarah E. Miller,
J. J. Miller,
T. J. Miller, Jr.

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