

News About Oregon Industries

Eugene, Ore., August 9.—The Cannery of the Eugene Fruit Growers' Association has just finished canning a cherry crop of more than 2,000,000 pounds. This is the largest pack ever accomplished by a fruit cannery in this state. Part of the local cherry crop was sent to Salem because the local cannery could not take care of no more. Growers here have received about \$250,000 for their cherries this year.

Hood River, Ore., Aug. 9.—Seven thousand feet of iron pipe, temporarily used in building the grade of the Columbia river highway, will find a permanent use in irrigation works here.

Salem, Ore., Aug. 9.—Flax grown in this vicinity under the supervision of the state will all be pulled by hand this year. Because the increased flax acreage under private ownership there are not enough machines to do the work for all.

Salem, Ore., Aug. 9.—Every industry in the state depending upon railroad transportation for the disposal of its product will be cheered by a promise recently given by the Southern Pacific railroad to distribute 100 empty cars daily over its lines north of Ashland. Many Oregon industries, particularly the lumber mills, are now hampered by the acute car shortage.

Portland, Ore., Aug. 9.—Two new motion pictures made entirely in Oregon, were exhibited at a local theatre August 6.

Albany, Ore., Aug. 9.—The plant of the Alco Wood Products Company, which was recently destroyed by fire, will be rebuilt. The factory formerly turned out large numbers of silos and wooden articles of various kinds.

Albany, Ore., Aug. 9.—Balsa wood, which grows abundantly along the streams of Linn county, is finding a new use in the manufacture of toys.

Corvallis, Ore., Aug. 9.—The twenty-acre prune orchard of C. W. Vale, 22 miles south of here, has been sold to A. H. Laughlin for \$50,000.

The Albany Brick & Tile Company which has been manufacturing brick but selling tile shipped in from elsewhere, is about to start manufacturing its own tile.

Klamath Falls, Ore., Aug. 9.—Members of the wool growers association of this county will pay dues to the organization in the shape of a tax levy of 2 cents for each sheep owned.

Albany, Ore., Aug. 9.—Threshing of the 1920 wheat crop is under way.

Ashland, Ore., Aug. 9.—A granite expert visiting here says that the granite existing in immense deposits here can scarcely be distinguished from the famous Barre granite, and is of excellent quality for building purposes.

Portland, Ore., Aug. 9.—Only a third of the cars required is available, according to the latest bulletin of the West Coast Lumbermen's Association, including 129 mills in Oregon and Washington.

Astoria, Ore., Aug. 9.—The first sardine cannery on the Columbia river is being erected at Smith Point, just south of the Wilson Shipbuilding Company's plant, and will be in operation soon. Sardines have been canned experimentally on the river, but never before on a commercial scale.

Portland, Ore., Aug. 9.—The capacity of the California Plating Company has been doubled by the addition of new machinery. This plant is now the best equipped on the Pacific coast for gold and silver plating, also manufactures silverware to order.

Portland, Ore., Aug. 9.—The Northwestern Knitting Mills, one of the Oregon's infant industries, decided upon this city as the location for its plant after looking over the entire Pacific coast. At present the principal product of the new concern is ribbed bathing suits.

Roseburg, Ore., Aug. 9.—Two royal Anne cherry trees in this city have netted their owner \$250 for their fruit this season.

Portland, Ore., Aug. 9.—The Long Bell Lumber Company, purchaser of vast timber resources in this state,

will erect one sawmill within a short time and probably three more later, according to Robert A. Long, president of the company, who is conferring with a staff of consultants in this city. The mills will probably be located on the Columbia river to secure advantage of water shipment.

Portland, Ore., Aug. 9.—Houses for the employees of the industries and shops of the Peninsula district will be built by the Peninsula House Building Corporation, newly incorporated with a capital stock of \$25,000. If this amount is found insufficient, it will be doubled. The purpose of the company is to relieve the housing situation and at the same time to effect a permanent improvement of the district.

Eugene, Ore., Aug. 9.—A 2000-acre tract of timber near this city has been purchased by J. R. Cain for \$100,000. The tract contains about 75,000,000 feet of Douglas fir timber. The purchaser plans to build a logging railroad to the tract and will erect a sawmill with a capacity of about 50,000 feet daily.

Prineville, Ore., Aug. 9.—The highest dam in the Northwest and the fourth highest in the United States has just been finished four miles east of here. Ochooc dam, as the structure is known, is 126 feet high, 1000 feet long, 600 feet thick at the base, and 18 feet wide at the top. The works of which it is a part irrigates 25,000 acres.

Guarantors of the annual Chautauqua in Marshfield have decided the recent series of 12 numbers given by the Ellis-White company in this city were below the standard expected of Chautauqua and at a meeting of the guarantors it was decided to bring this fact to the attention of the Ellis-White company and require a guarantee of improvement for the 1921 season. It was said the lectures were of a better class than in the past, but the other entertainers were lacking in many essentials which go toward making the entire programme satisfactory.

THRESHING PRICES FIXED

Thirty threshermen of Lane county met at the chamber of commerce in Eugene and agreed upon threshing and hired help prices to be charged this season.

While the threshing charges and wages agreed upon by the owners of the machines are not as high as fixed in some other counties this summer, they are appreciably higher than the prices received and wages paid in this county last year.

The owners of 17 standard threshing outfits signed the agreement yesterday. There was an attendance of 30, the remainder being owners of the smaller neighborhood outfits.

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Ore., August.—All bids submitted August 2 for the construction of the first unit of the women's dormitory have been examined and rejected. The bids submitted were too high, says the announcement from the office of Dr. W. J. Kerr, president of the college.

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CATTLEMEN DISGUSTED

Cattle raisers, disgusted with their losses, are slowly quitting the business, on account of the low prices the packers consent to pay for live beef. The consumers, who are equally disgusted with the prices the packers make them pay, are beginning to make threats of quitting the beef consuming business, and between the consumers and the stockmen, the packers must be scared half to death. —Kansas City Star.

LOOKING FOR BUSINESS

In a certain Sunday school on a Sunday afternoon one of the teachers became somewhat faint, and was placed upon a form while the usual restoratives were applied.

Suddenly a little girl stood up and persistently called "Teacher! Teacher!" in order to attract the attention of one of those who were attending to the unfortunate invalid.

At last the little one was heard, and the teacher, turning around, asked in a somewhat hasty manner: "Well, what is it?" "Please, teacher," replied the child "my father makes coffins." —Pearson's Weekly.

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MARK ADAPTABILITY OF MAN

Automobile, Airplane, and Submarine Prove His Right to Rule Over the Natural Kingdom.

In the competition for survival, leaf-eating insects must be green, like their prey, or perish; woodpeckers, like the hawk; the tiger, striped like sunshine through the rushes. The fittest survive. "A black sheep" is more than a figure of speech. The struggle for existence demands his murder in the flock of white, conspicuous in contrast. Adaptation or death. The crafty little chameleon is the prince of color adapters.

Faculties used, are sharpened; if neglected, they waste away into vestigial—the appendix in man. Eyes of moles and burrowers are slowly closed with skin and fur. The fluffy little lap dog has weak eyes. But cavern toads, with eyesight almost gone, will recover dim perception in slowly graduated light. And night-owl prowling cats improve their sight to penetrate shadow land. Man noticed the pupils of his eyes contract in sunshine, and enlarge in darkness—saw the bat, and understood.

On all sides he saw this principle at work: Bears, fur coated, restricted to the cold; the dolphin, in the sea; the eagle, the bird of freedom, alert always to escape in flight. He therefore devised the automobile, the airplane and the submarine, to jump from mountain top to ocean bottom.

This adaptability of his body of diversified surroundings has made him monarch of the natural kingdom.

RUSSIA LAND OF HOLIDAYS

Almost Innumerable Occasions When All Work is Suspended and Time Spent in Pleasure.

Russian people observe rigorously all religious holidays—five at Christmas, ten at Easter, three at Carnival, and almost every week one extra day, when an anniversary of some saint is celebrated. On these days everything is closed, and nobody works. The six weeks of fasting preceding Easter are strictly observed by everybody, and the more devout do not even eat eggs or drink milk, and do not use sugar, because it is refined with blood. The

last three days of Holy week are still more respected, for no food at all is consumed. For Easter Sunday, very large cakes, sometimes three or four feet high, are cooked with beautiful ornaments on the top, and eggs skillfully painted. Both cakes and eggs, with other eatables, are brought on Easter eve near the church and placed all about on the ground. After the midnight mass a procession of priests and choirs comes out and walks around the church, blessing all the food, which is arranged before them as in a market.

Easter Sunday and the two following days are dedicated to paying visits. Every man calls upon his acquaintances. Visitors are obliged to eat and drink whenever they happen to go, otherwise they will offend the host.

Demi-Gods of Old Rome.

Castor and Pollux, also called the Dioscuri, were heroes or demi-gods of early Grecian mythology. They were brothers and said to be the sons of Zeus, who in Grecian mythology corresponds to Jupiter in the mythology of Rome. Castor was famous for his skill in taming and managing horses, and Pollux for his skill in boxing. Although they were buried, says the Grecian poet Homer, yet they came to life every other day and enjoyed divine honors. The worship of Castor and Pollux was introduced at Rome at an early time. They were held to have aided the Romans in battle with the Latins, or natives of Italy, and a temple was erected to them in the forum. After these two mythical heroes was the ship named in which St. Paul completed his memorable voyage to Italy, in order that he might appeal to Caesar for justice and protection.

Eskimo Inherently Honest.

The Eskimo regards honesty as paramount. He will never misrepresent facts, and although he may want to dispose of an article badly he will rather deprecate it than run the risk of over praising. A man who lies or deceives another is severely punished. An Eskimo will not permit a fellow man to need for food or clothing, once he has enough for himself and his family. War, to the parka-hooded men of the North, is unknown. They decide differences by staging dance duels

and outwitting each other, and old men act as judges to decide winners. In this way honor is satisfied. Brutality is unknown. In consulting nature, fighting the walrus, the whale and the bear with primitive weapons, the Eskimo displays unusual coolness and plans his way out of danger with extreme self-possession.

Not a Fixed Opinion.

Lawyer (examining prospective juror in criminal case)—Mr. Juror, have you any fixed opinion as to the guilt or innocence of the accused?

Juror (emphatically)—Now, I ain't got no doubt but the guy's guilty, but they ain't nobody fixed me.

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Danger! Beware!

A woman who was too economical to subscribe for her home paper sent her little son to borrow the copy taken by her neighbor. In his haste the boy ran over a four dollar stand of bees and in ten minutes looked like a

warty Summer squash. His eyes reached his father, who ran to his assistance, and falling to notice a barbed wire fence, ran into it breaking it down, cutting a handful of flesh from his anatomy and ruining a five dollar pair of pants. The old cow took advantage of the gap in the fence and got into the cornfield and killed herself eating corn. Hearing the racket, the mother ran, upset a four gallon churn of rich cream into a basket of kittens, drowning the whole litter. In her hurry she dropped and broke, past all hope of mending, a twenty-five dollar set of false teeth. The baby, left alone, crawled through the spilled cream and into the parlor, ruining a twenty dollar carpet. During the excitement the eldest daughter ran away with the hired man, the dog broke up eleven setting hens and the calves got out and chewed the tails off of four fine shirts.

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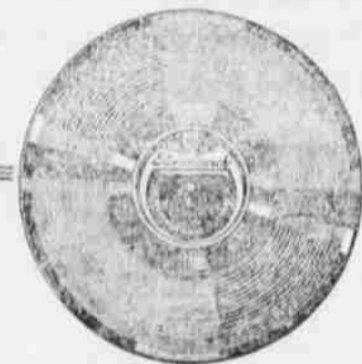
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