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RESULTS OF A FRUIT COMBINE

The following letter by K. S. Miller of Medford, Oregon, will be of great interest to the fruit growers of Mosier:

Medford, Ore., Jan. 9, '12.

TO STOCKHOLDERS OF THE HOOD RIVER APPLE GROWERS UNION, Gentlemen:

Pursuant to request of the Rogue River Fruit and Produce Association, your board of directors have extended me the courtesy of addressing you concerning the marketing of fruit, at a stockholders' meeting on January 27, 1912, at the Commercial Club, at 1:30 p. m.

Our association wishes to present a plan for the combination of Rogue, Hood River, Yakima and Wenatchee sections, for the purpose of selling their fruit. The plan, in brief, is that the four districts unite in purchasing a controlling interest in the Northwestern Fruit Exchange of Portland, Oregon, thus securing for the four sections the one going concern for the wide distribution of fruits.

This Exchange has been established for two seasons, and its management has decisively proved the value of its comprehensive distributing organization. Speaking for our own association, we have found their service of unquestioned superiority. Preliminary negotiations with the Exchange indicate the feasibility of the four districts mentioned purchasing the control of the Exchange. The results to be obtained by this combination and purchase are:

First: An organization already perfected at the marketing end.

Second: The comprehensive distribution, on intelligent, accurate lines, of a large amount of fruit, which will otherwise be thrown on the market in an indiscriminate and unintelligent way. A STEADYING INFLUENCE IS NEEDED. Note: The crops for 1912 for the four sections will be about 15,000 cars.

Third: The elimination of wasteful competition, by doing our business by and through one machine for the four districts, without in the slightest destroying the identity of any of them.

Fourth: The establishment of a permanent system of branch agencies throughout the United States, Canada and Europe would result in pushing our business the year round.

Fifth: The dissemination of reliable and accurate information concerning all markets, prices and conditions surrounding the selling of fruit, so that growers may be properly informed.

Sixth: The gradual systematic extension of the fruit business of the Northwest, until it covers all markets and all stages up to the consumer.

Seventh: The working together on a basis whereby the fruits of each section will sell on their own merits; the individuality of each section to be retained and enhanced, and the demand for its products increased.

Eighth: The economy in the marketing, which comes from the four sections using one machine intelligently, instead of four working in the dark, which it is reasonably expected will materially reduce the charges which it is now costing the grower to market his fruit.

Everyone is interested in keeping the prices of Northwestern fruit at the present level, at the very least, and this may be done by comprehensive distribution, but this never can be maintained by the chaotic, unintelligent selling and consigning of our fruit, such as has been practiced up to now.

It is a question of system versus chance, which gives the commission man his pickings, and so long as we guess from our own little corner, we can expect mostly disaster.

When we systematize distribution and sales, we shall place the

fruit business in the Northwest on an *Organized Industrial Basis*.

The Rogue River proposition has been well thought out; most of the objections met, and the whole plan clarified.

I shall be pleased to answer your questions at the meeting on January 27th, to which you and your friends are invited, also fruit growers from Mosier, White Salmon and Underwood.

Yours truly,
K. S. MILLER,
Manager, Rogue River Fruit and Produce Association.

Rogue River Valley,
Medford, Oregon.

Letter From State Superintendent.

TO THE TEACHERS OF OREGON;

Knowing that you are willing to co-operate in educational work I ask you to co-operate this year by encouraging all your pupils in the growing of crops, domestic science and poultry raising. Children like to do things and will respond to your encouragement. Your county will hold a fair at which your pupils will be asked to exhibit what they raise or make. The best of these exhibits will be brought to the fair where liberal prizes will be awarded.

Ask your pupils how many of them would like to have a Shetland pony, a thorough-bred Jersey calf worth \$100, a pure-bred pig that would take the prize at any stock show, a pure-bred sheep with wool so thick that they would have to feel around to find its eyes, or a goat with flossy hair that reaches to the ground, or secure a fine Scotch Collie puppy that knows as much as some people, or win a money prize that will buy just what they want. All these prizes and many more are to be given at the state fair next fall.

Ask them if they know how to grow potatoes, pumpkins, corn, squashes, pop corn, etc. Ask how many of them like water melons or musk melons. The reason so many boys and girls in Oregon do not grow water melons is that they are afraid the other boy will steal them. If they all grow water melons there will be no one to steal.

Ask them if they know how to feed chickens. If they buy three settings of eggs from one neighbor, and three hens from another, and in March put the two together they will probably raise some prize-winners for the fair. The children of Oregon can double the egg production in three years.

Ask them if they know that the size of the pumpkin does not depend upon the size of the boy or the girl who plants the seed. I know a girl six years old who raised corn fourteen feet high. Let us show people that we are the most alive children in the world by 75,000 out of our 125,600 children exhibiting at the county fairs, and 35,000 at the state fairs. Last year 14,000 children in Iowa had exhibits at fairs. Let us beat them two to one.

Yours very truly,
L. R. ALDERMAN,
Supt. Public Instruction.

J. N. Mosier and J. M. Elliott went to The Dalles yesterday to attend a meeting of the Elks lodge.

NOW is an excellent time to drop in and renew your subscription to the BULLETIN. You want the paper and we need the money.

District Attorney Will Not be Candidate.

Since it is but a short time until the announcement of candidates for various offices at the coming primaries will have to be made, and knowing that the candidacy of some parties for the office of District Attorney depends upon whether or not I should again desire to be a candidate, I deem it but fair to

such aspirants and any others, to definitely announce that I will not be a candidate for nominations at the coming primaries. Pressure of private business is such that I feel that a sacrifice of such business must be made, or the duties of the District Attorney's office would not receive that close attention which they deserve and demand, and for that reason I have come to the above conclusion.

In making this announcement, I trust it is not out of place to express my sincere and heartfelt appreciation to those who have given me their loyal support and words of encouragement during the time I have performed the District Attorney-ship, which at times have been somewhat arduous, and I trust that my successor, whoever he may be, will enjoy this pleasant association and co-operation to the same full extent as it has been given me.

FRED W. WILSON.

San Jose Scale Enemy is Found. From the Hood River News: During the last two or three years the Oklahoma horticultural department has been experimenting with a natural enemy of the San Jose scale, says C. F. Samborn, entomologist of Stillwater, Oklahoma. This enemy is a disease in the nature of fungus growth. In southern latitudes it has been used even to a commercial extent for controlling the scale, but on account of the weather conditions of Oklahoma it has been supposed that such a disease would either fail to propagate itself during the summer or be entirely too delicate to withstand the low temperature of the winter. Careful experimentation, however, has proved that the disease is very hardy and capable of propagation to a very beneficial extent in our infested orchards. Oftentimes diseases of a seri-

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ous nature are introduced and scattered by insects and other agencies in general. This disease, however, is not capable of doing any damage to anything except the San Jose scale, and allied forms. Its use in orchards, groves, and public parks, as shown by the Oklahoma experiments, will be of a very great advantage in checking the spread of the San Jose scale. It is of the same nature as the chinch bug disease, but its appearance on infected insects is not nearly as conspicuous as the latter. To an ordinary observer it appears to be no more than the mold which is commonly present on damp bread a few days old. It will live and propagate on bread and is apparently just as harmless to the higher animal life, but the microscopic examination of an infected San Jose scale reveals it to be fatal to the latter.

After five years of preparation, ground was broken the past week for the first building of Reed College, the new \$3,000,000 University to be built at Portland. The college will open next September. It is expected to rank with the best similar institutions in the country.

Portland hotels are being swamped with reservations for Elks next July, when the Grand Lodge reunion will be held. Every section of the country is represented and the Pacific Coast lodges will send very large delegations. San Francisco expects to have 1,000 delegates, while other cities have asked for 600 at local hotels.

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Ortley Items
L. D. Firebaugh who keeps the official U. S. Weather record for this locality, has submitted a report which is unique in the annals of "weather freaks." It is safe to say that for a period covering only eight days one of the most remarkable examples of Oregon weather is shown. The following facts, quoted from Mr. Firebaugh's official record are well worthy of notice:—
Friday Jan. 5th, snow commenced falling at which time five inches fell. On Jan. 6th, 21.25 inches fell. Jan. 7th, 34.75 inches was added to former precipitation and the mercury dropped to 4 degrees below zero. On Jan 8th, 2.25 inches of snow fell. On the following day 2 inches of rain and sleet made a covering of the entire snowfall of 68 inches and the mercury dropped to 5 deg. below. From the 12th to 13th, 2 inches more of rain fell making a total of 12 inches of rainfall from Jan. 5th to 13 inclusive. This, together with the grand total of 68 inches of snow made complete the unique record of the heaviest precipitation on record for so short a period of time.

OUR PORTLAND LETTER

Portland, Ore., Jan. 16, (Special)

One of the important conferences of the new year will be a logged-off land congress, to be held in Portland within the next two months. This will be the most exhaustive study of the subject ever held and will be under the auspices of the Oregon Development League. The Portland headquarters is making arrangements.

Statistics are now being collected that will be a logged-off land census, showing the extent of such lands in each county. These figures will be used in attracting settlers to these idle areas. Another purpose of the congress is to teach the best methods of clearing the land of stumps and making it productive. The latest investigations along this line will be given for the benefit of settlers and the best method of removing stumps thoroughly explained. It is believed this meeting will be of state-wide benefit.

Medford will welcome mining men of the Northwest on February 3 and 4, when the Southern Oregon Mining Congress will be held. Mining experts will give talks and practical miners will participate in the discussions. Demonstrations of gold-saving machinery will be made.

Klamath County is going in for agricultural education in its schools. A tract of 86 acres has been bought and an experiment station will be established, where students will practice agricultural methods under the direction of an expert who will be secured from the Oregon Agricultural College.

Hearings before a board appointed from the reclamation service on the much-mooted question of the extension of the Umatilla project, will begin January 21. The board will sit in Hermiston, Pendleton and Stanfield to hear objections made by the various sections in regard to sources of water supply for carrying out the proposed work and after getting all possible information on the subject, the board will make recommendations to Secretary Fisher of the Interior Department.

Railroad mileage in Oregon has increased at a remarkable rate during the past few years and the outlook for 1912 is most encouraging. According to the report of the State Railroad Commission, there were 2382 miles of railways in Oregon at the end of June 1910. By the end of December, 1911, this had grown to 2883 miles.

Forest supervisors, the heads of 25 national forests of the Pacific Northwest and Alaska, will meet in Portland Jan. 22 for a week's conference on the administrations of lands under their jurisdiction. Chief Forester Graves, of Washington, D. C. will give addresses.

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Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, as administrator of the estate of Mrs. M. J. Huskey, deceased, has filed his final report as such administrator, in the county court of the State of Oregon for Wasco County, and the said Court, in an order duly made and entered, has appointed Monday, the 4th day of March, 1912, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock a. m., as the time, and the County Court House in Dalles City, Wasco County, Oregon, as the place, for the hearing of said report. All persons having any objections to said report are hereby notified to be present at said time and place and present any such objections.
Dated January 4th, 1912.
C. T. BENNETT,
Administrator.

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