

CROP PROSPECTS IN OREGON POOR BECAUSE OF DROUGHT

PORTLAND, Ore., June 28.—Some crops were saved from total loss by showers last week, according to the weekly crop and weather report issued June 26 by the local weather bureau.

Unusually high temperatures and continued absence of rain were the predominant features of the fore part of the week, says the report, but during the closing days showers were quite general in central and northeastern Oregon, which in a measure relieved the prevailing drought and saved some crops from total loss, although rains came too late to insure for many even an average yield. In southern and western counties little or no rain fell and, while the weather was favorable for haying and berry picking, rain was badly needed for other crops to save complaints were received of injury by aphids in infested localities and to a considerable extent by grasshoppers in Klamath county.

The condition of winter wheat, according to the summary was generally unsatisfactory. The hot weather has caused many fields to deteriorate and some already have been cut for hay. The recent rains east of the Cascade mountains will undoubtedly prove beneficial to this crop, but were not early enough to fulfill expectations of the fore part of the season. Winter rye was poor to good, but as a rule will be only fair. The harvest of winter wheat will probably begin in southern counties shortly after July 1 and in the more northerly districts about the 15th, while the rye harvest will be from a week to ten days later. Spring grains seemed to be developing too rapidly on account of the drought and abnormally high temperatures and were suffering for rain in all parts of the state. The straw was short considerable being cut for hay and small yields are generally indicated for barley, oats and spring wheat. The harvest of the first named crop will begin about the first part of July.

Haying was progressing under ideal weather conditions. Only light crops of alfalfa and clover were being taken from dry farms, but on irrigated lands were somewhat better.

VON KUEHLMANN RESIGNS AS GERMAN FOREIGN SECRETARY

PARIS, June 28.—Dr. von Kuehlmann offered his resignation as German foreign secretary on Wednesday, says a Zurich dispatch to the Journal. The dispatch adds that it is believed the emperor will accept the resignation.

LONDON, June 28.—The Westminster Gazette says:

"The notion that Dr. von Kuehlmann is a clumsy speaker who has blundered into saying things he did not mean, or not authorized by his superior, may be dismissed. No foreign secretary in Germany would dream of making a statement about military operations without submitting it to the higher command. If von Kuehlmann spoke as he did, it was because the military authorities desired him so to speak, and because they thought it necessary to break the news that a speedy victory is not now within their grasp. The chancellor's explanations, and, still more, the circulation of Herr Naumann's speech, which followed von Kuehlmann's, confirm this explanation. The German people have in mind the kaiser's speeches, loud boasts and confident promises which followed the first stages of the western offensive.

"To be told suddenly the truth and face the fact that the war may be greatly prolonged and that the great general staff does not see its way to victory, is a stupendous shock after the hopes that have been encouraged."

although streams are getting somewhat low and water is getting scarce for irrigating purposes. The pasture and ranges also were only good where irrigated although some of the higher or mountain ranges were still furnishing ample feed for grazing of cattle and sheep.

Picking strawberries continues in the upper valleys and the cherry crop is now being gathered in all sections while cherries are not as abundant as usual the crop is of excellent quality and is bringing good prices in the markets. Warm nights were favorable to corn; potatoes are doing as well as could be expected. Both need moisture.

AT THE PAGE TODAY AND SATURDAY



MADAME PETROVA in "DAUGHTER OF DESTINY"

Today and Saturday the Page theatre will offer its patrons one of the best programs in months. The one and only Charlie Chaplin in his first million dollar picture, "A Dog's Life," which consists of three reels of stunts never attempted before. It has every element of humor, excitement and pathos to make universal appeal. On the same bill is Olga Petrova, the screen's greatest emotional actress in "A Daughter of Destiny," one of her latest and best pictures. The first show Friday night will begin immediately after the W. S. S. campaign meeting which will be about nine o'clock. No advance in prices.

SAILORS OFF DWINSK REACH HALIFAX

HALIFAX, N. S., June 28.—A boatload of sailors from an American vessel sunk by a submarine off the Atlantic coast was landed this morning by a fishing vessel at Shelburne, N. S., says a message from that port today.

The men were picked up 60 miles south of Seal Island in the Gulf of St. Lawrence. They had been drifting for eight days, surviving on a small quantity of bread and water.

The sailors, numbering 24, were from the steamship Dwinsk, a later message said. Previous reports of the destruction of the Dwinsk, a ship under American charter, said she was sunk June 18, 570 miles east of the Delaware Capes.

ADVANCE GRANTED PAPER MILL WORKERS

WASHINGTON, June 28.—An advance of 10 cents an hour to pulp wood and paper industry workers has been granted by the war labor board, that body announced today. The federal trade commission has been asked by the board to make another increase in the selling price of news print paper.

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LUMBER BARONS LET DISQUE FIX LABOR CONDITIONS

SPOKANE, June 28.—Wages, hours of labor and working conditions in the timber industry of the Inland Empire were placed unreservedly in the hands of Colonel Bryce P. Disque, commanding the spruce production division of the army, by representatives of the 55 largest lumber manufacturers and logging companies of the district, at a meeting here this afternoon. Similar action was taken by representatives of 25,000 employes of timber concerns in this section at a meeting here last Saturday, and Colonel Disque announced that he would issue a bulletin within a week, fixing wages and labor conditions.

Under a schedule issued by the spruce production division, which became effective April 23, 43 3/4 cents per hour is fixed as the basic wage for common labor in woods and mills of the Inland Empire, with increases for expert labor. An increase over this scale is expected by the lumbermen, it was indicated today.

A committee of five manufacturers of eastern Washington and northern Idaho met this evening with two representatives of eastern Oregon manufacturers with Colonel Disque, in an effort to reconcile wage differentials between the Spokane and Oregon districts and to work out a basis for a new wage schedule.

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