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The condition of crops in Marion and Polk counties, from a personal observation of one of THE JOURNAL force on Sunday and Monday the following few points of interest were noted:

The fall wheat in most places looks very well, but a very small acreage compared with other years makes the wheat prospect rather slim judging from the present condition of spring wheat and oats, both of which do not look very flattering, but with another rain or two will change the entire prospect for the better. Nearly all crops are in but a few potatoes.

Hopyards are looking very well though many are uneven. The Holmes yards are looking extra fine and cultivation and training is progressing finely. The Polk county yards near Independence are not as thrifty as usual yet the cultivation is being pushed and never has there been more thorough work done than this season and vines look thrifty. The same general determination to produce an excellent article seems to be in order in all yards.

J. Q. Swink, Joseph Buhl and Paul Valerius, of Linn county, have contracted 14,000 pounds of hops to Faber & Neis, of Albany. It is also recorded that this firm has made contracts with Alexander Bros., of Scio, for delivery 30,000 pounds; Wilhelm & Sons, Monroe, 15,000 pounds; Chitwood & Harris, of Albany; Mrs. Allen, of Lebanon; E. J, Box and G. J. Wilds, of Albany, for their entire crops.

Growers in Linn county are cultivating their hops well, and the present outlook justifies them in hoping for fine crops.

EASTERN QUOTALIONS

Continue dull and weak. There is little export demand and brewers' wants are limited. State, 1896, choice hops are 9 c. per lb.; good to prime, 7 @8c.; common to fair, 4½@6½c.; Pacific coast, 1896, choice, 11@11½c.; good to prime, 8½@9½c.; common to fair, 6@8c.; State and Pacific coast 1895, 3@5c., and old olds, 2½@3½c.

BULLETIN

The warmest weather so far this season prevailed during the past week. Rain fell Sunday night. The temperature fell form 10 to 30 degree, The mean temperature for the week was 66 degree 10 degree over the preceding week; the day temperatures averaged 78 degree, and the night 55 degree. The highest temperature was 92 degree on Wednesday, and the lowest was 48 degree.

The weather has been ideal for the growth of vegetation. The rain was most opportune. Clover is in bloom. Haying will comence before the close of the month. The hay crop promises to be heavy. Fall sown grain is promising; Seeding is all done. Corn is up and has a good color, weather has been favorable for corn. Potato planting is about finished. Peas are in market. Strawberries are ripening rapidly. Goosberries and currents are in market The condition of the fruit is hard to determine. The cherry crop will be short but apples, prunes, pears, etc., will be a fair crop no single variety of fruit are injured except possibly Italian prunes, injury from frost is confined to the northern portion of the Willamette Valley. fruit will have to be thinned out by hand.

An Ashland girl got off the following: Last Thursday, a young man called upon a lady friend and was entertained until almost time for the chickens to make their first morning crow. At last she handed him a piece of paper and a lead pencil and told him to make eleven ciphers in a straight line, and to commence at the first and from the right side of the cipher draw a short line straight down. On the right of the fourth make a short line up; on the right of the fifth draw a line down; on the right of the seventh and eighth make short lines up, and from the right side of the tenth, one mark down; and then read what he had written. He did not remain any longer. Try it girls, it may be useful some time.

STATE NEWS

Irrigation has commenced in the eastern counties.

Eugene is making preparations to celebrate the Fourth.

The Columbia river is now rising at the rate of two feet a day.

The Columbia river has risen so the low lands are now overflowed.

The electric company of Oregon City has let the contract for 20,000 cords of wood.

William Clarence Settle, son of J. P. Settle, died in Wheatland, Yamhill county, last Thursday, of heart failure.

The game of ball between the Invincibles and U. of O. and Albany boys resulted in defeat of the former, by a score of 25 to 24.

K. Kubli, a prominent Southern Oregon pioneer, died at his home in Jacksonville, after a long and painful illness. He was 67 years old.

The following fourth class postmasters were appointed Monday. John Kindt, Kinton, Washington county; T. J. Butler, Zena, Polk county.

Harold Parker will soon start from Huntington, Or., with 30,000 head of sheep overland for Gibson, Foss & Co., to be delivered at some point in Nebraska.

No steps will be taken to build a new courthouse in Coos county before the cominng summer. The defendant county has filed an answer to the complaint of those who are asking for an injunction to prevent the constructing of the courthouse.

Two old Indian women, one blind with age, the other decrepit and tottering, were burned to death early Thursday morning of last week on Williamson river in Klamath county. They were asleep in their hut at the time. The fire is thought to be the work of an incendiary.

John McMahon, who killed Lewis Gutridge at Granite, in Grant county, was found guilty of murder in the second degree in Canyon City last Friday, the jury being out only four hours. Saturday night Justice Clifford sentenced McMahon to the penitentiary for life.

The salmon catch this year has been very light at Astora and much fear that there will not be enough to supply the demand, but the amount of old stock on hand will amply make up the shortage in the catch. There is $112,320 worth of old stock on hand.

A. L. Talkington, professor of literature at the Weston normal school, has been chosen principal of the Pendleton public schools to succeed Professor Lewis, who did not apply for a re-engagement. Twenty applications for the position were received. There were more than 50 applications for positions as teachers.

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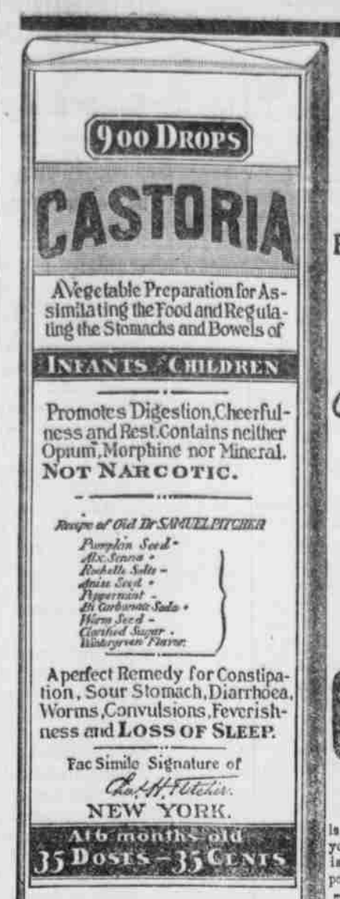

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