

OREGON CROP REPORT

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Ending Monday May 4

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General Summary.

The weather during the past week in the Willamette valley and in the coast counties was very favorable for the growing crop. In portions of southern Oregon more rain is needed for spring wheat and for corn. In the western sections more rain is also needed, and the nights have been too cold for rapid growth.

Fall wheat is backward, but otherwise thrifty and promising. Spring wheat is nearly all seeded, and with the advent of warm rains will make rapid progress. Corn and potato planting are well advanced. Hops are doing nicely, but some yards are very backward. Early vegetables are in the market, and good progress has been made in planting the late varieties. Stock is gaining flesh, and the flow of milk in the dairy districts is satisfactory.

Light frosts have occurred on several mornings in many portions of the state, and, although fruit is generally in full bloom, correspondents are unanimous in their belief that no serious harm has been done by frost, and they report the prospects so far excellent for good crops of prunes, cherries, pears, apples, strawberries and all bush fruits. Early peaches suffered from frosts during the middle of April, but late peaches promise well.

Western Oregon.

Toledo, Lincoln county—An abundance of grass; spring sown grain short, but looking well; radishes, onions and lettuce in the market.

Acme, Lane county—Cattle gaining in flesh; cows giving good flow of milk.

Arango, Coos county—Strawberries in bloom; early sown crops looking thrifty and making strong growth; stock doing nicely; prospects very favorable; early gardens good.

Harbor, Curry county—Stock looking well; grain growing slowly; potatoes and other garden truck up, but not growing very rapidly owing to cool nights.

Montavilla, Multnomah county—Strawberries being worked; all trees in bloom; grass growing finely, and garden vegetables making good advancement.

Blooming, Washington county—Fruit trees in bloom; early planted potatoes up and doing nicely; pears much improved; stock in good shape.

New Era, Clackamas county—Grain and grass growing well; good prospects for fruit crop.

Dundee, Yamhill county—Hops climbing the poles; prunes setting on the trees in fine shape; prospects good for a large crop of everything; grass growing nicely.

Crowley, Polk county—Vegetation making a marked growth; gardens being planted; seeding about done; apple trees are blooming; stock doing well; sheep shearing commenced, with light clip.

Rosedale, Marion county—Grain of all kinds looking well; prunes are set and from the present indications there will be a large crop; quite a frost on the 27th, but no damage noticeable.

Shedda, Linn county—Fruit trees in full bloom, and from present appearances there will be a large crop of prunes and cherries; sheep shearing in progress, but the clip is light; pastures good and stock looking all right, especially young stock; gardens growing very slowly.

Melrose, Douglas county—Planting corn will soon be finished; grain has a fine color, also grass; warmer weather needed to help late vegetation; gardens making slow growth.

Wilderville, Josephine county—Grain looks good and is growing finely; garden truck is doing well, but the nights are rather cool for quick growth; apples and pears in full bloom; prospects good for heavy crop of fruit.

Table Rock, Jackson county—Grain backward, but looking well; corn planting progressing; apples in full bloom; gardens showing some growth; rain very much needed; the wool crop and the number of lambs are below the average.

In a Runaway.

Misses Eva Blodgett and Addie Simpson had a very unpleasant experience in Corvallis on Sunday afternoon, being in a runaway. Mrs. Smith, the lady with whom they stopped, hired a livery team and carriage, and started to show them the town. The

liverymen said the horses were gentle, but they didn't act that way. In making a turn one of the wheels rubbed against the side of the carriage, and the horses took fright and started to run. Mrs. Smith and Miss Simpson jumped out and escaped without injury, but Miss Blodgett was unable to get out. The carriage was turned over, and she was dragged with it for about a block and a half, when the horses ran against telephone pole, and were captured. She received some severe but not dangerous injuries, her escape being almost miraculous. One of her injuries was a gash in the forehead that had to be sewed up. Her clothing was torn to pieces and her parasol was ruined. The carriage was badly damaged. Mrs. Smith's baby was in the carriage, but she got it out safely when she left the carriage. Miss Blodgett came as far as Albany yesterday, where she will stop with her sister, Mrs. A. W. Marks, for a couple of days.—Lebanon Express-Advocate.

JOURNAL X-RAYS.

Judge Judah and his committee have done their duty in that report.

The Working man will want something to feed on in the next few years besides political theories.

There is one thing Fred Wiggins will not do while he is East. He will not learn to drink St. Louis beer.

With league ball, a special election, and immense investments in improved electric light plants, Salem will wiggle along, thank you.

For the amount of taxes that are paid very little is returned to the locality that pays. But then, the people enjoy paying, and there is nothing like living for pleasure.

There is a great political fight on in Harney county over the location of a bridge across Dead Ox Flat gulch. It threatens to enter into the composition of the next Republican state convention.

If Mr. Henry is able to give 40 towns a successful and modern improved electric light management, he might do it for Salem. Don't condemn a man without a hearing, just because he is rich.

After a week of perfect weather for cultivating the soil and killing the weeds, there comes a shower of soft rain, as fragrant as a bath of rose-water, to put the finishing touch on vegetation.

Hermann is unfortunate in having been in office for 25 years, and in having been a position where he had to "do things." But for a man who has done as much as he has done, and appointed as many people as he has appointed, there is mighty little can be said against him.

Here's a fine sample of political humor. In his speech at Ashland A. E. Roames, Democratic candidate for congress, said: "In a congress already heavily Republican, the election of a Democrat from this district would make no difference in national measures."

Oregon Land Case Decided.

Washington, D. C., May 6.—The supreme court of the United States decided the case of the Oregon & California Railway Company vs. the United States in a case involving certain lands in Oregon, which were claimed by the railway company under patents issued in 1871, under the Oregon donation act. The decision was favorable to the company.

The contention in behalf of the United States was that the patent had been issued by mistake, as the land in dispute had been located as early as 1853, but the court held that as the land had not been reclaimed, as required by law, the settlement of 1853 was not valid.

Brief Telegrams.

Attempts to wreck two trains at Stamford, Conn., are charged to tramps, and the police are now in pursuit of seven men.

Robbers wrecked the safe of the Bank of Assaria, Kan., and escaped on a handcar. It is not known how much money was secured.

Indiana has had another severe frost which it is believed will practically kill the strawberry crop, plums and other tender early fruits.

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AGGREGATION OF ANIMALS IS COMING

Lions, Zebras Camels and Even
Our Native Coyote

E. J. Arnold, the proprietor of the Oregon and Pacific Oriental Carnival, received a big consignment of wild animals at 9:15 last night. The shipment left New York last Friday, April 24, and came through over the O. R. & N. by special Wells, Fargo & Co.'s Express. The animals—or most of them—arrived in New York via Hamburg and Liverpool, April 1. They were imported by W. M. Bartell of New York, and were captured in Australia, New Zealand, Africa, South America and India.

It required the services of eight men to get the newest additions to Mr. Arnold's collection from the big crates into their cages last night. The men did not finish until 3 o'clock this morning. "I am more than pleased at the fine order in which the animals came through," said Mr. Arnold at the Exposition building today. "The express company deserves praise. They all came through in most excellent condition, save one—a South American ocelot, valued at \$75. This was the least expensive of the lot. It died from exhaustion, I suppose, at some point west of Pendleton. I do not propose that this shall become a dead loss, for I intend to present it to Colonel Hawkins for the City free museum. Properly mounted this should make an interesting addition to his collection."

"In this aggregation," continued Mr. Arnold, "are two kangaroos, and emu and cassowary from Australia; a pair of striped hyenas from the desert of Sahara, a couple of Abyssinian lions, royal Bengal tiger captured in Northern India, a black bear, a lion-monkey from Brazil, a South American tapir, and a pair of coyotes. I have also a "happy family" combination, in which monkeys from all parts of the world are bunched in together with parrots, cockatoos, etc."

At this moment Columbus, the big lion, yawned sleepily, and emitted a sound resembling the filing of a saw. He and his mate, Nellie Robinson, are four years old, and are certainly magnificent animals. Mr. Arnold exhibited a broom which Columbus had riven into splinters while at play last night. At this moment the kangaroos butted in, and did a few leap-frog stunts. A bystander pointing to the tapir, placed on the reporter's imperfect zoological knowledge with the information that the animal was the connecting link between a hog and an elephant. The restless coyotes, Budd and Rosa, next claimed attention. They are probably the only trained pair in captivity. They perform a high-dive act, leaping downward 60 feet from a ladder into a net.

The tiger, although but 15 months old, is as large as the average 3-year-old. The lion monkey has a silver mane, is a big fellow, and looks like an Albino. Mr. Arnold exhibited a scratched cheek where the big bear, Nig, in a playful mood, landed his left.

It is Mr. Arnold's intention to give the animals a week's rest. He will then place them on exhibition. Beginning with June 1st, he will make a tour through Oregon, Washington and Idaho. Within two years he expects to establish a permanent zoological garden in Portland. His present consignment is valued at upwards of \$10,000, of which sum the lions are worth \$1600. Next year he intends to have the animal cages decorated with bits of Oregon scenery, for he believes in advertising the state.

A Fairy Mining Story.

(San Francisco Bulletin.)

The Calumet-Hecla copper mine, described by Samuel E. Moffett in the April Cosmopolitan, has been the most profitable single mine of any sort in the world. Its stock has sold at six or seven times the price of Standard Oil. It has paid dividends of \$10,000,000 in a single year on a nominal capital of \$2,500,000, of which only \$1,200,000 was ever paid in—a rate of 400 per cent on the par value, or \$33 per cent on the cash investment. It has paid over \$80,000,000 in 30 years.

The Red Jacket shaft of the Calumet and Hecla is the deepest shaft in the world—4900 feet in vertical depth, or almost a mile. It goes over 3000 feet below the level of the sea.

The owners of this mine have been especially lucky in not encountering any great masses of pure copper.

A neighboring mine was almost bankrupted by striking a chunk of fine metal weighing 600 or 700 tons. It was worth \$200,000, but it could never be dug or blasted, and had to be cut away with chisels.

The Indians of the Lake Superior region knew about its copper deposits for hundreds of years and used to worship the nuggets as either gods



themselves or the treasures of gods.

That the San Francisco Bulletin, printed and published in the gold mining center of the world, should be guilty of this kind of rot is simply inexcusable, because it ought to know better. The Con-Virginia and California on the Comstock paid \$14,000,000 in 22 months, and \$67,000,000 out of one bonanza in five years. Its stock sold at 6 cents, and jumped to \$1040 in two weeks. The Sierra Nevada, a north-end Comstocker, sold at 78 cents, jumped to \$384 in a week, and then fell back to nothing, as did Johnny Skae, its superintendent. The Hecla-Calumet is a great mine, no one can deny. It is great because it is base. It is a copper product, and does not figure with the gold mines, as a criterion any more than cotton with wheat; oil with corn, or hops with silk. In the Comstock, of which the Con-Virginia was only a small part, was found the greatest mine of the world—the different claims on the ledge cut no ice, but it is a known fact that the ledge, the mine covered by less than three miles of territory, produced in gold and silver more than \$1,000,000,000, or 12 times the yield of the Hecla-Calumet. Had the statement emanated from an Eastern paper it might be easily ignored, but that a coast paper, that grew and increased from the old Comstock should make such an assertion is simply inexcusable.

Boy Was Bound Over.

John St. Clair, the ex-reform school boy, who was arrested for stealing a horse, had his trial yesterday and was bound over to appear before the grand jury. He was taken before Judge Scott, who had him examined as to his sanity, and the doctors pronounced him insane.

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COUNTY COURT MEETS

Road Taxes are Now all Paid
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The county court meets today, and, while there is little business of importance, other than routine, there is plenty of that. This is one of the busy months of road building, and the court will have a large number of road bills to dispose of. Under the old system of handling the property road tax it was worked out, and no returns were made to the county court. Under the present system, and in compliance with a recent law, this tax is collected by the sheriff and paid to the county treasurer. The road supervisors employ men to work the roads, and the bills, properly O. K'd by the county court, with a brief statement of the nature of the work, and where done, are carefully scrutinized by the court, and the clerk is ordered to draw a warrant on the treasurer for the amount.

While the new method is a great improvement over the old slipshod, unbusiness-like way, still it makes the records of the county court to appear as if there had been a greater expense incurred than for similar work in former years. This work amounts to from \$9000 to \$10,000 each year, and will cost no man more than formerly.

J. A. Lenesque, of Woodburn, was yesterday appointed by the Marion county probate court as guardian of the person and estate of Andrew Arena, an insane person. The estate consists of personal property valued at about \$291.

An order was made authorizing M. B. VanCleave, as administrator of the estate of Thomas VanCleave, deceased, to sell at private sale, 80 acres of land belonging to the estate.

The appraisers of the estate of John Sappingfield, deceased, filed their report in the probate court yesterday. The real property belonging to the estate was appraised at \$5590 and the personal property at \$370.50.

ASSORTED ADS—NO. 4.

Delicate Tact.

Years ago a certain mother made it her duty to give to her children each night a word of comfort or warning as to the doings of the past day. One naughty little daughter had come to think herself a hopeless case, for the hours in which she tried hardest to conquer her quick temper were mostly always times of disaster. After one particularly stormy season she found pinned to her pillow that night a tender little note which said, "Mother has seen how hard you tried today, and she is sure you will finally succeed."

This word of hope accomplished more than all the sermons, and from that hour the child, sure of her mother's sympathy, sure of her faith, was for very love and gratitude constrained to conquer.

Baby's Bath Blanket.

Baby's bath blanket is made of a square of fine white flannel—that a yard wide being a good size. Pink the edges for hem and brier stitch them in rose colored wash embroidery silk, and embroider wild roses over the surface singly and in groups of two or three, using wash embroidery silk, the natural color of the leaves and flowers. Across one corner, in fancy lettering work the couplet:

From nose to toes
As fresh as a rose.

This should also be done in rose colored silk, but if desired the lettering and embroidery may all be done in white silk, in which case the edges should be pinked or bound with white satin ribbon.

Ankles and Heeling Chairs.

An investigator has discovered that if "American women are shorter than Englishwomen their limbs are alleged to be more symmetrical and their ankles are more graceful. The use of the rocking chair, to which all Americans are addicted, is said to be responsible for this. To keep the chair in motion continually repeated pushes with the toe must be given. This process makes the instep high, the calf round and full and produces a delicate and slender ankle by keeping from it accumulation of flesh."

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