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SAY FARM PROSPECTS FOR STATE ARE GOOD

Department of Agriculture at Olympia Issues Promising Report of Conditions in Washington

That a prosperous fall is in store for the farmers of Washington, is the opinion of the state department of agriculture, which this week issued the following report of conditions throughout Washington:

"At the commencement of the year there was a decidedly pessimistic feeling among the farmers of this state. They saw the bottom dropping out of prices of farm products and could see no such recession of prices of what they had to buy. There was the general belief that their operations for this year were to be conducted at an actual loss, and few anticipated that they would do more than break even on the cost of making their crops. Yet, things have turned out far better than was expected.

"The wheat harvest has advanced far enough to show that all of the previous estimates, forecasting as they did a crop of far above normal, were in fact conservative. Nowhere where harvesting has gone on has the crop not proved considerably greater than anticipated.

"The estimate made by the federal bureau on August 1st, with harvest well under way, was that the entire wheat crop of the state this year would be 51,014,000 bushels, which is 13,000,000 bushels more than the crop of last year and 8,828,000 bushels more than the ten-year average. That crop was harvested at the lowest labor cost of any season since the outbreak of the great war in Europe, and there are very few of the wheat growers of this state who will not make a substantial profit on their crop, even at the relatively low farm price of about 97 cents a bushel, which is the figure at which the earliest of the winter wheat has reached the market. At this figure nearly $50,000,000 will be distributed among wheat farmers, and none of them will go hungry or see his mortgage foreclosed this year, at all events. The average winter wheat crop per acre in this state is slightly more than double the average for the United States.

"The growers of orchard fruit, especially apples, have a certainty of a very prospery year. The apple crop of the whole country is less than half that of last year, while the apple crop of this state promises to break all records. The federal bureau of markets and crop estimates places the apple crop of Washington at 30 percent of the entire commercial crop for the country. The apple grower is certain to have a year which will compare favorably with any one of the years of war prices and artificial prosperity.

"It is true that the dairy farmers are dissatisfied with the returns and think that their industry has ceased to be remunerative. The condition is not local; it is the same all over the country. The condenseries have lost the bulk of their foreign trade, they are overstocked with their products and they no longer afford a market for the surplus milk products of the country. The inevitable result is a lower price for all dairy products, with this stabilizing factor ceasing to count as it formerly did. But locally the dairy farmers have this in their favor—the prices of feeds have dropped as rapidly as other farm prices. Hay can be had for half the war price, and other feeds have fallen in almost the same proportion. It is doubtful whether it costs any more to feed dairy stock now than it did before the war. It is true labor is still high, but not as high as it was, by any means. The dairy farmer of Western Washington has had the additional advantage of an extraordinary good growth of pasture.

"These advantages to the dairy farmer, it is true, have been offset to the hay grower of Eastern Washington, who has to content himself this year with a price not half that which his crop has previously commanded. Western Washington, the center of the dairying industry, has had a splendid hay crop, coming much closer than ordinary to filling the needs of the local dairymen, and thus limiting the demand for the Eastern Washington product. The abundant pasture this year has also worked in the same direction.

"At the commencement of the berry picking season the outlook was gloomy indeed. The canneries were unable to operate and the canneries in the past had kept the price re-

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HINDLEY FORECASTS NATIONAL PROSPERITY

Noted Speaker Tells Lynden Audience of Prospects; Describes Benefits of Unity in District

An eloquent lecture, full of very encouraging facts of the present, and hopeful forecast of future conditions for the citizens of this State was delivered in the high school auditorium Thursday evening by Dr. W. J. Hindley, formerly mayor of Spokane and a public man who is rapidly gaining the reputation as the most able and forceful speaker in the State of Washington.

Recognizing and commenting on the troublous times to the American farmer, tradesman, laborer, retailer and business man generally, Dr Hindley showed that all sections of the community were immeasurably better off, and more happily situated than any similar district the world over. He compared the facilities for producing, the splendid roads, the telephones, electric light, automobiles, and other modern conveniences of the present day American farmer, and the facilities of the farmer in any other country in the world today, and submitted that the American farmer was in a class by himself ,and with all his not unnatural complaining of the bad times for the farmers, would not change places with any other farmer in Europe or elsewhere.

"The reason for the pre-eminence of the American Farmer, the American Workman, the American Engineer, and the American business man in the world today," declared Dr. Hindley, "is due to the fact that they are more capable, better trained, and more energetic than the people of any other nation in the world."

Dr. Hindley appealed for an up-to-date policy of co-operation between all sections of the community, between the producer and the distributor, between the farmer and the storekeeper in each locality. As an illustration of the wonderful prosperity resulting from an enlightened policy of co-operation between the farmer and the business man, he told of the history of the raisin industry of California. He told of the Fresno organization with 6,000 members, a plant costing $2,000,000, capable of taking care of 350 carloads of raisins for a hundred day crop period.

"Without that organization," said Dr. Hindley, "Fresno would be known only as a place of blistering heat and discomfort, but with it, and the splendid unity of spirit displayed by the people there for the prosperty of the district, it was a country full of beautiful homes, splendid paved roads, parks, modern conveniences, comforts and luxuries of every description. One noted authority has recently declared that for its size, Fresno is the most prosperous city in the world, a result of an enlightened policy of co-operation, the business men in their sphere and the farmers in their, working together for the prosperity of Fresno."

In commenting upon the financial upheaval of the past eight months, Dr. Hindley maintained that it had been the most serious of all critical periods, but that the country had weathered the storm better than during any similar crisis. There were fewer farm mortgage foreclosures, bank failures, and mighty few bankruptcies in business, he said.

He attributed this ability to weather the financial storm with so much less suffering to the better spirit of unity among the people, the getting together of various organizations, businesses and banks standing together, instead of attempting to profit by the misfortunes of those in financial trouble. He told of the organized effort being made by the Washington Retailers to help bring conditions back to normal with as little suffering as possible, and went into some detail of the addresses he has given throughout the country on behalf of that Association.

That the outlook was brighter now than it has been for months, was Dr. Hindley's opinion, and he cited many facts bearing out this belief, notably the accumulation of half the gold supply of the world in this country.

W. H. Waples presided at the meeting, which was attended by many people from Everson, Ferndale and surrounding districts.

Mt. Baker Road Half Done

Four miles of the Mount Baker road will be completed by September 15. The last mile is now under way. This will complete half the contract.

Lynden's Newest Building Ready

With the opening of the Lynden Postoffice today in the new Dyk Building, Lynden's newest structure is now fully occupied. Erected by Guy Dyk of Lynden, the building presents a handsome appearance, and is distinctly a credit to the community. The People's State Bank and the Postoffice occupy the first floor, with the offices of Dr. B. V. Mounter and Dr. C. H. McLeod on the upper story.

LYNDEN WILL WITNESS DEDICATION OF ARCH

Stores Will Close Tuesday Afternoon So That All May Attend Ceremonies at Blaine

Lynden will join with its neighbor, Blaine, in the dedication Tuesday of the Memorial Arch in celebration of the conclusion of one hundred years of peace between Canada and the United States.

Lynden schools will be closed all day, and all grocery stores, meat markets, and many other business houses of the city will close at noon Tuesday. Patrons are requested to do their buying Tuesday morning, and to keep the afternoon holiday in mind so as not to be disappointed.

Being situated practically at the border, Lynden has more than a passing interest in the Peace Celebration. Citizens of the district have watched with interest the erection of the big Arch, and a large Lynden delegation will be present at the ceremonies on Tuesday.

TYPHOID FEVER CAUSES DEATH OF DEWEY ANDERSON, AGE 22

Typhoid fever was the cause of the death of Dewey H. Anderson, age 22, who passed away Saturday at the home fo his sister in Anacortes.

He is survived by his mother, Mrs. C. B. Oaks ,and two sisters, Mrs. J. A. Netterfield and Mrs. E. Holman.

Six Lynden boys—Walter Baldwin, Ralph Dunker, Harry Gale, George Neidhart, Bradford Knapp and Douglas Slade acted as pall-bearers at the funeral services Tuesday Burial was in the Lynden cemetery.

Cranks Car; Breaks Arm

P. J. Komen broke his arm cranking his car Sunday.

LYNDEN SCHOOLS OPEN DOORS MONDAY

Start Season's Work With Two Less on Teaching Staff; Classes Will Be Filled to Capacity

With two teachers on the staff less than last year, the Lynden schools opened Monday for the year's work. A record enrollment was made, in spite of the limitations that had been made on admitting pupils from outside districts.

In the high school, 190 were enrolled, and this total will be increased by several additions. The following was the registration in the grade school:

First grade, 48; 2nd Grade, 34; 3rd grade, 43; 4th grade, 27; 5th grade, 41; 6th grade 34; 7th grade, 31; 8th grade, 25.

The board ruled that grade pupils from outside districts will be admitted in classes that are not full to capacity, so that additional registrations from outside districts will be permitted in the 4th grades, and the 7th and 8th.

FRIENDS GATHER AT SERVICES FOR LATE MRS. DETWILER

Funeral services were held Saturday for the late Mrs. Josephine Detwiler, who passed away at her home Thursday after an extended illness. Many friends were in attendance at the services.

Mrs. Detwiler was 62 years, 2 months and 14 days old.

Park Subscriptions Due

A half-dozen contributors to the Lynden Park Fund have not yet paid their subscription. They are asked to remit as soon as possible to W. B. Vander Griend, treasurer, at the 1st National Bank, Lynden.

LYNDEN WILL PLAY LAST LEAGUE GAME

Will Meet Custer at Fair Grounds on Sunday; Local Team Has Fighting Chance for Second Place

The last scheduled league game of the season will be played against Custer next Sunday at the Fair Grounds. By taking this game Lynden should stand a good chance of tying for second place. The game will be called at 2 p. m. sharp.

Last Sunday Lynden went to Acme to play the Valley team, and came home with the short end of a 9 to 7 score. The grounds prevented either team from playing baseball tho the Valley players were better acquainted with the rabbit holes and humps and rocks and brush.

Dean pitched a good game for the local team and kept his hits well scattered, but it was impossible for the infielders to stop a fast grounder or the outfielders to cover much territory.

In the fifth inning Harris who had been pitching for Valley was batted out of the box and Booman took his place. In this inning Lynden tied the score with five runs on four hits, a hit batter and one error. They scored one more in the sixth and one in the seventh, but Valley succeeded in scoring one in her half of each of the last four innings, giving them a two run margin.

The score by innings was as follows:

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	T'l
Lynden	0	0	0	0	5	1	1	0	0	—7
Valley	3	0	2	0	1	1	1	1	x	—9

Batteries: Dean and Thon; Harris, Bowman and Blackman.

The race for batting honors on the Lynden team is getting closer as the end of the season nears. The four leaders who have played practically every game are Dean, 279; E. Meurer, .247; Olson, 242; Hickey, .239. It is still possible for either one of the four to win the pearl necklace in next Sunday's game.

Everson tied Custer for second place last week by defeating Ferndale last Saturday 6 to4 and winning from Deming on Sunday 6 to 5. Custer lost to Ferndale Sunday 6 to 1.

The teams now stand as follows:

Ferndale	10	5	.667
Custer	10	8	.556
Everson	10	8	.556
Lynden	10	9	.526
Deming	7	11	.389
Valley	6	12	.333

HOLD FUNERAL SERVICES FOR FORMER RESIDENT OF LYNDEN

Funeral services were held Wednesday for the late Mrs. Elma Fredeen, a former resident of the Lynden district, who passed away Sunday at her home in Bellingham at the age of 34. Burial was in the Lynden cemetery.

Mrs. Fredeen is survived by her husband, two sons, and two sisters, Mrs. F. Erickson of Bellingham and Mrs. E. Markstrom of Lynden.

Lynden will observe Labor Day Monday with the usual holiday. Store will be closed all day, and the Lynden plant of the Washington Co-Operative Egg and Poultry Associaton, as well as other institutions, will observe the day. Lynden schools will close all day Tuesday, Peace Arch Day, and many Lynden stores will be closed Tuesday afternoon to attend the Blaine dedication.

LYNDEN POSTOFFICE MOVES TO NEW HOME

Opens for Business in Handsomely Equipped Quarters in Dyk Building; Ready Today

Lynden's postoffice opened for business this morning in the fine new quarters in the Dyk Building, concluding a nineteen-year stay at the old location.

Postal officials and those familiar with other offices in the State declare that Lynden's new location is by far the most attractive and the best arranged to be found in a city of this size in Washington, and that Lynden has a right to feel proud of the new office.

The postoffice shares with the People's State Bank the ground floor of the handsome new Dyk Building. It therefore has a fine brick exterior, with a plate-glass front. Entrance is made into the patron's lobby, equipped with new bulletin boards, and fine oak desks. Box equipment has been enlarged to take care of the growing business of the community adequately.

The lobby is well-lighted from a skylight above. New fixtures have been supplied, and all furnishings and woodwork are stained a dark oak.

A private office has been provided at the front for the postmaster, giving him a view of the work-room, which is double the size of the old one, and conveniently arranged. A solid oak receiving desk for the mail is among the work-room fixtures. Lockers are provided for the staff, and many other conveniences.

The doors of the old building were closed at six o'clock last evening, and the work of moving the mail and fixtures was carried on during the evening.

The staff of the Lynden postoffice is composed of D. L. Beckes, Postmaster, Miss Beatrice Handy, Assistant Postmaster, Frank Bostwick and J. E. McSorley, carriers.

OLD POSTOFFICE BUILDING SOLD TO JACOB BERINGER

Jacob Beringer has purchased the old postoffice building from David W. Bender, and the Handy Sheet Metal and Tin Shop will be moved to it as soon as remodelling is completed.

NEW STATE POLICE FORCE TO START WORK ON ROADS TODAY

Washington's state highway patrol force begins guard duty today. The patrol begins with 10 men, three of whom will work out of Olympia.

The first concern of the highway patrolmen will be to check up on drivers' licenses. The reason that no more patrolmen can be appointed at this time is failure of drivers to comply with the new law requiring such licenses, as the force is financed out of drivers' license proceeds.

Of approximately 230,000 license plates isued in the state for motor vehicle operation this year, only 165,676 have been accounted for in payment of the drivers' license. The only way in which patrolmen can make sure of whether drivers are licensed is to stop cars as they come along and Major Lang said yesterday that this is what the patrolmen would do.

Checks will be made also on vehicle license plates and general enforcement of all highway regulations will be a duty of the state patrol. Particular attention will be paid to overloading trucks, a practice that is damaging highway surfacing all over the state. Two members of the force will be equipped with lodemeters, which are devices for quick weighing truck loads wherever found on the highway. The law fixes the load limit at 24,000 pounds and trucks loaded beyond this maximum will be required to unload by the roadside wherever detected. In addition to this peremptory treatment they will be prosecuted in the nearest court for violating the load maximum.

Major Lang will place men on buses, also for passenger traffic regulation and the patrolmen will check on licenses within corporation limits, although their police jurisdiction will be confined to state highways. The department has been promised the fullest co-operation by sheriffs and chiefs of police of the state.

Jack Kauffman made a trip to Seattle this week to arrange for new pictures for the Liberty.

Miss Ruth Handy entertained the A. D. S. class of the Baptist Church Tuesday.