

Rio Grande Valley Yields Bountiful Results to Farmers

SIXTY THOUSAND BALES OF HAY IN TWO WEEKS

IMMENSE SHIPMENTS FROM VALLEY NEAR LOS LUNAS

Interesting Results From First Year's Working of Armijo Farm At Ranchos de Albuquerque North of City.

Special Correspondence Morning Journal, Los Lunas, N. M., Dec. 11.—More than 50,000 bales of fine fall hay and thousands of pounds of fine wheat have been shipped in the last two weeks from Los Lunas, Los Lentos, Peralta, Valencia, and other places in this part of the Rio Grande valley. Simon Neustadt and Fred Hunting of this place, and Max Paul Kempchen of Peralta, are the biggest shippers, their teams bringing in hundreds of bales and hundreds of sacks of wheat every day.

Simon Neustadt, who is also postmaster here, said, "The outlook for bumper wheat and hay crops next year is very good at present. The facilities for properly irrigating the farming lands in this part of the county have been improved. I expect with good luck to ship twice as much hay and wheat next year as this year."

Despite the heavy frost which killed practically all of the fruit in New Mexico last summer, Mr. Pedro Salazar, of Los Lunas, who owns a fine fruit farm at Peralta, secured over two hundred barrels of fine eating apples from the trees which he planted several years ago.

According to Mr. Salazar he expects to secure a large quantity of peaches, pears, apricots and grapes this coming summer, providing the frost does not kill the buds. He says that with the proper use of the irrigation facilities almost any old fruit can be raised in the eastern portion of the Rio Grande valley, where his property is situated.

Besides owning the fruit orchard, Mr. Salazar has several thousand acres of land available for sheep and cattle grazing in the farming outposts. On the latter two crops of fine corn were raised this year, and three crops of wheat and alfalfa hay.

J. G. Stewart, of Albuquerque, inspected the land owned by Salazar this week. He is considering buying enough land for a fruit orchard and farm near Peralta.

Mr. Salazar's farm is only one example of what can be done with the large tracts of fertile farming land in the Rio Grande valley in Valencia county, and especially near Peralta, side of the river around Peralta. Properly irrigated, a farm anywhere in this part of the valley would make its owner rich. The present agricultural opportunities are unparalleled.

Working on the Roads.

With the approach of the real winter season the farmers of Peralta and Valencia and the adjoining country are giving the county surveyor material assistance in getting the roads in splendid condition, work which has been much needed, as numerous chuck holes now being filled up with rock and cinders have been the grief of travelers.

J. G. Stewart, of Albuquerque, N. M., formerly of Kentucky, and R. L. Wootton, also of Albuquerque, spent several days in Los Lunas this week inspecting fine pasture, fruit and farming lands. Mr. Stewart intends to engage quite extensively in cattle, sheep and farming business in the neighborhood of Los Lunas.

Fixing the Bridge.

The much needed improvements upon the Los Lunas bridge across the Rio Grande, which the county commissioners started a number of months ago, have been practically finished. The workmen are now busily engaged in rip-rapping the shore line and placing piles to prevent the river from eating away the approaches to the bridge.

Walter Connell, junior member of the firm of Hunting and Connell, of Los Lunas, general merchants, transacted business in Helen Tuesday, returning home today.

LATE ONION PLANTING IS NOT ADVANTAGEOUS

Professor Fabian Garcia, in Experiment Station Bulletin, Recommends Early Planting if Good Heavy Crops are to be Depended Upon.

Professor Fabian Garcia, of the Agricultural experiment station, has issued the following bulletin on the odoriferous onion:

In Station Bulletin No. 52 it is reported that better results can be secured from onions transplanted as early as possible in the spring. Very satisfactory results have been obtained from onions transplanted as late as the 15th of March, while those transplanted after April 1 have all crops produced smaller and inferior crops. The writer has often received letters from onion growers in different parts of the territory complaining that the greater per cent of their onions produced scullions. The reason for this has been, in most cases, the very late planting of the onions.

The early planted onions at the station usually mature from the last of July to the first of September, depending upon the variety. Onions ripening at this time do not sell as well as later in the season. If onions could be planted late enough in the season so that they would ripen a heavy crop of good bulbs about the last of October they could be depended upon to better advantage and in larger quantities. Therefore, in order to settle this particular point the department of horticulture conducted a "time of seeding test" during the past season. Fourteen 1-200 of an acre

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plats were laid off February 1, 1907, to be seeded once every fifteen days. The first plat was seeded February 1, while the last one was seeded August 14, 1907.

The variety used for the test was the Brown Australian, which is a small growing kind, but a good keeper.

While the plats were planted at different times it was very interesting to note that all of the plots ripened a crop matured about the same time and these were harvested on September 10, 1907. The early plots produced good sound bulbs; the medium late produced only a few bulbs and a great many scullions; while the very late planting produced nothing but scullions.

A better idea can be had of this test from the following table, which gives the yield per plat and the date of planting:

Date	Sound bulbs	Scullions
February 1	129 1/2	6
February 15	94	7
March 1	55	12
March 15	13	15
April 1	7	18
April 15	2	15
May 1	1	10
May 15	1	4
June 1	1	1

The other five plots were practically ruined and were not even harvested. From these results at the station it would seem that the later the onions are planted the smaller and more inferior the crop. It is quite evident that under our conditions onions cannot be depended upon to mature good and heavy crops late in the fall.

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NAVAJO BAD MEN BREAKING ROCK AT HUACHUCA

Captain Willard With Three Officers of the Fifth Cavalry Sees By-a-lil-le Safely in ment Prison.

"By-a-lil-le" the big Navajo medicine man, his lieutenant Polly, and eight more bad Indians, ringleaders in the recent uprising quelled by the Fort Wingate soldiers near the shiprock agency, are now busily engaged in the squaw-like pastime of breaking rock at Fort Huachuca, Ariz. Captain Henry O. Willard, commanding Troop K of the fifth cavalry, who has engaged the Indians in the recent hostilities, arrived in the city yesterday accompanied by three non-commissioned officers and a sergeant, the Indians to the Fort Huachuca military prison.

"I don't think the Indians will commit any more depredations in the near future," said Captain Willard yesterday. "They will have plenty of time to reform over that rock pile." Captain Willard and party arrived in the city on No. 10 from the south and left for Fort Wingate on the California limited. It is understood the New York World, on Sunday, will publish the story of the Indian fight, written by Business Manager Wilbur Harlan, of the "Way Down East" show, and illustrated with photographs of Captain Willard, the other officers and the Indians, taken at the Santa Fe station here.

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SECTION MAN LIES DEAD IN CHAIR FOR TWO DAYS

Workmen At Chavez Station Finally Make Ghastly Discovery After Thinking Laborer Was Merely Asleep.

Special Correspondence Morning Journal, Thursday, N. M., Dec. 11.—A ghastly discovery was made late Monday afternoon by the section men at Chavez, N. M., near here, when the lifeless body of Juan Apodaca, a section hand, was discovered in the tie-house. Apodaca was seen Saturday night to enter the building, seat himself in a chair and apparently drop off to sleep.

Sunday noon and Monday morning he was still apparently sleeping, in practically the same position. Curious to know why Apodaca did not report for work Monday, the section foreman ordered an inquiry, which resulted in the discovery of Apodaca's dead body.

The Mexican laborers, who had been working with Apodaca, were considerably excited over his death, which was due to heart trouble. The body was not moved until today, remaining seated in the chair all day Tuesday. Apodaca was of middle age, a good worker and seldom talked about his relatives, except to say they resided in Mexico. The body will be buried here.

SPLENDID YIELD OF ALFALFA NEAR ALBUQUERQUE

FOUR HUNDRED TONS FROM A PART OF FORTY ACRES

Immense Crop of Wheat; How Peralta Fruit Raisers Beat the Frost; Working On Valencia County Roads.

Henry Roybal, formerly of Pecos, near Glorieta on the Pecos river, and who is now in charge of the Perfecto Armijo farm of 150 acres at Rancho de Albuquerque, north of this city, was in Albuquerque yesterday making arrangements to sell 100 tons of the finest meadow hay ever seen in Albuquerque. Mr. Roybal has been farming about 40 acres of the ranch this season and has accomplished results that speak most eloquently of the agricultural possibilities of the valley lands around this city.

"I have learned a good deal from the first year," said Mr. Roybal yesterday, "and expect to do twice as well next year, with any kind of luck at all. I have learned several valuable lessons, especially about the raising of vegetables, by which I can profit most season. I have sold 400 tons of alfalfa from the ranch this year, which I believe cannot be beaten by alfalfa raised anywhere in the country. I have raised tomatoes, corn, all kinds of vegetables and have not discovered anything that will not grow and produce a big crop with a little work and attention. Grain, while it requires more work than other crops, can be grown with absolute success, but I believe that hay and vegetables are the crops that will be most largely planted in the valley. I have now on the ranch ten milk cows, ten pigs and plenty of chickens and ducks. I have been selling cheese and butter all the season and the amount I can sell is only limited by the amount I can manufacture.

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