

Center—Continued warm weather; no rain. The second crop of lucern harvested, and all small grain is ripe with a very fair promise of good yield.

Pleasant Grove—The harvest is over and threshing has commenced; corn and potatoes are growing fast; the second crop of lucern is mostly in, and also the wild hay. There is an abundance of good fruit here and people are busy drying and disposing of it. The weather has been very warm for the past few weeks; no rain since June.

Lehi—The past week hot and dry; water scarce; second cut of lucern in, but light; threshing in progress; grain crop good. Some complain that the beets and potatoes will be light.

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IDAHO CROP REPORT.

Idaho State Weather Service for the week ending Monday, August 19 1895.

The past week has given cool nights and warm days, with an abundance of sunshine. High winds were frequent over the southern section, occurring nearly every afternoon; they have caused grain to shrink somewhat in places where moisture was deficient. Frost occurred in the extreme northern section on the 14th and nipped potato vines, but it is not thought that the crop is seriously affected; in a few places in the eastern section frost was reported on the 13th and 14th, damaging tender garden stuff on low lands to some extent. Later reports of frosts of the week previous indicate that, in some instances, crops were not damaged as much as at first reported.

The rainfall during the week was very light and confined to a few scattered showers, and a severe hail-storm which occurred on Lost river in Blaine county, destroying the grain on several ranches. The ranges are very dry, and unirrigated crops are drying out rapidly. Water for irrigating purposes is becoming scarce in some parts of the state. In Blaine county it is estimated that crops will be from 15 to 25 percent, owing to continued dry and windy weather.

Grain has ripened rapidly and indications point to an average crop with the exception of the late sown, which will be light. Harvesting is general all over the State, and in the western portion threshing is in progress and nearly completed. In the extreme northern section much of the fall wheat has been threshed and the harvesting of other grains is progressing. Cutting has not yet begun in portions of the central section.

Potatoes are generally doing well where properly irrigated; repeated frosts have shortened the crop somewhat, but there will still be a large yield. In the northern portion of the State some of the early planted have ripened prematurely, but the late ones are green and growing nicely. Corn is doing well, but its growth has been slightly retarded by cool nights. Gardens are in an exceedingly promising condition where sufficient moisture has been received. In the northern section beans are beginning to ripen and a fair yield is promised. Quite a number of farmers in Latah county

tried the sugar beet this season with good results. In the eastern section cucumbers and sweet corn are ready for market. Grasshoppers are doing more or less damage in Latah and Idaho counties.

The second crop of alfalfa is growing well and promises a fair yield, though there are some exceptions, notably in portions of Bannock and Cassia counties where it will not be worth cutting. In some other places the crop has been seriously affected by drouth. Bottom hay in the northern section is of good quality but the crop is light. Stock is doing fairly well.

Fruit is generally in a promising condition. In the northern section early apples and plums are plentiful and cheap.

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JULY REPORT.

The month opened with clear and unusually warm weather prevailing in all sections of the state; showers were general on the 3rd, 4th and 5th, followed by a long period of dry weather, broken in only a few places by thunderstorms accompanied by showers which were poorly distributed and too light to be of material benefit to crops. Light rains were reported over a large portion of the state from the 28th to 31st. Frosts occurred in portions of the southern section on the 6th, 7th, 8th, 18th and 20th, the first two dates being the coolest days of the month; the warmest were the 23rd and 24th.

Temperature—The monthly mean temperature for the state was 65.2 degrees, a deficiency of 3.8 degrees from July of last year. The highest monthly mean temperature was 73.4 degrees at Lewiston, and the lowest, 56.2, at Lake. The highest temperature recorded in the state during the month was 105 degrees at Payette on the 12th and at Lewiston and Salubra on the 23rd; the lowest was 23 at St. Anthony on the 8th, making an absolute temperature range of 82 degrees for the month. The greatest local monthly range of temperature was 71 degrees at St. Anthony, and the least, 46, at Dalry.

Precipitation—The average monthly precipitation for the state was 0.61 inch, an excess of 0.37 inch over July, 1894. The greatest amount was at Warren, 1.60 inches, at the least, 0, at Cariboo. The greatest amount in any twenty-four hour period was 1.30 inches at Frasen on the 5th. There was an average of three days with precipitation during the month.

Weather—Average number of clear days 20, partly cloudy 8, and cloudy 3.

Wind—Prevailing direction, west; average hourly velocity (from records at Grangeville and Idaho Falls), 7.8 miles; maximum velocity (at Idaho Falls), 38 miles per hour from the southwest, on the 5th.

Miscellaneous phenomena—Frost—Gibbonsville, 18th and 20th; Halley, 18th; Idaho Falls, 6th and 18th; Paris, 6th, 7th, 8th, 18th and 20th; St. Anthony, 6th, 8th and 9th; Salmonia, 18th and 19th; Soldier 18th and 19th; Swan Valley, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 11th, 12th, 18th, 20th.

Hail—Dalry, 31st; Fraser, 30th; Martin 30th; St. Anthony, 8th; Salubria, 5th; Warren 5th and 31st.

Solar Halos—Salubria, 1st, 11th and 26th; Swan Valley, 10th.

Thunderstorms—Birch Creek, 30th; Dalry, 30th and 31st; Fort Sherman, 4th, 26th, 28th and 30th; Fraser, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 8th, 22nd; Grangeville, 4th, 5th, 6th and 30th; Halley, 31st; Idaho City, 31st; Idaho Falls, 28th; Kootenai, 3rd, 5th, 8th, 15th, 17th, 18th, 30th; Lewiston, 4th and 30th; Martin, 30th; Murray, 27th; Nampa, 31st; Salubria, 5th, 23rd and 30th; Soldier, 31st; Swan Valley, 4th, 5th, 8th, 9th, 24th, 28th and 29th; Warren, 31st.

BRIEF LOCAL PARAGRAPHS.

SPANISH FORK, Aug. 21. — This place was the base of one of the important campaigns of the settlers in the great Blackhawk war, and today a host of veterans are assembled in camp here, to commemorate the victories of thirty years ago. Among the veterans are Colonels Warren S. Snow and L. John Nuttall. There were also present as guests Governor West, Colonel Tatlock, of Salt Lake, and Colonel Stevens, of Ogden.

The company met this forenoon, then took recess for dinner. A program will be rendered this afternoon. There are three martial bands and there will be three brass bands in attendance. Spanish Fork is doing splendidly in entertaining the visitors.

By telegram to Henry Dinwoodey of this city it is learned that Mrs. Sophia Dinwoodey, the wife of his brother William, died at her home in St. Louis on Sunday last. The cause of her demise is not stated, but relatives here have been informed by letter of the lady having been stricken with paralysis about two weeks since, which deprived her of the power of speech and all sense of feeling in one side of her body, and it is supposed that her death is the result of the same ailment.

The lady is the sister of John Needham of Lugan and the late James Needham of this city, and with her husband resided for a number of years in this city, where she has numerous relatives and friends who will long remember her as a woman possessing many noble traits of character. A husband, one son and two daughters survive her.

At his residence No. 147 North Temple street, at 8 a. m., Aug. 21, 1895, Joseph G. Cutler, born June 21, 1857. The wife of the deceased died about three months ago, and since then he has suffered occasionally, especially of late, from ill health and mental depression. He spent some time in the mountains, in the hope that the change of surroundings would benefit him, and to some extent it seemed to have the desired effect. Recently he suffered from insomnia. On Monday he took bromide to induce sleep, but it did not prove effective. Last night he took laudanum for the same purpose. Unfortunately he inadvertently took an over-dose, causing death to ensue. The sad event is a great shock to his family and friends, by whom he was much beloved, on account of his many estimable qualities.

The obsequies over the remains of Joseph G. Cutler, held August 22nd, were conducted by Bishop John Tinney. There was a large gathering of