

WEATHER AND CROPS.

Weather—Although the weather on several days was unusually hot and sultry, the average temperature for the week was only one degree in excess of the normal. The week closed with generous showers prevailing over the northern portion of the Territory where they were very much needed as the streams are getting low and water for irrigating purposes insufficient for crops. In the southern portion of the Territory from which only a few reports have been received this week, it appears that warm, dry weather has prevailed in all sections during the past seven days. Light frosts occurred in Wasatch and Summit counties, but no damage is reported. Upon the whole, the week has been quite favorable for growth and harvest operations.

The showers at the close of the week were beneficial to the growing crops, especially vegetables, which were beginning to show signs of the need of moisture. Potatoes look promising except in portions of Cache, Sevier and Sanpete counties, where the crop is light on account of damage by the June frosts. The general harvest is now in full blast, and threshing has begun in portions of Utah county. The second crop of lucern is being cut, and in many districts it is all in stack; the crop promises to be light in nearly all sections. Sugar beets are doing well and indicate an unusually large crop this year. Corn is reported in good condition and growing nicely, but needs more moisture for rapid and satisfactory development. In Wayne county it is in silk. In the southern portion early peaches, apricots and grapes are ripe, new potatoes and peas are ready for market, and spring grain is ready to cut. The principal part of the rye has been cut, and the harvesting of oats has commenced. Barley is about ready to cut. Squirrels are very numerous in some of the northern counties and have already done considerable damage to crops.

Rockport—Weather fine. Farmers busy making hay. Peas just ready for use, currants ripe. Squirrels doing much damage to crops.

Coalville—Frost 23rd. Thunderstorm 27th, accompanied by rain. Fine growing weather.

Moroni—Second crop of lucern growing fast where water is sufficient, but it is getting scarce. Hauling of wild hay general. Light rain on night of 27th, amounting to .19 of an inch.

Gale—Warm week. It rained a little on 28th, but not enough to do any good. The busy hum of the harvesters can be heard, and the cutting of second crop of lucern is in full blast.

New Harmony—The weather has been very favorable to crops. Harvesting in progress.

Cache Junction—week warm; grain turning fast; thunder shower Monday night.

Snowville—First crop of lucern all in; about two-thirds crop; grain beginning to turn.

Newton—Grain is turning fast. Very little harvesting yet; windy weather is hard on tall grain; potatoes are very limited on account of frost and cold.

Plymouth—First crop of lucern all up. Wheat being headed; light rain 27th.

Levan—A couple of nice refreshing

showers on 27th and 28th, doing much good to spring grain, corn and potatoes. Harvesting of fall wheat commenced. Spring wheat has had the last watering, and turning in places.

Uintah—The Weber river is getting low and some of the farms are suffering for want of water. Peaches and apricots are now in the market; the crop is short but the fruit is of a better size.

Box Elder—Hot days, cool nights. Cutting winter wheat; second crop of lucern ready to cut. Rainbow Saturday evening. .02 of an inch of rainfall during week. Fine seasonable weather; haying well along.

Deweyville—The weather has been exceedingly warm the past week, the latter part of the week was more or less cloudy and sultry. Headers have been busily engaged cutting grain as fast as it gets ripe enough. The largest part of the wheat here is harvested. Corn and potatoes are doing well, so is all kinds of fruit. A good rain is needed.

Center—The weather has been anything but good; it is too hot for haying and too dry to make crops grow. The thermometer has ranged from 70 to 102 in the middle of the day with a hot, dry south wind.

Joseph—The past week has been hot and dry with cloudy afternoons. Water is getting scarce and if rain does not come soon some of our crops will burn up.

Wales—Everything growing well, cool nights; commenced to cut wild hay; fair crop.

Rockport—Weather fine, cool nights. Farmers busy making hay. Peas just ready for use; currants ripe; squirrels doing much damage to crops.

Pinto—The whole week has been very warm and the ground is very dry. A good rain is needed. Some wheat is beginning to turn; corn and potatoes are growing nicely where the ground is damp enough.

Calneville—Early peaches, apricots and grapes ripe; corn in the silk, new potatoes and peas ready for table use; spring grain ready to cut; second crop of lucern ready to cut; plenty of water.

Spring City—Some rain during the week; water getting very scarce; lucern all in stack, rye cut; winter wheat nearly ripe; spring wheat looking fine; apples are very small this season and plenty of worms in them; raspberries soon ripe. Saturday night very nice rain; most of crops doing well.

Lehi—Hot all week, but good for ripening grain. Water scarce. Second cutting of lucern poor.

Fountain Green—Past week very warm; crops looking well; harvesting rye commenced. Vegetables of all kinds very scarce, being thrown back by the frost.

Lake Shore—Winter wheat being cut, also oats and barley. Harvesting will be in full blast soon. Sugar beets will be a good crop. Potatoes, corn and beans being irrigated; water is scarce; second crop of lucern blossoming good.

Heber—Hottest week of the season. Good honey weather. Lucern nearly all stacked. Slight frost on lowlands for three mornings but no damage. Mercury down to 40 degrees. Gardens and grain looking well; some fall wheat about ripe. Highest temperature 89; lowest temperature 40. Trace of rain.

Sigurd—Weather unsettled, but not

enough rain to do much good. Water scarce; most of grain past watering; harvesting commenced; only about half a potato crop on account of late frost. Grain crop about average.

Tooele—Light rain on the night of the 27th; water getting very scarce, and second crop of lucern will be very light; corn is growing well.

Payson—Some harvesting being done. Threshing machine running daily. Indications of a good turn out in grain. Potato and beet crops bid fair yield. Thunder shower 29th; cooler and fresh air seem to revive everything.

Harrisville—Hot and dry. Grain harvest in full blast. Second crop of lucern being hauled. The week has been all that could be desired for growth and work.

Holden—Weather dry and warm; signs of showers but none come. Crops on the average good. Some have the second crop of lucern housed. Several patches of grain cut and others ripening fast. Potatoes and corn good. Fruit especially good.

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AMONG WYOMING INDIANS.

ST. ANTHONY, Ida., Aug. 2, 1895.

Reliable news received from Marysville yesterday afternoon, state that Bishop Wilson and Captain Harris have returned and were not in the cabin the Indians were firing at, as was greatly feared. They had made a more extensive scout than the others of the party, and were unable to return as soon as they intended. At present everything is quiet at Marysville, but a close watch is maintained on all Indians passing through.

A soldier went through Rexburg yesterday, who is supposed to be a deserter from one of the infantry troops. He said he was a courier with sealed dispatches, but it is hardly probable that Major Blabre, commanding the infantry, would send a courier on foot when so many horses were available. One trooper, while in the vicinity of Menan, threw down his pack with the exclamation: "I haven't lost any Indians, and I'll be damned if I am going any farther." He was placed under arrest.

A rumor is out to the effect that while scouting in advance of the main force two days ago, an officer and small force of troops were fired at from ambush and the officer shot, whether seriously or not is not known. The rumor has it that the soldiers charged the place where the shot came from but did not see any Indians. It was hardly probable that they would, as an Indian usually shoots, then runs.

Word was received late last night that the main body of Indians had been located on Gray's creek, the main branch of the south fork of Snake river, and about fifty miles from where they were supposed to be—Fall River meadows. The man who brought the word is entirely trustworthy and an old settler, and further says the Indians sent word: "Bring plenty more soldiers and Jackson's Hole fools, Indians hunt all same." It is thought to be the intention of the reus to simply wear out the soldiers by having them chase over the mountains from one