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FINDING THE BEST WHEAT

How the judges will find the best five bushels of wheat in the American northwest, and determine who is entitled to the \$5,000 prize offered at the Northwestern Products Exposition in Minneapolis in November, is told in a booklet received by the commercial club from the Northwest Development league.

Three judges will be selected from without the seven states by the presidents of the agricultural colleges and presidents of the grain exchanges.

Judging will be in three ways, one third of the points on the accepted seed score card; another third by points gained in a milling and baking test, while one third of the possible one hundred point will be awarded for the yield per acre.

Here is about the way wheat is judged: 25 points on weight per bushel, and 5 points on uniformity of sample; 15 points are allowed on variety characters; 3 of these being one color; 10 on purity which means the kernels must be true to type of the breed represented; 2 points for kernel shape which varies with the breed.

Thirty points are allowed for vitality, 5 of these being for luster; 15 points for plumpness as all kernels should be well rounded, having no sharp corners and the creases well closed. Seven points are on odor, the samples must be free from foul smell.

Twenty-five kernels are allowed for market condition; 10 of these to cover weed seed; 3 for dirt and dust; 2 for injured kernels; 5 for smut and 5 the condition of the bran. All broken, and scabby kernels will count against the wheat.

According to the rules governing the \$5,000 wheat contest, those who intend to compete for the prize should give notice as soon as possible that bin room may be provided for each exhibitor.

All samples must consist of five bushels of threshed grain and from five to ten sheaves which are from six to ten inches in diameter and are from the same field. These must be sent prepaid to the Northwest Products Exposition, Minneapolis, so they will arrive before Nov. 1.

Special arrangements may be made with local commercial clubs to have these samples of wheat sent free of cost. No entry fee of any kind will be charged by the exposition, but because a part of each sample will be ground into flour, the whole sample becomes the property of the exposition management.

Any farmer who is interested can obtain further information by calling on A. B. Cherry, secretary of the Commercial club.

WAITING.
S. W. Gillilan.

On summer Saturday's long afternoon I used to climb, barefoot, one little knoll,
Soliloquizing, "Father's coming soon"

FAIR WARNING-- THE END IS NEAR!

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a scroll
That ended in the summit of a hill
A world-long mile away. Around me played
The shifting sunbeams, feather-light and still,

I knew that when they crept into my ken
Above the hill-brink, I should know the span--
Dust scuffling bay, head-tossing gray, and then
The strong, familiar figure of the man.

I'd know them--know him! Leaping with their joy
My swift feet from my calra would bear me down,
A glad-eyed, zephyr-hearted country boy,
Welcoming home my father from the town.

One day, my father went away again;
Perhaps the sun shone, but we could not see.
I have not climbed that little knoll since then,

For father is not coming home to me.
Somewhere he waits upon a sun-kissed hill
And softly says, "My boy is coming soon."
He'll know me from afar,--I know he will--
When, world-tired, I trudge home, some afternoon.
Baltimore.

THIS DATE IN HISTORY. July 25.

- 1681--Urian Oakes, president of Harvard college, died in Cambridge
1750--Gen. Henry Knox, who commanded the American artillery during the whole of the revolution, born in Boston. Died in Thomaston, Me., Oct. 25, 1806
1814--American and British engaged in sanguinary battle at Bridgewater, near Niagara Falls.
1825--Sir Roderick Cameron, noted capitalist and steamship owner, born in Glengarry county, Canada. Died in New York City, Oct. 19, 1900.
1830--Charles X of France suspended the liberty of the press.
1863--Gen. Samuel Houston, a notable figure in the Texan struggle for independence, died in Huntsville, Texas. Born near Lexington, Va., March 2, 1793.

- 1866--Alexander W. Randall, of Wisconsin, appointed Postmaster general of the United States.
1898--Rt. Rev. Thomas McGovern, R. O. bishop of Harrisburg, Pa., died in Harrisburg. Born in Ireland in 1832.
1900--Rev. Robert W. Barnwell consecrated Episcopal bishop of Alabama.
1907--Japan assumed control of Korea.

Judged by Their Faces.
Burne-Jones held original ideas as to the administration of justice. After a visit to the Parnell commission he wrote: "Legal testimony doesn't affect me at all. I want people tried for their faces, so I spent the time in court settling things all my own way. I tried the judges first and acquitted one, so that he sits in court without a blemish on his character, and one I admitted to mercy, and of the other I postponed the trial for further evidence. Then I tried the counsel on both sides, and one of them, I am sorry to say, will have to be hanged for his face."

They Get an Appetite For Work.
In Denmark, as in other countries, they are troubled with men born tired, men who are "snow shovelers in summer and haymakers in winter." Denmark takes them firmly, but kindly, and puts them to bed. In bed it keeps them as long as may be necessary. Four days are, as a rule, sufficient for the most obdurate cases. At the end of that time the idler is found to be feverish for work.

Needless.
The good fairy called her assistant and showed her a golden box. "Take this box," she said, "and lock it carefully in the safe. It contains good advice." "My mistress," replied the assistant, "why should we lock up good advice? No one will ever take it."--Puck.

Sympathetic Jury.
"Here's a dispatch about a man who tried to choke his landlady to death and got off with a small fine." "Must have been tried by a jury of boarders. Cut it down to seventy-five words and put a headline over it."--Chicago Tribune.

Too many wish to be happy before becoming wise.--Nesker

The Fair Program.
The program of county fair races, follows:

- Monday, Sept. 9, Entry Day.
Tuesday, Sept. 10.
Stock parade, baby show, dog races, motor cycle races, running race horseback for ladies, wild horse race, etc.

- Wednesday, Sept. 11, Wallowa Co. Day
2:30 trot--Purse \$800.00.
2:25 pace--Purse \$800.00.
Overnight events, running and novelty races.
Thursday, Sept. 12, Union, Cove and North Powder Day
2:18 trot--Purse \$800.00.
2:15 pace--Purse \$800.00.
Overnight events, running and novelty races.
Friday, Sept. 1, Home Coming Day.
2:24 trot--Purse \$800.00.
2:20 pace--Purse \$800.00.
Overnight events, running and novelty races.

- Saturday, Sept. 14.
Free for all pace--Purse \$500.00.
Free for all trot--Purse \$500.00
Overnight events, running and novelty races.

Notice to Contractors.

The La Grande Grocery company at corner of Greenwood and Jefferson will accept sealed bids until July 31st at 5 o'clock p. m. for construction of one story brick and concrete warehouse building. Plans and specifications may be seen on or after July 25 at noon. Owners reserve right to reject any or all bids.

THE AUTO BANDITS OF PARIS.

At the Arcade Theatre Tonight and Tomorrow.

The most sensational and thrilling picture ever shown at the Arcade theatre is "The Auto Bandits of Paris" This picture was made by a daring camera man who exposed himself to the bandits' fire in order to make the pictures. The photography is perfect and shows the bandit being tracked to his hiding place, an old garage, and after exchanging shots at long range, the building is dynamited and the bandit eventually is captured after being wounded. This is a very interesting film showing as it does, the chase and capture of the greatest bandit of modern times. At the Arcade tonight and Thursday.

Notice for Sale of Improvement Bonds.

Notice is hereby given that the city of La Grande, Union county, Oregon, will receive sealed proposals for the purchase of improvement bonds in the sum of \$11,378.97, bonds in denomination of \$500.00 each, bearing 6 per cent interest per annum, up to 8 o'clock p. m. Wednesday, July 31, 1912; said proposals to be filed with

the recorder of the city and to be accompanied by a certified check for 5 per cent of the amount bid. The successful bidder will be required to pay for said bonds within ten days after notice that said bonds are ready for delivery.

C. M. HUMPHREYS, Recorder of the City of La Grande. 7-23-6t

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