

WHEAT CUT WILL BEGIN BY JULY 20

Main Harvest in Union County to Start Earlier Than Usual

YIELD LIKELY TO BE BELOW NORMAL

Wallowa County Fields Coloring—Hard Federation Doing Well in the Hilly Sections.

Facing a yield slightly below normal, wheat growers in Union county are making ready for the beginning of the main harvest about July 20—ten days earlier than in ordinary years.

In some fields farmers are already beginning cutting with the binder although this is not representative of the whole.

Harvesting of spring wheat, oats and barley will not get under way until after the winter wheat is attended to.

Freezes Out Prospects Before the spring frosts, prospects were for a wheat crop 25 per cent above normal and with the prospects now for below-normal yield, it is estimated that the frosts cut the crop more than 20 per cent. In most fields, however, the yield will be greater than was at first expected immediately after the colder weather.

WALLOWA GRAIN COLORING WALLOWA, Ore., July 7. (Special)—Weather conditions have been favorable for winter wheat of late and the grain had advanced rapidly during the past week. A red color has spread over the fields of forty-fold, warning farmers that harvest season is near at hand.

Some hay has been cut in parts of the hill sections and more will be harvested during the coming week.

Some fields which farmers expect to bind and thresh will likely be ready to cut during the latter part of next week at the latest.

Grain Filling Out Farmers who have been in the fields recently state they believe the grain is filling good, with but little sign in evidence. The straw growth will be considerably short, or than usual in most fields, a favorable sign for good heading.

A large acreage of hard federation, which was seeded in the hill sections this spring, is looking promising in most fields and does not appear to be suffering much from lack of moisture. A fair yield is

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SENTENCES AND FINES GIVEN OUT TO FOUR DRUNKS

Five men, all charged with having been intoxicated, were up for trial in municipal court last night before Judge C. M. Humphreys.

Neal Leach collected \$20 by failing to appear.

Martin Angelo was fined \$25.

Harry Grant was sentenced to serve 30 days in the city jail.

Ed Coughlin paid a fine of \$20.

Robert Hultenbeck was sentenced to 20 days and then paroled to permit him to go to work.

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DRUNK DRIVER GIVEN PAROLE

Judge U. G. Couch Lenient to Convicted Man After Sentencing Him to 60 Days.

Nathan Franks pleaded guilty to drunken driving Tuesday afternoon in Judge U. G. Couch's court, and was sentenced to 60 days in jail and a fine of \$200, with a revocation of his driver's license for a year. The judge then paroled the prisoner, who is employed in the lumber camps at Maxville, making him answerable to the court for good behavior during the length of his term.

Ball bonds of \$500 each have been procured for the liberty of Ed Nelson, Glenn Baker and Glenn Graham, who are to appear for trial before Justice Hugh E. Brady Thursday morning.

Lumber Company Clears Title to Timberland

The Grande Ronde Lumber company's title to a piece of timberland over which there has been confusion for 15 or 20 years was quieted in a final hearing of the company's suit against C. W. Nilley and others before Judge J. W. Knowles this morning.

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The day has been spent auditing warrants and bills. Nothing of particular interest had been presented for action when the commissioners adjourned for luncheon at noon.

Ian M'Kenzie Is Hired To Coach Here

Graduate of Colorado College Selected for Position in La Grande Schools.

Ian V. MacKenzie, who was twice chosen All-Rocky Mountain guard during his four-year conference football career at Colorado college, and who for the past four years has coached the athletically prominent high school teams at Littleton, Colo., has been contracted as coach and general physical training director for the La Grande schools in 1926-27, Superintendent J. T. Longfellow announced today.

The new coach comes with high laurels from Littleton school authorities. His principal characterizes him "a real leader of boys," and declares that under MacKenzie's influence, the highest ideals of sportsmanship have been developed in the high school there.

May Teach Math. In addition to coaching and directing physical culture throughout the schools, the new man will teach physical training for high school boys, and conduct two classes in academic work, probably mathematics, Longfellow explained.

MacKenzie was graduated from Colorado college with a civil engineer's degree in 1922. He has done graduate work at the University of Colorado and at Denver university.

He has had promising experience in all branches of athletics. Besides his four years of conference football, when he not only made the all-Rocky Mountain team for two successive years but also found a place on the second team for the other two, he has a

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WIKINGS IN AMERICA IN YEAR 1007

Professor Oluf Opsjon Tells of Remarkable Discoveries

RUNES TELL OF WAR WITH REDMEN

Norsemen Traveled Far Across Continent—Expedition Divided in the Northwest.

SPOKANE, Wash., July 7. (AP)—Vivid runic pictures of Norse expeditions were written, painted and carved on several cliffs in the Pacific northwest A. D. by the same expedition that battled Vikings near Spokane in 1010. Prof. Oluf Opsjon divulged here today.

In revealing other discoveries of runic in the region Opsjon, who is the author of numerous articles on Norse history, declared they verified his translations of Runic inscriptions found just outside of Spokane last Monday.

The tale of the exciting struggle between 24 Vikings and a band of Indians under high cliffs north of here is almost excelled by the other ancient markings, Prof. Opsjon said.

Earlier Marks Found. Faint lines indicating a still earlier Norse enterprise have been found just under the paintings near Spokane, he also announced. The dim and obscured marks of the past will be photographed and enlarged in an effort to decipher them. A more primitive type of runes was used by the first group of Norsemen.

Other records of Norse travelers in 1010 have been discovered on the Prairies in British Columbia, and the Columbia river near Vancouver, Wash., in Grant county, Wash., on the Columbia river near its mouth and in Tillamook county, Ore.

Expedition Divided. "These indicate that a Norse expedition party in the year 1010 divided into two expeditions in the northwest," he added.

"Inscriptions have been seen and those referred to in translations have the same general characteristics."

"The runes on the Dighton rock, found at the mouth of Fall River, Mass., as translated by Prof. Rafn, of Denmark, tell of a party of Norsemen led by Torfin Karlsefne, which landed there in 1007. I believe the expeditions into the Pacific northwest were made three

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LEGIONNAIRES TO MAKE PLANS FOR CONVENTION DRIVE

Formal steps in the preparation of La Grande post, No. 43, for inviting the legionnaires of Oregon to hold their state meeting in this city in 1927 are among the important matters of business that makes a large attendance desirable for the meeting of the American legion at the K. P. hall at 8:30 p. m. today.

Harley Richardson, commander, announced this morning.

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Gore Shocks London With Newest Book

Former Bishop Rejects Some Cherished Beliefs of Fundamentalists of Great Britain.

LONDON, July 7. (AP)—British fundamentalists were given a fresh jar today by the Rev. Dr. Charles Gore, who returned the bishopric of Oxford in 1912, and who is widely known for his theological writings.

In a new book, "Can We Then Believe?" he rejects some cherished beliefs of those who interpret the Bible literally. Remarkable that the Bible is not intended to teach science but accepts the science of its time, Dr. Gore says.

His spiritual teachings seem to cry out for the theory of evolution by which he contends in no way weakens the grounds for belief in God. He urged complete abandonment of the notion that the early part of Genesis records literal history.

"Adam—As Every Man." "We should regard Adam and Eve not as historic individuals," he says, "but as man and woman—as every man."

He maintains that this is not so much an innovation as a return to the position accepted by some of the early fathers of the church. He accepts the new testament account of the ascension of Christ, because there were witnesses to it, but rejects the accounts of Christ's descent into hell, regarding this as merely syncretical.

Believes in Miracles. Expressing belief in the miracles attributed to Christ, he says: "Without such belief the conviction of the Christian faith would not hold its ground."

The book seems likely to re-awaken past controversies in England regarding the interpretation of many passages of the Bible.

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ROTARY YEAR HERE CLOSED

New Officers Installed at Patriotic Program in Foley Grill Today at Noon.

This week marking the close of Rotary year, La Grande Rotarians combined the installation of new officers with a patriotic tribute in their program at the luncheon meeting deferred from Monday, that was held at the Foley grill this noon.

P. L. Meyer, incoming president, was introduced by his predecessor, Floyd McKinnon, and escorted to the chair.

The historical interests centering around Philadelphia were recounted by Dr. Lee Bouvy, who spent his years of medical training in the former capital city. Dr. Ray E. Murphy, read a message from the American Legion national headquarters, entitled "A Century and a Half of Independence."

Two visitors, Howard O'Brien and J. R. Griffith, a guest from Kansas City at the home of his son-in-law, Dr. Murphy, were called upon for brief remarks.

Proprietor Shoots Man Who Attempted Robbery

WALLACE, Ida., July 7. (AP)—A man who attempted to rob the H. S. Dayvenport store at Emmett today, was shot and apparently seriously wounded by the store proprietor, who was awakened by the creaking of the door and blazed away with a shotgun.

Grain Fire Near Helix Burns Over 175 Acres

PENDLETON, July 7. (AP)—The third grain fire of importance in Umatilla county in as many days occurred yesterday when 175 acres on the ranch of Lowell Stockman, near Helix, burned from a fire thought caused by a lighted cigarette thrown by a motorist. Several sheds were also destroyed. It required the efforts of 120 people for two hours to quench the flames. The loss is covered by insurance. This brings the total to 475 acres in three days, besides several acres of smaller acreages.

FUNERAL POSTPONED

Funeral services for Ed Bussey have been postponed until 2:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon at Snodgrass and Zimmerman's chapel.

WHITE PINE IS CAPITAL OF NATION

President and Mrs. Coolidge at Summer "White House"

MANY ACCOMPANY CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Dignitaries Spending the First Day in Camp Getting Settled—Office Is Established.

PAUL SMITH'S, New York, July 7. (AP)—The special train carrying President and Mrs. Coolidge to the vacation white house at White Pine camp arrived here at 9:30 a. m. Leaving the private car Mr. and Mrs. Coolidge acknowledged the greetings of the large gathering of country folks on the little station platform and stepped into a white house limousine for the six mile ride to the camp.

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EVANS AND WELLS TO USE PLANE IN LAST LAP OF TRIP

MINEOLA, N. Y., July 7. (AP)—Captain H. M. Berry, ex-air flyer and former air mail pilot, hopped off from Roosevelt field today in a giant Sikorski plane for Seattle, Wash., to pick up Evans and Linton wells who are expected to lower the world record. The big two-engine plane left the field at 9:10 a. m. Captain Berry has been selected to accompany Rene Fonec, French ace, in his forthcoming non-stop flight from New York to Paris.

Evans and Wells are now ahead of former record-breaking globe tours. They left New York the early morning of June 16, crossing the Atlantic by steamer landing at Cherbourg, then flew over Europe, took a train over Siberia and left Yokohama by steamer. The two must arrive in New York before 10:35 p. m. (daylight saving time), July 13, in order to break the record, which seems likely.

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GRAND JURY IS INVESTIGATING PRISON BREAK

SALEM, Ore., July 7. (AP)—A grand jury investigation of the break of four convicts from the state prison last Friday began here at 10 o'clock this morning.

The four convicts who escaped and who were caught yesterday at McMinnville were returned to the prison at 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon and were immediately sent to the "bull pen" for an indefinite period. "When you damn you've got to pay the fiddler," Warden Lillie told the convicts upon their arrival. The prisoners confessed to being very tired upon their arrival, but had little else to say.

The grand jury will attempt to fix the responsibility for the break. Blaine at present rests on three guards, W. W. Casson, R. E. Ochs and W. B. Cyrus.

Baker Men Appear in Case on Trial Here

J. B. Messick and Frank McCole, both of Baker, the latter being city attorney there, appeared before Judge J. W. Knowles this morning in the case of Baker versus Stella Messick, in which a foreclosure of a lien for street improvements is asked. The city's books were offered for inspection.

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Charlestoning to Texas

These two Des Moines (Ia.) sisters can Charleston or wash dishes with equal skill, and they're relying on these two accomplishments to pay their way while they hike from Des Moines to Orange, Tex., their birthplace.

Gertrude Price, who's 18, is at the left; Mayme, at the right, is 17. Their baggage will consist of a ukulele, a camera and a butcher knife.

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FLOODS AND QUAKES HIT 3 COUNTRIES

Four Rivers Rising in Jugo Slavia—Lightning Kills Three

AUSTRIANS AWED BY BIG TEBLOR

Flood Waters Threaten to Cut Off Mexico City from World—Shortage of Food Feared.

Summary. Jugo Slavia—Danube, Sava, Tisza and Drava continue to rise. Flood situation improved, however.

Austria—Tyria and Lower Austria shaken by earthquake. Population of Mueranschach terrorized.

Mexico—Mexico City threatened by isolation by rising flood waters.

BEIGRADE, Jugo Slavia, July 7. (AP)—The rivers Danube, Sava, Tisza and Drava continue to rise. Nevertheless the flood situation seems to be improving in view of an announcement that traffic on the railway line from Beigrade to Nish will be reestablished tonight. Three persons have been killed by lightning in the Vranja region. The president of the chamber of deputies, M. Trkovitch, and the minister of communications, M. Jovanovitch, following a ministerial council, have left on a special mission to the regions of Batschka and Baranja.

AUSTRIA, SERIA ROCKED VIENNA, Austria, July 7. (AP)—An earthquake today shook Lower Austria and caused heavy damage in the town of Mueranschach, near Vienna. Repeated shocks caused terror among the population, but there was no loss of life. The Rathaus, school, brewery and courthouse were considerably damaged and hardly a building in the town remained untouched.

MEXICO CITY THREATENED MEXICO CITY, July 7. (AP)—

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SOUND BUSINESS, CO-OP GROUPS GO TOWARD SUCCESS

ST. PAUL, Minn., July 7. (AP)—Sound business practices supported by members of cooperative marketing groups is an important formula for success in agriculture, cooperative efforts, according to A. E. S. Steele, manager of the Apple Growers' association of Hood River, Ore.

Education, he told the American institute of cooperation here, is an important factor in keeping the individual member informed on the business methods of his organization. He said that while they should know exactly how the administration of the marketing of his products operates, the member should not attempt through his voting power, to run the intimate details of the business.

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