

WHEAT YIELD GOOD

Wasco and Sherman Better Than Was Expected.

OUTPUT ABOUT SAME AS 1932

New Acreage Has Offset Slight Decrease in Yield—Crop Is Later Than Usual—High Prices Are Offered.

In spite of unfavorable climatic conditions which early in the season stunted the growth of the wheat plant in Sherman and Wasco counties, the yield, as indicated by early threshing returns, will be about equal to that of last year, with a possibility that new acreage in Wasco may make the total output greater than that of a year ago.

The yield per acre in Sherman County is higher than that of last year, in most districts, but considerable new acreage in the southern part of the county will probably bring the total yield up to last year's proportions. These results may be changed by early rains at harvest, as the crop is from two to three weeks later than usual. Prices now offered are 25 per cent higher than a year ago, and there is very little selling.

ALONG THE COLUMBIA SOUTHERN, Aug. 13.—(Staff Correspondent.)—The growth and development of the wheat plant in Sherman and Wasco counties this year recalls that old saw about the bad beginning and the good ending. In order to prove the weakness of these ancient axioms the crop in some of the other river counties will show a bad beginning and an ending that is not much better. Sherman is the big wheat county among the river group, however, and just at present a yield at least as good as average, of the best quality of wheat, with 65 and 70 cents offered, is making the euphoric optimists in these counties so hilariously joyful that their congratulations are drowning the grumbling of the unfortunate pessimists farther up stream. Wheat labored under difficulties all through this belt where Mr. Lyle's Independent railroad runs. There was a shortage of moisture last fall which interfered with germinating, and in the winter the frost nipped occasional patches. Then came the spring according to the almanac only for it brought no sunshine. Cold winds and colder rains beat down on the struggling plant until, if wheat had bones, the marrow therein would have been chilled.

I drove through this country about 60 days ago, and the appearance of the plant at that time gave promise of about as near to a crop failure as is often experienced. The growth was not only stunted, but in many fields the cold, unseasonable weather had bleached it until it looked too sickly to live. But the winter ended along the latter part of June, and sunshine began applying restoratives. Plants do not talk outside of Wonderland and the jungle books, but if they did the wheat of these two big counties would have soliloquized something like this:

"Here I have fooled away the entire spring and early summer attaining a height of 4 to 5 inches, and I am now everlastingly too late for me to grow to where I can tickle the chin-whiskers of the six-foot agriculturist as I do in Colonel Judson's picture books on O. R. & N. farmers, hence I will devote my energies to filling and developing my head."

Short stalks, big heads. This is what happened, and throughout these counties can be seen sections after sections of wheat only about knee high, which will run from 25 to 40, and in some cases 45, bushels to the acre. Big bulging heads filled with plump, perfectly formed berries are supported by sturdily-built stalks so close to the ground that the sickle bars of the headers have all been dropped to the lowest notch and the stubble left standing is so low that it looks as though it had been cut with a binder instead of a header or a harrower. The season is much later than usual, and some of the wheat is still green. For that reason there is yet time for loss through rain at harvest. Under a continuance of present favorable circumstances, however, it is reasonably certain that Wasco County will harvest fully as much wheat as last year, and possibly a little more, the yield being fully equal to that of last year, while there is a slight increase in the acreage. The quality is excellent, nothing that has been threshed so far grading lower than No. 1, and most of the fields showing 60 and 61 pounds to the bushel. In the Tygh Valley district some remarkable yields have been reported. The big Moody farm showed 60 bushels to the acre and a number of other farms have run up to 45 and 50 bushels to the acre. There was some damage in Wasco County by freezing, and this alone prevented a phenomenal yield. As it is the yield will average up well with that of last year, and the quality is vastly better than last year. There is very little smut in Wasco County and no shriveled wheat has been heard of. The crop as a whole is two to three weeks later than last year, only a few fields of new wheat having reached The Dalles.

Sherman Has a Good Crop. The Sherman County crop, while surpassing all early estimates, will not average up quite so well as that of Wasco. Climatic conditions have been much the same in the two counties, but Sherman is much later than Wasco and the possibilities of loss by unfavorable harvest weather are heightened accordingly. The combined harvester has improved the chance for saving the crop quite materially, as men are very scarce, threshing and header crews being picked up with difficulty. Nearly 40 of the "combines" have been added to the harvesting equipment of Sherman County alone, and they are all at work, although most of them are obliged to dodge around and pick out the early ripening fields, instead of making straight runs, as they do when the season is earlier and there is more time for saving the grain. In both yield and acreage Sherman County will make a better showing south of More than in the territory lying between that point and the Columbia River. North of More the stand is poor, and in many fields there are bare patches which will cut down the average.

Increase in Acreage. South of Grant Valley there has been a large increase in acreage, especially in the vicinity of Kent, where many a

settler has opened up farms within the past two years. There is also some new acreage in the Shearer's Bridge country, 15 to 18 miles southwest of Grant Valley. This new acreage is expected to offset the greater part, if not all, of the shortage in yield as compared with last year, and when the difference in price as compared with that of last year is considered, Sherman County will receive a great many thousand dollars more for the 1933 wheat crop than was received for that of 1932. Any further advance in prices may result in drawing some wheat to Shaniko from the Antelope and Haystack country points, which, under a low scale of prices, are too remote to warrant the wheat being marketed, the profits being greater in feeding it.

Notwithstanding the fact that prices are more than 25 per cent higher than at a corresponding period last year, the farmers, except in a few cases, are showing no disposition to sell. Nearly all of the old-timers are quite comfortably fixed financially as a result of four years of good crops and fair to excellent prices. This class, being on "velvet," will probably hold their wheat for some time. From present indications the only early sellers will be

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the newcomers who have not been here long enough to accumulate a stake, and are accordingly obliged to convert their crop into cash as early as possible after it is harvested. Wheat is good collateral, however, and an average yield of good quality at fairly high prices, following a record-breaking crop, will result in a record-breaking cash crop. The wheat has been placed both Wasco and Sherman counties on Easy street.

R. W. W.

NOT IN GOOD FAITH.

Ohio Requisition for Paul Watelet Refused by Governor McBride.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Aug. 13.—(Special.)—Governor McBride today declined to issue extradition for Paul Watelet, now in custody at Spokane and wanted at Canton, O., for obtaining money under false pretenses. The Governor's decision was made on the ground that the effort to extradite Watelet was not made in good faith.

The charge under which the prisoner was being held was that of selling mining stock on a claim in Stevens County, a false report of the result of a diamond-drill examination of the mine. It is said that Watelet reported that as a result of the work with the diamond drill he had cut a pure-foot vein of galena that would run 200 to the ton. On the strength of his showing J. E. Carnahan, of Canton, O., invested \$4000 in the mine, and development proved that Watelet's report was false.

In the hearing before the Governor the falsity of the report was not denied, but it was maintained that the parties were seeking to get Watelet in a position as to recover the money invested rather than to secure his criminal prosecution. Attorneys Frank Post and Frank Dudley, of Spokane, appeared for the defendant and for the state. Dr. Kiecker, of Green River, and Ben Norman were present as witnesses. Sheriff Frank McKinley, of Canton, O., and his deputy, J. H. Alexander, were also here.

The Governor expressed his conviction that the complaining witness was not acting in good faith and refused to grant the extradition.

ADMIRAL SMITH NAMES STAFF.

Training-Ship Alert on Her Way North to the Astoria Regatta.

ASTORIA, Aug. 13.—(Special.)—A. N. Smith, of Portland, who has been appointed Admiral of the regatta, was in the city today and announced the list of persons who will compose his official staff. The roster is as follows:

Vice-Admiral, Hon. W. L. Robb, commander and chief of staff, C. R. McDonald; rear-admirals, Captain Charles Richardson, Captain William Gregory and Captain P. J. Byrne, commander and surgeon, Dr. B. H. Eare, commander, F. L. Parker, John Fox, F. J. Carney, W. E. Schimpff, Charles Callender, F. D. Keutner, W. B. Hume, of Astoria; C. Ransom, L. S. Doble, W. A. Storey, D. Lewis, A. C. O'Reilly, James Casey, J. O'Neill, of Portland; P. E. Baker, R. O. Scott, J. H. Burdard, B. H. Trumbull, Dave Honeyman, Jordan Zan, D. J. Moore, E. C. Bumelin, W. M. Calk, R. F. Prack, D. C. O'Reilly, James Casey, J. O'Neill, of Portland; George Waters, J. F. Hughes, R. W. Thompson, Dr. Thomas Smith, R. D. Gilbert, H. B. Burke, of Salem; flag lieutenant, W. T. Carroll, of Portland.

The United States training-ship Alert sailed from San Francisco for Astoria on August 10, and will arrive here Saturday. She is under the command of Captain Bliss, who was assistant light-house keeper in this district under Commander Farenholt.

Yankee Man Gets Damages.

OLYMPIA, Aug. 13.—(Special.)—The Supreme Court today affirmed the Clark County case of E. G. Selby, respondent, vs. Vancouver Water Works Company, appellant. By the terms of the judgment Selby recovers \$1000 for personal injuries. The water company in constructing its flume tore up planks from the roadway adjoining and piled them by the roadside.

Selby was driving by at night, and his horse shied at a pile of boards, plunged over an embankment, and Selby's right arm was broken at the elbow.

COLUMBIA RIVER SCENERY

Seen to advantage only from deck of a Regulator Line steamer. Through the chambers for The Dalles locks, the steamer Sunday 7 A. M. The palatial steamer Bailey Gatzert leaves daily (except Monday) 3:30 A. M.; Sundays, 9 A. M. for Cascade Locks and return. Excellent meals on all trains. For particulars the defendants cannot pay their debts, and he

FLAX STRAW CAN BE CUT

LABOR ITEM ELIMINATED FROM OREGON PROBLEM.

Question of Manufacture Will Be Discussed at Meeting to Be Called at Salem Soon.

SALEM, Aug. 13.—(Special.)—President H. B. Thiesen, of the Greater Salem Commercial Club, is deeply interested in the future of the flax industry in this state, and as soon as the summer vacations are over will call a meeting of the club for the purpose of considering means of further encouraging the development of that industry. Thiesen, who is president of the club, has been amply proven that this section of Oregon can produce a first-class quality of flax fiber, and that the crop can be depended upon to yield satisfactorily from year to year. The problem yet to be solved is that of manufacture, and to this he will invite the attention of the members of the club. He believes that it will be found that some

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classes of flax products can be manufactured here with profit and that eventually Oregon will be known as a producer of good quality flax products.

Mr. Boies, a veteran flax-grower and manufacturer of Mundie, Ind., who has been visiting in this state for several weeks, recently expressed to Mr. Thiesen his opinion that Oregon can produce as good a quality of flax fiber as can be produced anywhere, and has consented to meet with the members of the Greater Salem Commercial Club and discuss in an informal way the various subjects connected with this industry. He also voiced the belief that at the present time some of the coarser grades of goods, such as crash, can be manufactured here with profit.

In his opinion it will be advisable for Oregon manufacturers to begin by making the coarser goods, and gradually working into the production of fine grades of linen. He believes that there will be a greater probability of success and less opportunity for failure if such a plan should be pursued.

Mr. Boies engaged in the growing of flax, the manufacture of flax and the importation of flax-working machinery with such success that he accumulated a fortune and has retired from active business. He assured Mr. Thiesen that if he were at present engaged in the flax business he would not have a better opportunity than that which is open here in the Willamette Valley for the manufacture of flax products.

Because of his wide experience and his success in the flax business, Mr. Boies is desirous that the members of the Greater Salem Commercial Club shall meet Mr. Boies and learn from him what they can concerning the best methods to be pursued in the development of this promising resource.

It is not alone in a climate and soil that produces a good quality of flax that this section claims superiority as a place for flax manufacture. Every flax-grower who has visited this section of the state has declared that the water found here is exceptionally good for retting the flax, and to this fact is probably due in a large measure the high quality of the finished fiber. While it is not certain that other sections of the Valley have not water just as good for this purpose, it was demonstrated by the late Thomas Kay that the water here is of a quality superior to that of some other places for the retting of flax. The water of this vicinity being almost perfect for the retting of flax, and power being available for the spinning and finishing, and Salem being centrally located in what is the best flax-growing section of the state, it is hoped that some capable flax-grower can be induced to establish a plant here.

Some trouble has been experienced in securing labor for the pulling of flax and it was thought by some that this would be a serious hindrance to the development of this industry. It is learned, however, that the flax can be pulled by hand with a machine instead of being pulled, and that the saving in expense will more than compensate for the small loss of labor. There seems, therefore, to be nothing to prevent a successful continuance and further development of flax-growing and ultimately of the manufacture of flax products in the vicinity of Salem.

COLFAX FIRM INVOLVED.

Attachments Issued Against the Devenish Hardware Company.

COLFAX, Wash., Aug. 13.—(Special.)—Suits were filed and attachments issued against the Devenish Hardware Company, of Colfax, doing business as Pullman as the Devenish Hardware Company, for sums aggregating nearly \$20,000, at a late hour last night. Attorney R. Asand, of Spokane, reached here at 7:45 last night, and, hunting up County Clerk McCaw, filed the complaints and had a writ of attachment issued. Deputy Sheriff Steward went to the Devenish Hardware Company, and served the papers, and took charge of the stock. The creditors who have begun action against the Devenish Hardware Company are: E. E. Plough, of Spokane, formerly a partner in the firm, for \$10,000; the payment of promissory notes aggregating \$6000, none of which is yet due, together with interest and \$500 attorney's fees and costs; the Moline-Bain Company, of Moline, Ill., for \$2500; Howard W. Teed, of Spokane, assignee of the claims of Holly, Mason, Marks & Co., of Spokane, for \$1000; Holbrook, Merrill & Stetson, of Colfax, for \$2500; the Pacific Hardware & Lumber Company, of Colfax, for \$2500; Marshall-Weiss Hardware Company, of Minneapolis, for \$1000; Swabacher Hardware Company, for \$1000; and the Monitor Manufacturing Company, for \$500.

asks that a receiver be appointed with authority to carry on and continue the business at Pullman. A bond for \$5000 was filed by the Moline-Bain Company for the attachment which it sued out against the firm. Stoll & Adams, of Spokane, are attorneys for the plaintiffs, and Thomas Nelson, of Colfax, and J. W. Masters, of Pullman, are attorneys for the defendants.

Oscar Devenish was formerly Sheriff of Lincoln County, and went to Pullman about three years ago. He bought the interest of C. W. Waters in the hardware firm of Plough & Waters, and the business was conducted under the firm name of the Devenish Hardware Company. Mr. Plough moved to Spokane, where he took the general agency for an implement manufacturing company. Mr. Devenish remained in Pullman and conducted the business. Last February Devenish bought Plough's interest in the business for \$10,000, paying \$5000 cash and giving his notes for \$5000. Recently Devenish advertised that he would sell his goods at cost and retire from business. He hung a huge sign across the front of his store, declaring that goods were being sold at cost. This brought on the crisis.

In his complaint E. E. Plough sets forth that it was agreed that if Devenish attempted to sell off the stock or take in a partner the notes should become due and collectable. Plough's action precipitated a rush of the creditors of the firm.

GRANDCHILDREN GET LAND.

Supreme Court Upholds Will of Late Henry Carratt.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Aug. 13.—The Supreme Court has affirmed the judgment of the Klickitat County Superior Court in the case of George Carratt, appellant, vs. Henry B. Carratt and Rachel Carratt, respondents. The appellant is the son of Henry Carratt, Sr., and Sarah Carratt, both deceased, and the defendants are the grandchildren.

Sarah Carratt died prior to her husband, and after her death he acquired from the Government a tract of railroad land that had been forfeited to the Government by the forfeiture act of 1880. Carratt, Sr., exercised his right as possessor of the land under the terms of the act. He willed the land to his respondent, and the appellant brought this suit for a partition of the land, claiming that it was community property, and that as the sole heir of Sarah Carratt he was entitled to her portion of the estate.

The lower court found that the land was not community property, and this judgment is upheld, that it was the sole property of Carratt, Sr., and that he had the legal right to dispose of it by will upon the grandchildren. This judgment is upheld by the Supreme Court, the sole question considered being whether the land was community property.

MILL BUILDING NEAR ELMA.

White-Star Company Will Have Very Complete Plant.

ELMA, Wash., Aug. 13.—(Special.)—The White-Star Lumber Company has just started its new mill near Elma, and is sawing lumber for its own use in completing the mill. This mill is located on the site of the Allen White mill, which was burned in last November's forest fire. The White-Star mill was burned at the same time. These two firms consolidated and organized the White-Star Lumber Company, with Allen White, of Olympia, as president, and John Sprague, of Elma, as manager. They experienced some delay in getting the proper machinery, but now one of the finest lumbering plants in the Northwest is nearing completion. The new mill has a capacity for about 65,000 feet of lumber and more than 100,000 shingles per day.

A large logging works adjoins the mill. A road of 4000 feet for timber and two donkey engines are in use. Sixty men all told are now employed in the woods and on the mill, which force will be increased from time to time.

BREAKS OPEN POUND WITH AN AX.

Stockman Fined for Taking Law in His Own Hands at Baker City.

BAKER CITY, Or., Aug. 13.—(Special.)—Recently the City Council passed an ordinance making it unlawful for anyone to break open a pound with an ax. A stockman was fined for taking law in his own hands at Baker City.

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In pursuance of the provisions of the ordinance the Poundmaster Impounded two steers belonging to Steve Osborn, a prominent rancher, the other day. Mr. Osborn came to town and demanded that the steers be released from the pound, and when his demand was not complied with he took an ax, broke down the gate and released his cattle.

He was arrested yesterday and fined \$10 on the charge of breaking open the pound. Judge Bentley. It is understood that the stockmen are going to make a test case on the question of the validity of the ordinance.

GREAT FIRE FROM GRAY'S HARBOR.

Hollowed out, It Will Be Shipped to the St. Louis Fair.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Aug. 13.—(Special.)—The big fir tree which was cut on Gray's Harbor and intended for the St. Louis fair, has been hollowed out by a bear den, offices for the lumbering company, and the tree is now being cut up into slabs and chunks that will be great hit for cones and other souvenirs.

There are a dozen large circular pieces cut off the ends of the tree, several of which have been placed in the park at signs and one of which will be sent to Sweden to be placed in a public park. The work of preparing the exhibit, however, on account of lack of funds, is going slow. It is estimated that it will cost \$15,000 to get the show ready for the road.

Electric Road Building Fast.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Aug. 13.—(Special.)—The progress of the work on the new electric road from Aberdeen to Hoquiam is so assuring that the people realize that the enterprise will be completed as promised by the projectors. Files have been driven in more than a mile of the road, and the contractors are now placing the rails on the basis of the bonded indebtedness of the railroads and the value of their stock on the market. The railroad men in reply set up that such a plan would be entirely impracticable.

The most practical statement, perhaps, was made by Mr. Walt, the representative of the O. R. & N. He said it was a cold-blooded proposition. It made little difference at what the board placed the valuation of railroads at, so long as stable values were maintained, because the railroads would merely increase their rates in proportion. In any event, he said, the people had to pay the cost of the road.

The board took the matter under advisement. Its conclusions will likely not be announced for several days.

WAS CLOSE TO CONVICTS.

But the Chase Has Been Abandoned by Bloodhounds.

CARSON, Nev., Aug. 12.—Officer C. E. Ferrell, of Reno, who has been on the trail of the escaped Polson-convicts with bloodhounds, has arrived here. Ferrell says he knows the present location of the convicts and was within 40 minutes of them yesterday. If the California posse was close to convicts.

Foresters' Days at Westport.

HOQUIAM, Wash., Aug. 13.—(Special.)—The Foresters of America of this county are making great preparations for their annual excursion and days of sports which take place at Westport, the ocean summer resort of this harbor. They are going to have two great days of sport, Saturday and Sunday, in which there will be two championship baseball games, also foot races, horse races, etc., and Saturday night they will give their annual ball at the Westport pavilion.

Iowa Requisition Honored.

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WATCH AT RIVER'S MOUTH

ADMIRAL CASEY'S FLEET MAY TRY TO RUN IN.

Artillerymen at the Forts Are Kept on the Alert in the Mince Naval Warfare.

ASTORIA, Or., Aug. 13.—(Special.)—Soldiers are sleeping on their arms at the forts of the mouth of the Columbia River. The fleet of the United States Navy is in the mouth of the Columbia River, and the army is on the alert in the forts. The fleet is in the mouth of the Columbia River, and the army is on the alert in the forts.

WIFE HELPS WITH A KNIFE.

Rushes to Defense of Husband, Who Is Being Worried in Fight.

COLVILLE, Wash., Aug. 13.—(Special.)—Alfred Hower and Amelia Hower, his wife, were brought from Springfield, and lodged in the County Jail charged with assault with intent to murder one Levi Main last Sunday. Hower and wife it seems met and attacked Main in the street near the neighborhood where Mrs. Hower demanded of Main that he bring his wife into the (Hower's) presence and that she retract the statements she had made.

Main became indignant, struck Hower in the face and knocked him to the ground and followed the assault by jumping upon the body of the woman and striking her with a large pocket-knife and inflicted a number of wounds about Main's neck and shoulders. From the appearance of the wounds which Main is alleged to have worn at the time of the assault, she struck him at least six times with the knife.

The Justice of the Peace before whom the preliminary examination was held, fixed the bonds for their appearance before the Superior Court at \$500, and the two defendants are now in the County Jail in default of bail. Both Hower and Main are sawmill men, and with their families live at Springfield. Main is about 35 years of age and Hower ten years his senior.

PEOPLE PAY THE TAXES.

Sentient Remnant of Railroad Attorney Beside Idaho Board.

BOISE, Idaho, Aug. 13.—(Special.)—The State Board of Equalization today continued its hearing on the railroad assessment question. The county officials who came to Boise to present arguments in favor of increasing the railroad assessments presented a written communication to the board covering their reasons for urging a raise. The railroad representatives followed, the entire question being gone into exhaustively. The county officials insisted that the assessment be fixed on the basis of the bonded indebtedness of the railroads and the value of their stock on the market. The railroad men in reply set up that such a plan would be entirely impracticable.

WILL GO IF IT IS POSSIBLE.

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DROWNS IN SPIRIT LAKE

BOAT IS UPSET AND THREE MEN THROWN IN WATER.

E. S. Clifton, of Castle Rock, Could Not Swim and Goes Down Despite Friend's Efforts.

CASTLE ROCK, Wash., Aug. 13.—(Special.)—Information was received here early this morning of the drowning yesterday afternoon, at 2:30 o'clock, of E. S. Clifton in Spirit Lake, at the foot of Mount St. Helens. Mr. Clifton, Jess Platter and Mike Burns were on the lake trolling for trout. Platter had been rowing and when within 100 feet of the shore, got up to change seats with Burns, when the boat capsized.

Burns, who could swim a little, made directly for the shore. Platter, who is a good swimmer, gave his attention to Clifton, who he knew could not swim. He caught Clifton by the shoulder and got within 20 feet of the shore when the boat overturned. Clifton sank immediately. In going down the drowning man caught Platter's leg, but in a few moments released his hold and went to the bottom of the lake in 20 feet of water. When the messenger, Mr. Platter, left the lake to bring the news to this place the body had not been recovered.

Spirit Lake is a popular summer resort for the people of this section. Mr. Clifton, who was a prominent dry goods merchant of Castle Rock, with his wife and several other families were camping near the lake and enjoying a summer vacation. The boat was overturned when the boat was overturned.

EXTENSION HAS NO FRIENDS.

Catching of Salmon Will Shut Down at Astoria Promptly.

ASTORIA, Or., Aug. 13.—(Special.)—The report that Astoria fishing interests favor extension of the fishing season is not corroborated by either cameramen or cold storage people here. George H. George, secretary of the Columbia River Packers' Association, avows that all engaged in the fishing business here favor stopping the "bait" promptly at 6 A. M. Saturday, when the season closes. There was no decrease in the catch of last night.

Electric Line, Astoria to Seaside.

ASTORIA, Aug. 13.—(Special.)—E. M. Ormen, an electrical engineer of Cincinnati, O., has been making an examination of the country between Astoria and Seaside in the interest of the proposed electric car line to connect the two towns. He would not divulge the names of the men for whom he is working, but persons who came in contact with him believe that he represents the O. R. & N.

Plenty of Harvest Hands.

JUNCTION CITY, Or., Aug. 13.—(Special.)—Harvest will be on in full blast next week, as several of the largest threshing outfits will begin operations on Monday. Contrary to expectations, hands are about equal to demand, and the price will not be increased to any great extent.

No woman's happiness can be complete without children; it is her nature to love and want them as much as as it is to love the beautiful and

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