

BIG CROP ASSURED

Wonderful Wheat-Yield in the Inland Empire

MAY BREAK FORMER RECORDS

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JACKSON COUNTY NEEDS RAIN. Peaches Are Doing Well, but Wheat is Drying Up.

ASHLAND, Or., July 2.—(Special).—The unusually dry weather of the past two months has seriously affected the crop prospects in the southern part of Jackson County. The continued rains during the past winter prevented the seeding of much ground to wheat and barley, but the fall-sown grain, which was limited in area, produced an abundant yield.

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HONOLULU, July 3.—First Lieutenant Guilford S. Garber, of the United States Army Corps, committed suicide by shooting himself at 2:15 o'clock this morning. He placed a revolver in his mouth and then pulled the trigger. He died soon after. Garber had been out with some companions the night before. He left the following notes:

"It's no use; I cannot stop drinking." He also left a check for \$100 to the order of a friend, First Lieutenant Alden Trotter, of the artillery, and another check for \$50 for his company funds. His accounts are apparently straight. Garber's home was at Madison, Wis.

POPULISTS MAY PICK ALLEN. Ex-Senator From Nebraska to Win Delegates in a Speech Today.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., July 3.—A movement was started tonight to make the

standard-bearers of the Populist party of 1904 Thomas E. Watson, of Georgia, and ex-Senator Allen, of Nebraska. As to which one of the gentlemen should head the ticket, there seems to be little preference. Ex-Senator Allen arrived this afternoon, accompanied by a large delegation from Nebraska, but will not talk on the subject.

A. J. Edmiston, vice-chairman of the fusion wing of the party, is leading the fight for Allen. One hundred Southern delegates arrived this afternoon, headed by J. M. Pittman, who died at Salem, June 18, was an Oregon pioneer of 1850. He was born in Cooper County, Missouri, in 1827, and there resided until 1849, when he went to New Mexico, returning the next spring to Missouri, and leaving immediately for Oregon.

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The "Thirteen" Superstition. A writer in the Washington Star, showing up the ridiculous superstition about the number "13," has been examining the war records and finds that the total loss of the 13 regiments and batteries bearing the designation 13 was 5204; that of the same number of regiments and batteries numbered 12 was 8711, or 1291 more; while that of those numbered 14 was 7078, or 1575 more.

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