

LARGE YIELD OF GRAIN

WHAT CROP INDICATIONS SHOW IN THE PALOUSE COUNTRY.

Conditions Were Never Better for Spring and Fall Wheat-Fruit Crop Will Be Large.

COLFAX, Wash., May 24.—The crop prospect throughout the Palouse country is better than it has ever been at this season of the year. The acreage is almost equal to that of last year, but there is more Spring wheat and less Fall wheat than last year, owing to the Fall wheat having been largely winter-killed. The acreage of wheat in Whitman County is estimated at 400,000, which is about one-third of the area of the county and about two-thirds of the area in cultivation. The Assessor's report shows a little more than 600,000 acres in cultivation in the county. A large amount of new sod is being broken this year, and the acreage next year will be much larger than this or any previous season.

A steady, soaking rain fell almost continuously throughout the Palouse country for five days and nights last week, and there is enough moisture in the ground to insure a large crop of all kinds of grain in nearly all parts of the county. Fall wheat, in the western part of the county, is about 12 inches high, and in some places the heads are forming. This grain is out of any danger from dry weather. Spring wheat in all parts of the county is up several inches and growing rapidly, and a large yield is almost assured throughout the county. Barley and oats, of which there is a larger acreage than usual, also look well and promise a record-breaking yield. The fruit crop never promised as well at this time of the year as now, and if no unforeseen calamity occurs the Palouse country may reasonably expect one of the greatest crops of grain and fruit it has ever produced. There are more fruit trees bearing this year than ever before, and more fruit trees were planted this year than in any two previous seasons in the history of the country.

Last year Whitman County produced 11,000,000 bushels of grain, which was the largest crop ever grown in the county, but this year promises to equal that yield of grain and surpass the yield of fruit in any previous season.

RAN INTO FREIGHT TRAIN.

Southbound Passenger Strikes Open Switch—No One Injured.

SALEM, Or., May 24.—At Hubbard, at 5:30 o'clock this evening, the southbound local train collided head-on with the northbound freight standing on a siding. Both engines were disabled and some passenger coaches damaged, and a number of flat cars in the freight train wrecked. Passengers on the local were thrown from their seats, but aside from a few scratches no injuries resulted. Engineer Phil Gorkin, of the passenger train, stayed with his engine, while his fireman jumped. The freight train had passed on the siding at Hubbard station, filling the switch almost completely, the engine standing near the north end. The north end of the switch was open, and the local train, running into the yard, entered the switch and crashed into the freight engine. Both engines were disabled, while several flat cars in the center of the freight train were shattered and the switch blocked. An engine from Woodburn was sent down to take the passenger train to Albany, passing this city over an hour late. The shock to the passenger train was so great that all the lamps in the first coaches were shattered.

CANBY BOY DISAPPEARS.

Supposed to Have Drowned Himself in the Molalla River.

OREGON CITY, May 24.—The mysterious disappearance of Bert Batty at Canby yesterday has attracted the entire community, and the Molalla River is being dragged for his body, as the young man is supposed to have committed suicide. Yesterday morning Batty, secretary of the Willamette Fruit Company, and the son of George S. Batty, formerly general passenger and ticket agent of the Iowa Central, and at present general superintendent and manager of the Street Stable Car Company, left his home to do some work in the field. He failed to come to lunch at noon, and search was made for him, which resulted in finding his coat and waist-coat at the place where he had been working. He was tracked in the soft ground straight to the Molalla River, about one-half mile distant. The footprints ended on the river bank, and it was believed that the young man had been drowned. A diver was telegraphed for from Portland without delay, and he arrived here today, and was driven to Canby, and is now making a thorough search of the river.

No reason is assigned for the disappearance of Batty, who was about 20 years of age. His mother is a hard-working, industrious young man, about 21 years of age. His mother is at Canby, and his father leaves Chicago tonight for Oregon. It is expected that the body will be recovered tomorrow.

FOUND AN OIL WELL.

Report of Two Timber Cruisers Who Arrived in Aberdeen.

ABERDEEN, Wash., May 24.—A big free-flowing well of high-grade petroleum has been discovered in a remote section of the Clearwater timber tract, a short distance above the Qulnaut Indian reservation, and only about half a mile back from the Pacific Coast.

This remarkable find was brought to this city last night by A. H. Baldwin and I. B. Glidden, who left here a couple of weeks ago on a timber cruise up in the Holy river region, and who accidentally stumbled across the well, which is a regular geyser of oil, in formation and action, while prospecting a heavy belt of timber on the edge of the mountains to the north of the Clearwater. The two men staked out a location around the well and will return to the spot in a few days with all the necessary tools and apparatus to test the quality of the oil and the extent of their discovery. The excitement in consequence of this find is intense, several parties having begun to make arrangements to get into the surrounding country as quickly as possible.

EDDY AT M'INNIVILLE.

The Tillamook Representative Discusses the Issues of the Day.

M'INNIVILLE, Or., May 24.—Hon. B. L. Eddy, of Tillamook City, addressed the people of McMinnville in the courthouse last night on the political issues of the day. The speaker touched first the questions of local importance, the present method of paying taxes, the appointment of roadmaster, etc., and pledged himself to work for a betterment of the method of collecting taxes and making the appointment of roadmaster optional with the County Court, and not obligatory, as at present. His words were in strict accord with the sentiments of the people of Yamhill County.

Mr. Eddy assailed the Democratic accusations that the Republican party was a trust-breeding machine, and conclusively that if the powers of the trusts were to be curtailed, the Republican party must do it. He cited the fact that President Roosevelt had taken a firm stand against illegitimate combinations of capital, and for so doing had been proscribed by the trust magnates. The trust question is a scientific problem, said Mr. Eddy,

Not Responsible.

The woman who recently attempted to throw herself from a second story window, amazed the entire circle of her acquaintance. She was a good woman, prominent in church work, idolized by her husband and beloved by her children. Her home lacked nothing which thoughtfulness could provide. In everything she was woman to be envied, and yet she attempted to destroy herself. Gossips of course began to whisper about skeletons in closets, and hint that if the inside facts were known remorse for some long concealed sin had driven her to distraction. Others wisely wagged their heads and said the husband must have goaded her to madness. They always thought there was something crafty about that man, and so on. But the doctor brushed away all these cobwebs of fiction and comforted the alarmed household with the words, "Not responsible." She did not know what she was doing. For the time being her mind was unshinged, and he explained that such a condition was not at all uncommon at the period known as the change of life. Then the most trusting women may develop unaccountable jealousies. The mother who has been the center of the love of a family may believe that every one is her enemy and be suspicious even of poison in the food prepared by her own daughter. Of course these are the extreme results of this condition. The most of women are simply miserable in mind and body, and feel that this period of change of life is turning the honey of life into bitter gall. They are cross, irritable and nervous, and hate themselves for the unamiable disposition which they cannot seem to control.

It is quite true in the main that a woman at the period of the "change" is not responsible for fretfulness, irritability, jealousy, or even attempted self-destruction. She is not responsible if she does not know that all this mental and physical suffering can be prevented or cured by the timely use of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription.

"About one year ago I commenced the use of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription and 'Golden Medical Discovery,'" writes Mrs. Amanda Morrison, of Mineral Wells, West Va. "Previous to that time I had been treated by two physicians, and while relieved to some extent, it was but temporary. I was passing through this last 'critical period,' and suffered with severe falling of uterus. I cannot begin to state, and think no tongue can describe, my sufferings, both physical and mental. Nerves were all unstrung, and at times it seemed I was perfectly insane. As a stimulant to my nerves I was given a great deal of medicine, but experienced no permanent benefit until I began the use of your medicines. These helped from the start, and I have continued the use of both 'Favorite Prescription' and 'Golden Medical Discovery' for about six months, but am now only taking 'Favorite Prescription.' I can now do a good deal of housework, but previously could do nothing, and at times knew nothing. Indeed, most of the time I feel well. I have your 'Pellets' and 'Extract of Smart-Weed,' and find them all that you claim. I think your remedies are all good, and your 'Favorite Prescription' and 'Golden Medical Discovery' the best medicines in the world."

Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is a woman's medicine, and cures the womanly diseases which destroy womanly health and strength. From the first change of life, when the girl becomes a woman, until the final period of change, it is the constant friend of weak and sick women. It establishes regularity, dries unhealthy drains, heals inflammation and ulceration and cures female weakness. It is unguessed as a tonic and nerve for weak, run-down women. It tranquilizes the nerves, encourages the appetite and induces refreshing sleep. It cures headache, backache and other aches which are the result of womanly disease.

"I am passing through the change of life," writes Mrs. Rose Barrows, of Glenwood, West Va., "and two years ago this winter was taken sick with a complication of diseases that usually come on at such a time. Doctor for three months, but did not get much relief. Was advised to try your 'Favorite Prescription,' and I commenced taking it, and used about three bottles before we could see whether it was doing me any good. I kept on until I had taken five bottles and then the change was remarkable. I was able to go to work again, and gained in flesh until I weighed more than ever before. I will recommend Dr. Pierce's medicines wherever I go. Have also taken your 'Pellets' the most of the two years and found them good."

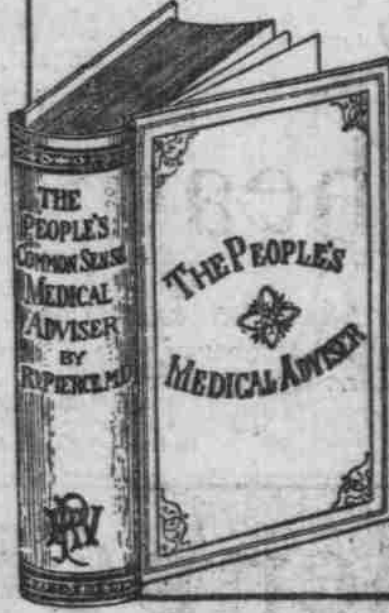
Any woman who has tested and proved the power of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription to cure womanly diseases and to lighten the burdens of maternity, will have the fullest confidence that in this last great crisis of her life, she may rely on "Favorite Prescription" once more to preserve her in perfect health. Those who do not know by personal experience the remarkable power of this great medicine to cure womanly ills, may gain confidence by knowing that behind the two letters printed above, there are thousands of others, all testifying to the superiority and reliability of "Favorite Prescription" as a cure for womanly ills.

In Mrs. Morrison's letter given above, she says: "As a stimulant to my nerves I was given a great deal of medicine, but experienced no benefit until I began the use of your medicines. These helped me from the start." It is well for women to remember that the medicines frequently given as "nerve stimulants," depend for their stimulating effect upon alcohol or opium, cocaine, or some other narcotic. Such stimulants cannot give any permanent benefit. They numb the nerves but do not nourish them.

Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription provides nerve nourishment. It contains no alcohol and is entirely free from opium, cocaine and all other narcotics. It is a purely vegetable preparation, and cannot disagree with the weakest constitution.

Sick women are invited to consult Dr. Pierce by letter free, and so avoid the offensive examinations, indelicate questionings and obnoxious local treatments which the home physician often deems necessary. All letters addressed to Dr. Pierce are treated as strictly private and sacredly confidential. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

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and requires deep study and careful treatment. When the trusts are subdued it must be without injuring business.

BIG CROWD AT KERBY.

Holiday Taken in Order to Hear Republican Addresses.

KERBY, Or., May 24.—This has been the greatest day for Kerby in many years and all because the Republican candidates are in town. They came in full force and brought along the Grant's Pass band. The people of this section turned out en masse to hear the speaking. Everybody took a holiday in order to hear the Republican candidates. The speakers explained and to meet the different candidates. W. H. Hampton, the principal speaker, made a good plain business talk. Mr. Hampton is doing excellent work in this campaign and making many votes everywhere. Major Abe Axell, County Judge, spoke at some length, supporting the Republican ticket in general and Mr. Furnish for Governor in particular, in his usual vigorous style. Major Axell was elected four years ago as an Independent.

A routing meeting was held last night at Wald by the Republicans and was addressed by W. H. Hampton.

Williamson at Astoria.

ASTORIA, Or., May 24.—Addresses were made by J. N. Williamson, Republican candidate for Congress from the Second District, and J. C. Magers, at a meeting held in Fisher's Opera-House, this evening, under the auspices of the Young Men's Republican Club. Mr. Williamson discussed all the important issues now before the people, defining his position on each, and his remarks were well received by the large audience present.

OFF FOR THUNDER MOUNTAIN.

Trail Is Opened and Fortune-Seekers Begin to Move.

STITES, Idaho, May 24.—The trail to Thunder Mountain, via Stites, Elk City and Dixie, is now open for horses. The welcome notice was brought by stage Thursday, and tomorrow most of the fortune-hunters who have been encamped at

this point waiting for better weather, will be on the road. The new trail from Salmon River was completed Tuesday night, and the next day the horses were being driven up at the river and at Chamberlain Basin were on the move. The distance to Thunder Mountain has been shortened 10 miles, and the trail is much better than the old one, and is perfectly safe.

CHARGED ADMISSION FEE.

Persons Who Attended Commencement Exercises at Baker City Paid.

BAKER CITY, May 24.—The twelfth annual commencement exercises of the Baker City High School took place at the opera-house last evening in the presence of a fair-sized audience. A class of 10 graduates, five boys and five girls received diplomas. The orations and essays of the graduates were excellent, and the only criticism of the exercises offered was against the faculty and School Board for allowing an admission fee to be charged, especially as three public school entertainments follow one after the other, to all of which the patrons of the schools who attend are obliged to pay. Many patrons who were present last evening were decidedly of the opinion that if the public generally had been invited to be present and the doors thrown open so that the house could have been crowded from pit to dome, the effect on the minds of the taxpayers would have been most potent.

GAVE MONEY TO WOMEN.

How Balliet Used Funds of the Swan Company.

DES MOINES, Ia., May 24.—Testimony of a sensational character was brought out today at the trial of Leeson Balliet, the alleged mining king of Baker City, Or., who is accused of fraudulent use of the moneys in selling shares of the White Swan gold mine, misrepresenting his interest and the value of the property. Miss Alice Young, of San Francisco, Balliet's private secretary, testified that upon orders from Balliet, telegraphic, written and oral, she had in divers cases turned over to notorious women, various sums belonging to the White Swan Mining Company.

ARMY OFFICERS LEAVE.

VANCOUVER BARRACKS, May 24.—Captain Charles G. French left Monday for Fort Gibbon, Alaska, to take command of Company K, Seventh Infantry, and then to proceed with it to the camp of instruction at the Presidio and report to the commanding officer.

FATE OF A BRIDEROOM.

Married to His Wife in Quarantine—Now Down With Smallpox.

ABERDEEN, May 24.—William Simons, who was married to Miss Mabel Waring

two weeks ago, while his bride was in quarantine, owing to her father, Mr. J. W. Waring, being ill with smallpox, was taken yesterday with the dread disease. The wedding was a sensational ceremony, the bride standing on the one side of the rope that marked the quarantine limits and the clergyman, Rev. Charles McDermoth, and the groom on the other side. The happy couple joined hands across the rope, were duly made husband and wife, and Simons then voluntarily took up his abode in the Waring household, to share the quarantine with his newly-married wife. Dr. McDermoth is as unconcerned about his exposure to the disease as can be, it being his belief that since he remained on the outside of the rope, the danger of contagion could not extend beyond the limits fixed by the quarantine regulations.

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Philadelphia Times.

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If you want to know what smartly dressed men will wear this season, ask Ben Selling about it. He will also show you the correct styles for boys.



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H. Bruck, of the Signal Corps, have left Ragsway and Junction for duty at the two places as cable operators.

Fruit-Growers' Union.

SALEM, May 24.—The board of directors of the Salem Fruit-Growers' Union today employed J. M. Kyle, of Salem, as manager for the Union. Mr. Kyle will receive, grade, ship and sell and have the entire charge of the marketing of the growers' products. Growers are purchasing boxes and crates through the Union to save the middleman's profit. Early varieties of the strawberry crop will not be ready for harvesting for 10 days. The strawberry acreage represented in the union is 50 of a possible 75 acres grown in this vicinity.

Closing entertainment of Oregon Deaf Mute School will be held Tuesday afternoon, May 27. A feature of the programme will be the presentation of oral class work, including speech-making by pupils. The attendance for the year just closed was 53, as against an average of 61 the year before.

To Build Alaska Railway.

TRENTON, N. J., May 24.—The Anglo-Alaskan Construction Company, to contract for the construction and equipment of railroads in Alaska, capital \$3,000,000, was incorporated here today. Incorporated Thomas B. Barrett and Frederick B. Seagard, of New York, and J. D. Daly, of Jersey City. It is thought the company has been formed to do the construction work for the Valdez, Copper River and Yukon Railways, which was incorporated here yesterday.

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There are certain kinds of labor and certain conditions of labor to which the growing human being should never be subjected. It is not worth while to enumerate them here, except to say that such trades as coal-mining and manufacturing that are in their nature unhealthful are among them. And in any case, no labor should be allowed to interfere with or to prevent the imparting of a due amount of education to every child. Next to the evil, however, of allowing children to grow up in ignorance is that of allowing them to grow up in idleness, or without having learned or mastered a means of livelihood. This principle should be broadly applied to the children of the rich as well as to those of the poor, for no one can doubt that his observance, in what ever class, conduces to better citizenship and sounder social conditions. But it most vitally concerns the unfavored masses, to whom the necessity of labor is an ever-present reality. The most valued part of the education of the children of the poor is the practical part, and this cannot be completely acquired in schools. It must be gained in actual life.

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work, however light or even attractive it might be. It is a cruel thought, that of depriving childhood of all its sportive joys. But the truest wisdom can be shown in assigning to each of the children, work and play—a fair proportion of time. In many lines of labor, skilled and unskilled, children might be employed for a certain portion of each day with distinct physical and moral advantage to them. But it is absolutely necessary that the law should fix the maximum of such labor, at the same time prescribing a minimum of mental training for the children. With such a system there could be little chance of abuse, and the average workingman or working-woman, brought up under the influence of a well-balanced capacity for active membership in the productive orders of society.

Schoolmaster Thrashed 100 Boys.

Richmond (Va.) Dispatch. A Connecticut schoolmaster thrashed 40 scholars in one day, and the Nutmeg state papers are bragging that he broke the record. He may have broken the modern record, but not that of the "better days of the republic." Just before the war between the states the late Richard Anderson more than doubly outperformed the Connecticut man's performance. It was when he was classical assistant to William Dabney Stuart, whose schoolhouse was on the north side of Clay street, between Fifth and Sixth. Stuart was sick, and "Old Dick," as the assistant was affectionately called—for he was as fine a man as ever lived—was running the school. The boys, about 115 in number, indulged in a concerted and excessive outburst of hilarity and devilment, and Anderson vowed by the shades of some dozen or more Latin Greek authors that if they repeated it he would wallop the whole party. They did repeat it, and Anderson, who had expected the repetition and armed himself with a bundle of switches cut from the trees in the German Lutheran churchyard on Sixth street, proceeded to keep his vow in fast and furious style. The scholars ranged in age from 10 to 17 and 18 years, and not one escaped. It was a circus while it lasted, and the yowls and laughter evoked by the occasion might have been heard squares off.

Elephant on a Trolley Wire.

Denver News. The spectacle of a big Asiatic elephant poking his proboscis against the gears of a saloon at Fifteenth and Platte street Friday night caused consternation throughout the neighborhood.

A panic ensued among the inhabitants, for no one was able to conceive how an elephant could ever get from the jungles of Asia to Fifteenth street without being properly herded. A few seconds later and a tiny elephant, but big enough to walk over a shanty, poked his trunk into a window, and things were getting dangerous. It was all explained when the sleepers looked out and saw frantic keepers trying to herd the elephants down the main street, but trying in vain. It was a genuine elephantine stampede. The animals belong to a "monster and colossal aggregation of wild and wonderful specimens of the jungle," and will star in an "overpowering magnificent and absolutely unparalleled" show that is about to start on the road. They got so restive in the cars that the keepers had taken them out to drive them into a corral. At least it is a "corral" in the show bill literature. The big beasts shambled along all right until they came to Fifteenth and Platte streets, where one big fellow got his long trunk tangled in a trolley wire and the electric quivers irritated him and a stampede began. It lasted for only a little while, however, and the keepers finally managed to get the giants quieted. There was great fear for some time, though, but finally the "colossal and overwhelming aggregation" moved on serenely to the corral, leaving big hunks of vacuum in the jungle at Fifteenth and Platte.

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