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Guy Elliott Mitchell, secretury of the National Irigation
Association, in an article on th. Association, in an article on th Deserc," кауе:
"A single crop which would confuse the prophecies of the Englishman Malthus, who long ago culculated that in a meas urable time the human rac block its own increase lest its numbers should surpass th rood-prodacing power of the Crooks, who foresaw within few derades all the wheat-pro aucing area of the world taxe to its atmost with an increasing
population crying unavailingly for bread, is the recently intro duced macaront or durum whea which has found for itself i the American Desert an area vast as the state of Texas, now occupied prineipally by sage brush and vactus."
"The macaroni whent belt," said M. A. Cariton, the macar oni wheat specialist, of the Bu reau of Plant Industry, ex of the United States. The ma caroni wheat country would in clude a very large fraction of a million square miles. Our peo ple are but beginning to realizi tural wealth unty vast agrienl in this enormons hes laten Department of alea. Department of Agricultute i pushing this desert reclamatio with great vigor. No year goes by that does not find some one or two or three entirely new
varietiee or species of wonder ful drought resistance. Macar oni wheat will grow with 10 inches of raihfall and yield 15 bushels of wheat to the acre where ordihary wheat is an ab solute fullure. This is two bushels more than the averag wheat yield for the Unite states."
The writer goes on to say There are, as indicated by the oxperts of the Agricultural De partment, milions of acres of West, with int lisht fall, which hat shat ail, which hower, llroug he selection cl proper crope and-equally important - with proper cultivation, will sustain prosperous farm communities,
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According to the most relia According to the most rehiatotal wheat yield of the Northwest this year will be between $45,000,000$ and $50,000,000$ bushels. This is a trifle better than sist year's yield, which was re too early yet to mid crop. It is too early yet to make an ac-
curate estimate of the probable arate estimate of the probable
ield, even with the best faciliies for information, but it is kought that when the season i ver the actual figures will no vary far from $50,000,000$ bushele The harvest is now well under way in Eastern Oregon, Suutheastern Washington and Western Idaho, and the yield is good Cutting is largely completed and the thresling is getting well under way. In some districts the wheat is averaging 30 to 45 bushels to the acre, thongh in others 20 is a fair figure. The Fall grain is much better than the Spriog-sown, however, and this must be taken into acconnt in making the onal estimates of
the yield. All the Fall grain the yield. All the Fall grain
ihrough the entire Northwest is yielding splendidly. The ear yielding splendidy. The ear-
lier spring grain is all right, lor spring grain is all right,
too, but the late sown Spring grain was damaged by the re celt hot weather to an uncer ain extent.
In Umatilla county the yield good throughout. New grai is now being received rapidly at various points, and ship ments are beginning from Mis ion, a station east of Pendeton Conditions in Walla Wall county are on the whole satis actory, and when the crops are all hauled in it is thought the atal yield will show an imerease of 10 per cent over last year's ield.
In the vicinity of Pullman Wash.; and Kuscow. Idaho, Fall grain is ruuning from 30 to 0 bushels to the acre, and averaging
that section. Within a week or 10 days it can be learned with more cer-
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giain and accurate estimates of the probable yield can be made.
Crook County Journal: The county court at its session las week in passing favorably upon the petition for the Frank EI kins road also granted that par of the petition which prayed for a vifoating of the Jenkio road from's point at the begin ning of the Elkins road to the own of Madras. The matte did not appear on record in the commissioner's docket and in counséquence was not published by the Journal in its somm the court procueding
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IRRIGATION PROJECT
L. D. Wiest, of Bend, who ormerly had charge of the en gineering work for the Pilot band who laid out the townsit of Bend, has been making the preliminary surveys for the Mc Kay irrigation project nea Prineville. This project has in 000 acres of arid land lying 40 , tween Prineville and the base tween Prineville and the base
of Grizzly Butte, and all who have passed over the Shaniko Prineville stage ronte are famil Par with the beantiful tract sandy bottom land which it i now proposed to make product ive by bringing water upon i rom the McKay and Ochoco The preliminary surveys by Engineer Wiest are abou completed, and will soon be for warded to the Eastern capital ists who have interested them selves in the project, with estimates of the cost of the work. While not as large as some o the other irrigation projects in is looked upon as one of the is looked upon as one of the
most feasible. The land to be rrigated lies in a compact body nd practically every acre o under ditch will be cultivated.
Supervisor S. C. Bartrum, the sonthern division of the Cas ade Forest Reserve, very nar while attempting to ford the North Umpqua River. While on a tour of inspection of the reserve it became necessary for
hiu to cross the North Umpqua at a point known to be quite dangerous, or else make a ride of six miles to the nearest ford.
As the supervisor was anxions As the supervisor was anxions
to reach his destination withont delay, he uttempfed to swim his horse across the river. The curNorth Umpqua, point, swept the horse from under Mr. Bartrum, who succeeded in reaching quieter wates and swimming to shore while falls a short distance below and its life crushed out on the sharp its life
rocks.

Sheep shooting has again broken out in Wheeler county he tirst offense of that kind his season being committed Citchell near the Keaton from Hitchell near the Keaton saw killed. The sheep belonged to Batler Bros., Wheeler coitinty heepmen. The sheep-shooters, ulled over means of sacks powered the lierder and then began shooting into the band of sheep with Winchesters un il the band was badly scal
ered, 200 head having been killed outright.

Crook County Journal: In he neighborhood of 25 persons, who will appear before the fed ral grand jury this week in Portland, left on the stages Friday and Saturday. Probably the greater number of them ill be Keld over to give testicony in the rand trials which
comineme on September 5 , and will be absent from the city. nonth or more.
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