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FINE CROPS SHOULD WIN WHEAT PRIZES

Many Samples Promised for Middle West Land Shows—Oregon Development News

Portland, Ore., July 9.—Oregon should capture the prize for the best five bushels of wheat grown in the American Northwest this year, but to do so will require careful selection and indeed it may be necessary to hand pick the wheat. It will pay to do it, for a prize of \$5,000 is offered by the Northwest Development League for the best five bushels exhibited at the Minneapolis Land Show in November. With the splendid grain crop assured for Oregon, this state should have any quantity of first class wheat to enter at this show.

Commercial bodies of the state are showing an interest in the collection of Oregon exhibits to be shown this winter at the land shows of the Middle West. In response to a call sent out by Manager Chapman of the Oregon Development League, many outside cities have been heard from, and each promising to collect samples of the best products grown there this season and it seems a good collection is assured. No locality should allow itself to be unrepresented.

Following its success of last year, Port Orford will hold another agate carnival early in August. A big feature of the entertainment will be a reproduction of the famous Indian fight of Battle Rock.

Coos Bay claims the largest saw log. The A. C. Smith Co. has sawed a giant spruce log estimated to have weighed 18 tons, that scaled 19,600 feet of lumber. It was 75 feet long, seven feet in diameter at the butt and five feet eight inches at the top. This is thought to be the largest log ever hauled on a train anywhere.

Portland is ablaze with lights and streaming banners of purple and white this week in honor of the grand reunion of the Elks. Thousands of visitors from all parts of the country are here, and to many of the delegates, this is their first introduction to the Pacific Coast. Oregon lodges are co-operating heartily to welcome their visiting brothers from the Eastern states.

Moored in Portland harbor is the famous old fighting machine, the battleship Oregon. For the first time in its long and eventful history, it is visiting its own state. Its arrival aroused great interest and big crowds have been visiting this surdy old fighter.

Surveys at the mouth of the Columbia River show that the entrance is growing deeper. The area of deep water is growing, apparently through the action of the river current, which, directed by the jetty, is scouring out the channel to a greater depth. Steadily improved conditions are looked for at the mouth of the river, particularly as work on the north jetty progresses.

Sherman County farmers have come to appreciate their experiment farm, located at Moro. Many at first doubted its utility but such valuable help has been given in conducting inquiries into better methods of agriculture that they are now thoroughly interested. A recent farmers' day brought hundreds of visitors to the station.

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OREGON DELEGATES SOLID FOR WILSON

Washington Votes For Clark to End, Despite Radical Leanings.

Baltimore.—After Holman and Godfrey, the wanderers in the Oregon delegation, returned to the fold Monday morning they remained with the dyed-in-the-wool Wilson delegates to the end, and on every roll call on Monday and Tuesday Oregon cast ten votes for Woodrow Wilson.

Washington's 28 delegates, with half a vote apiece, under instructions for Clark, voted for him on every roll call save the 46th, when Wilson's nomination had been assured and nothing was to be gained by holding out longer for Clark.

In Tuesday's poll it was found that delegates Shram, Seattle; Neterer, Bellingham; Munday, Vancouver, and Ritz, Walla Walla, had started for home, leaving proxies to be voted for them, but an objection was raised to these proxies being used and all the proxies were ruled out by Chairman James whenever a protest was registered.

In opposing James' ruling, and the demand that all proxies be allowed to stand and be allowed to vote, Senator Turner said that Washington had no alternates and could not vote its full strength unless proxies could vote. To which Chairman James replied: "If the democratic party of your state was so foolish as to send no alternates it must pay the penalty in loss of votes."

This ruling did not affect the total vote of the state cast under the unit rule. It affected only the poll of delegates to determine how the unit vote should be cast.

Idaho's delegation was shrewd. When it saw Champ Clark losing ground it "stood from under" and most of the delegation went to Wilson. The vote fluctuated. Sometimes one and again as many as five delegates with half a vote each, stayed by Clark, but usually not more than three remained loyal.

Tuesday morning Idaho cast its solid vote for Wilson and continued to do so until the end. It did this in defiance of its instructions for Clark and in defiance of ex-Senator Dubois, Clark's manager.

BRYAN DESERTS CLARK

Explaining Vote He Refuses to Support Any Candidate of New Yorkers

Baltimore.—The scene when Bryan repudiated Clark was one of the most dramatic ever witnessed in a national convention.

Declaring he wanted to explain his vote, he proceeded to declare that he and the men he represented, would support no creature of Tammany Hall and no presidential candidate who owed his nomination to New York's 90 votes, directed by Murphy. Bryan switched from Clark to Wilson. The action was taken amidst pandemonium the like of which has seldom been surpassed in a national convention.

Standing on the platform, flushed and angry, Bryan threw directly into the face of Murphy, as he sat at the head of the New York delegation, the



WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN.
Who Attended the Baltimore Convention as Delegate From Nebraska.

charge that he represented the great interests of the country and not the mass of the democratic voters of New York state.

The entire incident was marked by bitter invectives, rival cheering and jeering and by a display of animosity toward Bryan by the major part of the delegations which was absolutely unprecedented in his entire career.

However, Bryan gained his point. From the very moment that he finished his speech and announced the change of the majority of the instructed delegates from Nebraska from Clark to Wilson, the Clark boom began to droop.

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FIELD PEAS ADVISED BY FARMING EXPERT

May be Used on Land in High Altitude and are Valuable as Rotation Crop

Canadian field peas are making a very promising growth on the demonstration fields and there is every indication that this crop will be one of the best for this region, and should be grown much more extensively than it is at present. Field peas will make an excellent seed crop especially for dry land, and even when conditions are not satisfactory for growing the seed, large crops of hay may be secured.

Field peas are annual leguminous plants similar to the common garden pea. Like other legumes they add nitrogen to the soil through the tubercles on their roots which contain nitrogen gathering bacteria.

Field peas attain their highest development in northern latitudes or high altitudes for they require cool weather with increasing heat as they ripen. While peas do best on medium fertile silt loam, they are not particular as to soil except that it must be well drained and fairly free from alkali. On account of the large sized seed they may be used in supducing new land. They will stand considerable frost and have not been injured by heavy frosts on the high plains south-west of Bend when most other crops were frozen down.

The culture of field peas is similar to that of small grain. Disc grain immediately after harvest and deep fall plow. Then disc and fit the ground early in spring and seed early. Peas require about 100 days between seeding and maturity. Seeding should be done on the lower plains in the northern part of the county about April 1st; in the irrigated section about April 20th; and on the high plains south east of Bend about the middle of May. Seed are worth about \$2 to \$2.50 per bushel of 60 pounds. The White Canadian variety is about the best to use here. The Golden Vine and Blue Prussian also do well. Seed two or three inches deep according to the moisture conditions and drill the seed with any grain drill that will not crack the seed, and preferably with the press wheel attachment. For irrigated sections use about two bushels an acre and for dry land half that much. Experiments indicate that it is best to plug up part of the drill holes and seed in double rows about two or two and a half feet apart. Handled in this way they should be given little cultivation, and where water may be had light furrow irrigation followed promptly by level cultivation should be the practice. Peas in this section may reasonably be expected to yield from one to two and a half tons of hay per acre or from 10 to 20 bushels of seed per acre.

Peas may be utilized for pasture, soiling, green manuring, hay or seed. They make excellent hog or sheep pasture and should be hurdled off at a time when the peas are hardening in the pod. Threshed peas contain about 8 per cent. protein (in per cent. dry matter) and the whole plant used as hay together with some oats or barley makes an ideal ration. The threshed straw has a fair feeding value. The crop is ready for soiling as soon as the peas are well formed in the pod. They are cut for hay when about right for table use. Peas for seed should be raised in cultivated rows and cut when the lower pods are nearly brown. They shatter badly and must be cut with a drop rake reaper or a buncher attachment.

Peas make an excellent soil, improved to use in a three year rotation and following grain in that rotation. It is common knowledge that continuous grain growing depletes the soil's nitrogen supply. Where the bacteria which cause the nodules on the roots of peas are present they fix the nitrogen of the air into compounds which will be partly used by the growing crop and partly left in the soil. Where nodules do not appear on the roots no nitrogen is added and though the peas may mature seed, it is best to inculcate or put the bacteria into the soil where peas are to be grown. This may be done by transferring soil from a field where nodules are to be found on the roots of peas and harrowing in at time of seeding. Pure cultures of the proper bacteria may be obtained for inoculating through this office. Nodules are abundant on the roots of field peas at the Redmond Experiment field but are not present on the peas at the Metolius field this year. A cultivated pea crop leaves the land free of weeds and in better moisture condition than an untilled fallow.

Field peas can also be used to advantage in a crop rotation as compared to alfalfa or clover. The peaweed which frequently injures the germinating power of pea seed may be killed by fumigating with carbon bisulphide.

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