

# WHEAT YIELD IN GILLIAM

### Indications Point to the Smallest Crop Production in Many Years—Lack of Moisture Cause—Growers Will Gain Financially.

By Hyman H. Cohen.  
Condon, Or., Aug. 5.—Gilliam county's wheat fields will vary more than ever before in size of yield. Some fields will range as high as 35 bushels to the acre, but it is not likely that any great number of such big yields will be shown this season.

From harvest returns now being received by buyers and millers it is unlikely that Gilliam's fields will average over 15 bushels to the acre, the smallest average in years. Some of the fields already cut are not going over six bushels to the acre, and in some places the condition of the crop is so bad that the grain will not pay harvesting expense—because it will not cut.

**Gilliam's Good Wheat.**  
Samples of new wheat secured in store show how short was the supply of moisture the past season. Gilliam county is noted for the good quality and heavy weight of her wheat, which is usually the heaviest in the state. It has been no trouble heretofore for Gilliam county wheat to come up to standard of quality, for in a sense it was this section's grain that has set the standard. Samples thus far received from the fields show the grain to weigh much less than usual. Some of it is running down as low as 54 pounds to the bushel, but once in a while an extra fine selection will run as high as 59 pounds.

While the crop of wheat will be fully 15 to 20 per cent smaller than usual, owing to the lack of moisture, producers are not worrying a wee bit for the financial part they stand to receive more money than even the bumper crop of a year ago paid them. At this time they are in the most fortunate of positions.

**Exporters Eagerly Sought.**  
The exporters are fighting among themselves—the coast buyers have it for the foreign agents, while the large millers sometimes pay a premium of 30 cents a bushel in order to get wheat away from outside competitors. With all it is now a question of getting the wheat, and not what the grain is going to cost.

The barley yield here will average 35 bushels to the acre, although in a few scattered spots the grain will not cut at all.

**Prospects Around Condon.**  
While the Condon district will not likely make the record for shipping

more wheat than other primary points, as a year ago, the grain trade is not likely to be discouraged, for they say that such a season as the past one will never occur again, at least for many years, so unusual were climatic conditions.

**Larger Crops to Be Sown.**  
The past season has taught wheat growers that they would be better off financially were a larger crop of fall wheat sown. For this reason farmers are already under way for the sowing this fall of the largest amount of wheat ever put in the ground in this county. It has been successfully shown this year more than in previous years that fall wheat does much better than winter wheat, and soon the Condon section will be in the fall sown class.

While the soil of the light lands here shows moisture retention to a very wonderful degree, grain growers have come to the conclusion that it will pay them better financially were they to put all their wheat in the ground during the fall and take no chances whatever with possible rainfall deficiency.

**Outlook Around Arlington.**  
Harvesting is in full swing in the section of Gilliam county contiguous to Arlington, and from present indications the crop will not be more than half that of the bumper yield of 1907. Returns received here from the fields tell of yields that range from 25 bushels to the acre down to practically nothing, for some fields are so poor that it will not pay to harvest them.

Local people have received advice stating that some harvested fields have run as low as two bushels to the acre, and at the high prices now being paid by buyers. Thus far the wheat received from buyers reports weighed from 57 to 65 pounds per bushel, but as only a nominal amount of the grain has thus far been received at store here this estimate of the weight of the coming crop is very likely overdrawn to a considerable extent.

**Keen Competition Expected.**  
Much the larger per cent of the wheat of this section is of the spring variety, and this accounts in a measure for the smallness of the yield compared with last year's record breaking production. To date there has been but a small amount of paying for wheat, and the few sales reported have been at a range from 75 to 80¢ a bushel, the latter being the extreme top. While the competition at Arlington has not been very keen among the warring factions—Helford, Guthrie & Co., Kerr-Gifford & Co. and Campbell-Sanford-Henley company—the trade expects big things to happen to prices when the crop movement begins in earnest.

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# WILL ASK REASON WHY

### Harriman on Trip West Will Meet Question Regarding Completion of New Lines in Oregon Started Last Year.

On his trip west E. H. Harriman will again be brought face to face with the partly constructed railroad lines that were begun and abandoned in Oregon last year. Local men in charge of these enterprises have been daily expecting for weeks to receive orders to proceed with construction.

Each week the expression is heard: "Well, next Wednesday, or possibly by Saturday, we will get orders to resume work." But time passes and there's nothing doing.

The Pacific Railway & Navigation company's line to Tillamook is in such condition that the contractors must either pull out their equipment very soon or make preparations to leave it in the woods all winter. Nothing can be done to dispose of the construction outfits after the winter rains set in.

The Beaverton-Willamette line is in its initial stage of construction. Contractors had begun construction work at the Willamette river bridge for the Beaverton cut-off south of Portland, when the order to shut down came last year. Ever since that time they have kept watchmen on the ground, looking after the plant. The same condition exists over the Tillamook line, and the line from Rain to Coos bay.

It is said the Harriman management has been notified by all contractors that if orders are not forthcoming within the next few days to resume work or cancel the contracts the contractors must leave their equipment and camps in place on the ground the entire winter at the expense of the railroad companies. This summer a number of contractors are practically idle as a result of waiting from week to week for resumption of construction work at full blast on the Harriman railroad projects.

On his way west Mr. Harriman is credited with having said that he is waiting for business to pick up before resuming construction work on projected lines in the west. While business is good with the railroads, it is not yet as heavy as 1906, and that year is credited by all railroad traffic men with an unusually big year for tonnage. For some months railroad traffic men have been saying that the movement of freight and passengers is up to the average year.

From the remarks credited to Mr. Harriman it is to be assumed that he is waiting for another high water mark in general business the country over before he again orders railroad construction work resumed in the Pacific Northwest. Meantime he is credited with having made a bargain with George Gould for completion of the Western Pacific, another transcontinental railroad line to San Francisco.

**C. P. R. Service Uninterrupted.**  
The local office of the Canadian Pacific in its regular office at the corner of Third and Commercial streets has not been interrupted on account of the recent fires in the Fernie district.

**Companies Incorporated.**  
(Salem Bureau of The Journal)  
Salem, Or., Aug. 5.—Articles of incorporation have been filed in the office of the secretary of state as follows:  
Lincoln Park Water company, principal office, Grants Pass, Or.; capital stock, \$5,000; incorporators, O. S. Blanchard, J. G. Riggs and E. L. Churchill.  
Amalgamated Paper Milling company, principal office, Portland, capital stock, \$2,000,000; incorporators, L. C. McNichols, L. E. Rice and O. A. Neal.  
Dallas Construction company, principal office, Dallas, capital stock, \$3,000; incorporators, George F. Geringer, Louis Geringer, Jr. and Oscar Hayter.

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**CHURCH BOARDS TO CO-OPERATE**  
The first meeting of the executive committee of the state board of the Oregon Christian Churches since Portland was chosen as permanent headquarters for the board was held yesterday afternoon at the Y. M. C. A. rooms. It was decided at the last state convention of Christian churches, closing July 5 at Turner, that Portland was the place for the permanent headquarters of the board.

The executive committee will meet Monday, and the full board will meet quarterly. The executive committee is composed of Rev. Duvis Erett of Salem.

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at the present convention to bring about more satisfactory conditions. It is hoped that an agreement will be reached with the United Teamsters of America. The latter organization was formed as a result of dissatisfaction with the management of the teamsters' strike in Chicago several years ago. The organization then split into two factions which have been at loggerheads ever since. The conservative element is now at work on plans to bring about a permanent truce between the two bodies and hope is entertained that ultimately an amalgamation of the two may be accomplished.

England owns 60 per cent of the mileage of submarine cables, the United States coming next with 18 per cent, and France next with 8 per cent.

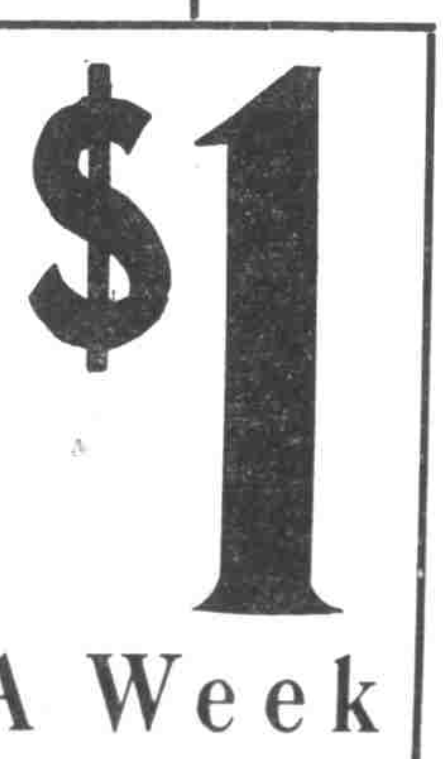
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