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**FEATURES OF THE
PRESENT HARVEST**

**SURPRISINGLY HEAVY
YIELDS ON LIGHT LAND.**

Present Estimates Indicate That O. R. & N.'s Wheat Shipments Will Be Cut in Two While Northern Pacific Will Have Nearly Normal Amount of Grain to Handle.

As harvest progresses in Umatilla county several extraordinary features are noticed by close observers. One of the most surprising features of the present season is the heavy yields on the light land in the north and northwest portions of the county and the reduced yields of the heavier land in the center of the wheat belt.

It is now estimated that the O. R. & N., which penetrated the heart of the wheat belt, will have but half of its usual tonnage of wheat this season from Athena, Weston, Adams, Eastland and other shipping points, while the Northern Pacific, which penetrates a lighter soil district, will have fully 75 per cent of its usual tonnage.

As the harvest progresses in the northwest part of the county the yield of the light land is surprising and proves conclusively that the lighter soil will produce a crop under great difficulties, as but very little rain has visited that portion of the county this season.

Also the weight of the grain is surprising. While the yield has been cut down somewhat, the wheat tests all the way from 28 to 62 pounds per bushel.

Wenaha Guests.

In the list of recent arrivals at Wenaha springs, as published yesterday, the following were inadver-

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**BRYAN ACCEPTS
THE CHALLENGE.**

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determined, as our platform unequivocally declares, to maintain them and carry them out.

"In the name of the democratic party, I accept the challenge and charges that the republican party is responsible for all the abuses which now exist in the federal government, and this is the most important to accomplish reforms which are comparatively needed.

"Furthermore, I cannot concur in the statement that the republican platform unequivocally declares for reforms more necessary; on the contrary, I affirm that it openly and notoriously disappoints the hopes and expectations of reformers, whether these reformers be republicans or democrats. So far did the republican convention fall short of its duty that the republican candidate felt it necessary to add to his platform in several important particulars, thus rebuking the leaders of the party, upon whose co-operation he must rely for the enforcement of remedial legislation.

As I shall, in separate speeches discuss the leading question at issue, I shall at this time confine myself to the paramount question and to the far-reaching purpose of our party, as that purpose is set forth in the platform.

Shall the People Rule?

Our platform declares that the overshadowing issue which manifests itself in all the questions now under discussion is "Shall the people rule." No matter which way we turn, no matter to what subject we address ourselves, the same question confronts us, Shall the people control their own government and use that government for the protection of their rights and for the promotion of their welfare? Or shall the representatives of predatory wealth prey upon a defenseless public, while the offenders secure immunity from subservient officials whom they raise to power by unscrupulous methods? This is the issue raised by the "unknown abuses" to which Mr. Taft refers.

**EAGLES MAY EIGHT
IN THE BIG NEST.**

Seattle, Aug. 12.—There promises to be a warm session of the Eagles' convention, meeting here, before the much mooted question of organizing state aerics is settled. This morning after the reports of Grand Worthy President Bell and the grand trustees had been received, the special committee appointed to report on the state organization, asked for more time. For an hour the delegates discussed the question, which comes up again tomorrow. This afternoon the delegates and lady guests go to the Meadow race track.

**EXAMINATIONS
FOR TEACHERS**

**THIRTY-SEVEN FOR STATE
AND COUNTY PAPERS.**

Umatilla County Teachers Assemble Here for Fall Examination—Twenty-five Trying for County Certificates and 12 for State Papers—Work Will Be Finished Saturday Night.

Thirty-seven Umatilla county school teachers are taking the examination this week in this city. Of this number 25 are taking the county examination and 12 are trying for state papers.

The examinations are being conducted in the circuit court room and Prof. W. H. Bleakney, president of Pendleton academy; Prof. L. W. Keeler of the Echo public schools, and County Superintendent Frank K. Welles are acting as the examining board. The work is progressing satisfactorily and will be completed by Saturday.

List of Teachers.

Following is the list of teachers enrolled this afternoon, but the list will be increased by a number of new arrivals this evening:

For County Papers.

- T. L. Childers, Margaret Johnson, Frances Simmons, Nellie Darr, Louise Holbrook, Lotta Wilson, Ellen Canfield, D. V. Goss, Mrs. Olive Goss, Barbara Hoch, Velma M. Wilkinson, Euclinda Venander, Mammie Marshall, Evelyn J. James, Minnie E. Baker, Emma Bennett, Zena Mettle, Mrs. Mabel Wolfe, J. E. McCutchen, O. Cannon, I. A. Sybant, W. E. Cook, A. D. Wescott, George Calton, May Barnes.

For State Papers.

- Alma Reiden, Anita Kirkpatrick, Daniel Hopkins, G. M. Wolfe, Irene Rippey, Malbelle Allen, Ada J. Ely, H. E. Belvins, Daisy M. Waddington, Florence Marsh, Bertha M. Booth.

**FINDS POISON
IN MILK SUPPLY**

**FORMALDEHYDE KILLS
WALLA WALLA BABE.**

Food Inspector Will Make Searching Investigation of the Dairies and Milk Supply of the Garden City—Dairyman Put Poisonous Preservative in Milk and Killed Young Child, It Is Said.

Walla Walla, the Garden City of homes, has found formaldehyde in her milk supply and at least one baby has died from the effects of the poison, according to the Union. The Union says:

"One child is thought to have died and several others to have been poisoned in Walla Walla during the past 10 days from drinking "doctored" milk. City Health Officer A. E. Braden has been quietly investigating the circumstances for several days and now has incriminating evidence against the proprietor of at least one dairy.

During the hot summer months it is extremely difficult to preserve milk while delivering it from the farm to patrons and several of the largest dairies have placed ice tanks in their wagons in which to keep their cans while on the road.

In this manner milk can be kept for several hours and, when placed in a refrigerator, indefinitely. But this necessarily requires added work and expense and one dairy man has preserved his milk by putting into each can a per cent of chemical preparation containing for the most part formaldehyde.

Although this is a penitentiary offense, it is positively known that one dairyman at least, has doctored his product in this manner during the past week.

Health Officer Braden has been watching and making tests for several months of all milks sold in the city but until recently he has found nothing impure. Samples were taken from the wagons and also from quantities delivered in various parts of the city.

In this way accurate tests were made of all milks sold, without the knowledge of dairy proprietors who might have been able to hide any inconsistencies if they knew samples were taken from the wagons only. Frequently when they have been expecting visits from the milk inspector, the per cent of butter fat in their milk mysteriously increases and when tested is classed number one. By the method of collecting from houses throughout the city where milk has been delivered, it is possible, however, to gain an accurate test and in this manner one lot has been found to contain formaldehyde.

DEWEY'S GUNNER KILLED.

**A Manila Bay Hero Shocked to Death
by Electricity.**

New York, Aug. 12.—James O'Connell, who is said to have been chief gunner on Admiral Dewey's flagship Olympia at the battle of Manila, was killed by electricity yesterday while he was lying on his back making repairs to the channel wall beneath the tracks on Sixth and Greenwich avenue.

He had been at work in the conduit about fifteen minutes when the foreman heard a cry, and peering into the manhole, saw that something had happened to O'Connell. An ambulance surgeon said that death had been instantaneous.

It was half an hour before the body could be lifted to the street, and north-bound car traffic was tied up for that length of time. The back of O'Connell's neck was badly seared, and as the bottom of the duct was covered with water it is thought that a short circuit was the cause of his death.

O'Connell left the navy recently and had intended returning to it in a month, it is said. He lived at No. 512 West Forty-ninth street.

Slot Machine Ousted.

The moral wave which is sweeping the country touched Gilliam county Thursday and the nickel-in-the-slot machines are no more. District Attorney Burdett has issued an order requiring all persons operating slot machines to desist doing so or to suffer the penalties of the law. Every slot machines owner has been individually notified and his attention called to the provisions of the law regarding games of chance. The district attorney cites Sec. 1955, Bellinger & Cotton's code. The issuance of the order caused no stir and the slot machines were put out of commission at once by the owners.—Condon Globe.

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BURNED 200 ACRES.

**Smut Fire Caused Immense Damage
Near Watsburg.**

Instantaneous combustion caused the loss of a threshing machine owned by Frank McGhee and 200 acres of standing grain on the Minnick brothers' farm near Watsburg yesterday, says the Walla Walla Union.

Before any of the crew were aware that the separator was on fire the whole thing was a mass of flames, which quickly spread to the surrounding wheat.

After a few minutes of futile fight against the spreading disaster members of the crew gave up attempts to check the blaze. The hot, dry weather of the past few weeks had made the grain as dry as tinder and it went as if fed by oil.

The grain destroyed was of first grade quality and was estimated to yield 30 bushels an acre. To entire loss is placed at about \$8000, which is partially covered by insurance.

DINED ON RATTLESNAKE.

**Party at Jersey Hotel Found It
Daintier Than Eel.**

Eight persons partook of a dinner of which fried rattlesnake was the principal dish last night at hotel in Newborn, N. J., says the New York World.

Those in the party were Mr. and Mrs. William Erb, Thomas Erb, Frank B. Allen of Barnesville; Mrs. C. J. White and the Misses Charlotte, Caroline and Augusta White of Harrison. All say the rattlesnake was very palatable.

The snake was killed early in the day by Mr. Allen. He had eaten rattlesnake on many occasions in North Dakota, where the natives call them prairie eels, but to the others in the party it was a new dish. Those who partook said it was sweeter and daintier than an eel.

Ed. Strahon, who has been confined to his home for several weeks, was on the street yesterday for the first time in two months.

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APPLE CROP WILL BE BIG.

**Walla Walla Orchards Expected to
Yield 500,000 Boxes.**

Walla Walla, Aug. 12.—Although in point of quantity the apple crop of this valley will not be much greater this year than that of last year, the excellent quality of the 1908 fruit will have a tendency to boost prices and cause a demand. Figures of railroad officials show that last year's product aggregated 450,000 boxes, about half that amount having been shipped.

The estimate of this year is placed considerably higher, and in the neighborhood of 500,000 boxes will be harvested. Fruit growers have paid special attention to spraying this season, and as a result one of the finest crops ever seen in this section will soon be ready for pickers.

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