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THURSDAY, JULY 31, 1919.

OREGON WEATHER
 Fair and gentle northwest-ly winds.

THEN AND NOW
 The Atlantic fleet on its famous cruise around the world in 1908 was 141 days, 7 hours en route from Hampton Roads, Va., to San Francisco. The new Pacific fleet now en route from Hampton Roads is scheduled to arrive at San Francisco in 27 days from the date of sailing. This is one of the interesting comparisons of the two fleets which have been made.

The Atlantic fleet went around Cape Horn. The Pacific fleet comes through the Panama canal, not completed when the Atlantic fleet made its cruise.

The actual sailing time for the Atlantic fleet was 61 days 19 hours. The Pacific fleet is expected to make the trip to San Francisco in about 18 or 19 days actual sailing time.

In 1908 the American navy had no airplanes or seaplanes. It had few destroyers and less submarines. The Atlantic fleet comprised 16 battleships with a flotilla of torpedo boats. The new Pacific fleet approximates 196 vessels of all classes.

When Admiral Evans led his fleet in parade in San Francisco in May, 1908, his flagship led but 42 vessels of all descriptions. President Wilson is scheduled to review a Pacific fleet of more than 150 vessels at Frisco in September of this year.

The old Atlantic fleet carried 14,000 men. The Pacific fleet will bring 25,000.

The Atlantic fleet was valued at approximately \$100,000,000. The Pacific fleet represents expenditures of several times that amount.

VIADUCT ON HIGHWAY

EAST OF ASHLAND
 Ashland, Ore., July 31.—One of the notable and substantial improvements on Pacific highway construction in this locality will be the viaduct of reinforced concrete over the Southern Pacific tracks east of the city limits. In addition to the span over the crossing there will be approaches of several hundred feet on either side. This viaduct will be on a new section of the highway, off from the old state road, and will be approached from Walker avenue in leaving town eastwards. No less than three concrete bridges over Neil creek are also included in nearby highway work.

HONOLULU MANUFACTURERS

SHIP SUGAR MACHINERY
 Honolulu, July 31.—Two sugar mills, each of 1,000 tons capacity, have been shipped to the Philippines. They were constructed in a Honolulu plant which in recent years has sent a number of mills to the Philippines.

REGISTERED CATTLE BRING

BIG PRICE IN ENGLAND
 London, July 31.—Cattle are selling here at remarkably high prices. At the Royal Agricultural Show a shorthorn bull was sold for the equivalent of about \$50,000 which is declared to be the world's record price for such an animal. The bull was bred by the Edgemoor Shorthorn company.

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GENERAL CONDITIONS OF OREGON'S CROPS

Portland, July 31.—Harvest of winter wheat continues throughout Oregon with results varying from almost absolute failure to the best on record. However, in the principal wheat growing counties the yield is generally as good as was expected, according to the weekly weather and crop report of the weather bureau here.

High temperature prevailed at the first of last week but there was a change to cooler about the middle of the week, the temperature in some localities falling almost to freezing. The temperature toward the close of the week was again above normal. A large number of thunderstorms occurred in various parts of Oregon but the amount of rainfall generally was too small to be of benefit to crops, to quench forest fires or to seriously delay farm work. Many forest fires were started by lightning. Water for irrigation is becoming scarce in many localities.

Harvest of spring wheat and oats is progressing except in the more elevated districts. The crop is light excepting the western counties and where irrigated. Irrigated corn is good; unirrigated corn needs rain, but except over limited areas has not been injured by drought. Ears are forming in Josephine and Malheur counties.

Apricots still are in the market. Peaches and early apples are being marketed in increasing quantities. Picking of raspberries and loganberries is approaching completion in most sections and picking of blackberries is in full progress. Evergreen blackberries are ripening.

Haying is generally complete except for the late cutting of alfalfa and clover. Where not irrigated these crops need rain. The second and third crops of alfalfa will be short in some places, owing to scarcity of irrigation water. The third crop of alfalfa is approaching maturity in parts of Umatilla county. Pastures and ranges are very dry except in the higher mountains but there is little complaint of shortage of feed and stock is generally in fair to good condition.

Potatoes and all unirrigated garden vegetables need rain. Some early potatoes suffered from blight. The market is fairly well supplied with potatoes and vegetables. Hops are doing well.

Five Dollars Reward
 Five dollars reward will be paid for the arrest and conviction of any one stealing the Daily Couriers from residences or mail boxes.

GOES FISHING USING WHOLE HORSE FOR BAIT

Honolulu, T. H., July 31.—Using the entire carcass of a horse for bait, a Honolulu sportsman went fishing recently in a power boat and returned with a fish weighing 2500 pounds and measuring almost 20 feet from tip to tip, the largest shark killed in Hawaiian waters for many years.

Shark fishing, or rather hunting, as it is conducted in Hawaii is a thrilling sport, not entirely lacking in danger to the hunter. In fact a death battle with a harpooned shark according to big game hunters, is about as safe as a midnight combat with a hungry tiger. Sharks, in their death throes, have been known to attack the boat and with their powerful rows of serrated teeth rip great sections from the sides.

The shark hunter first obtains a dead horse, and if it has been dead a week so much the better. The power boat tows the carcass outside the harbor and the hunt is on. Sharks attracted by the odor of the bait, gather in large numbers and soon begin striking at the carcass, ripping huge chunks of flesh from it. At this stage the hunter endeavors to work his boat near enough to permit a shot with the harpoon. Once securely harpooned a big shark will fight for hours before succumbing.

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REPRESENTATIVE ELLIOTT WOULD STOP SUGAR EXPORTS

Washington, July 31.—Exportation of sugar would be prohibited for two years under a bill introduced today by Representative Elliott, republican, Indiana. He said wholesalers were giving as a reason for failing to fill orders from sugar retailers the necessity of filling export demand.

UNIVERSAL MILITARY TRAINING BILL READ

Washington, July 31.—Senator Chamberlain introduced a bill today for universal army and navy vocational training for youths from 18 to 20 and a national registration system.

PEAR BLIGHT APPEARS IN WILLAMETTE VALLEY

Albany, Ore., July 31.—Fire blight, the fruit disease that wiped the pear industry out of southern and eastern states and baffled Rogue and Umpqua valley horticulturists for three years, is making another start in the orchards of Linn, Benton and Marion counties.

Fire blight is bacterial and the little bugs work on the limb, get into the sap and cause the leaves to appear as if they had been scorched by flames. The leaves hang in their normal position, however, and do not fall off when smitten.

E. C. Robert, who has been over the county recently, reports that in several fruit sections the blight is making itself obnoxious and several orchardists are advocating the appointment of a fruit inspector for Linn during the next few months to combat the dread fire blight. The county court has the matter under advisement.

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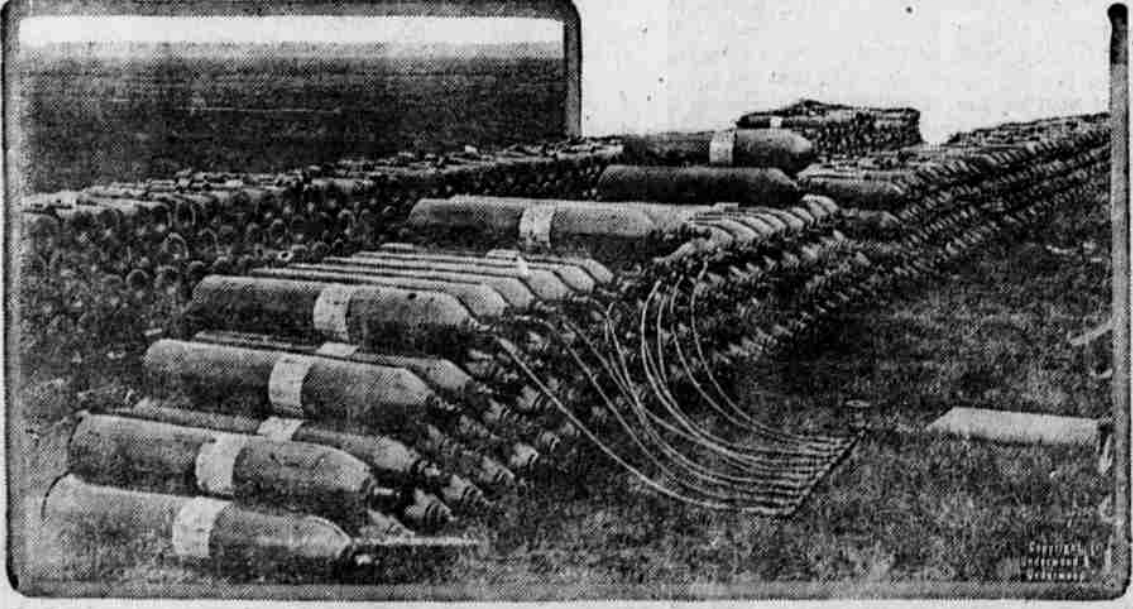
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