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## AGRICULTURAL EXPERTS LEARN OF RESOURCES

PORTLAND, Or., Aug. 23 (Special)—Agricultural experts of the country, who have been in session in Portland during the past week, closed their most successful annual gathering Saturday with an attendance even larger than that at a recent convention in Washington, D. C. The session was one that means much to the Pacific Northwest for it was attended by men who are keen students of agricultural possibilities and what they saw here impressed them. They were afforded an opportunity to inspect the various farming districts of the state by means of special trains run by the Portland Commercial Club to Willamette Valley points and Hood River.

On these trips they were the guests of the Commercial Club and were escorted by a special committee of prominent Oregon people who gave all the information desired on the different districts inspected. The results of the conventions will be far-reaching, it is believed by those who are familiar with the work of the organizations. President Kerr, of the Oregon Agricultural College, was chosen the head of the Association of American Agricultural Colleges and Experiment Stations for the coming year. President Kerr secured the convention for Portland while in attendance at last year's session.

President Taft will be made the center of a big demonstration when he comes to Portland October 2. There will be no private entertaining for the big president, but he will be on view by the public throughout his visit. There will be a big parade in the President's honor, in which he will ride and where he may be seen by the thousands who will want to have a look at the nation's executive. President Taft will be asked to make an address at the Armory in the afternoon and attend a banquet at the Commercial Club at night on October 2. Plans for Sunday, which will be spent here, are not made up yet, but the President will probably attend church and spend the remainder of the day resting. Mayor Simon has named a prominent committee of Portland people to arrange the President's entertainment.

On a tour of the Northwest to get material for a series of letters to his

paper, the Chicago Record-Herald, William E. Curtis, probably the best known correspondent in the world, was a Portland visitor during the past week. In discussing the Rose City he said: "Portland is the best city on the Pacific Coast and I would rather live here than in any other city of which I know. Portland is farther along than any other city on the Pacific Coast; by that I mean it is more mature than any of the big cities of the West." These are strong words, coming as they do from a man who has traveled all over the world.

An event of great interest, especially to the Pacific Coast, will be the visit of 30 of the leading business men of Japan, who will arrive on September 6 for a tour of 50 cities of the country. The visitors are coming to learn of the resources and commercial methods of the United States. The trip about the country will be made in a splendidly equipped special train at a cost of \$75,000, contributed by the business interests of the United States. A committee of prominent men has been named to have charge of the visitors while in Portland and arrange for their entertainment here.

## THE SICK MAN STARTS FOR HOME

Harriman, the Great Railroad King,  
Now Aboard Ship Bound for  
New York.

The cable brings from Cherbourg, France, this important news regarding the physical condition of the great American railway magnate. The cable says that all doubt of the serious condition of the health of E. E. Harriman was removed today when he was carried aboard the liner Kaiser Wilhelm II, apparently too weak to walk.

His appearance and condition indicated that the entire trip through Europe in search of health had been a failure.

The Harriman pluck was strongly in evidence, however, and after attempting to veil his movements in secrecy to prevent any effect on the stock market, he said:

"I am not in a serious condition at all. The baths at Bad Gastein weakened me and the German food disagreed with me. Then, too, I was continually annoyed by the crowds in the hotels and wherever I went. In fact, knocking about the continent proved very tiresome."

Accompanied by his wife, two daughters and his son, his private secretary and three servants, the wizard of finance arrived here in a special train from Paris this morning.

Harriman's extreme weakness and lassitude were shown when he was helped from his private car. He was almost lifted into a wheel chair and was rolled from the railway to the tender in which he was taken out to the big liner. It was clear that he was unable to walk and as soon as he was on board the Kaiser Wilhelm II he was taken immediately to the handsome suite that had been reserved for his party.

Harriman intimated that as soon as he reached America he would retire to Arden, his magnificent country place just north of New York city, on the Hudson.

He cable orders to have a suite of rooms prepared at Arden for his reception. The mansion at Arden, which is reported to be a chateau such as America has never seen before, is not yet finished.

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### The Dangerous Tramp Nuisance.

The tramp has become a nuisance to be feared in many sections of the country. He is not only impudent, claiming as his right the things he needs, but is vindictive towards individuals or a community who may refuse his demands. In many other ways he is a troublesome character and needs looking after. The burning last week of a box car at Waterloo, a station on the Northern Pacific, five miles west of Walla Walla, in turn ignited the warehouse of the Puget Sound Warehouse company, completely destroying it together with 3242 sacks of grain, which were stored there, causing a loss of \$8000. This was the work of tramps and almost daily we read of such things in various parts of the country. Grants Pass has its visitors of this class but the police order them promptly to move on and see to it that they obey orders.

## PERSONAL AND LOCAL

Mrs. Jasper Jennings, of Hugo, was in the city Saturday on business.

Mrs. Elmer Neil, wife of Station Agent Neil, of Merlin, was a visitor to our city last Friday.

Miss Mabel Trimble returned Sunday from Hilt, Cal., after a few days' visit with relatives there.

Mrs. M. H. Henry came up from Hugo Friday to spend a few days with her daughter, Mrs. Harry Schmidt.

A. Umphlette returned to Glendale Sunday after a few days spent renewing old acquaintances in this city.

L. R. Lamphere has gone to Myrtle Creek to do a job of painting and papering hanging and will be away for two weeks yet.

Kenneth Williams who has been playing base ball with the Hilt, Cal., team for the past month, goes with them to Redding, Cal., to play Sunday.

John Denison and Paul Schallhorn returned Friday evening from a most enjoyable two weeks' outing which they spent at Eugene, Newport, Portland and Seattle.

Mrs. Cornelia T. Jewett and Mrs. Jennie M. Kemp, of the Union Signal staff, are visitors in our city. The W. C. T. U. extends a hearty welcome.

Dave Presley, brother of C. C. Presley, of this place, who was injured by being struck by a train at Ashland recently, is reported as getting along fairly well. He is at the Good Samaritan hospital and hopes are now entertained of his recovery.

Allen MacKenzie returned last week from Mazatlan, Mexico, where he has spent the past several months employed on the Southern Pacific of Mexico, and expects to return to that place after a short visit with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. George Trimble and little son who spent several days here last week with their cousins, Mrs. B. A. Williams and James Trimble, of this city, left Friday evening for their home at Lordsburg, New Mexico. Mr. Trimble is an engineer and has been on the road for 20 years.

C. E. Sams, formerly of Woodville, but now of Ashland, was a visitor at Grants Pass Tuesday. Mr. Sams sold his fruit farm at Woodville in the spring and during the summer has been building a residence on the two-acre tract recently purchased at Ashland.

Miss Luella Carlson, of Morris, Ill., and Miss Rose Knutson, of Joliet, Ill., have been the guests during the past week of Mr. and Mrs. Egberg at their camp above the Ament dam. The girls have had quite an experience in Western camp life and will carry with them pleasant memories of their outing on the Rogue.

E. A. Crawley, of Philadelphia, Pa., was in town a few days last week visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Canby. Mr. Crawley is at the head of the mathematic department of the Philadelphia University. He left Thursday evening on his return home.

Judge J. O. Booth received a telegram last Friday morning, stating that M. D. Wisdom, secretary of the Oregon Commission of Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition, died at Portland Thursday, August 19. The telegram was sent by W. H. Wehrung, who is president of the commission. Mr. Wisdom was afflicted with lung trouble and that was the cause of his death.

E. S. VanDyke has been interviewing the business houses and citizens endeavoring to secure a sufficient number of subscriptions to bring to Grants Pass this winter a course of entertainments of an exceptionally high order. The cost of these entertainments will be \$750 and this requires 300 ticket holders, as the season tickets are \$2.50 each. He now has 216 subscribers and it is hoped he will be able to secure the full 300 and be able to bring to our city this high-class course of entertainments.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy McCarthy and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Smith returned Sunday from their camping and hunting trip at West Fork. The ladies took an active part in the hunting expeditions, and packed into the mountains with their husbands, carrying packs and firearms and enjoying the sport with all the excitement of old hunters. Mrs. McCarthy had the honor of securing the first game. The first day out she became much excited over an animal she saw in the distance and exclaiming that she saw a deer, she immediately opened fire with the result that a small chipmunk was brought to earth. The hunters secured one deer before returning home.

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### Object to Medical Examination.

The new marriage law of the state of Washington which requires the contracting parties to show a certificate that they are in good health and that there exists no reason why they should not marry, is not taken to kindly by parties matrimonially inclined. A dispatch from Spokane says:

"The new marriage law is costing Spokane alone all the way from \$1000 to \$1500 monthly and the number of marriages in adjacent states between Washington couples is rapidly increasing. They are going to Oregon, Idaho, Montana and across the line to Canada to be married and returning to Washington to live.

"Spokane county records show that the county alone is losing from \$200 to \$300 a month by the decrease in the issue of marriage licenses. After that item, the money that is passing by the hotels, the ministers and the justices of the peace must be figured. Take it for the year through with the number of marrying couples rapidly increasing and an idea of the price the state of Washington is paying for clean marriages within its borders may be gained.

"Records at the courthouse in Spokane show almost a 50 per cent decrease in the issue of marriage licenses for the month of July as compared with that month last year. This month bids fair to show a decrease of more than 60 per cent as compared with the corresponding month of 1908.

### Neighboring States Profit.

In county seats of Idaho, Oregon and Montana near the border lines of Washington, a noted increase in the issue of marriage licenses is being realized. Spokane county is endeavoring to induce young men and women to be married in this state, as before the new law went into effect, by securing the co-operation of the county physician, who is performing the required examinations free of charge and other physicians for a small fee, but still Washington's young people are flocking to adjacent states to be married.

As the county officials see it, Washington's new marriage law will never be a financial success till all her sister states and perhaps the Dominion of Canada adopt laws of the same character. It is purely a dread of the examination that is doing it all. Few seem to fear that they cannot pass the required examination, as physicians declare they have not found a case yet that fails to pass the examination."

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### Narrow Escape of President's Son.

A dispatch from Salem, Mass., says that Charlie Taft, the President's son, had a narrow escape from drowning on Thursday of last week when he and a companion were sailing in a dory which capsized while out a great distance in the bay. The boys clung to the boat and were soon rescued.

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