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ESTIMATES CROP AVERAGE IS **EQUAL TO YIELD OF 1911**

Fell Down Under Rains--On Light Soil, Crops Good.

Hyman H. Cohen, crop statistician and commercial editor of the Portland Journal, was in the city this week and traveled over the surrounding country tributary to Athena. Of crop conditions here he writes to his paper the

Umatilla county will in all probability produce 5,500,000 bushels of wheat this season. This is a conserv- ident of the 'Roundup," and George ative estimate, it may be a trifle too

The only drawback to the wheat crop of Oregon's premier wheat growing county this season is that the wheat grew too well. This statements needs no qualification among those most familiar with the situation. In the section tributary to Athena,

both east and west, wheat grew so high and heavy this season that considerable of it is lying down. The total output of wheat in Umatilla county this season will depend much upon how much of this grain can be saved by the threshing crews and

The greatest damage in this respect was done within a few miles of Ath-

In the country east from Pendleton there is every indication of an average better than 40 tusbels per acre. Some of the wheat will go 50 bushels but the average will be well within 40 bushels. While the present season is a remarkable one in the light land sections, the rainfall which helped the wheat there was rather harm-ful to the growing grain in the heavier

In the normal season when there is but little wheat to harvest in the Pastor Lord of Milton Conducted Servlight land sections, the country from Milton, always comes forward with a good yield. Therefore the present crop year may be considered rather freakish inasmuch as it has built up the yield of the ground usually called poor while it has really harmed the sections where the best production is usually found.

Taking Umatilla county as a whole there is a smaller acreage of wheat growing this season. This decrease is generally estimated at about 10 per cent although some consider the slight increase in the light land planting will make up the most of this.

There is uniformity among the growing wheat in this section, such as is not shown in other parts of the state. Only where the grain has fallen, due to excessive growth of heads and stormy weather, does an even surface show.

As in former years there are certain small tracts in the Athena section that will go better than 50 bushels per acre. This, however, cannot be considered a representative of the crop in general because such enormous yields' grow only in spots and on very small tracts that have been carefully nursed. Damage to barley in this section is even greater than wheat.

SKOOKUM BIG

Pendleton Lodge of Elks the Best Bet at Portland National Convention.

The Elks Lodge of Pendleton made meeting of the Grand Lodge of the order. Besides winning three prizes, for a few hours the city was turned into the frontier of civilization.

Its paved streets became the range of the Indian and the cowboy. Its

marble balls were as the wickings of the passing redmen, celebrating a last stand before the whites. Portland, and especially the horde of strangers within its bospitable gates, enjoyed the show immensely,

and the next morning, everybody was alking about it.

Pendleton's big delegation was the cause of it all and the cowboy tand, the "buckaroos" and the "Indians," who ordinarily are some of the town's most prominent citizens, took active part in the festivities. With music, war whoops and Indian dances, the lect, jolly bunch paraded the streets, serenaded the hotels and entered the Heavy Stand on Heavy Land leading hostelries of the city, horses

> The Pendleton "ebow" was probpably the principal feature in a whirl wind of merriment and riot of bilarity such as Portland never saw before. Thousands upon thousands packed the streets, the hotels and the cafes, and the spirit of carnival pervaded every nook and cranny. Portland gave itself over todily to unrestrained bilar-

> As an added feature and much to the surprise of the great crowd of merrymakers who followed them about the streets and were prepared for almost anything, Sheriff "Till" Taylor of Umatilla county and pres-Perringer, a prominent wheatgrower of Pandleton, rode their horses into the elevator at the Elks' club and were hoisted to the third floor. There they rode their horses into the reception room and gave an impromptu program. Jack Keefe, secretary of the Pendleton Commercial club, and an interesting vandeville performer. added much to the merriment of the

entertainment. At the Imperial hotel, Sheriff Taylor, George Peringer, "Bill" Ferguson, wheat man, W. R. "Jinks" Taylor, prother of the sheriff, and D. J. Clark, livestock agent for the O.-W. R. & N. company, rode their horses down the steps into the barroom. On the main floor the borses were given a 'drink" at the bar. At the Multnomab hotel the horses captered into the tig lotby as though it were nothing new for them, and then at the Portland botel they walked down the stairs into the grill, with the sure footedness of the range and mountain

ices at Christian Church Sunday.

The funeral of Mrs H. C. Caplinger, who died at her home Friday morning was held at the Christian church in this city Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The services were conducted ty Pastor Lord of the Christian church of Milton, in the absence of Pastor Meldrum of the home church. A large number of friends and acquaintances of the family attended the funeral, and the floral offerings were

profuse and very beautiful. Lolu Duft was born at Lexington, Lafayette county, Missouri, December 25th, 1858. On her 20th birthday, December 25th, 1878, she became the bride of Louis Edwin Campbell. To the union, two sons were born, William and Rufus, both of whom survive and were present at the mother's death and funeral. The father died in 1888, and the mother with her two sons came to Oregon the year tollowing, making their home in Athena.

In 1892 Mrs. Campbell was united in marriage with H. C. Caplinger, and their wedded life was a happy one. Besides her husband and two sons, Mrs. Caplinger leaves two sisters, Mrs. Belle Brace and Mrs. Fannie Bennett. She was a member of the Christian church and affiliated with the Order of Maccabees.

Mysterious Red Marks. Mysteriously, sudden y on all sides

-all around town-on every highway and cross road magic red crosses have appeared. "What do they mean?" is a great hit at Portland last week, the universal question. They are not while in attendance at the National merely in this town and vicinity but seem to be all over the county. Some t bink it is the sign of an industrial the city was turned over to the "cow. | move, others have different ideas; a boys" and "Indians" Saturday night few believe it to be an advertising and the Portland Journal says that scheme-but still the question remains unanswered.

A Penguin Wedding.

Dr. Charcot in a lecture on antarctic experiences referred to the amusing antics of the penguins, which, he said, were very much like human beings in their behavior. Sometimes a couple of betrothed penguins could be seen seated close together in loverlike fashion in a recess formed by blocks of ice and observation had shown that subsequently the same couple attended be fore a third penguin, who might be called the clergyman or the registrar, for the positions of all three were simflar to those occupied by the minister and the bride and the bridegroom at a wedding.-London News.

First Mail Coach In 1784.

A theater owner was responsible for the first mail coach in 1784. John Palmer, Bath, England, saw that it took four days to get his actors from London. He went to the government authorities and persuaded them to start a number of coaches to carry the mails and that these coaches should be built for speed and drawn by the fastest animals in England. In a little while a revolution was worked.

A Continued Story. "What did your wife say when you stayed out so late last night?" "I don't know. She basn't finished telling it all to me yet."- 12- -- --

LONDON'S DIALECT.

A Perfectly Recognizable Child of the Old Kentish Tongue.

In a little book entitled "London's Dialect" Mr. Mackenzie Macbride challenges the view expressed by the education department of the London county council that "there is no London dialect of reputable antecedents and origin," and that "the cockney mode of speech is a modern corrup-

He points out that the London dialect, especially on the south side of the Thames, is a perfectly recognizable child of the old Kentish tongue, to which we owe our earliest written literature. "Thet" for "that," "benk" for 'bank," "keb" for "cab," are remnants of the old Kentish mode of pronuncia-

In the Kentish dialect "that" was spelt "thet" as early as A. D. 825. The use of "I" for "a," as in "lidy," was common from the Trent to the Thames in Elizabeth's time, and John Stow, writing in 1580, gives us "bylyffe" for "balliff." The use of "au" for "a" in such cockneyisms as "telegrauph" is of very old origin, and "abaht" and "ahtside" are both warranted by an clent use. As for "kep" and "slep' without the final "t," they are really uncorrupted words, the "t" being an intruder of late date.

TORTURE BY WATER.

hird Degree In Sorcery Cases In Louis XIV.'s Time.

One of the methods adopted by Louis XIV. to purge his kingdom of sorcery was the "question ordinary." This, according to G. Duval in "Shadows of Old Paris," consisted in having ten pints of water poured into the

"The executioner placed the prisoner in a recumbent position, firmly tied upon a table. A block was slipped under the loins, so that the chest and stomach were thrown outward and upward, while the contents of a measure of two pints were forced by means of a hose down the victim's mouth. If he resisted his nose was held until he opened his teeth to breathe. After every two pint measure he was given a few seconds' rest and the opportunity to confess. If he continued his denial the question was reapplied until the whole ten pints had been con-

"In the 'question extraordinary' the quantity administered was augmented to twenty pints. The swelling caused by this unnatural amount of liquid in the body produced the most acute ago-

Knew the Risks.

Chloe, a huge black cook of middle age, came to her mistress one day with the announcement that she was about to be married. Regretting the loss of an excellent cook and having real interest in Chloe's welfare, her mistress

"I hope, Chloe, you appreciate the fact that marriage is a serious thing and you have considered carefully in regard to the step you are about to take. Marriage brings great responsibility."

"'Deed it does, ma'am!" said Chloe, with emphasis. "I reckon I knows, fo' I's been mah'ied fo' times. I knows just what reesks yo' takes when yo' done git mah'ied. My last divo'ce cost me twenty-five dollahs, but I made him pay half of it. Yo' nevah know what yo' is gittin' into when yo' gits mah'fed."-Washington Star.

Ruins of Yucatan.

The explorations of Arthur Diosy in Yucatan brought to light many new facts about the stupendous ruins which stretch through the country in a chain 300 miles long. The most amazing thing about these ruins, according to Mr. Dlosy, is that the people who possessed such high architectural skill and the knowledge of rich and graceful decorative arts, belonged to the stone age and had no knowledge of metals. These wonders in stone were carved with flint implements and a civilization which has been compared to that of Egypt grew up without even the use of bronze and

Turned the Tables.

Two hunters, returning from the Catskills, decided to try some New York city humor upon the agent of a little railroad station in the foothills. "When does the 3:49 train get in?"

asked one. The old man regarded him seriously and at length. "Waal," said he, "she generally gets in just a leetle behind

the engine.' Later they approached him respectfully. "About time that train is due,

isn't it, uncle?" "Yes," said the agent, "she's about due. There comes the conductor's dog."-Everybody's.

Dauntless.

"He cleared the sill at a bound and vanished in the darkness," related Romance breathlessly. "But," scoffed Realism, "only a mo-

ment ago he was riveted to the spot. Did he file the rivets?" "Oh, no!" rejoined Romance, nothing daunted. "Fortunately it was only a small spot, so that by a superhuman effort he wrenched it loose and carried it along with him."-Puck.

Result of a Fad. Poverty came in at the door. Love immediately flew out of the

"Ah," said those who observed, "this is what comes of being fresh air faddists!"-Judge's Library.

You cannot dream yourself into a character; you must hammer and forgeyourself one.-James Anthony Froude.

NAMES AND FACES.

Douglas Marked the Man He Wanted to Know Again.

remarkable memory for faces of any man in public life," declares a correspondent. "Upon the occasion of a visit to Washington on election day in 1890 the late Colonel John W. Forney was discussing the election of Garfield over Hancock with Colonel Harmon of Detroit, Colonel Harmon had been mayor of Detroit and prominent in national politics. Harmon and Forney got to talking about earlier politics, and Harmon related the story of a meeting with Douglas in New York. Douglas had been nominated in Baltimore by one faction of the Democratic party. Breckinridge was chosen by the other faction in Charleston. When he heard of his nomination Douglas was in New York. He entered the Astor House, then the headquarters for all politicians and the principal hotel in New York, and immediately was surrounded by his political admirers. Among them was Colonel Harmon. The latter, according to the story he told me, put forth his hand and congratulated Douglas on his nom-

"Thank you, Colonel Harmon,' re plied Douglas.

"Harmon was amazed that Douglas should have remembered his name, for he had met the 'little giant' but once, fifteen years before, and then for but a brief period. After a time he returned and asked Douglas how he was

able to call him by name. "'My dear colonel,' said Douglas, 'whenever I meet a man I want to know again I put a mark on him and I never forget.' "-Washington Post.

THE BRITISH CABINET.

How Its Secret Documents Are Protected and Printed.

Each member of the cabinet is supplied with a key which fits the lock of a certain dispatch box retained by the prime minister. At any particular crisis, when important papers reach Downing street, the premier, after perusing them, places them in the dispatch box and hands the box to a special messenger, who takes it round to each member of the cabinet in succession. Each member opens it with his key and relocks it after he has read the documents it contains. In this way the papers are prevented from falling into the hands of strangers or members of parliament who are not in the cabinet.

Now and again it is found necessary to print copies of a "secret" which comes up for discussion at a meeting of the cabinet. The document is cut up into many small pieces and distributed among a goodly number of compositors in the government printing works, each of whom sets up his little piece, and the little piece may represent only a dozen lines of type. When all the fragments are in type a highly trusted official collects both the copy and the type and puts the latter together. The printing of the document is then done in secret under the eyes of this official, and the men who work the printing machine are forbidden to handle any of the paper after it is printed upon.—National Magazine

Reverse Methods In India. Lady Wilson, the wife of an eminent

Anglo-Indian official and long resident in India, in her book, "Letters From India," says: "It amuses me to notice the way the Indians reverse the order in which we do things. For instance, at home men take off their hats when they come into a house; Indians keep on their turbans, but take off their shoes. We beckon with the palms of our hands turned inward; they beckon with them turned out. My ayah lays my slippers in a row with the toes pointing toward me. The cook begins to read his Hindustani book of recipes from the last page backward and writes his accounts from right to left. When the native carpenter uses native screws he screws them in from right to left and saws inward, which makes one nervous."

A Poser. A verbatim fragment from the lay

King's Counsel (examining witness)-Did you know-you did not, but I am | but that he thought, with the switchbound to put it to you-on the 25th-it was not the 25th really; it was the 24th; it is a mistake in my brief-see the defendant-he is not the defendant really; he is the plaintiff-there is a counterclaim, but you would not understand that-yes or no? Witness-What!-St. James' Gazette,

A Strict Grammarian.
"You think a great deal of your husband, don't you?" said the visiting

"You have the wrong preposition, answered Mr. Meekton's wife, with the cold tones of the superior weman. "I think for him."-Washington Star.

The Spirit That Wins Griggs-I admire Parker immensely He has a hard time making both ends meet, but he's game from the word go. Briggs-Game! Why, Parker looks

upon the struggle with the wolf as a

mere sporting event.-Boston Tran-

script.

Something Like It. "What was the matter with the old gentleman who was so fond of arguing about everything?"

"I don't know, but I believe the doctors said it was something like discussion on the brain."-Baltimore Ameri-

Who blackens others does not whiten

THIRD PARTY CALL "Stephen A. Douglas had the most

ISSUED IN OREGON ROOSEVELT'S CONVENTION WILL

BE HELD ON JULY 25

Delegates to National Convention to Be Chosen at Portland at That Time.

An official statewide call was issued londay night for a state convention of the national progressive (Roosevelt) party to be held Thursday, July 25 at 10 a. m., in the east side library building, east eleventh and Alder streets, Portland. The official call was issued by the memters of the national progressive clut of Oregon and was ordered unanimously. Following the election of officers, vicepresident Levi Myers offered a resolution which was adopted unanimously.
This resolution declared that the late republican national convention at Chicago failed to respond to the wishes of the people of the United States. that it was conducted disbonestly and in no manner to bind the consciences of honest men nor determine their po-

litical acts. The resolution recited that a call had been issued by citizens of forty states for a national convention of the national progressive party in Chicago, August 5th, and that it was desirous that the state of Oregon be represented there. A mass meeting of the cit izeus of Oregon was therefore called for July 25th in Portland to take such action as might be necessary and to elect five delegates to represent Oregon in the national convention. The resolution concluded: "All citizens who are in sympathy with our views and purposes are cordially invited to meet with us, without regard to previous political affiliations.'

During the convention the nutional progressive club will complete organization and will elect a state advisory executive committee of 84 memters one from each county. Each member of this committee will be in structed to organize local progressive cluts. The following officers were elected by the national progressive club: President, Senator Dan Kellaher; first vice president, Dr. Lavi W. Myers; second vice president, George Arthur Brown; executive committee, George W. Joseph, J. T. Wilson, V. Vincent Jones and Sanfield McDonald.

MISSOURIAN DEFEATED SELF

'Jim' Maloney Back From Baltimore, Gives Opinion on Convention.

J. W. Maloney, delegate to the National Democratic convention at Baltimore, returned to his bome in Pendleton Saturday, accompanied by Wm. Blakely. Mr. Maloney gave some interesting information relative to the results of the convention. In

an interview with the East Oregonian,

he said.

"Champ Clark would have been nominated on the second ballot had be accepted the Bryan program for the temporary organization. He had many more instructed delegates than Wilson and there were many Wilson delegates like myself, who considered Clark a progressive and would have switched to him after be had secured a majority. But he showed so plainly that be was a standpatter, a 'big business' candidate and a political trader that it would have been party suicide to have selected him. There is no question but that he had an understand ing with Murphy whereby he was to secure the 90 New York votes for his support of Judge Parker for temporary chairman and there is no question ing of the New York delegation, he would swing the other Harmon votes and those for Underwood and lesser candidates. But he misesloulated. Those Underwood delegates, and those for Foss and Baldwin never gave up hope until the last that there would be a deadlock which would result in the stampeding of the convention for their particular candidate. The Foss supporters did more advertising than any other boomers and the Underwood workers were active in convention and outside continuously arguing that the south has not had a caudidate since the Civil war and in justice should be recognized, now that they had a capable map."

In speaking of the chances for the election of Wilson, Judge Maloney delared that everywhere be went in the eastern states he found that the prevailing preference is for the New Jersey governor. "The democrats are behind him solidly," he said, "and I have talked with many republicans who unhesitatingly announce their intention of voting for Wilson. Taft has no more chance of being elected than I have and I am as confident that Woodrow Wilson will be the next president as I am of anything."

Marshal Gholson is back to street duty again, Elmer Johnson having been put in charge of the men employed in prospecting for an additional supply of water for the gravity sys-

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