

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND PROGRESS OF OUR HOME STATE

WILL MAKE WHEAT RECORD.

Weather Ideal for Wheat and a Bountiful Crop Will Be Harvested.

Wasco—From Wasco to the Shaniko hills, a distance of 40 miles; from this place to the John Day, about 12 miles, and about an equal distance to the Deschutes river, wheat is ripening very fast.

Sherman county intends to make a record for itself in wheat production this season and while it is not likely that all previous records will be broken, the showing of the grain fields is pleasing to all concerned.

Cool weather at a time when the moisture in the ground was not too plentiful, was the saving grace this season. For several weeks weather conditions in Sherman county have been close to the ideal, and the grain has in consequence ripened very slowly, but surely. During the critical period—when the fall wheat was put in the "dough," hot weather would have pulled down the prospects to an alarming degree.

While it is very true that the spring sown wheat is not all out of danger, with present weather conditions continued for awhile longer, nothing except a strike of harvesters could possibly stop Sherman county from giving an unusually good account of a very good all around wheat producing section.

Good farming is one of the secrets of Sherman's generally good showing, and whenever nature helps out a little, the outcome looks like magic. Sherman county wheat growers know how to farm and they are practicing what they know.

RACE COURSE TO BE CLEAR.

Government to Patrol River During Astoria Regatta.

Astoria—For the first time in the history of the Astoria regatta the course on the river will this year be officially taken notice of by the Federal government. Steps are now in progress to this end, and that they will be successful is undoubted, as proceedings are being taken through the proper channel. A survey of the proposed course was made and submitted to Collector McGregor, who approved of it, and then forwarded it to the department of commerce and labor at Washington, which has authority over such matters.

The survey was returned without approval and a suggestion was made as to a change in the survey. This has been done, and the resurvey returned, and when it is approved the department will promulgate a general order directing that all vessels of every character and description shall keep off the course during the hours of the races. The course will be patrolled by government launches, and the master of any vessel violating the order will be subjected to a fine of \$500.

Crabtree Branch Ready.

Lebanon—A work train and crew is ballasting the road just across the river on the Lebanon-Crabtree branch. It is said this train will continue the work daily until the entire road from here to Crabtree is ballasted and put in order for regular train service.

Track laying has been completed, thus closing the gap between Lebanon and Crabtree, allowing work trains to pass over the road. As soon as ballasting is finished, a regular train service will be inaugurated.

Surveyors Finish Work.

Newport—Morris Wygant has finished a location railroad survey along the coast from Siletz bay to Yaquina bay. The preliminary survey was made two years ago. Wygant would make no statement, but from remarks dropped around camp it is believed the Spalding Lumber company, of Falls City, is behind the proposed railroad. On the other hand, the United Railways company has let a 24-mile contract for a line into Tillamook, which is 25 miles above Siletz bay.

Prize Offered for Apples.

Corvallis—At a meeting of the executive committee of the Commercial club a fund of \$1,000 was voted to be used in premiums for the best exhibits by Benton county apple growers at the November meeting of the State Horticultural society in Portland. It is expected that the premiums will interest many local growers of good fruit and that the showing at the meeting of the horticulturists this year will be an exceptional one.

Woolen Mill Busy.

Bandon—Manager Bedillion of the Bandon Woolen Mills has just closed another big contract with the Detroit firm for which he has been manufacturing goods in the past. The contract is sufficiently large to keep the mill running at full blast for a year.

Build Telephone Line.

The Dalles—Thirteen tons of galvanized telephone wire arrived here to be used in constructing telephone lines on the Warm Springs reservation.

OREGON WILL GET SHARE.

Ballinger Decides State Entitled to Irrigation Money.

Washington—Secretary Ballinger after giving careful consideration to appeals made to him by Representatives Ellis and Hawley before they left for Oregon, has come to the conclusion that Oregon is entitled to share in the distribution of the \$20,000,000 irrigation fund made available by congress just before adjournment, and it now seems quite likely that extension of the Umatilla project westward with a view to irrigating 60,000 acres more, will be authorized, and that part of this fund will be allotted to begin construction.

Secretary Ballinger points out repeal of section nine of the reclamation act, which was permitted without protest from Senators Bourne and Chamberlain, relieves both the president and himself of any obligation to apportion further funds to Oregon at this time, but personally the secretary believes Oregon should be shown consideration, particularly as it is the second heaviest contributor to the reclamation fund, and has never been given a square deal by previous secretaries of the interior.

There are but two projects in Oregon to which funds can be allotted, and it is certain Klamath can receive nothing.

TO HEAR COPENHAGEN MAN.

Will Address State Dairy Association; Father of Industry.

Portland—Dairymen of the Willamette valley will be given an opportunity of hearing one of the greatest experts in dairying in the world, lecture when Professor Bernhard Boegild, of the Royal Danish Agricultural college at Copenhagen, arrives here July 18.

Although Portland was not in the eminent authority's itinerary, through the efforts of Philip Bates, publisher of the Pacific Northwest, he has been induced to come here and address and visit with the people for three days—July 18, 19 and 20.

The professor and his wife will reach Portland Sunday, July 17, but immediately upon their arrival Mr. Bates will whisk them down the Willamette valley in an auto, where they will visit the cities of Oregon City, Corvallis, Albany, Salem, Forest Grove and McMinnville. They will be entertained by the commercial clubs of these cities and will visit many dairies on the trip.

Water System Nears Completion.

Newport—Water will be running into Newport in less than two weeks. Engineer Lee, who has installed the system, made the announcement. A sewerage system will be installed immediately after the water is in use.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Bluestem, 85c; club, 81c; red Russian, 78c; valley 82c.

Barley—Feed and brewing, \$19@20 per ton.

Corn—Whole, \$32; cracked, \$33 ton.

Hay—Track prices: Timothy, Willamette valley, \$20@21 per ton; Eastern Oregon, \$22@24; alfalfa, new, \$13 @14.

Oats—No. 1 white, \$22.50@26.50 ton.

Butter—City creamery, extras, 29c; fancy outside creamery, 28@29c per pound; store, 23c. Butter fat prices average 1 1/4c per pound under regular prices.

Eggs—Oregon candled, 27c per doz.; Eastern, 25c.

Poultry—Hens, 17 1/2c; springs, 20@22 1/2c; ducks, 15@17c; geese, 10@11c; turkeys, live, 18@20c; dressed, 22 1/2@25c; squabs, \$3 per dozen.

Pork—Fancy, 12@12 1/2c per pound.

Veal—Fancy, 10@11c per pound.

Lamb—Choice, 11@11 1/2c per pound.

Green Fruits—Apples, Oregon Newtown, \$2 per box; new, \$1.75@2.25; cherries, 5@12 1/2c per pound; apricots, 1.25@1.75 per box; plums, 1@1.50 per box; currants, \$2.25@2.40; raspberries, \$1.40@1.60 per crate; loganberries, \$1@1.40; blackcaps, \$1.50@2; blackberries, \$3.

Vegetables—Artichokes, 60@75c per dozen; beans, 1@3c per pound; cabbage, 2 1/2@2 3/4c; cauliflower, \$2 per dozen; cucumbers, 50c; head lettuce, 50@60c; green onions, 15c; peas, 2c per pound; radishes, 15@20c per dozen; spinach, 8@10c per pound; carrots, 85c @ \$1 per sack; beets, \$1.50; parsnips, 75c@ \$1.

Potatoes—Old Oregon, 60@75c per hundred; new, 1 1/2c per pound.

Cattle—Beef steers, good to choice, \$5.40@5.60; fair to medium, \$4.25@4.75; cows and heifers, good to choice, \$4.50@4.75; fair to medium, \$3.75@4.25; bulls, \$3@4; stags, \$3.50@4.50; calves, light, \$5.75@6.75; heavy, 4@5.50.

Hogs—Top, \$9.75@10.10; fair to medium, \$8.50@9.50.

Sheep—Best wethers, \$4.25@4.50; fair to good, \$3.50@3.75; best ewes, \$3.75@4; lambs, choice, \$5.50@5.75; fair, \$4.50@5.

FIGHT HEADS TO WEST.

Great Congressional Campaign Soon to Be Waged.

Washington—In waging their warfare for the control of the next congress, both the Republican and Democratic campaign committees will have headquarters here and in the West, where the work of directing and sending out literature and spellbinders will be done.

The Democrats will be active in three places—Washington, Chicago and St. Louis—under the direction of Representative Lloyd, of Missouri, the chairman. The Far West and Southwest will be handled through the St. Louis office, while the interests of the Middle West and the Northwest will be looked after from Chicago.

Representative McKinley, of Illinois, the Republican chairman, expects to open headquarters in Chicago and New York. The Republican committee will work with and through the League of Republican clubs organized during the last campaign by John Hays Hammond.

The Democrats will work from New York and from the Democratic Federation, organized by Senator Owen, of Oklahoma, with headquarters in this city.

Neither party appears to have very much cash on hand, although appeals for money have been circulated.

CURTISS SAILS OVER SEA.

Mishap on First Trial Nearly Dumps Aviator in Ocean.

Atlantic City, N. J.—Glenn H. Curtiss made an eight-minute flight directly over the ocean at 6:23 Tuesday evening. The trip included a flight along the entire front of the city, about a mile off shore, and 1,500 feet above the ocean.

The successful flight was the second one attempted, the first resulting in a mishap that nearly sent Curtiss into the ocean. While he was making an attempt to turn from the beach to go to sea, an air eddy caught the plane and dropped it within ten feet of the water. Curtiss made a quick turn and drove his machine on the beach with such force that a wood standard alongside his seat was snapped.

The drop in the air and the jar as he struck the beach unseated Curtiss, and might have thrown him out but for a new brace built across his shoulders and lashed to the machine.

FIGHT FILMS MENACED.

Movement Starts in Boston to Put Ban on Pictures.

Boston—Declaring that Independence Day was dishonored by a brutal prizefight, that the moral sense of the nation was outraged, but that this harm is nothing compared to that which will be done by allowing children and women to view the reproduction of the Jeffries-Johnson fight by moving pictures, William S. Shaw, general secretary of the United Society of Christian Endeavor, is a formal statement, announced a campaign against the exhibition of these pictures.

Telegrams calling attention to the race riots that have followed the fight were dispatched to Theodore Roosevelt, Governor Hughes and Mayor Gaynor, of New York, asking their co-operation in suppressing the pictures.

Mayor Fitzgerald, of Boston, will be asked to prevent the exhibition in Boston.

Telegrams will be sent to the governors of all the states, making a similar request.

London "Plays Up" Fight.

London—The London newspapers gave more space to the Reno prizefight than they gave to the biggest battle of the Boer war. The rounds were described in detail, and the scenes at the ringside fully pictured. Opinions of the affair were quoted from both Britons and Americans and nearly every paper discussed the fight in long editorials.

The sporting world is less surprised at the fact that the negro won than that the whites at the ringside permitted him to win.

More Ships Are Built.

Washington—Shipbuilding in the United States during the fiscal year just ended shows a marked increase over that of the previous year. This year there were built, according to reports of the bureau of navigation, 1,502 merchant vessels of 347,025 gross tons, as compared with 1,362 vessels of 232,816 gross tons the year before.

Wheat Advances in New York.

New York—The local wheat pit was much excited over the absence of rain in spring wheat states during the holidays, and prices advanced 3 1/2c per bushel. September reached \$1.07 1/2, December sold at \$1.08 1/2. Corn was quiet and not much affected by the wheat advance.

NATIONAL GOVERNMENT NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

COMBINE AGAINST U. S.

Latin-American Nations Resent Knox Supervision of Affairs.

Washington—That at least three and perhaps more of the Central and South American republics will make a concerted protest of some kind at the coming international conference of American states at Buenos Ayres against the Central American policy of the United States is a possibility being discussed in diplomatic circles here.

Rumors to this effect have been persistent and some responsible Latin-American representatives admitted their approximate truth, though none would permit himself to be quoted.

The rumors have led to lively exchange of information among the Central and South American diplomats here. Officials of the State department are watching the situation closely.

Some of the more radical of the Spanish-Americans are said to favor a Latin-American alliance against the United States. It is generally conceded, however, that formal action of this nature is unlikely.

The most that can be regarded as probable is that the republics interested will give the United States to understand diplomatically that the principles represented in the attitude of this government on the east coast of Nicaragua will not be accepted willingly as a part of the international law of the Americas. It is hardly likely that this protest, if made, will become a part of the official proceedings of the conference.

ARMOR PLATE DEFECTIVE.

Discovery on Battleships North Dakota and Utah Causes Worry.

Washington—Defects discovered in armorplate in the battleships North Dakota and Utah, two of the most powerful craft in the navy, led to protracted conferences at the Navy department over the legal phases involved.

There were present representatives of the New York Shipbuilding company, the Midvale Steel company and government experts.

Spalls, a flaking condition that impaired the armorment's resistance efficiency, was found on the plate and new plates were substituted.

It was said that possibly the annealing work in affixing the plates may have caused some of the defects.

Committee to Go West.

Washington—The western sub-committee of the judiciary committee, consisting of Senators Borah, Brown and Stone, will go west in July to investigate several Federal matters and it is possible they will take up the allegation of Dr. E. B. Perrin that he was unjustly indicted and accorded improper treatment by United States District Attorney Devlin and Special Agent Burns at San Francisco.

The committee will also investigate the charges of Governor Haskell, of Oklahoma, that "third degree" methods were used against him and his witnesses during the administration of President Roosevelt.

Customs Receipts Bulge.

Washington—A statement prepared at the Treasury department by direction of Acting Secretary Hills shows that the customs receipts for the fiscal year 1910 amounted to \$333,943,800. For the greater part of the year, the Payne-Aldrich tariff law was in force and Mr. Hills said the receipts were the largest of any year in the history of the government. The receipts for 1909 were \$300,000,000.

Government Will Kill Seals.

Washington—The United States government is preparing to kill 8,000 male seals on the Pribilof islands. Commissioner of Fisheries George M. Bowers will direct the work and the furs will be sold by the department of commerce and labor. Only 1,000 bull seals will be left in the herds. By an act of congress last April the slaying of the seals by private contract was stopped.

Big Irrigation Project.

Honolulu—The Hamakua ditch, the great irrigation project of the Hawaiian Irrigation company at Hamakua, has been formally opened. The system has a capacity of 100,000,000 gallons a day and is the most elaborate of its kind on the islands.

30,000 Acres to Be Reclaimed.

Washington—The bureau of Indian affairs has completed plans for reclaiming about 30,000 acres of swamp lands in the Yakima reservation in Washington. All plans have been made and active work probably will begin next week.

Cowie Is Paymaster-General.

Washington—Announcement is made of the appointment of Pay Director Thomas Cowie as paymaster general and chief of the bureau of supplies and accounts of the navy.

LAND RESTORED TO ENTRY.

Areas Taken Out of Irrigated Tracts and National Forests.

Washington—The secretary of the interior has restored to the public domain several tracts of land that had been withdrawn in connection with the irrigation projects but that are not needed now by the reclamation service. The restorations of the week include:

Boise land district, Idaho, 43,980 acres, subject to settlement September 17 and to entry October 17.

Phoenix land district, Arizona, 3,200 acres, subject to settlement September 19 and to entry October 19.

The unappropriated public lands in the area eliminated from the Coeur d'Alene and Pend d'Oreille national forests in Idaho by presidential proclamation will become subject to settlement under the homestead laws on August 22 and to entry September 21. About 8,200 acres were eliminated, but only about 1,000 acres were unappropriated. The lands are located in Bonner, Laah, and Kootenai counties.

An area eliminating from the Pecos national forest, New Mexico, and amounting to 31,560 acres, can be settled on August 15 and entered September 14. The lands are located in Santa Fe and Rio Arriba counties.

PINCHOTISM IS MENACE.

Taft Will Begin Campaign of Education in Conservation.

Washington—Alarmed at the seriousness with which Pinchotism is regarded in some parts of the country and by certain classes of people, President Taft is considering the advisability of conducting a campaign of education in the hope of diverting the public mind from the alluring but impractical theories of the late forester and building up in its stead a healthy sentiment in favor of conservation that means proper use and development of natural resources.

During the closing days of congress the president discussed this subject with several senators, and to them he voiced the opinion that something must be done to check the present trend towards Socialism, for Pinchotism is regarded as Socialism in one of its most dangerous forms. While he had not then formulated any definite plans, he showed that he is thoroughly awake to the situation and realizes that his administration will find itself very much embarrassed before its close, unless drastic steps are taken to counteract the work of men like Pinchot and Garfield.

Navy Paymaster Retires.

Washington—Paymaster General Eustace B. Rogers, chief of the naval bureau of supply and accounts, will be placed on the retired list, on his own application, under the 30-year service clause of the retirement law. He was recently relieved from control of the naval supply bureau, although left nominally in charge by Secretary Meyer, with whom he differed on matters of administration. His successor will be Pay Director Thomas J. Cowle, who for the last few weeks has been in charge of the affairs of the paymaster general's office.

Won Praise From Roosevelt.

Oyster Bay—A reporter who called on Roosevelt at Sagamore Hill appeared before the colonel with one of his hands bandaged. Roosevelt asked what was the matter. The reporter replied that he had sprained his hand while whipping a foreigner who was beating his wife.

"Fine, just fine!" exclaimed the former president with enthusiasm. "That's an honorable wound. I am proud of you men who will not permit wife beating."

Beverly Meeting Place.

Washington—Such meetings of the board of trustees of the postal savings bank as are held during the summer will take place at Beverly. This has been agreed upon by the three members, Postmaster General Hitchcock, Secretary of the Treasury MacVeagh and Attorney General Wickersham. It is not believed the first of the postal banks will be opened this year.

China Urged to Ratify Loan.

Washington—The ratification by China of the \$30,000,000 Hankow railroad loan is sought by the State department. Instructions were sent to American Minister Calhoun at Peking to join with representatives of the other three governments in urging China to bring the matter to a speedy conclusion.

188,006,668 Coins Made.

Washington—At the mints during the fiscal year closed June 30, the government made 188,006,668 coins, valued at \$54,215,419. There were also 7,754,458 pieces of Philippine coin issued, including 5,726,559 pesos and 1,500,000 one centavos.