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The incident over the seizure of the British vessel Malacca, by the Russians, has closed by an agreement between those countries to the effect that the vessel be inspected by the Consuls of the two countries and released unless palpable contraband of war intended for the Japanese shall be found, in which case the contraband only will be held.

It is now believed that Russia is endeavoring to find a way by which she can retire gracefully from a disastrous war. The acts of the volunteer fleet in the Red Sea and the Vladivostok squadron in seizing neutral vessels and destroying some of them without trial, is recognized as an excuse of Russia to so affect America, England and Germany that she can end the war without dishonor to herself.

Since harvest commenced word comes from all parts of the county to the effect that the wheat crop is better than has been expected. It is generally conceded that there has never been a larger if as large a yield per acre, and with the large increase in acreage over that of any previous year the crop will be the largest by several hundred thousand bushels than was ever before harvested in the county. It is now believed that the estimate made by the Times a month ago, at a million and a half bushels was not an exaggeration.

While a number of fine samples of grain have been brought in for the Morrow county exhibit at the Lewis and Clark fair, there is not one-tenth part of what is wanted. If our grain is worth exhibiting at all it is worth making good, large display, one that will attract the attention of visitors to the fair. Now is the proper time to gather the wheat exhibit as it can not be had from the fall stubble or a winter straw-stalk, the time to gather it is during harvest. So farmers don't delay the matter of getting a few bushels of your best wheat and lay it away for the fair. Let's make Morrow's exhibit equal to that of any county in the state.

As we have stated in a former issue the meeting to be held in Portland on August 2, and 3, to organize a State Development League should meet with a hearty response from Morrow, as well as from every other section of the state. It is a move that has long been needed and one that must be pushed along with energy if we expect to keep up with our sister states in the matter of development. The past few years we have noted the results of energy and push in the states of Washington and California. If Oregon expects to keep abreast of the procession she must be up and doing. Oregon has the resources for the making of one among the foremost states of the Union. As a matter of pride let us all get in and do our part toward pushing her along to the front.

It is believed now that the estimate placed upon the American wheat crop a few weeks ago was substantially correct. While in some sections of the country the yield may be up to the average, in other sections it will be much lower. In the northwest the crop will be an average one or above. Continued rains and wind storms in the Red River valley have worked some damage in that section, but the wheat in Minnesota declare that the yield is that sta-

and not fall below 70,000,000 bushels. In the southwest, however, the elements have worked considerable havoc and the anticipated yields are placed several millions below what they were a few weeks ago. The department of agriculture says that the wheat crop in recent years has ranged from 600,000,000 to 750,000,000 bushels. In 1893 the total yield was only 396,131,725, and for three following years it fell below 500,000,000 bushels. With 1898 came an exceptionally heavy crop of 675,149,000 bushels; then it fell to 547,149,000 bushels in 1899, and to 522,230,000 bushels in 1900. Then came heavy crops of 748,460,000 bushels in 1901, 670,063,000 bushels in 1902, and 637,000,000 bushels in 1903. Should the crop this year not go above 600,000,000 bushels, as has been predicted by J. J. Hill and others, it will be a marked falling off from the yields of the last three years, but still considerably above several of the lean years in the last decade.

Development Convention.
(Special Correspondence.)
Portland, Ore., July 25, 1904.

That the Oregon Development League Convention, to be held at the Maquam Grand Theatre, in Portland, under the auspices of the Portland Commercial Club August 2 and 3, will be a magnificent success now assured. It is desired that all delegates who can do so will be at the Maquam Grand by 9:30 so as to register and receive badges, as it is especially desired that the Convention be called to order not later than 10 o'clock and get down to work immediately for complete and efficient organization.

There will be but few set speeches and these will be delivered by practical men in the different industries, and after each address delegates to the Convention will be given an opportunity to ask the speakers such questions as they desire an answer upon before the present. It has been suggested that it would add greatly to the efficiency of the work if the delegates from different communities will perfect an organization of their delegation before leaving home.

If each and every delegation will prepare condensed reports of a final program, giving not only the result accomplished by growers and producers but the name of that grower or producer, in the same plain, direct language that an Oregon farmer would use in writing to an Oregon farmer in one of the distant states then we will have material for the use of the newspapers and the Immigration Department of the railroad that will show results. These reports should be written in duplicate, not only for the use of the Portland papers, but to ensure a copy to be read of the proceedings. If the Convention can take the form of an experience meeting, in which long speeches are left unsaid, and bright talks, stinging points are made, it will ensure for only the permanency of the Oregon Development League, but will be a benefit to every section of this state.

A round-trip fare, good for everybody, as been put on by the railroads, and tickets are good on all trains arriving in Portland in the afternoon of August 1 and morning of August 2, good to return until August 4, except that fares of 50 cents or less will not be reduced. It is a visa that those attending the Convention should get definite particulars from their local agent as to the time of the departure of trains.

Residents of Oregon who take advantage of the rate and are not delegates to the Convention, will be welcome to attend the Convention, occupying seats in the balcony and gallery. Tickets in the market will be reserved exclusively for delegates. Desiring to keep a record of this Convention, no only in type but illustrated for a general circulation, a snap-shot photograph will be made exact at eleven o'clock Tuesday morning, August 2. The taking of this picture will only occupy a minute or two of the Convention's time.

A committee from the Woman's Club of Portland will have charge of a trolley ride to be given to the wives, daughters and other ladies accompanying delegates to the Convention. Large cars have been arranged to

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ORCHARD AND GARDEN.

Soapstone is liquid manure in its best form. For the commercial orchard only a few standard sorts are needed. Thorough pruning of gooseberry plants is one of the most effective preventives of mildew.

A good mulch applied in good season aids to keep down weeds and render the soil loose and porous at all times. Never select trees for planting merely because they are large. As a rule a well grown two-year-old tree is better than one that is older.

The rows of strawberries intended for fruiting another year should be reduced to ten or twelve inches in width, the grass and weeds kept out, the soil kept in good tillth between the rows and liberal fertilization given.

Why She Didn't Shout.
Bishop Cortlandt Whitehead of Pittsburg is fond of telling stories at his own expense. When he was rector of the Church of the Nativity at South Bethlehem, Pa., he acquired a convert for the Episcopal church in the person of a Methodist woman who was much given to contributing to the church services by interjecting "Amen" and "Alleluia." He explained to the good woman that such ejaculations were not customary in the Episcopal church, and she sat gravely through a sermon on dignity and decorum in public worship. Afterward the bishop thanked her for restraining her fervor.

"No need to thank me," retorted the ex-Methodist. "You didn't say anything to make me shout."—New York Times.

Round Trip Excursion Rates
The O. R. & N. will make a round trip rate from Heppner, as follows: To Baptist Young Peoples Union of America, International convention, Detroit, Michigan, July 7-10, tickets on sale July 2, fare \$73.00. To the annual meeting of the Grand Lodge of B. P. O. E. at Cincinnati, July 23-28, tickets on sale July 10, 11, 13 and 14 fare \$71.65. To I. C. A. A. Myrtle Schriber, Atlantic City, N. J., July 13-15, tickets on sale July 7-8, fare \$55.65. To National Encampment G. A. R. Boston, Mass., Aug 13-20, tickets on sale Aug 8, 9 and 10 fare \$86.95. To K. of P. National Encampment at Louisville, Ky., Aug. 15-16, tickets on sale Aug 8, 9 and 10 fare \$77.65. For further information apply to J. B. Hufton, agent, Heppner, Oregon.

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