

ESTABLISH GRADES FOR MONTANA WHEAT

MEETING OF STATE GRAIN-GRADING COMMISSION IS HELD.

Helena, Aug. 27.—So well known in eastern markets is the hard winter wheat produced in this state, and so excellent is the variety that it is generally spoken of as the "hard Montana wheat," and when it came to establishing the grades on grain yesterday, the grading commission officially gave it the name of "hard Montana wheat."

Met Last Night.
The grading commission, which is composed of Prof. Alfred Atkinson and Charles Vanderhook of Bozeman and B. J. Fine of Butte, met yesterday in the offices of State Grain Inspector J. E. Templeton and at a meeting last night decided to adopt the Minnesota grades, eliminating a few features which were not applicable to this state.

No Grade on Corn.
No grades were established on corn, as very little is raised for market in Montana. The grading on winter wheat is as follows:

No. 1 hard Montana wheat—Shall include all varieties of hard Montana

wheat—sound, plump, dry, sweet and clean—and weigh not less than 61 pounds to the measured bushel.

No. 2 hard Montana wheat—Shall include all varieties of hard winter wheat—dry, sound and clean—and weigh not less than 59 pounds to the measured bushel.

No. 3 hard Montana wheat—Shall include all varieties of hard winter wheat of both light and dark colors, not clean and plump enough for No. 2, and weigh not less than 55 pounds to the measured bushel.

No. 4 hard Montana wheat—Shall include all varieties of hard winter wheat not fit for a higher grade.

Red Winter Wheat Grades.
The grades on red winter wheat are as follows:

No. 1 red winter wheat—Shall be pure red winter wheat of both light and dark colors—dry, sound, sweet, plump and well cleaned—and weigh not less than 60 pounds to the measured bushel.

No. 2 red winter wheat—shall be red winter wheat of both light and dark colors, shall not contain more than 5 per cent of light winter; dry, sound, sweet and clean, and weigh not less than 58 pounds to the measured bushel.

No. 3 red winter wheat—Shall be sound red winter wheat, not clean and plump enough for No. 2; shall not contain more than 5 per cent of white winter, and weigh not less than 55 pounds to the measured bushel.

Those Who Attended.
Among those in attendance on the meeting of the grading commission are George Metcalf, Granite County Milling & Elevator company, Phillipsburg; J. Watkins, Rocky Mountain Elevator company, Great Falls; G. H. Beckwith, Mercantile company, St. Ignace; D. R. Fisher, Gallatin Valley Milling company, Belgrade; A. F. Strohbehn, Montana Elevator company, Lewistown; W. F. Williams, Treasure State Milling company, Manhattan; O. D. Fisher, Fisher Flour Mills, Seattle; W. H. Pierce, Rocky Mountain Elevator company, Great Falls; State Senator George H. Stevens, Fort Benton.

Laconic Letters.

London Tit-Bits: Victor Hugo, the great French poet and novelist, could be very lengthy at times, but he knew how to be laconic also. "Les Misérables" had just issued from the press, and Hugo, who was in the Channel islands, was anxious to learn how it was selling. Being desperately busy, he contented himself with inscribing the note of interrogation on a postcard—"?"—expecting that his publisher would give him a full account of sales. But the publisher gave tit-for-tat, the reply coming back simply "!"

Disraeli could be brief and bitter, but he could also be brief and diplomatic. A bore who claimed acquaintance with him perpetrated a book, and straightway sent a copy to the statesman, hoping to get a criticism from him which would boom it with the public. He was, however, quite unable to determine whether the reply was a compliment or an insult. It simply said: "I shall waste no time in reading the book which you have so kindly sent me."

A model of brief correspondence passed between two well-known members of the aristocracy. The lady—for there was a lady in it—wrote to the gentleman, "Will you dine with me on Wednesday?" and the lady was quite satisfied with the reply, although it consisted of but one word. "Rather!"

A certain man considered himself deeply insulted because another man, in reply to a business proposition, had told him to go to a certain individual of whom the poet Milton writes some very fine blank verse. He vowed he would never do another stroke of business with the writer unless he apologized. So, being a man of humor, he did so in these terms: "Dear Jones—You needn't go."

Not Very Close.

"Are you related to Barney Sullivan?" Patrick Sullivan was once asked.

"Very distantly," replied Patrick, "I was me mother's first child, and Barney was the sixteenth."—"Woman's Home Companion."

THE WORLD OF SPORT

Philadelphia, Aug. 30.—"If Cleveland is going to win a pennant it better do it this year, for it is my honest opinion that it will have no chance next year, for I figure that I will then have the best team I ever had."

Such is the remark made by Connie Mack, manager of the Athletics. Connie has little to say about the race this season. He is not given to boasting and has not put in a claim for the championship of 1913, but he is taking time by the forelock and putting in his bid for the 1914 bunting. Connie likes the material he has at hand. He is nursing it carefully and by virtue of that caution may succeed in winning the title this year. But win or lose this year, he cannot see anything but success ahead next season.

New York, Aug. 30.—Should the New York and Philadelphia clubs win their respective league pennants, the world's series of 1913 will be in the nature of a "rubber." At present each has a world's championship title won at the expense of the other. The Giants quickly nipped the champion-

ship aspirations of the Athletics in their initial meeting of 1905. Under the direction of McGraw the New York team won four of the five games played, all of which were shutouts.

Six years later Connie Mack secured his revenge, for the Athletics won four out of six games from the Giants. Of the players who engaged in the series of 1905, Bender, Plank, Davis and Murphy are still enrolled with the Athletics, although the latter two are seldom in the regular lineup. Mathewson and Wiltse are the only Giants of those days who still wear the New York uniform. It is a singular feature of the game that Bender and Mathewson, the respective club heroes of the 1905 series, are still past masters of the art of pitching, eight years after their initial clash, and may face each other during the play next October, unless an eleventh-hour rush by one of the other league clubs upsets the predictions of the baseball prophets. To date the world's series has been an excellent financial proposition for the New York and Philadelphia clubs and players.

Chicago, Aug. 28.—With the directors of the proposed world tour of the New York Giants and Chicago White Sox in session in this city recently definite plans for the big baseball trip of the two clubs are announced. At the conference between Dick Bunnell, who is in charge of the tour; Charles Comiskey, president of the White Sox, and Ted Sullivan, who will also be one of the managers of the trip, much detail was mapped out and the work of arranging dates, transportation, etc., has about been completed. It was announced that nearly all of the players of both teams, including the stars of the diamond owned by the National and American league clubs, will be included in the roster.

Soon after the world's series, Oct. 18, the teams will leave New York and will work by degrees to Vancouver, B. C., playing exhibition games enroute and sailing Nov. 19 for the orient.

Most of the games to be played between here and Vancouver have been booked. The committee announces that these games will all be worked on a percentage arrangement with the owners of the various ball parks where the games are played. A set basis is given out as follows: Each club is to receive 40 per cent of the gate and the owner of the park 20 per cent. Park owners will be required to defray all expenses of operating, such as gatekeepers, attaches, advertising, etc.

When the final games have been played on the way between New York and Vancouver the big voyage will be on and the first country to be visited will be China. Then the barnstormers will go to Japan, Manila, Australia and Egypt. It is understood that there will be little chance to play games in England, France, Ireland and Germany, but these countries will be visited on a sight-seeing trip during February, which will be near the close of the tour.

The games scheduled to be played in the United States are: Oct. 18, Columbus; 19, Chicago; 20, Davenport; 21, Des Moines; 22, Omaha; 23, Sioux City; 24, Lincoln; 25, St. Joe; 26, Kansas City; 27, Fort Smith; 28, Marlin; 29, Beaumont; 30, Galveston; 31, Houston; Nov. 1, Dallas; 2, Abilene; 3, San Antonio; 4, El Paso; 5, Douglas; 6, Tucson; 7 to 13, Los Angeles; 13 to 15, San Francisco; 17, Tacoma; 18, Seattle; 19, Vancouver.

Poor old Christy Mathewson is "all in." Matty is only the leading hurler in the National League with 20 victories and just six defeats, for a percentage of .769. And there are two things which make Matty such a success, why he's able to go along the same way for 13

long years and win as many games one year as he did before. Control and a good head are the main reasons.

The Giants' mainstay gave only 16 bases on balls this season. And this total came in 229 innings, which shows that he has passed only one batter in every 14 5-16 rounds he has worked. Matty has not hit a batter this campaign.

Matty, though, is not the "iron man" hurler of the Tom Lynch organization. Adams leads in this line, having labored in 234 2-3 innings, a few more than Matty. Alexander and Seaton of the Cardinals are others who have labored more than 200 rounds.

Walter Johnson of the Nationals has won more battles than any hurler in either major league. He has been bracketed in 26 outs this year, while his defeats total only five, for a percentage of .839, which is almost 300 points better than the one owned by his team.

The National right-hander has regained the honor of working the greatest number of innings. Walter has labored in 241 1-3 rounds, while Tex Russell, his nearest competitor, has worked 232 1-3.

Willie Mitchell and Van Gregg of the Naps, Scott of the White Sox and Earl Hamilton, star left-hander for the Browns, have taken part in 200 or more innings.

Washington, Aug. 30.—The task of signing Sir Walter Johnson, the famed flinger of the local American league team, will be up to Manager Griffith after October, 1913. But the job will not be a big one, in the opinion of those who know Griffith and Johnson. In other words, Johnson isn't expected to pull a Ty Cobb when it comes time to sign his contract for 1914.

Right now Johnson is serving the last stanza of his three-year contract with the Senators. He signed the document at the beginning of the 1911 season, after a misunderstanding with James R. McAleer, then manager of the capital crew.

Johnson is drawing \$21,000 for three years' work. He signed that contract after he had reported in the training camp, returned to his Coffeyville (Kan.) home and then rejoined the team in the east after the season had opened.

Johnson's value to the Washington club is generally rated more than Ty Cobb's usefulness to the Detroit team. But Johnson will hardly draw down \$12,500, the salary Tyrus is alleged to be receiving from the Tigers this season.

It wouldn't be surprising if Johnson is slipped a contract calling for \$10,000 salary for 1914, or one for \$30,000 for service during the next three years. Sir Walter is worth almost any price he asks. But he's of a different disposition than T. Raymond Cobb, and for that reason will probably serve at a lower figure than the Peach draws.

It is Johnson's disposition as well as his wonderful speed and curves that makes him a valuable member of the Washington team. The local players have it sized up pretty well, too. As one member of the party said:

"As long as Johnson is a member of the team there isn't another player on it who is going to get swell-headed. He's the big noise and is modest about it. For that reason no other fellow on our club, no matter how good he is, or what he does, will have a chance to crow."

Griff knows how to handle the big fellow. It is also Griff's reputation of rewarding his players well in a salary way. He invariably makes them start at a low figure, but once they show real ability, he does not hesitate about showing his appreciation in the way of salary increases.

Griff is not making the mistake of overworking Johnson, as different managers of the White Sox overburdened Ed Walsh, with the result that the Big Moose is nearing the end of his rope, although a fairly young man.

The Senators have a chance for this year's pennant. It is only an outside one, however, and Griff realizes that Johnson can't win it alone. He'll have to have some aid from the other hurlers of the club.

But should they, with Johnson taking his regular turn and occasionally finishing a game or two of the pace-makers, he'd do more than his share towards trying to land the flag.

But until the locals mix themselves in the fight, Johnson will be saved and pitched in his regular turn, and may be not that often, as witness his work to date this week.

The slowest pitcher in the world has been discovered. He is Eddy Plank, the Athletics' veteran. Just for curiosity, and to settle an argument, the Times telegraph operator in Philadelphia held the watch on Plank when he pitched against the Browns in the series just completed.

After Stovall made a double he consumed 30 seconds throwing the first ball to Pratt. This period elapsed after he received the ball from the catcher and before he delivered it to the bat. The next pitch required 25 seconds. Pratt hit this ball.

In the same inning he took 25 seconds throwing the first ball to Williams. Three pitches to Balenti required 28, 36 and 30 seconds. Plank pulls down his cap, hitches up his trousers, wiggles his left foot and buries it in the pitcher's box like an old hen going to roost. Then he carefully scrutinizes the bases and the outfielders, and by the time he gets around to pitch the batter is half dazed to death.

That's the system of his stalling—to get the other fellow overanxious.

Luke McLuke Says
It takes a loafer who hasn't a dime in his pocket to do a lot of worrying over the tariff problem.

Some people have an awful hard time letting other people mind their own business.

A man always gets mad when he pays \$3 for a straw hat and a month later sees the same kind marked down to 49 cents.

Marry in haste and hustle at leisure. If ignorance was bliss most people

would be happy all the time. The only way a man can win an argument with his wife is to slam the door and stay out.

A girl who doesn't know how to boil water likes to don a big apron and roll up her sleeves and look like a real housekeeper when she expects a young man to call.

The dressing is the best part of most salads and most girls.

A man will always agree with you when he wants to borrow money.

Never waste your time talking about yourself. Other people will attend to that.

A New York house advertises "new wrinkles in the latest skirts." We thought we had seen all the wrinkles they could get into a skirt.

A man never knows how many things he can't do until he tries to do them.

The only thing a live mollicoddle has a hunch on is a dead clam.

Beauty and lingerie are only skin deep.

The old-fashioned dame who was a "washwoman" now has a daughter who is a "laundress."

When a girl has white fuzz all over her complexion she gets some comfort out of the knowledge that all peaches are that way.

Two can live as cheaply as one, but you've got to keep the door locked when the installment collectors call.

He never imagines that she will ever have a shape like her mother. And she never imagines that he will some day sit around and display his red neck like her father.

A woman who has a form like a patent washing machine always likes to tell you what a graceful dancer she was when she was a girl.

Every now and then you see a girl who is so thin that she won't eat

caviar for fear the lumps might show. Father's idea of a sin of omission is for the beer man to forget to stop with the two cases on Saturday.

Charity begins at home. That's why a woman will spend a month knitting wrist warmers for wearing socks with holes in the toes.

This is one year when women are wearing more clothes to go bathing in than they wear to go walking in.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

This would be a better world if it cost \$50 to take out a license to hunt trouble.

When a man feels good he has an

irresistible craving to go out and make a darn fool of himself.

When you are drinking beer and the people at another table are drinking wine, it is always up to you to say: "They can have that stuff. I'd a darned sight rather have beer." It is a darn lie, of course, but people expect us to say it.

An old maid always imagines there is a man in the house. A married woman knows better.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

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