

N. P. LIMITED CRASHES INTO LOCAL

GRAIN DECISION TO BE MADE AFTER SPOKANE MEETING

Umatilla County Delegation Will Attend Meetings at Walla Walla and Spokane.

'WHITE WESTERN' IS PROPOSED NEW TERM

Farmers Urged Commission to Establish a Sample Market in Portland for Buyers.

Recommendations made by Umatilla and Walla Walla county wheat growers before the State Public Service Commission here yesterday will in the opinion of local farmers have an effect on the final decision of the commission.

The decision will be made at Spokane following a meeting today in Walla Walla, which will be attended by a Umatilla county delegation consisting of S. R. Thompson, S. J. Culey, Roy Ritter and Fred Bennion. A delegation will attend the Spokane meeting also.

The recommendations concerned test weights, moisture content, dockage, combination of wheat, sub-classification of present limitations, "smutty" wheat, establishment of a sample market, and discounts and charges.

"White Western" Is Term

An important recommendation was one asking that the same application of the hard white and soft white sub-classes be made and that all white wheats or mixtures of white wheats containing more than 10 per cent of white club be designated as "White Western," and that where the percentage on the certificate, "The new designation, say farmers, is much more desirable than the designation "White Walla," as the word "Walla" is in bad repute.

Establishments of a sample market in Portland by the commission was urged by farmers. Such a market, they declare, would be most beneficial to the farmers. Here buyers would purchase samples and wheat would be judged accordingly.

Ask Change

Change in the definition of "smutty" wheat to the following was asked: Smutty wheat shall be all wheat which has an unmistakable odor of smut, or which contains spores, balls, or portions of balls, in excess of a quantity equal to four balls of average size in 50 grams of wheat. It was recommended that discounts and charges in connection with smutty wheat be referred to the commission for a more equitable adjustment.

Abolition of the special limitations on Hard Red Winter and Hard Red Spring, with reference to mixtures with white wheat, was urged.

The present sub-classification of Hard Red Spring was approved, as was the present method of determining test weight in relation to foreign materials, other than dockage.

Lower Percent Asked

The lowering of the percent of the moisture content from 14 to 12 was asked, with the recommendation that when the content is in excess of 12 percent, it be graded as having "excess moisture."

The lowering of the test weight of White Club from 50 to 45 to be uniform with that of Hard Red Spring, was another recommendation.

Combination of the present classes of Common White and White Club, into a class to be known as White Wheat, and subdivided into Hard White, soft White and White Western.

\$535,000 Worth of Liquor Taken By Authorities

NEW YORK, March 17.—(I. N. S.)

Four thousand cases of imported whiskey valued at \$500,000, a two-wheeled automobile, a big moving van, two touring cars and 24 prisoners were seized early today by a special service squad of the customs service in a spectacular raid on an abandoned pier in the Bronx.

Concealed in Cars

MIAMI, Fla., March 17.—(I. N. S.)

Concealed by crates of tomatoes, cabbage and grapefruit, liquor valued at \$25,000 was seized here and at Fort Pierce from freight cars by the prohibition officers.

A VACATION CONFERENCE



Secretary of War Weeks, George B. Christian, the president's secretary, and President Harding hold a conference of grave importance at St. Augustine, Fla. The matter under discussion is whether it will rain, spoiling the day for golf.

COUNTY TRACK MEET AND ORATORICAL CONTEST HERE ON MAY 5 AND 6

County Divided Into Four Districts; Preliminary Meets to Be Held Before May 5.

Pendleton will be the hostess city on May 5 and 6 to students of the grammar and high schools of Umatilla county who will compete on May 5 in the annual Oratorical and Declamatory Contest and on May 6 in the annual County Track Meet. The contest will be in the high school auditorium and the track meet at the Round-Up grounds.

For the two contests, the schools have been divided in to the following sections: Pendleton and vicinity; Weston, Adams, Athena, Helix and vicinity; Echo, Stanfield, Hermiston, Umatilla and vicinity; and Pilot Rock and vicinity. Each section will hold preliminary contests in oratory and in track, prior to the county contests.

Four Divisions Made

For the oratorical contest, the following divisions have been made: Division A, high school oratorical; Division B, high school declamatory; Division C, declamatory for sixth, seventh and eighth grades, and Division D, declamatory for third, fourth and fifth grades. Sectional contests will determine the best speakers in the divisions. Contestants will be permitted to choose their own selections but they must be approved by W. W. Green, county school superintendent.

Limitations Made

For the track meet, each district will be limited to two contestants in the sectional meet, and each must complete a training season of not less than three weeks. No contestant will be allowed in more than three events, the relay not to count in this connection. Contestants in the high school division are limited to three track events but may participate in any number of field events.

Each school entering the contest will be divided as follows:

Division A—70 pounds and under.
Division B—100 pounds and under.
Division C—115 pounds and under.
Division D—Unlimited.

Events Listed

The events for the grade and high school divisions are as follows:

Grade Division: Boys

Division A—25-yard dash; Baseball throw for distance.

Division B—40-yard dash; Running high jump; Running broad jump; 440-yard relay.

Division C—50-yard dash; Running high jump; Running broad jump; Baseball throw for distance.

Division D—100-yard dash; Running high jump; Running broad jump; 440-yard relay.

Girls—Division A—25-yard dash; Baseball throw for distance.

Division B—40-yard dash; Baseball throw for distance.

Division C—50-yard dash; Baseball throw for distance.

Division D—75-yard dash; Baseball throw; Folk dancing.

High School Division—50-yard dash; 100-yard dash; 220-yard dash; 440-yard run; 120-yard high hurdles; 220-yard low hurdles; 1/2-mile run; 1/4-mile run; javelin throw; shot put; discus throw; high jump; running broad jump; pole vault.

WOMEN WORSE ABOUT TRAFFIC LAWS THAN MEN—TRAFFIC COP

When it comes to lawlessness, men are usually given credit with being the worst offenders, but R. E. Turner, city traffic officer, says that he has a lot more trouble with members of the fair sex refusing to observe the signals than with men. "Conditions are better than they were, but there are some drivers who fail to make the arm signals at intersections," Turner said today. "And from now on, those who fail to observe the regulations will make all excuses to the police judge. It might be interesting to the public to know that a state traffic officer will make his headquarters in Pendleton during the summer. He arrived yesterday. Observance of traffic laws undoubtedly will be good practice in the future."

BOY MURDERER FACED DEATH WITH A SMILE

WASHINGTON, March 17.—(I. N. S.)—John McHenry, boyish murderer, who was given a week's time to prepare his soul for death was hanged, within sight of the capitol dome, McHenry went to death at the end of the hangman's noose smiling and unafraid. He mounted the scaffold unaided and plunged into eternity without opening his lips.

SEATTLE VETERAN POLICEMAN MURDERED

SEATTLE, March 17.—(I. N. S.)—Shot twice through the head, the body of Charles Legate, veteran Seattle policeman, was found in the back seat of an automobile in a garage here today. Two bullet holes and bloody finger marks on the automobile, and a third bullet hole through the floor, were evidence of a struggle and the unnatural position of the body, was held by the coroner and police as prima evidence of a murder.

ARMY ON RHINE SHOULD BE WITHDRAWN—BORAH

WASHINGTON, March 17.—(U. P.)—Senators Underwood and Borah today demanded in the senate that the United States withdraw all American troops from the Rhine immediately as an answer to the allies' refusal to permit payment of \$241,000,000 due the United States for their maintenance.

GAG RULE FOR BONUS HAS SLIM CHANCES

WASHINGTON, March 17.—(U. P.)—Chances of raiming the soldiers' bonus bill through the house Monday under a "suspension of rules" gag plan appeared slim today, for the following reasons: Speaker Gillett opposes the movement to vote him, if pushed, would create a political scandal, powerful elements in the house seek a party conference Tuesday, to iron out the bill difficulties.

CHICAGO WOMAN KILLS HUSBAND FOR CHIDING

Husband Shot as He lay Sleeping Last Night; Lit Match to See if He Was Dead.

40 Are Expected To Graduate From P. H. S. in June

Rev. O. H. Holmes of Walla Walla Has Been Chosen for Commencement Speaker

Forty Pendleton high school students will receive diplomas this year at commencement, the date of which has been set for June 8, according to announcement made today by Austin Landrith, principal.

The list of those who will be graduated, providing the grades for this semester are satisfactory, are as follows: Marjorie Boyte, Iva Bullock, Val-don Myers, Horace Boyden, Charles Cabell, Sylvia Christopher, George Cabell, Walter Cole, Iva Date, Violet Dean, Barbara Edmunds, Wylie Egan, Patrick, Winifred Fitzgerald, Philip Forsythe, Rhea Hawley, Edna Hopper, Harold Houser, Margaret Humphrey, Laura Johnson, Roger Keane, Ruth Keane, William Kramer, Fred Kramer, Earl Kearns, Sydney Leone, Richard Lawrence, Harvey Landell, Charles McLean, Catherine M. New, Margaret McPhail, Edna Murray, Carl Nelson, Ruby Sargent, Frederick Rohman, Kenneth Rev, Theodore Roberts, Ben Smith, Claude Snow, Ruth Snow, Charles Sawyer, and Byron Warner.

Rev. Holmes to speak. Rev. O. H. Holmes, pastor of the Presbyterian church of Walla Walla, has been chosen to give the commencement address. Rev. Holmes made a talk before the assembly here this year and so impressed the seniors that they chose him as their speaker. He has for many years made the address at the Walla Walla high school commencement. Rev. Holmes is a prominent minister and before coming to Washington was active in prison reform in Iowa.

ONE KILLED AND MANY WOUNDED IN IRELAND ON ST. PATRICK'S DAY

Free State is Marred by Shooting Affray in Cork.

DUBLIN, March 17.—(U. P.)—Ireland celebrated St. Patrick's Day by hailing the birth of the Irish free state. Speakers everywhere heuried a vigorous campaign in support of the treaty with Great Britain. Michael Collins, provisional government head, spoke in Cork, the center of the disaffected area. The treaty opponents also staged demonstrations. A shooting affray occurred at Cork, one free stater being killed and others wounded.

FOUR BANDITS BOARDED SANTA FE EXPRESS CAR

CHICAGO, March 17.—(U. P.)—Four bandits boarded the Santa Fe train number seven, west bound, near Galesburg, Ill., early today, overpowered the express messengers and seized large quantities of express shipments, according to word received by the railroad officials here. The robbery was staged while the train was in motion, the loot being thrown through the express car doors and loaded on trucks. Some of the packages were recovered along the right of way. One bandit was captured, according to reports here.

ANONYMOUS LETTER MAY GIVE CLUES FOR MURDER

ST. LOUIS, March 17.—(U. P.)—Detectives today sought the writer of an anonymous letter which it is believed will shed light on the murder of John Brunen, millionaire circus man, at Riverdale, N. J., last week. Ellis Parker, chief detective at Burlington county, N. J., wired Chief of Detectives Koalkind here that he received a letter postmarked St. Louis, said to contain valuable information.

WHEAT MADE DECIDED INCREASE DURING DAY

Wheat made a decided increase in price today. May grain closing at \$1.19 5/8. Yesterday the closing prices were May \$1.25 2/8 and July \$1.16 3/4.

Following are the quotations received by Overbeck & Cooke, local brokers:

	Open	High	Low	Close
May	\$1.26 1/4	\$1.29 1/4	\$1.25 1/4	\$1.28 1/4
July	1.17	1.21 1/4	1.14 1/4	1.19 1/4

Exchange:

St. Louis, 42 1/2.
Holland, 37 1/2.
Italy, 59 1/2.
France, 89.
Canadian discount, 3 1/4.

72,500,000 BUSHELS OF WHEAT IN COUNTRY

WASHINGTON, March 17.—(I. N. S.)—Seventy two and a half million bushels of wheat was in the country's mills and elevators March 14, according to the department of agriculture estimate today.

University Art Work Being Done At High School

Art work of the type done by University students is now being executed by members of the high school art department, under the direction of Miss Carol Wirtenberger. Several of the students recently completed original illustrations of fairy tales and children's poems, done in color, and placed in the children's room of the county library. Particularly noteworthy work is shown in an illustration for "Arabian Nights" by Claude Snow, two for Stevenson poems by Archibald Blakeley and Irene Boone and an illustration for "Red Riding Hood" by Lois McCook. On display at the high school are among other paintings and drawings an original illustration for "Les Miserables," by William McLaughlin, showing Cosette and Jean Valjean. The painting, done in sombre tones of brown, shows a sympathy with the subject. Elmer Warnstrom has painted a most decorative landscape canvas in oils. Frances Rogers has done a charming water color to illustrate a poem. A painting from a cast done by Byron Warner, of interest, as is pen and ink work by Donald Whitman.

BEGINNING MADE BY SHELL COMPANY ON PENDLETON BRANCH

Preliminary Work Under Way and Agency Will be in Operation Soon, Coombs Says.

Representatives of the Shell Company have arrived, construction work on the company's plant has already been started, and within 30 days, the new petroleum products agency in Pendleton will be ready for business, according to a statement made this morning by D. G. Coombs, superintendent of the northern division construction and maintenance.

A temporary building is already being put up on Block No. 52 on West Webb street, and the remaining work will be rushed as rapidly as possible, Mr. Coombs states. He expects to leave this evening. The actual construction labor will be in charge of N. E. McDermott, construction superintendent who is also here and who expects to move his family here.

It is the policy of the Shell Company always to patronize the industries of the town in which it is doing business," Mr. Coombs said, "and in line with that policy all the labor hired in erecting our buildings will be Pendleton men. Mr. McDermott will be the only outside man, and he expects to move here himself. We will also purchase all our materials and supplies here with the exception of the rolling stock and some of the specialties peculiar to our business.

"We are now installing a branch plant at Albany, and the policy of our company met with an enthusiastic reception there with the commercial organization and with labor and business firms of which we bought."

The building permit taken out several weeks ago by the company calls for a plant on West Webb street to cost \$15,000. In addition to these buildings, rolling stock of an equal value will be owned by the concern and other necessary expenditures will bring the investment up to about \$35,000, Mr. Coombs stated.

ICE PATROL SAVES LIVES DEFIANCE, Ohio, March 17.—(I. N. S.)—In an effort to prevent river tragedies which have been frequent in recent years among youthful skaters, a supervisor has been employed by local Rotarians to watch a section of the Auglaise river. Daily reports are sent, also, to all schools and to the press informing children's parents as to the exact condition of the ice.

LOW RECORD SET SAN JOSE, Cal., March 17.—(U. P.)—San Jose has one street car line which can run fares heavily, or reduce them almost to nothing, without making much difference in the cost of operation or the returns. A few days ago, according to a company announcement, the line running from Santa Clara to the S. P. depot on a busy Saturday took in the stupendous sum of 6 cents. The conductor received eight or ten transfers, but there was only one cash passenger. It was a new low record for the line, but at best the conductor is never burdened with nickels. Local residents believe that even the "Toonerville Trolley That Meets All the Trains," and its famous "Skipper" cannot even boast of such a record.

TWO PERSONS KILLED IN BIG TRAIN WRECK

Local Engineer E. F. Caldwell and an Unidentified Hobo Were the Wreck Victims.

CRASH CAME ON MOUNTAIN GRADE

Collision at Welch, 25 Miles East of Butte, Montana, Early This Morning.

BUTTE, Mont., March 17.—(U. P.)—Northern Pacific Train No. 1, west bound, and sub Number 28, local from Butte to Billings, collided head on this morning at Welch, 15 miles from Butte. Engineer E. F. Caldwell of Livingston on train 28 and an unidentified man were killed. Several persons are reported injured.

Thomas Johnson.

BUTTE, Montana, March 17.—(U. P.)—Two persons were killed and three injured when Butte local twenty crashed head on into Northern Pacific train Number one, crash north bound limited, at Welch, twenty-five miles east of Butte early today. Engineer on local and unidentified hobo are dead. The crash came on a mountain grade.

20 WERE KILLED IN RIOT IN EAST AFRICA ACCORDING TO REPORT

Arrest of Indian Agitator Was the Cause; Natives Attack Jail With Clubs.

LONDON, March 17.—(I. N. S.)—Twenty were killed in British East Africa following the arrest of the Indian agitator, Thuku, according to a Central News dispatch.

More Into Mob.

LONDON, March 17.—(U. P.)—A Central News dispatch from Ulundi, British East Africa, today said a mob of nearly a thousand natives armed with hindoons attacked the police station, demanding the release of Khutu, prominent agitator. They refused to disperse until the police fired a volley into the mob, killing 20, wounding thirty and scattering the remainder.

ARBUCKLE TRIAL MONDAY. SAN FRANCISCO, March 17.—(U. P.)—The Arbuckle trial was postponed until tomorrow. Eight men and four women compose the jury. Alternatives will be selected Saturday and the trial starts in earnest Monday.

THE WEATHER

Maximum, 55.
Minimum, 28.
Barometer, 29.75.
Fair weather predicted.
Major Moorhouse predicts more rain.

TODAY'S FORECAST

Tonight and Saturday fair.