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MAY WHEAT SELL AT \$1.25 3-4 PER

WILD EXCITEMENT WHEN PATTEN HAMMERS DOWN

New Record Set For May and July Wheat in Chicago—Market Opened at \$1.24 3-4 And Then Climbed up to One Cent Higher—Worse Than Gates Prices.

CHICAGO, April 7.—May wheat started soaring this morning at the opening and jumped to \$1.24 3-4. By leaps and bounds it reached one cent higher, which is 3-4 cents higher than the highest point reached by the Gates corner in 1905.

The sudden advance is due to the efforts of the shorts to cover, following a disposition on the part of "bull" campaigners, headed by James Patten, to take profits in May and July wheat. It is believed that after the opening Patten sold nearly a half-million bushels of the May to advance prices. This hammered May down. Fifteen minutes after the opening it dropped to 1.24 3-8. This was one of the liveliest sessions ever seen here.

HIGHS TO COVE.

High School Adept's Will Visit Cove Very Likely Friday.

Manager Meyers and Captain Ralston are negotiating with the Cove high school team for a game at Cove on Friday. The Cove team gave La Grande a close rub last year and the outcome of this game, if it is played as planned, will be close no doubt.

REV. J. R. N. BELL.

Well Known Eastern Oregon Minister Passed Through City.

Rev. J. R. N. Bell who was the popular pastor of the Presbyterian church in Baker City for 14 years, passed through on the morning train en route to Baker City where he delivers the principal address of the annual meeting of the Commandery.

Rev. Bell is now located at Corvallis where he is building a \$30,000 church nine members of his congregation giving \$1,000 each, the Sunday school and the Ladies Aid Society, \$1,000 each, the latter having \$800 of their amount raised. Corvallis enjoys a population of 4,500, is building a \$30,000 high school and in common with other points in the Willamette valley is keeping in touch with the era of progression.

The county court met this morning. They will probably be in session until late tomorrow afternoon.

'FRISCO MAY RECALL TAYLOR

PETITIONERS ALLEGE INCOMPETENCY ON PART OF EXECUTIVE

SAN FRANCISCO, April 7.—Petitions demanding the recall of Mayor Taylor are being prepared today by the county committee of the Independent party. Alleged incompetency is the basis of the movement. Hugh J. McIsaac, chairman of the committee, stated movement was started last night's meeting.

GRAND JURY WILL SIT NEXT FRIDAY

SUMMERSVILLE GAMBLING CASES HEARD SATURDAY

Members of Grand Jury Were Summoned to Appear Next Friday—Believed Other Things Will Come Up—Summersville Cases Will Be Acted on Too.

Members of the grand jury have been summoned to report at the court cause for calling the probers together is to dispose of the Kit Carlson case but there will be other duties to perform it is believed, though it is said at headquarters that "such other duties may be needed" covers the reason. At any rate the jury will examine the Union stealing.

Cases Saturday. Saturday will be gambling day at the circuit court. Judge Knowles has notified the defendants in the Summersville gambling cases that he would be ready to hear the arguments to the demurrers on next Saturday, at which time the case will either be put in a position ready to try at the June term of court or possibly some, if not all, will plead guilty and receive their sentences.

MILWAUKEE WORKING HARD FOR HOMECOMING.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., April 7.—Plans for Milwaukee's big homecoming celebration on August 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 gradually are assuming tangible form and the various committees are able to report work in various departments to be well under way.

GRANDMA PALMER GREETES VISITORS

THOUGH NINETY-FIVE YEARS OLD, IS EXTREMELY SPRY.

On The Anniversary of her 95th Birthday, The Grand Old Lady of La Grande is able to Receive Callers—rode on First Railroad—Able to Sit up Today.

Either propped in bed or sitting in her chair, Grandma Palmer received callers this afternoon, but otherwise passed the last day of her 95th year in quiet. April 7 is always a notable day for Grandma and for her children and their offspring. Few attain an age so close to the 100th mile stone as she and still less often do they boast of as much mental and physical vitality as does she. She conversed freely with those who called but because she is weakened by several weeks of sickness, visits were brief.

Grandma is the pride of La Grande. Living through almost a century, she has United States history on the tip of her tongue better than most historians and she can relate the incidents of her trip across the plains, the family's landing at La Grande, of the growth of this city from nothing to its present size, of the experience of riding on the first railroad that was ever built in the United States, and being a passenger on the first train, more notably than one would imagine from any one woman.

She came to this valley 43 years ago and is known and loved by all the pioneers of the state. She was born in Pennsylvania, and has enjoyed the friendship of many eminent men and women of the early days. She lives not at the home of her son, Joseph Palmer, and her declining years are made happy by the love bestowed upon her by children and grand children alike.

Has 84 Descendants.

Late this afternoon the relatives who spent the day with Grandma, listed her children, grand children and great grand children who are alive and the list totals. There were dozens who called late in the day.

DEALS BLOW TO HARNEY VALLEY

BALLINGER WILL NOT IRRIGATE DRY LAND UNDER CAREY ACT

WASHINGTON, April 7.—Secretary of the Interior Ballinger today denied an application for irrigation of the Harney Valley Improvement company for 22,000 acres of land in Harney Valley Oregon, under the act, on the ground is not of desert character. The decision will dampen the ardor of promoters of the arid section had hoped to cope with nearby sections that are rapidly become populated on strength of promised irrigation.

FATAL DOSE OF MEDICINE

MARSHFIELD, Ore., April 7.—Coroner's jury in the case of Miss Mabbie Burns, who died suddenly at North Bend several days ago, met today but adjourned pending examination of the woman's stomach. It is suspected she was poisoned or killed by medicine sent through mail. Letters show the girl was taking some kind of mysterious drug without knowledge of her parents.

UNION GAME ASSURED.

Local "Unabentens" Will Face Union Aggregation Sunday.

Union's baseball team will be in La Grande next Sunday to play the local team which has played two winning games already. Manager Lincoln has been given assurance that the team will be here at that time.

700,000 TREES PLANTED.

WASHINGTON, D. C. April 7.—The trees used in the national experiments in reforestation are grown at eight government nurseries out West. These eight stations now contain 9,000,000 trees from one to three years old.

The preliminary stage of forest planting within the national forests is now past, and several of the planting stations have produced trees of sufficient size to plant directly on the permanent site. About 700,000 trees were planted during the winter and spring of 1907.

ASTER SHOW FOR LA GRANDE AGAIN

NEIGHBORHOOD CLUB DECIDES TO IMPROVE ON ANNUAL AFFAIR

The Neighborhood Club met in regular session yesterday afternoon and it was an exceptionally interesting day. The program was out of the usual order, the life and character of George Bancroft our greatest historian was told by Mrs. J. K. Wright in a very pleasing and attractive manner.

Mrs. H. R. Hanna read a learned and able paper on the qualifications of a historian, thus abounded in much food for reflection and thought.

It was decided by the club to give another Aster show this season which is hoped to equal if not surpass the preceding exhibits of this character.

A new departure for the coming year is to be taken by the Neighbors Club as from now on it will be a Department Club. It will start out with 3 departments, history, literature, and domestic science, and this the wish of the management that all members of the club will notify the leaders which department they prefer to work in, if literature is preferred ring up or call upon Miss Anson; if history—Mrs. Turner Oliver, and if domestic science—Mrs. W. H. Rush.

It was also decided to arrange for a lecture to be given on "More Beautiful America" by Mrs. Howard Everts Weed of Chicago, this to take place on or about the 10th of June and further notice will be given later.

HUMAN FLESH AS BAIT FOR FISH

STARVING INDIAN WOMAN SAVES HER CHILDREN'S LIVES

PORT ARTHUR, Ont., April 7.—Cutting strips of flesh from her own body, a heroic Indian woman, living north of here, baited her hook with it, and caught fish to save her children from starving. The story is brought here by woodsman, whose comrades are caring for her. The first fish caught was the first food the family had for many days.

J. K. Wright went to Cove this morning to superintend the construction of 9000 rods of woven wire fences around the 10-acre tracts which the La Grande Investment company owns there.

FULTON OFFERED POST IN ORIENT

HAS ASKED FOR TEN DAYS TO CONSIDER OFFER

If Fulton Accepts, he Will Be Sent to China as Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary—Friends Had Given up Hope of His Public Future.

WASHINGTON, April 7.—The Taft administration is anxious to provide for Charles W. Fulton, late senator from Oregon. Foiled in his attempt to land the new federal judgeship in Oregon, Fulton and his friends, too, were becoming discouraged at the former's ability to pluck a federal plum. It was definitely announced today however, that President Taft has decided to make Mr. Fulton envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary to China.

Taft made the offer, it is learned on good authority, but Fulton has not accepted as yet. He has asked 10 days' time in which to consider the proposition.

ANSON'S TEAM IN PHILADELPHIA.

PHILADELPHIA, April 7.—"Pop" Anson's "Colts" play today. This semi-professional team, which started from Chicago a few days ago on a 5000-mile trip, meets the Athletics and the Quakers today. Anson's Chicago Colts are having a good time, and will appear at Springfield on the 15th, Hartford 16th, and Worcester 17th.

SECURITIES MATURING.

NEW YORK, April 7.—The Journal of Commerce and Commercial Bulletin has compiled exhaustive data showing that between March, 1909, and December, 1910, inclusive, the railroads and industrial corporations of the United States must meet matured short term notes and bonds aggregating not less than \$731,921,000, of which just over half a billion fall due in 1910, including \$327,560,000 notes.

FIRST TERM OF NEW COURT BRIEF

FEDERAL COURT FOR EASTERN OREGON SITS AND ADJOURNS

Eastern Oregon's first term of federal court was convened yesterday morning at Pendleton, though the judge to sit on the bench is yet to be appointed. The court was called to order by United States Marshal Read, who came up from Portland for that purpose, and who read the proclamation creating the term of court until June, says the East Oregonian. To then adjourned court until June, by which time it is expected the judge will have been appointed.

If the judge is not appointed by this time the court is scheduled to continue its sessions, the same officers will meet here again and will again postpone the session.

KEEP DUTY ON BARLEY

WASHINGTON, April 7.—House today in a committee of the whole, retaining a duty of 15 cents per bushel on barley. Humphrey, Washington, lost his motion to put barley on the free list.

Representatives of seven Flint Michigan, families went into the Wallowa country this morning after spending the night in La Grande.

You Are Invited

to visit this store at any time to inspect our new spring lines, whether you intend buying at the time or not.

Our Stock Is Complete

in every detail, and should you want anything from a yard of calico to the newest tailor-made spring suit, WE HAVE IT.



will soon be here. Now is the time to get your new suit and hat.

Just received a delayed shipment of hand-tailored suits and skirts. COME IN AND SEE THEM.

THE FAIR