OREGON, MONDAY, APRIL 5, 1909.

## HIGHER WHEAT IS POPULAR BELIEF

## Despite Conditions, Price Keeps Up.

## VALUES LOOK FICTITIOUS

Supply and Demand Offer No Basis for Quotations.

#### **NEW GOVERNMENT REPORT**

Estimates on 1909 Crop Will Be Made on Wednesday - Speculators Believe Patten Will Carry May Deal Through.

CHICAGO, April 4 .- (Special.) - Popular sentiment is now as confidently com-mitted to a belief in still higher wheat values as it was to the contrary proposome six months since, values were about 20 cents a bushel lower for May and 10 cents lower for July. is apparently oblivious to the fact that May wheat closed Saturday just 29 cents, July 294 and September 14 cents higher

than at the corresponding date last year. Leaving out the fact that the buillish forces of the world now have an able, resourceful and well-equipped leader, there is nothing in the legitimate demand and supply propositions, either domestic or foreign, to warrant such a vast difference between the values current at the respective periods.

#### Annual Increase Rapid.

Going back to the Letter year, 1898, for a parallel case, reveals the present situation still more at fault. For the five years previous to the Leiter year, the average wheat crop of the United States was 456,000,000 bushels. In the last five years it has averaged 642,000,000 bushels. The average Winter wheat yield for the five years previous to 1898 was 291,000,000 bushels, and for the last five years it has averaged 410,000,000 bushels.

The average acreage harvested for the five-year term provious to the Leiter year, 1898, was 25,622,000 acres, of which the Winter wheat proportion averaged 32,117,000 acres. In the last five years the average acreage has been 48,400,000 acres, the Winter wheat area has averaged 28,962,000 acres. The acreage officially reported in December last as having beer seeded for the 1909 harvest of Winter wheat was 29,884,000 acres, or nearly 1,000,000 acres more than the previous fiveyear average

Last year's wheat crop was 665,000,000 bushels, or about 23,000,000 bushels more than the five-year average. While statiatics do not always tell the story, the above vital facts cannot be ignored, in a weighing up of the present situation. In the speculative field the situation is

It has been demonstrated be youd the possibility of denial that the believers in less sensational values have been routed in the open market arena and that until their ranks are recruited from fresh and strong forces they cannot hope to fight with an even charge of success Porces other than speculative are likely to shape wheat values in the future The last quarter of the crop year has heen entered upon, a period that usually sees small wheat demand, particularly in years of high prices and when the last month of the year is devoted by millers to preparing to grind the oncoming new rop of Winter wheat.

#### Shorts Not Yet Out of Danger.

It is hardly in order for millers to become excited and overload with highpriced old wheat at this time and it is almost a certainty that the bulk of them will work from hand to mouth until the then will be determined by circumstance then prevailing.

With the speculator it is different. He quite generally convinced that Patten will carry his May deal through to maturity and this may make a situation which obviates the necessity of his run ning through to the last day of next month and exposing himself to the posdelivery of a great deal of highpriced wheat. As a finished campaigner, the big bull leader knows well the possibilities involved, and he may find it easier to turn his deal over to the July speculator and investor and walt for a more susplcious opportunity in which to renatate property if he so desires. Nevertheless it is quite probable that shorts in wheat will be given a lively time before they have an opportunity to see lower prices and most of these that have not yet covered may be forced to do so before the tide turns

Government figures showing the first official estimate of the condition of the crop as it emerges from Winter quarters.

be issued at neon on Wednesday. While little growing weather has been seen, except in the far Southwest, and the condition—as of April I—will not be a fair estimate of the actual condition of erop, the trade will, nevertheless, place a deal of store on it.

#### HITCHCOCK IS VERY SICK

Fears for Recovery of ex-Secretary

of Interior. WASHINGTON, April 4.-Ethan Allen Hitchcock, ex-Secretary of the Interior,

is critically ill at the home of his son-

grave fears for his recovery are en-

tertained.

in-law, Commander Sims, U. S. N., and

## 3000-MILE RACE; DEATH AT HOME

EX-PITTSBURGER DIES SOON AFTER LEAVING TRAIN.

Taken Sick in Los Angeles, Doctors Give Him Up, and He Asks To Be Taken East.

PITTSBURG, April 4 .- (Special.)-Harry V. Van Norman, formerly of Pittsburg, died here this afternoon in the arms of his family, after being carried across the continent by his young wife in one of the most exciting races with death.

Van Norman married Miss Jenks, daughter of Frank Jenks, city editor of the Gazette-Times of Pittsburg, five ears ago, and went to Los Angeles as manager of a Rochester, N. Y. house. He became ill some months since, and one week ago he was told by physicians that he had no chance to live. He asked to be taken home, and his wife raced with him to Pittsburg, reaching here 12 hours before

For six days and nights Mrs. Van Norman did not sleep stopping off for a few hours at Houston, but the physiclans there urged her on, saying there was no hope. Mr. Van Norman, who had been worn practically to a skeleton, from 195 pounds to 105, insisted on trying to carry their grips from the train in Pittsburg to the cab. but col-lapsed. He was insistent that he would again be well in the Pittsburg air, but while talking to his wife this afternoon he collapsed and was dead in a few minutes.

## BOYS SMOKING START FIRE

\$2,000,000 Blaze in Fort Worth Attributed to Cigarettes.

FORT WORTH, Tex., April 4 .- To a party of small boys and a carelesslythrown cigarette is credited the fire of yesterday, which destroyed property to South Fort Worth valued at \$2,000. 000; caused the death of J. J. Newton, a bank employe, and the serious injury of six others, and rendered 300 families

Today and tonight the burned district was under guard of state troops to prevent looting. A mass meeting of citizens was held and relief com-

The fire originated in a barn, where boys were smoking cigarettes.

#### SITUATION NEARS CRISIS Diplomatic Relations With ragua Are Badly Strained.

WASHINGTON, April 4-Indications are that diplomatic relations between this country and Nicaragua are nearing a risis, resulting from the failure of President Zelaya to adjust the Emery claim. The reticence of the State Department n regard to the case indicates that the situation is grave and that there is lit-tle probability of any settlement on the

basis proposed by Secretary Knox.

A significant fact is that J. H. Gregory, the American Charge d'Affaires, who recently reached here from Nicaragua is not expected to return to the Central

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# AWAITS ROOSEVELT

Naples Adorns Herself for Noted Guest.

## WOMEN WILL STREW ROSES

German Consul-General to Give Carnation From Kaiser.

DECORATE HARBOR CRAFT

Steamship Admiral Waiting to Carry ex-President on Next Stage of Journey to Africa-Stay in City Is to Be Brief.

GRISCOM ARRIVES TO MEET ROOSEVELT

NAPLES, April 4.- (Special.)-Ambassador Griscom arrived this afternoon from Rome, accompanied afternoon from Rome, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. John W. Garrett and Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Dodge, to welcome ex-President Roosevelt. The steamship Hamburg, with Colonel Roosevelt and party aboard, will ar-rive tomorrow morning. They will leave for Africa at 19 o'clock in the

Mr. Griscom sleeps tonight on the American converted yacht Scorpion, on which he will leave for Mussina w. Colonel Roosevelt tomor-rning at 10 o'clock will pay tomorrow. a visit to the Duca d'Aosta, at Capo-dimonte. Later he will visit relatives at the hotel De Londres and make a tour of the museums.

NAPLES, April 4.- The steamship Admiral, which is to carry ex-President Roosevelt to Mombassa, is lying in the harbor, decorated with flags and with special quarters set aside for Mr. Roosevelt and his party. Numerous gifts of flowers have been sent to the ship, and tomorrow the remembrance of the German Emperor, in the shape of great masses of carnations, typical of the German colors, will be placed in Mr. Roosevelt's cabin.

The Hamburg is expected at noon, and Mr. Roosevelt will be greeted on board the steamer by representatives of the City Council, who will extend to him an official greeting, and a party of women who will strew his path with

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Greetings From Kaiser. The German Consul-General will extend the personal greetings of the Em-(Concluded on Page 4.)

MAP SHOWING ROUTE OF ROOSEVELT'S HUNTING TRIP, AND SNAPSHOT OF EX-PRESIDENT ON DECK OF STEAMER.

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## NOTE DESIGNS TO BE SYSTEMATIZED

PATTERNS FOR SERIES TO BE CUT FROM 19 TO 9.

New Plan Expected to Do Away With Confusion and to Hamper Counterfeiters.

WASHINGTON, April 4 .- Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Coolidge has pproved a plan for systematizing de signs for United States notes and coin certificates, thus securing uniformity

n portrait and general design. At present there are 19 different designs for United States notes and coin certificates of various denominations, leading to confusion and uncertainty Under the new plan there will be but

The \$1 silver certificate will carry the portrait of Washington, the \$2 sli-ver certificate the portrait of Jefferson The \$5 note, whether sliver certificate greenback, will carry the portrait of Lincoln. The \$10 gold and silver certificate and United States note, that of Cleveland; the \$20 that of Jackson the \$50 that of Grant; the \$100 that of Franklin; the \$500 that of Salmon P Chase; the \$1000 that of Alexander

The portraits of Hillegus, Monroe Silas Wright, Lewis W. Clark, Mansfield and others will be eliminated. The eagle, the buffalo and the Indian head, which have proved to be easily counterfeited, also will disappear. All duplications will be done away withe The new system, it is believed, will discourage counterfeiting.

## HEINZE RESUMES MINING

Wallace Excited Over Report He Will Seek to Recoup Fortune.

SPOKANE, Wash., April 4 .- (Special.) -Announcement which has reached Wallace, Idaho, that F. Augustus Heinze is to return to Couer d Alene after an absence of almost three years has created intense interest in that district. It is taken for granted that Heinze is coming back to recoup his millions, which suffered seriously in the earlier stages of the depression in New York a year and a half ago.

A large crew has been put to work in the Stewart mine at Wardner, his mos valuable property, and it is understood that active operation with a full force be ordered.

Big things are expected to be happer when Heinze gets into harness again. for he is a man who deals in big figures, and mining history records no more daring plunger. All of the tunnels at the have been ordered cleaned and the yards cleared away ready for inspection on his arrival.

## ST. PAUL OPERATES TRAINS

First Locomotive Passes Through Tunnel at Taft, Montana.

WALLACE, Idaho, April 4.—The first train to pass through the St. Paul Pass tunnel at Taft on the line of the Chicago. Milwaukee & Puget Sound Rallroad, made the trip at noon today. Work trains are now run from the Coast to a point near

# FIGHT THIS WEEK

First Skirmish Due in Probate Court.

## OTHER HEIRS STAND FAST

All Profess to Feel No Anxiety as to Outcome.

SECRETS MAY COME OUT

Identity of Mrs. Selby's Mother Likely to Be Revealed if Suit Is Carried on and New Sensation Is Promised as a Result.

PROVISIONS OF BALDWIN WILL. SAN FRANCISCO, April 4 .- (Special.)—Under the will left by the late Lucky Baldwin, the bulk of the

vast estate, estimated in value at \$25,000,000, was left to his two daughters. Mrs. Clara Stocker and Mrs. Anita McClaughry. The famous Santa Anita ranch was bequeathed to the two who, all told, were to receive \$20,000,000. The believe the ceive \$20,000,000. The bulance was to be divided between Mrs Lillian Baldwin, the widow, who was to re-ceive one-third interest in the Baldwin annex property in San Francisco, valued at \$500,000, Zelda Selby, the third daughter, was to receive \$70. 000; and smaller bequests to Mrs. Elizabeth Rush, grand-daughter, and H. A. Unruh, for many years Bald-

win's business manager.

The will was satisfactory, save to the widow, who, it is said, brought shout the compromise and new to the mysterious daughter. Zelda Selby, who is threatening action if she is ignored.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 4 .- (Special.) The threat of David S. Selby, husband of Mrs. Rosella Selby, who was recognized by E. J. ("Lucky") Baldwin in his last will as a daughter, and remembered with a legacy of 200 acres of land, valued at \$50,000, to embroil the Baldwin estate endless litigation unless a more gen erous provision was made for his wife by the other Baldwin heirs, is on the eve

of fulfillment, according to Seiby. The Baldwin will is to come up for robate in the Los Angeles court this week, and the opening gun in their fight for a larger share of the Baldwin estate

will be fired at that time. Other Heirs Remain Calm. The ultimatum of Selby, however, is

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# entire student body will resign

Given 15 Per Cent Increase.

NEW YORK, April 4.-It is rumored here today that the Western Union Telegraph Company has granted its employes,

The increase is explained by the offi-

#### TAFT WELCOMES ATHLETES Enthusiastic Reception to Yale's Track Team in White House

WASHINGTON, April 4 .- Yale's track team, including a large number of Old Ell's stalwart athletes, invaded the White House today and was ac-corded an enthusiastic reception by President Taft. The athletes came to Washington early in the day on their way to Charlotteville, Va., where they begin training. The reception was in-

#### WOMAN DIES AT 112 YEARS Leaves Large Property and Boasted She Never Had Doctor.

NEW YORK, April 4 .- The death of Mrs. Fanny Friedman, aged 112, was reported today. She was born in Hun-gary, January 3, 1797, and had been ill only a few days. It was her boast that she never had a doctor in her life and one was not called in until Friday Five children, 54 grandchildren and 1: great-grandchildren survive her,

#### KING EDWARD GODFATHER Will Stand Sponsor for Son of John

Hubert Ward.

LONDON, April 4.-It is said that King Edward will be godfather to the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Hubert Ward, was born on March 24 last. Mrs. Ward was Miss Jean Reid, daughter of the American Ambassador.

#### CLOSING ON CRAZY SNAKE Troops Get Orders to Stay in Field Until Chief Is Captured.

HICKORY GROUNDS, Okla., April 4 .colonel Hoffman, in command of the state troops hunting Crazy Snake and orders tonight from Governor Haskell to remain in the field tillhe captured the chief.

## WEDSSWEETHEART AFTER 33 YEARS CLIMAX TODAY

MONTANA MAN USES CLOTHES HE BOUGHT IN EARLY TO'S

Fond of Pies, He Seeks Out Cook and Finds She Is Woman He Had Won and Lost.

SPOKANE, Wash., April 4 .- (Special.) His wait of 23 years for the woman he wed was rewarded today, when Alonzo ewton, attired in the wedding garment made for the near-wedding in the '70s and using the wedding and engagement rings purchased for the girl sweetheart of his youth, took to his heart and home

Mrs. Eva Drake. The wedding ceremony was celebrated at Taft, Mont. Mrs. Drake came to Taft from Texas, made pastry and sold it to the eager searchers for home cooking So fond did Mr. Newton become of it that he asked the boy who delivered the pastry if he could meet the cook. The boy escorted him to his mother, and they discovered in each other the sweethear of years ago.

#### UNKNOWN SHIP IS SUNK Spars Seen Sticking Out of Water

by Steamer Dominion

BOSTON, April 4.-Tidings of disaster to an unknown ship at sea were brought to this port today with the arrival of the Dominion Coal Company's steamer Dominion, Captain Northcutt, from Louisburg, C. B.

About 200 miles to the eastward of Boston Light late in the afternoon the steamer passed the lower mast and topmast of a large vessel. The spars were sticking out of the water and apparently were attached to a sunken hull.

#### FEET WASHED BY ALFONSO Spanish King Will Celebrate Tradition of Holy Week.

MADRID, April 4.-The royal family as returned to the capital for Holy Week, which will be celebrated with the traditional religious solemnity by the

Spanish court. King Alfonso, assisted by the Grandees wash the feet of 12 poor men on Thursday, in imitation of Christ, and subsequently will set before them with

#### THEOLOGS HINT AT STRIKE Princeton Students Demand More

Modern Curriculum.

NEW YORK, April 4.-The differences ch have existed between Dr. Francis Patton, president of the Princeton Seminary, and the undergraduates culminated today when reso utions were adopted by the students in which the ultimatum is set forth that either Dr. Patton is to be made to pr

### PAY MAY BE ADVANCED Rumor That Western Union Has

including operators and sub-chiefs, a 1 per cent increase in wages, beginning

cials as due to the general increase in business and the reductions in the copper market.

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girl with unloaded revolver. Page 4.

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# PAYNE TARIFF BILL Date for Vote to Be Set for April 10.

### DEBATE TO BE SHUT OFF THEN

Those Who Asked Free Lumber Will Not Oppose.

#### TAFT APPROVES COURSE

Opportunity Will Be Given for Vote on Various Disputed Schedules and Chance Exists Bill May Pass in Some Shape.

WASHINGTON, April 4.- The climax in the House consideration of the Payne tariff bill, will be reached in all probabillty soon after the House convenes to morrow, when the committee on rules will bring in an order fixing the time for taking trial vote on the bill and providing regulations for introducing and discussing

The rule which will be brought in morrow sets April 10 as the date for a vote on the tariff bill and protects the measure, it is said, from all amendments except those recommended by the ways and means committee and offered on the floor of the House, which will give an opportunity for a vote on the question of free lumber, protected barley and protected hides.

#### Rule to Be Adopted.

A majority of the 26 or more Republicans who drafted yesterday's pe-tition to the tariff framers asking for protection on lumber, coal and iron ore have been prevailed upon not to oppose the Payne bill. This is regarded as insuring the adoption of the rule. It is said also the dissatisfied Republicans have been assured that matters in which they are especially interested will be given careful at-tention when the bill reaches the Senate.

Chairman Payne, Representative Dalzell, Representative Dwight and other House leaders conferred with President Taft yesterday, and the President is said to have approved the tariff programme

#### General Debate Shut Off.

The rule will shut off general debate automatically, and from the time of its adoption until the bill is submitted to a vote discussion of the tariff will proceed under the five-

In view of the probability of the early adoption of this order, both sides are preparing to consider the bill in its final stages. The matter of the time that will be given for amendments will be fixed by the committee on rules, but that committee will be guided entirely by the wishes of the committee on ways and means.

No one doubts that the fate of the bill will be known before the end of the week and there is just a little doubt that it will be passed in some shape There are very few members who would

## The Weather,

YESTERDAY'S—Maximum temperature, 50.5 degrees; minimum, 37.2 degrees.
TODAY'S—Fair and warmer; northwesterly winds. Foreign.

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