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As usual, Eastern Oregon is going to harvest a splendid wheat yield. The crop reports are flattering in the extreme. Where two weeks ago farmers were counting on eight to 10 bushels, on account of the continued dry weather, they now estimate the yield at 20 bushels. And what adds more to the roseate prospect is the good price now assured for this year's crop.

The people have spent \$500,000 within the past two days in answering salutes from the German navy in the harbor of Kiel. War is a costly art and while the masses hate it, they cannot shake it off, as long as the American congress is encouraged in spending money in warlike appliances.

James J. Hill has signified his intention of meeting Washington farmers in August to discuss grain rates. The tireless war waged by the patrons of the Northern Securities Company has brought Mr. Hill to recognize the power of the people.

**GREATEST MORTGAGE KNOWN.**

On the 20th of this month there will occur a most unique transaction in real estate in Berlin, involving a transfer of sovereignty over some 20,000 people, the inhabitants of an important city and seaport, which will then pass from the possession of one crown to that of another.

On that date Wismar, one of the old Hanseatic ports, will be solemnly transferred by the crown of Sweden to that of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, and thus become de jure as well as de facto a part and appurtenance of the German empire.

The transfer comes by the foreclosure of a mortgage executed 100 years ago—12 years before the whims and guns of Napoleon had ceased to set up sovereignties, pull down kingdoms and wipe out boundary lines.

In 1803 Gustavus IV, King of Sweden, being much pressed for money, borrowed from Frederick Francis I, or Mecklenburg-Schwerin a sum amounting to a little over \$1,000,000, giving as security a mortgage on the city and seaport of Wismar, situated on the coast of Mecklenburg-Schwerin just north of Schwerin, the capital.


By the terms of the contract, which is known in history as the treaty of Malmo, it was stipulated that the crown of Sweden should have the right for a whole century from the date of its signing to resume possession of Wismar on the repayment of the loan, with interest at the rate of 3 per cent per annum, and that on the failure to do so on the part of Sweden on the expiration of 100 years the ruler of Mecklenburg-Schwerin should have the privilege of foreclosing the mortgage and assuming full possession of and sovereignty over Wismar.

The 100 year's time expires on Friday. King Oscar and Emperor William have already discussed the situation and agreed on the proceedings to be had. Sweden, for good reasons of her own, will not redeem Wismar. It would require, principal and interest, over \$30,000,000. This sum Sweden does not care to pay for even such a holding on German soil, from which she would be driven in quick time at the first rumble of war.

So King Oscar's cabinet prepared and the Swedish legislature passed a law providing for the cession of the

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**THE AMERICAN ABROAD.**

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In South America the settlers who introduced the American threshing machine and the American self-binder, to the Argentine wheat fields were Missourians and Kansans.

In Servia the civil engineers who surveyed some of the most difficult portions of the Trans-Siberian railway were Americans, and introduced the American steam shovel, the American steel gravel cars and the American locomotive.

In China, the American has created a demand for flour, and has changed the customs of that people, until they are consuming more bread each year now, than in any thousand years before.

In Europe and Africa and Asia, wherever the American goes, he carries the story of American industry and creates a demand for American products.

One of the most recent examples of this is seen in the increasing demand for Oregon horses in the wheat region of Canada.

Within the past two years 200,000 Americans have settled in Canada and are now pouring their harvests into the swelling wheat-tides of the world.

Within the two years just past, as a result of this emigration to Canada, the demand for American horses there has increased 60 per cent. The Oregon ranges are being depleted to meet this call for work horses in the far north.

The demand for American farming implements in Canada is also growing constantly and the American abroad always makes business for the American at home.

While the foreign nations are pouring into this country by shiploads, none of their native products follow them. They adopt the American mode of living and all his appliances. On the other hand, wherever the American emigrates, the transcendent art of his nation follows him and becomes his environment in the new home.

Mrs. Eva Emery Dye read a paper on "Oregon's Debt to Sacajawea," before the federation of Woman's Clubs at Astoria yesterday. Just what Oregon's debt is to the Indian girl will never be known, but it will be more fully appreciated when the study of Oregon history and the romance of the age of exploration becomes more firmly fixed as a part of the constant reading of every Oregonian.

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Swedish city and port of Wismar and the island of Poel, which lies in front of it, to the Grand Duke of Mecklenburg-Schwerin.

Wismar came into the possession of Sweden by the treaty of Westphalia, October, 1648, by virtue of which her king, as Lord of Wismar, was accorded several votes in the diet of the German empire, with the view of protecting the interests of German Protestants, for which he had been for over 30 years battling hard.

So, though only in nominal possession of Wismar since 1803, the formal surrender of the right and title thereto evoked much sentimental feeling in the Swedish chambers, and the closing address by the minister of foreign affairs was heard by the entire house standing.

The Kaiser will, of course, at once proceed to make Wismar one of his naval strongholds on the Baltic. In fact, it may soon rival Kiel in that role, as it is a far better seaport and far better adapted by nature for protective and defensive purposes.

To the inhabitants of Wismar the change will be most welcome. For a century they have had no rights of representation in either the Swedish legislature, the Mecklenburg diet or the German reichstag—in fact, have had no voice in anything except their own municipal government.—San Francisco Call.

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