

# Cottage Grove Leader

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## NEWS OF THE WEEK

In a Condensed Form for Our Busy Readers.

A Resume of the Less Important but Not Less Interesting Events of the Past Week.

Tokio—Sakatani, ex-Minister of Finance, has sailed on a tour of America.

New York—A campaign against the sale of newly-hatched chickens for Easter gifts is being waged by the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals here.

Brussels—The government of the Congo Independent State has issued a reply to the British white book containing reports from British Consuls in the Congo and denies all the charges of oppression.

San Francisco—The police are watching two men suspected of drugging Samuel Gilmore, a race-track plunger, who had won \$7000, robbing him and killing him. His stomach is being analyzed.

Chicago—Joseph Sachel, a wholesale liquor dealer, and Arthur Freud, his cousin, were drowned in Lake Michigan, Wednesday, when a small boat was capsized. Sachel's wife and Freud's sister were watching the boat.

Milwaukee, Wis.—Ira B. Smith, formerly a member of a prominent wholesale grocery firm of Milwaukee, was Wednesday sentenced to two years in the Milwaukee house of correction by Judge Ludwig for obtaining money under false pretenses.

Chicago—After discovering that Harry Mendosa had stolen \$1000 worth of jewelry while hanging paper in her house, Mrs. Isadore J. Kusel notified the police and then called up Mendosa by telephone and held him in conversation until he was arrested.

Chicago—Four hundred anxious property-owners from Kenmore avenue successfully protested against the asphaltting of that street. They wanted it left in its present condition rather than turn it over to the motor cars, which tear up the pavement, make a hideous noise and kill their children.

Mining industries of Montana are reviving.

Catholics of San Francisco held special mass to pray for rain.

The hands who shot Marshall Miller at Kent, Wash., are surrounded by a large posse.

While "playing burglar" a 16-year-old boy of Woodstock, Oregon, shot his 9-year-old sister through the heart.

It is new against the law to bind the feet of women in China, and many of the opium dens have been closed.

The office of the anarchist paper La Question Sociale, has been dismantled and the printing material removed.

Governor Hughes of New York, through all the militia if necessary, to stop race track gambling in that state.

Admiral Sebree and the officers and crews of the cruisers California and Tennessee received a great welcome at Everett, Wash., enroute to Seattle.

While the contralto soloist of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra was singing at the Armory in Portland one afternoon a canary drew the attention of the entire audience by alighting on the sill of an open window and singing lustily.

Seven jurors have been secured to try Abe Ruof.

It is now reported that Admiral Evans is on the mend.

Eight jurors have been secured to try Firey La Ford at San Francisco, for bribery.

Salem people saw a strange light traveling in the air about half an hour Sunday evening.

Seven hundred junks were sunk and 2000 people drowned in Hankow China, as the result of a midnight flood.

Four "trusties" escaped from the Salem penitentiary. They had been working on the asylum for feebleminded.

The B. R. Lewis Lumber company and the Idaho & Northern Railway, of Coeur d'Alene, are in the hands of a receiver.

The selection of a jury to open the ballot boxes and examine the ballots of the New York mayoralty contest of 1905 has begun.

Three persons were killed, several hundred injured, about 10,000 made homeless and \$10,000,000 worth of property destroyed by the fire at Chelsea, a suburb of Boston.

Nearly 5,000 acres of hops have been plowed up in England.

Several Mexican towns have been shaken by an earthquake.

At the Los Angeles hearing Santa Fe officials have admitted rate discrimination.

A new copyright treaty has been entered into by the United States and Mexico.

Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, ex-premier of Great Britain, is growing weaker.

The Portuguese premier has offered his resignation, but the king has refused it.

Anna Gordon has sailed for Europe.

Massachusetts Republicans have elected unopposed delegates to the national convention.

Roosevelt may send a special message to congress on the question of the number of battleships to be built.

German building trades employers have disarmed with their workmen and 50,000 of the latter are out of work.

Chicago has just received \$663,340 as its share of the net earnings of the street railway companies for the past year.

### AT ANCHOR IN HOME WATERS

Battleship Fleet Arrives Safely in San Diego Harbor.

San Diego, Cal., April 14.—In four regularly-interval columns, with flags flying first home and pointing the way to the first home anchorage the fleet has found in its four months of cruising around the southern-most end of the Western Hemisphere, the 16 ships swept into the sheltered cove of the sea behind the towering headlands of Point Loma and halted for days of merrymaking for men and officers.

The fleet let go its anchors—all splashing in the water with simultaneous precision—at 12:47 P. M., just 13 minutes before the announced hour of arrival. For two hours the ships had been in sight and their coming had been watched with wonder by the waiting throngs. So engrossed were the people in the beauty of the scene that they forgot to cheer. The people of California are not so well acquainted with the navy as they would like to be, and the cruise of the battleships to this coast has long been looked forward to. Never before have armadas of the Connecticut type, displacing more than 16,000 tons of water, been seen along the Pacific Coast, and the occasion of their first visit is to be made a memorable event wherever they stop for port or cruise close enough to the shore to be seen by the cities and resorts that skirt the coast.

The splendid condition of the ships was manifest in every way. Outwardly they were the same sparkling, impressive white and buff units of a powerful fighting force that pointed their way out of Hampton Roads on a home coast 3,000 miles away, with the President showing the way on his cruiser yacht, the Mayflower. Internally, the ships were in better condition than when they started, engines working with the smooth thrust and throw of perfect bearings and careful handling and boilers burning steam with less consumption of coal because of the increased efficiency in the firing-rooms. The wash of the waves along the waterline displayed from two to three feet of red armor belt and showed but comparatively little sea growth, despite the long stay in temperate and tropical waters.

### WALL OF WATER TURNS LOOSE

Bursting Missouri River Dam Floods Montana Towns.

Helena, Mont., April 15.—In every town and village on the Missouri river, in Northern Montana, a deadly and a terror-stricken, and are fleeing to the hills to escape the flood caused by the breaking of the 70-foot dam at Hauser Lake this afternoon. The town of Craig, in Lewis and Clark county, 46 miles north of Helena, is now more than 20 feet under water, and from every indication tens of thousands of dollars' worth of property will be swept away. The 400 inhabitants of the town are camping in the hills tonight.

At a late hour tonight General Manager Gerry announced that the water is receding, and he is confident that no damage will occur beyond Craig. The latest estimate of the loss is from \$300,000 to \$400,000.

A heavily loaded Great Northern train from Great Falls to Butte narrowly escaped destruction by the flood this evening at 6 o'clock. It was delayed only a few minutes by a telegraph operator at Cascade and returned to Great Falls, not, however, before taking aboard a flock of sheep whose pasture was under water.

The Hauser Lake dam, which was one of the finest structures of its kind in the world, was completed last year at a cost of more than \$1,200,000 and developed 25,000 horsepower, which was utilized in operating the various power plants in Helena and the Butte mines and the Amalgamated Copper Company's smelter at Anaconda. The break will not interfere with operations, as power is being furnished tonight from the Canyon Ferry dam and the company's station in Butte.

Superintendent H. L. Burdick, of the Rocky Mountain Bell Telephone Company, at 10:30 o'clock tonight announced that the water at Craig, 46 miles from Helena, had reached a depth of 22 feet, and at Cascade, 69 miles distant, a depth of four feet. It is estimated that the water will reach the Boston & Montana smelter on the river bank at Great Falls about midnight.

### Snowslide Kills Japs.

Vancouver, B. C., April 15.—Four Japanese railway workmen were killed and a dozen badly injured by an avalanche which swept them down the mountain side of the Canyon. Two days ago a thaw started in the mountains and many slides occurred. Forty Japanese were asleep in two boarding-house cars on a siding when they were overwhelmed. The slide picked them up and carrying them over a cliff, rolled them away into the valley below. Relief crews were quickly on the scene and the bodies of the dead were secured.

### Admiral Evans Improving.

Paso Robles Hot Springs, Cal., April 15.—After remaining quietly in his room for several days, as a result of the recurrence of pain in his left knee, Rear-Admiral Evans was taken out today and wheeled to the bath house. It was the first time that he has left his room since last Thursday. After being given a sulphur bath and treatment, he was taken back to his room. There was a marked improvement in his appearance. His face was less drawn and in place of the pallor there was a good fresh color.

### Asks Change of Venue.

Gunnison, Colo., April 15.—Judge Shackelford, in chambers here today, heard arguments on application of Steve Adams, charged with the murder of Arthur Collins, at Telluride, for a change of venue from San Miguel county. O. N. Hilton, counsel for the Western Federation of Miners, filed affidavits from 80 residents of Telluride in support of the contention that Adams could not have a fair trial in that city on account of the prejudice against him there.

### Return Via Fuz.

Washington, April 15.—The battleships Maine and Alabama, which will be detached from the Atlantic Fleet, their places to be taken by the Wisconsin and the Nebraska, are to come home by the way of the Suez canal, according to present plans. They will leave San Francisco a month ahead of the fleet.

## OREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST

### CAN'T AGREE ON PRICE.

Salmon Cannerymen Have Meeting But No Scale is Set.

Astoria—A meeting attended by representatives of practically all the salmon canneries of the Columbia river was held here this afternoon to discuss the prices to be paid for raw fish during the season, which will open at noon on Wednesday, but although two sessions were held in an effort to get together on a price scale, no agreement was reached. It is understood some of the cannerymen wanted to pay 5 cents a pound for cannery fish and 6 cents for cold storage fish, those weighing 25 pounds or over, others wanted to fix the price at 5 and 7 cents, the same as set by the Fishermen's Union, while still others contended that 5 cents for small fish and 8 cents for all over 30 pounds in weight was proper. What the disagreement will result in is hard to predict, but it is probable the season will open at the prices fixed by the fishermen and the size of the catch will soon determine whether or not the rates will go higher.

### INSPECTOR DOES THE WORK

Owner of Orchard Must Pay for the Spraying.

Salem—County Fruit Inspector E. C. Armstrong has begun a new phase of war upon San Jose scale by hiring a gang of men to go into the orchard of Rev. F. M. George, near Liberty, and spray the trees. Heretofore enforcement of the law has consisted of chopping down diseased trees, but that course is pursued only in the case of trees that have been rendered valueless by disease and neglect. The George orchard is one of the most valuable in the vicinity of Liberty, but has become infested with scale. Mr. George sprayed 10 acres, but left 20 acres unsprayed. Mr. Armstrong will have it sprayed and charge the cost to the owner. When the work in this orchard is completed Mr. Armstrong will put the gang at work in other orchards in the vicinity.

### Water for Merrill Ranchers.

Klamath Falls—E. W. Smith, railroad conductor, has practically finished the canal change at this city, where the railroad grade crosses it, and has been awarded the contract by the government of repairing the Adams canal. This canal furnishes water to landholders around Merrill and has been taken over by the government.

Water will be turned into the main canal of the Klamath project next week.

Some of the lands are needing water at this time on account of the dry weather. Indications point to a less successful year for the dry farmers unless rain comes soon.

### Must Furnish Seats.

Salem—The railroad commission in a decision, which follows in part, censures the Corvallis & Eastern Railroad Co. for their passenger accommodations on the lines from Albany and Corvallis to Yaguina and Toledo:

"It is ordered that the railroad company defendant shall in the future supply sufficient passenger cars so that all passengers leaving Corvallis or Albany westbound and Yaguina and Toledo eastbound may have a seat and that the second-class coach shall be supplied with ventilators."

The railroad company will have 20 days in which to make the necessary alterations.

### Equalize Rates to Klamath.

Klamath Falls—Captain J. M. McIntire, who has returned from San Francisco, where he met the Southern Pacific freight officials, states that a through freight rate will be established to Klamath Falls as soon as the terminus of the road is at Dorris.

The McIntire Transportation company will handle all freight into this section, and it will remain in charge of the Southern Pacific until delivered to the consignee.

The rates have been published and are much lower than over the Thrall-Pokemega line. The rates from Portland and San Francisco are the same.

### May Manufacture Sugar.

Eugene—The promotion department of the Eugene Commercial club has received a quantity of sugar beet seed from the Pacific Sugar Construction company, which a year ago built a big sugar factory in Glenn county, California, for the purpose of testing the soil of Lane county as to its adaptability to the raising of sugar beets, and if the test is satisfactory steps will be taken to induce some sugar beet manufacturer to build a plant in Eugene. The seed will be distributed among a number of representative farmers.

### Work for Clean Dairy.

Marshfield—Mrs. S. A. Yoakam, deputy dairy and food inspector, of this place, is endeavoring to form among the creamery and condensed milk managers an association which will buy milk only from dairymen who keep their dairies clean and use the sanitary measures demanded by the inspector. Any of the creamery men who break the rule will be fined, according to the agreement. Mrs. Yoakam has been appointed to have charge of the dairy exhibits at the state fair.

### Eugene Buys Flax to Decorate.

Eugene—The Eugene Commercial club has arranged to purchase 60 American flags and 60 pennants, to be used as decoration on Willamette street on special day occasions. The merchants who will add their quota of decorations. The first use of these new flags and pennants will be for the spring festival of music, to be held in Eugene, April 14 and 15. The flags will belong to the city, and will be displayed on all public occasions.

### Trust Gets Can Factory.

Astoria—The formal transfer of the plant of the Kendall Can Company was made last evening, but the details of the sale cannot be learned here. It is understood that F. P. Kendall, of Portland, who was manager of the local plant, becomes Northwest manager for the American Can Company.

### PROTEST LOSS OF RANGE.

Oregon Sheepmen Want Flocks Put Back on Reserves.

Pendleton—Because the number of sheep allotted to the forest reserves of Oregon is 15,000 less this year than last, Umattilla sheepmen are protesting to the forestry department and application has been made by the state association to permit the same number in the reserves this year as was grazed last year. Cattlemen desire the number to be grazed in the reserves will cause sheepmen to sell under forced conditions since they have no range for the surplus and this they claim is a great injustice in view of the fact that the season promises to be excellent for both sheep and wool.

A meeting of the executive committee of the Oregon Wool-growers' association will be held here for the purpose of formulating a formal protest to the department. It is thought the request to graze the same number this year will be granted as the range in the reserve is improving from year to year on account of the husbanding of the grass by the forestry department.

Malheur, Umattilla, Harney and Baker county sheepmen have joined in the protest and earnest efforts will be made to secure range for the surplus sheep.

### Fruit-growers Will Organize.

Marshfield—President Newell, of the Oregon State Horticultural Board and A. H. Carson, committeeman for the Third district, will visit Coos county the last of this month for the purpose of getting a closer touch with the fruit-growers of the district. County Inspector Pohl will arrange a meeting when the visitors arrive. Plans are now in progress in Coos county for the organization of a fruit-growers' association. Inspector Pohl is engaged in visiting the orchards of the county and announces that he will cut down trees which are not properly sprayed by the owner after due notification.

### Opens New Tunnel.

Gold Hill—T. T. Barnard, superintendent of the Tin Pan mines on Galis creek, has been authorized by the company to start a tunnel, and purchase power drills and any other machinery necessary. A ten-stamp mill, with Frue vanners, has been running continuously with day and night shifts since December 19, with a capacity of 30 tons a day. The property is opened by a series of five tunnels on the vein, aggregating over 1,000 feet in length. The new tunnel will open the vein under the apex of the mountain.

### Mileage Book Hearing April 25.

Salem—In accordance with a stipulation between the parties to the contest, the Oregon Railroad commission has fixed April 25 as the date for the hearing upon the application of the Travelers' Protective association for establishment of a straight 2 1/2-cent rate for mileage books on the principal roads in Oregon. The hearing will be commenced at the office of the commission in the state house at 11 o'clock a. m.

### Trouth for Union County.

La Grande—Approximately 100,000 fish will be received in Union county within 30 days to be used as stocking material for the many mountain streams in this vicinity. Members of the Eastern Oregon Fish and Game association have received notice that the shipments will be forthcoming in a short time, and that the parties to whom the cans are consigned must be in readiness to plant the fry.

### Small Rush at Land Office.

Roseburg—Opening of newly surveyed lands to entry has occasioned a small rush to the Oregon land office at the past week. About 40 persons lined up and numbered awaiting their turn to register, while at the same time squatters are holding down the claims, and a contest with these must ensue before the one filing on a claim can prove his right to it.

### PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Track prices: Club, 84c per bushel; red Russian, 82c; blue-stem, 87c; valley, 85c.  
Barley—Feed, \$24.50 per ton; rolled, \$27.28; brewing, \$26.  
Oats—No. 1 white, \$26.50 @ 27 per ton; gray, \$26.  
Millstuffs—Bran, \$24.50 per ton; middlings, \$27.50; shorts, country, \$27.50; city, \$27; wheat and barley chop, \$27.50.  
Hay—Timothy, Willamette Valley, ordinary, \$15; Eastern Oregon, \$15.50; mixed, \$16; clover, \$14; alfalfa, \$12; alfalfa meal, \$20.  
Butter—Extras, 27 1/2c per pound; fancy 26c; choice, 25c; store, 16 1/2c.  
Eggs—Loss and commission off, 16 1/2 @ 17c per dozen.  
Cheese—Fancy cream twins, 15 1/2c per pound; cream brick, 20c; Swiss blk., 20c; Limburger, 22 1/2c.  
Poultry—Mixed chickens, 13c per lb.; fancy hens, 14 @ 14 1/2c; roosters, old, 8c; fryers, lb., 20c; broilers, lb., 22 1/2 @ 25c; dressed poultry per pound, 1c higher.  
Potatoes—Select, selling price, 70c per hundred; Willamette Valley, buying price, 45c per hundred; East Multnomah, buying price, 55c; Clackamas, buying price, 55c per hundred; new California, 5 @ 5 1/2c per pound; sweet, 5 1/2c per pound.  
Onions—Job price, \$4.75 @ 5 per hundred; buying price, \$4.25 @ 4.50 per hundred; garlic, 15c per pound.  
Apples—Select, \$3.50 per box; fancy, \$2; choice, \$1.50; ordinary, \$1.25.  
Fresh Fruits—Oranges, \$2.50 @ 3 per box; lemons, \$2.75 @ 3.50; 5 @ 5; medium, \$4.25 @ 4.75; common, \$3.50 @ 4; crows, best, \$3.75 @ 4; common, \$3.25 @ 3.75; calves, \$4 @ 4.50.  
Sheep—Best wethers, \$6 @ 6.50; ewes, \$5 @ 5.50; spring lambs, nominal.  
Hogs—Best, \$6 @ 6.25; medium, \$5.75 @ 6; feeders, \$5.25 @ 5.50.  
Hops—1907, prime and choice, 4 @ 6c per pound; olds, 1 @ 1 1/2c per pound.  
Wool—Eastern Oregon, average best, 11 @ 15c per pound, according to shrinkage; Valley, 12 @ 15c, according to quality.  
Mohair—Choice, 20 @ 20 1/2c per pound.

### FORTY MILLION BUSHELS.

Oregon, Washington and Idaho Make New Record for Wheat.

Total 1907 Grain Crop.

|        |                    |
|--------|--------------------|
| Wheat  | 58,000,000 bushels |
| Barley | 10,000,000         |
| Oats   | 12,000,000         |
| Total  | 80,000,000         |

Shipments by Water to April 1.

|        |           |
|--------|-----------|
| Wheat  | 1,000,000 |
| Barley | 1,657,000 |
| Oats   | 2,734,000 |
| Total  | 5,391,000 |

Shipments East by Rail to April 1.

|        |           |
|--------|-----------|
| Wheat  | 100,000   |
| Barley | 1,850,000 |
| Oats   | 500,000   |
| Total  | 2,450,000 |

Stocks on Hand April 1.

|        |            |
|--------|------------|
| Wheat  | 11,250,000 |
| Barley | 1,350,000  |
| Oats   | 2,240,000  |
| Total  | 15,000,000 |

Portland, April 14.—With the departure this month of seven chartered ships now loading at Portland, and five loading on Puget Sound, the greatest season in the history of the North Pacific grain trade will be practically over. There are a few straggling ships coming along for May-June loading and at least two more steamers will lead west for the Orient, but the movement has been so rapid this season that May 1 will find the business nearer closed than in any previous "big crop" year. When the returns are all in for April, it will be found that Oregon, Washington and Idaho for the first time in their history, have shipped (flour included), 40,000,000 bushels of wheat, and still have some on hand to tide over the dull season until the new crop arrives.

The 1907 wheat crop of the three states was a record-breaker by nearly 10,000,000 bushels, reaching a grand total of 58,000,000 bushels, and on account of the good prices prevailing throughout the season, it moved more rapidly proportionately than any of its predecessors. Not only was the wheat crop the largest on record, but barley, which has been increasing in prominence as one of the great staples of the Pacific Northwest, also established a new mark with a crop of nearly 10,000,000 bushels. Oats, exclusive of the crop grown in the La Conner district on Puget Sound, is credited with a yield of 12,000,000 bushels in the three states.

These figures which show a grand total of 80,000,000 bushels of the three leading cereals, are compiled from accurate statistics, kindly supplied by the railroad companies, which moved the big crop and by prominent grain exporters in various parts of the three states. The figures fall short of some of the earlier estimates made on the crops, and naturally are several million bushels smaller than the government figures on oats and barley.

Washington's 40,000,000 bushel crop of wheat dwindled to about 35,000,000 that of Oregon was slightly under 18,000,000, and Idaho's was somewhat over 5,000,000 bushels.

### WILL GO ABROAD.

President Will Leave Matters Entirely to His Successor.

Washington, April 14.—Should President Roosevelt's present desires be realized, he will spend the first year after his retirement from office in traveling outside the United States. Mr. Roosevelt's itinerary, however, has not been determined. His plan is to see some of the rugged and little frequented portions of foreign lands, as well as to travel the beaten track of the tourist. That the president will indulge in his fondness for hunting big game is evidenced by those to whom he has confided his intentions.

It was at the recent dinner of the Boone and Crockett Club in this city that the president laid out his intentions for next year. He was told of the opportunities for hunting in Alaska, and urged to arrange for a trip there. This, he said, would interfere with his plan for foreign travel and would have to be considered, if at all, at some future time. Mr. Roosevelt is quoted as adding at this time: "If William H. Taft is nominated and elected President, it would make impossible criticism if I were abroad, to the effect that I was dictating to him and being followed, or that I had dictated and had been turned down in my suggestions."

### New Emblem for Democracy.

Denver, April 14.—A monster tiger, constructed of paper mache, will welcome the delegates to Denver when they come to the Democratic National Convention July 7. This emblem has been selected instead of the prosaic donkey, as the striped king of the jungle lends himself more readily to the purposes of ornamentation. A special committee of citizens is at work devising plans for the suitable decoration of the city. The decision is to erect a mammoth figure of a tiger at Sixteenth street and Broadway avenue.

### Crushed by Ice Floes.

St. Johns, N. F., April 14.—Bringing tidings of the sinking of the steamer Grand Lake, and the serious injury of several others caught in the grip of ice floes, the steam sealer, New Foundland limped into port today leaking badly. The Grand Lake was shut up in the relentless jaws of two great ice floes until her sides gave way and her engines were crushed. Her crew made their escape. A catch of 20,000 seals went down with the Grand Lake. This cargo was valued at \$130,000 and was insured.

### Last Link to Atlantic.

Birmingham, Ala., April 14.—The official announcement by the Illinois Central Railroad that the new Birmingham division will be opened for traffic April 19, calls attention to the completion of the last link in the great Harriman transcontinental route, by controlling the Union Pacific, Illinois Central and Central Georgia, this system will extend from the Pacific to the Atlantic.

### Populism Wiped Out.

Topeka, Kan., April 14.—The Populist party in Kansas is officially dead. The Republican state canvassing board has refused its candidates a place on the official ballot because the party at the last state election did not poll 10 per cent of the total vote of the state, as provided by the new primary election law passed in January. The party in 1906 polled fewer than 1200 votes.

## RE-OPEN GATEWAY

Union Pacific Asks Permission to Make New Tariff.

Omaha, Neb., April 16.—By permission of the Interstate Commerce Commission, the Union Pacific has prepared a tariff which is expected to overcome the result of a previous decision which had the effect of closing the Portland gateway. The Northern Pacific and Great Northern had not concurred in previous tariffs and the commission ruled that tickets sold under the rates so published were illegal. The Union Pacific is now permitted to name Portland as the destination, but if the traveler signifies intention of going to Seattle, or further north, the conductor lifting his ticket will give him another reading from Portland to the point to be reached.

### Practically Same as Before

Tourists Buying Tickets to Portland Will Receive New Tickets to Sound on Request.

In other words, the old method is resumed of drawing exchange orders on Portland to points in Washington. The additional charge is absorbed by the Harriman system, and they again enjoy the benefit of the long haul. It is said that the whole question of authorized routes to the Pacific Coast is not any more satisfactory now to the Northern Pacific than it is to the Harriman system, and that it is equally anxious to see the entire subject of gateways reconsidered.

### Aid to Western Wool-growers.

Omaha, Neb., April 16.—Through the efforts of the wool-growers of the West and Northwest, a storage-in-transit rate has been made by the Union Pacific, Southern Pacific, Burlington and Chicago & Northwestern railroads, which will permit wool to be stored at Omaha. It may be baled here and shipped at the convenience of buyers and growers. The advantage to the wool-growers is that of not being forced to sell their clip at any price the eastern buyers may offer.

Three storage warehouses will be built here at once, with a capacity of 50,000,000 pounds. These storage facilities will be available to wool-growers who may put their clip in a warehouse at Omaha. It may be collateral on which to secure cash. About 5,000,000 pounds of Pacific Northwest wool passes through Omaha annually.

### BLUEJACKETS ON SHORE.

Once More Tread Soil of God's Own Country.

San Diego, April 16.—A parade of bluejackets and marines led from the American battleship fleet—5000 fighting men fresh from a cruise of more than 13,000 miles—marked the ceremonies of official welcome to the State of California. Sixty-four companies of sailors, in their tops of the sea, with wide flaring trousers reefed down in canvas leggings, and 16 companies of marines, soldierly and straight, formed this most notable of the navy's land displays. The landing party, equipped as infantry, armed with Krags, in light marching order, and with canteens filled, equalled an army corps.

The procession of the men of the navy formed was more than two miles long. They marched from the waterfront to the City Park.

### Roosevelt's Policy Wins

Paris, April 16.—The Temps today expressed enthusiastic approval of President Roosevelt's reasoning in favor of providing additional ships for the American navy, especially the affirmation that the United States would lose rank as a great power, not only if she was feeble, but if she had the reputation of being feeble. "France should meditate on this," the paper says.

If America wishes to avoid war with Japan, she must have a fleet permanent in the Pacific. The American people are at present confused as to the proper course to pursue, but President Roosevelt's naval policy suggests a luminous and wise path which the country sooner or later will follow.

### Millions in Sagebrush

Hammond, Ind., April 16.—Sylvester Sparling, an employe of the Reid-Murdoch Company, of Chicago, has patented a process that will convert the sagebrush