

SPECULATORS HIT

Cancellation of Wheat Orders Is Authoritatively Explained.

Italian Government Strikes at Extortion in Kingdom.

IMPORTERS FEAR INHIBITION

Kill Contracts Rather Than Face Royal Scrutiny of Profits.

Buyers Turn From High Prices in U. S. to Argentine.

Chicago, Aug. 14.—Authoritative explanation has been obtained for the sensational action of exporters in suddenly cancelling during the last 48 hours contracts for large amounts of wheat purchased in the United States—amounts roundly estimated at 2,000,000 bushels.

Wheat Intended for Italy. Most of the contracts cancelled were on wheat which had been intended for Italy. The buyers, however, according to one of the largest exporters here, found all prospective profits cut off by a plan of the Italian government to fix maximum prices or otherwise circumvent speculation.

Inhibition on Speculation. "In the first place, the Italian government could not lawfully authorize such a procedure and even if such authority was vested in the authorities at Rome to exercise it would be at the beginning of the destruction of credit in the United States. What has happened is very probably this: There has been in the last few weeks quite a large amount of wheat bought by Italian firms or individuals and to such parties the Italian government may have issued an order prohibiting or regulating speculation by the Italian grain dealers, importers and consumers throughout the kingdom.

Turns to Argentine. "Just now the government of Italy is not likely to buy wheat in the United States for any reason. It thinks our prices are too high, but on account of high exchange. The exchange basis between the United States and Italy is about 22 per cent over normal. The Italian government and Italy is approximately normal and some well informed Italian producers here will be buying wheat by the government until next January or February, unless there is a sharp decline meanwhile in price.

England in Grain Puzzle? Rumors Say London Seeks to Help Farmers Grow Wheat. London, Aug. 14.—The cabinet is considering important recommendations concerning the supply of food, particularly wheat, made by the commission appointed in June. The nature of the report is guarded closely, but it is intimated the recommendations include plans to increase the home grown supply of wheat by guaranteeing to producers a minimum price for their product.

WOMEN DON'T LIKE IT. Card Index System for Topeka Homes Finds Little Favor. While Harold B. Wood, city physician, appears to be pleasing the members of the Good Government club with his theories, he also appears to be getting "in bad" with other women in the city.

SEE THE. Before You Buy a Piano—Not After Write If You Cannot Call 822 KANSAS AVE.

to a friend as she rode down town this morning to do some Saturday shopping. "What they ought to do is go to the back door. I know some women who keep the front part of their houses clean and the back part as dirty as could be."

GARRANZA HORDES? (Continued from Page One.) money, the following dinner was served in a cafe there last night: Small house steak, one pork chop, potatoes, beans, coffee, bread, cake and one-half quail.

DEAD TROOPER A CHICAGOAN. "My Loss and Uncle Sam's," Says Mother, Awaiting Details. Chicago, Aug. 14.—Sergeant T. N. Ruffalo, who according to official notices, was killed in a skirmish with Mexican raiders near Fort Ringgold, Tex., Thursday, is a Chicagoan. His dead soldier's mother, Mrs. Mary Row, declined today to give any information concerning his death, saying:

MEXICAN PLOTTER HELD. Man in Colorado, Hatching Uprising, Taken by Pueblo Police. Pueblo, Colo., Aug. 14.—After inciting 500 Pueblo county Mexicans to prepare to join in the insurrection of Mexicans in southern Texas, according to the Pueblo police, Rudolph Herler, an emissary from Old Mexico, was arrested here today. Papers in his possession, the police say, prove that he came here to enlist local Mexicans in the ranks of the revolutionists, and to credit with having been supplied with adequate funds to carry out the plan.

NO MORE TROOPS NOW. Wilson Wires Ferguson He Is Guided by General Funston. Washington, Aug. 14.—President Wilson today telegraphed to Governor Ferguson of Texas, who had asked for more federal troops, that Major General Funston, who is in charge of the border situation and that more troops would be sent if General Funston requested them.

TEXAS FARMERS MENACED. Mexican Agitators Declared to Be in Vicious Secret Pact. Austin, Tex., Aug. 14.—Mexicans in Guadalupe, Hays and Gonzales counties are forming secret societies which are a menace to the safety of farmers, according to F. C. Wienert, manager of the state cotton warehouses, who yesterday returned from a trip to Seguin, where he was called to advise a group of farmers who had received threatening letters.

NO PAY DAY IN CHICAGO. Salaries of 17,000 City Employees Tied up by Officers Quarrel. Chicago, Aug. 14.—Salaries of 17,000 city employees, aggregating approximately \$2,300,000 a month, were held up Tuesday and will be devoted to good roads by the citizens of this city, at the suggestion of Governor Henderson and the Alabama Good Roads association. The quarrel was in connection with good roads will be held in churches throughout the state.

THE WEATHER RECORD. Following are observations of the United States pilot balloons for the two hours ending at 7 o'clock this morning: Stations in Kansas, etc.

REPORTS FROM OTHER STATES. Amarillo, Texas, 80; Boston, Mass., 80; Buffalo, N. Y., 78; Calgary, Alberta, 78; Chicago, Ill., 80; Cincinnati, Ohio, 80; Corpus Christi, Tex., 100; Denver, Colo., 80; Detroit, Mich., 80; El Paso, Tex., 96; Elkhart, Ind., 80; Erie, Pa., 80; Galveston, Tex., 80; Hartford, Conn., 80; Houston, Tex., 80; Indianapolis, Ind., 80; Kansas City, Mo., 80; Little Rock, Ark., 80; Los Angeles, Cal., 80; Louisville, Ky., 80; Memphis, Tenn., 80; Miami, Fla., 80; Milwaukee, Wis., 80; Minneapolis, Minn., 80; New York, N. Y., 80; North Platte, Neb., 80; Oklahoma City, Okla., 80; Omaha, Neb., 80; Phoenix, Ariz., 102; St. Louis, Mo., 80; Salt Lake City, Utah, 80; San Francisco, Cal., 80; Seattle, Wash., 80; Sheridan, Wyo., 80; Springfield, Ill., 80; St. Paul, Minn., 80; Toledo, Ohio, 80; Washington, D. C., 80; Winnipeg, Man., 80.

BOOM FOR BORAH

Senator Troutman Wants Idaho Man for President.

Gives Reasons Why He Is a Logical Candidate.

KANSANS CAN RALLY TO HIM

Formerly Was a Citizen of the Jayhawker State.

Graduate of K. U. and a Consistent Republican.

Senator James A. Troutman of Topeka, wants Senator Borah of Idaho—a formerly of Kansas man—nominated for president by the Republicans in their national convention in 1916. The Shawnee county senator believes Senator Borah is the best available candidate for the presidency among all the Republican possibilities and probabilities.

Troutman is far from blind to the Idaho senator's service for the Republican party in bringing about a true harmony program on which both the Progressive and the Republican might unite. The Borah record in the senate is also pointed out by the Topeka man.

SMASH RUSSIAN CENTER. Germans Press On, Gathering Full Fruits of Warsaw's Fall. London, Aug. 14.—Steady progress for the forces of Prince Leopold of Bavaria eastward from Warsaw is taking place, and the Germans are now massing their main movement on a drive through the Russian center and the continuance of the enveloping effort in the north, along the Vinnitsa, Pinsk, and Berdichev lines, and that the Germans have occupied the towns of Sokolov, Siedce and Lukov, forming a German front about sixty miles east of Warsaw and fifty miles west. This is more than half way to Brest-Litovsk, which Grand Duke Nicholas, the Russian commander-in-chief, hoped to make the new center of his defense.

WRITERS HONOR FITCH. Author's Body in Coast Vault; Burial at Old Home Later. Berkeley, Cal., Aug. 14.—The body of George H. Fitch, well-known writer who died here Monday, was placed in a vault at a coast city near his birthplace, Galva, Ill., where burial will be made in September.

NEW MASONIC TEMPLE. Herington Lays Cornerstone for Lodge Quarters. Herington, Kan., Aug. 14.—The cornerstone of the new Masonic temple was laid here Wednesday by the Grand lodge of Masons of Kansas. The principal address was delivered by G. W. K. R. T. of the Grand lodge, and the ceremony was accompanied by the laying of the stone.

TODAY'S MARKET REPORT. Chicago, Aug. 14.—WHEAT—Large receipts here and holders of increased commitment from first hands had a bearish effect today on wheat. At first, however, the market showed some strength as a result of firmness in the Liverpool market and of assertions that no appreciable additional purchases in the United States had been cancelled.

NOTICE. I have moved my optical store to 913 Kansas Ave., across the street from my old location. Chas. Bennett OPTICIAN 913 Kansas Avenue

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