

U. S. and Not Japan Big Purchaser of Australian Wheat

Grain Reported to Be Destined for Famine Stricken Districts of Russia; Two Stories Afloat.

By CHARLES D. MICHAELS. Chicago, Dec. 7.—The United States and not Japan has been the big buyer of Australian wheat in the past few weeks. This was confirmed late yesterday and it is understood that Chicago grain firms handled the details of the business. According to those in a position to know, the wheat will go to the famine-stricken districts of Russia via the transiberian railway and Japan had nothing to do with the purchases except possibly act as brokers for the American interests. There are two stories regarding the transaction. The first and what is regarded as the most probable, is that the money to finance the grain was advanced by New York or Pittsburgh interests in return for commercial concessions from the soviet government, and the other that the latter paid cash for the wheat. Estimates Inaccurate. It is conservatively estimated that 15,000,000 bushels of wheat has been bought for shipment to Russia with some expressing the belief that 25,000,000 bushels have been taken. However, there has been cancellations of purchases reported of late and the quantities in consequence could not accurately be determined. The rumor that Japan was preparing for war, based on the purchases of unusually large quantities of wheat not only in Australia but also in the United States and Canada, was first circulated in grain trade circles several months ago, carefully investigated and proved to be unfounded. Recently it was revived, however, by claims that Japan had been drawing down large credit balances in this country, with rumors of shipments of munitions from Canada to the Orient. Japan Free Buyer. Owing to a shortage in the wheat and rice crops as compared with consumptive requirements, Japan has been a free buyer of wheat in the world's markets for its own account. Between the United States purchases for Russia and the actual Japanese taking as high as 40,000,000 to 50,000,000 bushels has been mentioned. London cables claimed Japan had bought 37,000,000 bushels of Australian grain alone, but part of this represented American purchases. Statisticians, however, believe that Japan does not require over 20,000,000 to 25,000,000 bushels unless the rice crop is much smaller than reported. While Japan normally uses far more rice than wheat, the high price of the former causes the purchase of wheat due to economic conditions, a grower's food being responsible for the high price of rice while wheat is much cheaper.

Nonpartisan League Endorses Woman for Governor of Dakota Pierre, S. D., Dec. 7.—The Nonpartisan league, in state convention here, late today endorsed a woman, Miss Alice Lorraine Daily, former teacher and now organizer for the league, as its candidate for nomination for governor. The action was taken with few dissenting votes. The republican party, in its convention, adopted a platform endorsing national bonus to ex-service men, giving women right to serve on juries, commending President Harding for calling the disarmament conference and approving the work of congress. Candidates for nomination for state office had not been selected late tonight. Sleuth Gets His Former Captain Freed in Court Alex MacGregor, giving Medicine Bow, Wyo., as his home, gained his freedom in Central police court yesterday when arraigned on a charge of drunkenness because he declared that City Detective Fred Palmtag was the only man he knew in the city. Palmtag, who was in court, admitted that he knew MacGregor. Outside of court Palmtag declared that he should have seen to it that MacGregor was given "lice," because, declared Palmtag, "That guy was my captain while I was in the army. Yeh, and that ain't all," said Fred, "he not only was my captain, but he got me five days in the guard house at San Bonita, Tex."

Road Conditions (Furnished by Omaha Auto Club.) Lincoln Highway—East—Roads good, weather cloudy; roads reported rough cedar Rapids to De Witt; De Witt to Clinton, roads open for travel. Lincoln Highway—West—Roads good, weather cloudy, grand bluffs and weather fine and weather clear; some grading being done near north Platte which is expected completed this week. O. L. D. Highway—Roads fair to excellent, detour near Ashland bridge on account of construction work. Roads to Lincoln and west are in excellent condition. Weather cloudy at most points. Highland Cutoff—Roads fine; weather cloudy. S. A. Road—Excellent condition; weather partly cloudy. Cornsucker Highway—Excellent condition; weather partly cloudy. Omaha-Tenaha Highway—Roads good, weather cloudy. George Washington Highway—Snowing in Blair, but roads still high in fine shape. North roads good to Sioux City. Weather cloudy and much colder. Black Hills Highway—Roads fine; light snow reported extreme north; weather cloudy and much colder. King of Trails North—Roads fine to Missouri Valley, little rough some stretches north to Sioux City; weather cloudy and somewhat colder. King of Trails South—Roads in excellent condition in Hiawatha; weather cloudy. From Hiawatha to Leavenworth roads are reported a little rough; detour is still necessary between Leavenworth and Kansas City due to road work in progress. River to River Road—Good to De Moines; weather cloudy and somewhat colder. White Pole Road—Roads good and weather clear; most points. L. O. A. Shortline—Roads fine; weather cloudy some points. Blue Grass Road—Roads detour to Greenwood, also one or two detours; east of Greenwood roads are reported in fine shape to Burlington. O Street Road—Roads in excellent condition. Headaches from Night Colds. Laxative BROMO QUININE Tablets relieve the headache by cutting the cold. A single laxative and germ destroyer. The genuine bears the name of Dr. J. C. Grove. (Be sure you get BROMO.) 5c.

The Fortune Hunter

By RUBY AVRES. (Continued From Yesterday.)

Anne went up to bed early that night because she felt that she could bear no more. There had seemed something unnatural and terrible about the whole day to her, and yet in the silence of her own room she wondered once more if her own overstrung nerves had not been more than half responsible for it all. She had said good night to the Fortune Hunter, with a cold touch of her hand, just as she raised her eyes to his, and now she was longing with all her heart to go downstairs again and put her arms round his neck and sob out all her misery. Tommy had been sulky all day, watching her with half-ashamed, half-anxious eyes, but for the first time in her life she was not sorry for the way in which she had turned on him. How dared he spy on John? Her face burned now as she thought of the humiliation she had suffered when he showed her that letter, of the jealousy that had been torturing her ever since. John had said that he did not love Irene! It was a lie! At least had been a lie and yet—his eyes had been so steadfastly enough when he said it and there had been no shame in his face. She went to the window, and drawing aside the blind, looked out into the garden. If only she had said good night to him! If only she had kissed him! The constraint of that day seemed to have made an impassable gulf between them which could not be bridged. She turned out the light and drawing the blind up, knelt down at the open window in the darkness. There was still a light in the drawing-room below, still the sound of voices, and presently Tommy came down the steps from the French window and limped away across the lawn. He was a queer boy—sometimes, as Anne knew, he spent half the night wandering round the countryside, or down at Long-end cottage with Fernie. He never did things in a rational way like other people, and she wonders if perhaps she had been a little hard on him, if her own unhappiness had caused her to be unjust. Then Mr. Harding came to the window, and for a moment stood in the shaft of yellow light, yawning and stretching his arms. "Well, I'm off to bed, I'll leave you to lock up, John." Anne strained her ears for the Fortune Hunter's voice, but no reply was audible, and presently all was silent below. Dared she go down to him? As she knelt there, trembling in the darkness, the silence of the night was broken by the muffled sound of the piano in the room below, as if someone was playing with the soft pedal down; but it was sufficiently loud for Anne to hear the tune, and she knew that it was the "Maid of the Mountains" which she had recognized it and remembered the words to which it was set. "There are some who keep to the wide road, There are some who wander down the side road; For those who find shelter in the night, Well, I don't care much for the first lot, When we're all down among the worst lot. For homeless, ne'er-do-well am I, When you're Joe, Joe, Josip, along the white road. With you all up side down, Well, you don't care much if you're on the right or the left; When you're bound for Nowhere Town, I'm just as happy in the byways, my friend, as you are in the highway. Wherever I may be— For there's no friend waiting along the highway, For a vagabond like me." The music stopped suddenly, as if the player had wearied, and Anne rose from her knees by the window and stole out of her room and across the dark landing. Her heart was beating chockingly in her throat as she crept down the stairs to the half-closed drawing room door, and she stood there in a moment afraid to go in. She could see the Fortune Hunter sitting sideways on the piano stool, the open song on the rack and his hands hanging dejectedly between his knees; and lines of such utter misery wanted to say that she hesitated no longer; she ran across to him and fell on her knees beside him. "John—John." She spoke his name in a little sobbing whisper, and with a stifled cry his arms closed around her. "He'll not speak and he made no attempt to kiss her; he just held her as if he could never let her go, his cheek against her soft hair. And for a long time neither of them moved, till presently he rose, lifting her to her feet. "My darling—it's late, it's nearly 12." His voice was hoarse and uncertain, and Anne looked up swiftly. "I had to come down—I heard you playing that song—oh, John, something it hurts me to hear you play that!" "I'm sorry for, today, and for all times I've been—horrid to you." He turned away with a half-groan; it was more than he could bear that she should heap coals of fire on his head, and she went on, only too eager now to pour out her love to him. "But I love you—you know I do, even when I'm unkind! Perhaps it's because I love you too well."

She caught her to him, silencing her with his lips on hers. "I love you, too! I adore you. Anne, I'd give my life to make you happy." She missed the hopelessness of his passionate words; and she heard only their sweetness, and for some moments they clung together and kissed; then she drew away from him, with a little sigh. "And it's quite all right again—everything," she asked, shyly. "Everything." "I've been so unhappy," she whispered. He could not trust himself to answer; he was afraid that another word would break him down; he went with her into the hall, kissed her again, and watched her till a bend in the stairs hid her from him. "And it's quite all right again—everything," he whispered question haunted him and his own reply. All rights again? He knew that he never could be. He knew that the bride he had built that night with kisses and the clasp of despairing arms would not stand secure in the light of day; he knew that with the morning the old shadows and doubts would creep back again and drive them still further apart. He put out the light and went up to his own room. If only he were worthy of her; although all last night he had not slept, sleep was far enough away from him now; there seemed to be a fiery wheel of thought revolving in his head which would give him no rest. What was the end of it all to be? He could see nothing in the future but separation and heartbreak for them both. He cursed the day that had brought him to Somerset, and yet he knew that it had given him the greatest happiness of his life. Whatever happened, there would never be another woman for him; no one could ever take Anne's place in his heart. He took off his coat and waistcoat and slipped into a dressing-gown. It was useless trying to bed, he was restless as a dog. He paced up and down the room restlessly half a dozen times, his thoughts all on the future; if one could only see into it—if one could only know what was going to happen! It would have been such a simple solution to his life if he and John Smith could have changed places that autumn afternoon in the woods, and if he had been left lying there with the bracken binding above him. And even now the whole story was not known. There were many papers belonging to the dead man he had not yet found the courage to examine, and, with a sudden impulse, he took his keys from a coat pocket and unlocked one of the drawers in the chest. It was an untidy drawer; he had thrust half the contents from one of the boxes upstairs into it, and for the first time now the Fortune Hunter went carefully and methodically through the heap of papers. Bills, many of them—letters of no importance, many of them from women, other documents which seemed to have been kept for no reason whatever, and, last of all, a folded parchment tied with pink tape. The Fortune Hunter opened it apprehensively as with queer irrelevance Irene Claver's half-murmured words came back to his mind: "If a thing's worth doing, it's worth doing well—even being a criminal." He smiled bitterly at the memory; she, too, had taken it for granted that he was a blackguard. He glanced down at the document in his hand—it was a will roughly made, and altered here and there in pencil. There was a gift of 1,000 pounds to Irene Claver, and another small bequest to some man whose name the Fortune Hunter had never heard, but it was the last paragraph of all that struck home to him: "The remainder of my money, and all other properties, I leave absolutely and entirely to Anne Harding of Cherry Lodge, Somerset, England, the one woman who stood by me, and believed in me, when I did not deserve it." So by using this man's money, he was robbing Anne! At every turn, whatever he did, it was Anne who must suffer. If he left her now—

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Omaha Girl Must Have Said "Yes" Dudley Field Malone Books Passage for Two to Europe.

New York, Dec. 7.—Dudley Field Malone, former collector of the port, who recently was divorced in Paris, has booked passage for himself and Mrs. Dudley Field Malone for Europe by the Holland-American liner Rotterdam, sailing Saturday. Announcement was made recently that he was engaged to marry Miss Doris Stevens of Omaha, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Stevens. Mrs. Stevens, in an interview on Sunday, said that it was true Mr. Malone had admired her daughter for a long time, but that the latter could not make her mind to marry him. "Doris told me," said Mrs. Stevens, "that if she decided to marry she would have the ceremony performed in a hurry, so that she would not have time to back out."

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