

DROUGHT AND HEAT BURN UP CORN CROP

Grain Trade Experts Say Millions of Dollars Will Be Lost in West.

EPIDEMICS ARE FEARED

Cattle Die From Lack of Water—Packers Deny Meat Prices Will Soar.

CHICAGO, Aug. 15.—Heat and drought conditions in the middle West have become so serious that corn and other crops are in peril of destruction and epidemics are threatened in various localities because of impure water.

In at least three States it is feared now that the corn will not even make passable fodder. The farmers will not get back their seed and their labor has been lost.

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Heavy Losses on Crops. Experts in the grain trade here say that the loss in all forage crops this year, including corn, oats, hay, clover and pasturage, will total easily 1,500,000,000 bushels as compared with last year.

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While the Southwest is baking continuously, heavy rains and floods have sprung fears that the threshing of the spring wheat crop will be delayed and that millions of dollars worth of grain will be lost.

The intense heat, which has been worst in Kansas, Oklahoma and portions of Missouri, has now spread to Iowa, several points in that State reporting temperatures to-day of 100 degrees and higher.

In all the great corn and wheat producing States, the crops are being reported from the Pacific States and only one place in the entire group of Eastern States.

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All traders admit that the situation as to corn is serious. Prices have advanced approximately ten cents a bushel since the drought became noticeable and much higher prices are expected when the extent of the damage becomes more generally known.

The condition of the egg market in St. Louis is the worst I have seen in forty years, said George B. Fisher, president of the St. Louis Butcher, Egg and Produce Exchange.

Chicago packers and wholesalers after a thorough canvass of the general production situation say they have found that supplies of all grades of stock in the various sections of the country will approximate the requirements.

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Industry of the Department of Agriculture, said: "There is a great deal of talk of how free meat in the new tariff measure will relieve the stringency. I cannot foresee the extent of the relief, but I believe it will be to come in under the Department's most inspection rules."

Reports which reach the Department of Agriculture indicate a notable falling off in the corn crop and other feed for cattle. This means also that the graining has suffered.

Department of Agriculture reports show that in the last six years the number of beef cattle in the United States has fallen from 15,568,000 to 9,970,000, a decrease of 36 per cent.

Department officials here say that the situation in regard to the beef cattle began to get serious when the Government adopted its land policy about two years ago and closed up the open range.

CUSTOMS INSPECTOR GETS IT IN THE NOSE

Opens Suspected Trunks and Is Staggered by 800 Pounds of Italian Cheese.

Luigi Rossi, who has a fruit store at Coney Island, arrived on Thursday by the Cunarder Carpathia from a visit to his old home in Italy, with two trunks full of Italian cheese.

Customs Inspector Albert C. Piper examined the trunks and found nothing dutiable therein. Then the inspector tackled one of the trunks. At this moment Romanelli got alongside Piper and shoved toward him a roll of bills.

The inspector called acting Deputy Surveyor Brophy and they had a conference on the probabilities of a great find in the trunks. Rossi opened one of them tremulously. It was a plain, tray-trunk, and on the top of the contents was an oilcloth. The inspector lifted the oilcloth and then fell back.

An overpowering odor of cheese assailed the noses of all on the pier. The inspector learned to bear it after a while and then he probed deeper and found nothing but Italian cheese from hurricane deck to keelson of the trunk. Then he opened the other trunk. He found there nothing but cheese.

The Deputy Surveyor Brophy ordered the two Italians to report to Surveyor Henry yesterday, and sent the trunks to the public store. The Italian, who is a resident of Coney Island at the Custom House and said they had no intention of bribing the inspector.

Surveys Henry suggested that the 800 pounds of cheese in the trunks would be sold at 10 cents a pound. The Italian did not know the Italian capacity fee. The cheese was released, but the Italian was told to be worth about 30 cents a pound.

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WHITMAN POSED AS 'HERO,' SAYS GAYNOR

District Attorney Gets Another Broadside for Being in Rumpus at Healy's.

MAYOR DEFENDS POLICE

Repeats Charge That Prosecutor Was Cause of Riots at Restaurant.

In the hull in the police war on Healy's Restaurant yesterday Mayor Gaynor fired another broadside at District Attorney Whitman in a statement concerning the legal right of the police to enforce the 1 o'clock closing order.

Mayor Gaynor stated that the Mayor attacked the District Attorney as the instigator of the "open and forcible resistance" at Healy's and as the encourager of the "disorderly crowd engaged in disobeying and resisting the police."

Mr. Whitman retorted that the Mayor was wrong both on the law and the facts of the case and was dead in Special Sessions and which was the direct cause of the struggle between the police and Thomas Healy, at whose restaurant at Columbus avenue and Sixty-sixth street the Mayor's statement follows:

"This whole business now stands fully revealed. The District Attorney of New York county instigated this open and forcible resistance to the law of the city in the performance of the duty specifically imposed on them by the liquor tax law of compelling the closing and the sale of a licensed liquor place by 1 o'clock at night."

"And on Thursday night he finally went to this liquor place with a retinue of trained and brilliant writers to write him up as a hero and a martyr."

"He now says the police had the right to close Healy's bar only. He is quoted as saying that there are 'hundreds of cases' so deciding. I defy him to cite one. No such decision is reported."

"The provision of the statute is not merely that the 'bar or barroom' shall be closed at 1 o'clock, but that the 'room or rooms' in which liquors are sold shall be closed at 1 o'clock."

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Chicago Policewoman

ALF HAYMAN BACK; BRINGS NEW PLAYS

Manager for Charles Frohman Announces Novelties for Coming Season.

ROLE FOR BLANCHE BATES She Will Create Stellar Part in Barrie's 'Half an Hour' in October.

Alf Hayman, general manager for Charles Frohman, who arrived yesterday on the Mauretania, said that the most important part of his work in England was the completion of plans, for Madame Maximova's repertoire tour around the world and the addition of at least half a dozen new manuscripts to the Frohman budget of plays. Mr. Hayman said:

"Just before I left London we started the rehearsal of J. M. Barrie's new play, 'The Legend of Leonora,' at the Duke of York's Theatre. Mr. Barrie's newest work will be done with his shorter fifty minute playlet called 'The Will.' It was arranged that early in October another J. M. Barrie fifty minute play, 'Half an Hour,' will be acted in London by Irene Vanbrug. In New York we shall give this play to Miss Blanche Bates and so arrange things that she shall be able to appear in 'Half an Hour' one night before its London production, so as to be the first to create the part on the English speaking stage."

"I am bringing over with me the dramatization of Elizabeth Robins's remarkable novel 'My Little Sister.' I also have the completed manuscript of Mr. Maugham's new play, 'The Land of Promise,' which will be Billie Burke's vehicle this season, after her preliminary tour in 'The Amazons.' My luggage also includes the manuscript for 'The Land of Promise' as well as the models for John Galsworthy's four act drama 'The Mob,' which will have its first performance in New York on August 15, which will bring him here in ample time for the rehearsal of his new play for Ethel Barrymore."

"C. Haddon Chambers will leave for New York on August 15, which will bring him here in ample time for the rehearsal of his new play for Ethel Barrymore. I also have the manuscript of a new play which will be produced next winter at the St. James Theatre, London, and in a New York theatre next spring."

"I was chiefly occupied in London in securing a number of musical comedy people, some from the Gaiety Theatre for Frohman's American production of 'The Girl on the Film' and others, who came over on the Mauretania with me, to be added to Donald Briscoe's company for 'The Girl on the Film.'"

"While in Germany I saw a performance of 'The Laughing Husband,' which we produce here and for which I predict great success in London and New York. I also saw in Germany, which was written here by Harry B. Smith with additional musical numbers by its author."

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DETECTIVE MUST SERVE TERM

Helped Raid Art Critic's Home; Did Not Like Workhouse Sentence.

GIRL ELUDES GERMAN POLICE

Leaves Steamship Suddenly After Putting Baggage Aboard.

Fraulein Lucie Paoster, a stonographer of Chemnitz, Germany, wanted by the authorities there for a robbery, put her baggage aboard the North German Lloyd liner Friedrich der Grosse, which arrived yesterday from Bremen, when the ship sailed from that port, hoping to elude arrest.

Then she probably learned that the police wanted her and left the ship a moment before it sailed. Capt. Peesh, when the liner was two days out, got a wireless from the German police asking him to search the ship for the girl. He did, but only found her baggage.

SUPFRAGISTS RIDE IN HAYRICK UP BROADWAY

Sixteen Call on Mayor, Then Crawl Along to the County Fair.

The suffragists have had enough of "anti" horses and henceforth steeds that have the miseries of the "cause" will bear such names as "Rosalie," "Christabelle" and "Inez." With "Ida Tarbell" the name of anti-suffrage horses goes out of existence.

"Ida Tarbell" was the larger and slower of the two horses that dragged sixteen suffrage "Maud Mullers" to the county fair at Empire City Park yesterday.

"We might have known better," mourned Miss Martha Klatschken. "Anti-suffragists never get anywhere anyway."

It was 10 o'clock when sixteen laughing "Maud Mullers" piled into a hayrick in front of suffrage headquarters. They wore sunbonnets—pink and blue and red—and yellow sashes over their white dresses.

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DIGGS SENT TO JAIL; STRUCK CAMERA MAN

Photographer Tried to Get Snapshot of Principal in California Case.

GOVERNMENT RESTS CASE

Basis for Defence Is That Girls Acquiesced in Flight From State.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 15.—The Government closed its case against Maury Diggs yesterday. The defence outlined its case, which rests mainly on the assertion that Diggs and Caminetti rushed off to Reno to escape prosecution by the juvenile court and that the girls went with them willingly when they were told that the men had to leave the State.

An Diggs was securing his mother from the court room late this afternoon a newspaper photographer tried to take a snapshot of the couple, although Diggs warned him against doing so. Diggs wrested the camera from the photographer and hit him over the head with it, smashing the camera. The crowd cheered Diggs. The photographer got out a warrant charging assault with a deadly weapon and Diggs was arrested.

Attorney Devlin, who opened the case for the defence, had the mothers and wives of Diggs and Caminetti present as well as Diggs's little daughter.

Lois Norris Again on Stand. Lois Norris, who finished her direct testimony yesterday, was the first witness called this morning. Devlin tried to establish through her that Diggs wanted the girls to go to Los Angeles instead of Reno, but met with no success. The witness admitted she had concealed from her parents that she was going out with the men. She said she did not consider she was injuring Mrs. Caminetti, as she understood Caminetti was not living with his wife and was going to get a divorce.

Miss Nell Barto, a friend of Maury Diggs, testified that she received an invitation on March 22 from Attorney Harris of Sacramento to meet Diggs at his office. "He brought forth a diagram of the Reno bungalow," she said, "pointed out different rooms there and told me to go to Marsha and drill her into telling a story to the Federal Grand Jury in effect as follows: That she should swear that at no time since the four left Sacramento and returned in custody were there any improper relations between her and Diggs; that she bought her own ticket for the train and the drawing room; that she went of her own free will; that in the Reno bungalow she slept in one room with Marsha. They told me to use all my influence with Marsha to have her stick to this kind of testimony. Diggs told me at the time his wife was going to swear out a warrant for the arrest of Marsha. I asked Harris if that was true and he said 'Yes.'"

Scheme a Failure. Miss Barton said she tried to induce Marsha Warrington to follow out the plan, but the latter refused.

"Diggs and Harris told me," Miss Barton added, "that they had made similar arrangements regarding the testimony of Lois Norris. Miss Barton was taken in hand for cross-examination by Attorney Devlin, who could not shake her testimony."

When she left the stand Prosecutor Reels announced that the Government rested its case.

Attorney Devlin introduced four witnesses. B. Diggs, father of the defendant, testified that he had decided to appeal to the juvenile court to press charge against his son in order that he might have the young man paroled.

The court adjourned until Tuesday.

"WITHOUT A FLAW" PRODUCED

Mrs. Bird Introduces Waits in the Play at Narragansett.

NARRAGANSETT, Aug. 15.—On the small stage in the ballroom of the Casino the musical play "Without a Flaw," a parody on "Within the Veil," was presented to-night for the benefit of the Narragansett Improvement Association.

The book was written by George S. Chapman and the music by Kenneth M. Murchison. There was a large attendance.

Mrs. Hinman Bird, who enacted the role of Mrs. Warrington, introduced Benjamin Ellsworth, introduced a waltz, which was played with favor. The ingenious role was played by Miss Margaret French of Lenox. Over \$500 was realized by the performance.

E. C. Lackland, Bradford Ellsworth, Kenneth M. Murchison, Arthur Ware, Donn Branch, Howard Greenley, Mrs. S. E. Bird and Miss Margaret French.

In the boxes were: Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Dewey, Mr. and Mrs. Willard D. Straight and party, Mr. and Mrs. Jeremiah P. Houghton and party, Mrs. Josephine Janis and Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Nye.

Among those at the tables in the ballroom were: Mrs. Dreyfus, Mrs. and Mr. Stanley Henshaw, Mrs. and Mr. Poor of Washington, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Stoddard, Mrs. Irving H. Chase of Kane of New York, Mrs. and Mr. Lambert of St. Louis, Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Merman, S. Hinman Bird of New York, Mrs. Saunders P. Jones, Benjamin P. Houghton, Mrs. and Mr. William C. Marrow, Walter T. Phillips of Boston, Mrs. William Harding Jackson of Washington, Mr. and Mrs. Harold E. Ely, Mr. and Mrs. George W. M. and Mrs. Kenneth M. Murchison of New York and Dr. and Mrs. Charles Hitchcock.

The ushers were the Misses Emily Lindolph, Dorothy Norris, Marguerite Prescott, Anne Dunsen, Madeline Lillian Meraman, Pauline Distler, Eleanor Chase, Pauline Denela and Lillian Rowland.

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DR. MAYO EXTOLS WORK OF MEDICAL CONGRESS

Praises Dr. Crile's Paper on New Anesthesia—Americans Well Received.

WANTS TO BUILD WITHOUT BIDS

Search Line to Coney Island.

Col. Timothy S. Williams, president of the B. R. T., asked the Public Service Commission yesterday for the right to make a contract with Major George W. McNulty for the construction of one of its new