A BRIGHT OUTLOOK.

Abundant Harvests Promised in Pennsylvania, Ohio and West Virginia.

GOOD TRADE PROSPECTS.

Money Apparently Plentiful in and Around Pittsburg.

ROADS A FACTOR IN BUSINESS.

Labor Disputes the Only Clouds in the Commercial Sky.

CROP REPORTS FROM THREE STATES

A report has been made up by the trusted correspondents of R. G. Dun & Co.'s mercantile agency, of this district, comprising 15 counties in Western Pennsylvania, 15 in Eastern Ohio and all those in West Virginia, showing the conditions of retail trade in all branches at the trade centers of the district. These reports are condensed into the following statement by Arthur B. Wigley, manager of the agency in this district:

"The retail trades in our city have had a most profitable year's business," said he last evening, "the continuation of which depends largely upon the activity in our manufactories and the regularity of the wage distribution. A generally reliable barometer of the retail trade is the retail jewelry business. It deals in luxuries and consequently when it is brisk shows a plentitude of cash among the people and is a sign of prosperity. Well, the jewelers of this city have never had a better season, generally speaking, than that of the past six months. Nothing need be added. Nearly every other branch of trade has had the same experience.

Good Prices for Good Real Estate.

"In real estate a good state of business exists, and it is remarked that the houses and properties in greatest demand are of a better and higher priced class than heretofore, showing an accumulation of wealth among all classes. Where a few years ago the demand was for homes costing from $4,000 to $7,000, there has been lately a general demand for home properties at from $10,000 to $15,000. Another favorable feature brought out in our investigation is that there are frequent cases where mortgage payments are anticipated where it is permitted, which beyond question shows that prosperity is real and that purchases are within the means of buyers.

"Of the manufactories it can be truthfully stated that the owners have a better financial standing than they had a few years ago, and there are evidences of sufficient capital to maintain it. With the growth of business there appears a corresponding growth of capital which is in itself an indication of prosperity.

"In pressed glass trade is good and the glass houses engaged in that trade will operate until the last day of the season, ending June 30. During July and August the men always quit work on account of the heat.

"The window and plate glass trade is not so good as pressed but the pottery industry is in a healthy condition.

"The oil trade is perhaps the most unsatisfactory of any owing to the continued depression in prices.

"To sum up, there is at present plenty of business for those who can offer low prices. When there is a season of prosperity low prices always prevail. In times of war or famine prices on certain commodities demand a high price, but that does not mean a prosperous season, it is when there is plenty of everything and competition is strong that prices come down and then prevails a real prosperity.

Steady Progress in Pittsburg.

"In this city the growth has resulted from the prosperous conditions and it has been natural, auguring well for the future. There has been no boom, no forcing, no unhealthy pushing, but a steady, conservative advance for which there has been excellent reason. In all the small manufacturing centers in this district the same can be to a large extent said, our reports showing good growing business and a healthy state of affairs generally.

"The prospect for the ensuing season is shaded by the chances of a strike among the iron workers and by the superstition that there must be a depressed condition of trade during the Presidental campaign. If these two features were eliminated we would regard the outlook as quite favorable.

"Our crop reports are, like those of trade, accurate and generally reliable. They show that, in this district, wheat, oats and rye are promising an average yield or better; hay and pasturage are excellent. Fruits in most reports are regarded as satisfactory, though there have been failures in some quarters. Corn, generally, has been kept back by the heavy rains in May and the early part of June, but with more favorable weather may yet make a fair yield. The manufacturing towns throughout our territory have experienced general prosperity, but owing to the bad roads or other causes, the strictly agricultural counties and small towns relying on the farmers' trade complain of dull times. In Pittsburg and the iron district generally the mills have been kept running and the industrial classes have been steadily employed. At the present time, however, they are confronted with the possibility of a disagreement between the employers and the Amalgamated Association, which may result in a strike. It is hoped that moderate counsels will prevail and the loss incident to a struggle between labor and capital may be averted. Labor troubles also exist in the plastering trade, affecting building operations and among the tinners.

Roads an Important Factor in Business.

"Crop and trade reports from points covering about one-half of the State of West Virginia and portions of Ohio indicate general good crops in all localities and business conditions prosperous. Corn has been retarded some by the wet weather, and at some points the fruit crop has suffered from early frosts, but the damage has not been great anywhere. The general, steady, industrial growth of West Virginia keeps up, and new development of coal and lumber industries is in progress all the time. The development companies organized at a number of different points seem to have created a healthful and permanent growth in the sections where they operate, and the boom is steady and continuous.

"At some points local influences have unfavorably affected trade, as, for instance, the smallpox scare at points down the river, but this does not materially affect the general volume. Failures are few and unimportant, and though small traders keep changing and fizzling out, the loss from that score is not large. Jobbing houses report collections as slow for this time of the year, but with the general good conditions which seem to prevail there should be a decided improvement in that line after harvest. Bad roads are a very important factor in causing dullness in trade through the interior portions of West Virginia."

The reports of the correspondents of the Dun Agency are given below:

PENNSYLVANIA.

Beaver.

Condition of crops—Oats and potatoes ook well, and there is a good prospect for large crops. Wheat is also good. Corn and hay very backward and very likely to be fair crop. Fruit in some places looks well, but light.

Business outlook—Business moves along about as usual with no very slow depression. All classes of business appear to be fair. No booms however are apparent. Our manufacturing institutions are all running with a fairly good supply of orders.

Blairsville.

Condition of crops—Upon careful inquiry it is learned that the prospects for good crops of wheat and rye are flattering. As for oats there can be no conclusion yet, but the grain looks well. Hay will be very heavy unless something unforeseen occurs. The fruit will not be plenty, but there will be apples enough to supply the demand; peaches, pears and plums will be a large crop. Corn is small yet, there having been so much wet weather farmers could not get the seed planted.

Business outlook—The business outlook never showed better. Money is not very tight. Merchants are buying large stocks, but are keeping up their assortment and doing a careful business.

Butler.

Condition of crops—Wheat and rye look excellently well, and there is every prospect that each of them will be more than an average crop. Considerably less acerage has been planted in corn and oats this year than last. The yield of oats will be fairly good, but corn is backward, and on account of the long continued rains and the worms an average crop is not expected. Hay is in splendid condition, and will yield considerably above the average. The prospect for fruit in general is fairly good.

Business outlook—The business outlook is not so good as at the same time last year. The long continuance of low-priced oil, and the consequent restriction of drilling, have told more or less in mercantile circles. The farmers as a rule have no reason to complain of the situation, however. The price of farm lands throughout the county appears to be slowly advancing.

Brookville.

Condition of crops—Oats are in a fair condition and seem to be a good crop. Rye is very good and may be a large crop. Corn has not developed yet as it is just being planted. Potatoes are in the same shape as corn, just being planted. Wheat is exceedingly good and looks as if it would be a crop beyond the average. Grass is exceedingly good. The hay crop will be very large. Apples and peaches are damaged by frost.

Business outlook—Business steady. We do not expect much trouble this season. Everything seems to be moving along in good shape.

Chicora.

Condition of crops—The crops through this locality are considered good. Wheat as good as the average, potatoes good, apples and peaches look fair. The farmers were late in getting their corn planted, owing to the wet season, but it is sprouting nicely and making a good show.

Business outlook—Business outlook is fair. Oil producers are looking forward to better prices now by the fall, when they expect the Independent Crescent Seaboard Pipe Line to make opposition and make the market advance in price.

Connellsville.

Condition of crops—Wheat crop the very best prospect for years. Oats are doing well. Corn very backward on account of wet weather. Grass only an average, the wet weather having caused weeds to grow in the grass, and many fields are being consumed with what is known as sheep sorrel.

Business outlook—Business outlook is above the average for a Presidental year. Our town is in a good sound financial condition.

Ebensburg.

Condition of crops—Wheat and rye look well and promise an abundant yield. A good hay crop is also well assured. Oats are said to be somewhat injured by the rains, but with a favorable season from now until harvest time will probably make an average crop. As to corn, owing to the backward season, planting was very late; but the season is at present very favorable. As to fruits, present indications are all favorable for at least an average crop of both apples and smaller fruits. The crop prospects generally may be said to be very encouraging in this vicinity.

Business outlook—Business has been rather slow so far; but owing to the fact that the construction of a railroad from this point through the well-known Blacklick creek coal fields is now well assured, prospects for an increase of trade in the near future are very bright.

Gallitzin.

Condition of crops—The prospect of crops being good this season is not looked for. The constant spring rains delayed the putting in of crops, corn planting being only done lately. Fall grain looking better. Grass expected to be a medium crop. Fruit not looked to be a good turnout.

Business outlook—Business in the mining regions not up to the standard shipment of coal and coke. The new railroads going through the north of Cambria have caused a boom. Several companies are about to erect coke plants in and around Spangler. Lots are being sold in that village at a fair figure.

Greensburg.

Condition of crops—From present indications the crop outlook is excellent. Wheat has been hurried along by the cool rainy spring, and if it does not shaw, break or go down will be an extraordinary yield. Oats and grass are splendid, and will be a large crop. Fruit has not been much injured by frost, and if not injured hereafter a good yield will be gathered of all kinds. Vegetables are a fine stand, taking it throughout the market in abundance. Corn is very small on account of the wet and very cold spring, but the recent warm days have brought it along rapidly.

Business outlook—The general business outlook is fair. Money is easy and, while there is no boom yet, there is a steady volume of trade.

Indiana.

Condition of crops—Generally good. Corn in some instances had to be replanted, and consequently a little late in season, but the warm weather which has recently set in is bringing it forward rapidly. Oats will be an average crop and wheat and rye promise an abundant yield.

Business outlook—The business outlook is good. Considerable building going on in the town and surrounding country, affording a large amount of employment to the laboring classes. Merchants appear to be doing well, and the implement trade is as good as any former year.

Jeannette.

Condition of crops—All kinds of crops at present promise a bountiful yield throughout the county. Have heard no complaints.

Business outlook—The business outlook is fairly promising. Not much movement in realty, but outside of this trade is in a fairly prosperous condition.

Johnstown.

Condition of crops—There has been about the usual acreage of wheat, rye and oats sowed this year, all of which are looking very good but somewhat backward on account of continued wet weather. Corn crop—No estimate can be made, as the planting has been delayed beyond precedent on account of wet weather. The same may be said in regard to the potato crop. The fruit crop will be fair.

Business outlook—Business men complain very much about the scarcity of money just at present. While the earning capacity of this community is equal to what it was prior to the flood, and the earnings as large, yet so many of our people were obliged to go into debt in order to rebuild their houses, and are now applying quite a large proportion of their earnings to paying this indebtedness. Yet Johnstown has improved even more rapidly than the most sanguine expected, and our future, on the whole, is rather a bright one and we should not complain.

Kittanning.

Condition of crops—Fall wheat and rye are showing well, and all indications point to a large yield. Spring oats and corn do not look so well, owing to the cold and rainy spring, especially the corn crop promises to be light. Hay will be abundant.

Business outlook—The business outlook is fair. Iron mills are running about full time; also glass works at Ford City. There is little difference in the business outlook from last year in this county.

Latrobe.

Condition of crops—Wheat good; oats look well so far; hay will be short; corn looks well; fruit crop uncertain, probably fair.

Business outlook—Somewhat dull now, but looks brighter.

New Castle.

Condition of crops—Apple crop up to the average; peach crop very light; grapes above the average; plums very light; wheat very good crop; oats about the average; corn mostly not yet planted and outlook very poor.

Business outlook—All our manufacturing works are running except the Rozena Furnace and Witherow's Works. The outlook for the near future is very encouraging.

Reynoldsville.

Condition of crops—In this locality all crops are up to the average in quality and acreage. Grass is excellent. A large number of the farmers were late on account of wet weather in getting in their corn, but its present rapid growth seems to compensate for lateness in planting which makes the prospects for corn flattering.

Business outlook—The general business outlook is good, better than the average. The coal mines are running about full time, the output large, with flattering prospect for new railroad connections with the East, furnishing new market for the Reynoldsville coal.

Smith's Ferry.

Condition of crops—From what we can learn and what we know would say the condition of crops in this section is very favorable, wheat and oats especially so. Corn planted before the wet weather set in is looking well, and good crops expected. Corn planted later will be all right if not caught by early frosts in the fall. Meadows are looking well, and the present outlook is favorable for a heavy out of grass.

Business outlook—The volume of business is a little under the average at present, but under existing circumstances the outlook is not unfavorable.

Saltsburg.

Condition of crops—Wheat looks nice. Hay is a little short and some horse sod and weeds work through it on account of so much wet weather. Oats look well. The corn is short, but if we have good weather it may come out all right yet.

Business outlook—Business in general a little dull, but better than the last month.

Uniontown.

Condition of crops—Corn not good on account of wet, cold weather. Wheat and oats are good and meadows fine. Apple prospects good.

Business outlook—Business is slow and there seems to be a good deal of money in the community, but holders do not want to invest much except in loans.

Washington.

Condition of crops—Wheat will yield more than an average crop if nothing occurs between now and harvest time. Rye and barley will be on an average of last year. Corn backward, owing to lateness of spring and wet weather. Grass will be up to last year. Fruits of all kind will not be up quite to last year's yield, but will be good.

Business outlook—Nothing discouraging in the outlook, and about the same volume of business will be done this year as was done last.

Waynesburg.

Condition of crops—Wheat will be about an average crop. The outlook for corn and oats not so good. The cold rains in May prevented the corn growing, as well as the oats and grass. Besides farmers could not work the corn on account of incessant rains. The grass crop is also not good on account of the cold weather. Lately, the weather being warm and affording some chance to work the corn, all the crops grow well.

Business outlook—Business is in a fair condition here. Money goes abegging for want of 6 per cent borrowers, and the banks have large deposits. Very few sheriff or assignees' sales.

Zelienople.

Condition of crops—Good; never have seen them look better.

Business outlook—Just middling. The oil trade is dull here now, very little drilling being done.

OHIO.

Barnesville.

Condition of crops—Good, and farmers generally are satisfied with the outlook.

Business outlook—Good, and our manufacturing industries run steadily and employ up to their full quota.

Bellaire.

Condition of crops—The farmers have been kept back from planting by reason of the wet weather all of May, and the corn crop in the acreage planted must be 25 per cent short. The other crops—wheat, grass, oats, potatoes and all vegetables raised by gardeners—is doing well and will no doubt be a full, good crop. The sheep of the county has been very largely killed on account of the price of wool being so low. Our farmers are not making much money—merely living.

Business outlook—Our business men and factories are doing reasonably well, and have made some money the last year. This city has suffered in several of her factories removing to the gas fields of the west. No failures in the city during the last year.

Belpre.

Condition of crops—Wheat good and will be cut by July 1; oats, prospect good, but too early to estimate crop; hay will be a heavy crop, but many meadows are being pasture very fine, but weather to June 1 was wet and cold, hence stock did not fatten well; it is now hot and getting dry; peaches half a crop; apples and cherries nearly a failure.

Business outlook—Business during winter and spring was without animation, in fact dull. Farmers are now disposing of their wool, also early vegetables and berries, and the future has a decidedly hopeful and encouraging outlook.

Cadiz.

Condition of crops—Grass and wheat very heavy. Wheat will probably be damaged somewhat by falling. Fruit crop excellent. Corn backward on account of cold, wet and wet weather in valley. The acreage is less than usual. Oats an average or better.

Business outlook—Not promising.

Caldwell.

Condition of crops—In this county prospects for all kinds of crops are good—corn, wheat, hay. The same is predicted for tobacco and fruit.

Business outlook—This is an agricultural county, no large business concerns being in it. We expect it to be an average year.

Cambridge.

Condition of crops—The outlook for hay and wheat crops was never better. Oats fair, but corn has been very much damaged by the recent and continuous heavy rains, and for the same reason the acreage will be small, while perhaps there is some planting yet to be done.

Business outlook—Merchants report sales fair and regular demand; that is, the trade of this season, taking it throughout, is not as good as that of last year, with prospect of good, steady trade all summer, and more cash trade than usual.

Canton.

Condition of crops—Wheat on uplands is in good condition; on the low or bottom lands is suffering too much rain. Oats in similar condition. Corn, not over three-fourths crop planted; much resulting on the condition of weather in the fall; if not injured by early frosts will do well.

Business outlook—Local manufacturers report a good year's business with large advance sales for the coming year. However, the continued rains may have a depressing effect upon the general trade. Retail dealers have had on the whole a very successful year, but for the last two months trade has been cut off by constant rain. Collections have been easy, and failures few, and amount involved very small.

Canal Fulton.

Condition of crops—Through this section crops look favorable. Wheat has been damaged in some localities, yet there will be an average crop. Oats are good. The corn crop will be short, owing to late season.

Business outlook—Owing to the bad weather business has been dull and collections slow. Prospects look brighter.

Canal Dover.

Condition of crops—Prospect for good crop of wheat and oats very favorable; corn will not be an average crop, or anything near the average on account of continued rains during past 30 days. Hay crop will be large.

Business outlook—Very favorable. Mills and furnace running along all right.

Columbiana.

Condition of crops—The stand of wheat is fine and with favorable weather the yield will be far above the average. On high ground corn is coming on favorable. Oats and grass, where not drowned out by excessive rains, are very promising. There bids fair for a fair apple crop. Peaches and plums will be scarce, but small fruits there will be a good crop.

Business outlook—The business outlook is fair in many branches of industry, and manufacturers are kept busy with plenty of orders. Labor commands fair wages and in good demand.

Carrollton.

Condition of crops—Wheat, oats and corn bid fair to be an average crop. The fore part of the season being unusually wet delayed planting corn, but the weather is now very favorable and crops promise to be good.

Business outlook—Is fair, about an average of other years at this season.

Dresden.

Condition of crops—The crops in this neighborhood are in good condition and farmers are in good spirits. Prospects for fruit on high ground are good.

Business outlook—Business outlook is very fair and considerable building going on.

East Liverpool.

Condition of crops—The condition of crops in and around this city are good, considering the backwardness of the season. There are fruits of all kinds in abundance. Wheat is looking well. Oats and meadows fine. Corn, although somewhat backward on account of wet weather, shows a good stand, looks fairly well. Vegetables and garden crop couldn't look better.

Business outlook—Our merchants and pottery owners report trade good and good prospects for summer and fall business. The outlook of trade for our merchants and business men generally could not be much better than it is at present.

East Palestine.

Condition of crops—Wheat and oats very good—above average. Corn very backward, not all planted owing to the wet weather. Grass good, with full average. Apples heavy bloom, but owing to the wet weather they are dropping badly. Peaches about one-fourth crop. Berries and other fruits fair crop.

Business outlook—The business outlook in this locality is very bright this spring. More building than usual.

Freeport.

Condition of crops—The crops of all kinds look well except corn. There will be a good crop of fruit.

Business outlook—Business outlook is not very good, only medium.

Leetonia.

Condition of crops—The prolonged wet weather has injured all crops more or less. Wheat is doing well except on low ground. Grass is growing fairly well. Oats are in fair condition. The prospects for corn are rather unfavorable. It is being planted very late and unless very favorable conditions follow there will be a poor crop.

Business outlook—Mercantile trade is fair. Furnaces, rolling mills and mines are all in operation.

Marietta.

Condition of crops—Wheat is looking splendidly, and the prospects are good for the best crop for years. Large crop of corn planted, and is looking fairly well for the time of year. Oats generally looking well. Peach crop fair. Apples not more than one-third of a crop. Hay a full crop.

Business outlook—Business in all departments duller than this time one year ago. Merchants complaining of dull trade. A fair amount of money in circulation, but does not seem to be circulating briskly in the channels of business. The outlook seems to be for a summer of dull trade.

Martin's Ferry.

Condition of crops—We have had plenty of rain, and at this time the prospects for a full average crop of wheat, oats, corn and hay are very promising. Strawberries just coming in with promise of a medium crop. Apple and cherry crop will be small.

Business outlook—Medium to fair.

McConnellsville.

Condition of crops—Wheats, oats and rye are all in excellent condition, and will each make above an average crop. Corn is small for the time of year, but a good stand was obtained. There is a fair prospect for a good tobacco and potato crop. Apple crop will make about 60 per cent and peach about 50 per cent. Pastures were never finer nor meadows better.

Business outlook—The volume of business is fully as large as usual, and the prospects of trade fully up to the average for the last five years.

Massillon.

Condition of crops—Wheat fair, but making too much straw, and indicates a three-fourth crop. Corn just being planted in consequence of extreme wet weather. Oats doing well. Lots of hay.

Business outlook—Only moderate; wet weather and constant rains may be the cause.

Minerva.

Condition of crops—Wheat promises an ordinary crop; oats never looked better; corn late, but with good weather will be all right; apples, a good crop; peaches and cherries, winter killed; grapes, vines nearly all killed and no prospect for any of account; grass never looked better.

Business outlook—Good.

New Philadelphia.

Condition of crops—Wheat—Prospects are for a fair average crop. Corn—Although in consequence of the backwardness of spring, in many cases causing late planting, it is now growing finely and with favorable weather a large crop may be looked for. Hay and oats in good condition and large yields expected.

Business outlook—With full crops and fair prices, the business men contemplate a large trade this year; while all manufacturing establishments are in full operation.

New Lisbon.

Condition of crops—Crop prospects in this vicinity are good. The rains retard the working of corn. Wheat, oats and grass will equal last year's output. Fruit crops will be large.

Business outlook—Business outlook is good. A new and large coal works are being opened here which will give the town and its business another boom.

Niles.

Condition of crops—The wheat crop is fair, but on account of wet weather during May there has been but few acres oats sown and corn planted. The last few weeks' favorable weather, however, has made a great difference in the appearance of things and farmers are becoming more encouraged.

Business outlook—Is not as flattering as we would wish, but, upon the whole, there is little cause to fear any great depression, and as soon as the labor question is settled everything will move along smoothly.

Salem.

Condition of crops—Grass and grain, both oats and wheat, appear to be excellent. There will be a fair crop of most kinds of fruit. A good deal of corn was put in very late on account of the wet weather, but in the last week it has grown wonderfully, and with reasonably good weather a fair crop can be expected.

Business outlook—The business outlook in this city and vicinity is encouraging. Trade among our merchants has been fair. Almost all of our manufacturing concerns are running full time, or practically so. There is a good deal of building and improvement being made and more contemplated. There is a fair amount of money offered on good security, and most of our banks have large amounts of deposits, showing that money is reasonably plenty.

Steubenville.

Condition of crops—The present outlook for crops was never better. Wheat, grass, oats and all crops, except corn, never better on the ground than is usual at June 1, and the last few days of warm weather have greatly improved the appearance of corn, which is now very fair condition.

Business outlook—The business outlook is good. With excellent crop prospects and all our manufacturing interests operated in full, there is everything indicating a favorable season.

Warren.

Condition of crops—It has been so very wet that crops could not be put into ground to the usual extent. Much oats that were sowed drowned and the out crop will be light in quantity of acres. Some corn was planted before June 1, but now, June 11 to 15, at least three-fourths of the corn and potatoes are being planted which will require a late season to mature. Fruit has been damaged badly too by dampness. Hay will be great and heavy.

Business outlook—Our Tube Works have orders for something but at little profit, yet are running full. Rolling mill talks of shutting down for awhile unless scale is signed soon. Other interests are doing well; building going on as great as before.

Wellsville.

Condition of crops—Wheat, hay and oats are looking well and promise a full crop. Corn, on account of wet weather, was put in late, but our present weather is very favorable to late planting. Potatoes, in many cases, are not planted yet. Apples promise well. Peaches will be scarce. Small fruits, if the wet weather does not continue to injure them, will be plenty.

Business outlook—Our business outlook is favorable and indicates a safe, steady growth.

Uriehsville.

Condition of crops—The wheat and hay crop are in fair condition. The season has been so wet that but little over half a corn crop has been planted. Other crops in fair condition. No peaches but an average crop of apples.

Business outlook—Considering that this is Presidental year the business outlook is good. Everything points to a fairly prosperous year in this locality.

Zanesville.

Condition of crops—Wheat, 95 per cent of best crop; corn backward by reason of rain all of May; oats same; grass and hay prospect very good; apples abundant; peaches poor, except on high, sandy hills; other small fruits same; garden and vegetable products fine.

Business outlook—Much same as one year ago. Tile and clay and brick industries active and profitable; rolling mill and window glass works idle; bottle and barley factories running full.

WEST VIRGINIA.

Burton.

Condition of crops—Wheat is better prospectively than usual. Grass crop is good, and will be equal to the best years. Corn is a little short. Oats are looking well and coming on nicely. Fruit is injured some by late frost. Potatoes and garden vegetation are in fine condition.

Business outlook—Good for the near future, but has been a little slow for the past two months, owing to the farmers' products not being moved and their entire attention being held on their farms putting in spring crops.

Brooke County.

Condition of crops—Wheat and rye very good. Hay very good. Oats fair. Corn short, but good stand of season will be a fair crop. Small fruits full crop; large fruits one-half of crop. Potatoes large acreage.

Business outlook—Fair, firm tone without any specially flattering circumstances.

Braxton County.

Condition of crops—Corn will be injured by the wet weather. Wheat will be better than average. Grass is better than for years. Will be a fine potato crop.

Business outlook—Prospects very flattering.

Jackson Court House.

Condition of crops—An average wheat acreage, and appearances indicate a large yield. Small acreage of oats with prospect of small yield. Large corn crop planted, which looks well. The fruit crop will not be as great as usual.

Business outlook—Business of all kinds seems to be brisk.

Marion County.

Condition of crops—Wheat is excellent

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