

TO HARVEST BUMPER CROPS OVER STATE

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BURLEIGH COUNTY GRAIN
IS ALL EXCELLENT

Indications Are That Corn Prices
Will Be Away Up This
Season.

By the middle of next week one of the biggest harvests in the history of the state will be in full swing. According to the latest government reports North Dakota will raise 116,000,000 bushels of wheat this year, and there is a strong possibility that that total number of bushels at the end of the season will be in excess of that figure. The amount is almost beyond human comprehension. Approximately 120,000 cars will be required to transport the wheat crop of this state alone, after the threshing season.

Getting it down to figures where people can comprehend the enormity of the crop, it will take ten trains of 100 cars each per day for 120 days to move the crop. The figures are almost staggering.

Grain All Good.
The grain this season is of an exceptionally good quality. The weather has been in its favor all summer. Throughout the state the same condition prevails; stalks have remained green until the full maturity of the grain, which is a most unusual occurrence. Practically all grains are ready for harvesting at the present time. All have had an equal start, and all are maturing about the same time. The fact that all grains have grown slow this season accounts for the fact that they are exceptionally good.

Harvest Hands Needed.
While harvest hands are scarce at the present time, indications are that there will be a good supply within the course of the next week. The real harvest will not start before that time and hundreds of harvest hands are on their way to this state from the states of Kansas, Nebraska and Iowa, where the annual harvest is already practically completed.

Excellent wages are being paid in all parts of the state. The average wage being from \$2.00 to \$2.50 per day. An extra man is needed in the state for practically every quarter section of land planted to grain. Secretary of Agriculture Flint has been in correspondence with the United States labor bureau for the past two months, and hundreds of men will be brought into the state through the efforts of the department.

All Bumper Crops.
While the wheat crop is looked on as the prize crop this year, all other grain crops will come under the head of "bumper" also. Over 80,000,000 bushels of oats will be harvested, 35,000,000 bushels of barley, as compared to 28,000,000 bushels last year; 8,200,000 bushels of flax will be gathered, and approximately 8,000,000 bushels of potatoes, with a rye crop running close to 2,500,000 bushels.

The corn crop is a little backward this season, but present indications are that it will also exceed the most sanguine expectations. All grain crops in Burleigh county are about ready for harvesting, and in a number of places the annual harvest has already started. The prediction is that the corn yield will be about 11,000,000 bushels as compared with 14,000,000 bushels last year. If the present warm weather continues for another week or ten days, however, the corn crop will make wonderful strides and may equal last year's record.

Wilson's Views.
Commissioner of Agriculture and Labor R. F. Flint is in receipt of the following communication from E. A. Wilson, agricultural agent of the Northern Pacific railway, whose field of activity requires him to visit numerous points on the main and branch lines of that road, throughout western North Dakota. He says:

"I have just returned from a trip over much of the Slope country west of the river. The grain crops are wonderful, and I feel safe in stating
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Open Air
Concert at
Court House

The Bismarck band will give their first open air concert under the leadership of Phil McCowan, on the court house lawn, this evening, at 8:15. Following is the program:

PROMINENT MEXICAN VISITS WASHINGTON



Eduardo Iturbide.

Eduardo Iturbide, who has been frequently mentioned lately as the possible choice of the United States for provisional president of Mexico, arrived in Washington on the day of the pan-American Mexican conference, and this snapshot of him was made in front of his hotel. The coincidence of his arrival on the day of the conference was the subject of much comment.

TREASURERS' NEXT MEETING IN MANDAN

Resolutions Passed at Meeting
Yesterday Thank City for
Entertainment.

SUCCESSFUL SESSION COMES TO CLOSE

The final session of the State County Treasurers' association was held yesterday, and most of the visitors left for home last evening.

At the meeting yesterday Carl Kostitzky of this city was elected president of the association and W. J. Prater, treasurer of Burleigh county and also of this city, was elected secretary and treasurer of the organization. Mandan was selected as the next meeting place. Dates for next year's meeting were not fixed, but it will be held while the state equalization board is in session, so that visiting county treasurers and auditors can attend the meetings of the board.

Resolutions Adopted.
The meeting held in this city was by far the most successful ever held by the association, and the visitors are all leaving for their homes with a warm spot in their hearts for the capital city.

The following resolutions were adopted at the meeting yesterday:

1. On behalf of the County Treasurers' association we wish to express the pleasure we experienced during our two days spent at Bismarck and our appreciation of the hospitality and entertainment afforded us by its citizens.

2. We are grateful to the Commercial club for its address of welcome through Mr. Young and for the use of its rooms for our meetings.

3. We shall never forget the steam boat trip up the Missouri given us by Capt. Baker. The talks by Governor Hanna and Capt. Baker, and the anecdotes of early days in the Territory of North Dakota related by Capt. Marsh, gave us a new insight into and an increased respect for the history of our great state.

4. We also remember very kindly the many owners of automobiles who placed both their time and their machines at our disposal.

5. The Bismarck Tribune exceeded all precedents by devoting one and a half pages of its issue to our interests. We appreciate this beyond expression. We thank the warden of the penitentiary for his interest in our visit and conducting us through the different departments.

RUSSIANS FIGHT DESPERATELY TO CHECK TEUTONS

Cordon of German Armies Closing in Upon Forces of Slavs.

DARDANELLES ARE
VIGOROUSLY ATTACKED

Offensive in Vicinity of Riga Is
Temporarily Arrested, Say
Reports.

London, Aug. 11.—While the Russians are fighting desperately to extricate themselves from the cordon of Austro-German troops, which are steadily pushing them more closely in Poland, their allies are working feverishly and with considerable success to open the Dardanelles, by which they hope to pour into Russia the much needed materials. Since Saturday night when fresh British forces were landed in the Gallipoli peninsula, there has been almost continuous fighting on the Krippra road.

In these operations, the Australians and New Zealanders in the "Anzac" region, a name taken from the initial letters of the word "Australian New Zealand army corps," have co-operated with new forces to the north.

Following the successes of the troops on the Krippra road and those to the north of the "Anzac" zone, the Australians and New Zealanders took the offensive yesterday and succeeded in retreating the area formerly held by them. Their comrades to the north, who assisted them, made no further progress, however.

Silence Guns.
Simultaneously the French battleship, St. Louis, attacked the Turkish batteries on the Asiatic side of the strait, which had been bombarding the allied positions on the peninsula and put five guns out of commission.

These actions are believed here to be preliminary to a much more vicious attempt which has been planned by the Anglo-French commanders to sweep the Turks before them.

Losses Are Heavy.
Very heavy losses which already been inflicted on the Turks, have had a discouraging effect upon the Ottoman troops, according to reports from Greece.

On the eastern front, Kovno is the danger point in the Russian line. The armies of Grand Duke Nicholas apparently have arrested the German offensive against Riga and Dvinsk, but are being hard pressed on the Kovno front, which the Germans are attacking with guns of all calibre, including the famous 16-inch cannons, which no fortress hitherto has been able to withstand.

Quiet On Western Front.
On the western front little has happened beyond the usual artillery engagements. German submarines have renewed their activities and in the last three days have sunk 18 vessels, ten of which were British trawlers and four of which belonged to neutral countries.

The German airship which raided the east coast of England Monday night and early Tuesday morning, was shot down, with good results, by the London docks, the Thames, the London docks, and buildings on the Humber, according to an official communication issued by the admiralty.

The airship returned, the statement adds. It was officially announced that the Austrian submarine U-12 has been torpedoed and sunk with all hands in the upper Adriatic sea by an Italian submarine.

The U-12 was of the latest type of submarine in the Austrian navy. She was built in 1915, and had a displacement of 1,000 tons. She was 105 feet in length.

Appeals for Higher Rates Are Rejected

Washington, Aug. 11.—Sweeping freight rate increases sought by carriers of western territory on the ground of generally poor financial condition of the lines and decreased earnings were refused by the interstate commerce commission today and advanced rates approved representing a comparatively small proportion of the amount sought.

An incomplete summary of the commission's action shows that rates estimated to produce \$5,971,860 were rejected, while approved increases will add \$1,632,387 to the carriers' revenues. The commission allowed advances in bituminous coal, coke, fruit and vegetables, and denied increases on grain, live stock, packing house products, fertilizers and broom corn.

PAN AMERICAN APPEAL READY FOR MEXICANS

All Factions Are Urged to End Civil Strife at Once.

CARRANZA MAY
REJECT PROPOSAL

Feeling of Optimism When Conference Adjourns in New York.

New York, Aug. 11.—Secretary Lansing, on behalf of the United States government, and the diplomatic representatives of Brazil, Chile, Bolivia, Uruguay and Guatemala, today signed an appeal addressed to the leaders of all factions in Mexico, petitioning them in the name of humanity for a national patriotism to cease the civil strife and assemble a peace conference.

Not of Joint Character.
The action, taken after a two-hour session, was not of a joint character, but identical, as an informal but unanimous note, expressing the views of their several governments that the conditions of chaos in Mexico had injured the prestige of the nation abroad and supplanting the Mexican leaders and generals to make a supreme effort to bring together all elements in the creation of a provisional government that can be given world-wide recognition.

Beyond this step, today's session did not go, reserving until a later date consideration of the situation that may be created by a refusal of some of the factions to participate in a peace conference. There was no discussion, in fact, of eventualities, notwithstanding that press dispatches reported Carranza's outspoken objection to the Pan-American methods of settling Mexico's struggle.

The assembled diplomats simply took the view tonight that when the appeal, which is to be transmitted in a day or two, is fully disclosed to General Carranza, he will not misunderstand their purposes or accuse them, as he has, of attempting to interfere in the internal affairs of Mexico.

When the conference adjourned tonight there was a feeling of optimism and confidence that a decisive step toward restoring Mexico to her place in the family of nations had been taken.

The next session, probably, will be held in Washington, as soon as replies are received to the appeal, which is expected to be in two weeks. At the end of that time, those who have not responded will probably be regarded as having no intention to answer.

EASTLAND OFFICERS ARE NOW INDICTED

Captain Pederson, W. H. Hull, Steele and Others Accused of Manslaughter.

Chicago, Aug. 11.—Indictments charging manslaughter and criminal carelessness were returned before Judge Keniston in criminal court in connection with the Eastland disaster. The captain, engineer and four officers of St. Joseph and Chicago S. S. company, owners of the boat, were named as follows: George T. Arnold, president; William H. Hull, vice president and general manager; W. C. Steele, secretary-treasurer; Ray W. Davis, assistant secretary-treasurer; Harry Pederson, captain, and Joseph M. Erickson, engineer.

Bonds were fixed at \$20,000 for the company officials and \$10,000 for Pederson and Erickson. The last two were charged with criminal carelessness. The officials were charged with manslaughter.

The bill against the officials contained five counts charging: They knew the Eastland was unseaworthy and had no stability. They permitted 2,500 passengers aboard the vessel, which was more than its carrying capacity. They were negligent in hiring an incompetent engineer and the crew was too small to handle the vessel properly.

The ballast tanks were allowed to be out of repair and were not filled with water. Four great pumps are working on the Eastland with a view to recovering more bodies.

THE WEATHER.
North and South Dakotas: Showers Thursday and probably Friday; not much change in temperature.

AMERICAN BORDER IS THREATENED BY MEXICAN GUERRILLA WARFARE

LASCURIAN CALLED BEST MAN AVAILABLE TO RESTORE ORDER IN STRICKEN MEXICO



Pedro Lascurain.

Pedro Lascurain, who was foreign minister in the last established government of Mexico, is regarded at Washington as the best man for the work of restoring order and establishing a constitution in the war-torn republic. It is believed President Wilson and his advisers will urge the selection of Lascurain, who is friendly with neither Carranza nor Villa, as provisional president.

German Steamer Meteor Blows Up a British Craft in the North Sea

Then When Pursued, Teutons Destroy Their Vessel; Submarines Preying Upon English Commerce.

London, Aug. 11.—The British warship, Ramsey, has been sunk in the North sea by the German steamer, Meteor. It was officially announced tonight. The Meteor, as she was being chased by British vessels, was blown up by her commander, the statement adds.

The text of the statement follows: "His majesty's ship, Ramsey, Lieutenant S. Raby, R. N. R., a small armed patrol vessel, was sunk by the German armed fleet auxiliary steamer, Meteor, August 8, in the North sea. Four officers and 29 men were saved.

The Meteor subsequently sighted a squadron of British survivors and her commanding officer, realizing that escape was impossible, ordered the crew to abandon the ship and then blow her up."

GERMANY MAY NOT ANSWER LAST NOTE

No Official Acknowledgment Received From Berlin and Gerard Has No Intimation.

Washington, Aug. 11.—The manifest indifference of the Berlin government toward the last request sent by the United States for a satisfactory reply to former protests against the submarine warfare of the German admiralty is causing more concern here than is apparent on the surface.

American officials and foreign diplomats are perplexed by the failure of Foreign Minister von Jagow of the German imperial government at least to indicate his purpose to reply to the note of July 23 presenting the final comment of this government regarding the destruction of the Lusitania and other acts of German submarines in violation of international law and the rights of humanity.

So far as can be learned, the state

TROOPS BEING CONCENTRATED TO PROTECT TEXAS

Believed the Mexican Population May Start Racial Strife in That State.

CITIZENS ARE ARMED TO
GUARD THEIR PROPERTY

War Department Says the Movements of Army Merely Local in Significance.

QUIZ SUPPLY FIRMS.
Washington, Aug. 11.—American manufacturers of war supplies have been asked by the war department for information concerning their facilities, with particular reference to what service the United States government can expect from them in case of emergency. Measures to strengthen the national defense during the coming session of congress are expected to result in vastly increased demand for supplies aside from any emergency that may arise.

Consequently the war department has instituted a general inquiry to take stock of resources.

Brownsville, Texas, Aug. 11.—Practically every American citizen in the three southernmost counties of Texas—Cameron, Hidalgo and Starr—is resting on arms tonight in fear that the overwhelming Mexican population of the section may break out in a racial fight.

Seek to Annex Territory.
The Mexican disturbance spread rapidly westward today, until rumors of trouble developed at Laredo, 200 miles along the border from here. The disturbance today is reported to have been part of an attempt to turn part of Texas back to Mexican control, a scheme said to be backed partly by ignorant classes of Mexicans, helped by escaped convicts and fugitives from justice on the American side, and assisted by a fairly large number of irresponsible Mexicans from the other side, including some Mexican soldiers.

The disturbance has been fanned by some of the bitter disputes of border political conditions, which in some instances kept the American residents of this section from realizing how strong the under current of Mexican feeling was growing.

Urging Mexicans to Revolt.
Rangers in Hidalgo county, pursuing some of the gang which killed an American trooper near Mercedes last night, today captured a flag bearing words in Spanish, "Army of liberation for Mexicans in Texas." They also took some literature urging Mexicans to revolt.

Army and federal investigators declared the organizers of the trouble are working under the so-called plan of San Diego, which calls for the death of every American male over sixteen years of age, in communities along the Rio Grande, and also along the border of New Mexico, Arizona and California. It has been reported to Major General Frederick Funston that more than 3,000 Mexicans are pledged to this organization already.

Ready to Cross River.
Authorities here tonight are watching the river at a point about ten miles below Brownsville, where it was reported several hundred armed Mexicans had gathered on the Mexican side of the Rio Grande, waiting to cross the river under darkness.

A Mexican ranger in Hidalgo county, about 50 miles up the river from Brownsville, this afternoon appealed for aid, asserting that 80 armed Mexicans were in hiding on his ranch. He said they had threatened to kill him, if he told of their presence.

Carranza Men in Plot.
Officials here have reports that 1700 former Carranza soldiers have crossed the river along a zone 120 miles wide, from a point below Brownsville to Rio Grande City, up the river. At least 30 different parties are said to have crossed.

The arrival of troops in force from Laredo appears to have caused the bandits today, to shift rapidly westward into the less populous sections between here and Laredo. Telephone messages tonight from that portion of Cameron county, north of here, where the main fighting has been going on for two weeks, indicated that the outlaws had either left or were in hiding.

About Mercedes, a few miles northwest of here, rangers and cavalrymen pressed the bandits so hard today that some of them fled across the river.

PREPARE FOR DEFENSE.
Washington, Aug. 11.—Raiding and guerrilla fighting in Texas along the Mexican border will be met by strengthening the United States forces there. This has been requested by
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