

FARMERS BUSY SINCE RAINFALL

PLOWING AND SEEDING WELL UNDER WAY

Weekly Crop Bulletin Shows Work on Ranches to Be Progressing in a Most Satisfactory Manner

All is prosperous with the farmers, according to the weekly crop bulletin issued yesterday by the local weather bureau. The crop bulletin says: The rain which fell last week put the ground in good condition for working and as a result plowing and seeding, which had come to a standstill in most sections for lack of moisture, were resumed and pushed vigorously. Orchards were benefited; early sown grain is coming up; farmers are most encouraged at the outlook for the season and the week closes with a rain storm in progress which covers the southern counties. Orange picking continues; the fruit is of very good quality.

FAIR WEATHER IS NOW DUE

Forecaster Says Storm Has Passed Away

Fair weather held the field yesterday and its occupancy promises to extend throughout today and tomorrow, or until further notice, at least. Several ineffectual efforts at cloudiness gave rise to vain hopes of more rain during the day. The sunshine struggled through the interstices of the flimsy cloud veil, and at intervals made the sky canopy look like an atmospheric crazy-quilt. But there were no weeping clouds in the lot.

After the final sputter of the previous night, when a hard rain fell for a few minutes, the storm moved southward, sweeping along the Mexican border, and was central yesterday morning south of Arizona.

This storm furnished .96 of an inch of rain to Los Angeles, and more or less to neighboring points in southern California. The twenty-four hours preceding 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon gave .41 of an inch, which included the heavy fall of the night before.

Forecasters announced yesterday, from observations based on facts recorded by the instruments in his office, that fair weather would probably prevail until Friday.

There was not any sign of rain at any point in California, not even at Sacramento, where senatorial aspirants are tearfully buttonholing legislators and where the air is filled with political affinities which make men irrigate the coat collars of even their worst enemies.

IN SAN BERNARDINO VALLEY
Precipitation for Storm Nearly Three Inches and Rain Still Falling

Special to The Herald.
SAN BERNARDINO, Jan. 10.—Rain continues to fall in this valley in copious showers, and the total precipitation for the present storm has been nearly three inches, making a total of four and one-half inches for the season to date.

There was a slackening of the showers last night which allowed the great quantity of storm water to drain off, so that no further washouts have occurred today. The slight washouts experienced by the Santa Fe on the loop line are all repaired and trains running nearly on time today. The Southern Pacific main line in San Timoteo canyon is in worse shape and the tracks are badly washed.

The heavy rains will cause a cessation in the shipping of oranges for a few days until the pickers can get into the orchards to work. The growers, however, are not worrying about that, as it will give an opportunity to clean up the market, thus giving the next fruit shipped an opportunity to bring a good price.

HEAVY FALL IN ARIZONA
Some Damage Done but Benefit to the Country is Widespread

By Associated Press.
PHOENIX, Ariz., Jan. 10.—The big rainstorm continues, the total precipitation for the two days being nearly three inches, or more than half as much rain as fell during the entire year of 1904. The northbound Santa Fe, Prescott and Phoenix train was delayed a few hours today by a washout near Wickenburg. The bridge over the Gila river, at Kelvin, on the Phoenix and Eastern, was damaged considerably and eastbound Southern Pacific trains were delayed by washouts between Yuma and Maricopa.

All the rivers are booming and canals are full. Cave Creek overflowed and inundated a tunnel of the Glendale, nine miles northwest of Phoenix, doing some damage. Several farms were inundated, but benefits to the country will vastly exceed any possible damage.

Cost of Rural Delivery
In 1897, when the rural service was started on probation, \$40,000 was deemed sufficient for its trial. During the fiscal year that ended June 30, 1904, nearly \$13,000,000 was expended for rural free delivery. For the fiscal year upon which we have now entered \$20,816,600 has been appropriated for the continuance and extension of the rural mail service. There were 24,596 rural routes in existence at the end of the fiscal year on June 30 last, 9446 new routes having been put into operation during the fiscal year. On October 1, 1904, there were 27,135 routes established, and the service was being extended at the rate of about 800 routes a month.

Taking 450 people as the average number served on each route (a moderate estimate), the rural service in operation October 1, 1904, was bringing the mails within easy reach of the homes of 12,213,750 residents of rural districts.—World's Work.

Insect Menagerie in Paris
A distinguished entomologist in Paris proposes to install a menagerie of insects at the Jardin des Plantes. He is very proud of a spider from Brazil, which he has kept in a cheese for eight months, and of a cheerful creature with a triangular head, which will be glad, no doubt, to make the spider's acquaintance. For it is intended that in the menagerie the insects shall all dwell together in a glass case. There will be perpetual war, of course, but the spectacle, thinks the New York Globe, will console the Parisians for the lack of exciting news from Manchuria.

"The slaughter will be great," says a systematic observer, "but the well-known fecundity of insects will fill up the gaps caused by the pitched battles."—Pittsburg Dispatch.

ELISORE IS FLOODED
Special to The Herald.
ELISORE, Jan. 10.—It began raining Sunday night and has not stopped up to date. The rain is warm and soaking, but falls in torrents. Everything is swimming. The canyon above the station, through which the railroad comes from Ferris, is a raging torrent, as are all streets and gullies. About three inches of water has fallen. Trains could get no farther than Ferris Monday.

Precipitation at Soldiers' Home
Special to The Herald.
SOLDIERS' HOME, Jan. 10.—Chief Engineer Jobbins reports the last fall of rain at nearly one inch, making the total two and one-quarter inches.

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Rows of Coops
Rows of coops extend the full length of the hall, all built in uniform size and raised from the floor about four feet. Between the rows there is just room for two people to pass and all space was necessary to accommodate such a large number of fowls. Each coop is provided with tin basins containing food and water and beds of straw have been arranged in the bottom.

In these coops are housed birds of every kind known to breeders in this section of the country, with many imported varieties.

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POLICE WAR ON GAMBLING GAMES

CHIEF HAMMEL WOULD PUT STOP TO GAMES OF CHANCE

Proprietors of Well Known Resorts Decide That It Is Time to Close for Awhile at Least

Chief of Police Hammel and Capt. Auble have begun a crusade against the gambling resorts which up until a week ago were running full blast throughout the business and lodging-house districts of Los Angeles.

"A special detail of men has been ordered to clean out every gambling place that can be reached in the city," said Capt. Auble last night, "and they are making the rounds at short intervals to see that the gambling law is obeyed. I am doing my utmost to wipe out all gambling places."

A tour of investigation last night to all the places commonly known to the sporting fraternity revealed the fact that two-thirds of the resorts had notices on the doors saying that the places were not open for business. One of the first places to go was a resort on Spring street, near First, but there are others in the vicinity which have not taken warning and are still open, but only to the initiated few.

"These poker games are hard to put out of business," said Capt. Auble, "and it is almost impossible to get sufficient evidence for a conviction of the offenders. About the only way we have is to send men around to demand entrance to the resorts and do this so often as to make existence unendurable to the proprietors."

"The card games running have thumb bells that apprise the lookout of the approach of anyone. If the intruder does not look good to him by the time the man gets into the first room the players who are in a room to the side are warned and the officer enters to find a quiet game of whist or seven-up going on."

In line with the crusade of the police there is also the fact that the proprietors of poker rooms are uneasy as to what the new police commission can be expected to do, and until this question is fully determined, the cards are being given a rest and the chips are kept out of sight.

A Double Christmas

A stranger visiting the German colonies of our great cities would think that his almanac needed resetting, for on the evening of December 5 thousands of little stockings are hung up with the same careful clothes-pinning and heart of hope as on the authentic Christmas eve. St. Nicholas eve it is that the "fatherland" exiles are celebrating. Just as early as any child ever get up those that are paying honor to the gift tumbler out of bed, and find their stockings well weighted with fruit and candies and apfelkuchen. The naughty child that has been a trial to its parents in previous weeks is rather likely to find his stockings laden with coal. It is a hint that a second gift season is at hand, and that it would be well to fall into line with the good children. And the good children are encouraged to a renewed and severer virtue for the days between their present reward and the fuller holiday that is coming.—Country Life in America.

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this one and the fowls show better for the lack of them.

One end of the hall has been fitted up with incubators and all sorts of poultry supplies from the leading firms in the city. The first installment of chicks began hatching last night just in time for the opening and it is the intention of the owners to have a new set come out each day during the show.

The dressed poultry exhibit from the Orplington ranch is interesting, and the fowls are very unlike the usual variety found in the markets, being larger and more perfect in every way.

AMERICAN DENTIST OF KAISER KILLS HIMSELF

Dr. Alonzo Sylvester Ends His Life by Sending Bullet Through His Head

By Associated Press.
BERLIN, Jan. 10.—Dr. Alonzo Sylvester, Emperor William's American dentist, committed suicide here today. He shot himself through the head in his bedroom.

The emperor was fond of Dr. Sylvester. He created him a royal Prussian councillor, appointed him his private dentist and gave him many presents. Dr. Sylvester was the pioneer American dentist in Berlin, having come here thirty years ago. He had an extraordinarily large professional income, but had, nevertheless, financial difficulties. Recently Dr. Sylvester had been suffering from a severe attack of influenza and for two or three days past he had talked incoherently.

Japanese Commissioner Coming
By Associated Press.
ST. LOUIS, Jan. 10.—Selchitedima, Imperial Japanese Commissioner General to the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, left for Tokio today, accompanied by his son and Mr. K. Niawa. He will first go through the rice fields of the south, and to Los Angeles, from which point he will sail for Japan the latter part of the month.

Cruiser Colorado Completed
By Associated Press.
PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 10.—The new protected cruiser Colorado, built at Cramp's shipyard, was turned over to the United States government today and the vessel is at League Island navy yard awaiting orders for active service.

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