

CONSPIRACY BY FARMER HINTED AT IN NEW YORK

Charge Is Made That Crop Shortage Is Result of Concealing Yields

FEDERAL BUREAU IN QUICK DENIAL

New York, Nov. 18.—An assertion that western farmers underestimated their crops in reports submitted to the federal government and thereby forced up the price of wheat, potatoes, onions and cabbage, is the latest contribution to the high cost of food investigation here. The charge is made by Joseph Hartigan commissioner of weights and measures, who has just returned from a tour of twenty-nine states undertaken to determine the reason for the high cost of living and, incidentally to complete arrangements for a farmers' congress to be held here in February.

FEDERAL OFFICIALS DENY

Washington, D. C., Nov. 18.—Department of agriculture officials today deny the assertion of Joseph Hartigan, New York commissioner of weight and measures, that western farmers knowingly underestimated their crop report to the federal government and thus forced up the price of wheat, potatoes, onions and cabbage.

"For our reports we do not depend upon the farmer alone. There are three principal sources of information. One is from a regular reporter in each county who is a farmer. Another is from the township reporters, one in nearly every township. They also are farmers. Then we have our own field agents, one in each state. The government field agent does not depend alone upon the farmers' reports, but upon all sources of information obtainable for his information. He has access to the records of secretaries of farmers organizations and grain exchanges and their reports are supplemented by the field agents personal observations and inspection throughout the state. He is traveling almost constantly investigating conditions.

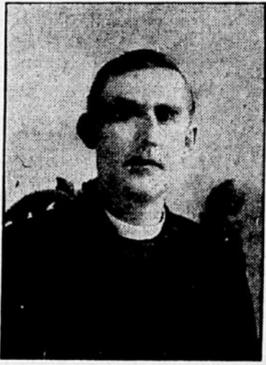
NO INVESTIGATION

Washington, D. C., Nov. 18.—The federal trade commission announced today that it will not undertake an investigation of the high prices of necessities of life because it would largely be a duplication of the work of the department of justice under the Sherman anti-trust law.

POULTRY SHOW IN DECEMBER

Iowa City, Nov. 18.—The annual poultry show of the Iowa City Poultry association is to be held in Iowa City again this year on December 4. All entries for the show must at least be in by December 4, while no entries will be made after that date.

OTTUMWA AND FAIRFIELD PASTORS ARE TRANSFERRED BY BISHOP DAVIS



REV. J. W. BULGER. Rev. J. W. Bulger, pastor of St. Patrick's church, goes to St. Anthony's church in Davenport as pastor Sunday, November 26. On the same date Rev. Henry Hogan, pastor of St. Mary's church at Fairfield, takes up the pastorate of St. Patrick's here, succeeding Father Bulger.



REV. HENRY HOGAN. The directors of the Mutual Telephone Co. held a quarterly meeting in the city hall today.

HITEMAN.

Mrs. Roy Clapp and son Robert visited with Mrs. Hines at Avery recently. Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Barker after visiting with friends in Albia left in the evening for Des Moines where they will make their home.

EDDYVILLE.

Friends in Eddyville have received cards announcing the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Pickrell, Sunday, Nov. 12 at their home in Baldwin, Kans.

RUSSELL.

Mrs. Warren Andrews of Colorado who has been visiting relatives here has returned home.

FLY WHEEL KILLS YOUNG MAN.

North McGregor, Nov. 18.—Albert Kleinow, a resident of this place, was killed while working with a sawing machine. The shaft broke, letting the fly wheel strike him with such force that death ensued soon after.

MARRIED OR MONEY.

Atlantic, Nov. 18.—Averring that Dora Gunderson had married John Myer, whom she had never seen previously to the marriage, in order to obtain possession of property valued at \$30,000, relatives of Myer have filed suit against Mrs. Myer and the administrator of the Myer estate, T. T. Saunders of Anita.

In Memoriam

Anna Rainwater Clossen was born to Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Rainwater in Lewis county, Mo., July 16, 1874. About twenty-five years ago she came to Iowa, where in Henry county she met, loved and married Byron Clossen. To this union were born three children: Opal, Irene and Dorothy.

George Lyman Richardson.

George Lyman, son of Lyman and Ruth Richardson, was born near Rochester, Vt., January 13, 1839, and departed this life November 8, 1916, at the age of 77 years, 9 months and 26 days.

Mrs. Charlotte Carlson.

Mrs. Charlotte Caroline (Wansted) Carlson was born January 17, 1856, in Smaland, Sweden, and died October 30, 1916, aged 60 years, 9 months and 13 days.

SHRINERS' HIGH OFFICER IS DEAD

St. Joseph, Mo., Nov. 18.—Alva Patee Clayton, former imperial potentate of the Ancient Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, died here after a short illness. He was born in Ashley, Ohio, in 1860. He was twice mayor of St. Joseph.

ELDON

The fire alarm was sounded at about 9 p. m. Thursday and it was found to be the J. A. Owen, Sr. home. A defective fuse had caused a fire on the roof but was extinguished before much harm was done.

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IOWA SUPREME COURT

Des Moines, Nov. 18.—Iowa supreme court decisions are as follows: Story county vs. Fred E. Hansen, appellant; allowance to county attorney in certain cases; reversed.

TURKEY FOR GUARD.

Centerville, Nov. 18.—Secretary Currie of the association of commerce, on behalf of the citizens of Centerville, has mailed to Captain Pyley of Co. D of the third Iowa infantry a draft for \$50 which is to be expended by the company cooks on Thanksgiving to give the members of the company a spread in keeping with the importance of the day.

HUNTED BIRDS WITH NET.

Centerville, Nov. 18.—B. Lazaretti of Story county was held before Justice Lane by George Payton, deputy game warden, on a charge of illegal hunting with a net and without a license. Five companions escaped when Lazaretti was caught. He was fined \$25 and costs after being found guilty of the charge and paid the fine in cash.

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BOARD TO BUILD UP EPILEPTIC HOME

Des Moines, Nov. 18.—In recommendations to the legislature contained in the biennial report filed with the governor, the state board of control proposes for new state institutions, but makes a feature of building up the epileptic colony at Woodward, the women's reformatory at Rockwell City and establishing and operating new prison industries.

The board asks for appropriations amounting to \$1,461,530. This is \$242,305 less than the combined appropriations for sixteen institutions.

NEW SCHOOL FOR IOWA CITY.

Iowa City, Nov. 18.—The Iowa City board of education has purchased the Fluke flats for \$12,000, and will remove them and erect on their site one of the new school buildings, the first ward which are to replace generation old structures. The three will cost about \$200,000.

ANNOUNCE RESULTS OF ANNUAL ELECTION

The result of the annual election of the Iowa State Poultry Breeders association has been announced by Election Commissioner Bittenbender as follows: President, Judge Jos. Dagie, Richmond.

WILL TALK OVER TARIFF PERHAPS

Princeton, N. J., Nov. 17.—Two sons of ex-presidents, Charles Taft and Richard Cleveland, will be on opposing football teams today when Princeton and Yale clash at Palmer stadium.

LARGE PURSE IS OFFERED FIGHTERS

Denver, Colo., Nov. 18.—Before leaving for the east for a talk with Jess Willard and his manager, Tom Jones, Jack Curley declared that he and Jack Kammer, local promoter, will offer a \$50,000 purse for a twenty-round decision battle between Willard and Fred Fulton, the Minnesota heavyweight. They plan to stage the fight at the Stock Yards stadium late in the winter or next spring.

LEVINSKY IS DEFEATED.

Kansas City, Mo., Nov. 18.—Outweighed about fifty pounds and outclassed in height and reach, Battling Levinsky of New York lost the decision to Carl Morris, the Oklahoma heavyweight, here Friday night in a fifteen round bout before a crowd of 8,000 persons in Convention hall.

CORNELL BEATS COE.

Mount Vernon, Nov. 18.—Cornell college maintained its clean conference record Friday by defeating Coe, 23 to 7. Walker, Bowen, and Etter scored for Cornell, and Smith for Coe. The game was fast and clean throughout, with much forward passing. Cornell will meet Grinnell next Friday for the Iowa conference championship.

LINCOLN BUYS PLAYERS.

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 18.—"Ducky" Holmes, manager and owner of the Lincoln Western League baseball club has purchased players East and Schmidt from the St. Louis Browns and released Harry Williams to Bloomington, Ill.

JUSTICES OF PEACE ARE CAUSING MIXUP

Iowa City, Nov. 18.—Because B. W. Brown, republican candidate for justice of the peace, had not been properly nominated, the election of justice in Iowa City at the general election last week Tuesday is now declared to be void. The opinion given is by County Attorney E. B. Wilson, who had taken the matter up with Attorney General Cosson.

DUST FROM ROADS DAMAGES CROPS

West Liberty, Nov. 18.—"Dust blown from the road in the wake of passing automobiles I figure does great annual damage to my crops of grass, corn and fruits," declares Walter I. Smith, in accepting the presidency of the West Liberty-Iowa City Road Improvement club, organized with the chief aim of oiling the river-to-river road between these two cities.

FARMER COMMITS SUICIDE.

Strawberry Point, Nov. 18.—Although appearing in good spirits in the morning, Harry Ward, a farmer, living six miles from here, returned to his home and grabbing a razor from the kitchen table, cut his throat and died in a few minutes.

CORN THIEVES AT WORK.

Solon, Nov. 18.—When Bennett Boehmler was returning home on a moonlight night recently he caught two men with a team at work husking corn in his field. The high price and scarcity of the cereal has made it the object of thieves this fall.

MISSOURI COUNTRY HOME IS BURNED

Monroe City, Mo., Nov. 18.—The country home of W. C. Morse, three miles west of here, was destroyed by fire practically all of its contents being consumed. The loss probably will be \$30,000, only partially covered by insurance. It was nicely finished.

MEDAL FOR SAVING LIFE.

Bloomfield, Nov. 18.—The interstate commerce commission has awarded a medal of honor to E. W. Landrum, Brookfield, in recognition of his bravery in climbing out on the pilot of a locomotive on the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad at Cameron, Mo., September 15, 1910, and pushing A. W. Thomason, an aged deaf man, from the track and saving his life.

PROFESSOR PEIRCE HONORED.

Iowa City, Nov. 18.—Professor Paul S. Peirce of Iowa university has been appointed by the secretary of the National Child Labor commission as member of the advisory council of the national commission for the state of Iowa. Professor Peirce has been one of the leaders and officials of the Iowa State Association of Charities and Corrections for years.

FEDERAL BOOTLEGGER.

Cedar Rapids, Nov. 18.—Private Myers of the local recruiting station faces trouble as a bootlegger. He was arrested for selling whisky to a citizen. When arrested a pint of the cheer stuff was found in Myers' pocket. He claims he purchased the booze of another man for a friend, but refuses to state who the other man was.

M'DANIEL HELD AS MURDERER

Prosecuting Attorney Tells Jury That Accused Man Killed His Wife

St. Joseph, Mo., Nov. 18.—A jury of twelve to try Oscar D. McDaniel, prosecutor of Buchanan county, on the charge of murdering his wife, was chosen today and the actual trial of the case started in the criminal court. Mrs. Sarah Moss and Miss Aileen Moss, mother and sister of Mrs. McDaniel were seated on the state's side of the attorney's table, while opposite them sat Miss Maud McDaniel a sister, and G. W. Isaacs, brother-in-law of the accused man.

The threatening letter received by McDaniel a week before the murder, the prosecutor declared was "exhibited and showed at every opportunity in order to have it understood, when the murder was accomplished, that threatening letters had been received."

SELLS \$90 WILSON BET FOR DOLLAR

Iowa Falls, Nov. 18.—Winning \$90 on Wilson and then losing it on the early election returns was one of the interesting developments of post-election days in this city. A well known young man had bet \$90 on general results. About midnight of election day things looked pretty blue for the head of the democratic ticket and the young man remarked he would sell for \$1.

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