

CORN CROP YIELD CUT BY DROUGHT

GOVERNMENT REPORT ESTIMATES PRODUCTION AT 2,351,000,000 BUSHEL.

621,000,000 BUSHEL SHORT

Most Bountiful Wheat Harvest in History of Country Indicated. Being 6,000,000 Bushels More Than Great Crop of 1901.

Washington, D. C.—An enormous loss in the prospective production of corn and indications of the biggest wheat crop ever produced were the features of the government's September crop report.

Hot weather and drought in a number of the principal crop-growing states during the month ending September 1 caused a deterioration of corn which experts calculate has resulted in the loss of 621,000,000 bushels, reducing the corn crop estimate to 2,351,000,000 bushels. This destructive crop weather caused a loss of about 100,000,000 bushels during July and August. The loss brought the total up to 621,000,000 bushels, the first estimate of corn crop prospects were made by the government.

Nebraska Hard Hit. Texas alone of the six greatest corn growing states held her own during August. Nebraska was the hardest hit, the deterioration there during the month amounting to 16.70 per cent, bringing the condition of the crop to 27 per cent of a normal. The loss in Missouri was 20 per cent, the crop being 41 per cent of a normal. Kansas reported a condition of 10 per cent of a normal, the lowest ever recorded, and a loss of 25 per cent during the month. Illinois, with the greatest of any state planted to corn, reported a condition of 52 per cent, a loss of 10 per cent. Iowa reported 76 per cent, a loss of 5 per cent, Oklahoma, 32 per cent, a loss of 5 per cent.

Record Crop of Wheat. Never before in the history of the country has there been such a bountiful wheat harvest as has been gathered this year. This was due principally to the bumper crop of winter wheat. The government estimate of the spring wheat crop showed increased prospects for that crop, making the total production 243,000,000 bushels, or an increase of 43 per cent over the August estimate. This increase brought the estimate of total wheat crop of the country to 724,000,000, or 6,000,000 more than the great record crop of 1901.

Outs prospects, too, showed an increase of 2.7 per cent as a result of the conditions existing during August, and the crop now is estimated at 1,000,000,000 bushels, or 25,000,000 more than predicted in August. Some Crops Not Damaged. Weather conditions during August caused deterioration which is estimated to have resulted in the loss of 14,000,000 bushels of potatoes, 22,000,000 pounds of tobacco and 1,000,000 tons of hay. Barley, flax and rice seem to have escaped damage by weather, the prospects during August having remained unchanged. Little relief from the continued heat and drought is held out by the weather bureau, which reported that the week since the crop report was taken was very generally one of the warmest ever known in the corn growing states, that little beneficial rain had fallen and that the severe drought continued very general.

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PEARY '92 RECORD RETURNED

Danish Government Ordered Papers Found on Greenland Coast by Rasmussen Be Sent to U. S.

New York—Records left by Rear Admiral Robert E. Peary in a cairn at Navy Cliff, on the north-east coast of Greenland, in July, 1892, have just been returned to him by the Danish government. They were found by Knud Rasmussen, the Danish explorer, July 22, last year.

Peary deposited the records while he and Eivind Astrup were crossing Greenland from west to east for the first time. With them was a request that the papers be forwarded to Peary by whoever should find them. Rasmussen, 20 years later, was the first man to reach the spot again.

Perry Monument Dedicated. Cedar Point, O.—Continuation of the century of peace that has elapsed since the signing of the treaty of Ghent was predicted by speakers at the banquet which brought the celebration of the 100th anniversary of the battle of Lake Erie to a close.

Beauty Winner, 10, Kidnaped. Carrizo Bouche, 10 years old, brunette, who recently captured a prize in a beauty contest, was kidnaped while on her way home from school by a man and woman who induced her to enter a taxi.

Another New Haven Wreck. Hartford, Conn.—The northbound White Mountain express on the New Haven road was sideswiped by a freight train at midnight five miles north of the Wallingford wreck scene. No one was injured.



Mayor of New York City and independent candidate for re-election, died on board the steamer Baltic while on way to Europe for a short vacation. Adolph Kline, Republican, president of the board of aldermen, succeeds him until Jan. 1, 1914.

KLINE IS NEW YORK MAYOR

DEATH OF GAYNOR PUTS ALDERMAN IN THE CHAIR.

Demise of Executive Greatly Changes Situation in Coming Campaign—Election More Uncertain.

New York—Adolph L. Kline, vice-chairman of the board of aldermen, who succeeded John Furze Mitchell as president of the board of aldermen of New York, becomes mayor of this city by the death of William Jay Gaynor. He is a Republican and will serve until Jan. 1. This fact, together with the removal of Gaynor as an independent candidate for re-election, greatly changes the political situation. It is believed generally that the removal of Gaynor will result in a uniting of all anti-Taft forces in the coming municipal campaign and the defeat of the organization candidate.

Mayor Gaynor died on the steamer Baltic in mid-ocean, according to a cablegram received here from Rufus W. Gaynor, his son, who sailed with the mayor. Mayor Gaynor sailed away from New York, a fast-talking man, a week ago. An hour before he sailed but one man, his secretary, knew of his plans outside of members of his immediate family. The mayor's unannounced purpose was a brief vacation on the ocean. He felt that the tonic effect of the salt air would restore him in some measure to health.

Although the mayor had no pretension that his trip would be fatal, he had at different times within the last year or two told his secretary that the violence of coughing attacks were a great strain on his heart and he feared that at some time or other one of them might result seriously.

LAMAR IS RELEASED ON BOND

Wall Street Broker Accused of Impersonating Members of Congress Arrested on Indictment.

Washington, D. C.—David Lamar, conspicuous figure in the senate lobby investigation and now under indictment in New York for impersonating members of congress, was arrested by order of Attorney General McReynolds. He was released on \$3,000 bond.

What promises to be a long-drawn-out extradition contest will begin Sept. 17, the date set for Lamar's appearance before the United States commissioner here. The warrant on which the arrest was made was issued by the federal court in New York and had been brought here before, only to be carried back, the authorities hoping to get their hands upon Lamar in New York state and avoid the necessity of extradition proceedings and delay of probably a year or more.

Consignment of Cash Disappears. Savannah, Ga.—Fifty thousand dollars, in transit from the Chase National bank of New York to the Savannah Bank and Trust company, was stolen from a portable safe on an Atlantic Coast Line train between Jersey City and Savannah.

50 Indiana Linemen Strike. Indianapolis.—One hundred and fifty union electrical linemen went on strike in the interurban and traction centers of Indiana to enforce demands for higher wages, an eight-hour day and better working conditions.

Bubonic Plague Reappears. Sacramento, Cal.—A death from bubonic plague occurred at Martinez, Cal., according to reports received by the state board of health from Dr. J. D. Long of the marine hospital service in San Francisco.

Names Fire Prevention Day. Springfield, Ill.—Because of great loss that has occurred through fire, Gov. Dunne caused to be issued, through his secretary, a proclamation naming Oct. 9 as "State Fire Prevention Day."

TROOPS PURSUE OUTLAWS

TEXAS RANCHMEN CLOSING IN ON SMUGGLERS.

Carranza to Shoot Mexican Bandits if Captured, Unless State Wants Them, He Says.

San Antonio, Tex.—Acting on orders from Gen. Bliss, all troops stationed on the border between Eagle Pass and Laredo have taken the field in an effort to capture the band of Mexican gun smugglers who fired on Dimmitt county officers.

The soldiers are co-operating with citizen posses, which are closing in on the bandits. From every town near the border posses are being rushed to the assistance of the troops and Sheriff Gardner.

More than 100 ranchmen are in the field and a battle is expected hourly. The Mexican outlaws are reported to be commanded by an American.

Ranchmen Up in Arms. Ranchmen of the border are aroused at the killing of Deputy Sheriff Ortiz and the treatment of former Sheriff Buck, who was beaten and then released. The ranchmen declare they will lynch the outlaws when captured.

Gen. Jesus Carranza, Constitutional leader, said he had information that the band of smugglers had been recruited in Dimmitt county, Texas, to join Alberto Cuapetlan's federal forces. Carranza sent a force to the border to intercept the smugglers, but United States troops failed to capture them.

He said that, if captured, they would be turned over to Texas for trial, if the state desired otherwise, they would be shot by the Constitutionalists.

RAIL MAN KILLED EVERY HOUR

Conductors' Representative Also Tells Arbitrators One Worker Is Maimed Every 9 Minutes.

New York—A. R. Garretson, representing the Order of Railroad Conductors, testified that a rail road employe is killed in the United States every hour and seven minutes of the day and that every nine minutes a man is maimed.

Garretson was a witness before the arbitration commission in the controversy between 52 western railroads, their conductors and trainmen, over the employes' demands for more pay and shorter hours.

Garretson's statement was challenged by Kliska Lee, counsel for the railroads. The witness asserted, however, that he could prove his declaration and would do so in subsequent testimony.

LUTHERANS TO UNITE IN 1917

Celebration of Four Hundredth Anniversary Will Be Marked by Co-Operation by Divided Bodies.

Toledo, O.—In the report of the Rev. T. E. Schmeckel, D. D., president, to the general council of the Lutheran church of North America, plans were outlined for celebration in 1917 of the 400th anniversary of the reformation.

Included in the plans for this celebration are the completion and issue of a standard English church book and hymnal, publication of an English set of important parts of Luther's books for popular reading, the raising of a large jubilee fund for church work and the beginning of general co-operation by the divided Lutheran bodies in America.

WILSON AT SUMMER CAPITAL

President Makes Trip to Windsor, Vt. in Private Car and Motors Over to Cornish, N. H.

Cornish, N. H.—President Wilson arrived at the summer White House, motoring over from the railroad station at Windsor, Vt.

The president rode from Washington to Windsor on the private car "Federal" from which he made most of his back platform speeches, and was accompanied by Secretary McAdoo of the treasury department, Secretary Tumulty and Dudley Field Malone, third assistant secretary of state, all of whom were Wilson's traveling companions in pre-election days.

PLANE DIVES INTO A CROWD

Woman and a Boy Cut to Pieces by Propeller, Man Is Decapitated, Two Others Dead.

Coblenz, Prussia.—Four persons were killed, two fatally injured and 15 less seriously hurt by an army biplane which failed to rise, but instead dived into a crowd of spectators near Buchenbeuren.

A woman and a boy were cut to pieces by the propeller blades of the unmanageable machine, a man's head was cut off and a policeman's skull crushed so that he died.

New York.—George McAnany, fusion candidate for president of the board of aldermen, was designated by the Gaynor campaign managers as their candidate for mayor, to take the place made vacant by Mayor Gaynor's death.

U. S. PLANS TO AID WOMEN ON FARMS

SECRETARY HOUSTON SENDS 50,000 LETTERS TO HOUSEWIVES IN U. S.

ASK THEM FOR SUGGESTIONS

Answers to Inquiries Will Represent Opinions of Over 500,000 Persons—Agriculture Specialists Will Act on Ideas Given.

Washington—David F. Houston, secretary of agriculture, addressed letters to the women members of 50,000 farm households throughout the United States, requesting them to give him information as to how the department of agriculture can best serve the needs of the farm women.

These letters were addressed "To Housewives in the Homes of the Official Crop Correspondents" and will be sent to the full list of crop correspondents for transmission to the women members of their households. With each letter will be supplied a return envelope in which the women can forward their suggestions.

Farm Woman Neglected.

This inquiry results from the receipt of a letter addressed to the secretary, in which the writer said: "The farm woman has been the most neglected factor in the rural problem, and she has been especially neglected by the national department of agriculture."

This letter was written not by a woman, but by a broad-minded man, so thoroughly in touch with the agricultural and domestic needs of the country that his opinions have great weight. Following the receipt of this letter, the secretary determined that the best way for the department to learn how to give these women the fullest possible place in agricultural production was to write to the women themselves and ask them to make their own suggestions.

Individual Answers Wanted.

In the letter these women are invited to give individual answers to the letter or to discuss the matter in their church societies or women's organizations, and submit answers representing the combined opinions of the women of their entire communities. The answers are requested not later than Nov. 15, and this date is set because it will give the women time after harvest to consider the matter and discuss with their women neighbors.

"Big Tim" Sullivan Dead.

New York—"Big Tim" Sullivan, who rose from newsboy to congressman is dead. His mangled body was identified by his stepbrother Larry Sullivan, after it had lain for 12 days in a local morgue. Sullivan, who was ill, climbed his stairs in the early morning of Aug. 21, and a few hours later was struck and killed by a train at Pelham park.

Pankhurst May Be Barred.

New York—The nature of the reception that awaits Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst, the militant leader, when she arrives from Europe will depend upon the outcome of an investigation of her actions in England being made by the immigration authorities of the United States.

Canal Too Small, He Thinks.

Chicago—There will be such a pressure of traffic on the Panama canal 20 years from now that the United States will be compelled to virtually rebuild the waterway, according to Capt. Philip Bannauvarilla of Paris, who is in Chicago.

Huerta Ousta Governor.

Mexico City.—Adherents of Gen. Felix Diaz, a presidential candidate, are wrought up over Gen. Huerta's removal of Pedro Roales, governor of Hidalgo. They assert that Huerta means to place his own military governors in every state.

Japan's Ultimatum Met.

Pekin, China.—Orders issued by Provisional President Yuan Shi Kai signify, it is believed by foreign observers in Peking, that China has complied with the demand of the Japanese made upon the Chinese government.

Robbers Leave \$4,000 in Silver.

Okemah, Ok.—Not wishing to burden themselves with heavier coin, robbers left behind \$4,000 in silver money when they robbed the Okemah State bank and obtained \$3,400 in paper money.

Cancer Deaths Increase.

Colorado Springs.—Figures showing that the mortality from cancer increased from 67.9 per 100,000 population for the average of the five years ending with 1905 to 74.3 in 1911 were cited by Dr. L. F. Hoffman.

Divorcee Is Found Guilty.

Millen, Ga.—Mrs. Edna Perkins Jobee was found guilty of the murder of Mrs. Florence Godbee, wife of her divorced husband. Mrs. Godbee was sentenced to the penitentiary for life.

FROM ALL OVER THE STATE

Woman Accused of Murder.

Sedalia.—Mrs. Cora Cramer Evans daughter of a minister at Florence, Morgan county, shot and killed her husband, William Evans, a restaurant man, in Sedalia. She was held for murder in the first degree, although she is herself in a dangerous condition from a gunshot wound.

Condition of Corn Gets Worse.

Columbia.—T. C. Wilson, secretary of the state board of agriculture, reported that, as a result of the drought, the condition of corn in Missouri fell 23 points in August. The condition now is 41.8 per cent, less than half the condition of the crop last year.

To Oppose Commission Form.

Springfield.—A fight on the commission form of government for Springfield, which will be the issue of a special election of Oct. 7, was insured by the organization of an Anti-Commission Form league with Rev. W. G. Pike as president. The commission form idea has been endorsed by the commercial clubs.

Jurists at Hot Springs.

Jefferson City.—Justice W. W. Graves of the supreme court and Judge James T. Blair, one of the court commissioners, have gone to Hot Springs, Ark., for a rest of three or four weeks before the beginning of the October term of the court. They have been at work during the vacation and feel the need of a rest. Judge Graves makes an annual trip to the springs.

Park County Delegate Named.

Holla.—At the semi-annual meeting of the German-American alliance of Phelps county H. C. Schlichter of Holla was elected a delegate to the meeting of the national German-American alliance, which meets in St. Louis Oct. 4, 1912.

Divorced Wife Who Aided Him.

Springfield.—Samuel Dalley, who was acquitted of the charge of killing his father-in-law, Oliver Dempster, a year ago, through the evidence of his wife, was granted a divorce from her. Dalley shot Dempster to death with a shotgun, following a quarrel over the non-support of Mrs. Dalley.

Student Voter Acquitted.

Fulton.—The first acquittal in the Missouri University students voting case was obtained here in the trial of Max N. Beeler. After the evidence was all in and before the arguments of the attorneys were heard, Judge David H. Harris, presiding in the trial, ruled that the state had failed to make a case and instructed the jury to return a verdict of not guilty.

Three Springfield Banks Merge.

Springfield.—The Holland Banking company, the State Savings bank and the Merchants National bank consolidated into one institution, under the name of the Holland Banking company. The capital of the new concern is \$250,000 and the deposits \$4,000,000. W. H. Stanford, cashier of the Holland Banking company, was named president of the bank.

Debt of \$250 Causes Killing.

Hullinger.—Hamilton White was shot and killed and his son Alvin was seriously wounded by Claude Lincoln in a fight on the main street. The dispute which led to the shooting concerned a debt of \$250. Lansary was arrested and placed in the jail at Branson for safe keeping.

His Dream Comes True.

Warrensburg.—Rev. E. H. Geivin, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Warrensburg, announced his acceptance of the pastorate of the Hammond Avenue Presbyterian church at Superior, Wis. Dr. Geivin says the call bore out a dream he had some months ago.

O believe, as then lived, that every sound that is spoken over the round world, which thou oughtest to hear, will vibrate on thine ear! Every proverb, every book, every byword that belongs to thee for aid or comfort, shall surely come home through open or winding passages.

Two Indicted for Murder at Fulton.

Fulton.—The special grand jury returned indictments against Mrs. Susan Ross and Edward Wilson, a negro, charging them with first-degree murder. Mrs. Ross is charged with killing her husband, J. H. Ross, and Wilson is charged with killing Cleveland Seppington, a white youth.

Governors to River Meet.

Hannibal.—The governors of five states bordering on the Mississippi river will be asked to attend the annual meeting of the Upper Mississippi River Improvement association here Oct. 15 and 16. Gov. Major has accepted and he has been requested to invite Govs. Dunne of Illinois, Clarke of Iowa, McGovern of Wisconsin and Eberhard of Minnesota.

Confessed Yeggman Sentenced.

Springfield.—John O'Brien, a confessed yeggman, convicted by a jury in the Wright county circuit court at Hartsville of complicity in the robbery of the Bank of Mansfield, Mo., last April, was sentenced to 12 years in the penitentiary.

Condition Explained.

A woman writer says that woman is the soul of man, which explains satisfactorily why there are so many women who cannot call their souls their own.—Washington Post.

Rheumatism Is Torture

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Japanese Courtesy.

A country where courtesy is a business and business but a gentle avocation, reflects its peculiarity in the most trifling details of conduct. Such a country is Japan and such a detail recently came into notice when a city electric bureau of Tokyo asked the patrons of its street car lines how they preferred to be addressed when it was necessary to urge them to "move up." Out of the 1,719 suggestions sent in the Independent, 1 is and translates six, as follows: "Those not getting off, to the side, please!"

"The middle is more comfortable!" "I'm sorry, but all move on by one step!"

"There's a pretty girl about the middle of the car!" "A pickpocket has just come on board!"

The municipal authorities frowned somewhat upon the last three suggestions, but the conductors will be taught to use some of the other forms. Is it possible that the Japanese hope to enjoy an efficient traction service on such terms? Apparently they hope to and we pass along the Japanese idea as a helpful hint to the gentlemen who jerk a gang on the rear of our own street cars.

Quiet Critic.

George H. Lusk, the painter, said to a critic in his New York studio: "Your criticism is at any rate original and amusing, my boy. It reminds me of the colored laundress in the Uffizi gallery. "When this colored laundress visited the Uffizi, her mistress led her up to Correggio's masterpiece. "There, Hannah, what do you think of that?" she said. "Hannah shaking her head indignantly, started a long while at the pictured angel whose white robes were all yellowed by time, and then, with a sigh and a disappearing shake of the head she said: 'Te saints is de last looks to put up wir bad laundry work'."

Efficiency.

The modern method of accomplishing two things at once in the performance of a man's household duties was recently illustrated by a North Cambridge young man. This young man was industriously mowing the large lawn in front of his house by pushing a mower in front of him with the same industry he was giving his baby a ride by dragging the baby carriage behind him with the other hand.—Boston Journal.

Perfectly Safe.

"Better lap up that spilt milk" said the first cat. "If the mouse sees the mess you'll catch it!" "Not me," said the second feline. "The woman I live with blames every thing on her husband."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

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