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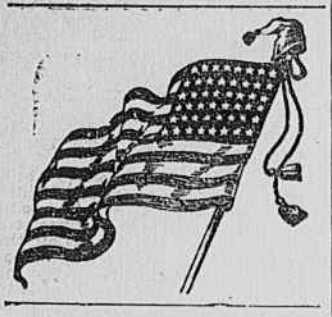

THE WHEAT CROP DISAPPOINTING.

Estimates made early in the season and even up to a short time before harvest, of the yield of the 1919 wheat crop, proved to be inaccurate, and a long way over the actual yield. Not only the yield but the quality, was not first class. In fact, as one authority state—perhaps over stated—"it was the worst failure we've had for many years."

Various reasons have been guessed for the disappointment, one is, poor seed sown. Another, too large an acreage attempted. Another, a poor grade of fertilizer or too small a quantity used per acre. Another still, too much rain in early spring, forcing an over growth of straw. Just which or how many of these causes contributed to the disappointment, cannot, of course, be given with certainty. The government guarantee of a high price stimulated large out put and no doubt many farmers did not take necessary care in preparation of land for wheat. They had to hurry. Large acreage meant large expenditures for fertilizers—too large if every acre was to have an adequate supply—and the result was putting on two acres about what one acre should have had. Poorly selected seed is a prolific source of failure in yields in any crop, and may have, in the hurry, and large amount of seed required, helped in bringing about the failure.

What is the lesson? Now, that there is no longer an emergency, though still a need for flour, the farmers should not attempt a large or abnormal acreage for next years crop. Forty bushels grown on one acre is far preferable to fifty bushels grown on two acres.

World food conditions in 1920 cannot be foretold now, but it is certain, says the Department of Agriculture, that there will continue to be a demand for all we can grow, and farmers should avoid speculativi plunges in unbalanced productions.

PROHIBITION AND THE UNEMPLOYED.

An argument, and at the time seemed a strong one, when prohibition and the liquor traffic was first sprung, was that a large number of people would be thrown out of employment, and great suffering and direst results would inevitably follow. Some of the arguments made then provoke a smile now. We recall that in the fights made in Pocahontas and Bluefield, (and the same in all the towns and cities) the actual number of liquor dealers and employes was given, and pictured this crowd of folks and their families, as walking the streets, begging bread. "Look too," said the wet orator, "at the vast amount of property that will be practically destroyed if the liquor houses are closed. Pocahontas and Bluefield, and all the cities, will go bankrupt. The Prohibitionists are fools and fanatics." And so, the raving went on. What has happened? Just what the prohibitionists said would happen..

The houses used for dispensing liquor are now used for profitable and respectable business. The saloon keepers have found other jobs more agreeable and respectable.

Mr. Densmore, U. S. Director of the Employment service, is placing about 65,000 men every day in good jobs, says: "We have not had a single application for a job from a bartender." That is, from a man who wanted a job as a bartender.

Not only statewide but nationwide and world-wide prohibition will still improve matters, particularly among what we are pleased to call, the laboring classes.

WHEAT GRADED DOWN.

The charge, that the new wheat crop is being graded down so as to bring large discounts to the government, is not true, says a bulletin just out from the United States Department. Any farmer not getting a square deal has the right to appeal to the Grain Corporation.

Cost Of Living Coming Down Slowly But Surely.

The cost of living is coming down and the effect is already discernable in the business world. Food prices have dropped within the past few weeks, according to statistical agencies, and the price of clothing has also tumbled in the wholesale markets. The cotton market has gone to pieces, and much lower prices in all lines will develop from now on.

But the rent profiteer shows no signs of budging.

The nation, owing to stoppage of building operations in the war period, is short more than 1,000,000 dwellings. Owners of tenements, flats and apatment houses in the cities flooded with applicants have taken advantage of the situation to advance rents over and over again.

Hundreds of instances have been furnished of owners of a certain class charging 25 or more per cent rentals to tenants than more humane property owners of nearby dwellings of the same character.

Thus far nothing has been done by nation, state or city to bring correction of these evils. They are potent elements of unrest. Without correction in taxation wrong living costs can not be brought down to the level that is possible and just.

Teachers' Pay.

If teachers were but fairies,
Living in field or fell,
And needed not to eat or dress,
Or heed the dinner bell;
If they could wave a fairy wand,
And so turn work to play,
Why, then I think the teachers
Could do without their pay.

They teach some twenty subjects,
Police the grounds and hall;
They're bankers, Red Cross agents
Health chorister, one and all;
They're faithful to their duties.
I wonder what you'd say,
If they'd neglect your children
As you neglect their pay.

Bookkeeping's recreation,
A pretty little game,
At which they play quite often,
Beside the midnight flame;
And then they say their prayers,
When not too tired to pray,
And ask the Lord for strength to teach
And toil another day.

If humans were but human
They'd ply the golden rule
And pay these weary teachers
And prize the public school;
They're kind to aged horses,
They turn them out to hay,
But teachers must teach on and on,
Though worn and bent and gray.

Not all your gold and treasures
Could ever half repay
The patience and the care they give
Your children day by day.
Then grudge them not an honest wage,
'Tis all too light a toll,
They are the molders of the mind,
The sculptors of the mind,
The sculptors of the soul.
—S. A. NOWSE, in Newport News Daily Press.

News Of North Tazewell.

J. D. Peery is a business visitor to Gary this wek.

J. H Harris and wife, of Gary, spent the week end with Mrs Harris sister, Mrs. J. D. Peery.

Mrs. Lena McCall s reported as getting on nicely and it is hoped by her many frineds that she will soon be out.

Earl Ireson will leave on the 22nd for Staunton to resume his studies

Stuart F. Whitley left last Thursday for Peoria, Ill., where he will take a course in watch repairing.

Mrs. Alderson, of Russell County, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Kisser, this week.

School opened here last Monday with Miss Miler as principal, with about 80 on the roll.

Mrs. Lucy Dickenson is back at the wire in the absence of operator Whitt.

Capt. Jack W. Witten, acting as chaperone went to Cedar Bluff Monday to cut corn for brother J. H. McGuire, who is in the sanatorium at Catawba. The following members of the order of Knights of Pythias participated: Charles Pat Harman, J. D. Gillenwater, David C. Peery, R. C. Peery, Nye Britts, J. O. Sayers, L. T. McGuire, J. D. Peery, Paul P. Britts.

From A Former Resident.

Bedford, Va., Sept. 10.

Dear Mr. Leslie.

W. J. gave me a check to send to you as he gets in after the postoffice is closed, so I will have to "fess" up. I dont remember where I put that check, so I am sending you a check of my "very own," as I want it to go off in this mail. And, now, the first time I get mad at him I will remind him of the fact that he owes me $1.50. You of course hear of the woman having these good Johns. Well, Mine happened to be a "good will" so I am sure of my $1.50 back, and maybe another 50 cents for interest.

I suppose, Mr. Leslie, you know about the Editors home they are trying to put thru here in Bedford. If I understand right, it is a home for the editors on taking vacations and a regular rest resort. The name of the place is Jeter, once a girls collega, (that is the building.) And it is rumored that a number of editors and their wives are to have a convention if that is what it might be called. Any way, my two daughters, Beatrice and Allie Gray, who are stenographers and bookkeepers, did some stenographic work for the business, and they understood the company to say that a number of editors and their wives from different states, or different places in Virginia were coming and yould probably be in Bedford several days. If you and Mrs. Leslie are among the number we want you to make your home with us while here.

I suppose you remember me, (Ethel Williams) as one of your pupils when you taught in the old high school building.

One little teacher I remember I loved very dearly, was Mrs. Bland, the very sweetest silvery haired old lady. I often wonder if she is still living. I spent the night with your daughter, Nancy, when school closed, and shall never forget how Mrs. Bland entertained us children with beautiful stories.

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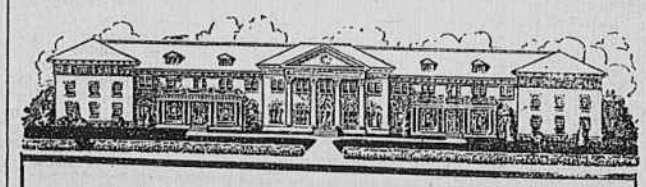

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