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ENRICHED BY THE WAR

THE UNITED STATES FARMER'S POCKET IS FILLED.

The Cropped Area Is More Than Ten Millions of Acres In Excess Of Other Seasons.

Washington, Nov. 15.—While attention has been attracted to sensational "war stock" fluctuations in Wall street, the American farmer has been quietly pocketing big profits as a result of the European war.

Figures compiled by the Department of Agriculture statisticians and made available to-day to the United Press, indicate that the American farmer has seized the psychological moment to boom his business. European nations, so busy fighting that they could not maintain their usual agricultural production, bought more freely of American foodstuffs than ever before.

The aggregate production of all crops this year is estimated to be seven per cent. larger than last year. Last year (the first year of the war) the United States exported possibly less than ten per cent. of what was produced in agriculture. If half of the increased production be regarded as available for export, the total of this year's crop for export will be twenty-five per cent. more than the amount shipped abroad in 1914.

The first year of the war resulted in a thirty-two per cent. increase over the year previous in the value of agricultural products. The farmer, noting this demand, immediately planted more. The result was the total acreage of the 1915 crop is estimated at more than 10,000,000 acres larger than last year—3.4 per cent.

The Demand Greater.

The "war commodities" that show

GRAIN OF UNITED STATES.

Worth Billion and Half—Cotton Slump About Over.

New York, Nov. 15.—The grain crops of the country are estimated as worth \$5,500,000,000 this year, or half a billion more than in 1914, by the Department of Agriculture. The latest estimates of yield show even further increase. The corn crop is placed at 3,990,500,000 bushels, or 415,000,000 bushels above last year. A wheat crop above a billion bushels during 1915 is a certainty, and the final figures for the year may show that it is considerably beyond that figure. Export buying has kept wheat prices at above \$1 a bushel at Chicago, but the pressure of huge supplies has prevented any huge enthusiasm and has checked shorts in making small reactions.

The slump in cotton seems to be about over, and a recovery is now looked for even though recent crop estimates and Government figures of ginning, etc., indicate that the supply from the 1915 crop will be in excess of earlier estimates. A heavier export movement is expected here long owing to the belief that there will be a big demand for cotton cloth in Europe this winter, as so much cotton has been diverted to war use that a shortage of cloth for the civic population is said to exist.

DRAWN ONLY ONE SALARY.

Government Cancels The Double Salary Provision.

Ottawa, Nov. 15.—An order-in-council has been passed providing that from November 1st civil servants enlisting for overseas service will draw their pay as civil servants only where the employment of substitutes is found unnecessary.

It is also provided that in those cases where civil service pay is continued the amount of military pay will be deducted. In any case only those in the service at the beginning of the war will leave under these conditions for service overseas be granted.

When the war broke out the Government undertook, to continue the salaries of their employes while on active service, but this has proven very expensive, as in many cases a substitute had had to be employed while the absentee was drawing his salary as a civil servant and his pay as a soldier.

THAW FIGHTS FOR DIVORCE

Sheriff Slipped The Papers Under Evelyn's Door.

Pittsburg, Pa., Nov. 15.—Evelyn Nesbit Thaw, speeding toward St. Louis, has the "papers". Not satisfied with the service recently obtained at New York, Deputy Sheriff Bradley, after a desperate chase through a Pullman here, handed Evelyn fresh legal notice that Harry K. Thaw is suing for divorce here.

Evelyn fled to her sister's room and slammed the door. Bradley slipped the papers under the door, then ran outside, and peeked in. He said he saw Evelyn pick them up.

SHOULD ASK INDIA

TO BE REPRESENTED AT IMPERIAL CONFERENCE

N. W. Rowell Speaks At London. Ont.—The Imperial Conference Should Be Called To Consider The Empire's Danger.

(Special to the Whig.) London, Ont., Nov. 15.—That representatives of India should be asked to meet with the Imperial Conference this year in a war session, was the hope expressed by N. W. Rowell, K.C., M.P.P., in a speech he gave on Saturday evening at the banquet of the Provincial Older Boys' Conference.

Mr. Rowell's address was on service, the privilege and responsibility of service to country, church and humanity. He illustrated and enforced his points by lessons drawn from the present war.

Mr. Rowell has several times urged that the Imperial Conference should be called this year and now suggested that representatives of India should also be invited. "I am sure," he said, "that we must all feel that India by her devotion and sacrifice in this war has earned her right to add a place in the Imperial Conference representing the free nations of the Empire and while one must not prejudice the action which the conference will take, one instinctively feels that all the free nations of the Empire will be prepared to lend a sympathetic ear to India's appeal."

The Imperial Conference has a right to speak for the whole Empire and from it we could have a united statement and an appeal to which all the nations of the Empire would cheerfully respond. Do we realize how such an act would stir the imagination and quicken the devotion of the more than three hundred millions of people in India, representing about 75 per cent. of the total population of the Empire? What a response it would ensure against any German or Turkish advances; what a symbol it would be of the Empire's unity, what a convincing proof of the determination of the free peoples who have enjoyed liberty and self government to preserve these rights and to help the smaller nations of the world to preserve theirs!

"Our leaders," declared Mr. Rowell, "tell us that our Empire is in peril and is fighting for its existence. Therefore, we as its citizens have the right not only to expect but to request that this supreme council of the Empire, the Imperial Conference, should be called to consider the situation."

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GERMANS HIDE LOSSES.

The E Boats in Baltic Have Many Victims.

London, Nov. 15.—A despatch from an English correspondent at Stockholm asserts that the work of the British submarines in the Baltic is greater than has become known. Germany, he says, conceals the losses of the ships, the crews of which reach Germany, while some crews have been rescued on the coast of Finland and interned. Losses are immediately reported, he says, only when the crews land in Sweden or Denmark.

Many steamers arriving at Swedish ports, the correspondent says, report having been stopped by submarines. The Swedish newspapers agree that the loss of German ore ships is serious for Germany, which sent an exceptional number of these vessels to Lulea, aiming to get a supply of ore before the port freezes.

The correspondent adds that an enormous number of mines are adrift in the Baltic, some being found even as far away as Bothnia, Steamship traffic between Sweden and Finland has been stopped. The German mine field laid in the Sound in October is not effective, he reports, as a result of the breaking loose of the mines.

POSED AS THE WIFE

Of a Soldier and Drew From Patriotic Fund.

Toronto, Nov. 15.—Mrs. Eva Vine, alias Simmons, who gave her address as 737 Dufferin street, was placed under arrest on a charge of obtaining money from the Patriotic Fund and the Government by false pretences. The arrest followed the investigation made on the complaint of

CIVIL WAR VETERAN.

Tells How To Retard The Infirmities Of Old Age.

"I am 77 years old, and for 35 years have worked on the P. C. & St. L. R. R. Also a Civil War Veteran. I suffered from a general nervous breakdown and would have such weak, dizzy spells I would have to go to bed for a day at a time. When visiting friends in Bradford, Ohio, an old doctor recommended that I try Vinol. That very day I bought a bottle and continued to take it regularly. It has done me a world of good, built me up so I feel stronger in every way, and have gone back to work again, and I want to recommend Vinol to any old comrade or aged person who needs strength for it is a grand medicine." W. H. Bowers, Steubenville, Ohio.

Applications For Divorce.

Ottawa, Nov. 15.—Two more applications for divorce legislation have been made this week. Robert C. Vondraan, Preston, Ont., and Mrs. Clarice Smith, Toronto, are the applicants and are asking respectively to be freed from Ida Vondraan, Hamilton, and John Henry Smith, Toronto, newspaper agent.

An Egg Trick.

Hold a raw egg on end and spin it on a plate or other smooth surface. Quickly place the hand upon it for an instant, stopping the motion momentarily. When the hand is removed the egg will resume its spinning. This is because the liquid contents of the shell continued to whirl rapidly when your hand stopped the shell, and if it is quickly released the whirling contents will again set the shell to spinning.

An Irascible Mood.

"I want to ask your consent to my marriage with your daughter," said the formal youth.

"Young man," replied Mr. Cumrox, "don't you bother me with any more such talk. If you and Gwendolin get married it's her and her mother's doings, and I don't want to be brought into it. I'm tired of being held responsible for every kind of trouble that comes up in this family."

The Roads of Norway.

A curious feature to travelers on the highroads of Norway is the great number of gates—upward of 10,000 in the whole country—which have to be opened. These gates, which either mark the boundaries of the farms or separate the home fields from the waste lands, constitute a considerable inconvenience and delay to the traveler, who has to stop his vehicle and get down to open them.

Very Much So.

"I wonder what the poet meant when he alluded to woman in her hours of ease as being uncertain, coy and hard to please."

"I don't know about the coy part," said the saleslady, "but when it comes to picking out a hat she's all the rest of it."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

At Niagara.

"You had a day at Niagara, I understand."

"Yes; had a delightful time there too."

"Falls were pretty fine, eh?"

"Why—er—we didn't see the falls. We spent all our time at the movies."—Judge.

And Then He Was Fined.

Judge—Then when your wife seized the weapon you ran out of the house? Plaintiff—Yes, sir, Judge—but she might not have used it. Plaintiff—True, your honor. Maybe she picked up the station just to smooth things over. —Boston Transcript.

Who would not have feet set on his neck let him not stoop.—Italian Proverb.

The Woman's Auxiliaries of the Anglican parishes of Lennox and Addington will hold a conference in St. Mary Magdalene's church, Napanee, on Nov. 17th.

Moore and "Lalla Rookh."

It was in 1815 that Tom Moore set himself to produce his oriental romance "Lalla Rookh." The poem, says the Pall Mall Gazette, was the subject of one of the most curious agreements ever made between poet and publisher, Longman undertaking to pay Moore 3,000 guineas for an eastern poem and to take it for better or worse at any time that suited the author's convenience and without any power to suggest changes or alterations.

Acrobatic Feat.

"Percy gets along all right at these afternoon teas."

"Does, eh?"

"Yes; he can hold a plate of salad in one hand, a cup of coffee in the other and balance a dish of ice cream on his left shoulder."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Why He Was Late.

"Sam, you are late this morning."

"Yas, boss. I lost mah hat, an' I did have to go after it."

"Did you walk off with it, Sam?"

"Neither one, boss. Dat 'ol' nigger kicked me after it."—Yonkers Statesman.

Birds' Nests.

Birds in the construction of their nests almost without exception avoid bright colored materials, which might possibly lead to the discovery of their place of abode by an enemy.

Neighborly Anyway.

"Is he an apostle of humanity?"

"Is he? He has twelve children and won't let one of them take music lessons."—Philadelphia Ledger.

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