

Potato Crop in Nebraska Falls Below Estimate

Decreased Production Will Be About 1,000 Cars—Drouth and Hot Weather Is Blamed.

Lincoln—(By A. P.)—A decrease of 1,000 cars in the estimate of commercial potatoes in western Nebraska, due to the failure of late planting to meet previous expectations, is announced by the division of crop and livestock estimates and the Nebraska department of agriculture.

The text of the announcement follows:

The condition of the western potato crop a month ago, indicated a commercial surplus of 6,000 cars as compared to the present estimate of 5,000 cars and last year's shipments of 4,325 cars. A large per cent of the western crop was planted late and when the vines growth was good and infected a fair yield, the tubers did not develop properly and the yields were very light. Some late planted fields received practically no rain. Irrigated potatoes were damaged also by extreme heat.

As a result of the poor yield of the late planting, which constitutes a fairly large percentage of the total acreage, the commerce at surplus will not exceed that of last year by more than 15 per cent in spite of the fact that the acreage is nearly 47 per cent larger.

The present estimates are 2,300 cars from irrigated sections and 2,700 cars from dry land sections. The quantity that will actually move will depend largely upon future prices. At present the average price of dry land potatoes is about 50 cents per bushel, plus 10 cents for 20 cents per bushel to growers. Such low prices are certain to limit shipments.

Slightly less than 500 cars of western Nebraska potatoes had been removed previous to October 1 or about 10 per cent of the available surplus.

After making due allowance for calls and storage, this would indicate that the removal of the crop has been halted.

Limited information from some commercial sections offers a little encouragement to growers also. Dry weather is responsible for reduction in size and number of tubers of tubers in Oregon and Washington, and there is considerable disease in Oregon, Idaho promises a large production. Reports from Michigan, Illinois and Indiana says that the crop is not turning out well. Some frost and rot damage in Michigan and scab in Illinois and Indiana. According to the September report from Maize, the potato crop is far below last year, while New York and Pennsylvania show a fair increase. The condition in the north central states including Minnesota, the Dakotas and Montana shows little change but the crop is somewhat uneven, due to disease and August drouth.

Agricultural School Cattle Win Prizes at Custer's Fair

The Nebraska School of Agriculture had 11 purebred cows, Shorthorns and Holsteins, entered in the Southwest Nebraska district fair, Anna, Neb., state champion cow of her age, took the grand champion prize, and others took seven first, three second and two third prizes. Superintendent W. P. Snyder of the North Platte experimental station was most surprised.

Gage County Wheat Fields Show Effects of Drouth

Boatmen—Some wheat fields are beginning to show the effects of the prolonged drouth and farmers say that unless rain comes soon the crop will be badly damaged. A few farmers have not sown their grain, preferring to wait until moisture falls.

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Fall Care of Bulbs and Perennial Plants

Dahlias and gladioli should be taken up before severe freezing occurs, dried for one or two days in the open air, and then placed in baskets or boxes and stored in a cool, dry cellar similar to that used for storage of vegetables. If mice or rats are present, the containers should be covered with window screen. If the cellar has a tendency to be warm (above 50 degrees F.), the dahlia bulbs should be covered with dry sand or earth to keep them from drying out.

Tulips are hardy bulbs and may be planted around the first of October in beds or rows about five to six inches deep and four to six inches apart. After the ground has been frozen to a depth of two or three inches, the beds should be mulched with leaves or manure. In early spring most of the mulch should be removed. Bulbs planted in open beds will bloom earlier than those planted on the north side of a building or shrubbery border, thus lengthening the blooming period.

The three most common hardy perennials are the peony, phlox and iris. These plants may be easily propagated by a division of the clump. If flowers are desired the following season the division should be relatively large. With the rainy, five to seven eyes should be left on each division. Care should be taken to pack the soil firmly around the roots of the plants and to water them thoroughly so there will be no danger of freezing out. They should be planted so one and a half inches of soil, as deeper planting prevents weak buds from reaching the surface.

Cheyenne County to Vote on \$30,000 Bonds for Fair

WICHITA, Neb., Oct. 8.—(Special)—The county commissioners of Cheyenne county have included in the general election ballot, the proposition of voting bonds of \$30,000 for the erection of suitable buildings on the fair grounds at Wichita for county fair purposes. These bonds were voted on once before and carried, but were refused by bond buyers because of the fact they were not advertised a sufficient length of time prior to the election. It is expected they will carry this time by even a larger majority than before, for Cheyenne county, one of the banner agricultural counties of the state, has been denied a fall on account of the lack of buildings. The plan includes a sale pavilion, in which livestock sales can be held the entire year. This will be for the use and convenience of all farmers in the county.

County Agents' Notes

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