

CORN IS STILL KING

CROP YIELD THIS YEAR OVER 3,000,000 BUSHELS.

MUST RETAIN SUGAR DUTY

President Will Recommend that Congress Retain Present Duty—Advance Guard Met with Losses.

Western Newspaper Union News Service. Washington.—American harvests this year will be the most valuable ever produced. With the wheat crop exceeding a billion bushels, the largest ever turned out in one season by any nation, a corn crop which also may prove to be the largest ever grown, the government's October crop report just issued announced preliminary estimates which indicate record harvests of oats, barley, rye, sweet potatoes, rice, tobacco and hay.

Corn still is king of crops with indications of 3,026,159,000 bushels. While that is 98,000,000 bushels below the record of 1912, the final production, when the harvest is finished and all statistics compiled, may more than make up for the deficiency. The higher prices this year assures the most valuable corn crop ever grown. At prices to farmers prevailing October 1, the corn crop is worth \$2,123,000,000.

Met With Losses.

London.—The advance guard of Austro-Germans who crossed the Danube at Belgrade has been partly destroyed and partly captured and those who entered Serbian territory across the Save have met with enormous losses, according to an official dispatch received by the Serbian legation from Nish. The dispatch says: "On the northern frontier the enemy has crossed the Save at Yarak, the Isle of Progaraska, at Zabrez, opposite Ostrunizza, and at the great Isle of Cignalia and on the Danube at the Belgrade fortress, at the quay and at Ram.

"The advance guard which crossed at the Belgrade fortress has been partly destroyed and partly captured. At Yarak, Zabrez and the Isle of Progaraska, after several fierce attacks the enemy has been pinned to the very brink of the river with enormous losses. At the other crossing points the struggle continues.

MUST RETAIN DUTY ON SUGAR.

Needed for Revenue, President and McAdoo Think.

Washington.—President Wilson approves the decision of Secretary McAdoo to recommend that congress retain the present duty on sugar until normal conditions are restored and that the war tax measure which expires automatically December 31 be extended until the end of the European war. It was stated authoritatively that before Secretary McAdoo made his views known, he discussed the subject with the president, and that letters on the question passed between them. The president is known to believe that the European war has had such an effect on industrial conditions that both measures will be necessary to help build up the revenues of the government.

Plan for National Defense.

Washington.—Secretary of War Garrison has finally submitted to President Wilson his plan for national defense as it applies to the army—and it proves to be surprisingly inexpensive. His recommendations are understood to include an increase of the standing army by about 20,000 men, reorganization of the militia and the creation of a reserve, increase of the field artillery corps and an increase of reserve ammunition. More extensive adoption of the Plattburgh, N. Y., plan of citizen soldiery camp is proposed.

Ak-Sar-Ben Kings and Queens.

Omaha, Neb.—Fourteen former kings of Ak-Sar-Ben Tuesday rode in the floral parade that marked the twenty-first year of the dynasty. With them were the queens of the line and representative society women of Omaha. They were seated in artistically decorated automobiles which afforded a daylight spectacle more beautiful than any ever before given during the yearly fall festivities.

Endorse Proposal for New Capitol.

Omaha, Neb.—The German-American alliance in session here, unanimously approved and endorsed the proposal to erect a new state capitol on the site of the present building. The alliance urges that members of the next session of the legislature appropriate enough money to erect a capitol in full keeping with the wealth and dignity of the state and for such other preliminary action as may be required to carry into effect immediate progress toward the end desired.

Eliminate Negroes from Ranks.

New Orleans.—The republican party of Louisiana in session here virtually eliminated the negro from its ranks. The delegation met in a hotel, inaccessible to negroes, and organized a state central committee composed of white committeemen elected to serve terms of four years. Two widely known negro lawyers, both formerly members of the central committee, were placed in nomination from two local districts, but were defeated overwhelmingly.

MRS. KILL JOY



APPEAL FOR MORE RECRUITS

AUSTRO-GERMANS FIRMLY ESTABLISHED IN SERBIA

British Army in Sore Need of More Men for Soldiers—President and Fiancee Receive Congratulations.

Western Newspaper Union News Service. London.—The long threatened Austro-German offensive in the Balkans, with the added menace of Bulgaria, has begun in earnest. Almost simultaneously with the rupture of diplomatic relations between Sofia and the entente powers, an Austro-German army estimated at 400,000 men, with an enormous weight of heavy artillery, have started to attack Serbia from the north and west, and, according to the Berlin official report, crossed the Drina, Danube and Save rivers at many points and firmly established itself on the Serbian side. The Anglo-French troops, which were landed at Saloniki with the tacit consent of the Greek government, are being hurried northward to assist Serbia and if possible keep the Bulgarians from capturing the Saloniki-Nish railroad, the only source by which the Serbians can be fed with munitions of war.

Are Receiving Congratulations.

Washington.—President and Mrs. Norman Galt, whose engagement has just been announced were the recipients of congratulatory messages from all parts of the United States and from the representatives of foreign governments. Telegrams came to the White house in such numbers that an extra force of operators and clerks was needed to handle them. Many were read by the president and Mrs. Galt together.

APPEAL FOR MORE RECRUITS.

British Army Needs Them at the Rate of Thirty Thousand a Week.

London.—An appeal for recruits for the British army has been issued by the authorized representatives of the three national committees of trade unions, the parliamentary committee, the general federation of trades unions committee and the executive committee of the labor party. The manifesto declares that tens of thousands of men of military age and fitness have not yet joined the colors. Stating that equipment and supplies of munitions for these men are ready, the manifesto urges that they assume immediately their share of the burden.

To Retain Duty on Sugar.

Washington.—Retention of the present duty on sugar until conditions become normal and extension of the emergency tax law until the European war is over, are two revenue measures which the administration has decided to ask of congress on the coming session. Secretary McAdoo has announced that he would recommend the necessary legislation and said President Wilson is in accord with the plan.

Life Term Prisoner Escapes.

Lincoln, Nebr.—John Sanford, life term murderer from Thurston county, escaped from the state penitentiary Wednesday, leaving a life-like dummy in his cell to "answer the count." His flight was discovered by another inmate, John Bayse, who saw Sanford running southeast from the point where he scaled the south wall. Bayse gave the alarm and guards were immediately started in pursuit, but the murderer eluded them and is still at large.

Greek Premier Resigns.

Paris.—An Athens dispatch to the Havas agency says: "Premier Venizelos has resigned, the king having informed him that he was unable to support the policy of his minister." After Premier Venizelos had explained to the chamber of deputies the circumstances connected with the landing of allied troops in Saloniki, the chamber passed a vote of confidence in the government. The vote was 142 to 102, with thirteen members not voting.

PRESIDENT SAYS PREPARATION A NATIONAL DUTY

Democrats Charged With Paralyzing Industries of Country.—Red Cross Relief No Longer Needed.

Western Newspaper Union News Service. Washington.—President Wilson at the initial gathering of the naval advisory board announced himself in favor of having the United States adequately prepared "to command the respect of other nations for our rights." Later it became known that the president plans to make "for defense" the slogan of his advocacy of a stronger army and navy, and will outline his views more specifically before the convening of congress. The president addressed the members of the advisory board at the white house, congratulating them on beginning their work. Previously the board had met at the navy department with Thomas A. Edison presiding and listened to an address by Secretary Daniels.

Red Cross Aid No Longer Needed.

Washington.—Relief work in Mexico has been discontinued by the American Red Cross, and agents in the field there have been ordered home. The action was taken at the instance of General Carranza who informed Red Cross officials through the state department that outside aid no longer was needed. Repairs to railroads and release of rolling stock from military use, General Carranza said, had so increased facilities for food transportation that the shortage in Mexico City and other important cities had been alleviated.

COMPLAIN OF THE TARIFF LAW

New Jersey Republicans Say It Has Paralyzed Industry.

Trenton, N. J.—The republican, progressive and democratic parties held state conventions here Tuesday for the purpose of formulating party platforms for the November election. The republicans had formulated by a sub-committee a draft of a platform which will be submitted to the convention of that party. This platform criticizes the democrats for having enacted a tariff "which approaches free trade and has paralyzed the industries of the country except those that are supported by foreign wars."

An Ultimatum to Serbia.

Petrograd.—Bulgaria has rejected the Russian demands and has sent an ultimatum to Serbia concerning Macedonia, according to information which has reached the Serbian Archimandrite Michael, says a Moscow telegram to the Brouse Gazette. Bulgaria demands that Serbia reply to the ultimatum at once.

Armenians Can Emigrate.

Washington.—Turkey has consented to the emigration of all Armenians who actually will become naturalized American citizens on their arrival in this country. Ambassador Morgenthau at Constantinople has arranged with the Turkish government for the free departure of all Armenians for whose intention to become naturalized Americans he can vouch.

Greece Will Join Allies.

Athens.—All doubt as to the entrance of Greece into the war on the side of the entente allies has now been disposed of. The official organ of the government says that the landing of French troops at Saloniki is for the purpose of assisting Greece. In regard to the landing of French troops the governmental organ says that if for the present the government considers the assistance of the allies as premature, it is none the less to aid and support Greece that the allies are at Saloniki.

Must Close Saloons on Sunday.

Chicago.—Mayor Thompson, in a message to the city council, announced that the owners of all saloons in Chicago hereafter would be forced to obey the state law, which provides that they remain closed on Sunday. The mayor ordered the city collector to notify in writing all persons holding licenses for saloons that they must comply with the requirements of the state law. For many years owners of saloons in Chicago have defied the state law governing their operation on Sunday.

ENDORSE CARRANZA

LATIN COUNTRIES JOIN WITH THIS GOVERNMENT.

THE LOAN IS NON-PARTISAN

Is Extending Credit to Two Good Customers of United States—Church Howe Dies at Auburn.

Western Newspaper Union News Service. Washington.—Official advices have been received here that the governments of Argentina, Brazil and Chile are in accord with the decision of the United States to grant recognition to the party led by General Carranza as the de facto government in Mexico. The form in which recognition is to be accorded has not been decided, but it may be done by formal notification to Eliseo Arrendondo, authorized representative here of the Carranza government. Extension of recognition is expected within a week. This will result in the immediate order of an embargo on arms against factions opposed to the Carranza government, a step which will materially weaken the resources of the Villa element, which intends to continue the fight in Mexico.

Church Howe Dies at Auburn.

Auburn, Neb.—Church Howe, long a republican leader in Nebraska and at one time consul general to England, died at his home here Thursday morn-



ing at 7 o'clock after a long illness.

Church Howe, brevet major United States volunteers; United States consul to Palermo, Italy, 1897-1900; United States consul to Sheffield, Eng., 1900-1903; United States consul to Antwerp, Belgium, 1903-1906, and later United States consul to Montreal, Can., and consul general to England, was born at Princeton, Mass., December 13, 1839, son of Albert Carlton and Mary Jane (Carr) Howe, the former a New England farmer of moderate means and a descendant of Abram Howe and Hannah Ward. The parents of Mary Jane (Carr) Howe came from Donegal, Ireland, and settled in Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1815.

NO PARTISANSHIP IN LOAN.

J. P. Morgan Says It Is Simply Extending Credit to Two Good Customers.

New York.—That the acceptance by American bankers of the \$500,000,000 Anglo-Franco five-year 5 per cent loan was a strictly neutral business transaction designed to promote the commercial prosperity of the United States was the position taken by J. P. Morgan in an address delivered by him to bondsmen. The bondsmen represented financial houses interested in the sale of the Anglo-Franco bonds. "The issuance of these bonds simply means our giving to our customers time to pay for the merchandise they are buying," said Mr. Morgan.

Sutton, Neb.—John Bell Dinsmore,

prominent in Nebraska politics and a member of the Nebraska state board of agriculture for thirty years, passed away at 2:30 o'clock Wednesday morning at his home here.

In the Game for All Time

Atlanta, Ga.—William J. Bryan, in a statement here said "that the plans I have made for the remainder of my life include active participation in politics, but do not include the holding of any office."

Iron Crosses for 5,000.

Berlin.—More than 5,000 iron crosses of the first class have been conferred on German, Austro-Hungarian and Turkish officers and soldiers for exceptional military exploits, according to the Overseas News agency.

Ordained Minister at 14.

Farragut, Ia.—Probably the youngest ordained minister of record is Rev. Henry S. Attwood, son of Rev. C. C. Attwood, who is conducting a revival here. The son, who is now starting his third year in the ministry, is but sixteen years of age, and at fourteen years of age is said to have been successfully engaged in ministerial work. This young preacher has a pastorate at Elk Creek, Neb. He comes of a long line of ministers, being the fifth generation of preachers.

WAS THEIR UNDOING.

Wagon with Crooked Wheel Leads to Capture. Fremont.—Lloyd Haven and Sheriff Condit followed the tracks of a crooked wheeled wagon and a horse with a broken shoe from the Haven poultry farm near Nickerson to a residence near Fremont, where chickens identified by Haven as belonging at his farm were found in a shed at the rear of the residence.

Completed Raising of \$100,000 Debt.

University Place.—The students of Nebraska Wesleyan university set a gala day and held a huge celebration to commemorate the successful completion of the \$100,000 debt raising campaign. The chapel hour was in charge of the students, and after Dr. I. B. Schreckengast had officially announced that the debt had been wiped out, Allen Keith, representing the student body, expressed his appreciation to Dr. Schreckengast and his great work for the university. Miss Myrtle Snyder then presented a silver loving cup as a gift from the students.

Southwest Nebraska District Fair.

Maywood.—The southwest Nebraska district fair for the district comprised of the following counties, Phelps, Harlan, Gosper, Furnas, Lincoln, Frontier, Red Willow, Hayes, Hitchcock, Perkins, Chase and Dundy, will be held at Maywood, October 11-15. Governor Morehead, Judge Kennedy of Omaha, U. S. Senator Hitchcock, and Hon. Silas R. Barton will deliver addresses. Senator Norris is also expected to be present and speak.

Fatal Fall Down Cellar.

Table Rock.—John Bush, an old soldier, met with an accident that cost him his life. He was down town in the afternoon and walked home as usual about 4 p. m. An hour later he rose and started out, presumably to do his chores, and fell headlong into the cellar through a trap door, his head striking the cement floor and fracturing his skull.

Farmers Take It Easy.

Plymouth.—Plymouth farmers lead Jefferson county in point of progressiveness. They are installing modern machinery. Twenty farmers near here have bought engines this fall to use in plowing the fields, and many of them are connecting up so that these engines do the churning, pump the water, do the family washing and other work about the premises. Kerosene is used instead of gasoline.

Married at Midnight.

Hastings.—Marriage at midnight was the unique method used by Jacob Batt and Emma Churchill to enable them to escape their friends on a train two hours later for Lincoln. Both are employed in a department store, and the marriage is a culmination of a romance.

Undermine the Lake.

Springfield.—Muskrats undermined the big artificial lake on the estate of Sophus Neble, Omaha Danish editor, releasing several thousand tons of water with a three year stock of game fish. Neble will repair the basin and restock the lake.

Many "Hit the Trail" at Beatrice.

Beatrice.—A total of 281 people have hit the trail at the Oliver tabernacle in this city. The meetings on Sunday brought out a total of 253 converts, nearly 200 of which responded to the invitation at the morning service.

FROM ALL OVER NEBRASKA

Indians at the Winnebago agency have organized a Y. M. C. A. A two-inch rain at Beatrice flooded the streets and lowlands.

The State Teachers' association will meet at Omaha, November 3 to 5.

The Fremont board of education will open its gymnasium for public use.

The pear crop in the vicinity of Tecumseh is said to be the largest in its history.

Greek reservists in Nebraska have been ordered to report to their colors. Tabernacle meetings will be held at Seward beginning early in November.

R. R. Wolke, chief of the Beatrice fire department has tendered his resignation.

Twenty cases of nasal diphtheria have been located in the South Omaha schools.

The Congregational church at Wahoo have burned the mortgages and are now free of debt.

T. J. Knorr of York county lost his life when his auto was overturned by striking an embankment.

W. H. Baugh, a Beatrice newspaper man, is making quite a reputation as a "movie" scenario writer.

Over a thousand delegates from over the state attended the "dry" convention at Lincoln last week.

S. K. Spaulding, prominent Omaha physician, died at Washington, D. C., following an attack of apoplexy.

Rumors at Hastings that R. B. Wahlquist would resign as postmaster, are pronounced as without foundation.

The safe in the postoffice at Springfield was blown open, but the burglar was frightened away before he secured much booty.

Anton Hahn, 56 years old, dropped dead of heart trouble while playing with his little grandchild in his doorway at Lincoln.

Postoffices of the state have been warned to look out for bogus money orders on forms stolen from Leonardo, N. J.

Miss Etta Sutherland of Elmwood, was seriously injured when some rubbish she was burning set fire to her clothing.

Joe Stecher, the Dodge county wrestling phenomenon, will meet American on the mat at the auditorium in Lincoln, October 28.

STATE FUNDS UNINVESTED

EMPLOYMENT AGENCY ACT WILL STAND IN COURTS.

NEWS OF THE STATE HOUSE

Items of General Interest Gathered From Reliable Sources at State House.

Western Newspaper Union News Service. Validity of the employment agency act, passed at the 1912 session of the legislature, was established by the state supreme court in a decision written by Chief Justice Morrissey. The measure was fought by the Western Reference and Bond association on the contention that under its operation by the labor commissioner no recourse is had when this officer exercises his powers of investigation under its provisions. The court's opinion of the controversy is summed up in this syllabus: "Injunction will not lie to prevent enforcement of an alleged void statute where it is not affirmatively shown that the plaintiff has no remedy at law under its provisions."

State Funds Uninvested.

State Treasurer George E. Hall takes exceptions to a published statement that there is a large amount of state funds uninvested. He points out that \$215,000 of general fund money on hand is classed as "uninvested money." His monthly report shows a total of \$34,000 in four trust funds uninvested, but Treasurer Hall explains this by pointing out that his report shows \$46,000 of bonds carried by him as cash. As soon as the trust funds equal this amount he will exchange it for the bonds. The bonds are drawing interest at the rate of 4 or 5 per cent, while the uninvested trust funds are in depository banks drawing 3 per cent interest. He has purchased the bonds with other state funds and holds them as cash. He contends that in reality there are no uninvested funds.

The State's Railroad Bonds.

Railroad bonds in the sum of \$5,645,465 have been voted by the various subdivisions of the state in the past forty-six years, according to a report prepared by State Auditor Smith. Most of them have been retired, but several hundred thousands dollars are still outstanding, the interest in most cases now running a close race with or exceeding the original principal of the securities. Lancaster leads all counties of the state with a total of \$625,000. Douglas county is second, with as even \$500,000, of which \$150,000 was voted by Omaha itself. Forty-eight counties of the state have never issued such bonds, although only three of them have no roads at all and two of them less than ten miles each.

Enlistments Will Be Heavier

The number of enlistments from the local navy recruiting station may be heavier from now on owing to a new congressional act which went into effect June 30, 1914. Under the terms of the law fifteen appointments from among the regularly enlisted ensigns to the Annapolis naval academy will be made each year. In this way a man without a political pull may join the navy and have an equal chance with all others to receive an appointment to the academy, provided he is under twenty-one years of age and can meet the requirements. Under the old system an appointment usually required at least a small amount of political backing. Under the new system each candidate will be considered on his own merits.

Levees for Nemaha River

A levee system similar to that in operation along the turbulent old Mississippi river is proposed as a means for doing away with the flood waters along the Nemaha river just near where it empties into the Missouri river. Thousands of dollars worth of property have been wiped out this year because of the rampages of the Nemaha river and the intention of State Engineer Johnson is to prepare for some effective combat against the onslaught. Governor Morehead and Engineer Johnson will take a trip into the affected region and will hear the suggestions and complaints of the landholders. After their return they will recommend definite action to the state irrigation board.

Decrease in Valuations

On an assessed valuation of \$471,067,159 last year there was a total of \$20,405,457 taxes raised for all purposes, state, county, school district and municipal, according to a report just made by the state auditor. That is a slight decrease over 1913 when on a \$470,000,000 valuation the total tax levies brought in nearly \$23,000,000. Douglas county paid the most taxes last year, a total of \$1,398,383. The property valuation was \$47,013, 38. Of the amount, \$364,798 went to the state.

Education and enlightenment in Nebraska is keeping pace with the material progress of the state.

Bonds for an average of one new schoolhouse in each of the ninety-three counties, and one more besides, have been registered by State Auditor Smith, since last January, according to a report of the number and amount of bonds issued the first nine months of this year. The amount of school bonds reached the half million mark. The smallest bond registered was for \$200, in school district No. 122, in Lincoln county.