

Expansion Noted in Acreage Plan for Farm Crops

Federal Officials Warn That Lower Prices Will Result From Too Great 1925 Production.

Washington, March 19.—A tendency toward general expansion of farm crop acreage this year was noted in an "intention to plant" report today by the Department of Agriculture, which issued with it a virtual warning that too great production would result in lower prices. "It seems doubtful," the statement said, "if the general expansion of production contemplated by the farmers would be to their best interests. Increased returns for the crops of 1924 were largely due to reduced supplies, either in this country or abroad, rather than to any increase in demand. The outlook indicates that any marked expansion in most lines would tend to lower prices and result in less satisfactory returns to farmers."

Wheat Area Increased.

Reported intentions are carried out. The acreage in spring wheat will be increased 14 per cent, or nearly 2,500,000 acres. Winter wheat seedings last fall were increased 6.5 per cent over the previous year. Allowance for average abandonment, however, the increase in winter wheat area to be harvested would be about 4.5 per cent greater than last year, and the increase in all wheat would be about 7 per cent or about 3,800,000 acres.

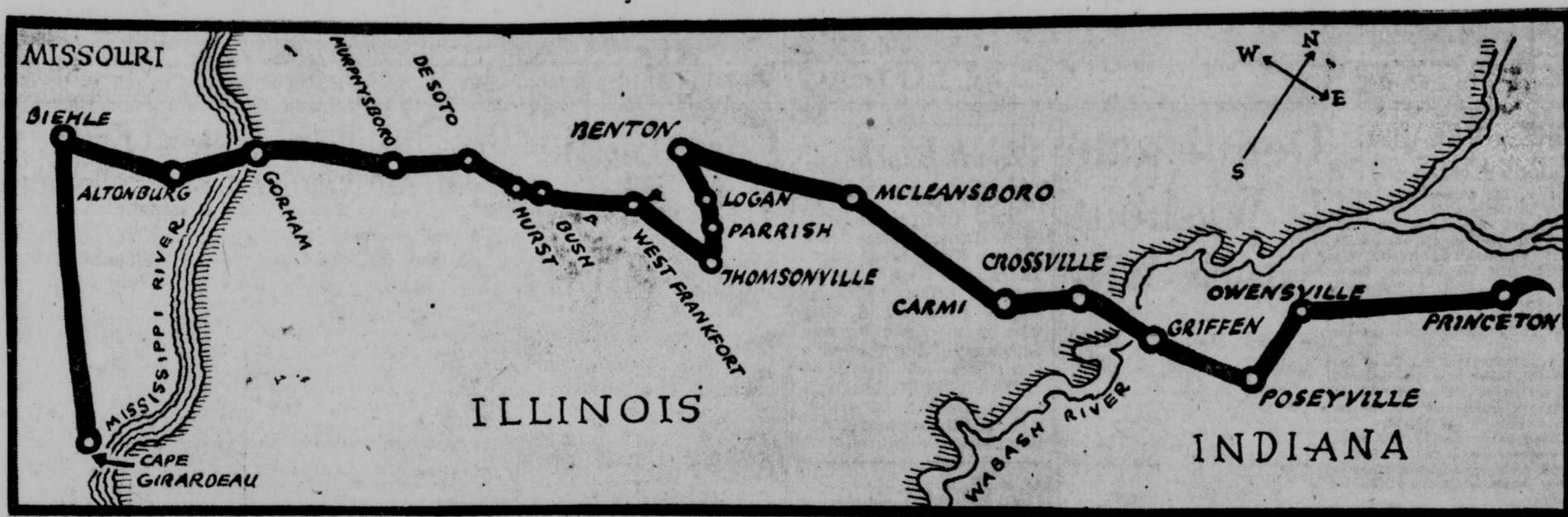
Farmers generally carry out their intentions as reported March 1. The acreage will be increased by 2.3 per cent above that grown for harvest last year. This would make the crop acreage in 1925 3 per cent above the 1923 acreage and more than 4 per cent larger than 1922.

Corn Prices Lower.

Farmers who are intending to produce corn in excess of their own feeding requirements should not expect to receive as high a price for their surplus as has prevailed for the 1924 crop.

Farmers intend to plant 4 per cent less area to soybeans, the report stated, and 3.3 per cent less to flaxseed; 5.5 per cent more oats, 23 per cent more sweet potatoes, 10.7 per cent more grain sorghums, 9.9 per cent more tobacco, 4.5 per cent more peanuts and 31 per cent more rice. The tame hay acreage planned appeared to be the same as last year.

Here's Path of Destruction Traced by Tornado Which Took Toll of More Than Thousand Lives



IMPROVED PHONE SERVICE PLANNED

Pawnee City, March 19.—Physical connection of the lines of the Pawnee Telephone company and the Spicer Telephone company has been urged in a plain to the Public Service club by H. H. Hunsaker, president of the Spicer company, and Ed Uri and James Rist, secretary and treasurer.

The Spicer exchange is a mutual company operating 12 miles east of here. It has free service to DuBois, Humboldt, Dawson and Bern, but many subscribers in Pawnee City trade territory desire a connection with this city. The present toll charges are 25 cents and 35 cents. Mr. Uri organized the Spicer company 24 years ago with 12 telephones and it has grown to over 145 patrons and stockholders.

The Service club appointed E. A. Barton to represent the local business men in forthcoming action and assured the Spicer officials hearty support in their plan.

Locker Thief Sentenced.

Beatrice, Neb., March 19.—Frank Perry, 19, claiming Charlotte, S. C., as his home, was charged with theft of \$5 from pockets in the clothing of Orville Andrews, employe of the Wilkie bakery, in the bakery lockers. He pleaded guilty in county court and was sentenced to 30 days in jail.

"Banana Special" Service Resumed on Burlington Road

Rulo, March 19.—A fast freight train, known as a "banana special," passed here on the Burlington today en route from Kansas City to Lincoln, containing 20 carloads of bananas from Costa Rica destined to the northwest coast cities via Billings. It is the first fruit train of the season and is about a week later than the average opening of former seasons.

The trains operated on fast time by the railway and from 50 to 60 of these trains are handled each spring, generally starting to move northwest about the second week in March each year.

The bananas are green and messengers are in charge of the cars to protect the fruit company's interests.

Pawnee City Debaters Win.

Pawnee City, March 19.—The second victory of the local high school debating squad was scored Tuesday at Syracuse. The local team's only defeat this season was in the first date with Auburn. Last year Pawnee City was awarded the district championship.

BANDITS SLAY BANK CASHIER

Chicago, March 19.—Four young, well-dressed bandits today shot and killed Michael Sxlontkowski, cashier of a local building and loan association, disarmed his two companions who were accompanying him to a bank and escaped with \$10,000 in currency and \$20,000 in signed checks.

The holdup took place on a busy south side street, the bandits forcing his automobile to halt by pulling up sharply in front of it.

Hebron to Pave.

Hebron, Neb., March 19.—This city is to have nearly a mile and one-half of brick paving, the first in the town. Contracts have been let and material ordered. Work is expected to start next week. The cost will be about \$150,000. The paving district comprises all of Main street, from the Burlington station to the east limits of the city, one mile and Fourth street, from the Rock island station to Union avenue, a distance of seven blocks.

Warden Cleared.

Denver, Colo., March 19.—Thomas J. Tynan, warden of the Colorado state penitentiary, was exonerated of the charges of prison mismanagement, brought by former Governor Sweet, in a decision of the state civil service commission by a 2 to 1 vote.

Brock High School Team Defeats Peru in Debate

Brock, Neb., March 19.—Brock High school debating team kept up its record of no defeats with a victory over the Peru High school team here. Brock upheld the affirmative of the league question, "Resolved, that the United States should enter the League of Nations."

Brock debaters were Edgar Chord, Edgar Newman and Byron Reeves. The Peru team consisted of Gladys Grossheme, Ralph Chatelaine and Cleon Roodens.

Ord Banker Dies.

Ord, March 19.—Frank Krahulik, vice president of the Ord State bank, died following a lingering illness caused by cancer and was buried in a local cemetery Tuesday. Rev. Mr. Hansen of the Ord Presbyterian church and the Bohemian consul from Omaha spoke at the funeral services.

Students Give Cantata.

Hebron, March 19.—Students of the grades of the Hebron public schools will give a cantata, "The Childhood of Hiawatha," at the high school gymnasium building Tuesday night, March 24. It will be preceded by a music memory contest.

OMAHA WOMAN HEAD OF R. N. A.

Abbie Wehrle was elected state orator of the Royal Neighbors of America at its 16th annual convention held Wednesday at the Rome hotel, Sena Hastings of Fairbury, Neb., was elected vice orator and Josephine Brohm of Talmage, Neb., was elected recorder.

The following delegates were appointed prior to the banquet of the society.

- FIRST DISTRICT. Delegates: Alice Bacon, Maud Johnson, Lincoln; Anna Bruns, St. Louis; Mary Hollenbeck, Stirling; Clara Pearson, Hanley.
- SECOND DISTRICT. Delegates: Abbie Wehrle, Benson; Ada White, Benson.
- THIRD DISTRICT. Delegates: Clara Trumbull, Omaha; Helen Linderman, Central City; Anna Henderson, Leiah.
- FOURTH DISTRICT. Delegates: Margie Allen, Waco; Anna L. Allen, Waco; Cecile Sellhorn, David City; Alma Henderson, Wymore.
- FIFTH DISTRICT. Delegates: Mary Chapman, Republican City; Cora Illinois, Juanaia; Grace Holt, Cambridge; Emma Diebler, Hastings.
- SIXTH DISTRICT. Delegates: Alma Snyder, North Platte.

Farmers Given Instruction on Care of Diseased Swine

Ponca, March 19.—Short lecture courses on the diseases of swine in which motion pictures are used and demonstrations with diseased hogs are made, have been given in various localities in northeast Nebraska by means of which many farmers have learned how to treat and care for their diseased swine which have caused them to suffer heavy losses in the past.

Recently about 50 farmers and stockmen from the surrounding country gathered here for a short course of lectures on diseases of swine, given by Dr. Richey of the American Serum company.

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TEAM AND WAGON BLOWN HALF MILE

Rush, Ill., March 19.—An unidentified man, his team and wagon were found today half a mile from where he was last seen when the tornado struck yesterday. The driver and horses were dead and the wagon in kindling. Three persons were killed at Bush and 35 injured rushed to Herrin hospitals. A baby was carried three blocks and set down unhurt.

Style Show Opens at Ord.

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Former Superior Druggist Dies at Battle Creek, Mich.

Superior, Mich., March 19.—Word was received here Wednesday of the death at a Battle Creek (Mich.) hospital of W. W. Kendall, former Superior business man and resident of Superior for 30 years. Mr. Kendall, who was 62 years old, operated a drug store here for 20 years, retiring from active business about 10 years ago. He recently went to Detroit to visit his son, Val Kendall. Becoming ill, he was removed to Battle Creek for treatment, where pneumonia was contracted and caused death. The body was sent here for burial and funeral services will be held Friday.

Mr. Kendall at one time owned considerable Superior property. He had been a member of the Superior Masonic lodge for many years and was a Knight Templar. The wife died at Superior about a year ago, and the only daughter, wife of former State Representative Oswin Kiefer, of this city, died at the Keller estate here about four years ago. The son in Detroit is the sole survivor of the family.

Teacher Accepts Exeter Post.

Pawnee City, Neb., March 19.—Miss Marie Minnick, teacher of normal training in the Pawnee City High school, has notified the board of education at Exeter that she will accept her election to a similar position there. Miss Minnick's home is in Exeter. She had been re-elected for another year here.

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