

VALUABLE CROPS IN IOWA

Final Report for 1900 of the Iowa Weather and Crop Service.

FARM PRODUCTS WORTH IMMENSE SUM

Total Value of More Than \$229,000,000, the Figures Show What the Iowa Farmers Are Doing.

DES MOINES, Dec. 8.—(Special.)—Iowa farmers never had a better year in all the history of the state. The total value of the crop of 1900, including vegetables and hay and the pasturage, is \$229,000,000. These are the figures given by the Iowa weather and crop service under the direction of Prof. John R. Sage. His final report, published today, covers the whole ground. The corn crop is the big thing. The yield per acre is ahead of any former year since record was kept. Nine years ago the yield was thirty-eight bushels, and it was the same in 1895, but was raised one bushel per acre in 1896. Last year it was 36.3 bushels. The average for the decade was 32.2. This year the yield goes up to 40.3 bushels. The average total yield for the decade was 252,964,170 bushels. This year it is 10,000,000 bushels larger than the big crop of 1891.

Details of the Report.

The full report on crops and crop values follows. Final reports for the season have been received from crop correspondents of the Iowa Weather and Crop Service, showing the average yield of staple farm products and the average prices obtainable therefor at the farms on or about December 1. A preliminary estimate was compiled from reports received October 1 and comparing it with the final figures shows that the value to corn yield had been revised on conservative lines, making the difference a loss resulting from unfavorable weather during the harvesting season. The reports have been tabulated by counties and the following is a general summary for the state: Wheat—The yield of winter wheat has been reduced as compared with former years. The yield of winter wheat in 1900 is 1,018,079 bushels—an average of 13.3 bushels per acre. The yield of spring wheat is 20,280,280 bushels—an average of 11.3 bushels per acre. The average home value of spring wheat is \$1.25 per bushel, and winter wheat 82 cents per bushel, making the total of the wheat crop \$22,792,371.

Corn—The carefully revised figures made last June showed the area of corn planted this year to be 8,618,669 acres. The returns of the harvest show a remarkable uniformity in the output of the crop in the different sections of the state, the average per acre for the several counties being thirty-five to forty-three bushels. There are sixty-three counties credited with an average yield of forty to forty-three bushels per acre. The total product of the state is 355,255,000 bushels. The average yield per acre is 40.3 bushels for the state. Average price, 27 cents, and the value of the crop at that figure is \$95,968,350. Fully three-fourths of the crop will be consumed within the state, and the amount realized therefor will be largely in excess of the current prices at the close of the harvest. Data—Average yield per acre of wheat, 36.3 bushels; total product, 10,000,000 bushels; value of the crop at average price of 30 cents per bushel, \$3,000,000.

Barley—Amount produced, 1,222,980 bushels; average price, 35 cents per bushel; value of crop, \$428,445.

Oats—Amount produced, 1,222,980 bushels; average price, 35 cents per bushel; value of crop, \$428,445.

Hay—Amount produced, 1,222,980 tons; average price, \$10 per ton; value of crop, \$12,229,800.

Straw and other forage, worth \$1,000,000.

Vegetables and fruits, worth \$500,000.

Swine—Estimated value, \$275,000.

Poultry—Estimated value, \$1,000,000.

Other farm products, worth \$1,000,000.

Total value of crops, \$229,000,000.

Summary of crop values by county.

Winter wheat, 14.3 bushels per acre.

Spring wheat, 11.3 bushels per acre.

Corn, 40.3 bushels per acre.

Barley, 35 cents per bushel.

Oats, 35 cents per bushel.

Hay, \$10 per ton.

REVIEWS THE UNIONS' WORK

Executive Council of Federation of Labor Reports on the Year's General Showing.

LEGISLATURE ASKED TO SUPPLY FUNDS

Other Societies in the State Will Be Appointed to an Interest in Galant Showing at Buffalo and Elsewhere.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 8.—The first business of today's session of the American Federation of Labor convention was the presentation of the report of the executive council through Second Vice President Duncan, reviewing the action of national and international unions for the last year. The report criticized the failure of the Georgia legislature to pass the child labor bill and recommended renewed efforts at the next session; criticized the treatment of the street railway employes in St. Louis during the street railway strike in that city; the action of La Resistencia of Tampa, Fla., and reaffirmed the right of American citizens to work without hindrance; cited the reduction of the working hours of granite cutters to eight hours and increased average wages 16.2-3 per cent in the United States and Canada.

Money for Exhibits.

In this connection the society decided to appeal to the legislature to appropriate \$10,000 to cover the expense of getting up and maintaining the exhibits. The plan as far as outlined is to interest the other state societies for the advancement of various agricultural pursuits to the extent of inducing them to appoint delegates to frame an appropriation bill to be submitted to the legislature. Delegates to the meeting of the State Board of Agriculture will discuss the project at length Monday at Lincoln.

Details of the exhibits have not been arranged, as the enterprise is still in an incipient state. Many who are interested in the agricultural progress of Nebraska are aware that little has been done under the popercote administration to boom its interests in this respect, and they are anxious now to make amends as far as possible. Their idea is to arrange for exhibits different and better than any that have been made in the past and to have them exclusively of corn, on account of the expense and because all the other industries are, in a way, dependent upon that product.

EXPERTS PASS ON BOY'S AGE

Youth with an Unknown Birthday Presents a Problem to Judge Baker's Court.

A youth clad in the shabbiest garments imaginable, but wearing a one-carat diamond ring, furnished a problem in criminal court that required the attention of experts to solve. It was necessary to ascertain the lad's age and before a satisfactory estimate was made several attorneys, a barber, a veterinary surgeon and a judge had passed judgment upon the matter.

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STATE WILL SHOW ITS WARES

Agricultural Society Will Make Corn Feature of Exhibitions.

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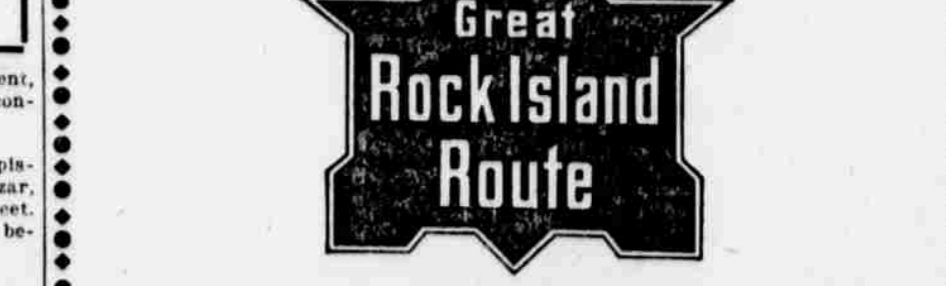
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Sixty Years in Penitentiary. COLLINS, Mo., Dec. 8.—Anthony Poor, who last June killed John Adams, his money while they were enroute overland to Oklahoma, was today found guilty of murder in the second degree and sentenced to sixty years in the penitentiary.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18th



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