

AGRICULTURAL RECORD OF 1919 FATHER ERRATIC

led by Radical Extremes Exalted Expectation and Oppressed Foreboding— Outcome Gratifying.

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Will Save the World. The volume of farm production, when the true history of these troublous times is finally written, will be hailed the factor that saves the world from post-war political cataclysm.

From a promise that at one time seemed scarcely possible to exaggerate, the wheat crop steadily shrank until an outturn of only moderate proportions and very moderate quality was secured.

The volume of corn production, 17,450,000 bushels, neither meets by extravagant expectations nor is a record with its summer harvest.

One Distinct Disappointment. The oats crop is our one distinct and sharp disappointment, both in volume and in quality.

The other cereals are in moderate supply, less than in recent years, but in excess of the volume required to meet our own needs before the year.

Annual Report of the Adult Probation Officer. The report of Adult Probation Officer Andressen for 1919 shows that he took charge of paroled persons as follows: Grand larceny, 25; receiving stolen property, seven; forgery, 10; breaking and entering, four; shooting with intent to kill, three; manslaughter, one; receiving money under false pretenses, two; non-payment of alimony, one; larceny as bailee, one; attempting to seduce, one; wife and child abandonment, two; aiding and abetting, one; possession of burglary tools, one.

County Attorney's Office Put in Record 12 Months. An enormous volume of business has passed through the county attorney's office during the year 1919. There were 278 convictions compared with only 113 the previous year. There were 32 acquittals, compared with nine in 1918.

The total number of cases handled in 1919 was 504, and in 1918 261. The figures do not include liquor cases.

Efficiency of Water Service Noticeably Increased Last Year

Reports of the Metropolitan Water board, as prepared by R. B. Howell, general manager, show that for the first 10 months of 1919 operating expenses, excluding depreciation, were \$312,481, as against \$238,422 for the corresponding period of 1917, an increase of 31 per cent.

"However," the report reads, "during the same period there was an increase in operating income of 13 per cent, more than enough to offset these increased expenses, and that, too, notwithstanding water rates were reduced 5 per cent to 98 per cent of the consumers, January, 1919."

Last year the water district laid 4.35 miles of pipe lines and completed a new 30,000,000-gallon pump at the Florence station. This pump increased the high service pumping capacity 75 per cent.

Another 20,000,000-gallon basin was started at Florence last fall, the cost of this improvement to be \$200,000. On December 1 the plant carried 10,000 tons of coal, a supply for six months.

The municipal ice plant, operated in connection with the water system, manufactured 31,844 tons of ice last year. A 9,000-ton ice storage house was opened.

Walks Into Station And Confesses; Says Conscience Hurt Him

Los Angeles, Dec. 31.—A mystery of nearly three years standing apparently was cleared up today when Frank Jovanitti walked into the central police station here and according to officers announced he had shot and killed Modesto Cerrutti here in January, 1917.

Jovanitti, policemen said, declared the killing was done in self defense, but that it had preyed on his mind and he would be glad to stand trial.

Reds Expect Peace Soon. Copenhagen, Dec. 31.—Maxim Litvinoff, the bolshevik representative who has been conferring here with James O'Grady of Great Britain for the purpose of bringing about the repatriation of prisoners of war, declared today that "peace is coming more quickly than is generally believed," according to an interview published in the Social Demokrat.

MOVING December 31st

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Our success in the past is largely due to the kind cooperation of our friends. Our appreciation is deep. And our warmest thanks go out to you coupled with hope that you will receive a full measure of joy and happiness in the New Year. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. R. Matthews Matthews Book Store

The January Sale - in Our Gift Shop offers many articles that you will vote very desirable. A few are indicated below: \$66.00 20-inch Old Gold Lamp Shade, in Georgette, with French flowers and lined with rose... \$44.00

Orchard & Wilhelm Co. Announce Their Annual JANUARY SALE To Commence Friday, January 2nd Throughout the house—on every floor—will be found useful, beautiful, comforting articles for the home, that, for the various reasons behind every genuine January Sale, have been reduced in price, and we may confidently affirm that the reductions are such as will be greatly appreciated by all who attend this sale.

Electric and Oil Heaters During the coal shortage we were forced to take out of our stock about 70 Oil and Electric Heaters and use the same for heating our building. These heaters are, of course, now unsuitable for our stock, and we are offering the same in our January Sale as follows: \$ 6.25 Perfection Oil Heaters for..... \$4.25

Draperies A busy morning spent among the Sale Offerings in our Drapery Department will prove very profitable. It is advisable to bring with you the measurements of all the windows, openings, doors and an estimate of the material required for slip covers, bed spreads or any other covering or draping you may contemplate during the next few months.

FURNITURE—The year's Annual Clean-Up of stocks preparatory to Spring business includes several matched Bedroom, Dining Room and Living Room Suites, as well as a large number of parts of broken suites and single samples. Indeed, this is a really wonderful opportunity to purchase at a great advantage in price.

Rugs Following our usual custom of having in January of each year a sale of all rugs that will not be made again by the manufacturers, together with those which have become shop-worn or slightly soiled, we will offer Friday, January 2d, the following:

The Curtains—Including lace, lace nets, scrims and muslins, from 1 to 8 pairs of a pattern, at substantial reductions, notably are all the 1 and 2-pair lots, which will bear reductions ranging from 88 1/2% to 60%.

Partial List—Several Dining Chairs, from suites that have been sold and that we are unable to match up, in mahogany, walnut and oak, HALF PRICE \$385.00 Kidney Davenport, in tapestry, large size..... \$265.00

VERY SPECIAL PRICES ON IMPORTED CHINESE RUGS. Due to the very limited deliveries from the mills during the past season, there are not as many rugs to offer and hence early selection is important.

The Drapery Materials—These materials are 32 inches and 50 inches wide. In some cases there is enough for a window, in others for a room, and yet in other instances, several rooms. All desirable color effects are to be found in this offering. The reduced prices will range from, per yard, 68¢.

Overstuffed Tapestry Arm Chair \$62.50 Mahogany Arm Chair, with velvet upholstery \$19.50 Crownsled Birch Arm Chair or Rocker, in velvet, with spring seats \$17.50

Whitall Anglo Persian 8x12 Rug \$105.00 Whitall Anglo Indian 8x12 Rug for \$92.50 Highland Seamed Wilton 8x12 Rug \$85.00

The Lace Nets—A number of interesting patterns at most interesting prices. The lengths range from 5 to 15 yards of a pattern. It is important to bring your measurements. Reductions are substantial.

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The Scrim, Marquisettes and Curtain Muslins—The styles are plain banded, figured and bordered, in colors, white, ivory and cream. Lengths are up to 50 yards of a pattern. The prices will be found to be most attractive, making it possible to secure desirable material for curtains without a large expenditure. The reductions are from 25% to 88 1/2%.

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The Remnants—These are short lengths of all classes of drapery and upholstery fabrics, from sizes suitable for bags and pillow tops to pieces 4 1/2 yards long. Prices are adjusted to LESS THAN HALF.

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