

'20 Corn Crop Yield Of 255,528,000 Bu. Greatest Since 1906

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The final estimates of Nebraska crops as approved by the bureau of crop estimates at Washington and submitted by A. E. Anderson, agricultural statistician, are as follows: Nebraska planted 7,560,000 acres to corn as compared to 7,030,000 acres last year.

The winter wheat acreage was third in size, with a total of 3,335,000 acres against 3,716,000 acres a year ago, the latter being the highest on record.

Decline Is Rapid. The state's rank as a spring wheat state is gradually becoming lower. In 1899 nearly 2,000,000 acres of spring wheat were grown, while this year only 258,000 acres were planted, which is next to the lowest acreage on record.

Production of All Wheat Is 69,480,000 Bushels, Compared to 60,675,000 Bushels a Year Ago, from a Total of 3,393,000 Acres against 4,384,000 Acres Last Year.

Yield 34.6 Bushels. A total of 2,400,000 acres of oats were planted compared to 2,133,000 acres a year ago.

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Elevators in Grain Centers, Farmers' Plan

A new federation of all farmers' marketing organizations into one great terminal marketing agency for control of the channels of distribution of farm products. This is wholly a marketing program.

Women Invited to Next Meeting of Ad-Sell Body

Next Monday is 'ladies' night' at the meeting of the Omaha Advertising-Selling League in the Hotel Fontenelle.

Miss L. M. Montgomery, employment manager of the traffic department of the Western Union Telegraph company, will tell of her 'Experiences With Business Women.'

Nebraska Republicans Will Hold Celebration

Lincoln, Dec. 31.—(Special)—Republicans of the state will hold a banquet at the Lincoln hotel Tuesday as a sort of ratification and jubilation celebration of the victory at the polls last November.



The New Year in this photographic cartoon by Eyre Powell was posed by little Robert Blake Butts of Omaha.

Omaha Leads U. S. In Race to Normalcy

nothing about it of a boom town—its growth is rational, steady and unhampered, rain or shine.

Healthy Factory Growth. Omaha has not only taken a prominent place as a jobbing center for the middle western territory, but it has maintained a healthy factory growth.

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The New Leaf

Foreign-born citizens have been the principal patrons of the United States postal savings system during the last year, according to an announcement made today by the Postoffice department.

162 Millions Put In Postal Savings

Most of Depositors Are Foreign-Born Citizens; New Savings Card Issued.

Thousands Watch Arrival of New Year

They began their watch meeting at 7 last night with a basket dinner. This was followed by an illustrated address by Dr. Clyde C. Cissell.

Good Will Fight Shipping Board Appropriations

House Representative Would Take Steps to Force Sale of Plant and Equipment at Once.

Washington, Dec. 31.—In opening house debate on the sundry civil appropriation bill, Chairman Good of the appropriations committee served notice that if he could prevent it, "not a single penny" would be appropriated for the shipping board.

House leaders took up the big appropriation bill with the avowed purpose of disposing of it as soon as possible to make way for other important supply measures.

Chairman Good, in the course of the discussion, objected to the provision which had been inserted by his committee to give the shipping board \$147,000,000 for the support of the emergency fleet corporation.

Raps War Department. The chairman also attacked the War department for spending more money than congress had appropriated in recruiting the army.

Commenting on the care and training of disabled war veterans, Mr. Good said that both the war risk insurance bureau and federal board of vocational education would have unexpended balances at the end of the current fiscal year.

May Make Fight. There were indications that democratic members from the south would make a determined fight to have the house include an appropriation of \$10,000,000, eliminated by the committee, for completion of the dam across the Tennessee river as a part of the Muscle Shoals nitrate plant project.

The fight for the appropriation was led by Representative Byrnes, ranking democratic member of the appropriations committee, who said he proposed, but insisted that the question should go over for consideration later.

W. C. T. U. Campaign Against Lawlessness. Short talks on lawlessness are to be arranged by the Frances Willard Woman's Christian Temperance union, according to a resolution adopted at the Wednesday meeting.

Plane Operating Between Spain and France Is Lost. Bilbao, Spain, Dec. 31.—A hydro-aerplane engaged in service between Bayonne, France, and this city has been lost by a fishing boat near here, but nothing has been heard from the pilot and his three passengers.

Milwaukee Road President Optimistic as to Outlook. H. E. Byram, president of the Milwaukee railroad, spent yesterday in Omaha, attending a family reunion at the home of his father-in-law, A. P. Tukey.

Chicago Dry Agents Will Clamp Lid on All Oases. Chicago, Dec. 31.—Although the staff of Frank D. Richardson, supervising prohibition agent, is too limited to keep watch on all places where celebrators will gather tonight to welcome the new year, every effort will be made, he said, to keep the lid clamped down tight.

Bee Shoe Fund. The Bee's Free Shoe fund closed yesterday a most successful campaign, which provided warm shoes for hundreds of children of the very poor.

Total Fire Loss Here Is \$883,345

Report of Fire Department Shows Busy Year in Omaha.

The report for the fire department for 11 months to December 1 indicates that 1920 was an unusually busy year for this branch of the city government.

Total loss by fire to buildings and contents during the period mentioned is given as \$883,345, as against a total of \$215,073 for the corresponding period of 1919.

Total number of alarms from January 1 to December 1 was 1,783; first 11 months of 1919, 1,326.

Causes of Fire.—Sparks from chimneys, 252; chimneys burning out, 126; cigar or cigar stubs, 97; automobiles on fire, 111; sparks from furnaces in rubbish, 14; supposed incendiary, 11; sparks from locomotives, 54; children and matches, 37; sparks from matches, 15; undetermined causes, 96; ignition by oil heaters, 17; spontaneous combustion of coal, 52; spontaneous combustion other than coal, 42.

Thirteen persons burned, 10 rescued and three fatally burned. There were 896 building fires, of which 623 were frame structures.

Administration Is Ready for Change

With Incoming President-Elect Will Come New Foreign Policy.

Washington, Dec. 31.—With the change of administration early in the new year will come the adoption of a new foreign policy by the government, a shakeup in federal departments, many new faces in congress and a start on the legislative program which republican leaders are formulating.

High Prices Fail to Halt O'Neill Building. O'Neill, Neb., Dec. 31.—(Special).—High prices of building material and labor slowed up the building program here to some extent the past year, but O'Neill made more than an average showing of improvements.

Omaha Federal Land Bank Has Prosperous Year

In Spite of Suit by Mortgage Bankers' Association, Institution Closes Loans of \$10,408,500 in 1920.

While the Federal Land bank of Omaha has not been active in its loaning operations during the past year on account of the suit instituted by the American Farm Mortgage Bankers' association, attacking the constitutionality of the federal farm loan act, the bank has had a very prosperous year from the standpoint of its loans already in force.

The total amount of first mortgage loans outstanding, shown by states, is as follows:

Table with columns for state and amount. Iowa: \$12,882,820; Nebraska: \$1,288,840; South Dakota: \$328,950; Wyoming: \$1,386,660,000.

The net earnings of the bank for the year 1920 amount to \$420,162.43 and the average capital belonging to borrowers during the year was \$2,272,973, those earnings show a profit of 18½ per cent on borrowers' stock.

The law requires that 25 per cent of the annual net earnings be placed to reserve account. That account now amounts to \$106,000 and there remains on hand, after the payment of dividends and this payment to reserve account, undivided profits of \$326,267.94.

The function of the Federal Land bank is largely a marketing problem. There is much discussion at present regarding the marketing of the products of the farm.

The Federal Land bank market the credit of the farmers. Its greatest service is in standardizing first farm mortgage credits in the form of federal farm loan bonds in the form which suits the investing public.

The Federal Land bank of Omaha has a remarkable record in the collection of its amortization payments. Of the \$2,527,718.58 interest and amortized principal that became due during the first 11 months of the present year, only \$2,569.50 remain delinquent at the present time.

The stringent financial condition among farmers during the present year has demonstrated more than ever the need of this long time cooperative amortization plan of handling farm loans under government supervision and control.



Willard Batteries at a New Price Level

Effective with the publication of this announcement, Willard Batteries will be sold on a new and materially lower price level.

The same Willard quality—backed by the same authorized Willard Service.

Nebraska Storage Battery Co.

20th and Harney Sts. Tyler 2920

Willard Batteries

U. S. Bureau of Crop Estimates '20 Statistical Review

Following is the 1920 statistical review of the bureau of crop estimate of the federal Department of Agriculture. All figures are expressed in thousands, the three final figures being omitted:

Table with columns for crop type (Corn, Wheat, Oats, Barley, Rye, Hay), acreage, production, and value. Includes rows for various states and the total US production.

The 'I Will' Man Wishes YOU And All of You A Happy Prosperous New Year

An advertisement for 'The I Will Man' featuring a portrait of a man and text about a watch and a surprise Monday. Includes 'Nebraska Clothing Co.' logo and 'Bee Shoe Fund' text.