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SEC. WILSON'S REPORT

The Secretary of Agriculture Gives Interesting Facts

VALUE CROPS SHOWN

One Gets a Pretty Fair Idea of the Productiveness of the Country at Large and an Understanding of How Large It is.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 1.—Most prosperous of all years is the place to which 1909 is entitled in agriculture, declares the Secretary of Agriculture in his Thirteenth Annual Report, made public today. The value of farm products is so incomprehensibly large that it has become merely a row of figures. For this year it is \$8,760,000,000 a gain of \$889,000,000 over 1908. The value of the product has nearly doubled in ten years. The report says, "11 years of agriculture, beginning with a production of \$14,417,000,000 and ending with \$8,760,000,000! A sum of \$70,000,000 for the period! It has paid off mortgages, it has established banks, it has made better homes, it has helped to make the farmer a citizen of the world, and it has provided him with means for improving his soil and making it more productive."

The most striking fact in the world's agriculture is the value of the corn crop for 1909, which is about \$1,720,000,000. It nearly equals the value of the clothing and personal adornments of 76,000,000 people, according to the census of 1900. The gold and silver coin and bullion of the United States are not of greater value. It has grown up from the soil and out of the air in 120 days—\$15,000,000 a day for one crop, nearly enough for two Drendaughts daily for peace or war. This crop exceeds in value the average of the crops of the five preceding years by 36 per cent.

Cotton is now the second crop in value, and this year's cotton crop is easily the most valuable one to the farmer that has been produced. With cotton lint selling at 13.7 cents on the farm November 1 and with cotton seed selling for about 25 cents per ton, the lint and seed of this crop are worth about \$850,000,000 to the farmer. No cotton crop since 1873 has been sold by farmers for as high a price per pound as this one.

Third in value is wheat, worth about \$725,000,000 at the farm, and this largely exceeds all previous values. The November farm price was almost an even dollar a bushel, a price which has not been equalled since 1881. This is the third wheat crop of point in size with 725,000,000 bushels.

The hay crop is valued at \$665,000,000; oats at \$400,000,000; potatoes at \$212,000,000, and tobacco at nearly \$100,000,000. Beet and cane sugar and molasses and sirup, from farm and factory, will reach the total of about \$95,000,000. The barley crop is worth \$8,300,000; flaxseed \$26,000,000, and 1,000,000,000 pounds of rice \$25,000,000.

The production of all cereals combined is 4,711,000,000 bushels, an amount considerably greater than that for any other year except 1906. It exceeds the average of the preceding five years by 6.5 per cent. The value of all cereals in 1909 has never been equalled in a previous year. It is almost exactly \$3,000,000,000, or 14 per cent above the five-year average.

Compared with the average of the previous five years, all principal crops are greater in quantity this year except cotton, flaxseed, hops, and cane sugar; but without exception every crop is worth more to the farmer than the five-year average.

This is the year of highest production for potatoes, tobacco, beet sugar, all sugar and rice; next to the highest production for corn, oats, and all cereals. Compared with 1908, gains in value are found all along the line, the exceptions being barley, buckwheat, rye and milk. The increase for cotton, lint and seed, is \$203,000,000; corn \$195,000,000; hay \$29,970,000; oats \$22,000,000; tobacco, \$18,900,000; potatoes, \$15,000,000.

The increase in the value of farm products this year over 1908, \$889,000,000, is enough to buy a new

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equipment of farm machinery for over 6,000,000 farms. The value of the cereal crops to the farmer would pay for all of the machinery, tools, and implements of the entire manufacturing industry. The value of all crops, \$5,700,000,000, would make a half payment on the value of all steam railroads, according to the valuation of 1904.

Secretary Wilson concludes his review of the production of 1909 as follows: "The agricultural production of 1909 must add much to the prosperity of farmers. The record is an example in wealth production and tells of abundance in quantity. Year by year the farmer is better and better prepared to provide the capital and make the expenditures needed to educate his children for farm life and work."

For the 50 cities the total retail cost charged to customers above the wholesale cost paid by the retailers is 28 per cent. In 5 cities the rate of increase is 20 per cent or under; in 10 cities, 21 to 30 per cent; in 12 cities, 31 to 40 per cent; in 12 cities, 41 to 50 per cent; and in 11 cities, over 50 per cent.

The average retail price exceeded the average wholesale price by 31.4 per cent in the North Atlantic States; by 38 per cent in the South Atlantic; by 38 per cent in the North Central; 39.4 per cent in the Western; and the highest increase was found in the South Central States, 54 per cent.

A gross profit of 26 per cent was found in New York City and in Philadelphia, 28 per cent in Buffalo, N. Y., 36 per cent in Boston, Mass., 17 per cent in Baltimore, Md., 42 per cent in Washington, D. C., 45 per cent in Chicago, Ill., 25 per cent in Cincinnati, Ohio, 23 per cent in Omaha, Neb., 28 per cent in Minneapolis, Mo., 27 and 35 per cent in Minneapolis and St. Paul, Minn., 40 per cent in Milwaukee, Wis., and Detroit, Mich., 39 per cent in St. Louis, Mo., 64 per cent in Mobile, Ala., 39 per cent in San Francisco, 24 per cent in Seattle, and 57 per cent in Denver, Colo.

The lower the grade of beef the greater the percentage of gross profit. In Boston, for illustration, the rate of gross profit is nearly twice as great for beef costing 8 cents at wholesale as for beef costing 11 and 11 1/2 cents. Low-priced beef is marked up nearly twice as much relatively as high-priced beef. In other words, perhaps it is safe inference that the people pay nearly twice as much profit as the well-to-do people pay.

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I saw a woman sleeping. In her sleep she dreamt that I stood before and held in each hand a gift—in the one Love, in the other Freedom. And Life said to the Woman: "Choose!"

And the Woman waited long, and she said "Freedom!"

And Life said: "Thou hast well chosen. If thou hadst said 'Love,' I would have given thee that thou didst ask for; and I would have gone from thee, and returned to thee no more. Now the day will come when I shall return. In that day I shall bear both gifts in one hand."

I heard the Woman laugh in her sleep.—Mirror.

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