

PRAISES OF CORN ARE SUNG

Millers Declare That Modern Generation Never Tasted Real Mush and Milk.

(By Associated Press)
CHICAGO, Apr. 5.—Corn is the foundation of America's agricultural wealth and a splendid "starchy vegetable" cheaper than potatoes or rice, W. N. Adams, president of the American Millers' federation, told a meeting of that body here Monday.

The history of the country, Mr. Adams said is indelibly marked with corn, from the period when it sustained the colonists, rationed the Revolutionary army, caused men to cross the Alleghany mountains and open up the vast prairie of the Mississippi valley and saved the South after the Civil war to the present. "Yet the American farmer has never received the returns from this crop that its value merits," he said, "because it has come to be looked upon as largely an animal food. "The present generation whose parents and grandparents considered corn meal as an essential article of diet have never tasted mush and milk," he said.

FATALITIES IN COAL MINES

EDMONTON, Alta., Apr. 5.—Twenty-one fatal accidents occurred in and about Alberta coal mines in 1921, where 8,681 persons are employed, according to information furnished the legislature by Premier Greenfield. There was one accident resulting in permanent disability and ten in permanent partial disability. Compensation claims for injuries amounted to \$117,677, the sum of \$94,009 being paid into the pension fund for fatal accidents. Mining companies of the province paid \$394,273 into the compensation fund during the year.

ELECTRIC CARS ARE NO MORE

(By Associated Press)
SPOKANE, Wash., Apr. 5.—Dismantling of the interurban lines between Spokane, Cheney and Medical Lake is proceeding at full speed,

and soon the electric lines to those points will be nothing but memories. The abandonment of the lines is blamed on the changing modes in transportation. The lines were built in 1905 and 1907, before the automobile was a transportation factor, and before the time of the paved highways that now parallel the right of way. The cars that operated over them in those first few years were taxed to capacity with pleasure seekers visiting the Medical Lake resorts. People were charmed with the service rendered on the electrical trains, and believed the time near at hand when such lines would spread like a net over the Pacific northwest. That was only 16 years ago. But in the last few years, due to automobile and motorbus competition, the interurban lines have been unable to make expenses. Now they have surrendered to the big motor buses, which will hereafter carry the passengers and the first class mail that have travelled on the trolleys so many years.

BRAGGART HAS TABLES TURNED

(By Associated Press)
CHICAGO, Apr. 5.—Walter Gurch bragged before his family Saturday that he had never been arrested. Monday he stood before a Chicago judge, charged with disorderly conduct. Officers said they arrested him after his 11-year-old daughter told them "father is beating mother." "It's all a joke," the little girl told the judge. "I didn't want papa to miss any thrills, so I called the police."

SAW MILL BURNS

(By Associated Press)
PINE BLUFF, Ark., Apr. 4.—Fire destroyed the main saw mill of the Arkansas Short Leaf Lumber company here early Monday with a loss of \$200,000 to \$250,000.

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'HELL' FROZEN THIS WINTER

TONOPAH, Nev., Apr. 5.—"Hell has frozen over," according to John McGee, manager of the Tonopah Water company, who recently returned from an auto trip into the northern end of Death Valley.

Country that experiences 120 to 140 degrees of temperature in the warm season shivered with the mercury at or below zero during Nevada's recent cold snap. The Amargosa river, an underground stream in summer and a surface stream in winter, froze to a depth of four inches—the first time in the memory of the oldest "desert rat." McGee says that he drove his "flying" across the river near Shoshone without any danger of dropping through. Water had to be hauled for several miles in order to supply local demands. At Death Valley Junction, where freezing weather is almost unknown, the temperature dropped to 10 degrees above. Ashland meadows, whose springs supply the town's water, were frozen solid. An emergency supply was provided by lowering

HEARSE DRIVER CHASES MAN

BOSTON, Apr. 5.—While doctors patched up his injured back and hand Sunday, Thomas Lavin of East Walpole related how an empty automobile hearse had chased him 40 yards across the street and upon the sidewalk, and finally had cornered him and knocked him down. The driver, Walter Elderidge, blamed the accident on the wet pavements. "Business must be bad," was the victim's sour comment.

CONSPIRACY INDICTMENTS

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Apr. 5.—Benjamin and Leon Rosenbaum, wool merchants of Louisville, Ky., and Percy A. Matthews, former auditor of the department of agriculture, were charged with conspiracy to defraud the government, in an indictment returned by a grand jury here Monday. It was

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