

DAILY SCORES COFFEE CORNER

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil, (AP)—Although the federal government has discontinued its efforts to lower the price of coffee by placing more of the product on the market at Santos, and has transferred the operation of the valorization scheme to the state of Sao Paulo, there still remains evidence that the government is not satisfied with the defense system.

A recent issue of the Journal de Commercio, the official newspaper of the administration, carried three column articles criticizing the valorization scheme and pointing out the effects on Brazilian industry and finance. The article was signed anonymously.

It is pointed out that the fantastic sums which growers are receiving for their coffee have been maintained enormously in value through inflation. According to the writer, 119,000 coffees were emitted at the time the plan first originated. This alarmed the country, and the system was abandoned, but the same thing was done on a larger scale by redigging, the emission being 400,000 coffees. This suffering, according to the writer, the government was demonstrated, and the same idea again

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Gompers' Arrival in San Antonio From Mexico



Samuel M. Gompers was brought back to his own country in this picture—his last one—shows him being borne on a stretcher from the train that brought him to San Antonio, Tex., from Mexico City. Plans made at his bedside get the train on its arrival. The arrow points to Matthew Wolf, sixth vice president of the American Federation of Labor.

used on a much larger scale through the creation of a bank of emission which has turned the coffee into a paper.

The claim is made that the cost of living for eight millions of the population in Brazil has risen but of all proportion to the advantage secured from receiving more millions. This particularly applies to the middle class, the laborers and clerks, whose wages do not respond quickly to such changes. Emphasis is placed upon the fact that valorization is applied to only one Brazilian product, coffee, which enables the coffee growers to receive more money for their crops and to offer and pay better wages. This attracts labor and is therefore unfair competition with the growers of other staple products.

The author, who signs himself "Spectator," pleads that Brazil limit itself to the valorization of coffee by the system of equalized daily entries of the crop at the port of Santos, and not to artificially double the price in the foreign market by holding back stocks, or to quadruple returns in money by the emissions of paper money. He claims that Brazil is headed towards over-production and a repetition of her experience in rubber.

Snow Covers Umatilla.
PENDLETON, Ore.—A moderation in temperature and snow the first real snow of the season came together in Pendleton and Umatilla county. The snow started to fall about noon and continued intermittently. The total fall has been six inches, according to the government observer at the station. The mercury went no lower than six degrees above zero Sunday night, and it was ten above, as compared with four below Friday night. The snowfall was welcomed by farmers who have feared damage to their wheat which was exposed to several days of zero weather.

DERBIES, CANES SCARCE AMONG FRISCO FELLOWS

SAN FRANCISCO, (AP)—San Francisco is a derbyland but city. The only derbies worn are by women when they ride horseback in Golden Gate park.

The traditions of the old times, our days of the West still hang over the city. Derbymen are not in fashion, but the derby hat is the choice of San Francisco men. One never even sees a bowler displayed in a fashionable's window.

The nearest approach to a derby hat is a straw which some of the more daring and fleet of foot carry during the summer months. But these are comparatively few. In fact, a derby is called the coolest part of the year in San Francisco, and while this may not be literally true, yet still trade-winds contrive to make it seem so. The average summer temperature is 56.

"San Francisco men are an independent lot," said a hatter. "If you try to sell a derby, you find

half him. He likes the old crush."

The cane is almost as scarce. Generally speaking, only tame men wear them.

Neither is there any sale for palm-branch hats.

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The navy's radio sending stations in this country are located at Arlington, Va.; Sayville, N. Y.; and Annapolis, Md. The receiving is done at the navy department.

Transmission of radio messages through the three big high-powered stations is accomplished by means of a remote control. The operator, sitting at his desk in the navy building, working his key

Wheat Damage Feared

PENDLETON, Ore.—Whether wheat has been damaged by the cold weather of the past few days is a question of more interest to farmers than anything else. The cold wave followed a period of mild weather when the mercury reached as high as 40 degrees several days in succession, and there was no moisture or snow on the ground to protect wheat plants when the thermometer dropped to zero and lower.

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