

VALUE OF WHEAT CROP NEW RECORD

Production of Beet Sugar Will Exceed That of Previous Years.

MEAT PRICE INCREASES

Report of Secretary of Agriculture Shows Farmer Has Not Received More for Raw Steers. Corn Is Dearer.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Nov. 30.—The annual report of the Secretary of Agriculture shows that wheat is the third most important crop grown in the United States—that is, third in value. The crop for the past year, the Secretary says, was worth about \$72,000,000 at the farm, a figure that exceeds all previous wheat crops in value.

Sugar Crop Exceeds Records. It is too early, says the report, to give accurate figures on the beet sugar crop, but all indications point to total production of about 500,000 short tons, which, if attained, will exceed all previous records.

A shortage in the world's crop of hops this year raised the price to a high figure, about 23 cents for New York and about 24 cents for the Pacific Northwest. It happened, however, that a large proportion of the crop in the Northwest had been contracted for last year at about 9 cents, so that the average price for the whole crop is not as high as market prices indicate.

The value of farm products is an incomprehensibly large that it has become merely a row of figures. For this year it is \$7,700,000,000, a gain over 1908. The value of the products has nearly doubled in ten years.

Beef Dealer to Consumer. Secretary Wilson has caused an inquiry to be made into the retail price of beef in 50 cities. The conclusion derived from his figures is that the average total retail cost charged to customers is 38 per cent above the wholesale cost.

Farmer Not Gainer. The ascending retail prices of meat suggested inquiry whether the prices of farmers' cattle have increased on the farm in the same degree. The conclusion, using the mean price level of 1896-1900 as a base line, is that the farmer has failed to receive a share of the higher prices.

At the agricultural experiment station at Rampart Station, within the Arctic Circle, every variety of Spring grain ripened its crop, and Winter rye and wheat survived the Winter when covered by snow. Barley and oats can be successfully grown in the Yukon and Tanana valleys. At the Kodiak station, Galloway cattle wintered well under an open shed.

TAMMANYITE ASKS PAY CUT Bureau Attorney Says Gopham Salaries Are Too High. NEW YORK, Nov. 30.—In the belief that he is being paid too much, Jacinto Costra, an assistant corporation counsel, wrote to Controller Metz, stating that his salary ought to be reduced from 10 to 15 per cent. He also suggested a general reduction of salaries downward and a reduction in the city clerical and legal forces of from 10 to 50 per cent.

Do Your Christmas Shopping Now--Only Twenty More Business Days --Then Christmas--Don't Wait for the Last Minute Rush and Crowds

We Are Sole Portland Agents for Howd and Le Beau Front-lacing Corsets--Ladies Home Journal Patterns

Fine Scarfs \$19.50

Women's novelty neck pieces for evening wear in white maribou or maribou and ostrich combinations, in sets. A sample line purchased at exceptionally low figures and regularly worth from \$35 to \$50 each. Special for Wednesday's selling, \$19.50 at low price of only \$19.50. Lot 2 of this same assortment contains pieces regularly worth from \$75 to \$100 each. Your choice for Wednesday's selling at \$37.50.

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The Style Center of the Northwest presents for the choosing of the fastidious gift-seeker an immense assortment of genuine Parisian Jewelry Novelties. A superb assortment greets those who come to view these exquisitely wrought articles, designed and made by the world's most artistic workers in jewelry handicraft. Unique, pleasing and original designs are shown in plenty. Large choice of articles, immense range of prices. We are also showing opera glasses, lockets, hat pins, brooches, cuff links and everything carried in a first-class jewelry department.

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Tasteful, attractive neck pieces make dainty and acceptable Christmas gifts. We offer a beautiful assortment put up in special holiday boxes, priced at 25c, 35c, 50c, 65c, 75c and up to \$5.00. You may choose from rubats, stocks and other styles, real Irish crochet and hand embroidered novelties. Silk Elastic Belting, extra heavy quality; all silk; comes in all the leading colors; vals. up to 12c per in., spel. Wednesday 5c.

Two Tremendous Coat Sp'ls--\$13.98--\$23.98

Bargains unequalled and styles of extreme desirability combine to make this mammoth double special of intense interest. Coats for the more discriminating buyers are here in profusion. Over two hundred coats in a lot that has just reached us by express—bought at an overwhelming sacrifice on the maker's part and an apt demonstration of the Olds, Wortman & King store's supremacy in the world of style as it applies to the Northwest. Hard cash was wanted and the maker came straight to us with his surplus of high-grade garments,—we took them at an absurdly small price and you reap the benefit. Materials are plain colored broadcloths, chevots and other plain weaves, or the most wanted effects in fancy fabrics. Colors are plain black, blue, etc., or stripes, plaids and neat mixtures.

Regular Values Up to \$35, Special \$13.98 Regular Values Up to \$45, Special \$23.98



Men's House Coats and Bath Robes---Buy Now

Few stores, if any, have so large an assortment as we have, and no other store hereabouts sells such good qualities and styles for the wee prices we ask. This liberal department store way of doing business works to the advantage of Portland gift-seekers. With every energy bent to secure best goods for least money and the prestige given us by years of ready paying and large buying, the market is ours to command the best.

To have the best choice of the bath robes and house coats it is imperative that you make early selection. We will lay aside any one in the stock on payment of one-fourth the price. Come now and make your choice. If the size is not right we'll be pleased to exchange before or after Xmas.

The house coats come in double faced materials, tricots and velvets and run from \$5 up to \$25. Bath robes are in wool or cotton blanket effects, \$4 to \$15.

"Mérode" Underwear

We want to excite your interest in this superb brand of underwear as a business proposition, because the pleasant relations of merchant and consumer are furthered through brands of unquestioned MERIT. Our reputation as dependable advertisers is increased when you buy such underwear as the "MÉRODE". Every garment has claims for your consideration. Every garment subject to hygienic processes, even extending to employees engaged in their making. Every garment is thoroughly steamed, a sanitary precaution and made non-shrinkable at the same time. No matter what your occupation or location, indoors or out, we have weights to suit you. For stout, medium or slender forms—light, medium or heavy weight. Every union suit, drawer or tight specially reinforced where strain is greatest, without sacrificing comfort or finish. Every garment, vest, drawer, tight, corset cover and union suit for WOMEN AND CHILDREN will give you full value for your money, and a little more. Prices in women's garments run from 65c to \$3.00. Prices in children's garments from 35c to \$1.00.



That Three-Day Shoe Sale at \$1.98 the Pair

On account of a remarkably fortunate purchase we are in a position to offer shoes worth up to \$6 the pair at \$1.98. We secured several hundred pairs. They were made under our specifications and are new, up-to-date styles. When you see these, you will agree with us that no shoe sale ever launched hereabouts has ever equaled this one.

- Style B-201, women's patent calf shoes, 11-button style; made with extended sole, new short vamp last; tops of black cravenette. Regular \$3.50 shoe for only \$1.98. Style B-200, 11-button patent calf shoe for women; dull kid tops; a last especially suitable for walking; medium low heels; corresponding \$1.98. Women's gunmetal calf button shoe; heavy soles, medium low heel, dull kid top; just the shoe for wet weather. \$3.50 values for only \$1.98. Style 275, women's gunmetal calf shoe in blucher lace style; dull kid top, short vamp, narrow toe; Cuban heel. \$3.50 value for only \$1.98. Style 250, women's glazed dongola kid shoes; lace style, patent tip; medium heel; kid top; a shoe built for comfort and wear. Regular \$3.50 value for only \$1.98. Women's shoes in odds and ends; broken lines, mostly narrow widths. A little of everything, containing many lots and styles. Regular values from \$3.50 to \$6; for three days at \$1.98.

Sewing Machines \$1 Week

A practical gift that would make any woman in the land grateful to the donor is a STANDARD SEWING MACHINE. The Olds, Wortman & King store is the only place in Portland where this best of all machines is to be had. If you don't want to pay the entire price of the machine at once our club plan makes it easy to buy and THE MACHINE CAN BE USED WHILE YOU ARE PAYING FOR IT. Don't let your mother, your wife or your sister use an out-of-date machine or go without one any longer. Buy a Standard on \$1.00 Weekly Payments.

Gloves Handkerchiefs and New Ribbons

"Alexandre made" kid gloves for women are standards of quality, none better to be had at any price, and our stock is complete with all the leading shades, and we have this superb grade in all sizes. We are sole Portland agents for "Alexandre" gloves. They are made from the best skins and carefully made by expert workmen. When you are looking for the most style and the best quality for your glove money, it means you'll buy "Alexandre made" gloves. Glove orders for Christmas gifts are always acceptable. Women's kid gloves specially low priced in glace or suede finish; all sizes. Regular values up to \$1.75 the pair. Special for Wednesday at the low price of, pair, 95c. We include Large Number of the Famous "Alexandre Made" Kid Gloves in This Sale.

SAVE ON RIBBONS—Thousands of yards of beautiful silk ribbons, splendid quality, in our annual holiday sale at savings of from one-fourth to one-half. Fancy ribbons in Dresdens, stripes and plaids; 3/8 to 5 inches wide. Regularly worth to 35c the yard. Special at only 19c. Moire Taffeta Ribbons 5 ins. wide. 19c. Plain Taffeta Ribbons for hair bows, etc., 5 inches wide. Special the yard at the exceptionally low price of only 21c. Ribbons 6 inches wide, special the yard at low price of only 25c. Satin Taffeta Ribbon 6 inches wide, worth 45c the yard at 27c. Ribbons in Persian or Dresden designs, regular 75c quality at 48c.

\$2.25 Handkerchiefs for 98c

Exceptional values in dainty, sheer linen embroidered handkerchiefs for women; many designs; values up to \$2.25 each. 98c. Swiss embroidered scalloped edged handkerchiefs; also hemstitched and hand-embroidered patterns. Regular values up to 79c each. Special at the exceptionally low price of, each, 39c. Our stock of women's and children's handkerchiefs is well worthy of your careful attention. We've thousands ready for the holiday trade, and remember that no one can have too many handkerchiefs.

GIRL BEATS COOS BAY MAN

James A. O'Kelly Has Chicago Couple Arrested.

CHICAGO, Nov. 30.—Dr. Astor, alias Alexander, a clairvoyant, who recently came to this city from St. Paul, and Stella Tynn, an actress, were taken into custody last night on complaint of James A. O'Kelly, a towboat engineer, formerly of Coos Bay. O'Kelly charges that the pair obtained money from him by trickery and fraud. He stated to the police that his wife died recently, leaving \$5000, which was to be delivered to a daughter by a previous marriage. If the girl could be found, O'Kelly consulted Dr. Astor at St. Paul, and says that the latter promised to find the girl after obtaining a picture of her. Later he summoned O'Kelly and told him his daughter was at a certain hotel. O'Kelly went there and was met by Stella Tynn, who posed as the missing girl. She was paid \$1200 on account and started for

KILL JOHN D. PLOT TOLD

Oil King Guarded to Foil Assassins or Kidnapers.

CLEVELAND, O., Nov. 30.—Acting upon information given by a man who said he overheard a conversation in which plans to assassinate John D. Rockefeller were discussed, the police guarded Forest Hill, Rockefeller's home, all night. The information was given by Sawyer Smith, of Minerva, O., who said he heard the plot discussed by two men at Alliance, O. Smith, who is a lumber dealer, said that while visiting in Alliance Sunday night he accidentally came near two men near a railway track. He heard the men plotting against Rockefeller, and said they declared they were to be well paid for either killing or kidnaping him. It was agreed by them that it would be easier to kill, and the reward would be the same, Smith says. It is believed that in consequence of this warning

LABOR LEADERS WIN POINT

Court Stays Execution of Mandate in Gompers' Case.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30.—The Court of Appeals of the District of Columbia today granted the petition of Samuel Gompers, John Mitchell and Frank Morrison, of the American Federation of Labor, in the contempt case against them for a stay of execution of the mandate of the court sending them to jail. The mandate is stayed indefinitely pending an appeal to the Supreme Court of the United States. Only One "BROMO QUININE." That is LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE. Look for the signature of E. W. GROVE. Used the World over to Cure a Cold in One Day. 25c.

OHIO TO HONOR AVIATORS.

NEW YORK, Nov. 30.—The State of Ohio is to celebrate its prowess in aviation by a notable banquet in January to Wilbur and Orville Wright, Lieutenant Frank Lahm and Lieutenant Guy A. Mix, all of whom have brought renown to America and who are natives of Ohio. Invitations to the dinner, which is being given by the Ohio Society of New York, have been accepted by President Taft and Governor Judson Harmon, of Ohio. C. P. Stock at \$125. MONTREAL, Nov. 30.—The Canadian Pacific Railway today issued warrants for the new \$30,000,000 of common stock, authorized at a shareholders' meeting October 7. The stock is offered to shareholders at \$125 per share, a premium of \$25. The right to subscribe expires January 5 next.

STORM SWEEPS JAP COAST

Vessel Founders and All on Board Believed Lost.

TOKIO, Nov. 30.—A fierce storm swept over the vicinity of Shimonseski yesterday and last night. The Kinsaga Maru, a Japanese vessel of 273 tons, foundered and it is feared that all on board were lost. Twenty-five bodies have been washed ashore. Many fishing boats also are believed to have been wrecked. The piers and embankments at Shimonseski have been badly damaged by the high seas. Elk Creek Bridge to Be Built. ASTORIA, Or., Nov. 30.—(Special.)—The members of the County Court returned last evening from a trip to Elk Creek, where they went to watch the effect of the high tides on the banks of that stream with a view of ascertain-

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