

AMERICA'S CROPS SAVED EUROPE ON TWO OCCASIONS

Secretary of Agriculture Says
Country Came to Rescue and
Saved Allies From Destruction.

By David M. Church
Washington, Dec. 8.—(I. N. S.)—American crops saved Europe from destruction—not only once, but twice.

Secretary of Agriculture Houston makes this statement in his annual report made public Saturday.

America came to the rescue when the allies were against the wall had pressed by Germany's hordes and furnished the food that enabled Europe to hold out, the report declared. Increased production by the farmers and conservation by consumers made this possible.

Again after the armistice the American supplies of food saved Europe from the destruction of starvation, the secretary declared.

"But for this contribution it is difficult to see how the allies could have waged the war to a victorious conclusion," declared the report. "The German people experienced partial famine conditions and the collapse of their military power was due in no small measure to the shortage of food."

Record crops are reported by the secretary. The wheat yield is estimated to exceed the 1918 crop by 1,000,000 bushels, and to be the second greatest crop ever produced by this nation.

Farmers in 1919 planted cereals in quantities greater by 35,000,000 in acreage than the pre-war annual average, which it is estimated will yield 635,000 bushels more than the pre-war average. The report shows an increased number of milch cows over 1914 by 2,700,000, of other cattle by 8,500,000, and swine by 16,700,000, and horses and mules by 7,000,000.

The department estimated a maximum fall acreage of 47,208,000 acres, an increase of 12 per cent over 1914. There was actually planted 42,261,000, the largest acreage in the nation's history. The spring wheat acreage was 22,552,000; winter and spring wheat combined amounted to 71,834,000 acres, or 7,200,000 more than the previous record.

**Bold Burglar Gets
Three Dozen Eggs
And Makes Escape**

A burglar solved the high cost of living temporarily by breaking into a restaurant operated by Joe Gianini, at 255 Union avenue. He took three dozen fresh eggs and a sack of flour.

Swan C. Johnson of Vancouver, who was spending the week end at the Taylor hotel, reported to the police that someone entered his room and stole \$60 in currency and \$3 in small change.

Two cases of room prowling in the Albemarle apartments, 383, William avenue, were reported to the police Sunday. Miss Clara Knutsen reported that \$25 was taken from her room and Mrs. Stewart Hissop reported that a \$1 bill, a silver pie server and a silver cream ladle were taken from her room. One of the other tenants reported that she had seen an 18-year-old boy prowling around.

A swinging brace, a 31-inch rip saw and a 24-inch diamond edge saw were stolen from a building at Thirteenth and Raleigh streets, where they had been left by J. H. Bradley, 166 East Twelfth street.

**Dairyman Facing
New Prosecution on
Moonshine Charge**

"He yelled something in Swiss and the hired man ran to the barn to kick the top off the still," a revenue officer today testified before United States Commissioner Drake in the hearing of Adolph Struble, West Portland dairy owner.

Whereupon was related a chase after the hired man, the firing of shots, the kicking down of a door, and the final arrest of the dairyman on a charge of moonshining.

Commissioner Drake thought the "wittles" good enough to pass on to the federal grand jury. He held Struble under \$1000 bond.

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City May Get White Shield Home; Needs Contagious Hospital

Decision as to what building the city council will take over as a contagious hospital to care for increasing small-pox cases will not be decided for another week, in the opinion of City Health Officer Parrish.

Dr. Parrish favors the unoccupied White Shield home, located on the Blythe tract near Willamette heights. Directors of the Christian Science church will decide tonight whether or not they will rent the home to the city. Provision in the state health laws allows any municipality a right to take over any unoccupied building in an emergency. Dr. Parrish favors such action in the White Shield home.

Dr. Parrish states that the house, on the peak of Mount Tabor park is not feasible for use, in that it will cost \$3000 to fit it for hospital purposes. He believes the present detention home at the Cedars, which is being considered, is also impracticable, as it is located 14 miles from the city.

Dr. J. T. Townley Funeral Will Be Held on Tuesday

The funeral of Dr. John T. Townley, who died Sunday, will be held from the Finley chapel Tuesday at 2:30. Dr. Townley was a native of Missouri, aged 50, and had resided in Portland 19 years. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. May Townley, and his son, Albert Townley, of San Diego, Cal. A brother is Albert Townley of Portland. Dr. Townley was a member of the Woodmen of the World and Neighbors of Woodcraft.

William H. Carter
William H. Carter, age 83, a native of Ohio, died Saturday at his residence, 545 East Couch street. He had resided most of his life near Montesano, Wash., and moved to Portland about a year and a half ago. Carter is survived by four children, Albert and Thomas Carter of this city, John B. Carter of California, Mrs. Elizabeth Mutter of Comstock, Wash., and a number of grandchildren. The funeral was held Monday afternoon at Montesano. Miller & Tracey of this city had charge.

James Smith
The body of James Smith, who died Saturday at the age of 53, has been forwarded to relatives in Indianapolis, Ind., by R. T. Byrnes. Smith suffered from paralysis and came to Portland 13 months ago in search of health.

Municipal Court Receipts for Year Amount to \$80,214

Receipts of the municipal court for the fiscal year, December 1, 1918, to November 30, 1919, totals \$80,214.50, according to the yearly report of N. D. Beutgen, clerk of the court. The fines total \$25,774.50 and costs imposed by the court total \$510. In addition \$3926 bail money was forfeited during the year by persons who did not appear for trial. November was the heaviest month of the year, fines being \$9211 and forfeitures \$276. April is the month with the lowest record, fines totaling but \$4708 and forfeitures \$275. The receipts during the past year are lower than those for the previous year, the totals being: Fines, \$35,877; forfeitures, \$3779; costs, \$276.

Seaside's Eastern Star Chooses New Officers for Year

Seaside, Dec. 8.—The Maple chapter, order of the Eastern Star, elected the following officers to serve the ensuing year: Mrs. Frank Mathisen, worthy matron; C. S. Simpson, worthy patron; Mrs. Tom McKay, associate matron; Eva Frouty, conductress; Bertha K. Hasmeier, associate conductress; Bertha Abbott, secretary; Mrs. David Henshaw, treasurer.

Band Clears \$150
La Grande, Dec. 8.—At a benefit dance given by the O. W. band her \$150 was raised for the upkeep of the band. The business men of La Grande had donated prizes to the amount of \$125. Each business house gave its prize to the person best representing the character chosen by the firm. The judges for the evening were Mrs. Norman Deslett, Mrs. Ward Fowler, W. W. Berry, Perry Caldwell and A. Arminstead.

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Walter Tooze Sr. Is Chief Speaker At Elks' Memorial

Walter L. Tooze Sr. of Salem delivered the annual memorial address at the lodge of sorrow conducted by B. P. O. Elks No. 142 at the First Presbyterian church Sunday afternoon in keeping with the annual custom of all Elks lodges.

Beautiful tribute was paid to members who have died within the last year, both through the ritualistic ceremonies and the eulogy of Frank J. Loneragan. The ritualistic work was directed by Exalted Ruler J. J. Berg. Mrs. Jane Burns Albert, Mrs. Lulu Dahl Miller, Don J. Zan and W. A. Erwin sang special selections. They were accompanied by Edgar E. Coursen, organist. The church was crowded with members of the Portland lodge and their friends.

In the memorial address Tooze declared for a thorough cleansing of the fabric of American citizenship through the deportation of undesirable aliens, such as the Bolsheviks and I. W. W. He prefaced his demand for a national housecleaning by a recitation of the circumstances surrounding the death of his son, Lieutenant Leslie Tooze, in service overseas.

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La Grande Dec. 8.—A. C. Hampton, superintendent of the La Grande public schools, and president of the Oregon State Teachers' association, received a telegram saying Dr. F. G. Bonser, head of the school of education in Columbia university, of New York, will be one of the two principal speakers at the annual meeting of the Oregon teachers in Portland, December 29, 30 and 31. Superintendent H. B. Wilson of the Berkeley, Cal., schools, will be the other principal speaker.

The committees that will report on the first day of the meeting of the association, December 29, follow:

The committee on retardation, composed of Superintendent C. Strang, Baker; Superintendent W. R. Rutherford, Eugene; Superintendent G. A. Briscoe, Ashland; Principal F. M. Nash, Harrisburg; Principal Leslie Strachan, Joseph; Mrs. Ines Miller, Corvallis; W. M. Sutton, Burns.

Committee on Teachers' Retirement Fund—Principal J. F. Elton, Astoria; Principal E. H. Anderson, Dundas; Superintendent H. M. James, Enterprise; Mrs. Margaret J. Cooper, Salem; Mrs. Eula Walker, Monroe; Superintendent W. J. Starr, Dufur; Superintendent W. L. Ford, Dallas; O. N. Bittner, Washington high school, Portland; Superintendent C. E. Mulkey, Coquille.

Committee to Make Report on Health Program—Dr. B. W. DeBak, University of Oregon, Eugene; Principal Almada, J. Fuller, Haines; Principal Ernest E. Hurley, Imbler; Principal H. L. Robe, Seio; Professor