

DR. JORDAN DECLARES AMERICA IS BETTER

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., July 27.—(U. P.)—David Starr Jordan, president emeritus of Stanford university, in an address before the National Industrial Peace and Educational Association's conference here today, declared that American society, "whatsoever its faults, is the best the world has ever known."

"And it grows better with each generation," he added. "To improve it, is not to break it up. Thousands of good men and women have agonized and died to make it as good as it is. It holds within itself the power successfully to remove every defect its members recognize. Violence sets it back and the progress of civilization is away from force toward voluntary cooperation as the basis of society."

These principles, Jordan said, also apply to our labor disputes. "Antagonism between capital, labor and management cannot persist," he asserted. "These three are allies in production and it is part of management to make them all friends. A democracy knows no caste nor class. Capitalists, bourgeoisie, proletariat are foreign appellations which fit nobody in this country where we are all plain citizens."

WESTERN CROPS ARE REPORTED UNCHANGED

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., July 27.—(U. P.)—Condition of crops in western states is "practically unchanged," compared to a month ago, according to the monthly resume of general business and agricultural conditions, which was issued today by the Twelfth Federal Reserve bank of San Francisco.

The bank's report states that an improved outlook for spring-sown grains in the Pacific northwest and Intermountain regions is being offset by the damage which was done to growing crops in California by hot winds and rains in some sections of the state.

"The yield of fall-sown grains, which are now being harvested, is light because of deficient moisture and cool weather during the growing season," says the report.

"The first crop of alfalfa has averaged from five to ten percent below normal, and the total winter wheat crop for the district is now estimated at 53,364,000 bushels, as compared with 61,975,000 bushels in 1919. The quality, however, of both wheat and alfalfa is good. Present indications are the second crop of alfalfa, which is now growing, will be normal throughout the district.

"The spring wheat crop of this district is now estimated at 49,830,000 bushels, as compared with 49,927,000 bushels in 1919. This increase, if realized, will more than offset the deficiency in winter wheat, and result in an increased wheat output in this district of 2,236,000 bushels as compared with 1919."

The condition of deciduous fruits in the Pacific northwest has been materially improved during the last month by favorable weather, according to the report. The cherry crop is now estimated at 100 per cent of normal, as compared with 60 per cent a month ago; the pear crop at 75 per cent, as compared with 50 per cent, and the berry crop, with the exception of strawberries, 95 to 100 per cent, as compared with 75 to 85 per cent. There has been no noticeable improvement in the condition of peaches, the crop in the Yakima valley being estimated at 10 per cent of 1919, and that of the Wenatchee district at 50 per cent of last year. The indication are the apple crop will amount to only 70 per cent of normal.

The car shortage continues to restrict lumbering operations in the Pacific northwest.

ELECTRIC STORMS DO DAMAGE NEAR WESTON

(East Oregonian Special.)
WESTON, July 27.—During the electric storm Friday evening lightning set fire to a grain field belonging to R. G. Saling. Little damage was done, however, as only a few shocks of hay were burned.

Rollo Compton returned last Sunday from a 10 days' business trip to American Falls, Idaho.

On last Monday evening a valuable horse belonging to J. H. Key was struck by lightning. It fell to the ground, then reared up and fell again. When they got to it, it was dead and its neck was broken, presumably as a result of the fall.

Mrs. Harry Schick and small son are here on a visit from Forest Grove, Oregon.

Miss Faye Warren returned Tuesday from a few weeks' visit with friends near Seattle.

Miss Violet Gerking is here from Walla Walla visiting her aunts, Mrs. P. T. Harbour and Mrs. Etta Gerking.

Mrs. Walter Webb returned Thursday from a visit in the western part of Washington.

Committees are soliciting funds to clear up the debt that the Weston Library Association owes for the building and lot whereon is established their new library. The association needs about \$500 more and the soliciting committees report gratifying success in obtaining it.

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WIL REMODEL STORE.

E. J. Murphy of Murphy Brothers, has been issued a permit for the remodeling of the Murphy store on Main street. The permit was for \$350. The plans include the renovating and painting of this store.

HOUSE IS PAPERED.

The Charles H. Marsh residence on Lewis street is being improved. The interior is being painted and papered and the floors refinished.

OFFICES ARE FINISHED.

The new offices in the H. W. Collins office are nearing completion. The improvements give new quarters for members of the office force.

HOUSE IS IMPROVED.

Recent improvements in the Charles L. Bonney residence on Main street included the papering of the rooms.

OFFICES ARE REMODELED.

Offices on Court street are being remodelled for the use of William Falconer and his secretary, Mack Hoke. Mr. Falconer recently purchased the Cunningham Sheep and Land Co. The offices will include a general job counter, and private offices. They will be completed August 1.

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GERMAN SCHOOLS HIT

BERLIN, July 27.—(A. P.)—German universities have been hard hit by the depreciation of the mark. "The ruin of German currency," says Dr. Ernst Troeltsch, professor of philosophy at the University of Berlin, "has enclosed German science and education in a kind of Chinese wall which is strengthened by other countries' hatred of Germany, especially France's. We are being subjected to a scientific boycott and a moral blockade. The Versailles Treaty poisoned the air with its dogma of guilt." He contends that science should be international in thought and co-operation.

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E. S. ATHLETES LEAVE.

HOBOKEN, N. J., July 26.—(A. P.)—United States army transport Princess Matoika sailed with 3427 American athletes who will participate in the Olympic games at Antwerp.

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