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'Fraid to Return



IMOGENE WILSON

That's the plaintive cry of Imogene Wilson, former stage beauty, whose affairs with Frank Tinney, the comedian, were aired last winter. Sick and alone in Berlin, she says the publicity her troubles created have likely killed her chances on the stage.

hens 15c; heavy hens 20@22c; old roosters 5c.
Butterfat 52c; creamery butter 53c; eggs 26c; standard 28c; sealecta 30c; milk \$2.36 cwt.
Vegetables and fruits: Cantaloupes \$1.50; watermelons 1.49 1/2c; oranges \$7.75 @ 8.75; lemons \$5.00; grapefruit \$10.00; bananas 9c; apples \$1.50 box; new potatoes \$2.00; hatched vege- tables; beets 3c; carrots 1 1/2c; turnips 1c; local 40@45c; onions, radishes 40c doz; bunches; tomatoes 75c doz; green beans 6c Oregon extra 30c doz; plums 4c; home grown cabbage 2c; local cauliflower \$2.00 doz; fresh parsley 60c doz; casabas 4c; local peaches \$2.00 a bushel; peppers 8c lb; fancy hill 15c lb; hill size cucumbers 7c; cherries 7 1/2c; outdoor blues \$1.00 carton; seedless grapes 5c lb; sweet corn 2 1/2c; new Malaga grapes 7 1/2c; garlic 1 1/2c lb; new packing onions 7 1/2c; onions \$3.50.

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CROP REPORTS SHOW THRESHING WELL ADVANCED

Portland, Aug. 26—The crop report for Oregon for the week ending August 25, prepared by the United States department of agriculture, follows:

Cool weather prevailed most of the week in northwestern counties extending to other portions of the state toward the close of the week, culminating in heavy frost in some central and eastern localities. Rain fell over the greatest part of the state Saturday and Sunday. The precipitation exceeded one inch on the southern coast, and over considerable areas elsewhere was sufficient to be of material benefit to vegetation and to check the spread of forest fires.

Cereals—Little small grain remains to be harvested except in the more elevated districts and threshing is well advanced. The rain caused some delay in threshing, but though it to have done little damage. Corn was somewhat improved by rain, but in eastern counties suffered some local injury from frost. Flowing in winter wheat has been facilitated by the rain, but in most sections more rain is needed.

Fruits—Late fruits will be helped by the rain. Picking of Bartlett pears is complete in some sections, and picking of Howell pears is under way. Picking and canning of evergreen blackberries are progressing. Oregon peaches are in market in fair quantity.

Meadows, pastures and ranges—Cutting of the third crop of alfalfa is practically complete in some southern counties and cutting of the second crop is advancing in central counties. Haying was somewhat delayed by rain. Hauling of clover seed is in progress. Pastures have been somewhat revived by rain. Feed on the higher ranges is holding out well, but in many places domestic pastures, where not irrigated are insufficient for the needs of stock.

Livestock—Most ranges are in good condition, and the markets are well supplied with beef and mutton, but some domestic stock is falling.

Miscellaneous—Picking of early hops has been somewhat interfered with by rain. Late hops are doing well. Some late potatoes will be helped by the rain, but some are too far advanced. Tomatoes and onions are fairly plentiful. Onion pulling is in progress.

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Several sections reported bumper crops, many reported better crops, and all heard from reported bumper crops for farm products; but the high note was the reported bumper "financing conditions" which came from communities where early frosts and later drought severely damaged crops. In these sections the farmers faced their ancient field enemies buoyed up by the prospect that better prices and better business conditions would more than offset the damage.

Statistics compiled by the National Bank of Commerce of St. Louis state that while three years ago a given quantity of farm products when exchanged for industrial goods was worth only 68 per cent of its 1911 exchange value, now it is worth 97 cents.

William Martin, chairman of the board of the federal reserve bank of St. Louis, said there is increased purchasing power in the country due to large crops and higher prices.

Everett C. Brown, president of the Chicago Livestock Exchange, after a three weeks' trip in the western farming country, said the year's crop was the biggest ever raised. He reported also the greatest scarcity in many years of fat fancy cattle and predicted that money would be made out of the corn crop by feeding it to livestock.

In Minnesota both grain and livestock marketing showed increases over a year ago.

A bumper crop of small grain and corn production above the average were predicted in Iowa. Charles D. Reed, director of the Iowa weather and crop reporting service, predicted a corn average of 40.5 bushels per acre. Oats, barley and wheat threshed more heavily than expected.

In Nebraska, A. E. Anderson, state and federal crop statistician said that late surveys convinced him there was a possibility for exceeding last year's corn crop of 263,000,000 bushels.

Although Kansas harvested one of its smallest wheat crops, about 63,000,000 bushels, better prices were expected to compensate partially. Corn in Kansas was estimated at a little over 100,000,000 bushels. J. C. Mobler, secretary of the Kansas state board of agriculture, said late rains have assured abundant feed and conditions that can hardly be beaten for fall seeding of wheat.

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