

NEWS FROM THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

ISSUES REPORT ON CROPS.

Department of Agriculture Sends Out Supplemental Bulletin.

Washington, Oct. 15.—A supplemental report on crop conditions has been issued by the department of agriculture. Besides giving the crop figures announced previously, it gives the following:

Condition per cent aged apples, 48.4; cranberries, 58.3; grapes, 83.9; hops, quality, 92.6; peanuts, 85.4; sorghum, 84.3; sugar beets, 85.4; sugar cane, 80.6; sweet potatoes, 85.5.

The preliminary estimate of rye total production is given as 30,921,000 bushels, against 31,566,000 for 1907, and hay, 67,743,000 tons, against 63,677,000 last year.

The production estimates on a basis of 100 representing a full crop include: Beans, dry, 79; cabbage, 73.5; clover seed, 90.8; hemp, 45.2; hops, pounds per acre, 1,064.8; onions, 83.4; tomatoes, 80.2; watermelons, 79.7.

The average condition of seventeen important crops representing nearly 90 per cent of the value of all farm crops, weighed according to their relative importance, was on October 1 for the United States 77.8, against 79.7 September 1.

Workmen Favor Private Yards.

Washington, Oct. 17.—A special committee representing 5000 unemployed workmen formerly with the Bethlehem steel works, is preparing to visit President Roosevelt next Monday. The committee will endeavor to convince the president that the prosperity of thousands of workmen would be assured if more government contracts went to private firms than to the navy yard. President Roosevelt was appealed to yesterday by Representative J. D. Broadhead to enlarge the scope of private contracts for government construction work, on the plea that many idle men would be given work. Broadhead arranged for the workmen's committee to see the president.

New Cattle Rate.

Washington, Oct. 17.—The sweeping reduction of from 1 to 5 cents per 100 pounds on range cattle shipments, which the interstate commerce commission had ordered on August 27 of this year, went into effect today. The order was the result of an investigation made by the commission in consequence of a protest of the Texas cattle raisers against the Missouri, Kansas & Texas railroad and a great many other western and southwestern roads, which had advanced the rates on range cattle last spring. The order, which went into effect today, applies to 59 railroads in the western and southwestern parts of the country.

Hospital Gets \$1,000,000.

New York, Oct. 16.—It was announced today that James S. Kennedy, the New York banker, had given \$1,000,000 to the Presbyterian hospital of this city, of which he is president. The money is to be used in construction of buildings. Other gifts made by Mr. Kennedy and previously announced are \$500,000 to Columbia university, \$300,000 for a building of the United Charities and \$250,000 to the School of Philanthropy.

Cruisers Reach Hawaii.

Honolulu, Oct. 15.—The Pacific fleet, commanded by Rear-Admiral Swinburne, has arrived at this port on its return from Samoa. The cruisers, which sailed from Pago Pago on October 3, entered the harbor at 11:30 o'clock in the morning and immediately began coaling preparatory to their return to the California coast. The fleet was delayed at Pago Pago by the tardiness of the chartered colliers Strathairn and Strathlaven.

Mexican Ambassador Resigns.

Mexico City, Oct. 16.—The Mexican foreign office has confirmed the resignation of Enrique C. Creel as ambassador to the United States. Senator Creel for some time past has held the double position of governor of the state of Chihuahua and ambassador at Washington. His successor in the post at Washington, which is the highest in the Mexican diplomatic service, has not yet been decided upon.

May Kill Li's Biographer.

Pekin, Oct. 16.—Madame Lien, wife of the biographer of the late Li Hung Chang, has been arrested in Shanghai on imperial order. The reason for the action is found in the fact that Madame Lien has of late been making brave efforts to clear the character of a female teacher, who was beheaded last year charged with revolutionary activity. Madame Lien is a Chinese woman of education.

Roads Improve Service.

Washington, Oct. 13.—Franklin Lane, of the interstate commerce commission, opened the proceedings of the annual convention of the National Association of Railway Commissioners. He stated that during the present year practically all American railroads had been able to furnish transportation facilities within a reasonable time.

Hands Off, Says Judge.

Davenport, Ia., Oct. 16.—Judge Smith McPherson, in the United States court, today gave a final decision in the case of the United Breweries against the Civic Federation of Davenport. He declared the Iowa liquor statute a quasi criminal law and said that the federal court had no power to interfere with its enforcement by state courts.

GOVERNMENT FIGHTS DUST.

Officials Trying to Make Roads Suitable for All Purposes.

Washington, Oct. 17.—"Dust Preventives," by Prevost Hubbard, issued as Bulletin No. 34, United States office of public roads, is the latest contribution to literature on road construction and maintenance. Mr. Hubbard's paper has been prepared to meet the growing demand by road engineers for specific information on the important subject of dust prevention. He has made a research of all literature on the subject, supplementing this with the results of actual experiments made by the office of public roads.

Interest has been recently reawakened in the problem of the prevention of dust on country highways, the well-nigh universal use of the automobile being responsible for the additional study and experiments. Road engineers are now agreed that the automobile, when moving at a high speed, is destructive to macadam roads, the broad soft tires lifting the rock dust and scattering it over adjacent fields.

AWAITS RIGHT MOMENT.

Roosevelt Said to Have Plan to Settle Balkan Trouble.

Washington, Oct. 13.—President Roosevelt is watching the Balkan situation closely. Instructions, it is said in diplomatic circles, have been sent to every American diplomatic agent in the Balkan peninsula, and in all Europe, to report daily on the progress of affairs.

When the right moment arrives President Roosevelt will have a plan of arbitration ready to submit to the powers, declare the friends of the chief executive.

The visit of Charles S. Francis, American ambassador at Vienna, who is at home on a vacation, to President Roosevelt recently is taken to mean that the president will have something to suggest to Emperor Franz Josef when the time arrives.

New Stamp Issue.

Washington, Oct. 15.—The bureau of engraving and printing is preparing to issue the new postage stamps, designs for which have been completed at the suggestion of Postmaster-General Meyer. The new stamps are to be the most simple printed by the government for years. They will be of the following denominations: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 15 and 50-cent and \$1. The \$2 and \$5 denominations now in use will not be reprinted.

The printing of the 2-cent denomination is to be begun at once, and it is thought they will be ready for distribution some time in November.

The stamps are very simple in design. The lettering is in straight lines. At the top are the words, "U. S. Postage," and at the bottom the words, "Two Cents," or according to the denomination. The 1-cent stamps contain the head of Franklin and all the others the head of Washington. The heads are all profiles. The colors are the reds and blues of early stamps.

Make Them Go to School.

Washington, Oct. 14.—In his annual report just made public, Commissioner of Education E. E. Brown recommends compulsory school attendance by the native children of Alaska. He says: "Experience has shown that in many sections of Alaska regularity of attendance in the public schools for natives cannot be maintained without a legal penalty for truancy. The passage of a bill requiring the attendance of all children of school age unless mentally or physically disqualified is desirable."

Diplomats Are Uneasy.

Washington, Oct. 14.—Never since the United States began in a modest way to boast a corps of diplomats at its capital has so much unrest been observed in this august body of foreigners as at the present time. A general shift of envoys is imminent as the result of the presidential election. Germany is to send a new ambassador, but he will not be named until the kaiser knows whom he is to please in his choice of representatives.

Cross of Honor for King.

Washington, Oct. 14.—Victor Emmanuel III, king of Italy, will be awarded an American cross of honor at a ceremony to be held in this city, October 15. The board of governors of the American Cross of Honor association will convene here on that date and make the award to the king, who was elected an honorary member of the order last February, and who accepted by letter May 31, 1908.

12,000 Deaths This Year.

Washington, Oct. 13.—Approximately 12,000 deaths from cholera in the Philippines since January 1 of this year are announced in a detailed report made to the public health service by Chief Quarantine Officer McClintock, at Manila. The report says that cases of cholera continue to be reported in the Philippines, but the disease shows little tendency toward spreading.

In Honor of Bryce.

Washington, Oct. 14.—Ambassador Bryce has gone to Boston to attend a banquet to be given in his honor by the British organizations of that city. The occasion will be the first appearance of the British ambassador before the people of New England.

Stewart Is Out.

Washington, Oct. 14.—President Roosevelt has approved the report of the retiring board recommending the retirement of Colonel William F. Stewart, the Fort Grant exile, from the army.

HOLLAND CALLS CASTRO.

Demands That Venezuela Forthwith Revoke De Reus Decree.

Caracas, Oct. 14.—"The revocation of the decree of May 14 is demanded in the most energetic manner—the government of Venezuela must from this moment and without delay fulfill the protocol of 1894—and not prolong the intolerable state of affairs which it has created by the decree of May 14." These are the words of the minister of foreign affairs of The Netherlands in his note of August 20 in which he answers Venezuela's communication telling of the summary dismissal of Minister De Reus from Caracas.

Vansinderem, the foreign minister of Holland, began his reply to President Castro by acknowledging the gravity of the offense committed by M. De Reus and saying that The Netherlands government would have immediately recalled him of its own initiative if it had seen the offensive publication, but that President Castro had taken justice into his own hands and violating international custom by summarily expelling the minister without asking for his recall.

The note goes on to say that after the renewal of friendly relations is established, "the celebration of a definite treaty of arbitration and consular convention, which will be the surest means of arriving at the desired end, shall be submitted to subsequent consideration. But the government of Venezuela must, from this moment," and without delay, show it knows how to appreciate in its real value the protocols of 1904 which form the basis of our relations, as well as the obligations incurred by The Netherlands, and faithfully lived up to, and that it does not wish to compromise its existence by prolonging the intolerable state of affairs which it has created by the decree of May 14."

DANGER POINT AGAIN SHIFTS.

Bulgaria is Now Center of Action in Balkans.

Paris, Oct. 14.—Advices received here from French official sources indicate that the danger point in the Balkans has shifted back to Bulgaria. While there is no confirmation of the report that Bulgaria has delivered an ultimatum to Turkey regarding the recognition of her independence inside of three days, there is reason to believe that Bulgaria is determined to make a move if Turkey and the powers persist in their refusal to accept her independence as an accomplished fact.

The danger of a declaration of war from Serbia is considered over for the present. The French government has decided to leave Serbia's demand for compensation from Austria-Hungary to the consideration of the powers.

M. Stanchoff, the diplomat agent of Bulgaria in Paris declared yesterday that the situation in Bulgaria was grave and tense.

"A rapid solution is necessary," he said. The agent said, however, he did not believe an ultimatum had been sent to Turkey.

The Turkish ambassador here, Nasum Pasha, admits that Turkey is taking defensive military measures, but he repeats that Turkey desires peace.

WAR ON GAMBLING.

University of Nevada Leads Fight on Vice at Reno.

Reno, Nev., Oct. 14.—Believing that gambling in Reno is accountable for the small attendance at the university of Nevada, because people throughout the state will not send their children to school in a city where the evil exists as it does in Reno, the university authorities have taken an active hand in the anti-gambling campaign now being waged in Reno for the special election to abolish the licenses on October 24.

At a student-body meeting Monday Dr. J. E. Stubbs urged upon all students of age to be sure and register, and the registration office has been deluged with students. It is understood that the gambling element will challenge these votes. A monster mass meeting was held here Monday night, at which addresses were made to an audience of fully 3,000 people.

The movement has gained an immense momentum, and the enthusiasm locally is greater than any local faction-fight ever aroused before in the history of the city.

May Cost Hill Million.

Billings, Mont., Oct. 14.—The first of what is expected to be a series of damage suits against the Northern Pacific, as the result of the recent wreck at Young's Siding, in which 21 persons were killed and nearly a score injured, was filed here yesterday by Mrs. Mattie Anderson and her daughter Mabel, who ask \$50,375 for the death of Robert Anderson, husband and father, respectively, of the plaintiffs. In the aggregate the damage suits which will be begun against the railroad company will exceed \$1,000,000.

Few New Cholera Cases.

Manila, Oct. 14.—The number of new cases of cholera has declined to about five cases daily and these are chiefly confined to one or two of the congested native districts. The health authorities are vigorously fighting the disease and, besides guarding and disinfecting the houses where it occurs, are disinfecting the entire city. The disease is gradually disappearing in the provinces, but few new cases being daily reported from Rizal, Laguna, Cavite and Palawan.

Why Children Go Hungry.

Chicago, Oct. 14.—The charitable organizations here declare that an investigation of the charges of the Socialists that 15,000 children go hungry in Chicago every day shows the charge to be exaggerated and that drink in every case is at the bottom of the evils that Socialists attribute to capitalism.

FOR COUGHS KING OF CURES FOR COLDS

THE WONDER WORKER

FOR THROAT DR. KING'S AND LUNGS

NEW DISCOVERY

FOR COUGHS AND COLDS

PREVENTS PNEUMONIA

I had the most debilitating cough a mortal was ever afflicted with, and my friends expected that when I left my bed it would surely be for my grave. Our doctor pronounced my case incurable, but thanks be to God, four bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery cured me so completely that I am all sound and well.—MRS. EVA UNCAPHER, Grovertown, Ind.

Price 50c and \$1.00 **ABSOLUTELY GUARANTEED!** Trial Bottle Free

SOLD AND GUARANTEED BY

C. F. MOORE

DIARRHOEA

There is no need of anyone suffering long with this disease, for to effect a quick cure it is only necessary to take a few doses of

Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy

In fact, in most cases one dose is sufficient. It never fails and can be relied upon in the most severe and dangerous cases. It is equally valuable for children and is the means of saving the lives of many children each year. In the world's history no medicine has ever met with greater success. Price 25 cents. Large size 50 cents.

ORINDO Laxative Fruit Syrup

Pleasant to take and does not gripe or nauseate

Cures Chronic Constipation, Stomach and Liver Trouble

The condition of the patient remains unchanged. The Stomach, Liver and Bowels have not been stimulated and in a few days a stronger purgative may have to be taken. This is why Pills and Aperients never give permanent relief. Waters never give permanent relief. Their violent action results in an unnatural movement of the bowels and it is necessary to keep taking them indefinitely.

Why ORINDO is different.
ORINDO Laxative Fruit Syrup is the only preparation that really acts upon all the digestive organs. Other preparations act upon the lower bowel only and do not touch the Liver. It can very readily be seen that a preparation that does not act upon all of the digestive organs is not a satisfactory substitute.

OUR GUARANTEE
Take ORINDO Laxative Fruit Syrup and if you are not satisfied your money will be refunded. Prepared only by FOLLY & CO., Chicago, Ill. **SOLD AND RECOMMENDED BY**

C. F. MOORE