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GRAIN PRICE BOOST BIG AID TO FARMERS

Billion Dollars Added to Value of Crops as Result of Advance in Wheat Prices.

Chicago, Ill.—A billion dollars has been added to speculative value of the grain crops in the United States and the Canadian northwest as a result of the advance in the last few weeks of approximately 30 cents a bushel in wheat prices in the United States and an increase of 42 cents a bushel in Canada.

Trading in grain on the Chicago Board of Trade has reached its peak since May, 1923. From an average of 20,000,000 bushels of grain a day as the extent of trading, last week found the "pit" handling 110,000,000 bushels a day. Sixty-nine million bushels of this amount were in wheat for future delivery.

Much of the advance, observers declare, is due to the foreign interest in American grain. Foreign dealers have purchased more than 25,000,000 bushels of wheat futures within the past fortnight.

Underlying the advance is the fact that both wheat and corn crops will be unusually short, due to the unseasonable growing weather. The shortage in corn is estimated as the largest in 20 years, the July first forecast being about two and a half billion of bushels. A prolonged hot spell during August may raise this amount slightly, however, crop experts declare. As it stands, the corn crop now is two weeks "late."

Spokane, Wash.—Stocks of 1923 wheat on hand in eastern Washington and northern Idaho are worth \$1,500,000 more than if they had been sold at the low price level, because of the recent rise in prices, according to Walter J. Robinson, manager of the Washington Wheat Growers. He estimates that there is between 5,000,000 and 6,000,000 bushels of wheat held over.

The new crop is not being sold, Mr. Robinson said.

U. S. VICE CONSUL KILLED BY PERSIANS

Washington, D. C.—A message received by the state department from American Minister Joseph S. Kornfeld at Tehran, Persia, said that Vice Consul Robert Imbrie died from shock after having been brutally kicked and beaten by a mob.

The vice consul and Melvin Seymour, also an American, had stopped their carriage to watch a religious demonstration in the city, the message said, and were rushed by the mob, who mistook them for members of a sect known as the Bahais, against which the demonstration was directed.

Teheran, Persia.—Major Robert W. Imbrie, American vice-consul, was beaten to death by a native mob here. The Persians resented an attempt by Major Imbrie to photograph a so-called "magic fountain" of which the natives stand in awe.

Melvin Seymour, an American who was with the vice-consul, was severely wounded and is in a hospital. He is not expected to recover.

SMALLPOX CAUSES FEAR

895 Cases of Disease Now Reported in 35 States.

Washington, D. C.—Apprehension over the growing number of smallpox cases throughout the country was expressed by Surgeon-General Cumming of the public health service, who said the presence of the disease in 35 states threatened serious consequences unless state health officers exercise the greatest vigilance in vaccination and revaccination.

Warnings have been sent to all state health officers, to the American Railway association and to the American Automobile association, urging that the greatest care be exercised to prevent spread of the disease.

Figures on smallpox cases for the week ending June 21, compiled by the health service, show 35 states reporting 895 cases as compared with 371 cases for the corresponding week a year ago.

No Americans Killed at Sao Paulo. Washington, D. C.—Three thousand civilians are reported to have been killed and injured in fighting at Sao Paulo between Brazilian federal and revolutionary forces. Reports received by the state department said, however, that no American were included among the casualties.

Wheeler La Follette's Running Mate. Washington, D. C.—Burton K. Wheeler, democratic senator from Montana, formally announced his acceptance of the independent nomination for vice president to run with Senator Robert M. La Follette.

GERMAN RESOURCES WILL SECURE LOAN

Preservation of Treaty Rights Also Agreed on in Case Germany Defaults.

London.—The committee on sanctions of the inter-allied conference agreed unanimously on two important principles to govern the action of the allies in event of possible default by Germany under the Dawes reparations plan, namely, to insure investors in the loan to Germany of priority on all German resources in event of such default, and to preserve the rights of the countries signatory to the Versailles treaty.

With this agreement, in the opinion of the American, British and French delegates, a long step has been taken toward the success of the conference upon which such high hopes have been raised for the economic restoration of Europe.

At the opening of the conference it was generally recognized that the proposed loan to Germany was the crux of the Dawes plan, and after only four days' deliberations it was possible for the committee to agree that in any contingency, including default and resultant sanctions, the holders of the loan should have priority claim to the assets of Germany. With this is coupled an agreement that the protocol to "make the conference action effective shall reserve all the rights enjoyed at present by those countries which signed the treaty of Versailles.

France hails the latter decision as a distinct victory for her, and takes it to mean that she still has the right to separate action should Germany default.

The Americans and British share in the French enthusiasm over the fact that the unanimous agreement has carried the work of the conference so far forward, although they do not share the inference that France is ready to draw from the understanding.

BOY MURDERERS PLEAD GUILTY

Chicago.—Death, life imprisonment or a penitentiary term of not less than fourteen years are faced by Nathan Leopold Jr., and Richard Loeb, millionaires' sons, whose plea of guilty to kidnapping and killing Robert Franks, have swept aside carefully prepared insanity defenses and thrown them on the mercy of Judge John R. Caverly.

Only evidence tending to mitigate their punishment can be submitted at a judicial hearing without a jury. The prosecution, which demands the gallows for the two university graduate students who said they killed for experiment, plans to examine a hundred witnesses. The defense, hoping for a life sentence, expects to submit testimony of alienists regarding the mental responsibility of the youths.

The hearing is purely in the nature of an advisory conference, in which the opposing counsel will present arguments and evidence in support of the respective pleas for punishment.

TO PROBE STOCK SALES

Committee Named by Gov. Pierce to Inquire as to Legitimacy.

Salem, Or.—Investigation of stocks and bonds sales in the state of Oregon with a view of determining whether the transactions are legitimate or are conducted for personal gain and without regard for the rights of unsuspecting purchasers, has been ordered by Governor Pierce here.

The investigation will be conducted by a committee of Portland men including Oswald West, ex-governor; L. A. Liljeqvist, assistant attorney-general, and George Black, member of the state board of accountancy. Governor Pierce has urged that the committee hold a meeting within the next few days and that it act without any unnecessary delay.

Phone Companies Win Rates Battle.

Tacoma, Wash.—The injunction asked by the telephone companies to prevent the state authorities from interfering with the immediate increase of rates in Tacoma, Seattle and Spokane was granted by the three federal court judges who heard the case here. The decision of the court indicated that in the opinion of its members the present rates were unfair to the companies. This was the second court victory for the companies in the fight which has extended more than two years. The telephone companies announced the advanced rates would go into effect August 1.

Bee Sting Kills Man. Kankakee, Ill.—Frank B. Lane, 43, died here from poisoning 15 minutes after a honey bee had stung him above the right eye.

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BURTON K. WHEELER



United States Senator—Wheeler, democrat, Montana, who will run for vice-president on the La Follette ticket.

OFFER ELEVATORS TO FARM BUREAU

Minneapolis, Minn.—Thirty-six grain companies of the northwest offered to sell their entire holdings, including 1062 country elevators in Minnesota, North and South Dakota and Montana to the American Farm Bureau Federation.

The offer was made in a letter to O. E. Bradfute, president of the farm bureau federation and one of the lead-

ers in the new grain handling company recently incorporated in Illinois to take over five of the largest grain firms in Chicago.

These holdings also include twenty-two terminal elevators in Minneapolis and twelve in Duluth, with the total elevator capacity approximating 65,000,000 bushels, according to the grain companies announcement.

Representatives of all thirty-six companies, many of them with headquarters here, signed the letter, which also went to the board of directors of the farm bureau federation.

Jack Dempsey Hurt in Auto Accident. Los Angeles, Cal.—Jack Dempsey, heavyweight champion of the world, was bruised and shaken up in an automobile accident early Monday at Santa Ana, near here. The accident occurred while Dempsey was on route to a moving picture "location" with Miss Florence Lee, film actress, who also was slightly injured.

Government Sues Produce Exchange.

Washington, D. C.—Attorney-General Stone directed that suit be brought under the Sherman anti-trust act against the Seattle Produce association, alleging that corporation to be operating in restraint of trade, constituting a conspiracy to dictate and control the cost of necessary foodstuffs.

Loot of Oswego Bank Totals \$1751.

Oswego, Or.—Check-up of the robbery at the Oswego State bank showed that the two hold-up men who invaded the institution escaped with \$1751.50, after locking the cashier, his assistant and a woman customer in the vault.

And Some One Will Grab It. A speck of gold weighing less than one-millionth of a grain can be seen with the naked eye.

MRS. J. D. SHERMAN



Mrs. John D. Sherman of Colorado, elected president of the Federation of Women's clubs at its convention in Los Angeles.

MISSING WOMAN FOUND MURDERED

Tacoma, Wash.—After a two months' search by the county prosecutor's office, the body of Mrs. Pearl Conner, missing Tacoma woman, was found at the bottom of a 40-foot well a few miles from Greendale, 16 miles

east of Tacoma. Upon examination by the coroner it was definitely ascertained that the woman was murdered, as her skull showed bullet holes.

Her husband, Richard Conner, was arrested last week and charged with the murder of his wife on the grounds of "ample evidence and proof" in the possession of the local prosecuting attorney, and is being held in the Clarke county jail at Vancouver, Wash.

Findings of the body of Mrs. Conner brings to an end a search by officials from the sheriff's office covering more than 2000 miles.

PAIR ARRESTED FOR ARSON

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Witner Accused of Conspiracy to Burn.

Montesano, Wash.—Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Witner were arrested at Elma by Sheriff Gibson and Deputy Sheriff Frye, as the first step in efforts of the authorities to clear up the mystery of the fire that destroyed the Witner house and cost the life of Eddie McCulloch, a Canadian railway worker, about 1 o'clock in the morning of July 10. Witner is 30 years old and his wife 25.

The Witners will be charged with conspiracy to burn their house and defraud the insurance company.

Washington Treasury Funds Gain.

Olympia, Wash.—Substantial gains were made by the state treasury for the week ending July 17, with receipts of \$921,116.83 and expenditures of \$921,116.83 and expenditures of \$921,116.83, the total cash balance being \$14,342,975.19 as reported by State Treasurer Babcock.

Everything Comes, Etc. Everything comes to those who wait. The rich man has ice in summer, but the poor man has just as much in winter.