

AMERICAN FARM PRODUCTS FOR 1916 BREAK RECORDS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—American farm products attained a gross value of \$13,439,000,000 in 1916, making that year the greatest in point of value of any in the nation's existence. That estimate of the year's gross value of farm crops and animal products, announced today by the department of agriculture, exceeds by \$2,074,000,000 the total of 1915, the previous record, and more than three and a half billion dollars the value in 1914. Crop production for the year was comparatively low and did not reach record figures except in a few minor instances, but high prices sent total values up. Crops were valued at \$9,131,000,000 and animal products at \$4,308,000,000. The crop value exceeded that of 1915 by \$2,204,000,000, and of 1914 by \$2,299,000,000. Crops alone in 1916 were worth more than crops and animal products combined in any year prior to 1912. Four crops in 1916 each exceeded a billion dollars in value. The corn product is put at \$2,299,000,000; cotton, \$1,406,000,000; hay, \$1,102,000,000; wheat, \$1,026,000,000. Other crops that exceeded one hundred million dollars were: Oats, \$656,000,000; potatoes, \$447,000,000; wood lot products, \$221,000,000; apples, \$186,000,000; tobacco, \$169,000,000; barley, \$160,000,000. The level of prices paid to producers for the principal crops on December 1, 1916, was about 55.9 per cent higher than a year previous; 52.9 per cent higher than two years before, and 52.8 per cent higher than the average of the previous eight years on December 1.

KAISER APPOINTS PRINCE OF POLAND AS HIS VICEEROY

LONDON, Jan. 18.—Prince Vaclav Von Nemcovski has been appointed viceroy of Poland by the German emperor, according to a Warsaw dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company by way of Amsterdam. Prince Nemcovski was recently elected crown marshal of Poland. He is a grandson of the president of the last Polish government of 1830.

LONDON, Jan. 18.—A Warsaw dispatch by way of Amsterdam quotes a proclamation to the Poles by the provisional state council of Poland. The proclamation says in part: "The great task of our people is the revival of this state, its upbuilding and future expansion to countries which have been snatched from Russia and which incline toward Poland."

After saying that the council will prepare the way for national representation and a constitutional regime the proclamation continues: "The creation of a large and well disciplined Polish army, which will be ready to fight, is a necessity for us. Such an army represents the principal changes of an independent state and will continue greatly toward the realization of the frontiers necessary to Poland."

The proclamation concludes with an appeal to all sons of Poland not to shirk their duty.

BEAN BILL FOR HIGHWAY BONDS PASSES HOUSE

(Continued From Page One.) embodying the absolute promise of the state of Oregon to pay the amount of said bonds. Said bonds shall be in such denominations as the state board shall elect. They shall be signed by the governor, secretary of state and state treasurer, constituting said board.

Board Authorized. "After the funds, if any, which have been appropriated from the current moneys of the state for the purpose of meeting the requirements of this act have been exhausted, or if no appropriation therefor has been made, then each year said state board of control shall sign, date, issue and sell bonds as required to raise funds sufficient to meet the obligations of the state of Oregon in carrying on road construction as provided for in said federal statute. Said bonds shall bear coupons for the interest in the installments in which the same shall become due, upon which shall be printed the facsimile signatures of said officers. Said board may, at its option, cause said bonds to be payable to the purchaser thereof and register the same at the office of the state treasurer with an appropriate indorsement upon each of said bonds to the effect that said bonds will be paid only to the owner appearing on the register, and providing a method for re-registering the same as title to said bonds may be needed; or it may provide a form of bond payable to bearer and not subject to registration, or either of said bonds as said board may decide.

With Emergency Clause. "Section 5. The board of control shall take such steps as it may deem necessary for the advertisement of each issue of bonds before the same are sold; and the money arising from the sale of each issue of bonds shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of a special fund subject to being paid out in carrying into effect the purposes of the said federal act and the purposes of this act. "Section 6. Inasmuch as the federal funds are now available for immediate use, and if the amount appropriated is not used during the next year the same will revert to the federal fund and will be lost to the state, and inasmuch as climatic conditions are such in this state that road construction must be completed before inclement weather in the fall of the year begins; it is hereby declared that an emergency exists and that it is necessary that this act take effect immediately after it is passed by the legislature and approved by the governor, and that the same is necessary for the preservation of public peace, health and safety. Therefore this act shall be in full force and effect from and after it is approved by the governor."

RATE OF DISCOUNT CUT HALF PER CENT BY ENGLAND'S BANK

LONDON, Jan. 18.—The rate of discount of the Bank of England was reduced from 6 to 5 1/2 per cent today.

The reduction of the bank rate was regarded as an indication that the gold situation and the question of the foreign exchanges are well in hand, so that maintenance of the high rate is no longer necessary. It is believed that the chief purpose, however, is to bring the official minimum more in line with the interest on the new loan and benefit the banks, which were lending on the new loan at 1 per cent under the bank rate with a minimum charge of 5 per cent. Their charge now will be only one-half of 1 per cent under the bank rate.

The official announcement that interest will be allowed on fully paid application for the war loan before the end of January is expected to bring in large subscriptions which otherwise would be held over until near the time of closing the list at the middle of February.

OREGON MINIMUM WAGE LAW ARGUED

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—Constitutionality of the Oregon minimum wage law was re-argued today before the supreme court.

Justice Brandeis, who represented the Oregon Industrial Welfare commission in defense of the statute when the cases were first argued in December, 1914, withdrew from the bench during the rehearing. Professor Felix Frankfurter of Harvard succeeded Justice Brandeis as attorney for the Oregon authorities.

Chief Justice White today ordered another case, deciding validity of the Oregon ten-hour day law for men in certain industries, argued tomorrow immediately after the minimum wage case.

RIVERDALE

As the notice of the death of Jeff Johnson has already been published in this paper, we will only refer to the funeral, which took place on Sunday last, at the home of Frank Johnson. Besides the relatives a large number of friends and acquaintances were present. Rev. Stille conducted the services.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Smith drove to Lake Creek today to visit friends at the former home of Mrs. Smith. Ed Linville and Tiele Gage went to Ashland Monday, via Eagle Point. Mr. and Mrs. H. Copinger, who are visiting at Grant Mathew's home, took the train at Eagle Point for Medford today to spend a few days there.

Norman Gage drove to Eagle Point yesterday.

Mr. Chris Bergman is spending this week in the Butte Falls country to look after his landed interests.

Dave Pence and Jasper Hanna are busy looking for trouble—along the telephone line, which still refuses to act normal.

Diak Johnson and wife were visitors in the valley Monday.

The Robertson boys are cutting wood on the Hammil ranch.

Miss Milma Hanna is visiting in Medford.

The box social and dance at the town hall in Trail last Saturday was well attended and much pleasure was experienced by all who were present.

Several cattle buyers are calling on the farmers in this vicinity this week.

Jim Amliek of California is visiting with Jasper Rodgers at Beagle.

Joe Hanna, Jr., who has been home during the holidays, has returned to the valley.

AGATE ITEMS

A community Sunday school was organized last Sunday, January 14, at the Agate schoolhouse. A fair sized audience was present to promote the good cause. Twenty-four scholars were enrolled. Much credit was due in the organizing to Elder Marsh of the Central Point Christian church. We express herewith our gratitude to this worthy man. Mrs. C. S. Yamney was elected superintendent.

Mr. and Mrs. Hoover of Seven Oaks and little ones, came out to Agate last Sunday to attend the organizing of the community Sunday school.

WILLOW SPRINGS

The Willow Springs Grange held its annual election of officers on Saturday night. All officers were re-elected to their positions with few exceptions. A. V. Carlson was chosen secretary; Mr. George Davis, assistant steward; Miss O. Banard, lady assistant steward, and Mr. Malcolm Anderson, doorkeeper. A very enjoyable social hour followed the business meeting, when refreshments were served.

Mr. Ed Spencer of Eagle Point is helping Mr. J. S. Miner clear his land.

Miss M. Johnston is again at home with the W. B. Harris family, after having been ill in the Sacred Heart hospital in Medford for some weeks.

The Parent-Teachers Circle of this district met at the home of Mrs. J. W. Birkholz on Saturday, January 13.

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WANTED—Remember your poultry and eggs will bring you more money at Warner, Wortman and Gere's. One price for hens, regardless of size. 257

SUGAR CONSUMPTION LOWEST IN YEARS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—America's sugar consumption in 1916 was less than in any year since 1912, according to estimates by the department of commerce. Heavy exports and lighter imports, coupled with a poor American crop, kept the per capita consumption down to 78.13 pounds against \$4.06 the year before and \$9.14 in 1914. The world's production declined last year more than four billion pounds. These conditions are blamed by department officials for the present high prices of sugar.

CZAR PLACES DUMA LEADER ON RETIRED LIST

PETROGRAD, Jan. 18.—Prince Vladimir Volkonsky, assistant minister of the interior and formerly president of the duma, has been placed on the retired list. The prince was the first member of the duma to receive a high administrative post.

NEW ARMY FOR EACH YEAR

(Continued From Page One.) ies instead of imaginary armies would operate against each other.

"An army thus afield would accumulate field habits instead of barracks habits, and would furnish the staff an opportunity to enter to actual armies and discover their habits and needs. Federal hospitals could be established all over the country connected with such a system, which might also serve as public hospitals.

No Dress Uniforms.

"This army would have no dress uniforms, no dunnies, no garrison life to foster caste. Most of its officers would be without families or dependents, and there would be no problem of taking care of their families. It would breed no permanent military class to live on the government forever, for even its generals would have passed through its processes and into civil life before they became too old to begin civilian careers. Some could go into the permanent staff. There would be no retired list. Such an army would command itself to business-like Americans. It would not be suspected of loafing. It would have no ease—no bondage. It would be thoroughly American. It would furnish a reliable supply of tested leaders and would accustom us to the practice of efficiently using the material which must inevitably be the material for America's wars."

Must Authorize.

Major Harlee expressed his conviction that the volunteer system will serve the need if the military system is brought into harmony with American ideals.

"When you have brought the military system in harmony with things American," said he, "you will find a different attitude towards it, and no necessity for such drastic measures as compulsory or universal service."

"The American people," said he, "are not jingoistic; they have not lost their military virtue; they need no system bolstered up by courts, jails and military constabularies to bring them to a proper preparation for national defense."

FORBID PURCHASE FOREIGN SUPPLIES

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—Representative Roderburg of Illinois, a republican, today introduced a resolution designed to make illegal the purchase of government supplies from any foreign firm.

"Every consideration of patriotism," the resolution says, "requires that supplies for the army, the navy and other departments of the federal government should be manufactured in the United States by American working men receiving American wages."

The resolution was prompted by Secretary Daniels' award to a British firm of a contract for armor-piercing projectiles.

NO SEMI-ANNUAL TAXES FOR MONTANA

GREAT FALLS, Mont., Jan. 18.—At the meeting of the Montana associations of county commissioners, county treasurers and county clerks and records here today the semi-annual payment of taxes, which was under discussion yesterday proposed in a measure before the state legislature at Helena, was unanimously condemned, not a vote being raised in its favor in either one of the three bodies. A committee from each of the bodies presented a resolution condemning such measure and pointing out that its enactment would only mean a duplication of expenses for work without benefit of any kind.

KUHN PRESIDENT OF WAR COLLEGE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—War department orders today announced the appointment of Brigadier General Joseph E. Kuhn as president of the war college and assistant to Major General Scott, chief of staff.

General Kuhn was appointed director of the college when he returned to this country from Germany, after serving as military observer and military attache of the American embassy in Berlin. His promotion to president of the college makes possible the fullest use by that institution and the general staff of much valuable information gathered by him in the European war zone.

PRESIDENT TO VETO IMMIGRATION BILL

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—President Wilson today denied applications for a public hearing on the immigration bill recently passed by congress and it is expected he will veto the bill because of its literacy test provision, which led him to veto a similar measure previously. An effort will be made to pass the bill over his veto.

Encouragement for Expectant Mothers.

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TODAY'S MARKETS

Portland Livestock. PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 18.—Hens strong; receipts 522. Bulk of packing grades \$10.40@9.50; heavy butchers, \$10.40@10.50; light packing, \$10.35@10.45; rough heavy, \$9.25@10; pigs and skips, \$9@9.25; stock hogs, \$8.25@9; cattles, \$8@9. Cattle steady; receipts 222. Steers, prime light, \$8.35@8.50; prime heavy, \$8@8.35; good, \$7.75@8; cows, choice, \$7.35@7.50; medium to good, \$6.25@7; ordinary to fair, \$5.75@6.25; heifers, \$4@7.50; bulls, \$3.50@5.50; calves, \$6@10. Sheep higher; receipts 8. Lambs, east of mountains, \$11@11.50; lambs, valley, \$10.75@11; lambs, good, \$9.75@10.25; choice yearling wethers, \$9.75@10; good yearlings, \$9.50@9.75; choice ewes, \$8@8.25; heavy ewes, \$6.75@7.50.

Portland Butter. PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 18.—Butter steady.

Portland Grain. PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 18.—Wheat stronger. No trading, all bids new Pacific Northwest records. Spot 1 to 4c higher. Bluestem, \$1.72; fortyfold, \$1.69; club, \$1.67; red Russian, \$1.65.

Barley higher. No. 1 feed, \$10. Today's car receipts: Wheat 11, barley 1, flour 1, oats 4, hay 11.

Chicago Wheat. CHICAGO, Jan. 18.—Wheat: Open Close May \$1.88 \$1.99 July \$1.50 \$1.53

Old papers for sale at this office at 25c for 100.

FOR A BAD COUGH

Here is a fine old-fashioned recipe for coughs, colds or catarrh trouble that has been used with great success. Get from your druggist 1 oz. of Parmitol (double strength), about 75c worth, and add to it 3/4 pint of hot water and 4 oz. of granulated sugar. This will make full half a pint when mixed. Take one tablespoonful 4 times a day.

No more racking your whole body with a cough. Clogged nostrils should open, air passages of your head clear up so you can breathe freely. It is easy to prepare, costs little and is pleasant to take. Anyone who has a stubborn cough or hard cold or catarrh in any form should give this prescription a trial.

For sale by Health's Drug Store, Strain's Drug Store, Medford Pharmacy, West Side Pharmacy, and Haskin's Drug Store.

CHICHESTER'S PILLS THE DIAMOND BRAND. Most of the members being present, a good meeting was held, after which refreshments were served by the hostess. Next meeting will be with Mrs. S. Anderson.

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FOR SALE—Cheap. Three houses and three lots; two houses are on one lot, one house on one lot, and one vacant lot. Sam Bauer, Newkirk, Oregon. 269

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