

GREAT CORN CROP TO POUR GOLD IN FARMER POCKETS

Biggest Money Crop Since 1929 Now Ripening in Corn Belt — More Than Billion Bushels Over 1936

CHICAGO, Aug. 4.—(AP)—A corn crop valued at \$1,750,000,000, the biggest money crop farmers have had since 1929, was ripening in the corn belt, the August estimates of six Chicago grain experts indicated today.

Private crop authorities here, most of whom have just returned from personal field inspection trips, forecast 1937 domestic corn production would total 2,771,000,000 bushels.

This would be the biggest United States crop since the record-breaking harvest in 1932 of 2,926,000,000 bushels. It would be more than a billion bushels larger than the crop of 1,524,317,000 harvested in 1936.

The estimates of the private authorities ranged from 2,715,000,000 bushels to 2,834,000,000, but the average was 2,771,000,000. This represents an increase of 200,000,000 bushels, compared with the latest government figures based on condition as of July 1.

Price Drop Offset.

Although corn prices tumbled within a month from above \$1 a bushel in Chicago to around 66 cents for the new crop, market observers said the price depreciation was offset by the crop's improvement. Based on current prices for December corn, the crop had a market value of \$1,824,860,000, which has been unequalled since 1929.

The average of the six estimates of domestic spring wheat production was 193,000,000 bushels, which compared with the latest government forecast of 218,948,000, indicating a crop deterioration of 25,948,000 during July as a result of rust damage. The 1936 harvest was reduced by drought to only 107,448,000 bushels.

Estimated production of winter wheat also was below the latest government figures although the average of the six forecasts indicated a crop of 648,000,000 bushels, the largest since 1931. The total crop of 841,000,000 bushels, at current market prices, had a value of \$1,000,000,000.

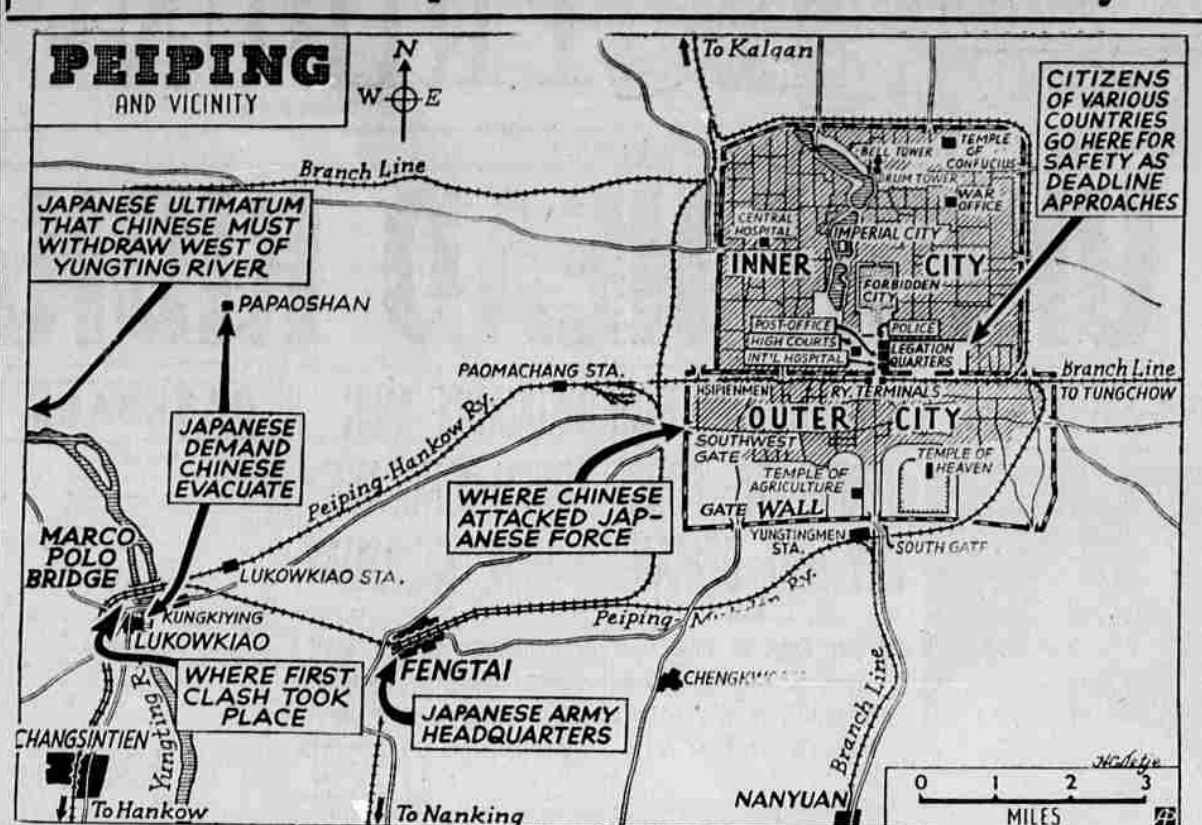
The average of the private estimates on winter wheat was 6,000,000 bushels higher than the month-ago average, but was 16,000,000 bushels below the latest government estimate. Last year the crop totaled 519,000,000 bushels.

Oat Crop Larger.

The experts estimated oat production at 1,149,000,000 bushels, compared with 789,000,000 last year. Rye production was forecast at 52,000,000 bushels, compared with 25,524,000 last year.

The grain authorities reported this year's drought damage in western Canada was the worst on record. The average of their estimates indicated spring wheat production in the three prairie provinces of Canada would total 101,000,000 bushels compared with 212,000,000 last year. A month ago, the average indicated a crop of 216,000,000 bushels. Several experts pointed out, however, that because of rust damage both sides of the Canadian border the estimates of spring wheat production were uncertain.

Where Sino - Japanese Conflict Now Under Way



SKYLINE RIDERS REACH CRATER

CRATER LAKE, Aug. 4.—(Sp.)—The second skyline trail horseback tour came to a halt here Monday, after having left Mt. Hood July 1. The group of ten riders covered approximately 450 miles of rugged Cascade mountain country under the leadership of H. M. Sherwood, manager of the Cascade Micuic Tours of Cascade Locks.

The group was made up of Portland persons, including the Misses Joan Embree, Margaret Halser, Maxine Strain, Dorothy Arant and Thelma Boughton and Leo Aelstreich, Robert Barton, M. H. Gunther and Sherwood.

The first four came over the route last year and was a pioneering effort for the 1937 party. A similar tour is planned for 1938. The majority of the riders left the party at Crater Lake, but new tour members were to be picked up at Diamond and Crescent lakes on the return trip to Mt. Hood, expected to be reached September 1.

Leaders Wire Praise Of Ashland Drama Efforts

Telegrams of congratulatory poured into Medford and Ashland yesterday, as leaders from all over the United States took cognizance of the opening of the Southern Oregon Shakespearean Festival.

From Governor Charles L. Martin, of Oregon, honorary president of the association, came the following: "I regret that it will be impossible for me to attend the opening of the Shakespearean Festival, but the press of business has prevented it. Through you I wish to commend the citizens of Ashland for their energy in developing so fine a cultural activity. It is my hope that the third annual festival will meet with all the success it deserves, thereby assuring continuance of that worthy endeavor."

Bruce R. Baxter, president of Willamette University, sent the following telegram: "Heartiest congratulations upon the contribution the Oregon Shakespearean Festival association is making to the cultural life of our state. Regret deeply that appointment for address in Tacoma tonight makes attendance on opening night impossible. I am very proud to be an honorary member of the association and send all best wishes."

Earl Snell, secretary of state, sent the following: "Greetings to Oregon Shakespearean Festival Association and city of Ashland on occasion of annual festival which contributes so largely to Oregon's cultural life. Commendation is due in large measure to sponsors and participants for their untiring efforts in such a worthwhile enterprise. Greatly regret office activities prevent my attendance. Best wishes for a most successful festival."

Both Senator Charles L. McNary and Senator Frederick Steiwer sent wires of congratulatory. Wired McNary: "Continued session of congress will prevent my attendance at your festival. Best wishes to all."

Wired Steiwer: "Sincerely regret circumstances do not permit me to be with you tonight. You have my best wishes."

Chancellor Frederick M. Hunter of the Oregon system of higher education, sent the following telegram: "May I convey sincere appreciation for your gracious invitation and deep regrets that my duties here prevent acceptance. Congratulations to Prof. Bowmer and colleagues upon your foresight and wisdom in creating so genuinely valuable cultural asset in southern Oregon. Every good wish for your continued high achievement."

C. A. Howard, superintendent of public instruction, wired as follows: "Please extend my congratulations to the association for sponsoring so fine a series of performances."

Willard L. Marks, president of the state board of higher education, sent the following: "Regret impossible to be present tonight. Wish association every success in this splendid undertaking."

J. A. Churchill, president of the Oregon Normal school at Monmouth, wired his regrets at being unable to attend. He left Monday on a month's trip east. He said: "The Shakespearean Festival in Ashland is attracting much attention throughout the state and is deserving of all the favorable mention it is getting."

Modern airplane power plants weigh about two pounds for each horsepower produced.

BAKER SLIGHTED ON ROADS, CLAIM

BAKER, Ore., Aug. 4.—(AP)—Indignation at the treatment of Baker county by the state highway commission in road matters was expressed in no uncertain terms by Charles E. Baird, Baker county judge, and Walter W. Evans, Halfway banker, at the monthly joint luncheon of the Baker County Chamber of Commerce and the Lions and Kiwanis clubs here Tuesday.

"In lots of instances when you drive to Halfway from Baker, you take your life in your hands," Evans said. "We have for several years been on our knees to the highway commission. We have never said a harsh word to the highway commission. We have pleaded, but they will never say the word 'Let us go to Portland on August 1st and tell those fellows we are here for an answer. Baker county has one old highway. Union county has three and Umatilla county has five. Go on to the coast and you will find ciled roads in all directions."

GOSSLIN NAMED HEAD PAROLE ASSOCIATION

OAKLAND, Calif., Aug. 4.—(AP)—W. L. Gosselin of Portland, Ore., executive secretary to Governor Martin of Oregon, will serve as president of the western states parole and probation associations for the coming year.

The Oregonian was elected to the office at the closing session yesterday of the organization's annual conference here. Seattle was chosen as the site for next year's conference.

It is estimated that Hawaii pays more taxes into the United States treasury than 19 of the states.

OVERHAULING OF PAROLE SYSTEM NEED OF STATES

Should Set Up Plan to Delay Release of Prisoners Unless Job or Home Awaiting Says Idaho Official

OAKLAND, Calif., Aug. 4.—(AP)—A proposal for reciprocal arrangements between states for supervision of persons on parole from prisons was presented at today's session of the Western States Parole and Probation association.

Tra H. Masters, Idaho's secretary of state, told the conference that if "we do not do a better job it may not be long before the federal government steps in."

Masters said 93 percent of Idaho's prison population represents non-residents. In many instances, he said, when a convict is to be released, other states which he could be returned to prison for parole violation show no interest because of the expense involved.

The Idaho official expressed the belief some system should be effected to delay release of prisoners unless they had a job or home awaiting them.

Dr. David G. Schmidt, psychiatrist at California's San Quentin prison, presented statistics which he said showed the "impossibility" of the parole system with a certain group of prisoners, and the "improbability" of success with another group.

Schmidt said there was a two-thirds chance for success with the best group. He said experience at the prison showed narcotic addicts were not worth risking on parole because 99 percent would be convicted again. He also said three out of four convicts with prior convictions, if given parole, would be returned to the penitentiary.

The official suggested establishment of receiving depots for persons after their court conviction, to permit grouping and aid in the work of rehabilitation.

Pardon Is Refused Winnie Ruth Judd, On Trunk Murders

PHOENIX, Ariz., Aug. 4.—(AP)—The Arizona board of pardons and paroles rejected today the application of the Rev. and Mrs. H. J. McKinnell for a pardon for their daughter, Winnie Ruth Judd, convicted slayer of her two women friends in 1931.

Mrs. Judd, once sentenced to death, now is an inmate of the state insane asylum. Should she be adjudged sane again the death sentence would be carried out.

The parents asked the pardon on the grounds Mrs. Judd acted in self defense when she killed Hedwig Samuelson and Agnes Ann Lerol. She placed their bodies in a trunk and sent them by train to Los Angeles.

"Be it noted," the parents said in a letter to the board, "that we do not in any wise ask for her release from the state hospital."

MEDFORD PAINTER INVENTS GADJET FOR SPRAY GUNS

The invention of a paint spray gun attachment which permits the use of a temporary paint container is announced by Harold U. Mitchell, manager of the Medford Auto Beauty Shop at 608 South Riverside.

Prior to the perfection of Mr. Mitchell's invention all paint spray guns were equipped with permanent paint containers. Between each use the container required a thorough cleaning. In this process a half-pint of lacquer thinner would be used. As lacquer thinner costs \$1.15 a gallon, the cost of cleaning a single spray gun for the average week was about \$2.

Realizing that it was costing him \$150 a year to wash containers, on his spray gun, Mr. Mitchell began searching last fall "for some way to do away with this annual expenditure. First he discovered that empty motor oil cans could be obtained in large numbers merely for the asking. He also found that these cans could be cleaned of oil by the use of gasoline for a very small expenditure. Then Mr. Mitchell decided to devise an apparatus for attaching the cans to the spray gun. If he could do this, the oil cans could be used once and then thrown away. This process would of course save the cost of cleaning a permanent container. For three months last fall Mr. Mitchell worked literally day and night on his invention, leaving the shop work to his assistants. Twenty or thirty methods of attaching the cans were attempted. Finally a clamp with two movable pieces was devised. This clamp could be operated with one hand. It proved to be entirely satisfactory and has been in use for several months.

The inventor has applied for a patent upon this apparatus and expects it to be issued in a few weeks. He has received an offer from a spray gun manufacturing company to buy the device outright. There is a possibility, Mr. Mitchell states, that rather than sell the attachment outright he may undertake production and distribution of it himself. He now has models at several factories for manufacturing bids and believes that the device will be sold cheaply enough so that it will pay for itself in a week.

See Mail Tribune want ads.

CROP CONTROL IS INEVITABLE—F.D.R.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.—(AP)—President Roosevelt contended today that crop control, such as that ended by supreme court invalidation of the agricultural adjustment act, was inevitable and that the country was going to demand it.

Commenting at a press conference on what a reporter called agitation in the south to stabilize cotton prices, the president said he was not going to ask congress to lend money on cotton or any other surplus crop until surplus control legislation could go along with it.

He added that applied to wheat, corn and hogs and other major crops. When control is again on the statute books, Mr. Roosevelt said efforts would be made then to improve prices and keep them stabilized.

He said crop control was absolutely inevitable lest the nation wreck its entire economic structure.

Tick Danger Wanes.

FOREST GROVE, Aug. 4.—(AP)—The time of year when Oregon vacationists need fear the dreaded spotted fever tick is about past, Professor C. Anderson Hubbard of Pacific University said today. While the humid atmosphere on the west side has kept ticks active, they do not carry the infection in that area, he said.

Weather.

Northern California: Fair tonight and Thursday, but fog on the coast; not so warm in the interior of north and central portions Thursday; gentle northwest wind off the coast.

Oregon: Fair tonight and Thursday, but becoming cloudy on the coast and in the northwest portion; warmer in the east portion tonight; cooler in the interior of west portion Thursday; moderate northwest wind off the coast.

SECOND SPRAY NEEDED BEFORE AUGUST 14TH

The second cover spray for control of second brood codling moth on pears and apples should be completed on August 14, according to L. J. Gentner, entomologist at the Southern Oregon Experiment station, and C. B. Cordy, assistant county agent.

This spray will give protection during the hatch of the peak of the second brood. This is the most important second brood spray and it is hoped that it will be the last one on pears, however another late flight may occur about September 1. The spray applied on pears at this time will give protection for that flight except in case of very wormy orchards. It is probable that another cover on apples in early September will be called for.

Use three pounds of arsenate of lead and 1 1/2 to 2 pound spreader to 100 gallons of water.

Drought surviving flowers in Oklahoma include the periwinkle, perennial phlox, Japanese honeysuckle, globe amaranth, scarlet runner vine, chrysanthemum, flowering almond and day lilies.

Ervin Garrett and Emil Hunnicut, students at Southeast Missouri Teacher's college, Cape Girardeau, live in an automobile trailer.

TWO ESCAPE INJURIES IN AUTOMOBILE LOOP

CRATER LAKE, Aug. 4.—(Sp.)—Albert Mannary of Seattle, Wash. and Miss Veronica MacDougal of Prineville narrowly escaped death or serious injury here Monday when a Ford coupe the former was driving left the north entrance highway two miles from the north entrance ranger station. The car rolled over twice down a 30-foot embankment. The couple were entirely unharmed. The driver said he dozed off to sleep. He was driving 35 to 40 miles an hour toward The Dalles-California highway when the accident occurred, park officials quoted him as saying.



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