

1957 Corn Crop Figured History's Third Largest

Washington—The Agriculture Department has estimated the 1957 corn crop at 3,332,535,000 bushels, third largest in history.

Today's estimate compares with the record production of 3,605,000,000 bushels in 1948.

In a preliminary, next to last report on 1957 farm production, the department made new estimates on about half the major crops usually covered in monthly crop reports.

The rice crop was estimated at 42,877,000 hundredweight. The October estimate was 41,877,000 hundredweight and 1956 production was 47,402,000 hundredweight.

The sorghum grain harvest was estimated at 526,528,000 bushels, compared with last month's estimate of 513,935,000 bushels and 1956 production of 295,065,000 bushels.

The dry edible bean crop was forecast at 15,750,000 hundredweight, compared with 16,013,000 hundredweight last month and 1956 production of 17,114,000 hundredweight.

The soybean crop was estimated at 41,421,000 bushels, compared with an October estimate of 48,573,000 bushels and 1956 production of 455,869,000 bushels.

The all-potato crop was estimated at 236,499,000 hundredweight. The commercial apple crop was estimated at 116,308,000 bushels. This compared with the October estimate of 113,372,000 bushels and 1956 production of 100,632,000 bushels.

Milk production in October was estimated at 9,412,000,000 pounds, compared with 9,611,000,000 pounds in September. Egg production in October was estimated at 4,597,000,000, compared with 4,416,000,000 in September.

OLDEST GRADUATE DIES
Trenton, N.J.—Louis Sanford Rice, a retired director of the De Laval Steam Turbine Co. and the oldest living graduate of Northwestern university, died Tuesday. He would have been 95 today.

Certain Amount of Unreality Must Exist, Sociologist Claims

BY DELOS SMITH
United Press Science Editor

New York—Those experts who preach that the very essence of mental health is knowing reality when you see it and rejecting all things which are not equal, have been challenged by an expert of another stripe.



Dr. Claude C. Bowman, of Temple University, admitted he has no mental health expert although he is a sociologist and anthropologist.

Various psychiatric ideas of mental health to the contrary, a certain amount of unreality just has to exist in mental processes if minds are going to be healthy and have high morale, said Bowman.

Unreality Is Reality

Indeed, unreality is the reality of every day life as most of us know it, he continued, and called the attention of scientific reality proponents to their own (and Bowman's) little world, which is the world of scholarship.

"As subject-matter in various fields of knowledge has broken down into more specialties, scholars tend to concentrate upon knowing more and more about less and less," he said. "Under these circumstances it is easy, and perhaps necessary to over-value the particular segment of

knowledge where one's own proficiency lies.

"Such over-evaluation seems integral to professional adjustment in the academic world as it exists.

In short, academic people "like other practical men of affairs, accept the reality principle only so far as it is practical to do so."

But take love, he said. It is "fashionable" for scientific experts to "decry romantic illusions as, 'Love is blind,' and urge a more realistic point of view."

'Realism' Doesn't Understand

But this "realism" fails to understand that love is loaded with unrealities. Nor are these "elements necessarily harmful, in-

many instances they are distinctly advantageous to both persons."

Furthermore the mentally healthy "tend to be somewhat unrealistic about good friends, thinking the best of them and criticizing those who criticize them."

Bowman addressed himself directly to the psychiatric science, which contains most of the strict adherents to "the reality principle," through the technical journal of the American Psychiatric Association. He was not in agreement, he said most flatly, "with those who believe that good mental health must be based upon realistic conceptions of environment and self."

New Comedy Team Found Established In Everyday World of the Common Joke

By DOC QUIGG
United Press Correspondent

New York—It may be a true symbol of our shabby-tense age, a time when every man seems bent on mooning around in exploration of the outer spaces of his own mind, that a new comedy team has established itself in the everyday world of the common joke.

The team consists of the psychiatrist and his patient, plus the standard props of psychiatrist's couch and notebook. The combo sometimes varies—patient and patient; or doctor and doctor—but the basic idea is the same.

Simple, If Not Pure
That great old workhorse joke team, Pat and Mike, whose dialog and sayings were simple, if not always too pure, has just about ended its orbiting. The mother-in-law and son-in-law team, a hardy fact of life, seems a bit worn in its routine.

The traveling salesman, in person, has been disappearing from the American scene during the last generation—and so, naturally, have the jokes about him and the farmer's daughter.

But the psychiatrist is having a heyday—from the simple exchange of greetings to the long and winding story.

The simple exchange may be

patient-to-patient. Two phychiatically aware gents, friends, pass each other on the street.

First patient: "Hello." Second patient (musing): "Now, what did he mean by that?"

Or it may be doctor-to-doctor. Two psychiatrists meet, and one opens the conversation: "Hello. You're fine; how'm I?"

Slopped Into Goldwynism
The thing has, logically enough, slopped over into the field of the simple Goldwynism. Sam Goldwyn is alleged to have said: "Anybody who would go to a psychiatrist ought to have his head examined."

And then, there is the young lady whose family urged her to go to a psychiatrist because she liked pancakes. She plopped onto the couch.

Psychiatrist: "Now tell me



ARRIVING in New York from Milan, Italy, Opera Star Maria Callas faces legal action over failure to keep engagement to sing with San Francisco Opera Company in October. (International)

Governors Discuss NW Freight Rates

Salem — Govs. Albert Rosellini of Washington and Robert D. Holmes of Oregon got together here this afternoon to lay the groundwork for joint action against discriminatory freight rates in the Northwest.

Holmes said he invited the Washington chief executive to Oregon after his development tour of Oregon in September convinced him that east-west interstate freight rate discriminations were major obstructions to the state's economic and industrial development.

"Gov. Rosellini and I hope, through this conference," Gov. Holmes said, "to initiate joint action before the Interstate Commerce Commission and if necessary, in the federal courts, to secure the removal of discriminations against the West which have grown up during the past 10 years through percentage freight rate increases applied 'across the board' by the ICC."

The governor said ending the discrimination would be a "great boon" to economic and industrial development of both states.

Young Hit-Run Victim Succumbs in Portland

Portland — A hit-run victim, Elizabeth Ann Dietz, 17, died in a hospital Tuesday. The Woodrow Wilson high school student was struck by a car Nov. 1.

No clues have turned up since the girl was struck down, police said.

SURPRISE
Altamont, Ill.—Otto Mall has again found a place in the sun—but he had to wreck his car to do it. Mall's sunglasses, missing for more than a year, were found under the seat of his car when he traded it in after a recent accident.



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Special Session Cost Estimated at \$92,000

Salem — Cost of the special session as of today was estimated by Secretary of State Mark Hatfield at \$92,000. Hatfield said if the session runs until Saturday it would cost about \$99,000.

Asheville, N.C.—An elderly hospital patient was critically burned Tuesday night when he apparently struck a match under his oxygen tent. Hospital officials identified the man as Luther Brazil, 71, who was under treatment for pneumonia and a heart ailment.

Officers Seeking Youth Suspected Of Killing Child

Palos Verdes Estates, Calif.—Authorities said today a gun-wielding teen-aged boy, sought as the suspected slayer of a 22-month-old girl, may be trying to flee to Florida.

Police and sheriff's deputies said John Lawrence Larry Miller, 15, a fugitive from a Whittier, Calif., reform school, apparently had escaped a local dragnet after the strangulation death of little Laura Helen Wetzel.

Authorities Alerted
Authorities in Nevada, Arizona and parts of California were alerted to be on the lookout for the youth, who probably still is carrying a knife and tiny .22-caliber French automatic pistol. Deputies said they had learned he recently told friends he might go to Miami, Fla., to see relatives.

At the same time, the youth's stunned father, Harold Miller of nearby Long Beach, issued an impassioned plea to officers to "Catch my boy before anyone else gets hurt."

The body of the victim was found in an empty next-door house Monday shortly after the young suspect, reportedly armed with a knife and gun, menaced Laura's mother, Mrs. Charles W. Wetzel, and neighbors and then fled into surrounding hills.

'Positively' Identified
Sheriff's detectives said Miller has been identified "positively" as the killer suspect through fingerprints found in the murder house and photographs of the boy shown to neighbors who saw the youth flee from the scene of the slaying.

Miller escaped from the Fred C. Nelles school for boys Sunday night. He had been serving a term in the reform school for auto theft.

The victim's father is an Air Force officer. The Wetzels are the parents of three other children.

Legislators Limited On Special Services

Salem — A member of the Legislative Assembly is not eligible to serve as a paid employee of a legislative interim committee.

That was the opinion today of Attorney General Robert Y. Thornton who said that the constitutional provision fixing salaries and expenses of members of the Legislature limits their compensation for any service they may perform.

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