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## BEST CORN CROP IN HISTORY WAS GROWN IN 1920

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WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—1920 was the greatest corn year in the history of the country according to the records of the department of agriculture. Besides growing a record crop of 3,232,367,000 bushels, the farmers established a new record for average yield per acre, with 30.9 bushels, the second time in history that the country's average yield went past 30 bushels.

The area planted to corn last year was 104,601,000 acres which was smaller than the area planted in eight other years heretofore and 1,400,000 acres smaller than the area which produced the previous record crop of 3,124,746,000 bushels in 1912. Last year's crop was the third to exceed 3,000,000,000 bushels.

Iowa, the country's greatest corn producing state, made an average of 46 bushels to the acre for the first time in its history. The highest average acre yield of any state was that of Vermont with 47 bushels. Maine in 1919 had the highest average acre yield with 60 bushels. In the ten years previous to that year the highest average acre yield has been made by one of the New England states. Connecticut had highest yield in six of the ten years, Massachusetts in two, New Hampshire in one, and Vermont and Massachusetts tying in one.

But corn, king of crops, produced an average only \$20.93 an acre to farmers based on December 1 farm prices while hops produced \$486.10 an acre, according to averages for the country as a whole. The value per acre of hops in 1919 was \$874.75, while corn's average value per acre was \$38.49. With the exception of rye, cranberries, soy beans and sorghum sirup the average value per acre last year showed heavy reductions from 1919 because of the declines in prices.

Wide variation in shown in the value per acre of the various crops while the averages for different states show a broad range for each crop. The average farm value per acre of the important farm crops as estimated by the department of agriculture for last year and for 1919 follows:

Crop	1920	1919
Hops	\$486.10	\$874.75
Cranberries	213.37	184.96
Tobacco	168.05	296.58
Potatoes	127.51	144.58
Sweet Potatoes	116.71	135.03
Sorghum sirup	97.56	99.93
Soy Beans	48.42	48.74
Rice	47.75	104.55
Peanuts	38.68	65.06
Beans	31.94	59.93
Hay	27.87	32.64
Cotton	25.14	60.62
Buckwheat	24.41	30.31
Grain sorghums	24.36	32.80
Winter wheat	22.83	31.33
Broom corn	21.40	29.72
Cowpeas	21.25	17.80
Clover seed	21.25	42.16
Corn	20.93	38.49
Barley	17.68	27.13
Rye	17.57	16.48
Oats	16.61	21.04
Spring wheat	14.08	20.38

### TICKETS SELLING FAST FOR GODOWSKY CONCERT

The Musical Study club announces that those desiring tickets for the Godowsky concert, to be given at the Scandinavian hall, January 27, should procure them immediately. There is such a demand for seats that the members of the Musical Study club fear there will not be enough tickets for all who wish to hear the great pianist.

The seating capacity of the hall is estimated at between 600 and 700.

### LUTHERAN PASTOR TO PREACH AT MONTAGUE

The Reverend Karl Mathies, of the Lutheran church, has returned from a visit at the ranch home of Walter Zetman, and left this morning for Montague where he will hold services. From Montague he will go to Gold Hill where he will conduct a service Sunday morning. There will be no Lutheran church services in this city until Sunday, January 30.

## White Thinks U. S. Should Go "Heeled" Until Others Disarm

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—The staggering burdens of taxation resulting from the world war have caused all nations to favor a world agreement for disarmament. Henry White, former ambassador to France and a member of the American peace commission to Paris, declared today before the house naval committee holding hearings on the subject:

"I think the world is crying for some agreement," White said, "but do not favor the United States being the only nation to disarm."

## BUSINESS MEN'S ASS'N DISSOLVED

The business men's association of this city has been dissolved, but the object of the association and its activities will continue to live and enjoy robust health, according to action taken by the members of the association at a meeting held in the chamber of commerce rooms last night. Most of the representative firms of the city were represented at the meeting.

Affiliation with the chamber of commerce was suggested, and after thorough discussions, the meeting reached the conclusion that there were many advantages to be gained by such affiliation, the chamber, it was stated, having advanced to a stage in public life here where it is able to adjust freight rates, and save money through freight checking audits, and numerous other ways.

The business men's association was organized six years ago, and was very active during the war in taking some of the duties that would ordinarily belong to the chamber of commerce.

Fred Houston, Ed Vannice, and Will Baldwin, are among organizers of the association, and they have been instrumental in keeping it alive during the six years of its existence. The officers of the association, who pass out of office with the dissolution of the organization, are Leslie Rogers, president; M. P. Evans, vice president, and W. C. Van Emon, secretary.

Among those who discussed the dissolution and proposed subsequent affiliation with the chamber of commerce at last night's meeting were T. L. Stanley, J. T. Perkins, Ed Vannice, H. N. Moe, and C. Roberts.

## MOVE TO SAVE CAL. REDWOODS

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Jan. 21.—Appropriation of \$300,000 by the state for purchase of tracts of redwood trees along the state highway in Humboldt county would be provided by bills introduced into the senate here by Senator H. C. Nelson and into the assembly by Assemblyman Frank J. Cummings.

The power to purchase the tracts would be placed by the bills in the hands of the state board of forestry and that body would be given the control of the timbered lands purchased. It would also have the power of eminent domain in acquiring the lands by condemnation.

Active support of the Save the Redwoods league, a national organization of conservation, has been given to the bill. The Grand Parlor of the Native Sons of the Golden West and the California department of the American Legion have endorsed the project and Governor W. D. Stephens has assured proponents of the measure that the state administration will support any practical plan for saving the last of the great redwood trees.

### MAIL STEAMER PULITZER SAFE; HAD LOST RUDDER

SEWARD, Alaska, Jan. 21.—The mail steamer, Pulitzer, formerly a Columbia river pilot boat, which has been missing since December 15, is safe at Chignik, 300 miles west of Kodiak, according to a report received here. The vessel driven out of her course after losing her rudder in a storm.

## NURSE HERE TO TAKE CHARGE OF THE LOCAL FIELD

Miss Lydia Fricke, recently engaged as county nurse for Klamath county, arrived here from Portland last night with Miss Cecil Schreyer, assistant superintendent of the state board of nursing and after a conference with the executive board of the local Red Cross chapter, in the Chamber of Commerce rooms this afternoon, will take active and immediate charge of her department. Miss Fricke will have permanent offices in the Chamber of Commerce quarters.

Coming here with a splendid record for public service in St. Louis, her home city, and in other places, Miss Fricke takes up her duties here with practically a virgin field for opportunity, and with the hearty support of the various civic organizations of the county, and if the people of the county support her unreservedly, as the public organizations are going to do, she can accomplish a world of good here.

Miss Fricke will be at the disposal of any person or organization that presents a legitimate claim upon her services, and will work under the co-operative influence of the Red Cross. As in most counties of the state, she will hold school inspections, and wherever pupils appear to be in need of medical or surgical attention, or need hygienic supervision, it will come within her jurisdiction to see that the needed corrective remedies are applied.

At the meeting in the Chamber of Commerce rooms this afternoon, an effort will be made to outline Miss Fricke's activities, and definite news in that regard, and other details of public interest, will be announced at once.

## Bend Mill Resumes Work 110 Employed

BEND, Or., Jan. 21.—The Brooks-Scanlon Lumber company resumed production Tuesday following completion of overhauling equipment and also began logging at camp No. 1, where operations were suspended before closing of the plant here. There are now 110 employed on the one shift at the mill, including teamsters.

A feature of the system used by the Brooks-Scanlon Lumber company is the alternating of the men on the night and day shifts. While only shift production is going on, this splits up the employment and allows part-time work for double the number of men actually required at the plant.

## Weather Probabilities

The Cyclo-Stormograph, at Underwood's pharmacy, has registered a sharply rising barometric pressure for the past 48 hours and conditions are more favorable for settled weather than they have been for several weeks. A continuation of clear, cold weather may be looked for. Forecast for next 24 hours—Generally fair weather; probably cool, with variable winds.

## U. S. FARMERS PRODUCE TEN BILLIONS, 1920

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—All farm crops of the country were valued at \$10,465,015,000 last year, based on December 1 prices paid to producers, the department of agriculture has estimated. That compares with \$16,035,111,000 in 1919 and \$10,156,426,000 the five-year average, 1914 to 1918, inclusive.

Texas maintained its place as a producer of crops of greatest value with a total of \$727,400,000, which was half a billion dollars less than in 1919. Iowa retained second rank with \$459,191,000. Illinois, only slightly behind Iowa, continued its place as third, with \$459,179,000.

California jumped from tenth into fourth place, held in 1919 by North Carolina, with \$457,750,000. New York went into fifth place from 14th rank, with \$456,507,000. North Carolina dropped into sixth place, with \$412,374,000.

Pennsylvania went forward into seventh place from 16th rank the previous year, with \$397,617,000. Kansas dropped from fifth rank into eighth place, with \$378,436,000. Ohio dropped from eighth rank into ninth place, with \$369,869,000. Wisconsin moved into 10th place from 18th rank with \$360,270,000.

Missouri dropped from ninth rank into 11th place, with \$343,012,000. Georgia dropped from sixth rank to 12th place, with \$323,290,000. Oregon was in 31st rank, with crops valued at \$110,115,000.

## Long-Bell Co. Will Close Options on Big Cowlitz Mill Site

KELSO, Wash., Jan. 21.—Options covering more than 2500 acres of land lying west of the Cowlitz river, at the confluence of that stream with the Columbia, and adjacent to this city, will be taken up within a few days by the Long-Bell Lumber company of Kansas City, according to persistent rumors here. These options cover the 1200-acre Wallace Huntington place, the 700-acre ranch of Frank G. Barnes, senator from Cowlitz county, and 650 acres belonging to the O. Olson estate and were taken several months ago. Some of them expire early in February, and indications point to completion of the deals within a few days.

The land under option is for use by the Long-Bell company as a site for the immense mills and timber manufacturing plant which the Kansas City company proposes building on the Columbia river.

Early last spring the Long-Bell company purchased 40,000 acres of choice timber in Cowlitz and Lewis counties from the Weyerhaeuser Timber company, paying more than \$6,000,000 for the tract.

## ESCORTS BROTHERS BODY

John Depuy will leave tomorrow morning with the body of his brother James A. Depuy for Pomeroy, Washington, where burial will take place.

## Episcopal Archdeacon Coming Next Week For Week's Stay Here

G. R. Wright, and other Episcopalian of this city have received definite advice to the effect that Archdeacon Van Waters, of the diocese of Eastern Oregon, will arrive here Wednesday, January 26, for a week's stay, and that during his visit here will assist in formulating plans for the construction of a church here. There is no Episcopal church nor resident rector here, but the number of local members of that denomination has grown to such an extent that the time appears ripe for the advent of both.

Services will be conducted in the Odd Fellows' hall Sunday, October 30, at 11 a. m., and everyone interested is asked to attend. Dates of meetings will be announced after the arrival of the archdeacon.

## WAGES FOR FARM HELP HIGH, 1920

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—Wages of hired men on farms have more than doubled in the last ten years, tripled in the last 20 years and were more than four times higher last year than they were in 1879. These changes are shown by statistics of the department of agriculture.

Wages paid by the month, without board, averaged \$64.95 for the country as a whole last year, ten years ago they averaged \$27.50 and in 1879 they were \$10.43.

Day labor at harvest time last year averaged \$4.36 without board and at other than harvest time \$3.59. Ten years ago harvest time labor was paid \$1.82 and at other than harvest time \$1.38. In 1894 harvest time day labor was paid \$1.13 and non-harvest time labor 81 cents a day.

California and Nevada farmers paid their labor the highest prices for labor without board, the average in those states last year having been \$107 a month. The lowest average was in Mississippi where \$41 was paid. The average for the country as a whole was \$64.95, the Northern Atlantic states averaged \$75.54, the South Atlantic \$50.56, the Northeast Central states, \$70.09, the Northwest Central states, \$79.79, the South Central states \$51.94 and the Far Western states, \$99.43.

For harvest time labor without board North Dakota paid the highest rate with \$7.40 cents a day, while at other than harvest time South Dakota paid the highest rate with \$5.90 cents a day.

## Peter Giana Killed; Resided in This City

Dr. A. A. Soule has received information concerning the death of Peter Giana, an Italian who formerly lived here while an employe of the Algoma lumber company. The advice is that Giana was struck by a street car in Sacramento, a few days ago, death resulting almost immediately. While here Giana was treated by Dr. Soule for paralysis finally discharging him as cured, the patient returning to work. In the meantime, Giana tried to secure state aid, but the state took the stand that his condition was not subject to compensation under the provision of the statute. The case made quite a bit of history in local and state labor circles.

Nothing more relative to the accident which caused his death has been learned. He was about 45 years of age, and leaves a family in Italy.

## SHIPYARD EMPLOYEES VOTE TO ACCEPT WAGE CUT

(By Associated Press)  
VANCOUVER, Wash., Jan. 21.—The Metal Trades council, representing 2500 employes of the Standifer shipyards, voted last night to accept a reduction of pay of from six to eight cents an hour rather than have the company reduce the number of its employes.

CHICAGO, Jan. 21.—The central building trades council today voted to continue the present wage schedule of \$1.25 an hour for the next three years.

## ASKS CONGRESS TO BAR CHINESE EGGS FROM U. S.

SALEM, Jan. 21.—The house and senate today passed a joint memorial calling on congress to provide a protective tariff for poultry products. The resolution is directed particularly against the importation of oriental eggs.

The senate adopted Senator Hall's concurrent resolution for the legislatures of Washington, Oregon and Idaho to confer upon the subject of uniform automobile legislation in the three states.

The senate passed bills today regulating the sale of livestock foods, extending the terms of county recorders from two to four years, and providing that buildings constructed by banks need not be confined to the expenditure of not more than 50 per cent of the bank's capitalization.

Senator Dennis yesterday introduced a joint resolution proposing to create a home owners loan fund of approximately \$20,000,000. An amendment to the constitution would be necessary to make the measure effective, and the resolution proposes that it be submitted to the people for ratification.

## DOUBLE BOARD FOR ELECTIONS IF BILL PASSES

SALEM, Jan. 21.—Both houses of the legislature adjourned at noon today until Monday.

A bill embodying proposed many changes in the state industrial accident law was introduced in the house before adjournment.

In the senate a bill was introduced by Senator Bell providing for a counting board in all election precincts where there are more than 20 registered voters. The board would begin counting as soon as 20 votes are cast. The bill contains safeguards against the leak of any information concerning the election count.

## Predatory Animals Cause Big Loss in Livestock Industry

Compared with some individual members of the mountain lion, wolf and coyote families, Gulliver's hungry giants and gigantes were light and dainty eaters. All these animals are classed as predatory, but a few specimens develop exceptional skill and cunning in killing cattle, sheep and colts. They usually acquire equal skill in avoiding traps, poison baits and rifle fire, and often do thousands of dollars' worth of damage before they are killed.

The bureau of biological survey, United States department of agriculture, keeps a staff of expert hunters in the field for the express purpose of ridding government range lands of these four-footed outlaws, and thus assist in relieving the rancher. A government hunter killed a mountain lion near Roosevelt, Ariz., that had destroyed 50 calves and three colts on a single ranch. One wolf slain by another hunter in New Mexico had killed 23 calves. Another, in Wyoming, slaughtered 30 head of cattle before one of Uncle Sam's hunters shot the criminal. A pair of Wyoming wolves that had learned exceptional cunning and cruelty, ran a yearly board bill amounting to \$3,500. Their meal tickets were caueled by a couple of well-aimed rifle shots by a government hunter. Two other wolves, which showed gustatory preference for mutton and young horse flesh, in a single month killed 150 sheep and seven colts, but at the end of the month a hunter collected their pelts.

## BUILD FLOOD LEVEES

BAKERSFIELD, Calif., Jan. 21.—Construction of big levees along the Kern river is being considered as a means of preventing floods here in the future.



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