

# New Crop Report Puts Potatoes 69 Million Bushels Behind 1948

WASHINGTON, Nov. 11 (AP)—The agriculture department, in its next to last report of the year, yesterday estimated this year's corn crop at 3,357,618,000 bushels.

his is 119,368,000 bushels less than the 3,476,986,000 forecast a month ago.

It compares with last year's record crop of 3,650,548,000 bushels and with the ten year (1938-47) average of 3,787,628,000 bushels.

The indicated crop is considerably larger than prospective needs. This fact will require the department to impose acreage allotments on the 1950 crop to cut production and to prevent a burdensome surplus.

**Less Planting**  
The national planting allotment is expected to be around 76,000,000 acres, or about 10,000,000 less than was planted for this year's crop.

The department did not make new estimates for some crops, particularly small grains. The wheat figure remained unchanged at 1,126,226,000 bushels compared with 1,288,406,000 last year and 991,950,000 for the ten-year average.

The Nov. 1 estimates compared with those of a month ago, last year and the ten-year average respectively, for crops on which new figures were given included:

Potatoes 366,832,000 bushels; 378,805,000; 445,850,000 and 393,403,000.  
Sugar beets 10,054,000 tons; 9,882,000; 9,422,000 and 10,145,000.

Apples (commercial) 133,368,000 bushels; 132,126,000; 88,407,000 and 111,114,000.

Pears 36,001,000 bushels; 35,936,000; 23,234,000 and 30,832,000.

Grapes 2,856,000 tons; 2,942,000; 3,044,000 and 2,736,000.

Pecans 130,215,000 pounds; 141,252,000; 177,667,000 and 110,620,000.

Production of milk in October was reported at 9,004,000,000 pounds compared with 9,390,000,000 in September, 8,748,000,000 in October last year and 8,656,000,000 for the ten-year average.

Production of eggs in October was

reported at 3,749,000,000 compared with 3,576,000,000 in September, 3,497,000,000 in October last year and 2,784,000,000 for the ten-year October average.

The indicated yield per acre and production of important crops by major-producing states included:

**Apples (commercial) (production only):**  
Washington 31,820,000 bushels; Oregon 3,010,000; California 9,520,000.

**Pears (production only):**  
Washington 7,300,000 bushels; Oregon 6,150,000; California 15,667,000.

**Potatoes:**  
North Dakota 160 bushels per acre and production 17,440,000 bushels; Idaho 235 and 32,900,000; Washington 295 and 10,325,000; Oregon 265 and 11,395,000; California (late crop) 395 and 14,220,000.

**Sugar beets:**  
Nebraska 14.5 tons per acre and production 336,000 tons; Idaho 18 and 1,940,000; Colorado 15.1 and 1,842,000; California 18 and 2,574,000.

## English Teacher To Study Tibetan

CALCUTTA, (AP)—R. K. Sprigge, lecturer in the school of Oriental and African studies, University of London is now on his way to Lhasa on a year's research mission on the Tibetan language. For the past year he has been studying Tibetan script with a Tibetan research assistant in the university.

Tibetan script is an early development of Devanagari which India has adopted as its national script. It is written from left to right, unlike the Chinese who write from top to bottom and whose nominal political suzerainty the Tibetans had acknowledged until recently.

Although it is easy to read the Tibetan script it is difficult to pronounce it the way the Tibetans do. Sprigge therefore carries with him recording apparatus to make a series of records of Tibetan pronunciations.



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## Accidental Shot Endangers Eye

BAKER, Nov. 11 (AP)—A stray piece of shot from a pheasant hunter's gun may have cost Dale Cherry, Baker, the sight of one of his eyes, it was reported here yesterday.

The accidental shot, fired from approximately 60 yards by Mike Hoff, also Baker, struck Cherry in the left eye. The men were hunting over the week-end near Ontario. Cherry is hospitalized here.

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NEW DELHI (AP)—The crownless princelings of India numbering about 600 together draw from the Indian exchequer an annual privy purse of \$9,600,000.

State Minister Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel appealed to the constituent assembly recently to honor the pledges given to the princes for the "bloodless revolution" achieved by the integration of their states within two years of freedom. Patel said that before the integration the princes had been drawing from their respective states' treasuries an aggregate amount of \$40,200,000.

The privy purses had been guaranteed only during the lifetime of the princes, Patel said, adding that for subsequent generations it would be considerably less.

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