

A CROP REVIEW

Indiana Farmers Have Passed Through a Most Remarkable Year.

RALLIED TO THE CALL

With Vigor for Increased Crop Production—The Largest Harvest.

Indianapolis, Feb. 6.—The year just closed has been a remarkable one, in many respects, for the farmers of Indiana. On a request by the national government to increase the production of crops and live stock they went to work with courage and patriotism to comply, knowing that labor was scarce and probably would be hard to get at any price. Their efforts were rewarded by harvesting the largest crops of wheat, rye, oats, barley and buckwheat ever produced in the state. The acreage of corn was large but the weather conditions, together with inferior seed, resulted in a smaller crop than usual, but the price and quality of the corn was good. More cattle, sheep and hogs were produced than for many years previous. Tree fruits were almost a failure, except in the commercial orchards, and truck crops and potatoes were but little better than an average crop.

Review by Crops.
Wheat—The winter wheat crop came through the winter in most excellent condition and with practically no abandonment. Weather conditions were almost ideal from the time the crop was put in until it was harvested. The average yield per acre, for the state, was 21 bushels, which is 5.6 bushels above the 10-year average. The crop for 1919 shows an increase of 22 per cent over the 1918 average.

Rye—Like the winter wheat the rye crop came through the winter in excellent condition and much of it that had been put in for pasture or a fertilizer crop was left for grain.

Oats—The acreage and production of oats was considerably above the average, but practically the same as the preceding year. Weather conditions throughout the season were very favorable and the crop was harvested under excellent conditions. Much of the crop is still on the farms.

Barley—Barley is not grown extensively in this state, but last year the acreage was the largest ever put out and the yield per acre was considerably above the average. It is grown principally for feeding on the farms.

Buckwheat—Buckwheat is about the last crop to be put out during the season and the acreage depends largely upon the condition of other crops at the time. Last year a much larger acreage than usual was sown because of the poor condition of the corn crop in many counties. An early frost stopped development and only an average yield was secured.

Corn—A larger acreage than usual produced a corn crop considerably below the average. Several very important reasons can be attributed to this result. To begin with there was a marked shortage of good seed, due to the poor crop of 1917, and the severe winter, and large quantities were shipped into the state from Missouri, Eastern Pennsylvania and New Jersey. The climatic conditions under which this seed was grown, not being the same, it did not do as well as was expected; then on June 23rd a severe frost settled over the north part of the state and much of the crop either had to be replanted or abandoned. Some fields, however, seemed only slightly damaged and were left to the mercy of one of the most severe droughts during July and August the state has even experienced. In fact, about the only favorable part of the season was during the harvest.

White Potatoes—The acreage of white potatoes was somewhat larger than in 1917, but the yield was considerably lower, and was due to unfavorable weather conditions and insect damage.

Sweet Potatoes—Sweet Potatoes are produced extensively only in a few of the southern counties and in the melon districts. The acreage was practically the same as in 1917, but the yield was slightly larger.

Tobacco—There are three types of tobacco produced in the state: Spencer and Warwick counties being the large producers of the dark or one-sucker type; Clark, Dearborn, Franklin, Jefferson, Ohio and Switzerland produce the burley type and Randolph and Wayne the cigar type. Of the dark type there is approximately 7,500 acres; of the burley 3,000 acres, and of the cigar type only 800 acres. The crop was exceptionally good last year and the price made it one of the best money crops per acre

ever produced.
Tame Hay—The acreage and yield of all tame hay was about average for 1918. The crop was harvested under very favorable conditions and the price was in proportion to other crops.

Clover Seed—The clover seed acreage was about average, but the yield was a great disappointment, being only 1.3 bushels per acre. Grasshoppers were the principal damaging factor and literally ate many fields. A rainy spell at cutting time also ruined a great deal of the crop.

Sorghum—The 1918 acreage of sorghum cane was probably the largest ever put out in this state. The yield in sirup, however, was hardly up to the average, although the price made it a very profitable crop. Apples—Except in commercial orchards the apple crop was almost a failure in 1918. Even some commercial orchards, where modern methods of caring for trees are pursued, did not produce much more than half a crop. Last winter was very severe on all fruit trees.

Peaches—The severe winter of 1917 killed a great many peach trees outright and those that were not frozen out did not yield well. But a small percentage of the regular crop was produced.

Pears—Pear trees have been neglected so long that but few are left that are not diseased to such an extent that they will not bear good fruit.

Onions—The commercial onion acreage decreased considerably from that put out in 1917, and so did the price, but the crop was a good one and quite profitable. Heavy winds in the spring were the greatest destroying factor.

Cabbages—The commercial acreage of cabbages was increased somewhat over 1917. With a good yield this crop shows second in the value per acre column.

PUBLIC SALE.

I will sell at public sale my residence south of Monroe, Saturday, Feb. 15, beginning at 12 m., the following property: One wagon and wagon bed, 2 buggies, 1 low wheeled wagon, 2 sets work harness, 2 sets buggy harness, well cleaning outfit, some carpenter tools, hay in mow, chains, ropes, 5 stands of bees, household goods, cook stove, 2 heating stoves, couch, old fashioned bureau, chairs, bedsteads and bed spring, linoleum, 9x12; stands, crocks, jars, glass cans, kraut cutter, safe, wire cot, cupboard, stand lamp, book case, Jersey cow, 6 years old, fresh March 1st. Other articles too numerous to mention.

Terms:—All sums under \$10.00, cash; over that amount a credit of 6 months will be given, purchaser giving note with approved security, note bearing 8 per cent interest after maturity. No goods removed until settled for. D. C. BRANDYBERRY, J. N. Burkhead, Auct. 3413

PUBLIC SALE.

The Farmers' Horse Co. will offer for sale, 2 miles north and one mile east of Vevy, Ohio, or 6 1/2 miles east of Decatur, Ind., on Saturday, February 15, 1919, at 1:00 o'clock, the following two head of horses: One bay stallion—Ebene—Belgian No. 47014; American No. 3486. One elegant black Percheron Norman stallion—Neron, Percheron No. 68346; American No. 57210.

THE FARMERS' COMPANY, W. W. Stewart, Keeper, Harry Daniels, Auct. 3514

PUBLIC SALE.

Having sold the farm, we, the undersigned, will offer at public auction on the Joseph Helm farm, 1 mile north, 1 mile east of Monroe, 5 miles south of Decatur, on the Mud Pike, on Friday, February 14, beginning at 10 o'clock a. m., the following property, to-wit: Four Horses, One Team Mules: Black mare, 4 years old, will weigh 1300; sorrel mare, 5 years old, weight 1300; bay mare, 5 years old, weight 1450; black mare, 6 years old, weight 1400; team mare mules, 2 years old, well broke, Thirteen Head Cattle: Brindle cow, 7 years old, fresh soon; roan cow, giving milk; red cow, 8 years old, been fresh ten weeks; red cow, coming 3 years old, due to calve in May; pure bred Durham bull, will be year old in April; Holstein heifer, coming 2 years old; Holstein heifer, coming 1 year old; 5 young cattle, from 8 to 10 months old. Thirty-two Head of Hogs: Three pure bred Duroc sows, due to farrow in March; 4 Chester White brood sows, due to farrow in March; 5 gilts, due to farrow in May; 19 head shoats, weight 60 to 80 lbs.; pure bred big type Poland China male hog, will be 2 years old in June; a good one. Farm Tools: Dain hay loader, disc harrow, check row corn planter, binder, manure spreader, spike tooth harrow, spring tooth harrow, 2 walking plows, sulky plow, 2 cultivators, Gycione clod crusher, nearly new; John Deer; 3 inch tire wagon, farm wagon, mower, disc drill, hay rack, 2 sets double work harness, about 200 bushels pure White Bonanza seed oats, about 500 or 600 bushels of good corn, 5 or 6 bushels of seed corn, 5 or 6 tons of hay, some corn fodder, 10 or 12 doz. chickens; many articles not here mentioned.

Terms:—All sums of \$10 and under cash in hand on day of sale; all sums over \$10 a credit of 10 months will be given, purchaser giving note with approved security (security bearing interest of 8 per cent last 5 months). All property to be settled for before removal.

Lunch served by Monroe M. E. Ladies' Aid.

JAMES O. McBRIDE, JOSEPH HELM, Jeff Lichty, Auct. Bert Lower, Clerk. 7-10-11

SUFFRAGE LOSES

The Susan B. Anthony Bill Lost for Fourth Time by a Narrow Margin.

LOST BY ONE VOTE

Washington Militants Injured Cause—Vote Fifty-five to Twenty-nine.

Washington, Feb. 10.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—For the fourth time the United States senate defeated the resolution to submit a woman's suffrage constitutional amendment to the states.

Senators Watson and New voted in favor of the resolution. The vote was 55 for suffrage and 29 against it, but as the ayes did not have two-thirds of the votes cast, they were defeated.

Today's defeat practically means that nation wide suffrage amendment of women must wait for a long time. It will be impossible to get another vote this session even were there any chance of converting the south, which again blocked suffrage.

Next session the resolution will have to be put through the house again and this may prove rather difficult because of the many new members. However, suffrage leaders said immediately after the vote they will prepare to renew their campaign at the extra session.

They also are determined, they declare, to make the democratic passage party accept full responsibility for today's defeat.

Members of the woman's suffrage party bitterly condemn the Washington militants blaming their tactics in this city for refusal of some democrats to change their votes.

Thirty-one republicans voted for the measure and ten against while twenty-four democrats voted in the affirmative and nineteen in the negative.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE.

Notice is hereby given to the creditors, heirs and legatees of Clara D. Jensen, deceased, that the final settlement of the estate of said deceased should not be approved, and said heirs are notified to then and there make proof of heirship and receive their distributive shares. NICHOLAS JENNEY, Executor.

Decatur, Ind. Jan. 29, 1919. 30-6
Clark J. Lutz, Atty.

A LITTLE WANT AD NOW AND THEN, WILL ALWAYS HELP THE MOST PROSPEROUS OF MEN.

WEAKNESS REMAINS LONG AFTER Influenza

Reports Show That Strength, Energy and Ambition Return Very Slowly to Grippe Patients.

After an attack of influenza, doctors advise that nature be assisted in its building-up process by the use of a good tonic—one that will not only put strength and endurance into the body, but will also help to build up and strengthen the run-down cells of the brain.

One of the most highly recommended remedies to put energy into both body and brain is Bio-feren—your physician knows the formula—it is printed below.

There's Iron in Bio-feren—the kind of iron that makes red blood corpuscles and creates vigor. There is lecithin also; probably the best brain invigorator known to science. Then there is good old reliable gentian, that brings back your lagging appetite.

There are other ingredients that help to promote good health, as you can see by reading this formula, not forgetting kolo, that great agent that puts the power of endurance into weak people.

Taken altogether Bio-feren is a splendid active tonic that will greatly help any weak, run-down person to regain normal strength, energy, ambition and endurance.

Bio-feren is sold by all reliable druggists and is inexpensive. For weakness after influenza patients are advised to take two tablets after each meal and one at bed time—seven a day, until health, strength and vigor are fully restored.

It will not fail to help you and if for any reason you are dissatisfied with results, your druggist is authorized to return your money upon request—without any red tape of any kind.

Note to physicians: There is no secret about the formula of Bio-feren. It is printed on every package. Here it is: Lecithin; Calcium Glycero-phosphate; Iron Pictonate; Manganese Pictonate; Ext. Nux. Vomica; Powdered Gentian; Phenolphthalein; Oleoresin Capsicum. Kolo.

FARMERS' INSTITUTE AT MONMOUTH
February 12, 1919
MORNING SESSION—9:30
Audience
Song..... Mrs. Spindler
Invocation..... Mr. Taylor
"Housekeeping as a Business"..... Mr. Taylor
"Farmers' Organization"..... Mr. Taylor
Farmers and their families are urged to attend these sessions. "Come and help make this institute a success."
Lunch Served by Ladies' Aid Society
AFTERNOON SESSION—1:30
Song..... Mr. Taylor
"Dairying as a Business"..... Mrs. Spindler
"Organization of Farm Women"..... Mrs. Spindler
EVENING—7:30
Oyster Supper and Social Entertainment

THE FIRE BELLS

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the roof, so far up that they could not reach it with water, hence the necessity for the fire department. A very small hole in the roof, with a damage of not more than a dollar, resulted.

ON HONOR ROLL

Students of Decatur High School Who Were Neither Absent Nor Tardy

DURING THE SEMESTER

Number Twenty-four—The Freshman Class is Far in the Lead.

The following high school students are on the honor roll for having been neither tardy nor absent during the first semester of school:

Seniors—Helen Walters, Mildred Yager.

Juniors—Bernice Kern, Dorothy Smith.

Sophomores—Mary Callow, Frances Costello, John Kies, Florine Michaud, Victoria Mills.

Freshmen—Alfred Beavers, Arthur Briner, Germaine Christen, Velma Erwin, Lois Hammond, David Hensley, Pauline Hite, Margaret Kienzie, Lawson Lehart, Nellie McGath, Willard Myers, Mary Rinehart, Gretchen Smith, Ruth Stalter, Orrin Stults.

State Club Federation Plans Literary Contest

Mrs. Eva Marble Bondy, of Valparaiso, chairman of the literature committee of the Indiana Federation of Women's Clubs, announces that this year the literature department is to make one feature of the work distinctively literary by holding literature contests in each district of the state. These contests will be open to any club woman, and the entries will be as follows:

Class 1, editorials or essays; class 2, poems or verses, and class 3, short stories, sketches or fables.

Each contestant is to be limited to one entry in each class, that is, each contestant is privileged to enter one manuscript in each of the classes. All entries are to be made by July 15, 1919. All manuscripts, preferably typewritten, are to be collected by or sent to the district chairman of literature committees before August 1.

The request has been made, Mrs. Bondy says, that the contest judges be appointed from the Woman's Press Club of Indiana, who would grade the manuscripts on the three points, literary style, subject matter, and originality. The subject of "Americanization" in some one of its many phases is the one chosen by the literature committee, but the explanation is made that "American literature in the making is, in itself, a phase of 'Americanization,' and the contestant may write upon the subject from the angle of science, invention, sociology, politics, war, art, music, romance or adventure, so long as the local color, atmosphere and background of the story, poem or editorials, American."

The general plan for these literature contests, outlined by the state federation committee, as a working basis is that clubs of each county or adjoining counties, where there are fewer clubs, should co-operate and create a common fund, to be known as the "literature contest fund." How this money will be raised is left to the discretion of the clubs and also the exact amount of the money prizes to be awarded; but the literature committee of the state federation, Mrs. Bondy says, agrees that \$10 should be the minimum amount to be awarded for an individual prize.

FARMS FOR SALE.

No. 25. 80 acres in Allen county, fair improvements, good sandy loam soil, price, if sold soon, \$8,500.

No. 26. 41 1/2 acres, 4 miles west of Decatur, good improvements, fine corn land, price \$8,500.

No. 27. 80 acres, 3 1/2 miles of Willshire, O.; extra good improvements, good sandy loam soil, price, \$9,000.

No. 28. 124 acres in Blue Creek township, good improvements, black level corn land, price, \$210 per acre. Will, if necessary, carry back on farm \$14,000, four years, 5 1/2 per cent interest.

No. 29. 120 acres, 2 1/2 miles southwest of Decatur; extra good improvements, black level corn land; this year landlord's share of crop little better than \$2,500. Terms, \$1,000 on date of contract, \$7,500 March 1st; balance ten years, 6 per cent.

No. 30. 100 acres in Jay county, 3 1/2 miles of Bryant. Extra good new improvements, good soil, for quick sale, \$100 per acre.

No. 31. 65 acres, 2 1/2 miles northwest of Decatur, fine improvements and good land. Price, \$11,000. If necessary landlord will carry back \$5,000, Ten years, 6 per cent. Possession March 1st.

No. 32. 120 acres, 6 miles north-west of Berne, Indiana, good 8-room house with basement, good barn 45x100 feet, and all other necessary outbuildings; also good orchard. Price, \$135 per acre. If necessary, can make easy terms. Possession March 1st.

M. L. OLIVER, Office Rooms, 8 and 9, Peoples Loan & Trust Co. Bldg., Decatur, Ind.

PUBLIC SALE.

As I have sold my farm and am leaving the state, will sell at public auction, 3 1/2 miles south of Decatur, and 2 1/2 miles north of Monroe, Monday, Feb. 17, 1919, commencing at 12:30 p. m., sharp, the following property, to-wit: Horses: Brown horse, 7 years old, weighing about 1450; bay mare, 5 years old, weighing about 1350; spring colt, Cattle: Four head milch cows, extra good ones; 2 heifer calves, Hogs: Four brood sows, 17 fat pigs. Poultry: About 6 dozen hens, pure bred White Leghorn. One Ford car, good as new; one rubber tired top buggy. Implements: 8-ft. Osborn binder, walking plow, 8-ft. Empire drill, grass attachment; Osborn hay loader, Crow Foot roller, 1 cream separator, 1 sled corn cutter, gang plow, 3 cultivators, low-down John Deere manure spreader, 2 two-section harrows, hay rack with beet bed, 2 wagon gears. These implements are all new and in good shape. About 400 bushels of corn, about 150 bushels of oats, about 10 tons of hay and some straw, about 10 bushels of seed corn. Terms:—\$10.00 and under, cash; over \$10.00 nine months' time on bankable note; first 5 months without interest, and the last 4 months drawing 8 per cent; 4 per cent off for cash. A. J. POWELL, Jeff Lichty, Auct. 5-10to15

W. A. Lower, Clerk.

APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed administrator of the estate of Margaret Jacobs, late of Adams county, deceased. The estate is probably solvent.

ORPHEA McMANAMA, Administrator.

Dore B. Erwin, Atty. 23-30-6

APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed administrator of the estate of Christian Zimmerman, late of Adams county, deceased. The estate is probably solvent.

ELI C. BIERIE, Administrator.

F. M. Cottrell, Atty. 23-30-6

Little Brother Run-down

Cried and Fretted—How He Recovered.

Mountainville, N. Y.—"My little brother had typhoid fever, and it left him with no appetite, weak, run-down and always crying."

Vinol proved a wonderful tonic in building him up and restoring his strength after everything else failed."

—Lucy Sherman.

The reason Vinol was so successful in this little boy's case, is because it contains the very elements needed to build up a weakened, run-down system, make rich, red blood and create strength.

Sold by Smith, Yager & Falk, and druggists everywhere.—adv.

P. S.—For pimples and blotches try Saxon Salva. Money back if it fails.

SAM HITE'S

SOUTH END GROCERY
The great Canned Goods Sale is still on. Hundreds of people have taken advantage of the wonderful bargains. (Limited 2 dozen assorted.)

Fancy Canned Corn 12 1/2c	Fancy Canned Peas 12 1/2c
Fancy Canned Red Beans 12 1/2c	Fancy Canned Bake Beans 12 1/2c
Fancy Canned Hominy 10c	Fancy Canned Pumpkin 12 1/2c
Fancy Canned Sauer Kraut 14c	Fancy Canned Tomatoes 14c
Fancy Pink Salmon 14c	Fancy Table Syrup 14c
Fancy Golden Wax Beans 15c	Fancy Apple Butter 19c
Fancy Qt. Cans Mustard 19c	Fancy Canned Plums 19c

TAKE A LOOK AT THESE PRICES ON MILK

Small Hebe, 5 cans	25c
Small Carnation, 4 cans	25c
Small, Pet, 4 cans	25c

(Limit 8 cans to a customer)

GREAT SPECIAL—BURLSLEY'S HIGH GRADE

COFFEE, 29c. LIMIT ONE POUND TO A CUSTOMER

American Family Soap, 4 bars	25c	Daylight Soap, 5 bars	25c
Snow Boy	5c	White Line	5c

Dr. Sayman Soap, 3 cakes	28c
Dried Peas, lb.	10c
Red Beans, lb.	10c
Lutz & Schram Catsup	10c

MATCHES DOWN. WE OFFER "SEARCH-LIGHT" OR "OHIO BLUE TIP," LARGE 7c BOXES, FULL 500 COUNT, AT 5c A BOX. "NO LIMIT."

Fancy Prunes, lb.	10c
New Bulk Rolled Oats, lb.	5c

We have Soft A, Light and Dark Brown Sugar.

The service we render on "Phone" Orders will surely please you. Call 204 or 308.

Low expenses, large volume, inside market prices, make our low prices possible.

SAM HITE'S

SOUTH END GROCERY
Phones 204, 308 Opposite Erie Depot

NOTICE OF SALE OF REFUNDING BONDS.

Notice is hereby given that the common council, in and for the City of Decatur, Indiana, will, on the 18th day of February, 1919, at their council room, in said city, at seven o'clock p. m., receive sealed bids for the sale of Refunding Bonds, in the sum of \$6,000, as follows:

Said bonds to be issued in denominations of \$500.00 each, with interest at the rate of 5 1/2 per cent per annum, and to be dated January 1, 1919, maturing \$1,000.00 one year after date and \$1,000.00 each six months thereafter until all are paid, same to be payable at the office of the City Treasurer of said city.

Said bonds to be sold, at not less than par, to the highest and best bidder.

The council reserves the right to reject any and all bids.
Witness my hand and seal this 22nd day of January, 1919.
(Seal) R. G. CHRISTEN, City Clerk.

YOUR AUTO LICENSE

WHEN READY TO MAKE APPLICATION FOR YOUR AUTO LICENSE CALL AT THE DEMOCRAT OFFICE. RICHARD C. EHINGER, Notary Public.

DEMOCRAT WANT ADS PAY BIG.

Experience has taught thousands that **INSTANT POSTUM** is better for the family than coffee.

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