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LONG DROUGHT DAMAGING TO COUNTY CROPS

Rain Could Not Help Early
Stands of Wheat, View
of Agent.

10 PER CENT LOSS SEEN

Tomatoes Also Hard Hit by
Dry Spell; Corn Progress
Is Delayed.

The drought has reached serious
proportions in Marion County,
Horace E. Abbott, county agricultural
agent, said today.

"It is now too late for rain to
do any good to the earlier stands
of wheat," he said. "However, the
heads seem to be well filled out,
and in some parts of the county
harvesting has started."

The later wheat will suffer most,
he indicated. The total crop is ex-
pected to be off 10 to 15 per cent.

Farmers are reporting that the to-
mato crop is at a standstill and
many fields have had no rain since
the young tomato plants were set,
the agent said.

Too Early for Estimate

While damage to the tomato crop
is expected to be large it is too
early for an estimate, he added.
Rain is badly needed for the second
crop of clover—the seed crop—and
for the normal two more cuttings
of alfalfa, Mr. Abbott said.

Corn is progressing very slowly
and indications now are that the
crop will suffer about 25 per cent,
he said. Corn has its own method
of showing when the moisture supply
is short, he added. The bigger
corn starts to curl to conserve
moisture in the stalk. This condition
now prevails throughout the
county, he said.

He also said that all berry crops
probably will be below normal. Be-
fore the water shortage became
acute it was thought that these
crops would be about normal, he
said.

LIGHT RAIN IN STATE FAILS TO AID CROPS

Southwest Section Most Benefited
by Slight Precipitation.

Light rains in the southwest sec-
tion of the state proved insufficient
to aid dry areas of Indiana today, it
was reported by J. H. Armstrong,
United States meteorologist.

Northern areas of Indiana, suffer-
ing more extensively from the
drought conditions, received no rain
yesterday.

Rainfall was reported at Vin-
cennes and Evansville. Indianapolis
and Marion County farmers got lit-
tle benefit from a slight precipita-
tion.

Warmer weather, with no rain in
sight, was forecast for tomorrow.

WHEAT PRICES FIRM AS TRADING CLOSES

Rates React After Sharp Rally In
Opening Deals.

Times Special

CHICAGO, June 23.—Wheat
prices on the Chicago Board of
Trade advanced to new highs in a
sharp rally after the opening today,
but reacted later in sympathy with
a decline in outside markets. The
market, however, closed with a firm
tone.

The early sharp upward move-
ment was attributed to bullish
weather reports received from the
drought-stricken spring wheat terri-
tory. At the close prices were off
1/4 to up 1/2 cent. Corn also was
fractionally higher, while oats were
unchanged to up 1/2 cent.

TRADING TURNS DULL AS PRICES STEADY

Irregular Decline Follows Rise on
Stock Market.

By United Press

NEW YORK, June 23.—Trading
turned dull this afternoon on the
Stock Exchange. Prices steadied
after an irregular decline followed a

Steel, motor and oil issues re-
covered from their lows which were
fractions to more than a point net
down from the previous close. Utili-
ties regained losses. Railroads depressed
fractions to more than a point,
failed to rally as much, although
dealing was very light.

Tax Collections Increase

By United Press

WASHINGTON, June 23.—In-
come tax collections for the first
20 days of June showed an increase
of \$55,897,057 over collections for
the same period of last year, the
Bureau of Internal Revenue an-
nounced today. Collections for the
June 1-20 period inclusive totaled
\$288,505,223.56.

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HOOSIERS ON HAND AS NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC PARLEY STARTS



Mrs. Paul McNutt, Gov. McNutt and Tom Taggart, national committeeman from Indiana (above), at the Hotel Benjamin Franklin in Philadelphia as the national Democratic convention opened.

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