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needed, but, nevertheless, even then, crops have improved. On the morning of the 22d light frost formed in many localities, but did no injury. Wheat and grasses improved much and look better than last week. Pasturage is good, and live stock shows it. Rye continues to be in fine condition. Early sown clover perished, but late sown is coming on nicely. Early potatoes have been planted, and some are coming up. Oats are nearly all sown, and early sown is coming on nicely. Because for lack of rain tobacco plants have advanced less, and the quality seems to be inferior. Fruit trees are full of bloom and also small fruits; peach blossoms commence dropping, and in some localities apple blossoms are less abundant than last year. Plowing for corn continues; some corn has been planted in localities. Plowing has been retarded in some localities in the southern portion because the ground is getting hard and dry, and in Whitley county, in the northern portion, because the ground is too wet. Cut-worms and clover-worms have made their appearance in great numbers in few localities; the potato-bug also.

NORTHERN PORTION.

Lake, Porter and LaPorte counties—Plenty of rain helped all vegetation; all fruit in full bloom; light frost in Porter county on 21st, no damage; oats about all in; farmers plowing for corn, and farm work being pushed; rye looking good. St. Joseph and Elkhart counties—Frost of Wednesday morning did no damage; rains have advanced everything rapidly but have hindered farm work somewhat; some oats up; plowing for corn; early fruit in bloom and prospects continue good. LaGrange and Steuben counties—Slight damage to fruit by frost in northern LaGrange and Steuben counties—Slight damage to fruit by frost in northern LaGrange county, otherwise the week has been very favorable; wheat, grass and oats are growing fast; plowing for corn and some potato planting. Noble and DeKalb counties—Wheat, grass and all vegetation much benefited by rains, and first seeding of oats up and doing well; fruits doing well; plowing for corn continues. Jasper county—Frost Wednesday and Thursday nights did no damage; good

weather for all vegetation; farmers well up with their work.

Marshall county—Everything doing finely; at Plymouth heavy frost and ice formed, but no damage has been heard of; prospects of fruit good. Starke county—Fine growing weather; oats coming up; prospects for all kinds of fruit never better; some frost, but no damage; Kosciusko county.—Vegetation made wonderful growth; plenty of rain; some corn will be planted this week; farm work progressing rapidly. Fulton county—Plenty of rain, and ground almost too wet to plow part of the time; heavy frost Wednesday, but no damage; early potatoes coming up. Allen county—Frost Wednesday morning, but no damage heard of; wheat and grass have been greatly benefited by rains; oats coming up; corn plowing well advanced. Whitley county—Wheat and grass very much benefited by rain, but in localities ground has been too wet for rapid work; considerable corn ground plowed; fruit all in bloom now; oats generally all sowed and some up; cut-worms are abundant in localities. Benton county—Abundance of rain; all vegetation in good order; farmers about three-quarters through plowing, and some corn planting will be done next week; oats look good; fruit prospects continue promising. Wells and Huntington counties—Warm rains brought out leaf and bloom rapidly; all vegetation in good condition; oats coming up nicely; fruit continues promising; corn plowing continues and some seeding will be done next week. Cass and Miami counties—Wheat, grass and oats have been greatly helped by the warm rains; young clover looks well. Adams county—Farm work retarded by the rains, which on the other hand were very beneficial and which thoroughly soaked the ground; fruit promises well; weather all that can be desired. Carroll county—Weather very favorable to wheat, grass, spring clover and fruits; plowing for corn continues; frosts did no damage; oats coming up nicely; early potatoes all planted. Grant and Jay counties—Aside from the frost on 22d the last week has been ideal; wheat, oats, hay and gardens are much improved; fine prospects for fruit, with no damage by frost; rye looking well.

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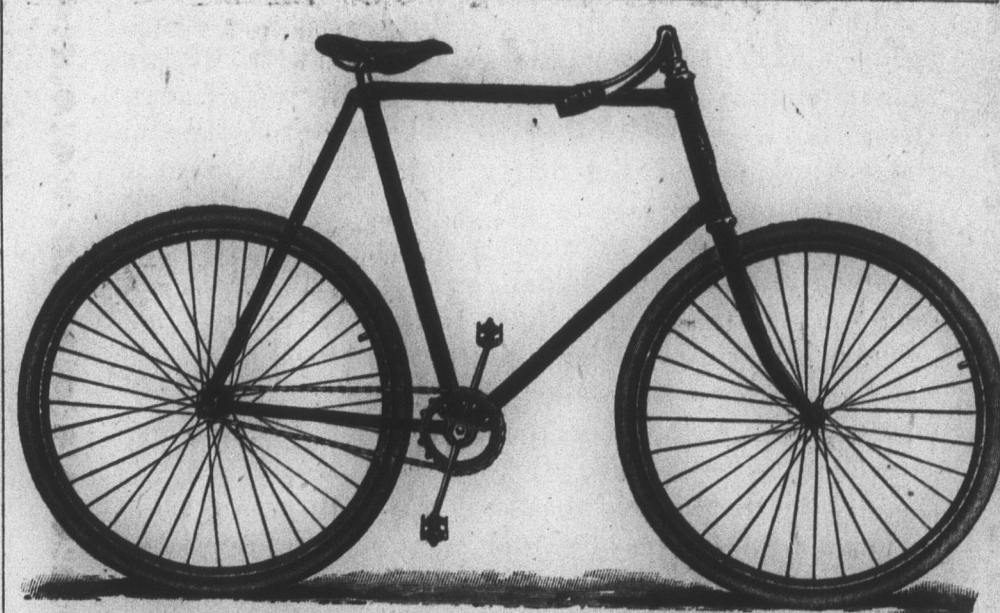
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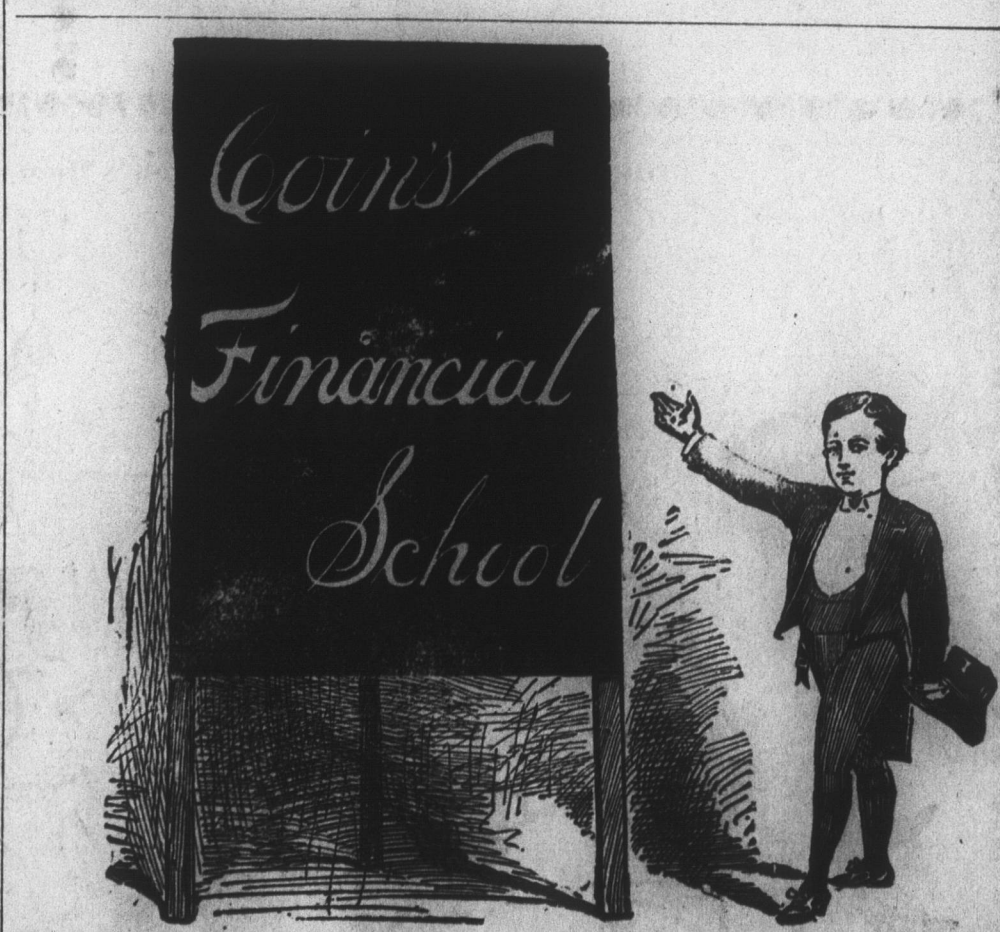
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