

EVERYBODY PITCHES IN TO HELP GATHER WHEAT, HAY, OATS

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When harvest days approached there seemed to be a getting-together of the whole rural population in the Wayne district. The helpful spirit of co-operation went into action and is remaining in action, so that not a saveable fragment of hay or a bushel of grain was lost.

The country merchant, the lumberman, the youngster from the bank, the clerk in the country store, and last but not least, the elevator man and his assistants, not absolutely needed to run the works, scattered out among the farmers where most needed.

Farmers in the same threshing rings got together to outline their harvest plans in the radius of their community centers, and the question of trading work took the preference over trading dollars.

Everybody at Work.

Numerous elevator men have placed young women in their offices to answer phone calls, while the foremen abroad to help neighbors to attend to their own fields, while the sun was shining. There have been too few days of sunshine to lose a single available hour in the hay or wheat, at least up to last Friday, since when the skies have been more propitious over Eastern Indiana.

So far as wheat is concerned, the great bulk of it is in shock and the remainder will be within next two days. Boston township is pretty well cleaned up, and the same is true as to most of the districts to the south. There is considerable late wheat, but the last of it will be cut by Thursday or Friday, weather permitting. Winchester is late on account of almost daily showers until now.

In the meantime some have been saving their hay as they could, letting their wheat to ripen to the limit. With both hay and wheat cared for, quickly follows the oats harvest. Oats are very heavy around Lynn, and Randolph county is looking for the best oats harvest in years.

While that cannot be said of wheat in this entire radius, from 10 to 25 per cent more wheat is being harvested than was anticipated in early June. The pastures have had plenty of rain and there is grass to spare. Taken as a whole, the situation is much better than the cold, backward spring presaged.

Corn has had a splendid growth in the last two weeks, and the backward fields are exceptional, though found here and there. Plenty of corn is "laid by" and more will be within the week.

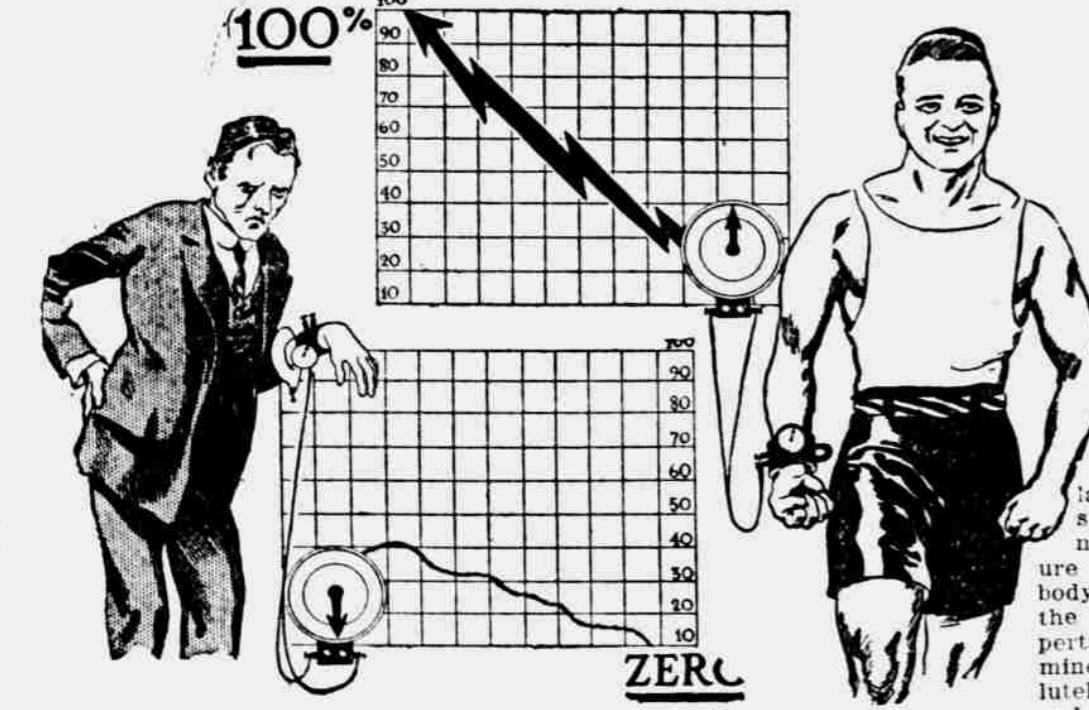
Farm Labor Situation

What has been said indicates farm labor status at this time. Oxford, College Corner and many Preble county points reported an easing in the farm labor situation early in June, the tobacco planters being hardest hit of the farm population at transplanting time, recently completed. Still there was comparatively little complaint from planters, but the acreage was reduced here and there from this cause.

Cambridge, Hagerstown, Greensfork, Fountain City, Lynn, Modoc and Hollingsburg reported early that "farmers are all set, have enough hands to get by." Many farmers had to work extra hours and were helped out by those whose work was farther advanced, and practically all the acreage planned was planted and is now being cared for.

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almost exactly the same total as for the corresponding period last year, it was announced by the department of agriculture. Owing to the good demand, the department said, prices on almost everything except onions have been high this season.

Potato prices are slowly working downward, but still are twice as high as a year ago. Tomato shipments are heavier than last year at this time. Peaches are still coming mostly from Georgia and prices are slightly greater than they were at this season last year.

Farm Federation

Officers of the Indiana Federation of Farmers' associations had another busy program during the last week in which were crowded activities of interest to the farmers of the state. John G. Brown, president of the organization, represented the federation at Washington in its complaint against the poor car service being rendered in the state, and called attention to the fact that with the harvest at hand the grain elevators would soon be filled to capacity and unable to handle the surplus unless relief in the car shortage was given immediate attention. Mr. Brown made the trip to Washington with members of the Public Service commission to take the matter up with the Inter-State Commerce commission.

Raised Both Corn and Hogs.

Clem Endsley, who market 81 head of hogs at the Glen last Friday said: "I have fed out 200 hogs this year, raising both corn and hogs on the place, and my hogs made me plenty of money." Mr. Endsley will move to the Miss Belle Scott farm in the Walnut Level district, this fall, and says he will try and raise 500 hogs next year. The Scott farm contains 300 acres.

Sowed Timothy With Wheat.

Cliff Alvey says that of his 65 acres of wheat, half of it had been sown in timothy and looks like a promising lot of hay. The balance has been harvested, the late sown, and turned out "just fair." Mr. Alvey is living on the John J. Druey farm in Boston township.

MARKETING OF TRUCK CROPS.

WASHINGTON, July 12.—Shipments of truck crops and fruits thus far this season have been well in excess of 300,000 cars, and have reached

scales, while under the new system the scales will be graduated for units of five pounds.

Keep Down Crab Grass

E. E. RICE, Garden Supervisor. The pestiferous crab grass is already raising its head in spots on many lawns. Keep it close with the lawn mower, and prevent it from seeding.

Your rose bushes will bloom better if the dead flowers are cut off, presenting a neater appearance.

The smoke pipe of your furnace will last much longer if it is taken down now, cleaned out and stored in a dry place. One summer's disuse is harder on it than several winter's use, unless it is cared for.

Now is a good time to buy or make a reel for holding the lawn hose. Rubber hose is expensive nowadays and it will pay to take care of it. Coil it up in the shade at least and drain the water out.

Now is the time to cut back the long, new canes of the black raspberries, to induce them to send out numerous side shoots for next year's fruiting.

Word has been received at headquarters of the federation that a county agent had been appointed in Perry county in the Ninth district, and that a movement is to be started soon in that county to perfect an association to become affiliated with the state.

Tuesday, Sept. 7, has been set aside as Indiana Federation of Farmers' associations' day at the state fair, which opens in Indianapolis on Sept. 6. A number of the county associations of the state took advantage of the opportunity secured on a large consignment of anthracite coal in Pennsylvania by the federation. This coal was offered in car lots at approximately \$15 per ton delivered to Indiana points.

Lewis Taylor has announced that arrangements have been made by which farmers can obtain more exact weight for calves at the Union stockyards in Indianapolis. Under the old system the scales on which the calves were weighed were graduated only for units of 10 pounds to break

How to Avoid Pesky Hessian Fly Next Year

The Hessian fly, one of the oldest and at times one of the most destructive enemies of the wheat crop in the United States, is again on the increase. Specialists of the United States department of agriculture make the following suggestions for combating the pest:

Practicable crop rotation. Do not sow when on stubble if it is possible to avoid it.

Plow under all infected stubble and ruined wheat, where practicable, soon after harvest.

Destroy all volunteer wheat by harrowing, disking, plowing, or some other method.

Plow all land to be sown to wheat early and deeply as existing conditions will permit, and prepare a thoroughly pulverized and compacted seed bed.

Conserve moisture against a period of drought at seeding time.

Use good seed.

Fertilize.

Sow wheat during the fly-free period.

WEVIL THREATENS WHEAT.

GREENSBURG, Ind., July 12.—Wheat midge, frequently called "red weevil," is threatening the wheat crop of this county, according to Joseph Ireland, county agricultural agent.

However, he says, the crop will not be seriously affected. Mr. Ireland says the insect attacks the young wheat grain, sucks the juice from it and causes it to shrivel, although damage ceases when the kernel ripens. It has been found in many places of the state during the past few weeks and threatens to become as dangerous to the wheat crop as the Hessian fly, says Mr. Ireland. Wheat cutting is about three-fourths done in this county and threshing is expected to start in about ten days.



iod, as advised by your farm adviser or state experiment station.

Adhere to these practices every year whether the fly is abundant or scarce. They will help to keep it scarce.

CERTIFICATES FOR RELATIVES OF SOLDIERS SOON READY

A circular from the war department says death and wound certificates are to be forwarded to the next kin of officers, enlisted men, field clerks or

other members of the authorized military establishments who died in service during the world war.

These memorials, which are certificates bearing the fac simile of the signature of the president, will be engrossed by the state in alphabetical order and mailed to the addresses of persons, who according to the records of the war department, are entitled to them. The wound certificates will be the first to be prepared.

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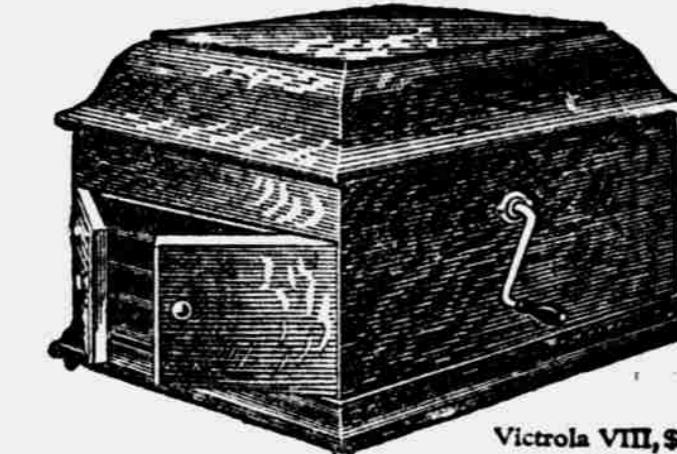
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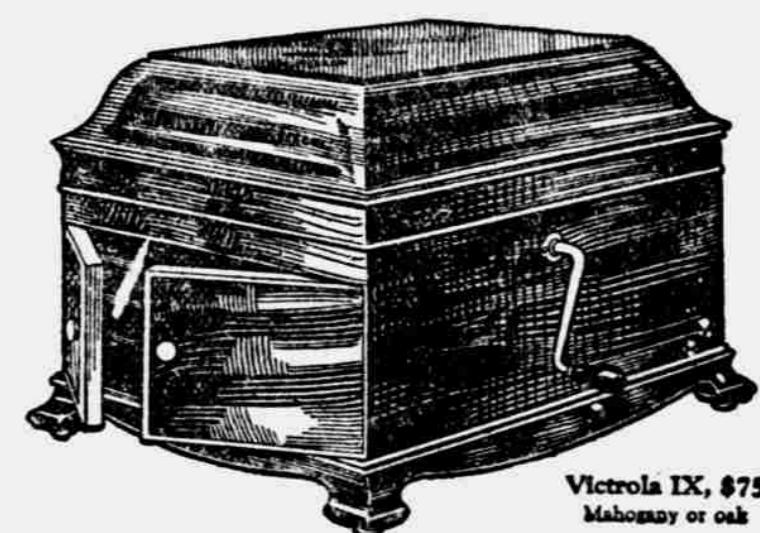
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