

SHORTAGE OF FARM LABOR IS SERIOUS

Reports From Local Communities Indicate Low Production for Year.

Jazz, luxurious dinners, plenty of shows and late hours together with little response and unless farm help is obtained shortly, farmers will have to work night and day to get in their crops, observers say.

Farmers Complain.

Farmers of St. Joseph county declare that prices which they are forced to pay their help are confiscatory and that unless there is a remedy one way or another farm production will be seriously impaired.

Even at these high prices the demand for farm help is far in excess of supply and many a local farmer is facing corn planting seasons and harvesting time without knowing how it is to be done. Wages paid at least \$50 a month.

The regular mail service as well as the parcel post service to North Russia, (Archangel and Murmansk districts) has been suspended until further notice, according to word received at the local post office Wednesday morning.

EXPRESS EMPLOYEE WINS LENIENCY

Roland Hegg, a former employee of the American Railway Express Co., who was charged with embezzling \$294 of the company funds to buy a goat for the purpose of providing milk for your children to find out it wasn't that kind of a goat.

That is what happened to George G. Rodgers, of Leicester, a short time ago, and now he is the plaintiff in a law suit for \$50 against John E. Paine, of Franklin, who is owner of a large goat farm.

OFFER HIGHER WAGES.

ST. PAUL, Minn., March 31.—Farmers are offering 20 per cent higher wages this year than last for farm help, officials here said today. Wages are double, or more than double those paid four or five years ago.

"There is a farm labor shortage," said Dean R. W. Thatcher of the University of Minnesota agricultural school, "but we have a general idea that farmers are cutting down their acreage this year and won't need so much help."

WOULD REDUCE H. C. L.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., March 31.—The only hope of ever reducing the cost of living is to get the people back to the farms, in the opinion of the state's chief assistant of the federal employment agency here.

Where in March of 1919 a total of 178 men were assigned jobs on farms, the total this month is only 77. And the demand is greater than it was a year ago. The wages are \$10 higher than in 1919.

DOUBLE IN VALUE.

LANSING, Mich., March 31.—Michigan farm lands will double in value within a few years, Verne H. Church, field agent of the Michigan crop reporting bureau, declared here today.

The present drain on farm labor caused by abnormally high wages in factories and industrial establishments is a temporary condition, Church said. As soon as this condition shifts back to normal, the effect on the value of farm lands will be marked, he added.

INDIANA SITUATION.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 31.—Food production in Indiana is threatened by a shortage of farm labor, George C. Bryant, field agent of the department of agriculture said.

Farmers generally contemplate reducing production about 15 per cent," Bryant asserted. "This is due mainly to the labor shortage and the high wages that labor is demanding. Another factor in causing reduction is the fluctuation of prices and the high cost of farm machinery."

SEE FARM HANDS.

TOPEKA, Kas., March 31.—Kansas can absorb 5,000 farmhands and contract to employ them every month in the year, according to W.

HEALTH BOARD IN WARNING

New Ordinance Provides For Removal of Outdoor Nuisances.

In an announcement issued Wednesday by the board of health attention is called to the new ordinance which provides for the removal of all outdoor nuisances by July 1, 1920. A warning has also been sounded regarding the enforcement of the measure. The announcement is as follows:

This zone includes that territory of the city located within the district described by St. Peter st. from the river to the city limits on the north, from this point along Tonawanda av. and Vassar av. to Blaine av., from this point along Blaine av. to Lapeyre av. to Chapin st., from this point along Chapin st. to Sample st., from this point along Sample st. to the river. All privies and cesspools located within this district must be cleaned out to the bottom and filled with fresh dirt or ashes and the respective premises connected with the sewer not later than July 1, 1920.

It is suggested that property owners at once arrange for these improvements. No leniency will be shown at the expiration of the time allotted by the ordinance for this work.

E. FREYERWUTH, M. D. Secretary Board of Health.

GOAT REFUSED TO GIVE MILK, SAYS COMPLAINT

PENN DESCENDANT AND VETERAN DIES

WORCESTER, Mass., March 31.—Wouldn't it get your goat after you had bought a goat for the purpose of providing milk for your children to find out it wasn't that kind of a goat?

That is what happened to George G. Rodgers, of Leicester, a short time ago, and now he is the plaintiff in a law suit for \$50 against John E. Paine, of Franklin, who is owner of a large goat farm.

BUSINESS MEN HOLD DINNER FOR MARINES

Over 400 business men of South Bend welcomed the Roving Marines at the Oliver hotel Wednesday noon by the Real Estate board, Kwanis club and guests.

Addresses of welcome were given by Mayor R. W. Gaynor of Mishawaka, John DeHaven of the Board of Public Works, City Controller John Swygart in behalf of Mayor Carson, and Green of the Chamber of Commerce. William H. Hagan, real estate board, Wilbur Armstrong of the Kwanis club and A. R. Erskine of the Studebaker corporation.

Gunner Marshall E. Simmons, in charge of the Roving Marines, responded to the welcome extended the marines by the city of South Bend. "We found that we were welcome from the time we stepped from the train," said Gunner Simmons, "and that the city had given us the open door."

Change Easter Service At German M. E. Church

Because of the death of Rev. Fred Koehnemann's mother, necessitating the absence of the pastor, changes in the regular services of the German M. E. church have been made.

In place of the regular Sunday morning Easter services the children of the church will present a program. The vesper concert, which was to have been held Sunday afternoon has been indefinitely postponed and the Good Friday services will be discontinued.

E. FREYERWUTH, M. D. Secretary Board of Health.

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