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## OCTOBER CROP REPORT SHOWS INCREASE

BY THE CO-OPERATIVE REPORTING SERVICE FOR INDIANA.

The outstanding features of the monthly report of the co-operative crop reporting service for Indiana, issued Oct. 9, is another increase in the forecast for corn production of approximately 8,000,000 bushels over the September report and the yield of oats per acre, which is the highest for many years, 41 bushels. Practically all other crops show an increase in production over the September forecast. The report follows:

Weather conditions during September were ideal for finishing and maturing the corn crop and an increase of 4 points is shown over last month's condition figure which brings it to 93 percent of normal. This figure indicates a total production of 192,405,000 bushels compared with 184,130,000 bushels last month and 175,750,000 bushels last year. With continued favorable weather until October 15th practically all the corn will be out of the way of frost damage, although the heavy frost on the morning of October 2nd injured some fields. Considerable of the crop has been cut and silo filling is general in all sections of the state. Corn is down badly in some localities and is interfering with wheat and rye seeding to some extent.

Now is a good time for the selection of seed corn and farmers should give this matter immediate attention. The average yield of spring wheat was 2 bushels higher than for winter wheat and indicates a total production of 42,000 bushels compared with 47,000 bushels shown for September and 228,000 bushels for last year.

Sixty percent of the wheat produced in the state was marketed by October 1. On this basis Indiana farmers have suffered a loss of approximately \$7,500,000 since the crop movement started the latter part of October.

The average yield of oats per acre was 41 bushels, the highest for many years, and a total production of 78,342,000 bushels is indicated, compared with 75,076,000 bushels last month and 69,471,000 bushels last year. Generally, the quality is exceptionally good, especially this is true of the early sown crop.

Buckwheat shows an increase of 1 point for the month and is 89 percent of normal, which indicates a total production of 261,000 bushels compared with 252,000 bushels shown for last month and 231,000 bushels last year.

White potatoes made gains in some sections, but lost in others, with the crop good in some places and poor in others. The condition October 1 was 81 percent of normal and indicates a total production of 8,602,000 bushels compared with 8,383,000 bushels last month and 4,400,000 bushels last year.

Sweet potatoes made a slight gain in all sections. The condition October 1 being 88 percent of normal, indicating a total production of 362,000 bushels compared with 350,000 bushels last month and 315,000 bushels last year.

Weather conditions were very favorable for the tobacco crop, but the total indicated production is not as large as last month. The condition figure October 1 was 92 percent of normal and indicates a total production of 17,456,000 pounds compared with 17,957,000 pounds last month and 15,215,000 pounds last year.

The special inquiry regarding acres in field crops in 1920, compared with 1919, shows a reduction of only 2 percent for the state.

The condition of clover seed is very spotted. Mammoth and Big English varieties being much better than the others. The condition October 1 was 83 percent of normal and indicates a total production of 174,000 bushels compared with 75,000 bushels last year.

The apple condition improved in the north part of the state, and storms did some damage in the south part. The total indicated production October 1 amounts to 6,243,000 bushels, and the total indicated production of pears October 1 amounts to 656,000 bushels. The condition of grapes remains the same as last month, 92 percent of normal.

## A LIBERTY TOWN- SHIP EPISODE

Mr. Farmer at Alfa-Mint Corner received \$6 for six ordinary pumpkins a week or so ago. The party that got them would rather have paid the current price for them but he happened to have them in his automobile when Mr. Farmer got to him.

Of course, the party felt abashed when discovered and so asked Mr. Farmer how much he wanted for the pumpkins. Mr. Farmer promptly told him that since he stole them he would demand \$1 apiece. The money was handed over without further argument; but the farmer told him otherwise he would have given them to him.

Many of us know what it is to take watermelons, but few of us have ever had the experience of taking pumpkins and getting caught.

### FARM WANTED.

Wanted to hear from owner of farm or good land for sale. Must be priced right. Write L. Jones, Box 551, Olney, Ill.

If you want results and want them quick try a Want, For Sale, Lost or Found ad in this paper. ff.

### THE DEATH RECORD

Kneisley.

Grover C. Kneisley was born Jan. 3, 1888, in Union township, LaPorte county, Ind., and departed this life Oct. 10, 1920, leaving to mourn his death wife and two children, besides three brothers, James of Union township, Clifford of Petoskey, Mich., Ben of LaPorte and three sisters, Mrs. Frank Clark, of LaCrosse, Mrs. Ben Jackson of Union township and Mrs. Paul Graw of Wellsboro; his mother and father and brother Lew having preceded him in death.

Grover Kneisley was married to Agnes Shrader Feb. 23, 1910, to which union was born two children, Harriet, 14 years of age and Jacob

## PRODUCERS UNION DAIRY CO. PLANT

### GROWING AND PROSPEROUS INDUSTRY OF LAKEVILLE.

A striking example of what can be accomplished through the foresight and co-operation of a few public spirited business men is the Producers Union Dairy Co., located at Lakeville. Starting in a small way only a few years ago, the business has grown to most satisfactory proportions.

Since last January the plant has manufactured 150,000 pounds of cheese, of which 80,000 pounds have been sold, this output of cheese alone being twice as much as all other cheese producing plants in Indiana. It is needless to say that the cheese is of fine quality and meeting with fast increasing demand.

In addition to the above the plant produces large amounts of creamy butter, cottage cheese, etc. A large poultry department in connection also does a big business. The chickens are bought by the company and are fed for ten days upon crushed grain, then dressed and consigned to the city markets. A twenty acre hog farm is an important side feature of the business.

The company is now doing a business of \$250,000 per year. A large and fully equipped modern refrigerating plant, installed several months ago, is an important adjunct to the plant, affording the abundant storage facilities necessary in so large a concern.

The encouragement to the dairy interests of the surrounding country is already apparent in the increased prosperity of the community and J. R. Steele, A. A. Watkins and the others who are among the most active ones in the promotion of this important industry, are to be credited upon their good management and executive ability in putting the Producers Union Dairy Co.'s plant to the front among the St. Joseph country.

### Brief Story of "The City of Purple Dreams."

A young man of splendid health, intelligent appearance, education and mental equipment above the average starts life by following the lines of least resistance; he becomes a groveler instead of a climber. Sinking lower and lower, it would be an aspersion upon the cult hobo to say that he became a tramp. Indeed, he was something worse—a bum in all that the term implies. Finally the spark of manhood gleams fitfully, breathed upon as is usual by a woman, and he commences the painful process of rehabilitation. His conversion is not sudden nor does his reformation come all at once. He goes fairly over the back track, proceeding through lessening grades of degradation and criminality. After a long and arduous battle he emerges seen but cleansed. During the upward course he encounters experiences and adventures completely out of the ordinary, *not the least* of which concerns his connection with the anarchists. This phase throws a mighty interesting light on the entire subject of radicalism. Written vividly and powerfully, the chapters tense and interest-compelling. Will appear serially in the Independent.

### U. B. Ladies' Aid Meeting.

The U. B. Aid society met with Mrs. Mull last Friday afternoon, Oct. 8. After a scripture reading and prayer, there was a short business session. The secretary's report showed several ladies in the country were unable to bring pastry to pastry sale responded with money, extending proceeds of sale to nearly \$2.

Light refreshments were served and the society welcomed Mrs. Goppper as a new member. At a previous meeting Mrs. C. Wright became a member of the society.

## EMERY FARVER BURIED WITH MILITARY HONORS

### BODY OF NORTH LIBERTY BOY BROUGHT HOME FROM FRANCE

The remains of Emery C. Farver, son of Mrs. Aurora Farver, which arrived here from France last Friday, were buried Sunday afternoon with military honors. The services were held at the Methodist church and were largely attended. Local ex-service men took part in the ceremonies, forming the escort, the firing squad and acting as pallbearers. Rev. E. D. Kneeland of Elkhart, assisted by Rev. W. B. Collier of North Liberty, officiating.

Mr. Farver died at Laramie, France, on Jan. 30, 1919, following a short illness from pneumonia, which he contracted while in the service of his country. He was 30 years of age. He is survived by his mother, one brother, Francis, two half sisters, Mrs. Robert Neff of Sugar Creek, Ohio, and Mrs. R. B. Smith of South Bend. He was a graduate of Oberlin College and before entering the army was a professor in Lombard College at Galesburg, Ill.

**REXALL STRAW VOTE.**

The general straw vote for president being taken at Carter's drug store, was up to Thursday morning, as follows:

	Men	Women
Harding	330463	114201
Cox	224522	67360
Total	554985	181561

The local vote follows:

	Men	Women
Harding	60	114201
Cox	36	67360
Total	96	181561

Men

Women

Congressman Andrew J. Hickey of LaPorte and Attorney Arthur Gilliom of South Bend will address an open air meeting in Walkerton Saturday evening, Oct. 16. If the weather is not favorable the meeting will be held in the high school auditorium.

**WANTED—HOME STUDY STUDENTS.** Long winter evenings are at hand. We offer interesting studies preparing for business positions. Write for catalog and special Home Study Booklet. Address, South Bend Business College, South Bend, Indiana.

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Furry, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ulrich of Plymouth, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Luce, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Alexander and children, Viola, Clyde and Phyllis, of South Bend, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Chas. B. Furry.

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**FARMER—SALESMEN** wanted in local township, \$116, \$112 and \$110 to pay three leading farmers for the week, with cars. Get in for winter, job at once. Particulars free. Write today. Lock Box 322, South Bend. 10-14wnp.

**WERTZ—SECOND BASEMAN** for Walkerton, hurt his knee while putting out a man at second and had to retire for the rest of the game.

**CLAFFEY**, shortstop for Walkerton, did some remarkably fast playing, this being one of the features of the game.

Several automobile loads of Walkerton people attended the game.

Following is the score:

Walkerton, 0 1 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 —

Argos, 1 0 1 0 0 1 1 0 0 —

## SOME GOOD BOOKS IN YOUR PUBLIC LIBRARY

### Valley of the Giants, Kyne.

Court of Comrades, King.

Behind It, Benezet.

It is Not Lawful, DeLong.

Splendid Outcast, Gibbs.

A Man for the Ages, Bacheller.

Roosevelt's Letters to His Children.

Valley of Vision, Van Dyke.

The World War and What Was

Behind It, Benezet.

From Jericho to Jerusalem, Finley.

The Women Citizens' Library.

The Women Citizens' Library contains twelve volumes and are designed to educate women for their new duties and privileges, discussing vital questions from the viewpoint of women, some of the contributors being Shaffer Mathews, Dean Sumner, Jane Adams, Margaret Evans and Carrie Chapman Catt.

Eugene Miller, who was an eye witness to the crossing accident

Tuesday evening in which Oliver

Shaffer and Howard Bailey, who were

among Lakeville's best citizens, lost

their lives, says the car was traveling

at a slow, steady rate of speed when

the crash came, and that there was

no indication of the driver trying to

increase his speed, or jerking of the

car as though the brakes were applied

to show that the men saw the

train, so it is supposed they were en-

terily ignorant of the approaching

disaster.

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