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WHEAT CROP HAS STEADILY ENLARGED

BABSON PARK, MASS. (Special.) Stormy weather in Europe is having something of a bullish effect in the Wheat market, but there are to be found plenty of people who do not think that the price of wheat has yet made its seasonal bottom although admittedly not far from it.

During the past few years, our wheat crop has grown steadily larger. In 1925 it amounted to but 676.4 million bushels against 832.8 million in 1926 and some 860 million bushels suggested in 1927.

Undoubtedly the late season has had something to do with the lateness in some of the grains, wheat among them, making their low price for the year. One noticeable thing, though, has been the far greater speed with which the grain has been marketed. Probably the effects of the combines are now coming more strongly to light.

FARM AND VALUES THOROUGHLY DEFLATED

One very good reason why any movement of consequence at all in the case of farm land values must be upward, is due to the simple fact that farm land values undoubtedly have been thoroughly deflated.

Yet the situation is not without its danger. Foolhardy purchases of farm lands just now might spoil everything, at least if indulged in to any great extent throughout the nation as a whole.

As yet the farmer's business is not out of the woods by any means. It is merely a more hopeful path that is now in sight. For the experienced person, the way out is now considerably easier. To the party unacquainted with surrounding conditions, the way of the average farmer is still fraught with much danger. Experience counts.

Perhaps, after all, it is not without some justifiable sighs of relief that we realize that the vast preponderance of city workers still shy from farm life.

CORN BELT OPTIMISM CONTINUES

There continues, not without reason, much optimism throughout most of the states, in the socalled "Corn Belt." For one thing, the weather during September gave corn a boost that is distinctly encouraging to farmers.

No less than four of the most prominent farm papers in that great section of our country are apparently now convinced that agricultural prosperity has returned.

If such publications say so, it is likely to be the case, for they are in a position to know and are dependent for their very existence upon the goodwill of those whom they serve—the farmers of that section of the country and those doing business with them.

SUBSTITUTION OF MECHANICAL POWER

A primary element in the movement of people a few years ago away from the farms—since the slump of 1920-21, to be exact—has been the substitution to a large extent of mechanical for animal power, both in the cities and on the farms.

Had the animal population increased in the same proportion as the human population, the demand for agricultural products would have been considerable better—greater. Instead city workers in the motor factories got the business.

Is it strange that the farm products used almost solely for human food—meats and poultry, fruits, dairy and vegetables—have done better the past year or two than the grain products which are used partly for feeding animals? No, less animals have told.

AUSTRALIAN LAMBS HAD HEAVY MORTALITY

Australia has always been noted for its sheep-raising. But this year, the Australian output of lambs for export is expected to amount to only 1,000,000 carcasses as compared with over 1,900,000 last season.

There was a heavy mortality by reason of the drought in Australia that lasted this year from March until August. This will probably result in a holding off of any serious drop in the price of lambs in the United States.

WEIGHING VALUE OF CORN STALKS

We seme to be entering upon an era in which the corn stalk may prove an extremely valuable far mproduct as compared to its position at the present time. Chemists are experimenting to see if stalk of corn really can make such necessary things as lumber, paper, building blocks, artificial silk, etc., in a satisfactory way.

Some rather wild prediction are being made, that need to be taken with a grain of salt, but these experiments are of the highest value apart from being interesting. They will bear watching.

SLATED TO RULE PHILIPPINES

McCOY POPULAR WITH ALL FACTIONS

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Through Autocaster Service

Washington, Oct. —.—There is birthday gift awaiting Brig-Gen. Frank Ross McCoy, U. S. Army, here if he chooses to accept it. The gift from the hands of no less than President Coolidge, it is reported on good authority, the appointment as Governor-General of the Philippines, to the post vacated through the death of General Leonard Wood.

For 25 years, Frank Ross McCoy has been an understudy to Leonard Wood in the role of guide, philosopher and friend of dependent people under the flag. Now, as his 53rd birthday approaches, Saturday, Oct. 29th, he has the option of accepting or rejecting a gift from the President of an appointment which will be endorsed by all factions—as the man best fitted to handle the delicate task of governing the Filipinos.

General McCoy has served three Presidents, with distinct credit to himself—Roosevelt, Taft and Coolidge. As a young cavalry officer he distinguished himself in the Santiago campaign in Cuba and also in the Philippines. He was aide to Gov.—Gen. Wood in Cuba; also in the Philippines. In the World War he commanded the 165th Regiment and later the 63rd Infantry Brigade in the Rainbow Division.

Ever since the death of Gen. Leonard Wood last August, letters have been pouring into Washington from all parts of the United States and the Philippines, expressing the hope that McCoy would be drafted to rule over the Island possessions.

Leaders of all factions in the Philippines—leading Philippines and leading Moros—have been unconditional in recommending that Gen. McCoy succeed his chief. Amongst these is General Aguinaldo, who holds Gen. McCoy in highest regard.

When the Nicaraguan Government requested President Coolidge to select a personal representative to supervise the next election in that country he chose Gen. McCoy for the delicate task.

General McCoy is scheduled to arrive in Washington this week to consult with the State Department—and report has it that the Governor—Generalship will be offered to him at that time.

Frank Ross McCoy was born at Lewistown, Pa., October 29, 1874.

If He Chooses

Brig.-Gen. Frank Ross McCoy, of Pennsylvania, is the unanimous choice of all factions and can have, if he chooses, the post as Governor-General of the Philippines, held until recently by the late General Leonard Wood.

Health Notes

(State Department Of Health)

EVERY DAY IS COMMUNITY HEALTH DAY

Did it ever occur to you to count the various kinds of health service rendered to the people of Maryland by the State Department of Health? Here is a partial list, summarized by Dr. John S. Fulton, Director of the Department, for the Community Health Day celebration:

Every day in Maryland is Community Health Day. Every activity of the State Department of Health has as its ultimate aim the prevention of disease and the promotion of health in the counties of Maryland. In accordance with this aim, the Department

Receive daily reports from health officers of communicable diseases as they occur in their district;

Makes an immediate investigation of diseases like typhoid fever, diphtheria, smallpox, scarlet fever, and of other catching diseases that may threaten an entire community, if not controlled promptly, and directs measures for their control;

Maintains a central laboratory and five branch laboratories at easily accessible places over the State, thru which it assists physicians in the diagnosis, treatment and prevention of the catching diseases. In these laboratories free examination is made for physicians, of specimens for the diagnosis of tuberculosis, typhoid, diphteheria, malaria, rabies, the venereal diseases, meningitis, anthra,x infections of the blood stream, and for the determination of other diseases;

Supervises the enforcement of the law which requires every child to be vaccinated against smallpox before he or she can be enrolled in school. As a result of this supervision and of the prompt action that is taken in vaccinating everybody who has been in contact with the patient whenever a case of smallpox has come into the State, Maryland has a record for freedom from this disease of which every Marylander can be justifiably proud;

Provides typhoid vaccine free of charge for immunization against that disease; supplies diphtheria anti-toxin at cost; furnishes toxin-anti-toxin for the protection of children from diphtheria;

Maintains a Pasteur Division for the prevention of hydrophobia—also called rabies—for the treatment of persons who have been bitten by rabid animals. Furnishes the virus at cost to persons able to pay for it; gives it free of charge to those unable to pay;

Registers and is the custodian of the records of all births, deaths, marriages and divorces in the State;

Holds child health conferences for babies and children under school age; Supervises the medical examination of school children; Aids in maintaining tuberculosis clinics which are held monthly in each county; conducts venereal disease clinics;

Tests the sanitary quality of drinking waters, of milk and of other food stuffs and the purity of medicinal preparations; supervises public water supplies, sewerage systems and the disposal of trade wastes; inspects dairies, canneries, slaughter houses, oyster shucking and packing places;

Supervises tourist camps;

Assists local communities in developing public health programs.

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Putting by something for the rainy day is all right, but now is the time to lay up some thing for the cold days.

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When a man has no answer to the other fellow's argument, he is apt to call it propaganda.

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They were standing in the hallway waiting for the orchestra to play again.

Tenderly he placed his arm around her waist.

She blushed and stepped back.

"You can't pull that stuff in this house," was her reproof. "But say, kid, we've got a side porch that's the best place in town."

New Auto Licenses Ready, Blanks Out

"No Tax Receipt, No License," Says Motor Department Official

Maryland automobile license tags for 1928 will be ready for distribution for the public on November 28, D. Marshall Schroeder, Deputy Automobile Commissioner, announced this week.

Only those who have paid their taxes and have received receipts from the Tax Department will be eligible to secure the tags, he said.

One hundred thousand application blanks have been mailed to tax officials in the counties by the office of the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles. Another lot of 50,000 will be sent out tomorrow. The same number will be sent out the following week.

More than 100,000 blanks will be sent to the City Tax Department in a few days. This will make a total of 300,000 blanks sent throughout the State.

The license tags for next year will be white figures on a light blue background.

Tax officials in the various counties under a law enacted by the last Legislature, must examine the tax roll and certify whether each automobile owner has paid taxes due on the vehicle. It is the first time that automobile owners in the counties have been required to have these taxes paid because of the new law. Automobiles were assessed separately from other personal taxes for the first time this year.

The system, however, has been in effect in Baltimore for several years and the Motor Commissioner has refused to issue license tags here unless the city certifies on the blanks that taxes were paid.

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Marks Duck Hunting Boundaries In Flats

LeCompte Heads Surveyors In Placing Buoys In Susquehanna To Show State Control

Surveyors headed by E. Lee LeCompte, State Game Warden, today began marking off the boundaries of State control over duck hunting in the Susquehanna flats.

Permission to erect buoys delineating the boundaries was received from the United States Department of Commerce yesterday. In a letter accompanying the permit, H. D. King, superintendent of lighthouses of the Federal department, indorsed the plan of the Maryland Conservation Department.

"Ever since the Federal Government placed a ban on the use of sink boxes in duck hunting, there has been continual controversy growing out of the use of the Susquehanna flats," Mr. LeCompte said. "The Northeast river, which enters the Susquehanna at the flats, is one of the bodies of water on which the United States forbids the use of the boxes or blinds.

"More hunters use the Susquehanna flats than any other gunning place in the State and they never have been able to tell just where the flots leave off and th Northeast river begins. We think that erection of these buoys will do away with that confusion."

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A recent report says over eighty percent of federal prisoners are educated, but doesn't specify how.

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The line of least resistance is a poor line on which to hook your bait.

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Sometimes a fortune proves to be a misfortune.

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Eight naturalists in New Jersey went out into the wilds the other day and baged twenty-four poisonous snakes after three hours search. We know a fellow who took two drinks of synthetic booze and caught more reptiles than that without leaving his hotel room.

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Perhaps the stingiest man known is the one who refuses to look through his windows because he is afraid he will wear them out.

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About the time man becomes fit for self government, he longs to govern the other fellow.

Soccer Game Here Friday

The soccer game between Galena and Rock Hall scheduled for last Friday was postponed and was held yesterday afternoon at Galena. An account of the contest will be found elsewhere in this issue.

Rock Hall already has one victory to its credit, that over Chestertown, 4 to 2, in the opening game of the year.

Galena is scheduled to appear at Chestertown on Friday for a game with the local high school. This will be the first meeting between these two schools this year.

The Galena girls will alho play here on that day, while the Rock Hall fair ones will journey to Millington for a contest with Principal Harry R. Rasin's co-eds.

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An old Dutch door was sold in New Jersey as an antique the other day for $1,200. It must have been the door to the cellar.

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A London dock laborer ate twenty hotel dinners at a sitting. But we have seen some hotel dinners which weren't so much.

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Roger Babson predicts that the next President of the United States will have a lot of troubles. Still there are plenty of ambitious candidates who are willing to take a chance.

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The plot, in its essence, concerns itself with the brutal carrying-ons of "Black Yankee" Swope, a clipper ship captain who knocked his man out first and asked questions afterward. His nemesis, played by Hobart Bosworth, comes up with him, and on board ship takes place one of the most thrilling two-man fights ever screened. Jacqueline Logan, sweet and winsome as ever, plays the role of Mary, the girl who doesn't turn out to be Swope's daughter, after all. Richard Arlen is a satisfying lover in the character of John Shreve, who sails aboard Swope's hell ship because he wants to be near the love of his heart. Walter James' portrayal of Swope is a memorable bit of play acting, as is also James Bradbury's characterization of the "Knitting Swede."

A noticeable feat in connection with the picture is that action rather than titles is depended upon to put the story across. In eight reels of fastly moving drama, there are only about fifty titles, and that is what makes "The Blood Ship" ring so true.

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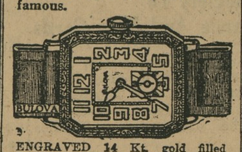

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