

U. S. CAN'T SPARE WHEAT TO ALLIES

Winter Yield Smallest in Thirteen Years—Reserve Stock Low

MUST CUT CONSUMPTION

WASHINGTON, May 9. Official wheat-crop estimates show that with the world facing a dread shortage, the United States, unless it cuts its present consumption, probably will produce only enough wheat this year to supply its own population.

The forecast, compiled by the Department of Agriculture on conditions May 1, put this country's winter wheat yield at 248,000,000 bushels, the smallest in thirteen years.

There will be no estimate of spring wheat acreage until July, but with a crop of 230,000,000 bushels, which is higher than the average, this country this year would grow a total of only 518,000,000 bushels.

The country's greatest spring wheat crop was 352,000,000 bushels, produced in 1915. The five-year average from 1910 to 1914 is 254,000,000.

The estimated production this year of 206,000,000 bushels of winter wheat falls 118,000,000 bushels short of last year's poor crop and 208,000,000 below that of 1915, a bumper crop. It is 129,000,000 bushels less than the average for the preceding five years.

Reserve stocks this year are said to be lower than at any previous time at this season. The visible supply is put now at 29,000,000 bushels, with a somewhat larger invisible stock.

The Allies' wheat requirements for the coming year are put at 500,000,000 bushels as a minimum. The United States will be asked to supply more than half that amount.

Wheat crops in other parts of the world are poor. The Argentine crop failed, and home consumption will require the entire yield. Canada's production is confined chiefly to a spring crop of normally about 200,000,000 bushels, much of which is available for export.

Since the war started America has exported to Europe vast quantities of wheat, reaching a high mark of 352,000,000 bushels in 1915. Last year the total fell to 245,000,000 bushels. Before the war it ran slightly less than 100,000,000 bushels.

FIX 'YANKEE DOODLE DAY' FOR ARMY REGISTRATION

New Jersey Governor Prepares to Make Holiday Event for Opening of Selection

The day to be selected by President Wilson for registration for army service will be designated by Governor Edge of New Jersey, as 'Yankee Doodle Day.'

After the President has issued his proclamation, setting aside registration day, Governor Edge will immediately issue a second proclamation declaring that day a State-wide holiday. He will ask every city and town in the State to engage in patriotic exercises.

The Camden County Board of Freeholders at its monthly meeting today appropriated \$500 for the expenses of registration. The board also appropriated \$250 to buy equipment for Company B, New Jersey Engineers. This company consists of eighty-seven men, and was organized by Major Harex C. Schrammer and First Lieutenant Berle M. Schrammer.

Sheriff Joshua C. Haines and County Clerk F. P. Patterson today notified all election officers of the district that they would be expected to give the notices on the day designated by the President.

DRASTIC LIMITS FOR BUILDING PROJECTIONS

Members of Council's Committee on Highways this afternoon took up for consideration a bill providing drastic regulations for structures or fixtures extending beyond building lines.

Exceptions are made for awnings extending over sidewalks in front of hotels, theatres and railroad stations. Bulk windows and cornices are allowed to extend several feet beyond the building lines, provided they are placed high enough to leave head room over the pavement.

KILLED HASTENING TO WORK

Man Struck by Team in Trying to Make Up Lost Time

CHESTER, Pa., May 9. Stepping in front of a Philadelphia-bound passenger train on the Reading tracks near the Eddy-stone Amusement Corporation plant this morning, Edward Gallagher, fifty-five years old, of 6051 Elmwood avenue, was run down and sustained injuries which caused his death an hour later in the Greater Hospital, this city. Both legs were cut off and his skull was fractured.

The victim was late for work and in his haste ran around a shifter on the Pennsylvania tracks, which blocked his view of the Reading train.

PLEDGE WAR SUPPORT AT DIOCESE MEETING

Episcopalians, in Sunbury Convention, Adopt Resolutions Backing Nation

SUNBURY, Pa., May 9. More than 200 Episcopalian pastors and laymen are in attendance at the twelfth annual convention of the Diocese of Harrisburg, the Right Rev. James H. Darlington presiding, which is being held in St. Matthew's Church here. A resolution pledging the support of the diocese to the United States in the present war was adopted. It embodied a protest against any desire on the part of America to acquire territory or other material rewards in fighting Germany. It is declared that the war is one of democracy against despotism and expressed praise and gratitude for the conduct of these actions of the President and the people of America, who, it says, have proved themselves generous and devoted to their adopted country.

Bishop Darlington in his opening sermon urged the diocese to support the Government in every move it makes in this crisis. He said he knew all right-thinking citizens are for America first and foremost, and active business will not be started until late this afternoon when the work will be completed. The convention will adjourn Thursday.

The clergymen devoted the entire morning to a discussion of the proposed new canon and the amendments to the existing canon on the subject of territorial acquisitions. They are for America first and foremost, and active business will not be started until late this afternoon when the work will be completed. The convention will adjourn Thursday.

LIBERIA CUTS GERMAN BOND, CONSUL HEARS

Relations of West African Republic and Imperial Government Severed, Official Gets Announcement

BALTIMORE, May 9.—To the list of Germany's enemies the Republic of Liberia today added the assistance of the British steamship Sebastian, reported in wireless 'S. O. S.' calls as on fire off Nantucket Shoals. Charleston Navy Yard officials through Lieutenant A. G. Blakeslee, said the Sebastian would probably be towed into Newport, R. I.

A Norwegian steamship was reported to be standing by to rescue the Sebastian's crew should it become necessary to abandon the vessel. The first 'S. O. S.' call was sent out last night. Official information given out was limited to the following: 'Steamship Sebastian after Norwegian transatlantic liner standing by, ten miles off Nantucket Shoals lightship.'

Other messages have been received at the Charleston Navy Yard, but they have been withheld.

The Sebastian bars from London and her owners are Lund & McAndrews, of that city. She is 1844 net tons, 210 feet long and 45 feet wide.

Six-Cent Verdict for H. L. Wilson WASHINGTON, May 9.—Henry Lane Wilson, former Ambassador to Mexico, was today awarded a verdict of six cents—\$500,000 was asked—against Norman Hapgood, former editor of Harper's Weekly. The District Supreme Court decided Wilson had been libelled through stories declaring he had previous knowledge of plans for the assassination of President Stadler, at Mexico City. The verdict was a compromise. The suit was brought before Justice Siders today by agreement of counsel. None of the principals was in court.

Carlisle Teachers to Get Higher Pay

CARLISLE, Pa., May 9.—Substantial increases in salaries were authorized by the Carlisle School Board in the regular session today. The minimum for inexperienced teachers in the lower grades was placed at \$40 per month and this goes up to \$95 for high school instructors.

ALLIES' PLANS TO BOTTLE U-BOATS



The problem confronting the Allied Powers in their efforts to cope with the submarine menace may be solved by the bottling of the U-boats and the closing of the lanes through which they find their way to the open sea. The Strait of Dover is already closed. There are now two plans to bottle Germany's submarines, as shown in the above map. One is to close the North Sea between Scotland and Norway, as shown by the line (1). The other is to tighten the blockade of the German waters (2) between Holland and the Danish coast, which would close the Kiel Canal, and to block the Skagerrak (3) between Denmark and Norway.

SHIP BURNING AT SEA; 'S. O. S.' OFF NANTUCKET

British Freighter Sebastian in Distress—Norso Liner Ready to Aid Crew

HOSTON, May 9. Coast patrol boats under naval orders today rushed to the assistance of the British steamship Sebastian, reported in wireless 'S. O. S.' calls as on fire off Nantucket Shoals. Charleston Navy Yard officials through Lieutenant A. G. Blakeslee, said the Sebastian would probably be towed into Newport, R. I.

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Reserve Officers' Training Camp

Today, May 9th Major Kelly will examine applicants for the Fort Niagara Camp between the hours of 11 A. M. and 12 M. Only After today the examinations will be between the hours of 10 and 11 A. M. Only at the Headquarters 432 Commercial Trust Bldg. So. Penn Square MILITARY TRAINING CAMPS ASSOCIATION

BRAZIL MAY ENTER ACTIVE WAR SHORTLY

Balfour Has Long Conference With Ambassador Da Gama in Washington

WASHINGTON, May 9. Brazil may soon be counted in the war actively on the side of the Allies.

That pressure is being brought to bear upon the Brazilian Government to go further than the diplomatic break with Germany was indicated today, when Arthur James Balfour, Secretary of Foreign Affairs of Great Britain and head of the British mission to the United States, called at the Brazilian Embassy.

Brazilian Ambassador Da Gama and Mr. Balfour were in conference for some time. It is understood that they went over the entire question of Brazil's entrance into the European war and the part that her army and navy might play.

That the Allies are anxious to have Brazil and other South American countries on their side is public information. Brazil would be considered a most advantageous ally for her wealth of agricultural and mineral supplies.

The question of shipping is also in the favor of the smaller countries' entrance into the war. With the submarine menace pressing England and restricting the other Allies, it is known that the Entente Powers will welcome any diplomatic move which will place the merchant marine of any nation, no matter how small, at their disposal.

Furthermore, the question of German raiders operating off South America has bothered the Allies and in the event of the entrance of South American countries into the hostilities the Allies feel they would be relieved of the patrol work which their ships have been forced to do for several months.

PLAN TO TRAIN WOMEN FOR RAILROAD POSTS

National Traffic Bureau to Give Course for War Emergency

An offer to train women to fill the places of railroad men called to the colors was made public today by the National Traffic Service Bureau, Thirteenth and Spring Garden streets.

The offer, which was made through the president, R. W. Tunis, to the presidents of the leading railroads, is for free training for girls. In asking suggestions from the railroads the offer reads, in part: We will arrange a course of lectures and practical work for the women absolutely free. In order that the utmost in results and efficiency may be realized in the training of women along these lines, we would suggest that each road pass upon the fitness of applicants as to their general ability, referring such chosen applicants to this bureau for enrollment in the classes of training. We respectfully ask your co-operation in this. We would like to have, on one of these nights, a representative of your road come here and explain the various systems, etc., used by your company.

We believe systematic instruction of these women will make them much more efficient and better able to handle the complicated conditions that come to the railroads than in any other way. The bureau has trained men as traffic managers for the last four years, and, according to Mr. Tunis, is in a position to turn out efficient young women workers.

First Aid During last year the police department of the city of New York aided 191,218 sick and injured persons, while 122 persons were rescued by the police from drowning.

City News in Brief

MASTER BUILDERS WILL have their own rifle range. Their building on Seventh street below Market will be turned into a range by order of the board of directors so that the 200 members may take instruction under Harry L. Reeves, a member of the exchange.

NAVIGATION COMMISSIONERS have announced that the League Island anchorage has been abolished until further notice at the request of the Navy Department. Hereafter vessels will not be allowed to anchor in the area east of the Schuylkill river and north of the channel marked by white lights opposite Broad street.

GERMANTOWN VACANT LOTS are being used by the Emergency Agricultural Association, members of the Germantown Business Men's Association, were told last night by Charles W. Bains, superintendent of the Germantown Boys' Club. Paving has been finished and seed sown in ninety-four acres, he said.

FRANKLIN INSTITUTE papers have earned medals for a number of scientists. Dr. Ulfur Dahlgren, professor of biology at Princeton University, has been awarded the Howard N. Potts medal for a meritorious paper appearing in the Journal of the Franklin Institute in 1916.

FALLING THREE STORIES from a scaffolding while painting a building at Locust and Walnut streets, Alexander H. Green, aged twenty-six, of 2316 Manton street, was instantly killed. The accident was caused by the breaking of a rope.

Doctors Would Bar Grain for Alcohol READING, Pa., May 9.—Alcohol, as it is manufactured today, is expensive to the minds of the members of the Berks County Medical Society, who passed a resolution at their monthly meeting today asking for the prohibition of the use of grain in its manufacture.

Advertisement for Pro-Phy-Tol, an antiseptic mouthwash. It features an illustration of Uncle Sam pointing to a bottle of Pro-Phy-Tol. The text claims it prevents and relieves sore throat, mouth and teeth troubles, and is safe for all ages. It is endorsed by the U.S. Government.

Advertisement for The House that Heppe built. Founded in 1865, adopted one-price system in 1881. Located at 1117-1119 Chestnut St. and 6th & Thompson Sts. C. J. Heppe & Son.

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This delivery service is only one of the many real advantages that we offer. You may buy a Victrola from us from \$15 up. Settlement may be made either in cash or charge account or through our Rental-Payment Plan, by which all rent applies to the purchase. Our outfits and the terms of our Rental-Payment Plan are given below.

Table listing various Victrola models and their prices. Includes columns for model name, record type, and total cost with payment options.

Order form for C. J. Heppe & Son. Includes fields for name, address, and a coupon for a catalog. Address: 1117 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia.

Advertisement for Commercial Stationery. Promotes 'The Quality of your office Stationery' and offers 'Mann's Printed-From-Steel Letter-Headings' with command attention. Phone Market 160 for specimens.

Large advertisement for Keystone Telephone Company. Title: 'Telephone Competition Brings Reduced Rates to You'. Includes a table comparing telephone rates in Grand Rapids, Michigan, and other cities. Text states that in Grand Rapids, service costs only ninety dollars a year, while in other cities it costs over \$200.