

SAYS WHEAT CROP WILL BE ENORMOUS

Will Exceed Any Previous Yield by 200,000,000 Bushels, Declares Expert

WOMEN AS HARVESTERS

Mobilization of Schoolboys Necessary to Garner Output, Scientists Are Told

The prediction that the 1918 wheat crop of the United States would exceed by 200,000,000 bushels any previous yield in the nation's history...

Doctor Smith declared that in order to harvest this enormous crop, immediate attention should be concentrated upon the agricultural labor shortage...

Doctor Smith said in part: "The question as to what can be done in regard to the nation's wheat problem...

"As regards the present, we know that we must help to feed England, Belgium, France and Italy. This means a much larger export of wheat than formerly...

"In other words, to do our duty by our allies, and certainly we shall not be found wanting therein, we must substitute maize, especially potatoes, fruits and other perishable vegetable products...

"As regards next year, the United States Department of Agriculture, the States' Experiment Stations, the Council of National Defense, the National Department of Food Conservation, the press and Congress...

"Looking toward the future, it seems likely that following this war there will be a world shortage of wheat for many years. European fields, agricultural implements, stock, farm buildings and farm laborers have been destroyed in such enormous numbers...

"Owing to war conditions there was a decided shortage of agricultural labor in the United States in 1917, and this is likely to persist and even to increase in 1918...

"In view of this prospective shortage of wheat for at least a decade, and probably for a much longer period, and also because our own population will probably increase from a hundred million to 140 million by the beginning of the second half of the century...

"Particular interest is being shown in the convention because of the fact that many of the members have been engaged in important Government work. One of the most important features will be the report of the National Research Council, authorized by President Wilson to do special work...

Other speakers were Liberty H. Bailey, Cornell University; Bradley M. Davis, of Pennsylvania State University; Jacques de la Roche, of the Rockefeller Institute; Henry D. Harkness, of the Wistar Institute; and Thomas H. Ge...

MUCH POWDER DESTROYED IN FACTORY EXPLOSION

Between 40,000 and 50,000 Pounds Lost at Maryland Point Due to Electricity Blast

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20.—Between forty and fifty thousand pounds of powder went up in an explosion at the Indian Head, Md., naval powder plant last night, the Navy Department announced this afternoon. No one was killed.

HEAVY RECOUNT GAINS BY 2 TOWN PARTY MEN

Armstrong and Smith Given 1298 and 1359 More Votes, Respectively

Complete official returns for the first thirty-nine wards, announced today in the Election Court, showed heavy gains for two of the Town Meeting candidates for row offices and a slight reaction against another.

The imposing majorities of the Republican organization nominees in the first thirty-nine wards were sliced considerably by the independents in the recount. In the remaining wards to be counted—from the Fortieth to the Forty-eighth—the Town Meeting candidates already are substantial in the unofficial returns and it is expected that greater gains will be made before the last ballot undergoes the recount test.

Frederick J. Shoyer, Republican organization candidate for City Treasurer, has gained 425 votes on his Town Meeting rival, William R. Nicholson. This news came as a surprise, it having been believed that Nicholson was keeping pace with his running-mates in cutting down the leads of their opponents.

For Receiver of Taxes, Thomas F. Armstrong, Town Meeting, gained 1298 votes on W. Freeland Kendrick, organization. Kendrick still leads by 8422 votes, with a 2674 official majority in the first thirty-nine wards and Armstrong leading him by 1342 unofficially in the last nine wards.

For Register of Wills, James B. Sheehan, organization, lost ground by 1359 votes. Walter George Smith, Town Meeting, but still maintains a lead of 2311 votes by virtue of his 7851 official majority in the first thirty-nine wards against Smith's unofficial lead of 5443 in the last nine wards.

A summary of the recount figures for the first thirty-nine wards is: RECEIVERS OF TAXES: Kendrick, 8422; Armstrong, 7080. Majorities: 1342.

CITY TREASURER: Shoyer, 425; Nicholson, 80,536. Majorities: 5,741.

REGISTER OF WILLS: Sheehan, 7851; Smith, 6492. Majorities: 1,359.

CHILD KILLED BY AUTOTRUCK In Second Like Accident Within Year, Meets Death at Pottsville

POTTSTVILLE, Pa., Nov. 20.—Parting from the pavement upon the street at Pine Grove this afternoon while on the way to school, William Gottschalk, eight years old, was run down and killed by an auto delivery truck of the Keefe Bakery.

U. S. CAN'T STOP SHORT OF UNIVERSAL LIBERTY

Peace Treaty Upon Any Other Basis Impossible, Says Bishop Murray

The United States cannot stop short of the positive realization and permanent establishment of universal human liberty and absolute Divine authority, nor that it has finally taken its legitimate and rightful part in the world war, and a treaty of peace upon any other basis would be impossible, according to the utterances of Bishop Murray of Baltimore and president of the Protestant Episcopal Synod of the Province of Washington, in his opening address of the business session today.

Nearly 100 bishops and deputies answered the roll call following the address of welcome by Bishop Rhinelander, of Philadelphia, in the Holy Trinity Church, on Twentieth street below Walnut. The venerable Thomas J. Higham, of Pittsburgh, was elected secretary of the synod.

Bishop Murray's recommendation that the period from and including Thanksgiving Day, November 29, to Advent Sunday, December 2, be devoted to a special memorial of communion services with special public supplication for the guidance of God in the nation's present crisis, was referred to a committee of three to be presented to all religious, secular and fraternal organizations throughout the synod, which includes the dioceses of Bethlehem, Delaware, Eastern, Erie, Harrisburg, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Southern Virginia, Virginia and Washington county.

The committee included Bishop Rhinelander, the Rev. Philip Cook, of Baltimore, and J. Oliver Sands, of Richmond, Va. The matter will be taken up with the war commission of the synod with the idea of making it nation-wide.

General commendation was expressed of the prayer for unity delivered by Bishop Whitehead, of Pittsburgh, at the Holy Communion service at St. James' Church, Twenty-second and Walnut streets, this morning. Bishop Murray was the celebrant. The prolongation of this service delayed the business session until noon, so the noonday prayer for Washington could not be held.

In his address, Bishop Murray said in part: "Let us not be deceived by any other thought than that there will be war on earth until the wickedness directing and controlling vicious human society is banished out. As a Christian nation our common obligations grow out of relations that are worldwide. To have pleaded neutrality longer would have been to repudiate our national lineage and discredit our Christian birthright. As a nation we are rooted in the soil of universal liberty. Confidence and conviction is the one basis on which victory can be gained."

The synod passed a standing vote of greetings to Bishop Rogers Israel, of Erie, Pa., who is at the front.

The sixteen bishops and more than one hundred clerical and lay deputies and church society delegates, luncheon at the Hiltenthouse Hotel today.

The Rev. Dr. John Mockridge, rector of St. James' church, and member of the church war commission, led a conference on the position of the Church in the world this afternoon. In Holy Trinity Church tonight a public meeting on missions and the church and the war will be presided over by the Rev. Dr. William Cabell Brown, chairman of the standing committee on missions. Speakers will be the Rev. Dr. Arthur Seiden Lloyd, president of the board of missions; Dr. William C. Sturges, educational secretary of the general board of missions; and the Rev. Dr. Hugh Brockhead, of Baltimore.

All evening services will be held in St. James' business sessions in Holy Trinity parish house, evening meetings in Holy Trinity Church, women's meetings in Holy Trinity Memorial Chapel and parish house and luncheons in the Hotel Hiltenthouse.

COMFORTS FOR DRAFTED MEN

Association Will Look After Those Sent From Local Board No. 38

A relief association for the care of the soldiers in the various camps from Local Board No. 38, Twenty-second street and Hunting Park avenue, was organized last night at the home of Charles H. Osmond, chairman of the board, 2734 North Twenty-ninth street. Comfort kits, sweaters and other articles will be prepared and purchased for the soldiers from that district. Mrs. Bessie Babson Altman, who aided in organizing a similar association at the Falls of the Schuylkill, made an address.

DE SAULLES'S HOME LIFE WILL BE FULLY BARED

Accused Woman Will Tell Complete Narrative of Marital Infelicities

MINEOLA, L. I., Nov. 20.—The married life of Mrs. Bianca de Saullès, on trial here for the murder of her divorced husband, Jack de Saullès, the famous Yale athlete, will be laid bare. Mrs. de Saullès will tell the story of her marriage, the arrival of their boy, the separation, the subsequent attempt to live with her former husband, and the divorce.

During the afternoon proceedings, Doctor Wright appealed to attorney Henry A. Terhart, counsel for the defense, saying it was absolutely essential that the defendant should see her child more frequently.

"Her mental condition demands it," the physician said.

Mr. Terhart, Prosecutor Weeks and Judge Manning then conferred. The court later ordered that the boy now in charge of a cousin of his dead father be brought to the mother at the Mineola jail tomorrow afternoon and also on Friday afternoon.

Judge Manning ruled at noon that under no condition could the child be brought into court. Two more jurors have been accepted so far today. Five are yet to be chosen.

Senora Eragania, mother of the defendant, although ill, came to the sale of her daughter today, but suffered a collapse during the trial this afternoon. Doctor Wright, physician for the defense, attended her from the courtroom and took her home. Mrs. Seaman, wife of the sheriff of Nassau County.

SIXTH TRANSIT HEARING OFF TILL NEXT WEEK

Delayed by Failure of Mayor's Advisor to Complete Amendments Suggested by Taylor

The sixth, and probably the last, public hearing on the Smith-Mitten transit lease, which was tentatively set for Friday of this week, has been postponed once again, according to an announcement made this afternoon by Joseph P. Gaffney, chairman of the Joint Committee on Finance and Street Railways.

It is understood that efforts are being made to reach an agreement with the company on certain financial amendments and that this is one of the causes of delay.

Postponement of the hearing will be necessary, according to Mr. Gaffney, because of the failure of William Crozier Lewis, the Mayor's transit advisor, to complete certain amendments to the lease suggested by A. Merritt Taylor. These changes were asked by Mr. Taylor in order to set forth more clearly that the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company was not to be guaranteed a 4 per cent dividend.

Doctor Lewis is making an effort to have the amendments completed by the end of the week, and Monday next has now been the date tentatively set for the hearing.

Doctor Lewis said he would have more conferences with Thomas E. Mitten and other representatives of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company today, when asked if it was true that the city transit representatives had reached an agreement on the lease at their conferences held in the Mayor's office Friday and Saturday of last week.

FIRE DAMAGES BRICK WORKS

BETHLEHEM, Pa., Nov. 20.—The Bingen Brick Works at Bingen, was damaged to the extent of \$10,000 today by a fire of unknown origin. The tool house, machinery house, and houses and half of the dryer buildings were consumed.

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