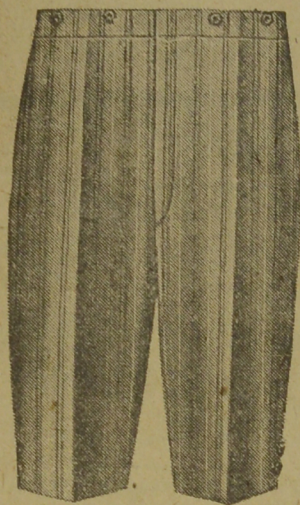


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GREAT AMERICAN HARVEST ASSURED

Washington, Sept. 11—The September crop report of the department of agriculture, issued recently, shows:

Corn conditions 82.1 of a normal, compared with 88 August 1; 70.3 on September 10 last year and 81.1, the average conditions on Sept. 1 for the past ten years.

The indicated yield per acre, estimated from condition reports is 27.7 bushels, compared with 23.9 bushels harvested last year and 27.1 bushels the average yield 1906-10. On the planted area, 108,110,000 acres, it is estimated that the final total production will be about 2,995,000,000 bushels, compared with 2,531,000,000 bushels harvested last year and 2,386,000,000 bushels harvested in 1910.

Spring wheat—Condition 90.8 of a normal at time of harvest, compared with 90.4 on August 1; 56.7 at time of harvest last year and 76.5 the average condition at time of harvest for the past ten years. The indicated yield per acre estimated from condition reports is 15.6 bushels, compared with 9.4 bushels harvested last year, and 13.1 bushels the average yield 1906-10. On the planted area, 19,201,000 acres, it is estimated the final total production will be about 200,000,000 bushels, compared with 191,000,000 bushels harvested last year and 201,000,000 bushels harvested in 1910.

Oats—Conditions, 92.3 of a normal at time of harvest, compared with 90.3 per cent. on August 1; 64.5 per cent. at time of harvest last year and 78.8 per cent., the average condition at time of harvest for the past ten years. The indicated yield per acre, estimated from condition reports, is 34.1 bushels, compared with 24.4 bushels harvested last year and 28.4 bushels, the average yield 1906-10. On the planted area, 37,841,000 acres, it is estimated that the final total production will be about 1,290,000,000 bushels, compared with 922,000,000 bushels harvested last year and 1,186,000,000 bushels harvested in 1910.

Barley—Condition, 88.9 of a normal at the time of harvest, compared with 89.1 per cent. on August 1; 65.5 per cent. at time of harvest last year, 81.2 per cent. the average condition at time of harvest for the past ten years. The indicated yield per acre, estimated from condition reports, is 27.6 bushels, compared with 21.0 bushels harvested last year and 24.8 bushels the average yield 1906-10. On the planted area 7,574,000 acres, it is estimated that the final total production will be about 209,000,000 bushels, compared with 160,000,000 bushels harvested last year and 174,000,000 bushels harvested in 1910.

TWO YEARS' SENTENCE

Seymour Chase was sentenced by Police Magistrate Marsh this morning to two years' imprisonment in the penitentiary at Dorchester. Chase requested that he be not taken to Dorchester until Monday. The offence for which Chase received the sentence named was that of robbing a man named McSorley last winter.

"BUNTY PULLS THE STRINGS" COMING.

Graham Moffat's comedy "of the Scottish highlands, 'Bunt Pulls the Strings,' will be seen here for the first time at the Opera House on Saturday evening, under the direction of the Messrs. Shubert and William A. Brady. "Bunt Pulls the Strings" is a page of fresh, bubbling human nature. Its characters are plain Scotch people, homely in speech and dress, but possessing good honest sense of right and wrong. The company is made up of Scotch players picked from the leading theatres in Edinburgh and Glasgow.

KLARK-URBAN COMPANY.

No company travelling today has a more enviable reputation than the well known and popular company bearing the name of Klark-Urban, who will appear at the City Opera House for six nights and Saturday matinee, commencing next Monday evening. It is an organization that is accepted throughout the country as a standard of excellence and the reputation that it has acquired during the past ten years of unvarying success will be more than sustained during the present season. The company is headed by Miss Maisie Cecil and Harden Klark and the supporting company is large and well balanced, containing in its roster some of the best artists in the theatrical profession. It is perfectly equipped with all the attributes necessary for first class performances, every play being presented with all special scenery, beautiful and expensive wardrobe. The following is the list of the plays to be presented: Monday night Lillian Russell's greatest success, "Wildfire," with "The Man of the Hour," "Raffles," "The Sign of the Four," "The Dairy Farm," "The Parish Priest," and "The Golden Rule" to follow. Five high class vaudeville acts will be introduced at each performance. Seats on sale at Ryan's Drug Store.

The plurality of Governor-elect Haines is the smallest ever given to a candidate of the Republican party in the state.

SPENCER NOT AFRAID OF DEATH CHAIR

Boston, Mass., Sept. 13—Fortified by his absolute faith in the Christian Science doctrine of the unreality of pain and suffering, Bertram G. Spencer, convicted of the murder of Miss Martha B. Blackstone at Springfield, Mass., March 31, 1910, is fearlessly and almost cheerfully awaiting his death in the electric chair, which, under the terms of the sentence pronounced in July, is to take place during the week beginning September 15.

Bertram G. Spencer, now occupying the death cell in the Charlestown prison, where he is calmly awaiting the end, is in many respects one of the most remarkable criminals known to American criminology. Psychologists and alienists are intensely interested in his case and are inclined to consider Spencer one of the most perfect examples of dual personality.

Spencer is a comparatively young man. He was born about thirty-one years ago and comes from a good family, with a record which shows no apparent trace of a criminal taint. He received a good common school education, in his boyhood never displayed any evil tendencies and never, so far as is known, associated with criminals of any kind. Having completed his school course, Spencer entered upon a commercial career and worked for various business concerns making the impression of a faithful, honest and capable employee. His last position was with a wholesale provision house in Springfield, Mass., where he filled the position of shipping clerk, receiving a fair salary which enabled him to maintain his young wife and two-year-old son, whom he idolized, in comfortable style. He lived on Porter Avenue, West Springfield, had many social connections and was generally respected.

About four years ago Springfield and vicinity became the scene of a number of burglaries which created considerable sensation owing to the personality and unusual methods as well as the apparent fearlessness of the man who committed them. The burglar, according to the statements of his victims, seemed to be a man of education and, in a manner gentlemanly in his deportment. If his victims accepted the situation with good grace and parted with their money and other valuables without protest, the burglar treated them with great consideration, chatting pleasantly with them, while he carefully selected his plunder. If they were unruly he made short shift, by gagging them and tying them to bedposts, wardrobes, doors, etc. The "gentleman burglar" never manifested fear of being discovered in his work by the police but he was evidently deterred not to take any risk of being caught. One man, who tried to escape to give an alarm, was shot down by the burglar before he reached the door. No trace of the burglar was found by the police, although he committed twenty-four burglaries and hold-ups within a space of two years.

On the evening of March 31, 1910, a burglar entered the house of Mrs. Dow in Springfield through a window and, revolver in hand and his face hidden behind a black cloth, appeared at the door of the room where Mrs. Dow, her two daughters and their guest, Miss Martha B. Blackstone, were engaged in working over a picture puzzle. The women screamed when they saw the intruder and ran into the next room, but were halted by the command of the burglar. Miss Blackstone, disregarding the command, ran screamingly toward the door, when the burglar shot her through the heart, killing her instantly. One of the daughters of Mrs. Dow, who also tried to escape, was severely wounded by another shot.

A locket, containing the pictures of two women, which was found on the lawn of a house visited by the same burglar, was identified as the property of Spencer and he was arrested on suspicion. He made a full confession of his numerous burglaries and of having killed Miss Blackstone after a great deal of incriminating evidence had been found in the house. He was indicted for murder and pleaded insanity. The alienists appointed by the court reported Spencer insane and he was sent to the Hospital for the Criminal Insane at Bridgewater, where he remained to the time of his trial which began at Springfield, November 13, 1911. Spencer created wild tones during the trial and was convicted of murder in the first degree on November 2, 1911. Appeals proved without avail and on July 2, 1912, Judge John C. Crosby, of the Superior Court in Springfield, pronounced the death sentence. During his confinement in jail Spencer became interested in Christian Science and under the influence of its doctrines lost every trace of fear of death.

MEXICAN REFUGES DEFIANT

Douglas, Ariz., Sept. 13—Antonio Reyes cramped within ranges of Aztec Priests, and less than three miles from the American border last night defied the warning of the United States military authorities against flight into American territory.

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