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AGRICULTURE IN IRELAND

Area of Various Crops and Estimates of Yield as Compared With Former Years. Number and Size of Holdings

BUBLIN, Aug. 22.—The Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland has issued the agricultural statistics of Ireland for 1913. It is stated that the area under corn and green crops, flax and fruit, amounted in 1913 to 2,348,483 acres, or 11.5 per cent of the total area, the area under hay to 2,481,822 acres, or 12.2 per cent of the total area and the area of rotation and permanent pasture to 9,869,842 acres, or 48.4 per cent of the total area.

In 1913 there was a decrease of 10,851 acres in the area of wheat, an increase of 2,813 acres in the area of oats, an increase of 7,581 acres in the area of barley, a decrease of 1,042 acres in the area of rye, a decrease of 157 acres in the area of beans, and a decrease of 68 acres in the area of peas. The total estimated yield of wheat was 693,887 cwt., a decrease of 143,939 cwt. as compared with 1912; of oats 18,886,651 cwt., a decrease of 218,324 cwt.; of barley 3,436,362 cwt., an increase of 319,428 cwt.; of rye 166,967 cwt., a decrease of 18,947 cwt.; of beans 33,636 cwt., an increase of 1,212 cwt.; and of peas 3,671 cwt., a decrease of 515 cwt.

The average yield of the potato crop was estimated at 6.5 tons per statute acre, as against 4.3 tons in 1912 and 4.8 tons for the ten-year period—1903-1912. The acreage of the crop in 1913 amounted to 582,393 acres, as against 595,184 acres in 1912, a decrease of 12,881 acres. The total produce of the crop in 1913 was estimated at 3,739,348 tons, as against 2,546,710 tons in 1912. There were 608,074 holdings, of which 134,692 were in Leitrim, 143,276 in Munster, 203,795 in Ulster, and 126,211 in Connaught. Of the total 88,133 were returned as not exceeding one acre, and of these 58,607 were in Leitrim and Munster. Ulster was pre-eminently the province of small holdings. Altogether it had in 1913 only 49,886 holdings exceeding 50 acres in extent, whereas it contained 161,506 holdings of an extent above one and not exceeding 50 acres. With regard to the number of actual occupiers, it is stated that there were in Ireland 608,074 holdings in the hands of 653,245 occupiers—119,160 in Leitrim, 128,394 in Munster, 188,379 in Ulster, and 116,312 in Connaught.

NEW CABINET MEETS

PARIS, Aug. 27.—The new cabinet for national defense met at the Elysee palace tonight, and discussed the latest news from the front. It also listened to the reading by Premier Viviani of the appeal which the government decided to make to the country, the terms of which will be definitely decreed by the council of ministers tomorrow. No public intimation of the nature of the appeal was given out.

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CONFLICT OF MILLIONS

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Britain responsible for all the terrible events which might happen.

"I protested strongly against this statement and said that in the same way as he and Herr Von Jagow wished me to understand that for strategic reasons it was a matter of life or death to Germany to advance through Belgium, and violate the latter's neutrality, so I would wish him to understand that it was, so to speak, a matter of life or death for the honor of Great Britain that she should keep her solemn engagement to do her utmost to defend Belgium's neutrality if attacked. A solemn compact simply had to be kept, or what confidence could any one have in engagements given by Great Britain in the future?"

"The chancellor said: 'But at what price will the compact have been kept? Has the British government thought of that?'"

"I hinted to his excellency as plainly as I could that fear of consequences could hardly be regarded as an excuse for breaking a solemn engagement. But his excellency was so excited, so evidently overcome by the news of our action, so little disposed to hear reason, that I refrained from adding fuel to the flame by further argument. 'As I was leaving, he said that the blow of Great Britain joining Germany's enemies was all the greater because almost up to the last moment he and his government had been working with us and supporting our efforts to maintain peace between Austria and Russia.'

"I said that this was part of the tragedy, which saw two nations fall apart just at a moment when relations between them were more friendly and cordial than they had been for years."

Not to Separate Events

PARIS, Aug. 27.—General de La Croix, the eminent military critic of the Temps, writes as follows on the situation:

"In judging of the actual situation one must, before all, not separate the events which are unrolling on the French and Belgian frontier, and the conflict which is going on between Germany and Russia. The Russians are advancing in eastern Prussia and Galicia and they are far from having all their forces in the movement because of the immensity of their country. 'Germany, which is moving the majority of her forces against us, and attacking with extreme violence because of the urgency of her position, is in great danger. She must transfer a part of her army now engaged against France and send it against Russia. We must hold fast no matter with what sacrifice and prevent the realization of the German plan to withdraw part of her troops. 'Our army in the north must not be content to defeat, but when the moment arrives, it must again take the offensive.'"

On Russia's Operations

NEW YORK, Aug. 27.—The military attaché of the Russian embassy today issued from the Russian consulate here the following statement on the operations of the Russian army: 'The Russian advance in eastern Prussia continues successfully. On August 26, the Russian army occupied Tilsit, Mordenburg, Bischofsburg, Sernsburg and the station of Rothfless on the main railway line from Russia to the Fortress of Thorn. 'In Galicia the Austrian rear have been driven behind the River Zlota Lipa an affluent of the Dniester

BRITISH OCCUPY OSTEND

LONDON, Aug. 27.—It is stated that British marines occupied Ostend to prevent the Germans getting a foothold on the English channel. 'In Galicia the Austrian rear have been driven behind the River Zlota Lipa an affluent of the Dniester

TROUBLE IN MEXICO CITY

[ASSOCIATED PRESS DISPATCH] MEXICO CITY, August 26 (delayed by censorship).—Rural guards were attempting to arrest a constitutionalist soldier tonight when comrades came to the rescue and shots were exchanged. The trouble became more serious when the guards withdrew to the fifth ward police station. The shooting was renewed and continued for a half hour. Seven were reported killed. Infantry and cavalry are patrolling the streets.

The city is now absolutely quiet, being patrolled by the fourth battalion. All rural guards have been arrested and disarmed. WASHINGTON, August 27.—An uprising in Mexico City against the circulation of bank notes and currency of the new Carranza government has been put down by troops. Confidential advice to the state department announced that there had been a misunderstanding between the populace and government but that order had been restored.

POVERTY PLEA DENOUNCED

[ASSOCIATED PRESS DISPATCH] SAN FRANCISCO, August 27.—A vigorous denunciation of the policy of retrenchment put into effect by the Southern Pacific, and the pleas of poverty which it brought to the state railroad commission was made by Commissioner Eshleman. The commission's figures, he said, show that the company now has a surplus of \$127,000,000. Company officials refuted the commission figures, stating that the company carries a fund of only \$13,000,000 to meet current monthly expenses. 'I have grown tired of this wall of poverty,' said Eshleman. 'There is no reason for these frequent announcements of retrenchments. Records show that the company has made large capital investments directly from surplus funds.' The Southern Pacific is seeking to raise its commutation rates between points in Alameda county to San Francisco.

BORDAS WILL RESIGN

[ASSOCIATED PRESS DISPATCH] WASHINGTON, Aug. 27.—President Bordas, of San Domingo, agreed to resign at 3 o'clock tomorrow, when Raymond Baez, head of the national university of San Domingo will succeed him. This agreement of all factions was reached at a conference of the American peace commissioners. Former Governor Fort of New Jersey, chairman of the commission sent by the president to settle the revolution on the island, cabled the state department that an agreement had been reached after a day's conference. President Bordas will be a candidate, if he desires, in the elections which are to be conducted by the new provisional president, Ramon Baez. The latter, however, will not be permitted to enter the presidential race.

CONSIDER ATTACK DOUBTFUL

[ASSOCIATED PRESS DISPATCH] WASHINGTON, August 27.—Japanese embassy officials here are frankly incredulous as to the reports from Peking that a Japanese naval attack upon Tsing Tau has been repelled by the German garrison of the naval position. They stated positively that no such attack occurred or is contemplated for the present. The Japanese campaign contemplated, it was pointed out, the establishment of a rigid blockade from the seaside, which will not expose Japanese warships to the fire of land fortifications. The idea was to starve out the garrison.

"Not War"

TOKIO, August 27.—The situation between Japan and Austria is described here as "a rupture of diplomatic relations" and not war.

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