

SUMMARY OF THE CROP REPORT
(THE UNITED STATES CROP REPORTING BOARD ISSUED THE FOLLOWING
REPORT AT 3:00 P.M. NOV. 10.)

PRACTICALLY ALL LATE MATURING CROPS HAVE BEEN HELPED BY THE FAVORABLE OCTOBER WEATHER AND ARE SHOWING YIELDS ABOVE THOSE EXPECTED A MONTH AGO. THE YIELD PER ACRE OF ALL CROPS COMBINED NOW APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN 2.4 PERCENT ABOVE THE AVERAGE DURING THE LAST 10 YEARS, BUT CROP PRODUCTION IS ABOUT 3 PERCENT LESS THAN LAST YEAR AS YIELDS ARE LOWER AND A SMALLER ACREAGE HAS BEEN GROWN.

IMPROVED CORN PROSPECTS IN THE LATE MATURING STATES RESULTED FROM THE UNUSUALLY FAVORABLE WEATHER IN OCTOBER, AND PRODUCTION WILL BE CONSIDERABLY LARGER THAN PREVIOUS FORECASTS. A PRODUCTION OF 2,753,249,000 BUSHELS IS INDICATED BY THE REPORTED AVERAGE YIELD OF 28.2 BUSHELS PER ACRE COMPARED WITH 2,646,853,000 BUSHELS HARVESTED IN 1926 AND AN AVERAGE OF 2,766,561,000 BUSHELS HARVESTED DURING THE PAST FIVE YEARS. PRODUCTION IN THE NORTH CENTRAL STATES IS 1,905,000,000 BUSHELS COMPARED WITH 1,788,000,000 BUSHELS IN 1926. ACREAGE OF CORN IN THE SOUTHERN STATES IS SLIGHTLY MORE THAN IN 1926, BUT THE PRODUCTION IS ABOUT 20,000,000 BUSHELS LESS THAN THE LARGE CROP OF LAST YEAR.

IT IS ESTIMATED THAT 75.2 PERCENT OF THE CORN CROP IS OF MERCHANTABLE QUALITY COMPARED WITH 72.6 PERCENT IN 1926 AND 80.7 PERCENT THE 10 YEAR AVERAGE. CORN IN THE WESTERN CORN BELT STATES IS EXCEPTIONALLY GOOD.

LESS OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR'S CROP REMAINS ON FARMS THIS YEAR THAN USUAL. IT IS ESTIMATED THAT 4.2 PERCENT OF THE 1926 CROP REMAINS, AMOUNTING TO 111,068,000 BUSHELS COMPARED WITH 183,015,000 BUSHELS ON NOVEMBER 1, 1926, AND 120,967,000 BUSHELS THE 5 YEAR AVERAGE.

PRODUCTION OF BUSKWHEAT FOR 1927 IS ESTIMATED AT 16,556,000 BUSHELS. IN 1926 IT WAS 12,922,000 BUSHELS, AND THE AVERAGE FOR THE PAST FIVE YEARS WAS 13,760,000 BUSHELS.

YIELDS OF POTATOES NOW REPORTED INDICATE A CROP OF ABOUT 400,305,000 BUSHELS, OR ABOUT 1 PERCENT ABOVE THE FORECAST OF A MONTH AGO. IN SEVERAL STATES, INCLUDING PENNSYLVANIA, IDAHO, SOUTH DAKOTA AND NEBRASKA YIELDS HAVE PROVED TO BE ABOVE EARLIER EXPECTATIONS BUT THE ESTIMATES FOR MICHIGAN, WISCONSIN, AND MINNESOTA, WHERE YIELDS ARE VERY LOW, HAVE BEEN FURTHER REDUCED. THIS YEAR'S CROP IS BELOW AVERAGE IN PRACTICALLY ALL STATES FROM THE DAKOTAS EAST BUT ABOVE AVERAGE IN THE WESTERN STATES. THE QUALITY OF THE POTATO CROP APPEARS CLOSE TO THE USUAL AVERAGE.

YIELDS OF SWEET POTASOES ARE RUNNING SUBSTANTIALLY ABOVE EXPECTATIONS IN NEARLY ALL IMPORTANT STATES AND THE CROP IS NOW ESTIMATED AT 93,600,000 BUSHELS. THIS IS AN INCREASE OF ABOUT 6,000,000 BUSHELS OVER THE FORECAST OF A MONTH AGO AND AN INCREASE OF 10,000,000 BUSHELS OVER THE CROP HARVESTED LAST YEAR.

TOBACCO PRODUCTION IS ESTIMATED AT 1,190,357,000 POUNDS, COMPARED WITH 1,301,211,000 POUNDS IN 1926 AND 1,338,226,000 POUNDS THE 5 YEAR AVERAGE. YIELDS ARE TURNING OUT BETTER THAN WAS ANTICIPATED IN SEVERAL STATES, NOTABLY NORTH CAROLINA WHERE AN AVERAGE YIELD OF 692 POUNDS PER ACRE IS REPORTED.

THE APPLE CROP IS ESTIMATED AT 119,333,000 BUSHELS OR LESS THAN HALF OF LAST YEAR'S HEAVY CROP OF 246,460,000 BUSHELS. DURING OCTOBER, PROSPECTS DECLINED ABOUT THREE PERCENT, THE GAINS IN VIRGINIA, IDAHO AND COLORADO BEING MORE THAN OFFSET BY MATERIAL DECREASES IN NEW YORK, MICHIGAN, ILLINOIS AND WASHINGTON.

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