

# Excerpts from "The Crop Outlook" Newspaper Article, June 30, 1906

## THE CROP OUTLOOK

### DIRECTOR SAGE CLAIMS THE CONDITIONS ARE MOST FAVORABLE

Rains Are Beneficial — Early Haying Has Already Been Begun by Farmers — Says Corn Crop Will Be at Average Height by July 1.

The report of the crop service bureau for the week ending June 25 was issued this week by Director Sage. He declares that the generous showers throughout the state and the cool nights have made conditions almost ideal.

His letter follows:

Complaints of dry weather were silenced by the generous showers that refreshed vegetation in all districts of the state in the early part of the past week. The amounts reported range from light to heavy, but there was no place left unwatered, and there were no destructive local downpours. Cool night and partly cloudy weather prevailed most of the week. Conditions were favorable for oats, wheat, barley and grass, and were not at all detrimental to the corn crop, which has been thoroughly cleaned and has made fairly good progress, giving promise of being fully up to the average height and stand by July 1...

#### **Northeast District.**

Allamakee (Waukon, R. D. 8)—Fine rain this week and ground well soaked; crops of all kinds are doing well a good hay crop assured; pastures good; corn about knee high and a good stand.

Winnishiek (Ridgeway) Rain 24; first half of the week very warm latter half cool: barley heading flax blooming...

Bremer (Waverly) Rain, .68 rain was timely and did much good corn and sugar beets crop are generally looking well hay crop short oats light apples better than average...

Story (Ames)—The rain has greatly relieved growing crops corn is doing reasonably well cherries have good yield blackberry and raspberry crops promise fair yields...

(Fort Madison)—Rain 1.72 this rain has helped everything will have a good crop of peaches, though many fell from trees...

Appanoose (Centerville)—Rain on 18th and 19th broke the drought corn was never better hay, oats and vegetables much improved apples, plums and peaches abundant.