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Hundred Thousand English Sparrows Killed Were In Utah

### QUARTER POUND KILLED 240 BIRDS

Seven hundred thousand English sparrows, each eating six quarts of wheat a year, would mean a feed bill of more than s131,000. Therefore, the killing of 700,000 English sparrows means that amount of money saved for the farmers concerned. And nearly 700,000 sparrows were killed in a State-wide campaign in which 783 Utah farmers joined forces to get rid of the pests during the winter

which used 5,243 of Agriculture. It was the books. out up in one-purter-pound paper bags in the county agent's office. Full instructions were printed on the bags for the use of the poison. Each cooperator receiving the bait agreed to report on the results. Usually the sparrows were enticed for a few days by! putting unpoisoned bait in places not frequented by other birds and also inaccessible to the poultry of the farm. Then a few grains of poisoned wheat were put out each day. The dead sparrows were gathered up, counted, and either burned or buried every few days to prevent the parrow population from becom-

care was used in placing the poi- was awaited. soned bait an average of 75 sparows were killed with each of several counties, 50,000 to 100,000 sparrows were destroyed.

ing suspicious. The number of

sparrows counted by each farm-

and of the season's work.

With summer coming along the cost o fliving surely will beon to decline. Grass is cheap.

Fair Price Will Audit The Books

County agents helped in the KANSAS STORE

wheat, poisoned with strychnine tised they would see all mens ternoon. in accordance with a recipe sent suits for twenty four days without by the Biological Survey out profit to the store. State United States Depart- fair price commissioner will audit

posits sufficient to meet the row. worlds demands have been discovered in Serbia, the American Advisory committee to the Jugo-Slavia government has announ-

er was reported to the committee) El Paso, May 7.—The mobilimen or the county agent at the zation of troops which is believed to be intended for an attack ness on May fourth. As many as 240 dead sparrows on Mexico City, continued at were gathered up as the result of Jaurez as Authentic information single package of poisoned regarding the numerous reports theat. It is believed that where that President Carranza has fled

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## TEXAS COTTON CROP

Big Rains That Washed Six the Lands are the Cause

**AND** FROST

late frost and cold weather.

Minelo, N. Y. May 7.-More than two scores of the army reserve aviators from twelve eastern colleges, engaged in priliminary tryouts on Mitchell field pounds of poisoned bait. In Topeka, May 7.—A Kansas old prepartory to taking part in the most cases the bait was made of established clothing store adver- Intercollegiate field day this af-

forty sixth renewal of Kentucky embassy has announced. Belgrade, May 7.—Chrome de- Derby at Churchill downs tomor-

## CONDITION MAY 4TH.

Washington, May 7.-The comptroller of the currency called for the condition of the National banks at the close of busi-

Washington, May 7.-Edward at first meeting in overalls. 38.03 Platt a Republican representa-35.87 tive from New York was select- Every man occasionally for scorching. Wars will continue state department has no confir-35.03 ed by President Wilson for mem- gest himself and tells the truth- to rage as long as greed, hate mation of the rumor that Presi-36.58 hership on the federal reserve and then he generally has afirst and jealuos exist in the human dent Carranza has gone to Vera

Started a Fixed Up Grave

COLD 5 BLOWN TO PIECES

Lydia of the farmers union esti- tribesmen on the Abysinnian bormated the Texas cotton crop in der, who during the frontier the worst condition in its history campaign, repeatedly desecrated as a result of rains which caused graves in which British soldiers floods, washing fields and the had been buried have just been taught a severe lesson that will make them very chary of meddling with the dead in future.

A trap set for them. A grave was fixed up which was made to appear that it contained the To corpse of a British officer. It contained something much more deadly in the shape of gun-cotton and other explosives.

Six Mashuds started to open them were blown to pieces. The sixth had just enough life left in him when discovered to tell what rage playing baseball by Ameri- of a bill to pay. happened.

Washington, May 7.—French 5200,000 FIRE IN Soldiers will parade at the larg-Louisville, May 7.—Enormous er American cemeteries in Francrowds reaching Louisville for ce on decoration day the French

New York, May 7.-Northern baptists fund of the new world movement passed fifty million dollars mark headquarters an-

Adamokski instructed the city conferences and board of finance council committee who is investi- here. gating the high costs to appear

class row on his hands.

# GERMANY IS 45 BILLION

bout Eleven Billion Dollars U. S. Money Before World The War

### Fort Worth, May 7.—President Bombay, May 7.—Mashuds, WORTH HALF BUT PRESSES BUSY

# THE SIZE WALL FOR

Encourage Youths Have Named Size of Boys

the supposed grave. Five of FOR THE DIAMOND latter been attempted, the col-

can youths the joint rules com- The sole reliance of the governcan leagues has designated speling press money. On March 31,

Johnson, City Tenn., May 7 .--An estimated loss of two nundred thousand dollars · resulted from a fire undetermined origin which destroyed valuable machinery flooring in the Whiting Lumber company's plant.

St. Louis, May 7.—Plans for a campaign to create a permanent fund for the support of superannuated ministers was considered by the General council Chicago, May 7.—Chairman of southern Methodist church CARRANZA

> Yes, the fires of hell may be bright, but these of earth are race.

, nile the war was in progress Germany failed to levy taxes to pay any considerable part of the cost of military operations. Bond issues were floated from time to time, but the cost of the war was to be saddled on the entente nations and their associates, Owing to a misapprehension as to the victors, Germany's condition now is worse, possibly, than it would have been had there been an attempt to levy taxes for the support of the war. Had the lapse might have come sooner Cincinnati, May 7 .- To encour and there would have been less

mittee of the Nationl and Ameri- ment now appears to be in printcial size boys for the diamond the Imperial Bank had a note cirand a special sized boys ball for culation of 45.000,000,000 marks. boys under sixteen years of age. About one-half of this enormous sum has been issued in the last year. Instead of making an effort to get on a sound financial basis, an undertaking colossal at best, the presses are kept busy turning out flat money, promises to pay that probably will never be redeemed.

> To a German a mark may still be a mark, but the more the governent turns out the less is a ark worth, guaged by its exchange value. The Germans themselves will be the losers thru their immense volume of curreney. Their obligations to other nations cannot be paid in that kind of money, and that will nake the situation at home all the worse. Not all the punishment the Germans are suffering because of their crimes are inflicted by their enemies.

Washington, May 7.— The

## U. S. Should Not Recognize Soviet Russia

tion follows:

life has represented for a hund-troys production. we thousand years.

the spiritual ideals for which mo- and purpose of the Bolshevist of the Petrograd Soviet, declar- only encourage the enemy.

volution, whether that propagan- Soviet regime is a menace to all Soviet regime, the presence of an into revolutionary mass action between American democracy "Aiming to destroy the bull da is carried on by official Soviet other governments. Where gov- ambassador and consular agants for the conquest of the state, and Russian Bolshevism."

warks of morality and social or representatives, by political parternments is most stable, as in enjoying immunities (each a central thus we have in our own coun-Washington, May 7 .- (Special) der, the Soviets disfranchised the ties which belong to their Com- America, every element of dis- ter of intrigue), the propaganda try waging deadly and under-A declaration against recognic elergy, made marriage a mere munist International, or by in-loyalty, disorder and discontent of the Lenine-Trotzky regime ground warfare against us an of the Soviet Government in civil contract which may be bro-dependent organizations that sup is stimulated by this propaganda, against civilization, already work-enemy more dangerous and with Russia, signed by more than 1000 ken by either party and attemp- port Sovietism because of its Where government is unstable, ing through so many radical and objects infinitely more far-reachleading citizens, headed by Ly- ted to interdict the teaching of temporary ability to maintain its as in Germany, revolutionists pseudo-liberal organizations, and ing and inimical than was Imepr-Man Abbott, has been submitted religion. Its system and fran-power. Bolshevism by all of its are subsidized and aided, and an recently augmented by an end ial German with her host of agents President Wilson. The pro-chise destroy representative gov-decrees, publications and acknow-early Soviet revolution is confi-less stream of inspired press and spies. is fathered by the National erument, which, since the Magna ledged acts has demonstrated that dently reckoned upon. Even if stories from Moscow and Petro- "We, therefore, believe that The Federation. The ideelara- Charta, the world has come to re it is a destructive movement, de only temporarily successful, such grad, would be further ramified the people of the United States, gard as the first essential politi- pending for its success in Russia an overturn, which might become and dangerously entended. It is acting through their Government We believe that recognition cal factor of the modern state, upon terriorism and a minority an upheaval in all Central Eu-their declared intention first to at Washington, should now, once Soviet Russia would be a re- its program breaks every law dictatorship, and in foreign countrope, would be a world calamity, undermine and then to gain con- and for all, declare that they canpudiation of all that our national of economics and in practice destries upon support and sympathy Civilization must face and meet trol of the organized labor move- not consent to admit ainto the obtained through propaganda, this deadly challenge. Conces- ment in the intensive promotion family or in any other way counand fifty years, and of all "The fundamental principle Zinoviev himself, while President sions of any kind whatever can of labor unrest, the stimulation tenance this 'government' of vioof 'strikes of protest' 'into gen-lence and terror.

dern civilization has striven for propaganda abroad is world re- ed that the very existence of the "With the recognition of the eral political strikes, and then "There must be no compromise