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## SOLVING TENANCY PROBLEMS

Establish Local Credit Unions to Make Loans on Second Mortgages

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**I**N SPITE of the fact that soil fertility has been greatly depleted during the first great stage of American agriculture, it is important to note that most of the farmers were the owners of the land they cultivated during this period. Land ownership by the actual operators of farms has been repeatedly recognized as the fundamental basis of that type of independent life and institutions so often called typically American and standing as the foundation of our new world democracy.

American rural life is threatened with the evils that come from increasing that class of farmers for whom home ownership is not only out of the question, but to whom the most approved types and systems of farming are virtually impossible. Unless action is taken to arouse interest in workable plans for centralizing tenancy evils, doing away with the underlying causes for the increase in such types of tenancy as are harmful to the individual and the community, future generations must pay the penalty.

### Evils of Tenancy

Just what are the evils of tenancy? What are the consequences of a failure to solve tenancy problems? In comparison with the opportunities which farm owners can profitably develop, the farm tenant is obliged to follow a system which results in a turnover of his business within the year. The results of such a system are obvious to anyone who has talked with any great number of tenants or with a similar number of land owners who have been associated in one way or another with tenants. Benjamin Franklin said, "Two moves are as bad as a fire." In practice, farm tenants believe this statement. Investment in an expensive herd of dairy or beef cattle is not apt to be sufficiently profitable to justify the tenant either making it or in appealing to a bank or money lender for support in such a venture. The risk of being obliged to leave at the end of the year, either because of a sale of the farm he is renting or because the owner or his son is now ready to resume operations, or for other reasons, compels the tenant to wonder what the chance will be to find another farm properly equipped with buildings for the profitable development and maintenance of his live stock. All too often the move of this sort absorbs all of the profits made from the herd during a previous period of continuous farming on one place. Those who have shifted very much are not likely to have the credit connections by which they could then think of investing in live stock. As a result crop farming is the rule and soil fertility is diligently mined, with the effect in running down the productivity of the region and in diluting the community interest.

Comparing tenants as a class with farm owners, it is found that a considerable portion of the tenants are not in any sense interested in good roads, better schools, farmers' co-operative and other marketing organizations, rural churches, nor any of the improvements in rural communities which have an ultimate effect in raising the land value. The reason for this lack of interest on the part of tenants is a normal one. Only the owner of property thus in-

creased in value is benefited by the rise, for he is substantially the only one who will be associated with the land long enough to reap the reward which improvements are bound to bring in the way of increased profits. Community interest and good citizenship are definitely tied up with one's permanency in a given region. The tenant who flits about—and far too many of them have to move—can in no way be expected to exhibit a local interest, and without it his value to the community is negligible. So far as community progress is concerned, the only thing to do is to promote such an environment and such opportunities in the region that a more efficient man will come in and by competition shove the inefficient man out of place and utilize the farm as its owner.

### Causes of Tenancy

In order to know how to promote ownership one must first arrive at con-

clusions regarding the causes of tenancy. In the main there are three causes for tenancy of the sort which produces undesirable results. The first cause is found in certain features of land ownership. For example, the retiring farmer who reasonably desires to have his income assured to him, knowing of no other form of safe investment than the land which he has owned these many years, naturally is keen to have the place worked by a tenant who can pay him a rental. This arrangement on the surface would seem to be ideal. Under conditions which lead to the eventual ownership of the place by the man who for a time farms it as the tenant, such a partnership works to the satisfaction of both parties; but more often, because the retired farmer knows of no other safe investment for the sale price of his farm, he refuses to enter into a deal for the transfer or sale of

the place. As a result of his desire to own and still rent the place and the desire of some young man to farm, there is created the duplicating demand for land, which contributes among other things to a sale value for farm land considerably in excess of its real value for farming purposes alone. As more farmers retire and the number of young men who would like to farm constantly increases more rapidly than the increase in new farms and the old ones which are made available for use by renters, there comes the time when retired farmers and other investors from urban centers push the values so high that the operators of the farms have increasing difficulty in making enough from their farming to pay the price for becoming owners. A force which further complicates the problem is that of speculation or the desire to receive the annual increase in value which the land has yielded in the past. These different uses for land have created a sale value which often greatly exceeds the value for farming purposes alone, and the net result is to retard farmers in their rise to ownership or else prevent them from ever becoming owners.

If the owners of land are to be induced to relieve the artificial demand with a view to promoting ownership by the operators, there will presumably need to be either a widespread propaganda of education regarding the safety of federal farm loan bonds or some other sane and reasonable investment, or else there will need to be applied a universal system of land tax accompanied by a complete reassessment of the lands of the state. A land valuation system will need to be created which will give the individual as well as the state mutual responsibilities in creating the valuation on arriving at the acceptable figure. The New Zealand method is to require the owner to make his valuation for tax purposes subject to revision upward by the state department for approval of the owner. In case the owner makes a low valuation for the purpose of evading taxation, the government is authorized to purchase the property at the valuation given by the owner plus 10 per cent. The general result of the scheme has been the valuation of land at practically its worth for farming purposes. With these values as the basis, there are flat land taxes for all land values, additional graduated land taxes for owners of lands which mount upward in aggregate value, and finally there are absentee land taxes, both flat and graduated, which are double the rate for citizens who live in the state.

The second main cause for tenancy is found in the incapacity of some farmers, whether tenants or owners, to make profits from their operations. Many an inefficient farmer has lost his farm by mortgages which he could never pay off, although most farmers are continually using mortgage credit successfully for increasing the profits of farming and buying more land with the proceeds. The man who is relegated to the position of a permanent tenant by virtue of his incapacity for intelligent and profitable management of a farm certainly is beyond the realm of help, either from a fellow farmer or from a community. He is doubtless a misfit.

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**I**HAVE seen the tide of socialism driven by clever German propaganda rise and break three times in France since I have been over there, and every time it broke against the land owners. If France had been in the condition of Kansas, the result might have been different. In France 90 per cent of the farmers own the land they till. In Kansas the percentage has fallen to 50 per cent. Five million men in the French Republic own farms of from five to fifty acres and make a very good living upon them. I do not believe we could do quite that well in America, but I do believe if we had more farms of from twenty-five to eighty acres in size we would be a happier and more prosperous state than we are now.

In England when the war opened they had great deer parks and game preserves for the rich and not enough land for the poor. The poor people said: "We will fight the war on the condition that when the war is over the land shall be occupied by agriculture." The wise premier replied, "Stand by us and when the war is over you will get a square deal." Today they are advocating a plan to buy from the rich the land they do not cultivate and sell it on easy terms in small holdings to people who want to use it. Ireland was until a few years ago owned by 700 absentee landlords, and the people broke the collectors' heads when they came for the rent. Today, as a result of the adoption of a wise land policy, more than 8,000 people own what 700 once had. In Denmark a few hundred people once owned all the farms. Today over 90 per cent of the farms of Denmark are owned by people who till those farms, and Denmark is the only agricultural country in the world where the farming population is increasing.

Canada has just passed a law providing that every soldier is to have 200 acres of land and a loan of \$2,500 in cash, without interest, to enable him to get started. I feel certain that in ten years we will see a great agricultural Canada as a result of this very constructive action on the part of the Canadian government. The men who are today fighting against the provision to extend some aid to our returning soldiers who want to come back to Kansas and go on farms which they can own will have to answer to these boys when they get back.

We can build a leadership against farm tenantry in Kansas just as valuable to the rest of the country as the leadership we once established in prohibition. This is not only an economic issue; it is a moral issue. Men talk about Bolshevism. You can fight this only in one way. Let the man own his home. When a man builds his own home, he loves it. Build this agricultural country out of farmers who own and love their homes and we need not fear social unrest in any form.—HENRY J. ALLEN.



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## MECHANICS ON THE FARM

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### Trucks on General Farm

**A** PRELIMINARY study toward determining whether or not a motor truck as part of the farm equipment would be profitable in the corn belt states, conducted by the United States Department of Agriculture, indicates that under present conditions the purchase of a truck is not warranted on the ordinary grain and live stock farm. Only as it makes possible the elimination of some horses is the practice profitable. On 200 farms stocked, ranging in size from 100 acres to nearly a section, one man and team do all the hauling necessary to market produce in thirty days and the work is so distributed throughout the year that the use of the truck would not make possible the sale of any horses. Farmers within reach by motor truck of large cities where better prices obtain for live stock and possibly grain might be justified in buying a truck, but even in such cases it is probable that hiring the hauling done by a custom truck owner would be more economical. With regard to truck farms, the situation is somewhat different. Where produce is taken to market on an average of two or three times a week throughout the year, the use of a truck makes it possible to get on with fewer horses. This makes the use of a truck more desirable than on general farms.

### A Successful Experiment

Men trained along mechanical lines were in active demand in the various branches of the army during the world war. The technical colleges all over the country took an active part in giving intensive work designed to fit men quickly for the war demands. The Agricultural College of Kansas was most active in this work. When the armistice was signed President Jardine, Dean Potter and others in authority decided that the experiences gained in training men for war should be applied in giving them intensive training for the pursuits of peace. Since January 1 about 500 men have been given such training in courses related to engineering, and the results indicate that the industrial opportunities are just as effective as the war incentive in making intensive instruction practical. It was decided to continue instruction in the special intensive courses for automobile mechanics, tractor operators, blacksmiths, carpenters, foundry men and machinists.

A student can enroll for any of the courses on the first Monday of the month from September to May. The length of time he will remain will depend upon his previous training and experience. A brief outline of the courses given with the equipment will be of general interest.

The course in automobiles includes a thorough study of the construction and assembly of four, six and eight-cylinder engines; the operation, testing and adjustment of these engines; electric ignition, starting, and lighting systems; the automobile chassis, including transmission systems and differentials; tire repairs; general repairing, overhauling and operation of automobiles; and sufficient shop work to enable the student to make essential repairs.

Extensive equipment is available, including many types of cars and engines, machine tool tire repair equipment, and electrical equipment. All grades of work will be given; the garage mechanic may supplement his knowledge with advanced and specialized work, or the amateur may begin at the bottom and obtain a comprehensive knowledge of the whole field.

The tractor course covers thoroughly the construction, operation and adjustment of all kinds of tractors and their equipment; stationary gas engines; power farm machinery, including tractor hitches; shop work.

About twenty tractors and thirty-five stationary gas engines are available for the laboratory work in this course, besides great numbers of smaller items of equipment in the way of magnetos, carburetors, and other attachments.

A practical study of general carpenter work is given, including the use of carpenter's tools, reading of drawings and blue prints, hand work and ma-

chine work, framing, building construction, and form building for concrete.

The course in machine tool work is designed to meet the demands of those who must prepare themselves in a short time for this line of work. The work is suited to the needs of the individual student. The entire machine shop of the college is available for this course, which includes a thorough training in the manipulation of lathes, planers, drill presses, boring mills, shapers, and screw machines.

In order to enable the student to become familiar with both tools and shop processes, the construction of standard gasoline engines and wood lathes is followed from the machining of the rough castings to the assembly of finished parts. Students may in this way make their own engines and lathes.

The course in foundry practice is intended to train practical molders, and includes bench molding with a great variety of patterns, experience with different kinds of sands and facings; open sand work, sweep molding, machine molding, core making, setting of cores, gates and risers, different methods of venting; also general foundry practice.

In blacksmithing a practical course is given in forging operations, such as drawing, melding, bending, twisting, punching, care of forge fire; the making of various tools such as punches, chisels, drills, scrapers, hammers; hardening, tempering, annealing, case and pack hardening, tool forging, oxyacetylene and thermit processes of welding.

A student entering any branch will devote his entire attention to the work in which he is most interested or for which he is the best prepared. He will be given practical instruction by efficient teachers, completely mastering each step before proceeding to the next. He will work with the machines themselves, studying the construction, operation, and adjustment of every part until he thoroughly understands it. The courses are so arranged that the student will have much individual attention from the instructor, though the development of initiative will not be neglected.

### Grinding Engine Valves

To grind valves use a paste of fine emery dust and oil. Apply some of this to the valve seat, put the valve in place, and revolve it about half way around and then back with a carpenter's brace. Repeat this eight or ten times. Raise the valve off the seat and give it part of a turn. Let it drop back on its seat, then repeat the same motion with the brace as before. Do this until a continuous contact is shown around the valve seat. Clean the valve seat and valve stem with gasoline.

The tractor does not have to stop at the end of the row to rest.

If the tractor will reduce the number of work horses needed so that the expense of keeping them is lowered sufficiently to offset the expense of the tractor, its purchase is justified. Some farm work needs to be done quickly and within certain dates, such as early deep plowing for wheat. Wheat seeded on such plowing is usually more profitable than that seeded on later plowing. If a tractor will make it possible to do this where it cannot be done with the farm work horses, the increased returns may be sufficient to offset the expense of the tractor and justify its purchase. —W. E. GRIMES, Kansas Agricultural College.

Every man's powers have relation to some kind of work, and whenever he finds the work which he can do best—that to which his powers are best adapted—he finds that which will give him the best development, and that by which he can best build up, or make, his manhood. —J. G. HOLLAND.

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## HAYS CATTLE EXPERIMENTS

In the Fort Hays Branch Experiment station farm Kansas lays claim to the largest experiment station in the world. Including leased land, the operations of this experiment station cover over five thousand acres. The large amount of land available makes it possible to carry on extensive investigations in the handling of beef cattle. About six hundred cattle are on the station farm at the present time, 356 of them being in experimental lots.

Experiments of vital interest are being conducted in connection with the various problems of beef production in Western Kansas. A study in the development of feeding heifers has been under way for several years. Under ordinary range conditions heifers are almost sure to bring their first calves young and too late because of the feed limitations of the winter season the early calving heifers are apt to be undersized as mature cows. In the fall of 1915 eighty heifer calves were started in on this test. Its purpose in brief is to find whether feeding heifers a liberal ration during the winter season it will be possible to overcome the tendency to dwarf them as they develop into mature cows. It is also important to know what will be the results as to the type and quality of calves produced from breeding at different ages.

These eighty heifer calves were divided into two groups, one getting very liberal rations during the winter season and the other group getting rather scant rations, such as any ordinary ranchman might feed. In other words, they were "roughed" through the winter without grain. Half of the heifers in each group were bred to calve at two years of age and the remainder carried one year longer. This spring the early bred heifers will be dropping their third calves and the heifers calving the first time three years of age will be dropping their second calves. It appeared at the annual round-up held on the station farm last April that heifers liberally fed during the wintering period could calve two years of age without being retarded in their development. The final result from the standpoint of economy and the kind of calves produced was all an open question. Another year has passed and the heifers are now mature cows. Some interesting developments have taken place during the year just past. We will leave all comment, however, on the past season's results until after the usual meeting at the station which will take place April 12.

This matter of handling beef bred heifers under range conditions as they are developing into breeding cows is an important one and the results will be of great value to cattlemen generally. The Kansas Live Stock Association by resolution passed at its recent meeting in Hutchinson, highly commended the work with these cattle and urged the attendance of its members at the April 12 round-up meeting.

The above is only one of a number of experiments of great interest to cattle growers. The possible relation of cottonseed meal to beef production is under observation. Some tests have been taken in the past year but now a definite experiment is under way which is to continue five years. It involves four lots of cows. In winter rations they are fed the following: Lot 1, silage and two pounds of cottonseed meal; Lot 2, dry fodder and two pounds of cottonseed meal; Lot 3, silage and two pounds of linseed oil meal; Lot 4, dry fodder and two pounds daily of linseed meal. Cows that did not abort the year before are being used, and each year fresh lots will be made up in which there will be no cows that aborted the previous year.

A comparison of cane silage and cane fodder feeding is being made on the acreage. In a large measured field of cane alternate ten-row plots were put into silo and into the shock—ten rows in silo and ten rows in the shock, and on across the whole field. A bunch

of cows has been fed the silage from this field at the rate of about twenty-five pounds a day and two pounds of cottonseed meal to each cow. Another bunch of cows has been fed the fodder from the field, with cottonseed meal, the aim being to feed enough fodder so that the cows will be kept as nearly as possible in the same condition as the silage-fed cows. All fodder and all silage has been weighed. It will be a most suggestive object lesson to compare the results of these two methods of handling feed.

The coming meeting is the sixth to be held, and each year the interest has been increasing. We have received no details as to the program, but we know that all the experiments will be so charted and labeled that visitors can get the lessons of each test by simply passing from yard to yard.

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## AMENDMENTS PROPOSED

Only three constitutional amendments can be proposed and referred to popular vote by a Kansas legislature. As the present session draws to a close the three to be submitted at the general election in 1920 have finally passed both houses. The good roads resolution has for its purpose the granting of the right to the state to co-operate in building roads, but still prohibits the state from carrying on any other form of public improvements. The present constitution prohibits the state from engaging in any form of public improvements. The proposed amendment is retroactive, permitting reimbursement by the state of the cost of permanent roads constructed after March 1, 1919, up to 25 per cent and not exceeding \$10,000 per mile and for not more than a hundred miles in any one county, excepting in counties having an assessed valuation of \$100,000,000, where the maximum is 150 miles. Without such an amendment to our constitution the building of hard-surfaced roads will be greatly handicapped. There can be no serious objection to this amendment from any source.

The land tenantry amendment proposes to permit the state to furnish financial aid to soldiers and other worthy persons in acquiring farm homes. There has been a great deal of argument over this resolution and it has been pronounced by many as most visionary. Some of those who voted for it in amended form in both the House and the Senate did so with the expectation that it would be defeated when submitted for approval at the general election. The tenantry question is a live one and we believe should be studied and discussed all over the state. We would suggest a careful reading of the article on the front page of this issue by Prof. Theodore Macklin, head of the agricultural economics department of our agricultural college.

The third resolution to be submitted for ratification has to do with the classification of property for taxation purposes. It has been claimed by some that 78 per cent of the taxes of Kansas are paid by farmers. If this is true, agriculture is bearing more than its just share of our taxation burdens. We have now much intangible property in the state, and it is difficult to get at this intangible property in distributing the burdens of taxation. This is the class of property which is probably not bearing its just share of taxes. We believe this resolution offers more opportunities for overcoming the evils of farm tenantry and increasing the number of owner-titled farms than the one designed to offer direct financial assistance through the state. There has been a fear of giving the legislature power to classify property for taxation. We believe this fear is without foundation in fact. Agricultural interests dominate our legislature or easily can control by doing a little more team work. In view of this fact it would seem that there is little danger of a Kansas legislature doing anything that would shift additional taxation to the farming classes. This

resolution is well worthy of the most careful consideration.

We should not go to the polls in November, 1920, without having a full understanding of the purpose of the proposed amendment and its relationship to the tax problem. Taxation questions are by no means simple. We are too prone to let matters drift and make no study of the intricate principles involved, and then when we come to pay our taxes or perhaps when the legislature is making some necessary appropriations we raise a howl about increasing taxes. Taxes are necessary burdens coincident with progress in the scale of civilization. There is no dodging them, but we should insist on a just distribution of the burden. We believe this amendment for the classification of property for taxation purposes should be ratified, and we trust that it will be given the fullest consideration all over the state. We will gladly open the columns of KANSAS FARMER for any honest expression of opinion on this or any other subject pertaining to problems of special interest to our readers.

## HOG PRICES GO UP

Last week hog prices at the Kansas City market registered a net gain of from 75 to 90 cents a hundred. On Thursday the top was \$19.40, the highest price since last October and fully \$2 above the February level when federal control was in full operation. It is evident the market is being made by a strong demand for pork and pork products. Both shippers and packers are in need of stock hogs, and it would seem that the release of federal control can work no injustice to those who still have hogs of last season's farrow to market.

Pork prices may go so high as to bring a real hardship to consumers and already it is rumored that Food Administration officials and packers are discussing the question of fixing a maximum hog price in the interests of both consumers and producers. The vicious activities of eastern speculators in meat were discussed at the conference between producers and packers in Chicago last week. Packers contend that the exorbitant prices of which consumers complain are largely chargeable to the profiteering of the speculators and retail profiteers.

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## CHICAGO CONFERENCE REPORT

On page eight of this issue appears the authorized statement reporting the results of the conference between representatives of organized live stock producers and the packers which was held at Chicago last week. This meeting gives promise of being an epoch-making event in the development of the great live-stock industry of this country. The tentative agreement as outlined in the authorized statement furnishes the basis at least for the creation of machinery that will bring about a closer co-operation between the producers and the packing industry which stands between producers and consumers. The plan, while a tentative one only, was agreed to by the live-stock men in the conference and it is now submitted for the free discussion of the organizations and everyone interested in the production of live stock. Do not fail to read carefully the report of this conference found on page eight of this issue.

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## DOCTOR DYKSTRA PROMOTED

The appointment of Dr. R. R. Dykstra to head the department of veterinary medicine at our agricultural college will be widely approved. He has been a member of the faculty of that department for eight years, his work having been largely in the field of surgery. He has been highly successful in practical surgical work and is offering a series of strong courses in his chosen field. He is well known to KANSAS FARMER readers through his answers to veterinary questions. The position to which he has been appointed has been vacant for some time, or since the resignation of Dr. F.

S. Schoenleber. Doctor Dykstra during this period has demonstrated his ability as an executive in directing and carrying on most successfully the work of the department under the more or less difficult arrangement of "acting head."

Doctor Dykstra received his degree of doctor of veterinary medicine at the Iowa State College and served for six years following as assistant professor in that institution. After two years in the service of the Bureau of Animal Husbandry of the United States Department of Agriculture, he came to the Kansas Agricultural College. For the year 1917-1918 he was president of the Kansas Veterinary Medical Association. He has the unanimous support of every member of his department and we feel sure this important department of our agricultural college work will be well handled under his leadership.

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## FARMERS AND BIG BUSINESS

Farmers usually use the term "big business" to describe great combinations of capital which are seeking to deprive them of just rewards for their toil. The Farmers' Union of Kansas has been developing its activities on the theory that there is no bigger business than farming and the way to fight the kind of big business seeking to prey upon the farmer is to use the weapon of business organization. This policy is in direct opposition to the one proposing to regulate all evils through politics and the state. North Dakota is at present conducting a most interesting experiment along the line of letting the state run practically everything. Here in Kansas, however, the Farmers' Union, one of the strongest organizations of farmers in the state, has just established a state co-operative brokerage business at Salina. The association will be composed of the 275 Farmers' Union Co-operative Elevator Associations in the state and will handle all their business. These elevators control fully 50 per cent of the wheat of Kansas, and the Association expects to have all the details worked out and be ready to handle the 1919 wheat crop. The wheat seeded in Kansas is in excess of eleven million acres and the crop gives promise of being 187,000,000 bushels. At the Salina meeting of the jobbing association of the union a resolution was passed favoring the establishment of a flour milling business also.

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Planting time will soon be here. How about the seed you will put into the ground? Will it germinate? Is it pure and free from injurious weed seeds? We would call attention to the fact that the seed testing laboratory at the agricultural college is again ready to test samples of seed free of charge. If you have any doubt about the seed you have or the seed you are about to buy, send in samples and you will get a report showing the percentage of germination and also the percentage of the various weed seeds in the sample. Last year owing to the extensive seed-testing and distributing campaign conducted all over the state, the testing laboratory was almost swamped. It had to expand so rapidly that there was no time for systematizing the machinery and some mistakes were made. With the experience of last season to guide, it should be possible to handle large numbers of samples with a minimum of mistakes.

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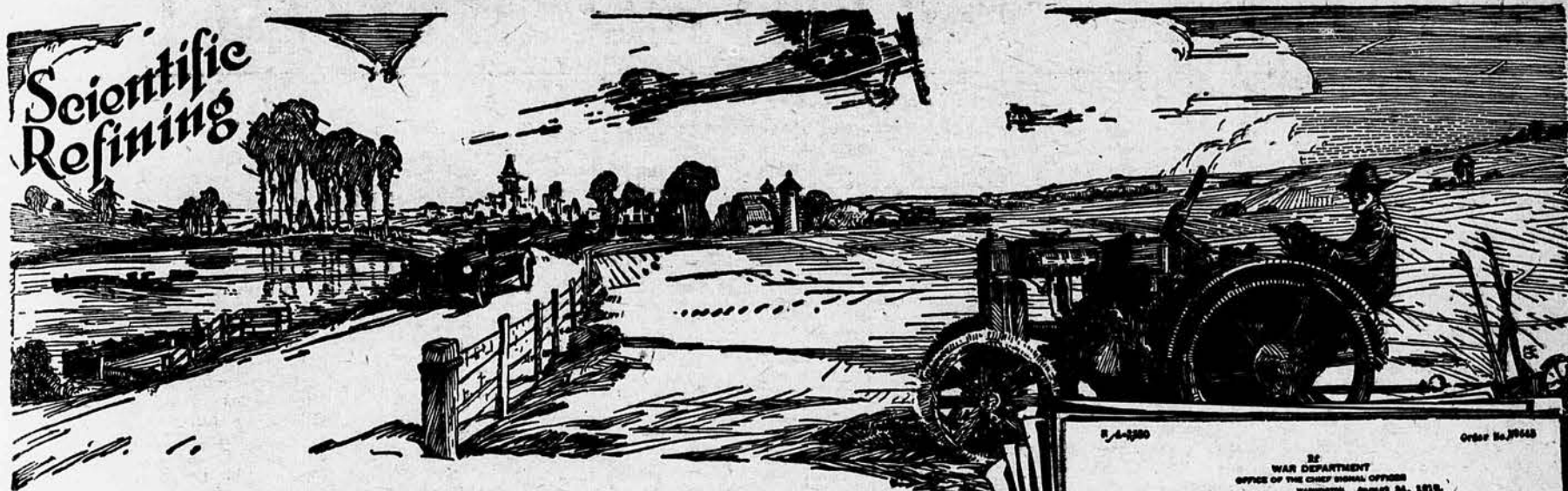
Other men's mistakes we call sins—our own we call experience.



## Something of Interest for All—Overflow from Other Departments

A reader from the western part of the state suggests that it would save many fatal automobile accidents to cut back two rods each way from the highway corners permitting the road to make an easy turn instead of the right angle turn now necessary. He says the average Kansas road contains six acres, or 960 square rods, to the mile, and making this cut across the corner would take out only four square rods additional per mile and would take only the inaccessible corner of the field, which very seldom can be used in the growing of crops.





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# A SELF-FEEDER BOOSTER

## A Chase County Feeder Makes Profit on a Bunch of Self-Fed Hogs

**S**EEING is believing, and the verdict of visiting neighbors who have inspected the hog feeding demonstration on the Cooper farm near Bazaar is that hogs allowed to choose their own rations and eat when they were hungry made a better job in fulfilling the prime duty of a hog than did hogs fed by their owners in regular orthodox style.

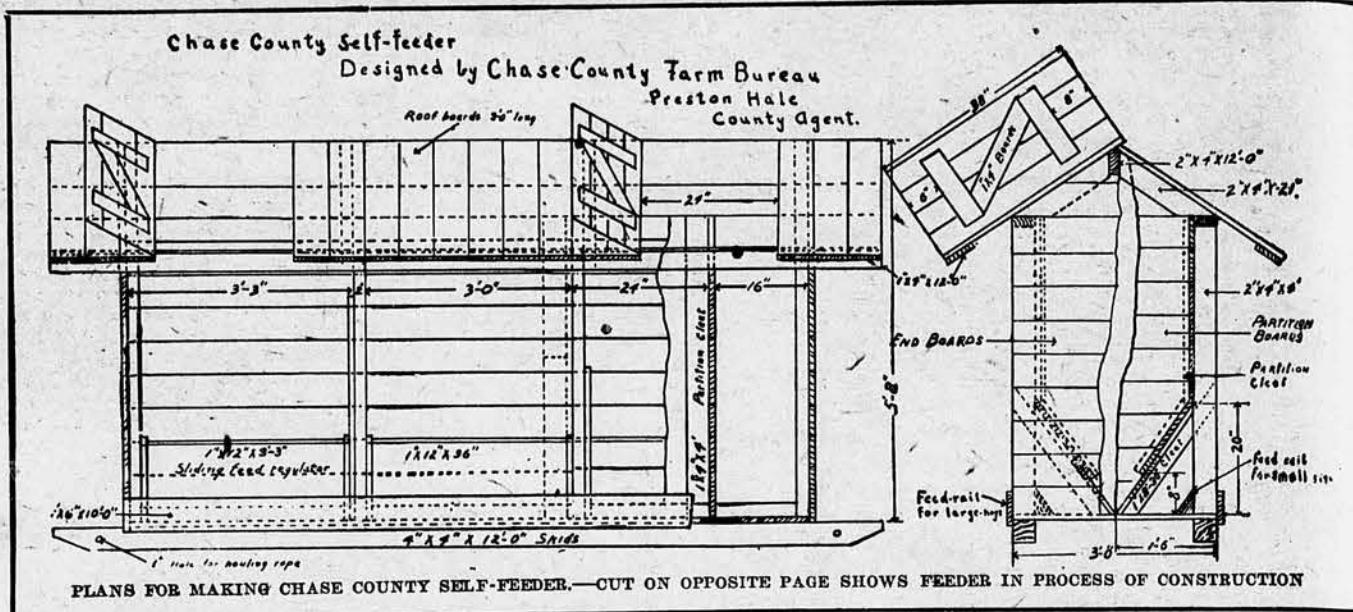
Farm demonstrations in hog feeding have attracted considerable attention in a number of farm bureau counties the past winter. In co-operation with the farm bureaus and county agents, R. W. Kiser, animal husbandry specialist of the extension division, planned these demonstrations with the idea that the men of the various communities would welcome the opportunity of seeing with their own eyes the results of the "free choice" system in finishing hogs for market. The demonstration referred to above was a partnership affair, the partners being Rogler, Hale, and Cooper. Henry Rogler went to the Kansas City market with the 113 hogs fed in this demonstration February 18. They topped the market for their class, part of the bunch bringing \$17.75 a hundred and the remainder \$17.65. In the period from November 12 when they went into the feed lot as pigs weighing an average of 78.5 pounds apiece, until they were sold, they had developed into 235-pound well finished market hogs, the gains costing in feed at the rate of \$11.97 a hundred. The detailed cost figures, including the cost of the pigs at 14.5 cents a pound and all extra items of expense such as freight, commission, interest on the money invested, labor, etc., show a net return of \$8.89 a head. Preston O. Hale, county agent of Chase County, who supervised the keeping of the records, is authority for the figures and statements here given.

A hundred head of these pigs were high-grade Poland Chinas, averaging seventy-four pounds apiece. They were bought of J. D. McKittrick & Sons. They had been running on rye pasture and receiving corn for grain. The remaining thirteen head were high grade Duroc Jerseys weighing 113 pounds apiece. During the period the hogs were on feed they received corn, barley and meat meal, each in separate compartments of a self-feeder which permitted the hogs to follow their own free choice absolutely in the ration consumed. None of the compartments of the feeder were allowed to become empty at any time. The barley was ground and the corn fed whole. They were fed alfalfa hay of the fourth cutting during the first two weeks of the demonstration, this acting as a regulator while they were getting on a full feed of grain.

The feedlot conditions were exceptionally favorable. Mr. Cooper inclosed a lot in a timbered place which included running water. The water ran so swiftly during the winter that it did not freeze over at any time. It was interesting to note that the hogs regularly waded out into the water even on the coldest day. Free access to plenty of water above the freezing temperature is an important factor in feeding hogs successfully. It is a good thing to remember that when it is not possible to have such a convenient watering arrangement, a self-watering system should be provided as a supplement to the self-feeder.

The self-feeder used by Mr. Cooper is known in that section as the Chase County Feeder and was of the same type as that used by S. H. Baker, who conducted a similar hog-feeding demonstration earlier in the season. The shelter provided was simply an old-fashioned pole shed covered with hay and located to the south of a thick patch of underbrush which prevented the snow from drifting badly around it. Even in the coldest weather the hogs did not seem to suffer, as they were always dry and out of the wind in their sleeping quarters.

The plans of this feeder can be supplied in the form of blueprints by the Chase County Farm Bureau at Cottonwood Falls or through the extension division of the agricultural college at Man-



hattan. The feeder is so designed that it will feed anything from ear corn to shorts without waste, and yet it is very simple in construction. The illustrations on this page will show enough of the construction so a man handy with tools should be able to make one of the feeders. The plan has been designed so that the only lumber necessary is two-by-fours and eight-inch shiplap. Mr. Hale and the farmers in this section who have used this feeder point out that the parts should be made tight so as to prevent any leaking of grain or ground feed. It is also advisable to build a roof with plenty of pitch and with long eaves to prevent rain and snow from falling in on the feed exposed in the trough. Another point to consider carefully is not to build the sloping parts of the feeder too steep, as that will cause the feed to wedge and prevent it from feeding down readily. The dimensions for the inside sloping parts given in the drawing are the result of careful experimentation and should not be varied. It is also a good idea to make the board feed-regulator wide enough so that it may be adjusted to the bottom of the feeder if necessary. The feed rail may be changed from the outside of the upright two-by-fours to the inside, in that way narrowing up the feed trough enough to prevent small pigs from getting into it.

A feeder sixteen feet long will handle a carload of hogs very nicely. The ma-

terial for such a feeder should not cost over \$25. It will hold a hundred bushels of corn, a thousand pounds of shorts or ground barley, and five hundred pounds of tankage or meat meal.

The farmers around Bazaar have been watching the self-feeder demonstrations the past winter with a great deal of interest and many feeders have been built, and others are planning to build them. It has been estimated that the self-feeders used in the community of Bazaar have saved in time, labor, and in cheapened gains, at least \$3,000 during the last three months.

### Chase County Pig Club Record

The story of how Edward Baker, of Chase County, fattened fourteen shoats last fall at a profit of \$195 is of more than usual interest because it was the starting point of a movement which led to a close study of methods of hog feeding, and particularly the use of the self-feeder in that community. Edward's father and several of his neighbors have been converted to the use of the self-feeder in the finishing of hogs.

After joining the Chase County Farm Bureau Pig Club, Edward invested in seventeen pigs. These cost him on June 1, 1918, \$133.24, and he paid out \$138 for 7,360 pounds of corn, \$18 for 900 pounds of shorts, \$29.50 for tankage, and the charge for shipping and haul-

ing amounted to \$16.16. This made a total expenditure of \$344.90. Three of his pigs died from heat on August 2, and he sold the remainder at the close of the feeding period for \$530, or at a net profit of \$195.10.

Edward's success with the self-feeder induced Mr. Baker to give the cafeteria system of hog feeding a trial, with the result that he later topped the Kansas City market with ninety self-fed hogs. His experience demonstrated to him that the self-feeder saved him about three hours of labor each day. By means of the self-feeder he was able to feed his drove fully three-quarters of a mile from the crib where the hogs had access to running water at any time.

Mr. Baker filled the self-feeder every four days and during the intervals the drove required little or no attention.

"I have always been opposed to the use of the self-feeder until my boy joined a pig club and through its use fattened fourteen shoats at a profit of more than \$190," said Mr. Baker recently in commenting upon the practicability of the self-feed system.

In Johnson County, Kansas, one of the best examples of the self-feeder plan of feeding is supplied by the experience of Ralph Wedd of Springhill, who found it was taking him five hours a day to mix slop and feed his drove of 175 hogs. After installing self-feeders, using hominy hearts and tankage as a dry feed, he found that it required not over thirty minutes a day to feed the drove. The hogs showed marked gains from the day there were put on self-feeders and consumed the same amount of feed for each hundred pounds of live weight. Mr. Wedd is thoroughly convinced of the practicability of the self-feeder and farm bureau officials are confident that many more self-feeding equipments will be introduced in this section as the result of the local demonstration.

### Standardizing Farm Crops

A plan is under way in Johnson County whereby it is hoped to standardize the kafir and cane grown on the farms of the county. The basis for this will be the results obtained in the demonstration tests made under the direction of the farm bureau on the farms of its members. These tests have shown what varieties are adapted to the farms of the county. In these tests Kansas Orange cane and a standard kafir have given the best results. The local farm bureau has contracted to secure from the agricultural college farm at Manhattan 500 pounds of pure kafir and 1,000 pounds of Kansas Orange cane seed.

This seed will be distributed by the farm bureau among farmers who agree to plant and harvest the crop in such a way as to produce the largest amount of high class seed stock. The cane will be harvested with a corn binder, the seed removed with a corn knife, and the remaining stalks placed in silos.

In all local tests the bred-for-production kafir and cane have greatly surpassed in yield the local or common commercial varieties.

King George didn't seem a bit nervous in the presence of Mr. Wilson.

### RESULTS OF SELF-FEEDER DEMONSTRATION

| WEIGHTS AND GAINS—   |               |
|--|---------------|
| Number of days in feed lot.....  | 98            |
| Number of hogs fed .....   | 113           |
| Average initial weight .....   | 78.52 pounds  |
| Average final weight .....   | 235.30 pounds |
| Average gain per hog .....   | 156.72 pounds |
| Average daily gain per hog.....  | 1.60 pounds   |
| FEED CONSUMED—   |               |
| Total corn fed .....   | 68,090 pounds |
| Corn fed per pound of gain .....   | 3.842 pounds  |
| Total meat meal fed .....  | 3,400 pounds  |
| Meat meal fed per pound of gain.....   | .191 pound    |
| Total barley fed .....   | 4,730 pounds  |
| Barley fed per pound of gain.....  | .267 pound    |
| Alfalfa hay fed per pound of gain.....   | .056 pound    |
| Total grain fed per pound of gain.....   | 4.356 pounds  |
| Cost of each hundred pounds of gain.....   | \$11.97       |
| Percentage of different feeds consumed: Corn, 88.17; barley, 6.12; meat meal, 4.43; alfalfa, 1.29. |               |

### FINANCIAL STATEMENT

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| 113 pigs at 14.5c delivered (8,872 pounds).....          | \$1,286.44 |
| 1,215.09 bushels No. 3 corn at \$1.49 delivered.....     | \$1,810.48 |
| 3,400 pounds meat meal at \$5.61 delivered.....          | 190.74     |
| Alfalfa at \$20 per ton (fourth cutting) .....           | 10.00      |
| Barley at \$1.12 per bushel delivered (98.5 bushels).... | 110.32     |
| Salt, 100 pounds .....                                   | .55        |
| Total cost of all feed consumed.....                     | \$2,122.09 |
| Phone calls and weighing .....                           | 5.00       |
| Shipping, freight, commission, etc. ....                 | 96.95      |
| Interest at 8 per cent on money invested.....            | 67.91      |
| Labor, hauling, feed, building fence and feeder.....     | 128.00     |
| Total cost of extras .....                               | \$ 297.86  |
| Total cost of the entire deal .....                      | \$3,706.39 |
| Received for 113 finished hogs .....                     | 4,711.47   |
| Total net gain .....                                     | 1,005.08   |
| Profit per hog .....                                     | 8.89       |



## Solving Tenancy Problems

(Continued from Page One)

The third cause of tenancy lies in the fact that capable men are frequently not thrown in with just the combination of circumstances which lead to the purchase of a farm at a time when they desire to buy and engage permanently in farming. For example, take a young man who has every desire and capability for farming. He may be either the son of a farmer or the hired man of a farm owner. This young man may have hired out to a farm owner well along in years who plans to retire in a few years and is anxious to find a good tenant. If he finds the farm hand faithful and thrifty as well as reliable and capable, this retiring farmer is glad to finance him and even to sell the place to him on first and second mortgage arrangements. In another case the farm owner might refuse to sell, thereby making the young man remain a tenant, or in case the owner were willing to sell, he might refuse to accept a second mortgage, thus obliging the young man to be a tenant indefinitely, depending upon the extent of overvaluation in the sale price of the farm. As a matter of fact, great numbers of tenants are unable to rise to ownership owing to lack of credit at the right time or to lack of knowledge of an available farm where the proper credit arrangements can be entered into. This is the group of young men who can be served for their own good and that

cept the tenant stage. Not less than 32 per cent worked on each of three steps, this time leaving out the hired man stage, while 34 per cent jumped directly from being unpaid workers on the home farm to owners of their farms. These farmers are almost all located within the corn belt. The average length of time spent on each step was: On the farm, nineteen to twenty-six years; as hired man with pay, for five to six years; as tenant, nine to ten years; and as owner at the time these data were gathered, eleven to twenty years.

The ownership of the land was acquired by these farmers in the following manner: 64.2 per cent gained ownership by purchase, 24.7 per cent by inheritance, 8.4 per cent by marriage, and only 2.7 per cent by homestead. This indicates that about one-third of the farm owners became owners by the help of their parents or relatives, while almost two thirds of them had to purchase their farms. This latter fact emphasizes the importance of credit and, as we have already indicated, of credit which is available at the right time.

It is certain that, with modern farm machinery and power, also with our present knowledge of how to farm, many more men are born and reared to a working age that can be utilized with profit in the rural districts. This means substantially that the surplus must search for opportunity elsewhere than in farming. Prosperous and contented rural communities depend upon the



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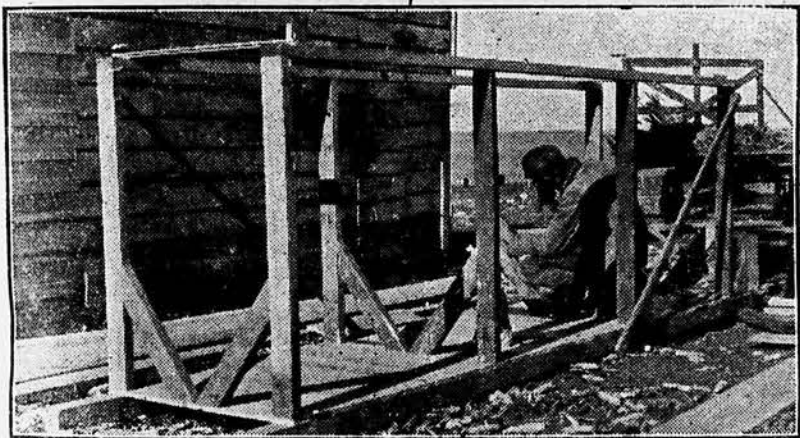
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PUTTING TOGETHER FRAME OF HOG FEEDER DESCRIBED ON OPPOSITE PAGE

of the community by some credit organization or union which could safely work with the federal farm loan system, the latter lending on first mortgage and the former on second mortgage.

### Rapid Increase of Tenancy

That the citizens of the state should be concerned about these causes for tenancy and their eradication is best indicated by the figures which show the trend of agricultural occupations in Kansas. Since 1880 there has been a growth of population for the state of Kansas amounting to 70 per cent in 1910. During these thirty years from 1880 to 1910 the urban population increased 366 per cent, just as might be expected, but the increase of rural people amounted to only 34 per cent, while the number of new farms was increased only 23 per cent. On the contrary the number of farm laborers jumped up 85 per cent, while tenants increased 190 per cent. In 1880 about one-sixth of the farmers, or 16.3 per cent, were tenants, while in 1910 almost two-fifths, or 36.8 per cent, were tenants. The one striking fact brought out by these figures is that the increase in the number of farm laborers and farm tenants was greater than every other change in rural occupations. Just how much alarm is justified by these figures depends more upon the use to which farmers put the tenant step in the agricultural ladder than upon the extent of tenancy.

By the agricultural ladder is meant the successive steps which a man without land takes in rising to the status of a farm owner. In general these steps are four in number; namely, the period which a person spends on the home farm without pay, the period that one spends as a hired farm laborer, the length of time that one farms as a tenant, and finally farm ownership.

In 2,112 cases of farm owners the rise has been effected as follows: Twenty per cent passed from the home farm to hired man, then to tenant, and lastly to ownership. Another 13 per cent worked on each of the steps just mentioned, ex-

quality of their citizens. If agriculture draws into farming a mixture of good, bad and indifferent farmers, because it has no adequate program for sifting out the poor ones and retaining or inducing all of the best ones to stay on the farms, then it is high time that some method of selection were devised. Undoubtedly a program which would eliminate the more important causes of tenancy evils would go far toward creating a normal method of drawing into or retaining the best brains for the promotion and improvement of farming.

### Learning Art of Pruning

To many the proper pruning or orchards is an art which has never been acquired. Lack of knowledge on orchard care is largely responsible for the poor results obtained with our farm fruit. It is interesting to learn of the instructional work being given along this line to those taking orcharding at our agricultural college. In speaking of this, Prof. M. F. Ahearn points out that orcharding students are becoming experts in pruning fruit trees and are accomplishing real results with the college orchards. He says:

"The class attacks the work with a great deal of enthusiasm and is doing as efficiently as professional men. Nor are they daunted by inclement weather as they recently pruned seven acres of apple trees with the thermometer hovering around the zero mark. Up to date they have already pruned thirty acres of apple trees, five acres of peach trees, and eight acres of cherry and plum trees."

From the ranks of the orcharding classes, points out Professor Ahearn, come many of the best pruners engaged in horticultural work throughout the state. During the spring those who are most expert often find an opportunity to practice their art on outside orchards in different sections of Kansas. For the last two years the young men taking this course have given demonstrations in



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several counties and have received much favorable comment from those who employed them.

Another phase of the work that is being pushed by the class is the laying out and planting of new orchards and small fruit plantations. Then, too, in the late spring the members have actual practice in spraying.


They learn not only when and how to spray, but the mixing of the material to be used. The class studies the various injurious insects and their habits, and the different fruit diseases.

In addition to the valuable experience gained by the students, those who are

only sophomores will have the opportunity of seeing results of their work, as many of the young trees pruned this year will come into bearing in the next two years.

Pruning should be done with a sharp pruning saw, which will make a clean, smooth cut. The best type of pruning saw is one with a strong steel back in which is mounted a slender blade. This is very much like a hand saw, except that the pruning saw blade moves on a swivel at either end so it can be turned at any angle desired. This enables one to work the saw in angles between limbs.





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The Kansas National Live Stock Show is very enthusiastic in its support of the hog raising industry in this section of the country and expects to enlarge both classification and prizes next year for single and group barrows. It will also offer a liberal classification and generous prizes for car lot classes. This interest in the hog producers is keenly appreciated by them and next year's show coming at so favorable a season of the year will undoubtedly be one of the best of the entire show circuit.

**Select Your Bull Now**

It is time to select the herd bull to be used the coming season. Those who did not make such provision last fall should not delay longer for best results. As a rule the herd bull should be secured several weeks previous to the breeding season. If the bull has been running with the breeding herd all winter, he should be given a stall and paddock by himself so that he may be better cared for and fed more liberally. Especially is this true if he is thin in condition. It is essential that the herd bull be in strong, vigorous condition.

## Conference With Packers

A CONFERENCE held in Chicago last week between live stock representatives and the packers, to which we referred editorially in our issue of March 15, made some progress in the attempt to work out a five-day market plan and a general stabilization of prices. The arrangements for this conference took definite form at the annual meeting of the Kansas Live Stock Association in Hutchinson, where Thomas E. Wilson, one of the "big five" packers, invited the live stock men to meet with the packers in the endeavor to come to a better understanding and to see what could be done to harmonize conflicting interests. A similar invitation had been extended by Mr. Wilson to the Missouri State Live Stock Producers' Association at its meeting in Columbia in January. Delegations were present from both these associations and in addition from the Corn Belt Meat Producers' Association, the Illinois Live Stock Association, Illinois Agricultural Association, and the Buyers' and Sellers' Association of Texas. Five of the large packers were represented, and eleven others. Secretary J. H. Mercer of the Kansas State Live Stock Association was authorized to give out a statement as to the outcome of the conference and the establishment of what has been designated the Conference Committee of the Live Stock Industry. This authorized statement follows:

"It is the sense of those participating in the conference that it would be to the mutual benefit of the live stock industry, the packer and consumer that steps should be taken to bring about a closer co-operation between the various interests concerned.

"Realizing that the live stock industry is on the threshold of an era of reconstruction and with the prospect of the removal of such control as has been exercised by the food administration during the war period, we are impressed with the importance of reaching a better understanding of the problems affecting the whole industry and effecting if possible more economic methods of production and distribution to the end that our businesses may be placed on a sounder basis and in order that the finished product be furnished the consumer at a minimum price compatible with cost of production.

"It is suggested that these ends may be obtained through the formation of a central committee composed of producers and representatives of the packing industry, the bureau of markets and the National Live Stock Exchange which should meet in Chicago once a month or oftener if necessary for the purpose of taking such measures as may tend toward stabilization of live stock receipts at various markets for the purpose of studying each other's problems, adjusting grievances and inaugurating such principles as will be to the interest of the industry. The greatest publicity should be given to all of its proceedings. It is understood that if this proposal becomes effective it shall not be construed as in any way restraining the activities of the parties hereto in working for or against the passage of pending or future federal legislation, proposing the regulation of the packing or allied industries. Its purpose is wholly constructive, looking to a better understanding and fuller co-operation between all interests involved.

"It is obviously to the best interests of all concerned that receipts of live stock at all markets should be established and distributed as evenly as possible in order that a five-day market may be established for all classes of live stock and to this end it shall be distinctly the function of the committee to make effective such measures as may be possible for the accomplishment of this object.

"It is contemplated that the producer shall obtain and furnish the committee all important information concerning the supply of meat animals in the various sections of the country, shall advise the committee regarding food conditions and amounts of live stock which shall be ready for market during the various seasons and in other ways be a source from which valuable information including cost of production, may be placed at the disposal of the committee.

"It is contemplated that the packers shall prepare and submit to the committee information relative to the amount of finished product on hand, the foreign and home demands for meat products together with the cost of live

animals and the expense of slaughter, packing, and distribution of the finished product. The packers shall recommend any plans which tend to reduce their expense of operation, such as the equalization of receipts, etc.

"It is contemplated that the committee shall carefully investigate the net earnings of the packing industry, including all their subsidiary companies. Whenever duplication and unnecessary overhead expenses are disclosed it shall be the duty of the committee to recommend the elimination of same.

"It is contemplated that whenever certain methods and systems used by the producers may be shown to be wasteful or detrimental to the industry it shall be the duty of the committee to recommend the elimination of same.

"It is contemplated that in regulating the receipts of live stock during abnormal times it will be essential that the committee shall have the support of the railroad administration or the interstate commerce commission to the end that the regulation of transportation as recommended by this committee may control the receipts at market centers.

"We feel that the membership of this central committee should be composed of the following representatives: One from the Bureau of Markets, two from the National Live Stock Exchange, ten packers and ten producers, with alternates, a total of twenty-three.

"It is understood that the producers here present will take steps as soon as possible to notify all live stock producing organizations of the action here taken, and to call a general meeting of three delegates from each state selected by the state association, and three delegates at large from each of the National Live Stock Associations and the Southern Live Stock Association; and it shall be the province of this meeting to select the ten producer representatives that are to serve on the central committee.

"It is contemplated that the producers will exercise the utmost care and diligence in selecting their representatives, who will be men of unquestioned standing and ability, and that the packers shall name as their representatives the principals of the institutions represented.


"It is understood that this committee when appointed, shall formulate the rules and regulations governing its operation, and that a producer shall be selected as its chairman. The headquarters of the committee we feel should be in Chicago.

"The permanent committee shall create the sub-committees, and shall formulate the rules and regulations which shall govern both the central committee and the sub-committees. The sub-committees shall operate at various markets for the purpose of the immediate adjustment of any grievances such as dilatory handling of the receipts, late buying, delayed weighing and the avoidance of excessive variations in the purchase price paid for the same grade of live stock on the same day.

"We suggest that the financing of this organization be divided equally between the packing industry and the live stock interests in such manner as may appear feasible to the central committee. Should they deem it necessary the central committee is authorized to add one member from the stock yards interests and one member who shall represent the railroad administration."

### Southeast Kansas Stock Show

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This organization, which has been in existence for several years, is having a most beneficial influence on live stock improvement in that part of the state. It is not restricted to any one breed, but is devoted to promoting better live stock of every kind.

### Butter Held by Government

Stocks of butter held in storage in the United States by the army, navy, and allied governments on February 1, 1919, are reported to the Bureau of Markets as 13,796,954 pounds. The holdings a year ago were much smaller and are estimated roughly as 3,000,000 to 4,000,000 pounds. The total stocks of creamery butter in cold storage reported to the Bureau of Markets for the entire country for February 1, 1919, amounted to 36,815,793 pounds, as compared with 26,725,815 pounds last year. According to these figures the amounts of butter held in cold storage, aside from the holdings of the army, navy, and allied governments, are substantially the same for the two years.



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# Feed For Coming Year

ONE of the essentials to success with dairy cows is a dependable supply of both palatable and nutritious feed. Almost anyone can milk cows and make money during the period when the early pasture is supplying plenty of feed. Fresh grass is the ideal milk cow ration, but to be a year-round business, which dairying must be to justify the investment in good cows and equipment, the early summer feed conditions should be approximated over a much larger period. It is in extending the pasture period that the silo comes in as an almost necessary part of the farm equipment, for no other feed can so nearly take the place of the early summer pasture as good silage. The dairyman who would make the most money out of his business simply cannot do without a silo or two. Next comes the consideration of what crops to grow for silage, and that must be settled now so that plans can be made for getting the necessary seed and planting the crop.

Cane and kafir are rapidly growing in favor as silage crops in Kansas, even in the eastern part of the state. Feeding trials have demonstrated that, pound for pound, good kafir or cane silage is very nearly if not quite equal to corn silage and in more than half the counties of Kansas either of these crops will out-yield corn almost any year, and in some years when corn is almost a complete failure, kafir or cane will turn out a fairly good tonnage of silage. It was a common sight last summer to see field after field of corn completely dried up while cane and kafir fields were still green, giving promise of good yields of silage at least, if no grain. In view of these facts it would seem that dairymen should by all means plant at least a part of their acreage to either cane or kafir to be used as silage. By so doing they will be practically sure of silage, and silage is the mainstay in feeding milk cows economically. Prof. J. B. Fitch in a recent leaflet of the extension division of the agricultural college says:

"A twenty-seven-acre field of corn which was the best prospect for a crop we had ever had on the dairy department farm up to July 15 of last summer produced only ninety-seven tons of silage when put into the silo the middle of August. This is a yield of 3.6 tons per acre. An adjoining field of Kansas Orange Cane put into the silo late in September produced ten tons of silage per acre. Covering a period of four years on the agronomy farm at the college, the average yield of silage crops was 11.88 tons of corn per acre, 11.8 tons of kafir, and 18 tons of cane per acre. This was good bottom land which is most suitable to corn.

"In feeding trials with dairy cattle, covering three years, it was found that corn silage was 1 per cent more valuable than kafir silage, and kafir silage was 10 per cent more valuable than cane silage for milk production. When the amount of milk produced per acre was considered, however, the cane silage led the corn and kafir on account of the greater yield. Using the average yields given above for corn, cane, and kafir, an acre of cane would produce 30,000 pounds of milk when fed in a dairy ration, an acre of corn 22,000 pounds of milk, and an acre of kafir 21,670 pounds of milk."

Professor Fitch also calls attention to the fact that an important point in considering cane or kafir for silage is the time at which the crop is harvested. It frequently happens that immature cane and kafir is put into the silo when the corn is ready to cut. The sorghums should not be put into the silo until practically mature. When the grains are so hard they cannot be crushed between the thumb and finger the crop will be sufficiently mature that a good sweet silage will result. Green immature sorghums will make acid silage which is less palatable. In many seasons the crop may not have matured sufficiently when the danger of frost is reached. It is best to run the risk of a frost rather than to put the crop in when green. After a frost, however, the crop had best be put in the silo at once.

## Honors to Kansas Cows

Kansas-bred and owned Ayrshire cows won the French trophy cups in the mature and in the three-year-old classes. The awards in each of the seven Advanced Registry classes were recently published by the Ayrshire Breeders' Association of Brandon, Vermont. Miss C.

A. French, of Boston, to commemorate her brother's interest in Ayrshire cattle, presented to the Ayrshire Breeders' Association the sum of \$2,500, the interest on this amount to be used annually for purchasing trophies.

In computing the awards for the different ages, one point is given for each pound of milk produced and 17.5 points for each pound of butter fat. The awards, as announced by the Ayrshire Association, are as follows: Mature cow, Canary Bell, owned by the Kansas State Agricultural College, record 19,863 pounds of milk and 744.51 pounds of butter fat; senior four-year-old heifer, Auchenbrain Gem, owned by Penshurst Farm, Narberth, Pennsylvania, record 16,061 pounds of milk and 751.68 pounds of butter fat; junior four-year-old heifer, Gusta Lessnessock, owned by L. L. Grow, Fort Jackson, New York, record 15,661 pounds of milk and 563.26 pounds of butter fat; senior three-year-old heifer, Bangora's Melrose, owner by the Kansas Agricultural College, record 14,515 pounds of milk and 568.05 pounds of butter fat; junior three-year-old heifer, Netherton Crafty 5th, owned by Penshurst Farm, record 12,513 pounds of milk and 513.89 pounds of butter fat; senior two-year-old heifer, Ryanogue Lady Peggy, owned by Wendover Farm, Bernardville, New Jersey, record 14,017 pounds of milk and 575.86 pounds of butter fat; junior two-year-old heifer, Willowmoor Miss Carston, owned by J. W. Clise, Redmond, Washington, record 14,678 pounds of milk and 607.39 pounds of butter fat.

It will be noticed that two of the classes were headed by Kansas cows. Canary Bell's record has been previously reported and it will be remembered that this record is not only the highest milk record for the Ayrshire breed during 1918, but the Kansas state record for milk and fat production.

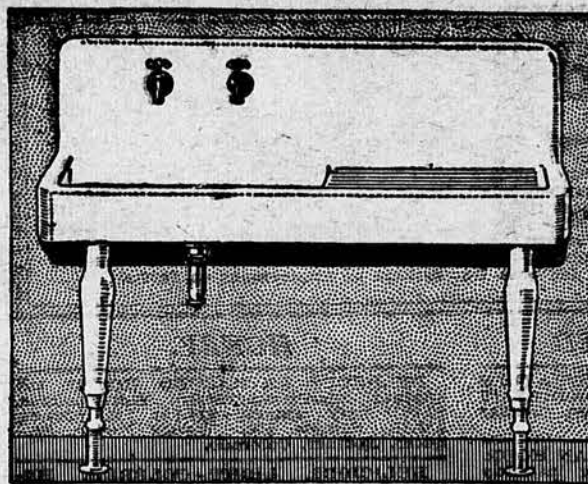
Melrose Canary Bell, a daughter of Canary Bell, won the French cup as a junior two-year-old in 1917. Her sire is Melrose Good Gift, which bull is also the sire of Bangora's Melrose, the cow leading the senior three-year-olds for 1918. The daughters of Melrose Good Gift are proving very good. The first eight daughters to freshen will average 10,478 pounds of milk and 412 pounds of butter fat at two years of age. This is an increase of 147 pounds of butter fat over the production of their dams at the same age.

## Dairying in Morris County

It is interesting to note the development of dairying in the various communities of our state. Morris County, where until the past few years little dairy farming was done, is rapidly acquiring a reputation as a dairy county. Only recently through the assistance of the county agent, A. L. Clapp, the farm bureau has introduced into the county twelve dairy bulls with a good line of production breeding back of them. Up to this time there were probably not more than a half dozen pure-bred dairy bulls in the county. The farm bureau also sent representatives to Ohio and thirteen registered Ayrshires and five registered Holsteins were selected and brought back for distribution. Eight registered herds have been started with this stock as the foundation.

The cow testing association which was started a year ago could not actively begin the work on account of the war, which made it impossible to find a tester. A tester has now been employed and this work will proceed. Good results have already been noticed as a result of the work of the cow testing association. On one farm the grain portion of the ration was cut down and the milk supply of the herd increased five gallons a day in two weeks. Another member of the association has a two-year-old heifer which he had not given much credit as a producer, but as a result of the testing work she is now giving nearly fifty pounds of milk a day.

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Happiness is a condition inside a man himself. It is a state of mind and heart and it does not depend on or arise out of extraneous circumstances or station in life, not even having, or not having, a shirt.—**JOHN CALLIS**.

Are we giving our best efforts to the country, or do we think that because the war is over we can take life easy? Prosperity is up to us! Keep the wheels turning!

## THE HOME-MAKER'S FORUM

ETHEL WHIPPLE, Editor

Letters from readers are always welcome. You are urged to send in helpful suggestions, to give your experiences, or to ask questions. Address the Editor of this Department.

### Plans for Sunday Dinner

**SUNDAY** is theoretically a day of rest, but in the home the Sunday dinner is apt to interfere with the rest. Miss Helen S. Clark, assistant in domestic science at the Kansas Agricultural College, has made a study of ways of preparing this meal so that it will mean less work on Sunday for the housewife and still be an attractive one to which the whole family will look forward. Some of the results of her work along this line were given in an address before the women taking the course in home economics during Farm and Home Week at Manhattan. Miss Clark mentioned three possible ways of saving labor on Sunday: by serving the customary dinner but preparing as much of it as possible on Saturday; by replacing the roast with a quickly-cooked meat, and by serving the main dinner on Saturday and using left-over meat sliced cold on Sunday.

The Sunday dinner she believes should stand out as an especially pleasing meal, but it can be made so by the use of attractive garnishes and by taking a little more pains with the service than usual, rather than by having an unusual amount of heavy food.

A great deal can be done in preparation for the Sunday dinner the day before. It will make more work on Saturday, but it is worth while in order that the woman of the house can have a day of rest as well as her husband and children.

In planning the dinner, Miss Clark began with the dessert. There are so many desserts that can be prepared in advance that it seems wise to select one of these. Among them are custards, junket puddings, gelatin, ice cream and pies.

"It is a good thing to have a salad of some kind for this meal even if you do not have time to bother with it on other days. Either plan to have a gelatin salad which can be made the day before or to have a very simple salad which can be easily and quickly put together on Sunday. We can make salads from canned fruits such as pears, peaches, or pineapple, by simply adding nuts and salad dressing. Just a plain cottage cheese salad looks pretty and is good if you do not have too much heavy food to go with it. You can make little rolls of the cottage cheese rolled in nuts to serve with pineapple. Always keep on hand salad dressings ready for use. Either mayonnaise or boiled salad dressing will keep. If you do not care to take the time to make mayonnaise, there are several brands on the market which cost only a little more than the ingredients that we put into it and this will keep indefinitely. Nut meats may also be kept on hand ready for use in salads.

"Sunday of all days is the time to make a generous use of the canned vegetables put up in the summer. When fresh vegetables are in season, try to select those that can be largely prepared the day before. Peas, for instance, may be shelled and all ready for cooking. There is no reason why we should not make white sauce enough for several days at one time. White sauce is just as good warmed up as fresh. We can make white sauce of medium thickness, using two or three tablespoonfuls of flour to each cupful of milk, and then if it is to be used in soups where a thinner sauce is needed it can easily be thinned with milk. Another thing that helps out is to have a little jar of bread crumbs on hand all ready for use at any time.

"It is a great help to have your potatoes and other vegetables up and washed ready for paring. I read somewhere of one family which made a practice of scrubbing all the vegetables at one time as they were brought into the house. They made a bee and all the members of the family helped wash the parsnips and other root vegetables as they were brought in so that it was a much more simple matter to prepare them for the table as wanted.

"When it comes to potatoes, usually we want them freshly cooked. It does not pay to pare the potatoes the day before or even when you get breakfast and let them stand. There is such a very great waste of the food value when they stand in water. The starch comes out and the mineral matter, too. There are many ways of serving warmed-over potatoes. We should of course take pains to choose attractive ways so people will not feel that we are putting off just anything on them in order to avoid work.

"Meat will be the part of the dinner which it will take longest to cook. Some sort of cold sliced loaf may be served, or cold sliced roast or boiled meat. Warmed-over meat may be creamed or prepared in some other appetizing way. Chicken cutlets, for instance, can be prepared all ready for cooking on Saturday. Another way of handling the meat problem is to have some kind of quickly cooked meat, such as steak or chops. Another way is to use canned meats. Then we might use some of the meat substitutes the war has taught us to eat. Perhaps the nut loaf is the most nearly like meat. Our roast that we are so accustomed to can be so planned that it really does not take much time on Sunday. Chicken can be dressed and the stuffing made all ready for roasting beforehand, then it can be put into the oven while you are getting breakfast and it will not take so much time afterward. Almost any roast can be handled in the same way.

"We can usually make use either of canned soups or of canned vegetables that can be mixed with the white sauce that we have already prepared. Bouillon cubes might make a pleasant change sometimes. Just pour water over them and your bouillon is ready."

Some menus suggested by Miss Clark for the Sunday dinner follow:

**MENU No. 1—Roast chicken, previously** stuffed ready to roast, start roast at breakfast time; mashed potatoes, washed ready to pare; gravy; buttered peas, canned, or if fresh, shelled and ready to cook; jelly brought from store room; Perfection salad, molded and dressing made; caramel custard, baked in cups. A pleasing variation in making the custard is to put the caramel syrup into the cup first and then pour in the custard. When it is unmolded the caramel will form a sauce over the custard.

**MENU No. 2—Clear tomato soup from** canned tomatoes opened and strained previously; mock duck, stuffed ready to roast and started at breakfast time; potato puff from cold boiled potatoes; greens, canned; fruit gelatin with whipped cream, prepared beforehand except whipping the cream; vanilla wafers. Menus 1 and 2 are about the usual Sunday dinner, except that everything has been made ready beforehand as nearly as possible.

**MENU No. 3 (using warmed-over** meat)—Chicken cutlets, previously combined, shaped and crumbed; sweet potato puff from cold mashed sweet potatoes; stewed tomatoes, canned; pear salad from canned pears; caramel ice cream previously ready to freeze; oatmeal macaroons.

**MENU No. 4 (using previously pre-** pared meat loaf)—Shin beef loaf; creamed potatoes, from potatoes already boiled and white sauce on hand; browned parsnips, already parboiled and ready to brown; jelly; tomato jelly salad, made previously; Spanish cream.

Recipes for some of the dishes suggested are given below:

**SHIN BEEF LOAF**—Cut a shin bone of beef in small pieces, put in cold water to cover, and cook slowly until it is very tender. Pour off the juice, take out bones and gristle and shred the meat. Put the meat into a pan, pour the juice over it and let it harden. The gelatin from the bone and gristle will be sufficient to harden the meat into a loaf which can be turned out on a platter and sliced. Strips of hard boiled



egg may be used to make a design in the bottom of the mold.

#### POTATO PUFF—

2 cupfuls mashed potato  
2 eggs  
2 tablespoonfuls melted butter  
1 cupful cream  
1/2 teaspoonful salt

Beat potatoes, eggs and cream until mixture is smooth and light. Add melted butter and salt. Pour mixture into a buttered baking dish and bake in a hot oven until it is well risen and brown.

#### SWEET POTATO PUFF—

6 sweet potatoes  
2 eggs (whites only)  
2 tablespoonfuls butter  
1/2 teaspoonful salt

Boil and mash sweet potatoes. Add butter, salt and stiffly beaten whites of eggs. Pour the mixture into buttered custard cups placed in boiling water. Bake in a hot oven twenty minutes, serve in cups with a parsley garnish.

#### OATMEAL MACAROONS—

1 egg  
1 teaspoonful salt  
1/2 cupful sugar  
1 cupful rolled oats  
1/2 cupful shredded coconut

Melt fat and add dry ingredients and mix. Add beaten egg and mix thoroughly. Place on a baking sheet by spoonfuls, shaping by patting down with a fork. This makes a dry mixture, being moistened only by the egg, but as the macaroons bake the mixture will run together and form solid cakes.

#### SPANISH CREAM—

2 tablespoonfuls gelatin (or one small envelope)  
1/2 cupful cold milk  
2 1/2 cupfuls scalded milk  
3 eggs—whites and yolks beaten separately  
1/4 cupful sugar  
1/2 teaspoonful salt  
1 teaspoonful vanilla

Make a soft custard of the hot milk and egg yolks, salt and sugar. Pour these over the gelatin which has been softened in the cold milk. Add the vanilla and the stiffly beaten whites. Chill and serve. This is one thing that is best when it is coldest.

#### PERFECTION SALAD—

2 tablespoonfuls gelatin  
1/2 cupful cold water  
1/2 cupful mild vinegar  
1 cupful boiling water  
1 teaspoonful salt  
1 cupful finely shredded cabbage  
2 cupfuls celery, cut in small pieces  
1 can sweet red peppers, finely cut  
Juice of one lemon  
1/2 cupful sugar

Soften the gelatin in cold water. Dissolve in the boiling water. Add sugar and salt. When partly cool add vinegar and lemon juice and strain. It is best not to add acid until it is partly cool. Hot acid may make it soften. When it is beginning to set and is like a syrup, add the remaining ingredients and turn into mold. Sometimes people mold in custard cup with pimento in bottom.

#### Preserving Rubbers

Rubbers should be cleaned immediately after use. This not only adds to their appearance but lengthens their life. Grains of sand or small pebbles often become imbedded in the heel and unless washed off will gradually wear through the heel, leaving a hole.

Careful handling also helps to preserve rubbers. The temptation to peel off the heel of one rubber with the toe of the other should be resisted. This soon tears down the heel and makes the rubber loose so that it slips off easily. A torn heel may be mended by drawing the edges together and pasting a strip of adhesive tape underneath to hold them in place.

#### The Well Dressed Girl

To be well dressed is the desire of every girl's heart, and by careful planning it is possible for each one to realize this desire. It is not necessary to purchase an abundance of clothes of the latest fashion. Large sums of money may be spent on the wardrobe and the result be an absolute failure.

A carefully planned wardrobe and a well groomed person are the two essentials of good taste in dress, according to Miss Addie Root, of the extension service of the Missouri College of Agriculture. Perfect personal cleanliness is the first necessity if one is to present a good appearance. "The hair should be clean, well brushed and combed in a style suited to the age of the girl," says Miss Root. "If hair ribbons are used they should be clean and pressed, and of a color which will harmonize with the dress. Black hair ribbons for general wear are always in good taste. Teeth should be brushed, and nails trimmed and clean. Shoes and stockings

should be of one color. Black or tan shoes, always in good taste, are the most practicable for all around wear, and should always be polished and neatly laced or buttoned to give a good appearance. If white shoes are worn it should be with light dresses, and great care should be taken to keep them clean. Shoes of an extreme style, such as those with high heels, will detract from the appearance of an otherwise well-dressed girl. High heels are also very detrimental to good health. All garments should be clean, pressed and mended and suited to the occasion on which they are worn.

"Simplicity is the first essential to elegance. Endeavor to have a simple, harmonious wardrobe that will meet all needs. It is better to plan a complete, simple wardrobe where all garments harmonize than to combine very plain with elaborate things."

#### Adding Sunshine to the Home

Attractive arrangement of flowers in the various rooms is a fine doctor for any spirit, and the real home-maker sees that some part of outdoor life is brought in each day to add cheer and sunshine for her family. Ferns and other house plants are also good to use.

Fine pictures play a great part in our lives. It is only on rare occasions that original copies of masterpieces are found in a home, but everyone may purchase copies at a reasonable price, and this should be done. Some people are not conscious of any special influence derived from a picture, but the influence is there. One cannot look at pictures day after day without their having some effect upon the mind, therefore only pictures of the finest ideals should be hung. To the lover of art they are a real joy and source of inspiration.

The presence of flowers and pictures may not appear important to some people, but if that is the case it is because they have not really stopped to consider the question seriously from all sides. It is not only personal pleasure and likes and dislikes which should be considered, but the influence which the home surroundings have upon the child.

After the child is present in the home, only the things of finest nature should be placed about him. A picture such as "Sir Galahad" suggests much to an intelligent boy, and is the embodiment of well proportioned manhood. Likewise the Sistine Madonna impresses high ideals of young womanhood upon the mind of the growing girl.

We all long that our children's lives may express high ideals and our best way of making them love these ideals is by surrounding them with suggestions of these in their childhood. Not only will this be beneficial to the children but to the whole family life as well.—The Oregon Countryman.

#### Keep Hands Away from Mouth

"When I became a man I put away childish things."

Not always, and hence the aphorism, "Men are but children of a larger growth."

One of the first acts of volition is when the child puts its hands, or anything it can get hold of, to its mouth. In spite of reason, this instinct continues strong through life. If saliva were a bright green color we would be kept busy washing our hands. Most bacterial diseases are now believed to be contracted through the mouth, with food or otherwise. As a matter of fact most of us carry our fingers to our mouth or nose many times a day and in so doing transmit to ourselves diseases that others have spread about. Beginning with instinct it has become a habit. Further comment seems superfluous.—GEORGE H. GLOVER, Colorado Agricultural College.

#### Worth Memorizing

'Tis the grasp of the hand this old world needs,  
'The grasp of your hand and mine.  
'Twill lighten the load of the weary one  
More than shelter or bread or wine.  
For shelter is gone when the night is o'er,  
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Of the voice  
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## From Baby Chicks to Laying Pullets

IT IS not my intention to write in detail on the care of chicks. In an article published in KANSAS FARMER, April 27, 1918, on "The Colony Brooding of Chickens," I gave an up-to-date economical method of raising chicks by wholesale. Very early-hatched chicks or small numbers can be more readily raised by hens or oil-lamp outdoor brooders, but anyone wishing to raise a large number of broilers or pullets should study the method of colony brooding.

The problem of growing the flock or of keeping it up to the desired number of efficient producers is the most difficult one to solve. The larger the flock, the greater the problem.

In the care of chicks it is important that they be kept always growing. Give plenty of feed, but make them work for it unless they have unlimited range. Increase the feed as they grow or as changes of cooler weather occur during the summer and fall. Above all, do not let growing chicks, pullets or hens crowd, as it weakens and makes them more susceptible to disease.

If kept in a yard the cockerels should be separated from the pullets by the time they weigh one and one-half to three pounds, depending upon the breed and the disposition to be made of the cockerels. If to be sold for fliers, they will gain in weight more rapidly if

penned up. The chances are the pullets will need the room vacated by the cockerels. I have practiced keeping the pullets penned up until they are well feathered. In this way they are more safe from rats or other predatory animals and have no trouble to find shelter when it rains. After they are feathered, the showers are not likely to hurt them. Fresh, green feed should be provided daily if pasture is not available. We use rye or oats for early pasture and sow part of the lot to Dwarf Essex rape and part to Sudan grass for summer and fall pasture. The summer of 1917 rye was sown in one yard where the alfalfa had been killed out by the chickens. This provided green feed for the pullets during fall, winter and spring. The chickens failed to eat all the ripened rye and with the help of ground moles they prepared a seed bed and the volunteer rye furnished an abundance of grain feed the past fall and between snows this winter.

When the combs of the pullets begin to turn red and grow, we begin culling the hens and move at least a part of the pullets into one section of the laying house after giving it a thorough cleaning and disinfection. The nest boxes are closed until needed, to prevent their forming the habit of roosting in them. Part of the mash boxes are taken to the new quarters and other measures

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taken to help the pullets feel at home. Their accustomed grain is thrown in the litter and care taken to prevent frightening them. If possible, new appetizing feed is added to their ration. They soon become accustomed to the house and yard. Sometimes we open the partition fence from the pullet to the hen yard and make the change still more gradual.

Increased feeding goes on as the weather becomes cooler in the early fall, and almost before we know it eggs are being laid in improvised nests on the floor. One or two of the nest boxes are then opened and as needed others are opened later. The past season chicks hatched the last of April laid a few eggs in less than six months and had it not been for a mistake in feeding during December would probably have been laying seventy to eighty eggs the first of January in place of forty-five to fifty. While the development of the pullet is very important in securing a good egg production, she can do little at her job without a good factory in which to work.—F. E. UHL.

### Brooding and Feeding Chicks

On an average it probably requires at least two eggs for every baby chick hatched and carried to a safe age. Millions of baby chicks are annually lost because of wrong methods and mistakes in brooding and feeding. Many of these could be saved by following practical methods of brooding and feeding, says Russell B. Palmer, of the American Poultry School at Leavenworth. Eggs are high priced and feed is expensive. Every poultry grower is interested in following methods that will lower the loss and insure the most economical and quickest growth.

"Here at the American Poultry School," says Mr. Palmer, "we use largely the brooder stove hover method of brooding. We have found this method dependable and it permits raising a larger number of chicks in proportion to labor. There are many of these stoves on the market and most all of them are good and to be depended upon. These brooder stoves are designed to brood from 250 to 750 chicks at a time. They do this very well for the first three to five weeks, after which greater success is more common if the brood is culled or separated into lots of 150 to 350 chicks, depending upon the size of the house and the amount of range surrounding it, which is not used by other fowls or chicks.

"We have found here that 250 to 350 together, even at the start, will do somewhat better than if a larger number are put together. For this style of brooding we use a house 10 x 20 feet or 12 x 14 feet. The house has a partition in the center with a runway for the chicks to go from one room to the other and a swinging door for the attendant. The stove is placed on one side of the partition and the cool room is used for feeding and exercise. It is necessary to have a cool room so the chicks can get away from the heat. This is one of the secrets of successful brooding. It also pays to give the little fellows access to the ground as soon after starting to brood them as possible. Even the second or third day is none too early, care being taken the first few days to be certain they know the way into and out of their house. Provided the sun is shining and no hard winds can hit them, baby chicks do well if allowed to run in and out even on fairly cold days. Do not put them out on hard frozen ground.

"The houses for these brooder stoves are built similar to laying or breeding houses. Special care must be taken to insure proper house ventilation. A slow movement of fresh air coming in on one side a foot above the floor and raising gradually upward as it warms and the oxygen from it has been consumed, until it reaches a point close to the ceiling where there should be an exit opening, will help keep the house free from impurities and foul odors, thus maintaining health, vigor and appetite among the chicks. We have found the commonly used 'fool proof' shutter ventilator system on the south side, with a hinged board opening just below the roof on the north side the most ideal and simple method of house ventilating. We would not build a special brooder house that could only be used three or four months a year. We locate these

houses where the chicks can have plenty of range after they are partly grown. As soon as they are old enough to do without heat we remove the brooder stove and put in temporary roosts. The chicks roost in this house until fall or winter, when we cull them and select the choicest for laying and breeding. In this way you avoid handling them so often, they are accustomed to their quarters, are not checked in their growth by moving, and you get the benefit of your equipment throughout the year. Better to move the stove than the chicks.

"Tack burlap cloth over ventilators to make the house comfortable and at least provide some method of ventilation near the floor, but avoid drafts. Be certain to provide for one cool room. To help prevent the chicks from picking at one another's toes or vents, paint the window panes with a bluish or whitish frosting. You want light in your brooder house, but not the direct rays of the sun. Keep the chicks busy and active. Put fresh earth on the floor in one corner of the room every two or three days. This will help prevent foot and leg weakness, besides the little fellows like it. If they show signs of developing cannibalism, grind some lean meat and mix equal parts of bran, shorts, corn meal and ground meat, with a little water just to moisten it a trifle. After it is mixed run it through a sausage mill or meat grinder and then feed it to the chicks every day.

"You will not be troubled with the chicks piling up and crowding at night in a room where you use these brooder stoves if your room is kept warm enough.

"Start feeding the chicks when sixty to seventy-two hours old, but first see that each has a drink of tepid water to which has been added five medicine dropper drops of carbolie acid to each pint. This will help prevent bowel trouble. We have also found some of the intestinal antiseptics advertised for prevention of bowel trouble and diarrhea when used in drinking water to be very good.

"Cover the floor of the brooder rooms

with clover or alfalfa chaff or fine cut straw. Don't have this too deep. Keep sour milk or buttermilk before them to drink at all times from the first day. For the first two or three days feed a mixture of two-thirds rolled oats, one-third wheat bran, mixed with hard boiled eggs, a little powdered charcoal and fine bone meal. Feed a little five times a day for the first three days. Then give two meals a day of commercial chick feed. The first mixture is fed morning, noon and night, and the chick feed is given between meals. As they become older, gradually eliminate the rolled oats until you use only the chick feed and keep before them a dry mash mixed in the following proportions: Ten pounds wheat bran, 2½ pounds ground oats, 5 pounds shorts, five pounds corn meal, 2 ounces fine charcoal, and 2 ounces fine salt. If you cannot secure sour milk or buttermilk, then mix two pounds of dry beef scraps with the above. If you use any form of milk, keep it before them at all times or at least the first half of the day. They need some green food. Use clippings from sprouted oats or cut up some onions or lettuce occasionally."

### Incubator Axioms

Failure with incubators is usually due to violation of some of the so-called incubator axioms. E. H. Weigand, state poultry club leader, gives the following rules which are so self-evident as to justify the application of the term "axiom":

Follow the manufacturer's directions in setting up and operating the incubator.

See that the incubator is running steadily at the desired temperature before filling with eggs.

Do not add fresh eggs to a tray containing eggs which are undergoing incubation.

Turn the eggs twice daily from the second to the nineteenth day.

Cool the eggs daily from the seventh to the nineteenth day. When cooling the eggs, be careful not to chill them.

Turn the eggs before caring for the

lamps. Keep the lamp wick clean.

Attend to the machine carefully at regular hours.

Test the eggs on the seventh and the fourteenth days.

Do not open the machine after the eighteenth day until the chickens are hatched.

### Egg-Laying Strains

The egg-laying contest now under way at Leavenworth, and other contests, have proven that no one breed or variety can claim the distinction of being the best layers. Instead we find that more depends upon the family or strain of a variety than upon any particular variety. For instance, a general idea prevails that White Leghorns are wonderful layers, and they are, but we find some families or strains of White Leghorns are decidedly poor layers while other strains are good layers. This has been found true with almost all varieties. In so far as the birds themselves are concerned, high egg production depends first upon breeding and selection and second upon housing, feeding, systematic care and cleanliness.

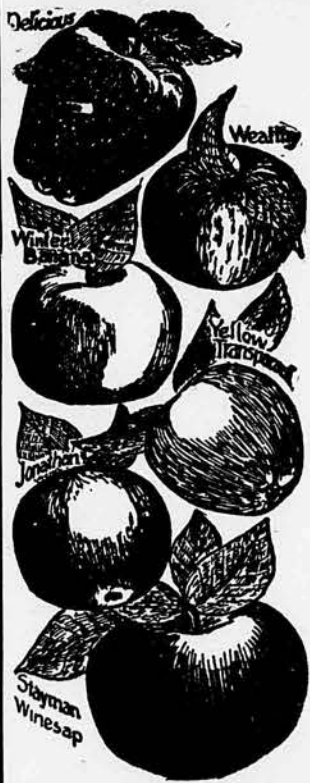
### April-Hatched Pullets

Experiments conducted at the Ohio Experiment Station to determine the influence of time of hatching upon the egg production of pullets indicates that about April 20 is a satisfactory time to hatch the lighter breeds of fowls raised particularly for egg production.

Pullets hatched February 22 were found to lay well from August 10 to November 1, but during late fall and early winter went through a molt similar to year-old hens. The results secured with pullets did not justify the expense and labor involved in brooding the chicks during cold weather.

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#### CLAIM SALE DATES.

**Jacks and Jennets.**  
March 25, 1919—H. T. Hineman & Sons,  
Dighton, Kan.

**Shorthorns.**  
April 1, 2 and 3—Central Shorthorn Association Show and Sale, Kansas City, Mo.  
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April 3—Southeast Kansas Shorthorn Show and Sale, Coffeyville, Kan. G. A. Laude, Humboldt, Kansas.  
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**Holsteins.**  
March 25, 1919—Kansas Holstein Breeders' Association Show and Sale, Topeka. W. H. Mott, sale manager.  
March 26—A. B. Wilcox & Son, Topeka, Kan. W. H. Mott, Herington, Kan., sale manager.  
May 12—A. S. Neale, Manhattan, Kan.

**Hereford Cattle.**  
May 12—Kansas Hereford Breeders' Draft Sale at K. S. A. C., Manhattan, Kan.

M. A. Anderson, owner of Hope Holstein Farm, Hope, Kansas, has been very successful with Holsteins and handles a large number each year. He supplies car lots to several communities where creameries and condensing are in operation. At this time a few choice two and three-year-old springers, in several farms that he owns, Mr. Anderson is cashing of the Farmers' State Bank of Hope.

While public auction sales as a means of selling property are by no means a modern method, and all classes of property have

been sold at public auction for generations, real estate is the one class of property that has been the exception where the public auction method has been used only to a limited extent, but of recent years public auction sales of farms seem to be growing in favor and the acreage sold in that manner is rapidly increasing. The Sutter Land Auction Company of Salina, one of the big exclusive land companies of the West, reports total sales of farm lands during the past four years amounting to over \$2,000,000 made by that company alone in Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado and Missouri.

H. T. Hineman & Sons, Dighton, Kansas, have announced March 25 for their annual jack and jennet sale. Thirty head of jacks, thirty head of jennets, and four young Percheron stallions will be included in this sale. Most of the young jacks are the blood of Kansas Chief 9194, the world's grand champion jack at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, San Francisco, Cal., 1915, and of Pharaoh, champion at the Tennessee State Fair in 1910 and at the Kansas State Fair, 1913. The mature jacks are tried breeders. All jennets old enough are bred to Kansas Chief, the world's grand champion jack. They include the Kansas State Fair champion jennet in 1918, Fannie Long by Dr. Long by Dr. McCord. She is now heavy in foal to Kansas Chief.

The Kansas Holstein Breeders' Association has announced March 25 for the annual sale of 100 head of registered Holstein cattle. The sale will be held at the fair grounds, Topeka, in the new sale pavilion recently arranged for this purpose. The cattle are being consigned from the best Holstein herds in Kansas and will probably consist of some of the best registered cows and heifers that will be sold in any sale this year. On March 24 the annual meeting will be held at the Chamber of Commerce, closing with a banquet at 6:30 p. m. Several prominent speakers have been engaged for the evening, including Senator J. M. Hackney, of St. Paul, Minn., who will represent the National Holstein Breeders' Association. Following the Association sale of March 25 A. B. Wilcox, of Route 7, Topeka, Kansas, will offer fifty head of high class registered cows and heifers March 26.

Castillo & Son, of Independence, Kansas, owners of one of the choice lots of pure-bred Holsteins, report their herd doing fine. This is one of the record bred herds in Kansas and they are producers. A feature at this time is the heavy producing cows and the choice young stock, including record bred young bulls.

O. S. Andrews, of Greeley, Kansas, reports his Holsteins doing well. Mr. Andrews has a choice lot of record bred Holsteins and a feature of his herd at this time is the choice lot of young stock, including some fine young bulls.

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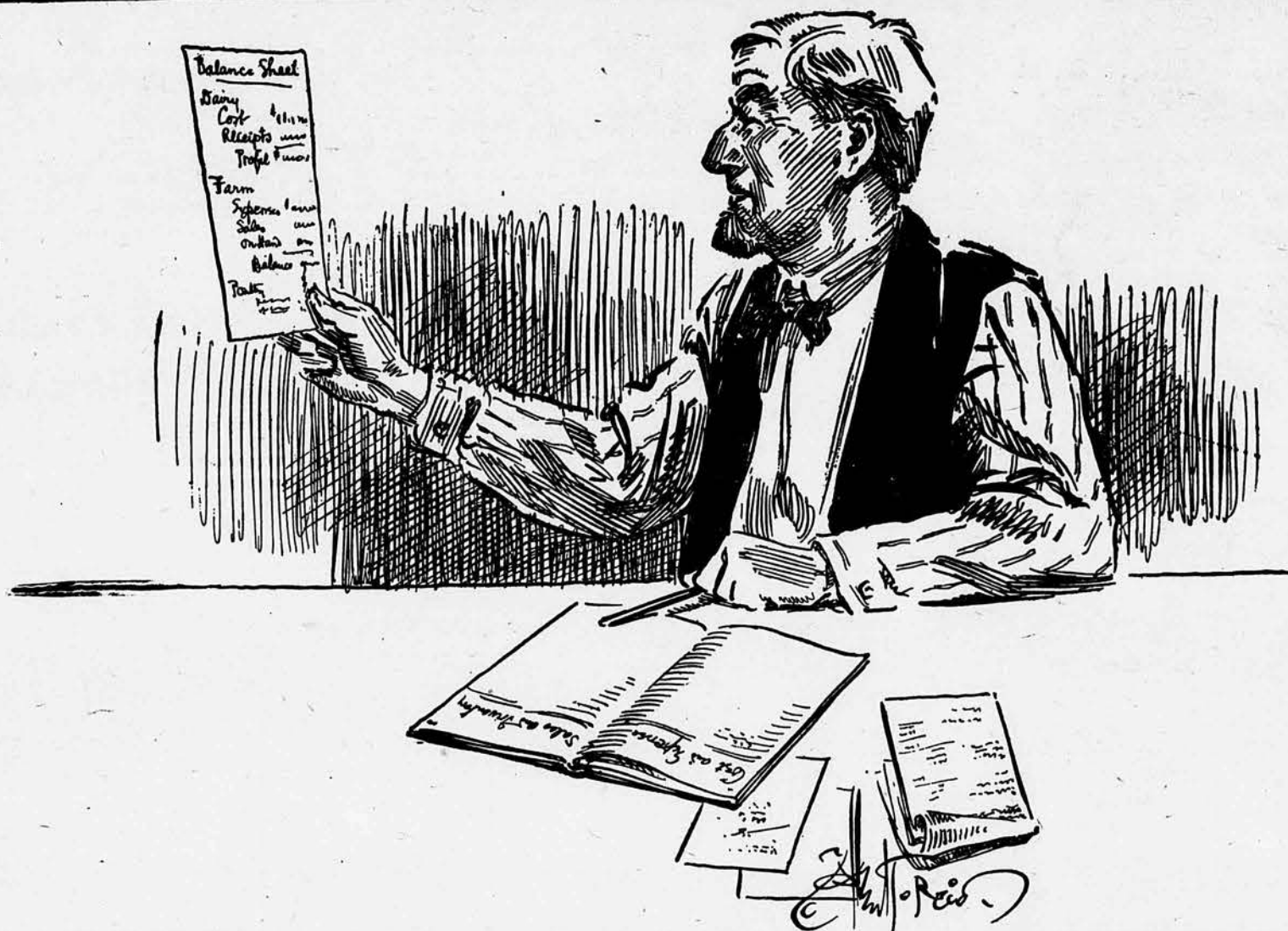
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fairs. One of the show cows, Rosewood Cartha, is a splendid type of Shorthorn; also Lady Spartan and Lady Spartan 2d by Village Carnott, a bull that was grand champion at a number of large shows including the International at Chicago; four other good females, one cow with large calf at foot, two heifers bred to drop calves early in the spring, and one open yearling heifer. Mr. Harris is also consigning four bulls, one by Diamond Dale and three by Prince Valentine 4th.



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