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# Playing Up to the East

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INETY per cent of so-called government-in-business NSAS activities are in other fields than agriculture. But 98 per cent of the testimony encouraged and offered at the Kansas City hearings of the Shannon congressional investigating committee have dealt in a derogatory way with governmental activities intended to assist agriculture.

The Chicago conference of Farm Bureau delegates from 12 Middle West states, points this out. The conference condemns the investigation as a propaganda campaign "for the benefit of illegitimate speculators in farmers' products and the privately conducted grain and livestock exchanges in their effort to destroy organized agriculture." And the committee's proceedings appear to justify that opinion.

Farm co-operatives in Kansas also are in fighting mood over what they call the unfair tactics being followed by Congressman Joe Shannon and his congressional committee in using government funds to attack and damage co-operatives. L. E. Webb, president of the Farmers' Co-operative Grain Dealers' Association of Dodge City, in a statement says:

"It is perfectly apparent that the witnesses testifying on grain operations had been selected by those opposed to co-operative marketing.
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"It was a clever move to choose Lawrence Farlow, secretary of the Farmers' Grain Dealers Association of Illinois. This organization has no terminal co-operative agency, but sells its grain thru independent brokers; the members are largely farmer stock companies and not co-operatives at all.

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"We are convinced that this committee is conducting its hearing for the purpose of discrediting and disrupting the co-operative movement, from the local elevator, thru the terminal agency up to the Farmers' National Grain Corp.

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"The committee is not out to gather facts, but is operating merely as an agency for the boards of trade and the independent grain dealers—at government expense—endeavoring to embarrass producers by attacking their co-operative marketing efforts.

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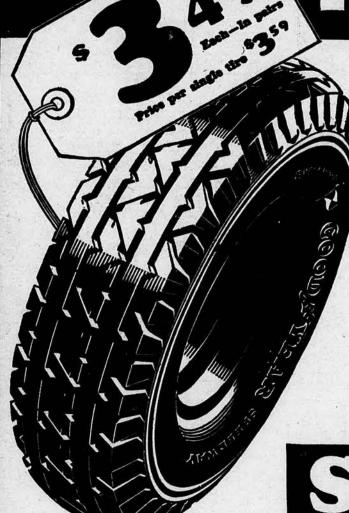
"Shannon ignored my telegrams asking that the co-operative marketing organizations be given a chance to protect themselves before the Shannon committee against the attacks of the private grain interests. When the Kansas City hearing was over Shannon wired me there would be a hearing later in Kansas City, but gave no intimation that we would be given a hearing."

In discussing the Kansas City hearing, Secretary Linn of the Kansas Farmers Union said:

"The hearing is a good example of the tactics of private dealers, who see co-operative marketing moving in on their business."

The Shannon investigation will be likely to give aid and comfort to the Eastern objectors who so far have blocked every adequate effort to put the agricultural industry on its feet and improve the buying power of its 31 million people. In this respect the Shannon investigation will harm both East and West and benefit nobody in particular.

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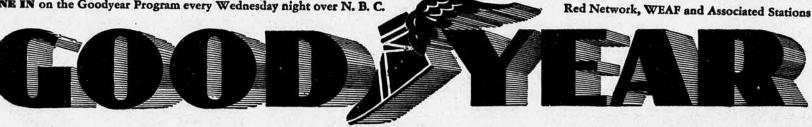
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# Some Dollar-Chasing Notions

EN ACRES are all Homer Zeigler, Rawlins TEN ACRES are all Homer Zeigler, Rawlins county, has farmed for six years. But he makes a better living from them than he could running a whole section. Every inch is irrigated to grow every kind of vegetable a person can remember. And would you guess that onions make his best-paying crop? They sell well and keep for a long market period.

But it is an all-year job Zeigler has. When the fall garden is out of the way it is time to get the hothouse ready. This is a 12 by 24-foot, 3-deck greenhouse covered with glass cloth and heated with oil burners. It is started in February, and grows all the plants for the 10 acres and for

grows all the plants for the 10 acres and for thousands of other folks. Ninety per cent of the plants and vegetables are sold locally, some are shipped.

To properly handle the retail end, Zeigler built a small "store" on the farm. Other farm work stops at 4 o'clock in the afternoon and the store opens. But all day orders are delivered.

A 2½-inch pump throws 200 gallons of water a minute out of the creek at a cost of 80 cents an

acre for each watering. A garden tractor keeps

weeds under control.

It isn't all fun, there's all kinds of work to do. Considerable spraying is necessary. Carrots are uncertain. Tomato blooms sometimes drop off from the heat. "But the family is a long way from starving," Zeigler said. He expects 300 bushels of potatoes an acre this year and 400 bushels of tomatoes from a half acre. Western Kansas soil will grow anything if it gets plenty of water.

# Weeds Lay Down and Died

BURR RAGWEED took an acre from Irvin
Trachsel, Sherman county. He tried every
way he knew to get rid of it. Even sprayed
with sodium chlorate and mulched it 3 feet deep

with straw. But the weed kept on growing.

Finally he fenced the patch, bought two sows and raised 14 pigs on it. The weed is a relative of the legume family and they ate it readily with corn, barley, wheat and tankage. In 186 days they weighed 256 pounds. For every \$1 invested in those hogs, Trachsel received \$2.79 and got rid of the weed.

Western Kansas folks sometimes get rid of bindweed the same way. P. M. Piper is fencing a patch for hogs. They root it up and eat it all. It has been killed by penning chickens on the patch. They keep the green picked off and the bindweed starves to death.

# Surprise for Br'er Rabbit

Soybeans are being grown by John Hevner and Tom Waters near Goods. and Tom Waters near Goodland this year. Both have fine stands. It is a first trial to see whether they will make hay and seed and help cut down the cost of protein in feeding, of feed that must be bought.

Rabbits bother the crop some but salt and strychnine hold them down. The salt doesn't go on their tails. Hevner and Waters drill 1¼-inch holes nearly thru 18-inch pieces of 2 by 4 or 2 by 6 the flat way. They fill the holes a third full of a mixture of 1 ounce of strychnine and 16 ounces of salt. Rabbits like the salt but the poison kills them before they get far. No other salt should be around, however. Putting the poison in these holes in pieces of wood keeps it away from the livestock. An 18-inch piece will not tip over easily.

# Good Word for an Old Hand

60-BARREL water tank mounted on stilts A next to the windmill, with pipes running to four laying houses is the best hired hand Harve Andrea, Holyrood, has. The outfit cost \$200 11 years ago and nothing since. He spotted enough pipes over the place so he can move poultry to fresh ground as often as necessary, and always have water exactly where he wants it.

"That is my best time-saver," he said. "Next is having a feed room in every laying house." He keeps a flock of 1,200 certified hens, starts about 1,800 chicks a year, hatches and sells 18,000 chicks, blood tests, and farms a half-section, so saving time is a big thing.

"I'm going to have more of these," he said, indicating a strawloft laying house. "It is warmer

This country's farmers and producers constitute about 35 per cent of the nation's buying power. Organization for farmers on a national scale will do more than anything else to keep that buying power active, will build it up. That is good for farmers, good for the times, good for everybody. One way to strengthen and hasten the movement is for every farmer to become a member of some farmer's organization.

in winter and cooler in summer than the other three. Most of the hens get in this one on hot days. That tells the story."

Eggs get extra care in summer. They are gathered often and stored in a cool basement. Last year hens cleared \$2.85 apiece over feed costs. They will show some profit this year. Nearly 90 per cent of the chicks were raised and the flock is culled closely and fed well.

# Sure Shot Soil Building

GOOD Sweet clover hay is equal in food value to stemmy alfalfa hay, says L. E. Willoughby, Manhattan. If dusty or moldy it causes

by, Manhattan. If dusty or moldy it causes Sweet clover poisoning when fed two or three weeks. But good, bright hay is not dangerous. Roots are dry and pithy as the plant uses food stored up the first year in producing top growth, and seed, the second year. That is why 80 per cent of the fertility value of Sweet clover may be saved by plowing the crop under the second year when plants are a few inches high. Also this saves moisture for the next crop. saves moisture for the next crop.

Sweet clover will add 150 pounds of nitrogen an acre to the soil. At present prices of fertilizer that is worth \$13 an acre.

# His Best Crop Mistake

N ACCIDENT made alfalfa the best crop for H. H. Obert, Atwood. In 1893, he hand-harvested 8 bushels of seed from some that was scattered about the place the year before, but not on purpose. Today he has 30 acres of old alfalfa that cannot be beaten any place in the state, and 80 acres newly seeded this spring that is making good headway.

His seed rates 99.87 per cent pure, certified, contains no weed and has high germination. This in the northwest corner of the state where many



folks think alfalfa can't grow. Obert gets a good stand with either spring or fall seeding if the weather is right. One big advantage in the spring is that grasshoppers are small and do less dam-

age than in the fall.

"I believe most folks take too many pains with alfalfa," he said. "I sometimes put in barley as a nurse crop and have fallowed. Where I take seed I get two or three cuttings of hay as well. I got 300 bushels last year from 30 acres, worth around \$8 a bushel."

Obert uses a swisher to harvest the seed. This rolls the alfalfa in a narrow, rope-like swath that saves the seed and makes hay easy to bunch. It is bunched by hand and stacked or hauled to the thresher, and then recleaned and sealed in bags. It costs \$1 a bushel to thresh. Most of it is sold in Kansas, but a dozen other states are represented on his sales list.

# Fewer Hens But More Eggs

EVEN with 7-cent eggs and 8-cent broilers, White Leghorns earned \$28.81 for Pete Voss, Edmond, every month this year besides what the family used. The flock averaged 454 birds. Not such a profit for so many layers, one might think but with prices so lay some bir flocks are think, but with prices so low some big flocks are

losing money.

A year ago last fall Mr. Voss had some sick A year ago last fall Mr. Voss had some sick birds. Turned out to be botulism—limberneck—from old straw and spoiled grain. That wasn't all, egg production was too low. Voss became interested in culling and 150 birds were taken out of the 690. Egg production improved immediately. By February the birds averaged 13½ eggs instead of 8. Forty more were taken out, a mixed ration was fed instead of corn alone. In March the birds averaged 19 eggs. From February to September inclusive they averaged 131 eggs and returned \$45.16 a month on the market that was considered low then.

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Clean, well-balanced feed helped. Culling out non-layers cut feed costs and left more room for workers. The flock has turned out to be one of the best things on the farm and lives in a strawloft house.

# No More Pit Silo Aches

With silo-filling near folks who have the pit type can remember a lot of backaches involved in getting silage to the surface at feeding time. That doesn't bother J. F. Foley, Oronoque, even if his pit is 14 feet wide and 34 feet deep. He installed a carrier like those used for feed and litter in barns. When the truck pulls the carrier up it runs out along a track over the feed bunks, and dumps. Three trips feed 40 cattle. No tired muscles included.

Foley puts up 80 to 100 tons of corn silage a year and sometimes refills. He starts feeding in December and also pastures stalk fields. Since

feeding silage he has had no stalk poisoning.

He fills in 1½ days with seven men, a binder He rills in 1½ days with seven men, a binder and cutter. "I used to pay \$25 to \$30 for a tractor to cut up the silage," he said, "but now have the machinery myself. It doesn't owe me anything either. Silage is great feed. Ten acres in the silo is worth 25 or 30 as fodder. Two years ago I mixed cane and corn, bundle for bundle, and it did well."

# Helps Washed-Out Soil

HEAT on Sweet clover ground that was plowed under in August, made a 241/2-bushel average this summer, while an adjoining field where wheat followed wheat made only 17 bushels. This was on John Ankeman's farm in Norton county. He has grown clover as an extra pasture for 10 or 12 years and beef cattle make good use of it.

He always gets a good stand on side hills where fertility has washed away. And there he finds his biggest increases in grain crops following clover. Norton county has 3,399 acres of Sweet clover,

but could use 25,000 and likely will have it some day. This would cut down on wheat acreage and increase yields where it does grow. With 4,525 acres of alfalfa, folks up there have set a 15,000-acre goal plus plenty of livestock to go with the

# Wheat's Future as a Crop

Passing Comment by T. A. McNeal

HE price of wheat is too low. Why doesn't it rise? The price is advancing but is far below. rise? The price is advancing but is far below what the wheat grower thinks it should be. The Farm Board has come in for a great amount of criticism, most of it unmerited. The Farm Marketing Act was an experiment. Too much was hoped for it to begin with and when the expected results did not develop the blame heaped on the board was more unreasonable and exaggerated than the hopes that had arisen when the hopes than the hopes that had arisen when the board was created.

There is every reason to believe that the price of wheat will go higher than it is at present, but there is no ground for believing that it will ever

there is no ground for believing that it will ever go back to what it was a few years ago.

The hard fact is that the wheat area of the world is constantly expanding. In 1921 the world production of wheat was 3,374,000,000 bushels; last year it was 4,871,000,000; an increase of approximately 35 per cent. The estimated population of the world is increasing at the rate of about 1½ per cent a year, while wheat production has increased on the average 3½ per cent a year.

# Wheat Exceeds Population

PERHAPS there are more people in the world who are eating wheat than ever before but in the greatest of wheat consuming countries, the United States, the consumption of wheat per capita has been decreasing instead of increasing. On the whole it is doubtful whether the wheat consumption per capita of the world has increased during the last 10 years. during the last 10 years.

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It does not require a skilled accountant to understand that if the production of wheat increases in a ratio 3 times as great as the increase of population of the world, the only hope for a permanent rise in the price is either to decrease production or increase the per capita consumption.

If there was any reason to believe that wheat production has reached its limit the outlook for permanent prices would be much brighter. The population of the world will probably continue to

population of the world will probably continue to increase and if production were stationary, after awhile consumption would catch up with production and the world price would rise.

# Japan Now Grows Wheat

BUT the world has nowhere near reached the limit of wheat production. Hardy varieties of wheat have been developed in Canada that can be grown clear up to the Arctic Circle. Instead of harvesting a crop of 400 million bushels, as Canada has done, a billion-bushel crop is entirely within the possibilities.

Russia has already produced a billion-bushel crop, but it is just fairly beginning. The vast, fertile plains of Siberia, under proper cultivation, can produce 2 billion bushels a year. Japan, which never was thought of as a wheat-producing country, produced last year a crop of 32 million bushels.

The only thing that will check the increased production of wheat is a long continued price below the cost of production. Unfortunately, other countries can produce wheat at a lower price than the average wheat grower in the United States

the average wheat grower in the United States can produce it. If the production of wheat in the United States could somehow be limited to the domestic demand, we could then put up tariff walls against the other wheat producing coun-





tries, as we already have done, and hold up the price here. Maybe this limiting will be done. I say

# All Work and No Play

SINCE the advent of the automobile, urban critics of agricultural practice have directed many a tirade against the farmers' use of the tin-lizzie for recreational purposes: "If the farmer would stay at home instead of gadding about the country and loafing in town, he would not find himself in such sore straits."

A recent survey made by Dean H. W. Mumford and D. E. Lindstrom of the University of Illinois shows that despite all the improved means of communication, farmers spend only 5 per cent, or one-twentieth, of their time for trading, visiting, community activity, organization or recreational trips away from home.

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These facts, gleaned from interviews with Illinois farm families, seem to indicate that the farmer stays on the job quite as faithfully as his colf-playing critical. golf-playing critics.

# The Neighborhood Store

THE independent retail grocer has had more

THE independent retail grocer has had more than his fair share of troubles during the last few years. In addition to meeting the ordinary handicaps imposed by the depression, he has had to furnish groceries to uncounted numbers of patrons who had no money at all with which to pay him. It is a wonder that he has survived at all. But Carl W. Dipman, editor of "The Progressive Grocer," told a convention of retail grocers at Rochester, N. Y., recently that the independent grocer is still holding his own in very good shape. The combination of hard times, unpaid bills and competition from the chain stores has not knocked him off his feet. When prosperity returns he will him off his feet. When prosperity returns he will

be ready for it.

This is a striking testimonial to the hard-headed business ability of the thousands of men who invested all their capital and a life-time of hard work in the neighborhood store. Somehow, it is the sort of news one likes to read.

# Kansas's Best Corn Year

TO state can start off a corn crop better than Kansas does, but Old Sol always makes it hard to finish the job. Kansas produced her greatest corn crop in 1889, 273,888,321 bushels. An average yield of 40.15 bushels an acre. The smallest corn crop raised since 1874 was in 1913 when the total yield for the state was 18,420,052 bushels with an average yield of 2.77 bushels an acre. The highest acre yield however, was not in 1889 but in 1875, following the lean grasshopper year. The acre yield in 1875 was 48.80 bushels. The following year, 1876, Kansas showed this 1875 corn at the Centennial at Philadelphia and estonished the men of the East with stelles 22

astonished the men of the East with stalks 22 feet high. The Kansas man in charge of the corn exhibit solemnly apologized to the visitors from the Eastern part of the country saying that he had been hurried about getting the exhibit to-gether. Not having time to go out and get some really good corn he had had to bring some Dwarf

# Serious Charges—If True

HAVE another reader who blames about all of our financial ills on the Federal Reserve Banking system. Over in Pennsylvania there is a ing system. Over in Pennsylvania there is a congressman by the name of McFadden who was chairman of the banking committee in the lower house of Congress until the Democrats obtained a majority when he was displaced by a Democrat. Congressman McFadden is exceedingly bitter in his criticism of the Federal Reserve Banking system. One would gather from his remarks that the tem. One would gather from his remarks that the board in charge of this system has deliberately swindled the people of this country out of bil-lions of dollars.

A charge like this made not only by a member-of Congress but by a man for years at the head of the banking committee of the lower house, of course, is serious. I do not believe that the mem-bers of the Federal Reserve system are a set of plunderers but certainly they owe it to the coun-

plunderers but certainly they owe it to the country to disprove the charges made against them. In times like these there is a vast amount of misinformation distributed. Often the distributors honestly believe that they are telling the truth and the average citizen does not know how to prove or disprove their statements. Some statements which are generally believed, are positive falsehoods; some are half truths, but the average citizen is not able to sift the truth from the false.

# Income Tax Amendment

What states have tried the graduated income tax? Has it been a success? Does Maryland have a gross income tax, if so has it succeeded there? If the income tax amendment carries in the coming election can there be a law passed under which the salaries of county officers, civil service employes, teachers and college professors can be taxed? Can a gross income tax law be passed without an amendment to the constitution and could the property be exempted by having a gross income tax?—Mrs. R. F.

TWENTY-FOUR of the 48 states have some sort of income tax law in effect at the present time. Seventeen states levy both individual and corporation taxes, three levy corporation income taxes only, and four levy individual income taxes only. New Hampshire and Ohio tax incomes from certain intensible property only. Whether taxes only. New Hampshire and Ohio tax incomes from certain intangible property only. Whether the income tax has been a success or not, may be partly a matter of fact and partly a matter of opinion. In general, tax authorities agree that the income tax has been a success.

2. The state of Maryland does not have a gross income tax or a net income tax. None of the 24 states levying income taxes collect taxes on gross income.

income.

3. If the income tax amendment to the constitution is adopted this fall, the legislature may entution is adopted this fall, the legislature may enact a law levying a tax on incomes of either individuals or corporations, or both, or it may levy a tax on certain types of income only. It would not have authority to pick out certain classes of persons such as teachers and public employes and levy a tax on their incomes and not on similar incomes of other persons. The legislature may classify incomes but it may not classify persons.

4. Most state laws provide for personal exemption to heads of families of from \$1,000 to \$2,000, and from \$200 to \$400 for each dependent. If the amendment is adopted the legislature would prob-

amendment is adopted the legislature would probably provide for progressive, graduated rates on



HOLD YOUR HORSES! (IF THE SHERIFF THE BIG PARADE IS ABOUT

# Could 18th Amendment Be Repealed Without Vote of the People?

Can Congress with signature of the President, modify or repeal an amendment without the vote of the people?—C. E. C.

No. Congress has only the power to submit for ratification or rejection, an amendment to the Constitution of the United States. Congress may propose this whenever two-thirds of both Houses deem it necessary. Or on the application of the legislatures of two-thirds of the several states, Congress may call a convention for the proposing of an amendment.

The amendment would then have to be ratified by action of the legislatures of three-fourths of the states before it became effective; or it might be ratified by conventions in three-fourths of the states called for that purpose. Congress may choose either plan of submission.

In case of ratification by state conventions, the people themselves would elect the delegates to these conventions.

individual incomes. Most state rates range from 1 individual incomes. Most state rates range from 1 per cent on net incomes of \$2,000 to \$4,000 above the exemption, to 5 or 6 per cent on large incomes. The legislature has authority to levy a tax on gross incomes but it cannot exempt real estate free from general property tax, without amending section 1 of article 2 of the constitution. Levy on gross incomes would have to be at a flat rate.

ing section 1 of article 2 of the constitution. Levy on gross incomes would have to be at a flat rate. 5. Substitution of a gross income tax for the property tax would seem to be clearly impractical—for the reason that, in order to raise the necessary amount of taxes, the rate would be so high that those industries which operate on a narrow margin of profit could not continue; whereas those business and professional men, whose total income is largely net income, would pay relatively little taxes.

# Owes Taxes and Interest

A borrowed money to buy a farm. He paid \$10,000 cash and borrowed \$7,000 from a mortgage company. He is behind with the taxes two years this June. He falled to pay interest in April, 1932. On the receipt given for the payment of interest is this statement: "All homestead and marital rights are hereby waived." How long can A retain possession if the company forecloses? What would his rights of redemption be?—X. Y. Z.

If this \$7,000 mortgage was given as a part payment for the land itself to secure the purchase price, if less than one-third of the mortgage has been paid, the right of redemption would extend only six months after date of fore-closure and sale. If the land was not bought from the mortgage company but with a loan of \$7,000 to complete the purchase, unless A has abandoned to complete the purchase, unless A has abandoned the land, he has 18 months in which to redeem

after foreclosure and sale. During this 18 months he has the full right to all of the proceeds of the land in the way of crops. He would not have a right to commit waste on the land or to remove any buildings from it.

# Filing of Thresher's Lien

How soon after threshing does a thresher have to file a lien on the grain?—D. H. P.

Within 15 days after the completion of the said

# May Bank Take It All?

If a bank has a mortgage against a man's machinery, horses, and hogs, and his wife signed the mortgage, and the bank forecloses, can the bank take everything included in the mortgage, or is he allowed so much.—Z. A. C.

The bank can take it all.

# Must He Pay the Costs?

A is a defendant in a suit to quiet title. Unless he defends himself he thinks he will be made to pay the court costs. B thinks he will lose only his rights in the property and will not be required to pay any part of the court expense.—M. M. G.

I should say that ordinarily in a suit merely to quiet title, that court costs are not assessed against the defendant.

# No Rule for Ranking Wood

What is the length of wood when put into rank? Some say 16 inches, others say 20 and some say that the length of the stick as wanted for use. Which is correct?—G. L. B.

A cord of wood is 8 feet long, 4 feet high and 4 feet wide. But there is no rule for ranking wood. You might rank and pile wood of any length.

# If Boy Signs a Contract

If a boy 19 years old signs a contract, can he be held for it when he becomes of age?—Reader.

A minor in Kansas is bound by contracts for necessaries. He also is bound by his other con-tracts unless he disaffirms them within a reasonable time after he attains his majority and restores to the other party all money or property received by him, by virtue of the contract remaining within his control, at any time after attaining his majority.

# Does the Wife Inherit?

A, B, and C are brothers each inheriting 160 acres from the parents. Parents left no deed or will. C dies leaving a wife but no children and making no will. Does the wife inherit what C inherited before the death of his parents?—J. F.

If C died after the death of his parents, then his wife will inherit his share of the estate. If he died prior to the death of his parents, his share of the estate had not yet ripened into an inheritance, it was not his until the parents died. In that event, dying before the death of his parents, his wife would not inherit.

# Full Market Privileges **Demanded for Farmers**

At their 3-day conference in Chicago, farm leaders from 12 states including Kansas, unanimously re-affirmed their active support of the Agricultural Marketing Act as the foundation of a permanent policy for American agriculture. They pledged their efforts to strengthen the Act until it fully removes the control of prices from the hands of those who never produced or owned the actual commodity; until it restores this control to the producers.

They condemned the piling up of capital at market centers to "bear" the markets by what is called "short selling."

They demanded equal opportunities for farmer co-operatives and full and equal privileges in handling farm products in the nation's market places.

They urged farmers everywhere to join solidly together to prevent control of their commodities continuing in the hands of private traders.

# Ought to Have Contract

A owns the farm that B lives on. Everything is in partnership each one getting half the crop, livestock, etc. B does all the work. A pays the taxes and furnishes improvements. A and B rented some adjoining land belonging to a neighbor. B is doing all the work including putting in the crop and harvesting it. Should A who lives in town receive half the crop from this rented land without paying B for part of the work he puts in on this land? Each one furnishes half the seed?

—Reader.

A and B should have a definite contract setting out the rights of each. If they have such contract which refers only to the land belonging to A and then have an entirely separate deal, renting other land together, they should enter into a separate contract in regard to the proceeds of this rented land. If, in case of this rented land, each furnishes one-half of the seed and B does all the work, he ought to get more than one-half of the work, he ought to get more than one-half of the proceeds.

# Which Deed is Valid?

If A executes a deed to B for collateral and then to C, which would hold good, the one given first or the one put on record first?—X. Z. V.

An unrecorded deed or mortgage is void as against subsequent purchasers or creditors. The recorded deed therefore would be valid as against the unrecorded deed altho the unrecorded deed might have been previously executed.

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# What Is Best for the Country?

THE farm's buying power is increasing. Usually this is the first dependable symptom that a depression is nearing the end and that business is getting ready to take the upgrade once more. Sooner or later this will happen. It is a wobbling process of ups and downs, but the ups gain a little each time when the trend is upward. Recently prices of manufactured goods have been more rapidly overtaking the very low prices of farm crops and raw materials. Manufactured goods are falling in price while the prices of some farm products are ascending. The general spread between the two is narrowing, a leveling process is going on.

is going on.
Narrowing this gap inevitably increases pur-

When price averages reach something like a general level or balance, the corner actually is being turned.

Old Man Gloom may prolong his farewells, he moves slowly. The big fact seems to be that he is moving, moving toward the door.

When farm prices had reached the subcellar and seemed bent on going clear thru to China, and seemed pent on going clear thru to China, suddenly, with no warning, the price of hogs shot upward. In one month they had almost doubled in price after reaching the lowest point in 50 years. Cattle almost as suddenly recorded the highest price since February when farm prices began their final dive. In just 30 days in five Wastern states.

price since February when farm prices began their final dive. In just 30 days in five Western states, the value of hogs and cattle increased more than 289 million dollars. Prices of hogs, cattle, corn,

289 million dollars. Prices of hogs, cattle, corn, even of wheat have gone up.

For three years the general trend had been downward. Then something happened, as usually occurs when a price readjustment nears a business-restoration level. This something seems to indicate that for a time at least, the downward process has touched bottom. process has touched bottom.

The change is welcome. From now on the re-

adjustment process can hardly be severer than that part we have gone thru in the last three years and are going thru now. This still is the richest country in the world. It will not always stand idle—cannot.

Meanwhile world conditions seem steadily to Meanwhile world conditions seem steadily to have grown worse. In Europe conditions are unsettled and chaotic. Germany is on the verge of bankruptcy and in danger of relapsing into a monarchy. The German people in trying to escape from their present miseries are reckless.

England has found it necessary to guarantee her wheat farmers a fair price for the next five years by stabilizing wheat at \$1 a bushel thru payment of a "price deficit" raised by a milling tax. Russia and China are struggling with a shortage of food.

age of food. Japan has a long slow war on her hands altho her people are in straits.

India is in economic and political revolt against

Almost every country in South America has undergone one or more revolutions. Mexico too, is having her troubles.

While I hope we have seen the worst of the hard times, we are not out of the woods yet and cannot be when the rest of the world is so badly off. No country nowadays can be sufficient unto

Regardless of politics, in times like these, it would seem that we should view with reluctance the possibility of a change to a new and an untried administration at Washington.

During the three depression years, we have fared better than any other country in the world. For more than three years,—at times, desperate years—the present administration at Washington has faced one world or national emergency after another. Not less than a dozen grave crises have

been met and dealt with successfully one by one.

Critics to be sure, have been free to criticise.

They criticised even more in Lincoln's time. But they have been extremely backward about proposing any plans of their own. They have had little to offer except criticism.

President Hoover is not a spectacular President. He is too honest to be a grandstander; too able to need to be. His knowledge of world affairs is surpassed by no other American. His courage and his backbone are of the kind called for by these times. Few of our Presidents have had so constantly such a trying administration. There has been no letup for nearly four long, hard years. The President has constantly had to defer to the possibility of a second term, his long-sought chance to simplify the machinery of the national government, a monumental task for which he is

government, a monumental task for which he is supremely fitted. It is something he longs to do—to give his country one of the greatest examples of his constructive skill as an engineer. The accomplishment of this task would result in the greatest economy and efficiency the country's administrative system has ever known. It would be likely to set a pattern for state governments to follow.

I am unable to find any good and sufficient reason for dispensing with the services of such a President at such a time, to put in his place a man of far less experience and far less attainment.

This is not the time for making such a change in government, even if we were offered a leader of equal attainments. And that is remetible to several attainments.

of equal attainments. And that is something we should think about.

Mun Capper

# **Epitaffy**

BY THE SEXTON

Here lies the left leg of Bill McSwipe, The rest of him couldn't be found, He sat on a powder-keg smoking his

Beneath these stones repose the bones Of Theodosius Grimm; He took bad beer from year to year And then his bier took him.

### Yes, Indeed

The pill of adversity is never sugarcoated.

[ Love may never die, but it gets awfully sick at times.

How comfortable movie seats would be if people had only one arm.

¶ A highbrow is anybody who enjoys a story better if it ends wrong.

¶ Definition of a baby: A portable appetite held together with safety pins. It's the "old boat" to dad and "the bus" to the kids, but it's always "the

thread as well as cement.

Raskob will stay with the party wet or dry. It takes a lot to shake the fellow who has a mortgage on you.

# Closely-Watched Husbands

T is Helen Rowland's opinion that some women would feel that a husband was being unfaithful if he looked twice at the Statue of Liberty.

### Draws the Line There

I CAN "get along pretty well with A her doing church work," said one Minneapolis woman speaking of another, "but I simply won't play cards with her."

# Her Industry Rewarded

MRS. GEORGE BOUSMAN is glad she picked those peas in the garden of her Missouri home. She saw something sticking out of the ground and picked it up. It was a gold dollar dated 1840 dated 1849.

# Must Be the Climate

RECENTLY Mrs. A. McPherson, Harper county, bought a hand-made willow stand from a peddler, and put it in the front room. Several days later the table began sending out new sprouts. They may have to "sea-

# Just Placing the Blame

WITH no desire to hurt anybody's feelings, candor compels the Atchison Globe to say it is sure of this: If prohibition is a failure, it is the fault of the "respectable rich people," who have always been the best customers of the bootleggers.

# Eating Corn From Cob

EMILY POST says that one hand only should be used to hold the ear when eating corn from the cob. Bertha Shore thinks Emily may know her etiquette but that she doesn't know Kansas corn. What we wish to know, is which ear to hold.

in a railway station, where admission

### Struck by Three Storms

TORNADOES seem to be "picking on" the John Latta family. First, a large stock and hay barn was totalthe same site and, traveling 13 miles farther, swooped down on the Latta

# Our Neighbors

his family, totally destroying the big barn and some large ricks of alfalfa hay. In addition, stacks containing the ranch's shocked-oats crop, were struck And the wind blew the ashes around.

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neath that some large ricks of alfalfa
hay. In addition, stacks containing the
ranch's shocked-oats crop, were struck
by lightning and totally destroyed.
The Latta family will feel safer when the tornado season is over.

### Brought Bags of Money

FIFTY-THOUSAND bags of expense I money arrived in the U.S. with the Brazil Olympic team. The "money" is coffee. We have heard of students paying fees at school and college with farm produce. But tired eggs and over-ripe vegetables still will be barred

### A Parasol for Trees

N Germany folks provide sunshades to protect young trees and saplings. These are made of closely-woven netting on a wood framework. Placed on Car" to mother.

(I Well, it won't hurt the country to learn that a patch can be put on with thread as well as coment.

### A Tax on Devotion

THREE-CENT postage means something to Mrs. H. N. Jones, Parsons. Every day she and her daughter in New York, write each other. Mrs. Jones hasn't missed a day in three years she has lived in Kansas, and the daughter has been as faithful. Such devotion is rare, or is it?

# Surely Ought to Work

KANSAS farmer recently wrote Ar. A. McNeal, telling him how he would enforce the prohibitory law. Said he: "I would kill every man who drinks liquor; kill every man who makes it, and kill every man who knows how to make it." That would put an end to the liquor business.

# Found the "Water" Hard

SHOWER of wild ducks fell re-A cently at Banff, in the Canadian Rockies. In a heavy storm at night the birds mistook illuminated roads for streams, "plunged in" and broke their necks. The only kind of wild life that thrives in cities is the kind the police can't see. "Birds," too,—some

BLUEJAYS like Kansas so well that many stay here all winter. Zelie Lewis, Holton, recently captured a banded jay with the No. A387748. Now he learns from the Biological Survey at Washington, that the bird had been banded by Homer Hedge, a Holton teacher. That bluejay knows a nice country town when it sees one.

# Has Always Kept a Home

FOR more than 60 years Mrs. Melissa Stice has lived in Oswego and of his life and saved where he could, is still one of its energetic citizens. is building a memorial to his wife in During all these years she has continued to do all her own work, including her washing and ironing, and to-day, at the age of 92, she has one of the prettiest flower gardens in town.

# Suddenly Became Ill

An Inexpensive Compliment
THIS country's famous boob comedians, Laurel and Hardy, were mobbed by Scottish admirers when they visited Glasgow a few days ago. We also noticed, (being a careful reader) that the mobbing took place enough it was gone the next morning. Early next day he called on these neighbors while they were at table. During the visit the head of the house remarked they had been to town the day before and bought a hunk of mutton which they were then eating-they had grown tired of beef and pork. The ly destroyed on the home farm, near did a little butchering, too, I killed Harper. Three months later another my old Shep dog and dressed it and twister wrecked the rebuilt barn on hung it up to freeze thinking it would do for my hogs later on. Someone stole the whole carcass night before last. The Norcatur man was hardly ranch in South Kingman county, oc- last. The Norcatur man was hardly cupied by Clarence Latta, a son, and thru with his story before the neigh- Young's farm.

hunted his boots.

# "Cool As a Hog on Ice"

EVERY farmer knows a story about the intelligence of pigs. Recently a pig was seen stretched on the doorstep of the State Bank at Hazelton. The sun was beating hot upon him, but Mr. Pig seemed to be enjoying solid comfort. Just before the bank opened the pig ambled off down the sidewalk. Then it was plain why he had parked on the doorstep. He had stretched out on a piece of ice left for the bank by the ice man.

# Snow in Kansas in August

HERE is proof, held by Fremont Sleffel, Norton. He filled his pit silo with snow in March and two families use it instead of ice. It cools



milk, eggs, butter, vegetables, and freezes ice cream in a jiffy. Usually Sleffel has to shovel some out of the pit at silo-filling time.

# No Wonder It Was Cool

A MID-WEST town was in the throes of the summer heat wave. It was so hot that the directors of its trust and savings bank were reluctant to go up to the board room for their reg-ular meeting. One of them, Mr. Rodgers, suggested the safe deposit vaults might be a cooler place in which to de-liberate. In the vaults one of the di-rectors remarked how cool the place was. "Of course," Mr. Rodgers ex-plained, "the frozen assets are down here."

# To a Farm Wife's Memory

FRUGAL Brown county pioneer farmer, who has worked hard all is building a memorial to his wife in the Hiawatha cemetery. It is expected to cost \$200,000 or more. Having no near relatives, John E. Davis is a lonely man, with only the memory of his companion for more than half a century. He goes to the cemetery daily to gaze upon the marble statues of his wife and himself which adorn the mausoleum.

### Pussy's Fine Quintet

DUSS, the cat of the Watson family accomplished the remarkable feat last year of having four kittens at 4 o'clock on the 4th of July. Puss's owner recently received the following announcement from her grandmother, Mrs. Eva Young, Felt,

# ANNOUNCEMENT

Born to Puss Watson and Tom McDaniel, July 3, 1932 at Union church, two boys, three girls. Names:

Tom Junior Catalina Pussy Willow Winnie Worst Asafoetida

Color: Gray and white, turquoise. Weight: Three ounces each. Color of eyes: Not yet visible.

Union church is on a corner of Mrs.



THIS is Clair Parcel, Coldwater, on his miniature tractor. He made it out of scraps from a junk pile, using a washing machine motor, auto wheel, gas tank, mower seat, cultivator wheels, homemade frame and clutch, and a bicycle chain drive. And it goes!

# Gave His Potatoes Away

ASON RANROD, Bonner Springs, believed it wouldn't pay to harvest his 900-bushel potato crop. So he plowed the potatoes out of the ground and issued an invitation to the needy to "come and get them." More than 500 responded, and the cars of those who had motor cars, lined the roads for hours. They had once seen better days.

# Mule Wears Snowshoes

To help carry his pack, W. Klon-wick, a trapper 600 miles north of Sherridon, Man., taught his mule to use snowshoes 18 inches in diameter. Now the mule won't budge without them . . . In California, where horses used to run to fires, motor trucks now carry them to the scene of destruction. A special truck takes the horses into the mountains to help scout forest fires where cars cannot go. So times and customs change.

# Tend the Lord's Crop, Too

FOLLOWING harvest and threshing on the Rundus's brothers farm near Munden, the brothers, Amos and Jerry, began a series of revival meetings in the Old Settlers' tabernacle at White Rock. Amos does the preaching, while Jerry leads the singing. They "plow corn" as well as "preach Christ." The part of the Lord's vineyard that they cultivate when they get their own farm work out of the way, lies in Kansas and Nebraska.

### To Chicago on a Steer

N 82-year-old veteran of the saddle, A N 82-year-old veteral of the Neb., Tom Rivington, Gering, Neb., thinks the modern generation needs some knowledge of the Old West. He plans to straddle a steer next year and ride to the fair at Chicago, nearly 1,000 miles. He admits he is going to pick a critter with plenty of flesh for riding comfort. Selling pamphlets along the route he hopes will finance the trip. It is certain the steer won't top the market when he gets there.

### Joy-Riding With Daddy

T was growing dark. His small daughter, aged 2½ years, was missing. Charles Colby, Hutchinson grain man, grew agitated. She might have wandered off or been kidnaped. After a quick, unavailing search of the premises, he leaped into his car and dashed up one nearby street and down another, taking corners on two wheels, looking for her. He was dimly aware that people he passed were waving at him. He waved back. He seemed to have a good many new friends all of a sudden. Finally a motorist, waving frantically, cut in ahead of him and he had to stop. Colby was indignant. He was on an important mission. "Say," shouted the motorist, "there's a child on your running board." Colby got out and looked. There was little daughter, serenely riding the running board. "Make it go faster," she urged, but Colby only graphed, her in his but Colby only grabbed her in his arms and rode home slowly, being thankful his car had such a good wide running board. He hasn't figured out yet how she managed to hold on when he made those sharp turns.

( Now it's hard to find anybody qualified to throw the first stone.

# Feed-Out, or Sell the Cattle? Many More Farm Folks

Jayhawker Farm, Gridley, Kansas

So far as our corn crop for 1932 is concerned, it no longer seems a question of what shall the harvest be, but, rather, what shall the profit be? The last half of July, gave us rain in plenty with no damaging winds. This immediate locality now has an almost assured prospect for a corn crop that has not been equaled since 1889, when the entire state of Kansas produced its largest corn crop.

A few miles from us the prospect

A few miles from us the prospect seems not as good as here, but in a territory centering in Coffey county, we now have corn well past the roasting ear stage that will average into the 40 and 50-bushel class on our average upland, with creek bottom fields looking good for 10 to 20 bushels more in some fields. It is fully the equal of the 1902 crop, which up to now has been the best the writer ever grew in Kansas.

We have been well "set" for a perfect corn crop from the very start of the season. In many fields the stand is really too perfect for the average season, and during that brief time when it seemed the weather man did not know whether to continue the not know whether to continue the drouth everyone was sure had started or to turn on the water again, those who had corn a bit too thick were wishing there was not so much of it on a given acreage. But since the turn, with rain in plenty, the fellow with a stalk every 14 inches can husk more corn from an acre than he has before in many a year.

The price in prospect is the only thing that does not make our corn situation look "the best ever" this near middle of August morning. As a neighbor has just said, "whenever we grow the most perfect crop in quality it seems we must sell it for the lowest price." All sorts of predictions are now being made concerning the husking price for corn ranging from 10 to 25 cents a bushel.

The general good prospect for a corn crop in the Central States has had a strengthening effect on the feeder cattle market. No one seems to know whether there is danger of the beef market being overrun about the holiday season, as sometimes happens. More and more of our feeders are trying to avoid a finishing date that will put their cattle on the market about that time. The end of the year seems a bad time to "cash in". That is a natural date for a general settlement of the season's activities. It is also one of the semi-annual tax paying dates here in Kansas. If there is a rush of cattle to market at all it seems to come at about this date and many of our seasoned cattle feeders plan either to slip in ahead of this date or wait until later.

The 45 yearlings we turned on pasture the last days of April, averaging 523 pounds, have been doing well, having had grass in plenty, shade when they wanted it and water in various places in the pasture. Only the flies and some weather a little too hot for comfort, has marred an otherwise perfect season for cattle.

### Tempering the Wind

The tendency for creditors to scale down debts to meet the uity of the debtor to pay, is growing. Holders of farm mortgages are refunding them over a longer period, often reducing the amount at the same time. Such readjustments combine good business with practical Christianity. Few creditors can collect their debts in full now. If they foreclose they lose heavily. Isn't it better all around to give the debtor the benefit of that inevitable loss by cutting the debt down to the point where he can handle it?

There is chance for more "skull-duggery" in the grades of beef from packing plant to consumer than in any other line of business, and a common practice is to sell us beef from mon practice is to sell us beef from 2½-cent grassfat cows at a price based on 8-cent cornfed steers.

A neighbor recently sent to Kansas A neighbor recently sent to Kansas City, by truck, a grassfat cow that could hardly carry more fat. She weighed more than 1,200 pounds at the stockyards, and was far better than the common best in quality, yet she sold for but 2½ cents a pound. A near 700-pound heifer from the same pasture brought the same price, 2½ cents a pound. 21/2 cents a pound.

So those who now are paying a high price for their cuts of beef over the counter of their local markets, and who are reading of 8 and 9-cent cattle at the stockyards market, are not to think we out here on the farms are becoming wealthy selling our cat-

tle at these top prices.

Enough cattle are bought at the top prices to establish a high price for the beef you buy, while we are selling 90 per cent of our cattle for less than 4 cents and you are getting the beef from them on the base of the 10 per cent seles made at deathly the 10 per cent sales made at double that money.

Beginning the job on the morning of August 5 and finishing it the following morning, we seeded by broadcasting with a "horn" seeder, covered with a hay rake and then rolled the 20 acres of land summer-fallowed for offsteen pounds of ratios. alfalfa. Fifteen pounds of native grown "Kansas common" seed was sown to the acre. A part of this seed was from our own growing, the remainder coming from the neighboring county of Lyon. This is the earliest we have ever made a fall seeding of alfalfa, but conditions were ideal so we reasoned it was useless to wait for any-thing better. To make it even more ideal, the evening of the 6th there came a fine %-inch rain, so by the 10th to 12th the young plants should be coming thru the ground.

There will be grasshoppers to fight for a time. We already have the dope necessary to poison them, the bran, white arsenic and corn sirup. As soon as the alfalfa comes up they will find this waiting for them all around the

# New York Show for Free Fair

THE Kansas Free Fair that opens in Topeka, September 12, will be "something different" this year.

Every night in front of the big stadium a New York musical review will be staged by a cast of first-rate artists, says Maurice Jencks, the Fair's new beheld daily says Maurice Jencks, the Fair's new secretary. The show will be presented on a huge portable stage equipped with novel and beautiful scenery, just as it was presented at the New York State Fair. The racing will occur on Monday, Wednesday and Friday afterith the best horses in the Midof thrills last year, will participate in the auto racing Tuesday and Thursday afternoons.

"Despite the depression, prospects never were better for a high-class exhibit of purebred livestock at the Fair, than this year," in the opinion of Dr. C. W. McCampbell, supervisor of livestock.

This year a popular science and health exhibit will be in charge of Dr. R. K. Nabours and Prof. M. J. Harbough, of Kansas State College. Parents with worries and problems in regard to child management, will have an opportunity to talk over these mat-

dle West participating. Johnny Ger- held an all-day picnic with program, ber, who gave the speed fans plenty games and basket lunches. They recommend it to other counties. These same youngsters are to be the biggest part of the Northwest Kansas Free Fair at Goodland, says D. M. Howard. There will be no open classes. The county put up \$500 which will be used with other club funds as 4-H prizes. Other counties may join in as Greeley has done by adding to this fund. Club folks will have 150 hogs, 35 baby beeves, 12 breeding heifers and dairy heifers to show, and Greeley county will enter a number. All club activities will be represented. It is up to the younger generation to make the show this year, and they like the job.

HARD times helped increase the farm population 648,000 last year. The U.S. Department of Agriculture estimates that on January 1, 1932, it was 31,260,000 compared with 30,612,000 on January 1, 1931. That is the largest and most significant gain in

# Orchard Contest Is Off

THE Don-I-Son and Missouri River orchard contests will not be held this year but will come back strong in 1933. Cash prizes were not available and expense money for field spe-cialists has been severely cut. Also the apple crop is light. Last year winners will hold their trophies another year.

# Kansas in the Movies

F you see the film entitled "Wheat." you can bet on the harvest scene being true to life. The film company "took" the scenes on the C. H. Ras-mussen farm near Johnson, in Stanton county. The field averaged 50 bushels an acre, perhaps one of the record producers this year for Kansas.

# World's Biggest Dollar

A DOLLAR BILL 12 feet long and 5½ feet wide, the largest piece of currency ever made by the Government, will be exhibited at the Chicago World's Fair. About 10 million dollars face value of macerited puls feet led face value of macerated pulp from old money was used in making it. So that is how our money has shrunk in value -1,000,000 to 1, now.

# School Money Is Short

H. C. COLGLAZIER Larned, Kansas

HAVING enough funds to hold school the coming year is a problem squarely before many school boards. Many will demand that if sufficient funds are not available, the boards that are not available, the covergate. shall ssue warrants for the overdraft altho the question of going in debt and drawing on the future should be considered seriously under existing conditions. It is probable many banks would refuse to honor the warrants. Which would prove a blessing later. No one will deny we are entitled to the best schools money can buy but whether it is wise to mortgage the future any further, is a question.

The insignificant sandhill plum has again taken its place among the aristocrats of fruits. Hundreds of bushels have been gathered from bushes that thrive on the string of sand hills along the south side of the Arkansas River. In a single day one store in Larned bought 72 bushels. The plums are un-usually fine this year. In pioneer times the settlers looked forward each year to the plum crop. Now an arid pocket-book, and the habit of eating, has brought back the popularity of the sandhill plum.

# Across Kansas

Alma's last Civil War veteran, Lardner McCrumb, 89, is dead.

The July rise in hog prices netted \$61,232 to Saline county hog raisers on paper.

Evdal stockmen are buying oats at 15c for stock feed, but not finding much for sale.

Farm machinery left in the field is being stripped by thieves in Rice coun-ty. The fences are nailed down.

Salina's packer, William Butzer, 75, founder of the Butzer Packing Company is dead. He was ill a year.

A wolf after chickens, bit Joseph Chontos, Wyandotte county farmer. He has since died of hydrophobia.

Emporia's school board gave the taxpayers a surprise by cutting the levy a few mills lower than asked.

Republican wets were snowed under 7 to 1 in the Kansas primary, and Democratic wets 2 to 1. Dry as ever.

Many barns have burned near Newton, Hesston and Moundridge, from spontaneous combustion of too much new hay.

The first straw vote is this one for governor: Landon, 6; Woodring, 7; and Brinkley, 2. And from a picnic at Lincoln, Kan.

Students may drive cars this winter at Kansas State College without written permission of parents. Probably would anyhow.

Reform school boys made bogus auto tags to sell outside. A car bearing a number that had never been issued, exposed them.

In two loads of bundle oats, A. J. Corzine, Wellington, found five snakes, one a rattler. Who said the prairie rattler had almost disappeared?

A falling meteor was seen in daylight in Eastern Kansas at 3:30 the afternoon of August 10. It made a silvery flash and left a trail of smoke.

Oil having been struck in three places near school house No. 29, in Harvey county, the school house must now get off the map for the drillers.

The story that Abraham Lincoln, while President, made a \$100,000-donation to Baker University, has been verified. Lincoln had to educate him-

Ted Thompson, Satanta, has just finished threshing a surprise crop of wheat on his quarter section near Walsh, Colo. The land was bare this

Phillipsburg put on its fourth rodeo in a natural buffalo grass pasture where old buffalo wallows of pre-pioneer days still are visible. Ever see one?

Rain is needed so badly at Sedgwick that the editor of the Pantagraph is trying to organize a Sunday school picnic. Why not get the old car washed?

A passing truck tore off the left arm at the elbow, of John Fike, But-ler county road worker, and hurled it into a field. The arm projected over the side of the truck in which Fike was riding.

# Fewer County Fairs

TWENTY-FIVE-CENT wheat will interfere with fair programs this year. The Southwest Free Fair will be Make It a 4-H Fair

SHERMAN county 4-H club folks couldn't hold their annual club camp this year, but dug up a good substitute. Most of the 153 members held an all-day picnic with program games and basket luncher.

Wheat will year. The Southwest Free Fair will be held at Dodge City, September 26 to October 1. The Finney County Fair will be in Holcomb, October 6 and 7. The Meade County Fair will be the latter part of this month.

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EVERY day I receive letters from readers who have a few hundred dollars saved up for a rainy day, asking this question: "How may I invest the money I have saved and be guar-anteed a fair rate of interest, with the privilege of withdrawing it when needed?"

If you have been wondering how to make such an investment, I shall be glad to pass on to you the same sugestions I have made to hundreds of other readers. Just write me and this information will be sent you without any obligations whatever. Address your letter to Arthur Capper, Publisher, Topeka, Kan.

Hach day of the round-up there was a barbecue and picnic out under the big oaks in the little pasture, and there came certain people from Queen City. There was a gentleman who wore diamonds, whose air was the air of a great gentleman, whose bow to the ladies was all grace, and whom they called Prince Victor. There came a hig man who rode a hig mule a There came a big man who rode a big mule, a man whose voice boomed out often in hearty laughter, whom they called Big John Brent.

The days came and went merrily, and in the evening while the violin and guitar and flute played Virginia reels and waltzes, two-steps and quadrilles, certain of the men withdrew from the rough board dance floor and met about a table in Oscar Estabrook's room at the range house. They were Oscar, Prince Victor, Club Jordan, and now and then Hal. For Hal had come back upon

now and then Hal. For Hal had come back upon the full tide of the round-up.

To-night was the last night of the merry-making. Hal had kept pretty well in the background during the week, his "silent streak" being still upon him. But to-day he had said that he would enter the free-for-all race and he had ridden the Colonel and had laughed impudently into the scowling face of Club Jordan as he swept by the big foreman in the home stretch. He had pocketed big foreman in the home stretch. He had pocketed the \$50 which went to the winner, and now, to-

the \$50 which went to the winner, and now, tonight, his \$50 lay on the table in front of him,
and with his hat low drawn over his eyes he
watched Club Jordan and Victor Dufresne and
Oscar Estabrook as they cut and dealt and bet.
Outside, the guitar and violin and flute were
making the night tinkle and ring with the "Blue
Danube," and the laughing voices of men and
women came floating in, mingled with the music.
Prince Victor sighed, toyed with the diamond in
his shirt-front, and wished that he were 10 years
younger. And he looked at Oscar Estabrook curiously. It was only the third deal.

THERE came a gentle rap at the door. Estabrook put down his cards hastily and went out. "You, Fern?" they could hear him say, as he closed the door behind him. "What is it? What's the matter?"

"Is anything the matter, Oscar?"
"Why," he hesitated. "Your face looks white and worried. And you looked so flushed and

and worried. And you looked so flushed and happy a minute ago—"
"Oscar." She put her hand upon his arm, and stood in the half light, looking up into his eyes. "Why aren't you out there? With the rest? Don't you want to come and dance?"

"I told you—" he began, only to be interrupted by Fern, saying swiftly.

"—That you had a little business with Mr. Jordan. Oscar," pleadingly. "It has happened before, more than once during the week. You are gambling again, aren't you, Oscar?"

"Well?" he demanded a trifle irritably. "What if I am? If the boys want a little game of cards, does it hurt anyone?"

"No one," she answered quietly. "Unless it hurts you. You are the one to know that. But I thought that you had promised your father when you came West—"

you came West-

you came West—"
"What right had he to make me promise anything?"—bitterly. "After he jerked me out of college the way he did and packed me off into this wilderness? And—"
"And," she ended in the same quiet tone,
"I thought that you had promised me."
"It's only a little game, Fern dear," he pleaded. "And Dufresne is a guest, too. I am under obligations to him, very heavy

am under obligations to him, very heavy obligations. If I can give him a pleasant evening . . . there's a dear girl. I'll be out in an hour. Then we'll have all evening to dance in, and I can tell you all about it."

Fern laughed a little and assured him that it really didn't matter the least bit in the world, and went back to the others. Oscar Estabrook returned to the card table.

Hal lost his \$50 in a good deal less than 50 minutes and went outside to smoke and go to bed. Oscar Estabrook lost \$250 in a very little more time, wrote an I O U which he handed to Prince Victor, and in a very ill humor went to seek Fern Winston. When he found that she had slipped away and had gone to bed, his ill humor was not lessened by the fact.

THE dance floor had been built upon a log foundation, just off the ground. At one end were chairs for the musicians, about the sides ran long benches for the women and children. Hal, standing back a little in the shadow of the oak, watched them as the couples went by him, swirling to the fast beat of the music. He could see Sibyl, as in the arms of the adoring Louis Dabner her lithe body swayed, yielding to the waltz. He could see Yvonne as Dick Sperry sought her out and as she gave him her hand, laughing. And, drawing thoughtfully upon his cigaret, his losses of a moment ago already forgotten, he watched the two girls, following them thru the maze of the dance, comparing them with each other and with the country girls who bounced joyously about them.

"There's a diff'rence," he muttered. "An' it ain't altogether bein' raised diff'rent. It's bein' born diff'rent.

A heavy hand fell upon his shoulder, startling him. He whirled quickly and looked up into the face of Big John Brent. "Howdy, Brother." The voice was a

# Bear Creek Crossing

By Jackson Gregory

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### Beginning of the Story

After losing his money at Queen City to Victor Dufresne, gentleman gambler, and shooting big John Brent thru the shoulder, Hal, cowpuncher of Bear Track Ranch, drives a party of Easterners out to the ranch. Dick Sperry drives the second wagon. The party includes Mrs. Estabrook, mother of Hal's boss; her daughters, Sibyl and Yvonne; Fern Winston; Mr. Dabner, Sibyl's intended; Mr. Cushing, and the servants. Hal secretly admires the beautiful Sibyl who is distantly interested in him. At Swayne's roadhouse, a highwayman holds up the Easterners. Hal makes the robber disgorge, appears to recognize him, but lets him go. Sibyl upbraids the cowboy for this. At the ranch the visitors receive a hearty welcome from Oscar Estabrook. He shows Fern Winston the home they will occupy when they are wedded. Hal and Dick suspect the ranch fore-man, "Club" Jordan, will bear watching. Many visitors attend the round-up at the ranch.

hearty roar. "Why hold aloof with cloudy brow when soft music and beautiful ladies invite to the dance?

Hal saw that there was the thickness as of some sort of bandaged padding under the big man's shirt between the left shoulder and collar bone, and that the shoulder was carried a trifle stiffly. He flushed a little and frowned. He had not spoken with John Brent since that wild night in Queen City, and certainly had no wish to speak with him to-night. But if the preacher realized these things, he in no manner showed that he felt them.

"Verily," John Brent ran on, his eyes twin-kling. Pretty girls and music!" and he laughed genially, his full throated boyish laugh. "Why, a man wants to swing the pretty girls away in his arms to the beat of the music and forget all other lesser—and greater!—considerations by the way."

AL turned so that his shoulder was upon the big man, drew his hat a little lower over his eyes which followed Sibyl and Louis Dabner back and forth across the floor.

"There's a fine woman, a glorious woman!"
John Brent's eyes had gone with the cowboy's;
in some way John Brent had sensed that this particular figure had drawn Hal's gaze. "As won-

Hal had ridden the Colonel in the free-for-all race and swept by the big foreman on the home stretch

derful to look upon as anything the great God ever set his seal upon. And yet,"—and he sighed and shook his head—"not the great God alone has set his seal there!"

"What do you mean?" For the first time Hal spoke, whirling upon him suddenly.

"I mean, Brother, that a temple may be builded by righteous hands and given over to the worship of little gods that are ungodly! I mean that in Sibyl Estabrook simplicity and sincerity are hidden by vanity and arrogance; that altho she is beautiful to look upon she is less beautiful than the maiden she sees in her own glass, that than the maiden she sees in her own glass, that she is selfish, that she has been spoiled by flat-tery, that her nature has been warped by it

"A man," cut in Hal shortly, his anger leaping out at the preacher like a sharp flame, "as talks that away about a woman, is a damn pore man. If that's church talk, I don't want none of it."

"A man, Brother," returned John Brent gently, "should tell the truth, without fear or favor, of man or of woman.

of man or of woman. It would be better for women like Sibyl Estabrook if there were more truth spoken, bluntly. Now, mind you, I am not saying she is without good. But I am saying that while she queens it out there, ruling with a high hand and the beauty of her body, she is less the woman, yes, and less of an actual power than her sister, Yvonne. There is a difference between those two girls."—unconscious that he had dropped intwo girls,"—unconscious that he had dropped into the train of thought that had been Hal's a moment ago—"a vast difference. Yvonne is quieter, gentler, less self-assertive in character, just as she is less self-assertive in her way of beauty. But she is the more womanly woman."

TWO things "I don't like," said the cowboy curtly. "One is to have you call me Brother. If you was a real man inside like you look to be outside, you'd remember what I done to you the other night an' there wouldn't be any sof' talkin' between you an' me. The other is that there ain't no reason for you to say things like that about a lady, an' special' behind her back. If you got any remarks to make, go make 'em to her or to her brother."

her or to her brother."

John Brent laughed easily. "What I've said to you I have said to her already. And I shall say it over again. And I'm sorry that you don't want to be friends with me. Maybe it is because I am a man inside that I don't choose to remember what you did the other night. Well, well, the ways of the Lord are hidden until His good time for them to be known. And I had an object in coming to you here."

coming to you here."
"Well?"—ill humoredly—"what is it? If you

want money for your damned church—"

John Brent chuckled. "I don't. If it pleases you,
let my damned church be damned for the pres-

let my damned church be damned for the present. I am bringing you a message. The young woman of whom we were speaking, I so disrespectfully, you so gallantly, wants to see you."

"Me?" Hal looked his astonishment from under lifted eyebrows. "What for?"

"For the sake of her womanly interest in your manly beauty!" smiled Brent. "I fancy the ladies find you a handsome young dog, with just enough of the spice of the devil in you to make you fascinating. Anyway I think that Miss Sibyl would be glad to give you a waltz."

Hal flushed under the bantering tones no less than under the words themselves.

no less than under the words themselves, and his hands clenched without his knowing it. And John Brent, who saw the flush, who felt the spurt of anger in it, knew that there was a surge of youthful gladness in it too.

"I don't dance," snapped Hal, when he found words. "An' I'd be glad to have you 'tend to your own business."

"I believe," grinned John Brent, "that my Bad Man is afraid of a woman!"

HAL, muttering angrily to himself. turned and strode thru the strollers coming down from the platform at the end of the dance. Before he had gone

10 steps he met Louis Dabner.
"I say," cried that young man, laying a detaining hand upon Hal's arm, "Miss Estabrook wants to speak with you."

Hal glared at him, jerked away and strode on, turning toward the bunk house and bed. And then Sibyl, seeing his tall form among the others, a little spirit of recklessness upon her from the night un-der the stars and from the music, left Judge and Mr. Cushing, and came to meet him. He stopped suddenly, slowly lifted his hat, and stood looking steadily into

her shining eyes.
"Good evening," she was saying, her hand held out to him. "I have not seen you all night."

"Good evenin', miss," he answered quiet-. "No, I ain't been aroun' much."

ly. "No, I ain't been aroun' much."

"We have seen almost nothing of you since you brought us out from Queen City," she ran on graciously. He had taken her proffered hand a moment, firmly in his own and now was again turning

en her proffered hand a moment, firmly in his own, and now was again turning his hat in his fingers. "And I had wanted to see you again."

"What for?" he demanded, frowning a little, feeling a little uncomfortable, knowing that the Judge and Mr. Cushing and many others were watching them.

For a little she was at a loss for an answer to his straightforward question. And

swer to his straightforward question. And (Continued on Page 14)



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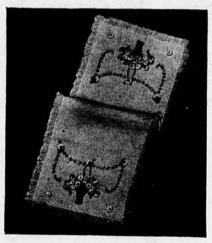
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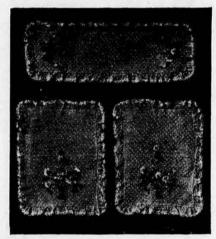
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# When Mother Camps Out

HUNDREDS of Kansas farm homemakes forgot their worries, rested their nerves, and perhaps did a little loafing, in Farm Bureau camps this summer. There were camps in 23 under supervision of the county demonstration agent and college extension service. No camp mother was allowed to help prepare the food or wash a single dish. The Sedgwick county farm women went swimof play. The Montgomery county women took early morning plunges in the furnish them." river, made new friendships, had parent's round table discussions, formed theater parties, and had a campfire party every night. One evening they had as dinner guests a group of Independence business and professional women. The camp closed with a great final day when families and friends from over the county, came with bas-ket dinners to enjoy the last day at

Our Stain Removal Chart and leaflet will save your clothes. Also the leaflet, "Methods of Dry Cleaning," gives valuable suggestions for cleansing garments and furnishings. The two for 10c. Address Home Service, Kansas Farmer, Topeka. John Didn't Wait for Her

AUNT MARTHA

IN the year '93 times were harder THE Go-Fo-So club, recently put on and folks weren't so used to luxury. Ta unique style show at the home of We knew what real hard times were. I had been going with a young man for a year or two. Then it was the proper thing to ask the girl's father for his daughter in marriage. My father never beat around the bush, so when he talked it over with me he "There will no doubt be children to think about, clothe, and feed. You had better wait 3 years longer. Times will be better and John may get a raise." He was getting 16 cents a day in credit.

John got tired waiting. He married another girl. The night before they were married he told me he loved me best. I was jealous of his wife and was happy when her babies came so close together—five of them. They wore only one garment, a loose sacky thing, with a place for head and arms, but they were a l w a y s clean. She worked and slaved in house and field.

My folks kept me well dressed and took lovely trips every summer. Often when we passed their place and saw John's family barefooted and sunburned, dad would joke and ask me I wasn't sorry I hadn't married John. He didn't know how I wished just that, but a girl then wasn't allowed to express herself as they do now. I always let on as if I didn't care. But now to see John and his wife enjoy their grandchildren hurts even worse.

Time hasn't changed my feeling for John. I'm like other old maids who have traveled much but would have preferred a short walk to the altar to any other trip. Nothing can take its place. It's all right for others to advise but never to completely decide whether a young person should or shouldn't marry.

# Aunt Sally Speaks Up

MRS. A. L. R.

WHAT do I think about sending Wchildren to stay in town and go to high school?" Aunt Sally paused in her peach peeling. "Well, we hardly knew there was such a thing as a high school when I was young, but I believe everybody ought to have their chance to go to school. I know there's lots of parents on the farm who don't want their girls and boys to stay in town all week, learning, Lord knows what kinds of mischief of nights when they ought to be studying. They get thru the grades as young as 12 nowadays, and that's pretty young to send a youngun' away from home. But they've got to learn to take care of themselves sometime. Mom and dad sin't always oning to be right there to ain't always going to be right there to snatch temptation away from them.

"And if there's a good place for them to room or work for their board a place where it's understood with the landlady that they have to be in bed by 10 o'clock—and if they've been taught at home to try to do what's right and honest with themselves and

everybody else—why I say send them.
"Let them have their chance to
make something of themselves and be of some use to the world. What this ming, played outdoor games and encountry needs is more educated brains, joyed group singing during their week and it begins to look as if we'll have depend on the next generation to

### Jelly-Maker's Friend

WE have so many apples in our district that we make our own fruit pectin. Boil 4 pounds of green apples, cut up with peelings, in 5 pints of water about ½ hour. Then strain and save the juice. Measure the apple pulp and add an equal amount of water and boil 1/2 hour or so again. Strain the second juice into the first and boil this down to one-fourth the original amount of juice. It can be canned and saved. Tart apples have the most pectin.— Jelly Maker, Colorado.

Prize Dress for 11 Cents

RUTH S. WILCOX

Miss Fern Smalley, near Topeka, with their mothers as guests and judges. Each member wore a dress she had made herself that bore a tag giving its cost. Prizes were awarded for the three best-looking dresses for the

The dress winning first prize was worn by Mrs. Guy Wilcox. It was fashioned from four sugar sacks in semi-princess style with a simulated yoke of a different material. The yoke, achieved by embroidery thread used in a running stitch and put on in plaid effect with blue, black and red, extended to a deep point below the waistline in back and front, harmon-izing with the lines of the skirt The izing with the lines of the skirt. The junction between yoke and waist was blanket-stitched in black. The center front below the V-shaped neck was shirred. The dress was made from a borrowed pattern. Its total cost was

A silk dress, nicely made at a total cost of \$1.99, including cost of pattern, won the second prize for Mrs. Andrew loodwin. She had found a bargain in the goods she used.

cotton print in shades of yellow, with plain yellow yoke, worn by Mrs. Carl Brobst, was very becoming and won third place.

A dress made by Miss Mable Buck-

man, won honorable mention.

This year the club's programs are stressing economy. The fall meetings, beginning in September, will be devoted to making hooked rugs from burlap sacks. The sacks will first be washed, dyed and raveled. Window drapes will be made from the same material, with sash curtains from sugar sacks.

No doubt what is learned in color harmony, designing, and application will do much to beautify the farm home in these times of lack.

# Wholesome Raw Salads

RAW-VEGETABLE salads are better than cooked ones, both in food value and as a hot-weather dish. Children who dislike cooked vegetables often enjoy them raw. Grated young carrots and beets have a surprisingly sweet flavor and add color to salads. Finely chopped raw cabbage and spinach with chopped sweet pickle are delicious. And tomatoes and cucumbers with crisp lettuce never go begging.

# Jelly-Sealing Trick

WHEN you are paraffining jam or jelly, pour a small amount on the jell, then lay a clean string across the glass before adding the rest of the paraffin. The string makes a convenient handle when removing the paraffin. — Hazel Christoffersen, Huron, S. D.

# Canning-Time Favorites

Pepper Relish—You will need 12 red peppers, 12 green peppers, 6 teaspoons celery seed, 1 pint salt, 12 medium size onlons, 2 medium size heads of cabbage, 1½ quarts vinegar. Grind peppers, onlons, and cabbage and soak in salt water over night. In the morning, drain and add sugar, salt, celery seed, and vinegar. Let stand until tasty, put in jars and seal.—Mrs. H. R., Leavenworth Co.

Sweet Grape Juice—This recipe for grape juice comes from the old-fashioned cook book my mother went to housekeeping with better than 50 years ago. I've never found one that improved on its flavor or simplicity of making. Wash and pulp good ripe grapes. Cook pulp and skins together until the juice flows freely, then strain thru a jelly bag. Measure the juice, and to each pint, add 1 pint of water and ½ pound of sugar. Allow this to boil, then skim, bottle and seal immediately. One may use the air-tight commercial caps, or lacking these, dip corks in paraffin, stick them in tightly, and when cool, redip both corks and bottle tops in paraffin. It will keep indefinitely. Less sugar may be used, if one perfers a beverage not so sweet, with no danger of fermenting.—Mrs. P. M. Roote, R. 4, Shawnee Co.

How to dry apples, tomatoes and corn. Send 3c for leaflet. Address Home Service, Kansas Farmer, Topeka.

Between Eternities

BY HELEN KELLER

ALL the aeons and aeons of time before we were born, before the spirit awoke to its present consciousness—where were we then? All the aeons and aeons of time after we are dead-after the spirit has sunk again to sleep from its present conscious-ness—where then shall we be? Vain questions; vain wonderings. But if the spirit is eternal—as all men, no matter what their faith, believe in their hearts that it is—we have no more reason to dread the future of the spirit than to shudder at its past. Rather, it is better to consider this, our life, merely as "a gleam of time between two eternities," and to believe that most of the truth, most of the beauty, most of the real splendor and fulfillment lies rather in those eternities than in the here-and-now.

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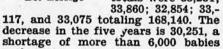
### RURAL HEALTH

# The Baby Crop Is Short

CHARLES H. LERRIGO, M. D.

babies. In 1931, births reported in the state totaled 33,075, a drop of 9,418, or more than 22 per cent. Since it is not fair to base statistics on the

record of a single year we will com-pare the five years from 1917 to 1921 with the five of the next decade. The war year 1917, showed 38,611 Kansas oirths: 1918, 39,-696; 1919, 37,145; 1920, 40,446; and 1921, 42,493, the five year total be-ing 198,391. For the corresponding five years of the next decade the totals were 35,234; Dr. Lerrigo



Catholic countries. A report issued in shrinks 22 per cent a few more times.

IN 1921 Kansas registered 42,493 new May, 1932, shows that in 24 of the 42 babies. In 1931, births reported in largest cities at the control of the 42 babies. largest cities of the world the 1931 birth rate shrank more than 5 per cent as compared with 1930.

Are we pleased? Shall we say "Fewer and better babies" with a satisfied smirk? Unfortunately we have no proof of "fewer and better." The evidence all points the other way. Doctor Terman of Stanford University, says "As a nation we are faced by no other issue of comparable importance to the degeneration of popula-tion due to the falling birth rate among classes better equipped to rear families, while propagation goes on unchecked among the undesirable." It is said that the manufacturers of

baby carriages are seriously worried. And so may be the manufacturers of children's shoes, coats, dresses, toys, school books, and other things. Teachers who look ahead and see their dwindling classes may well be dis-turbed. People who love to hear the laugh of a child and take delight in seeing sturdy youngsters grow up to each year.

Let us not conclude that a baby blight has stricken us, singling out our state for special attention. The our births. We shall have a very quiet shortage is universal in civilized, non- state after the Kansas birth rate

# PROTECTIVE SERVICE

# Another Advance Fee Scheme

J. M. PARKS Manager Kansas Farmer Protective Service

An agent of a Wichita and Los Angeles firm offered me a loan of \$500 for 3 years, but requested half of a \$10 commission be paid in advance. It has been 6 weeks since we signed the application and wrote the check for \$5. If this is a fraud, perhaps a warning may be valuable to your readers.—I. N. T.

FROM time to time we have exposed "advance fee" schemes but evidently we have not said enough on that subject. First came alleged real estate firms promising to sell the farm if you would advance \$50 to help pay the advertising. The trick was soon exposed. But some of the promoters couldn't get along without fees, so they began to collect them on the promise of obtaining loans. We cannot predict what excuse may be offered next for collecting advance fees but we do containing advance fees but we do contained to the containing advance fees but we do contained to the containing advance fees but we do contained to the containing advance fees but we do contained to the containing advance fees but we do contained to the containing advance fees the containing lecting advance fees, but we do say emphatically, don't pay until you investigate.

# It's Better Than No Policy

AS L. E. D. forgot to give an ad-A dress, his answer has been delayed until we could get it in type. The state insurance commissioner advises us this is a new company, it was given a permit to do business in Kansas a little more than a year ago. Altho the com-pany did not collect enough last year to pay all of its claims, the permit still is good. As the company is writing insurance in a new field, there is no way of telling whether the plan will be entirely satisfactory. It is the

opinion of the insurance department that policyholders in the company are better off with this protection than without, even tho the protection might not be complete.

# Check Up Your Insurance

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# Four More Rewards Paid

Ellis County—Lowell Rountree, indeterminate sentence in industrial school for stealing money from protected premises of H. C. Raynesford, Ellis. Twenty-five dollars reward paid to Mr. Raynesford.

Reno County—C. C. Clark, 10 months in jail and Bert Salsbury, 6 months, for stealing tires, wheels and rims from the protected premises of J. A. Wright, Sylvia. Twenty-five dollars reward divided equally among J. A. Wright, Clovis Rankin, Chet Bargdill and Deputy Sheriff R. L. Chambers, all of Sylvia.

Leavenworth County—George Willis, 6 months for stealing canned goods, automobile and tractor tools from the protected premises of George E. Moore, Tonganoxie. Twenty-five dollars reward divided equally between Mr. Moore and Joe Downs, Detective, Kansas City, Kan.

Jefferson County—Albert Spencer, not to exceed 5 years, for stealing harness from the protected premises of George Shirley, Grantville. Fifty dollars reward divided equally between Mr. Shirley and St. Jos-eph police force.

# Who Was Who in the Hoover Family's Recent Reunion



The Hoover family: (1) Buddy; (2) Sis; (3) Thelma Ann; (4) Grandma; (5) Josie; (6) Dotty; (7) Agnes; (8) Old Man Hoover; (9) Henry; (10) Billy; (11) Johnnie; (12) Scotty

judges find the three most successful go to the winners in the order named.

THE Hoover family puzzle went over big. There was just one little catch in it, yet several found it. A number succeeded in guessing the names of the family. After going over every one of the answers the index and the three most succeeded in guessing the names of the family. After going over every one of the answers the index and the three most succeedful go to the winners in the order named.

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# An Improving Price Outlook

THIS country's corn crop is slipping and will slip still more. The August estimate was for a crop of 2,819,794,000 bushels in the U.S., compared with 2,995,850,000 bushels a month ago and 2,563,271,000 bushels last year. A shrinkage of 176,056,000 bushels in one month. In Kansas, corn is pretty good in Eastern and Northern corn counties; fair in Cen-tral and South Central counties; ruined in many parts of Western Kan-sas and rapidly dwindling in Southeastern Kansas.

The tendency to hold grain for higher prices is increasing where farmers are not compelled to sell to meet immediate obligations. What is called the statistical position of livestock F and wheat, points to higher prices. The "stay at home—sell nothing"

30-day "strike" of the Iowa Farmers' Holiday Association is on, but it is early to expect effects from it and the movement is limited.

### **Market Tempts Gamblers**

The New York Times tells of the formation of a 30-million-dollar pool of grain gamblers to operate in wheat. It may attempt to run up the market after hedging operations are over, about September 1, then take profits by dumping the stuff later. That would reverse the usual procedure of "professional traders," which is to "bear" the market. For once, perhaps, they see an opportunity to make a killing on the bull side, due to the lightest winter wheat crop since 1925, even tho a higher spring yield is expected.

### Price Outlook Better

While the Government has revised its winter wheat estimate upward by 10 million bushels, this basic crop still is short 347,674,000 bushels of last year's crop.

Against this the spring wheat esti-mate shows a 25-million bushel shrinkage compared with a month ago. But the total is 280,899,000 bushels com-pared with 104,742,000 bushels last year, the drouth crop.

Foreign demand upon North American wheat may reach a total of 500 million bushels, of which Canada is expected to supply two-thirds. The demand from abroad appears certain to be much larger than last year. If this comes to pass, this continent's surplus will be considerably reduced and prospects for a substantial increase in price before the end of the year, would be likely.

That will interest Kansas farmers and country elevators. They are supposed to have had 27,911,000 bushels of old wheat on hand July 1. And more than 21 million bushels of old wheat disappeared from Kansas country points in the three months between April 1 and July 1.

### Hog Supply is Decreasing

In October hogs 6 months old and upward begin to reach the markets. This crop is smaller than a year ago. In the Corn Belt it is officially estimated at 39,700,000 compared with 44,300,000 a year ago. Iowa, greatest shipper of hogs, has 11 per cent less than last year. South Dakota, which has become an important producer, 40 per cent less. The eastern states of the Corn Belt show largest decreases.

Indications are that from October to March there will be fewer hogs to send to market. What the supply will be from April to October, 1933, depends on breeding plans, but can hardly overcome such a decrease. Prospects are for no excess supply this winter, and probably not next spring and summer regardless of abundant feed.

# What Our Crop Reporters Say

Allen—Two-inch rain helped a corn crop suffering for moisture. Flax, good yield, 9 to 17 bushels an acre, wheat and oats an average crop. Flax, 60c; wheat, 30c; oats, 12c; corn, 30c; cream, 15c.—T. E. Whitlow.

Anderson—Not more than half the average wheat acreage will be seeded. Chinch bugs have damaged much corn. Need more rain. Prairie hay extra good, corn good. Fall plowing started. Wheat, 35c; oats, 15c; corn, 35c; hens, 7c to 9c; eggs, 7c to 14c; cream, 15c.—R. C. Eichman.

Anderson—Local rains have greatly helped corn. Threshing mostly done, wheat making 6 to 25 bushels acre, oats from 15 to 45. Wheat, 25c; oats, 12c; butterfat, 14c; eggs, 10c. A little brisker trade in stock hogs and cattle.—G. W. Kiblinger.

Barber—Farmers busy turning wheat stubble under. We need a good general rain that will wet the ground down deep. Livestock doing well. Wheat, 30c; cream, 15c; eggs, 6c to 8c; heavy broilers, 11c; heavy hens, 9c; light hens, 7c.—Albert Pelton.

Brown—Plowing and hay-making going on. Corn doing fine. Wheat, 39c; corn, 25c; oets, 13c; cream, 19c; eggs, 13c.— E. E. Taylor.

# Trend of the Markets

Please remember that prices given here are tops for best quality offered.

	Last Week	Month Ago	Year Ago
Steers, Fed	\$ 9.10	\$ 8.35	\$ 9.75
Hogs	4.75	4.35	7.35
Lambs	5.50	5.25	7.65
Hens, Heavy	.12	.10	.15
eggs, Firsts	.141/2	.121/6	.17
Butterfat Wheat, No. 2.	.17	.13	.21
hard winter Corn, No. 3,	.54	.52	.47%
yellow Dats, No. 2,	.34	.35	.481/2
white	.22	.19	.25
Barley	.27	.24	.36
lfalfa, baled	11.50	10.00	12.00
Prairie	7.50	8.00	8.50

Barton—Have had some much needed rain. Was too dry to plow, has been very hot. Wheat, 31c; eggs (straights), 9c; butterfat, 14c and 15c. A few public sales being held. Trees uprooted by wind at Great Bend, August 1.—Alice Everett.

Cheyenne—Prolonged dry spell finally broken by good rains. Precipitation for July over 5 inches. Some corn too badly burned for recovery, late corn in better condition than early. Prospects for record yield despite drouth. Not as much summer fallowing as in past years. Prices still too low for profit.—F. M. Hurlock.

Clay—Fine weather for corn and all growing crops, plenty of moisture. Hail in some localities damaged corn. Farmers busy plowing, some using horses. Pastures excellent, flies bad. The community sale at Clay Center is a great success. Not much stock going to market.—Ralph L. Macy.

Cloud—This section favored every week with mild rain, enough to keep surface soil in good order. Wheat mostly in shock or in bin, and making an average crop.—W. H. Plumly.

Coffey—Plenty of rain to insure corn and kafir crops. Hay good. Many potatoes rotted in ground. Cattle doing well on good pasture. Wheat, 34c; oats, 15c; eggs, 15c; butterfat, 16c.—Mrs. N. L. Griffin.

Decatur—Month of hot, ary weather injured corn greatly in some localities. Recent rains were fine except for some damage by hall and wind. Some fields being prepared for wheat. Rains have delayed threshing. Wheat, 30c; corn, 23c and 25c; hens, 9c; springs, 10c; eggs, 8c; cream, 14c.—Mrs. Stella Newbold.

Douglas—A good rain fell, accompanied in some localities by hall which damaged corn and buildings. Sweet clover seed harvested and fall plowing under way. Good demand for watermelons and muskmelons which are cheap. Plans being made for local and county fairs.—Mrs. G. L. Glenn.

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Franklin—August 6 had an inch of rain with heavy wind that blew corn down badiy in some fields. Rain too late to do most of the corn much good, but helped kafir and pastures. Could use a lot more rain. Cattle and hogs slow sale. Home-grown watermelons plentiful and selling very cheap. A big per cent of grapes rotted on the vines. Much interest in politics, many think Brinkley will be winner. Not much plowing being done. Potatoes rotting some. Market sales doing tremendous business. Much road grading. Wheat, 38c; corn, 27c to 32c; oats, 12c; butterfat, 14c to 17c; eggs, 9c to 14c; large hens, 7c; Leghorn hens, 8c; old roosters, 3c.—Elias Blankenbeker.

Gove and Sheridan—Rains and growing weather since July 29, have changed feed and corn prospects considerably. July was the driest and hottest in several years. Wheat ground in fine condition to work and about all farmers busy preparing it. Threshing at a standstill. Livestock looking good, very few public sales. Farm products low. Politics warming up with usual campaign pledges so numerous they cannot be fulfilled, as officers elected cannot remember them.—John I. Aldrich.

Graham—All crops suffering for rain. Little corn will be raised here this year. If rain does not come soon, feed will be scarce. Livestock doing well on grass pasture, flies not as bad as a month ago. Farm labor plentiful at \$1 a day. No public sales being held. Wheat, 32c; corn, 25c; cream, 15c; eggs, 9c; hogs, \$3.75.—C. F. Welty.

Hamilton—Some uncut wheat. Rains spotted. Too dry for plowing. Pastures badly burned. Weeds a big problem. badly burned Earl Hinden.

Harper—Reduced acreage of wheat evident, early plowing in progress. Dry, hot winds have injured corn. Stack threshing has begun, many fields of oats not harvested owing to wet weather. Yields were from 5 to 52 bushels an acre. Third cutting of alfalfa being cut. Wheat, 33c; oats, 15c; butterfat, 15c; eggs, 8c.—Mrs. W. A. Luebke.

Jefferson—Showers have helped corn but more rain needed. Wells getting low. Vir-tually no plowing being done as ground is baked. Pastures are poor, third cutting of alfalfa will be fair. Corn, 27c; springs, 9c; eggs, 10c; butterfat, 14c.—J. J. Blevins.

Jewell—Scattered showers but need a general rain. Most of county has received about 2 inches of moisture in scattered showers. Corn looks fair, some fields severely damaged. Fall plowing about finished. Corn, 25c; wheat, 35c; eggs, 12c; cream, 18c.—Lester Broyles.

Johnson—No rain of consequence from July 4 until August 2, when a spotted ½-inch rain came. Ground generally too hard to plow. No hot winds, but the intense heat has withered vegetation. Threshing

of shock grain completed, yields light to fair. Prices of all farm products ruinously low. Potato growers cannot afford to dig their crops. Farm labor receives from 10 to 25c an hour. Insect pests harassing melon growers. Grapes suffer from black rot. Livestock health good. Oats, 13c; wheat, 28c.—Mrs. Bertha Bell Whitelaw.

Leavenworth—July was very hot and dry but August brought rain and more pleasant weather. Corn and gardens were injured, but rains came in time to be a wonderful help, late gardens looking fine. Livestock in good shape. Demand increasing for good, fresh eggs, as hens are not laying heavily. Picnic time here.—Mrs. Ray Longacre.

Linn—Good rain August 5, helped row crops and pastures. Farmers busy putting up third cutting of alfalfa and plowing for wheat. Some getting ready to dig potatoes and make sorghum. Farm women canning all kinds of vegetables, everybody trying to beat old man depression. Prices getting better. Cream, 16c; eggs, 11c; oats, 14c; wheat, 34c.—W. E. Rigdon.

Logan—Local showers wet the ground in good shape in some localities, while others are dry. Late corn and all sor-ghums doing well. Preparing ground for wheat. Eggs, 8½c; cream, 16..—H. R.

Lyon—Rains every week of great help to corn, kafir, and gardens. Will be good crop of corn. Plowing for wheat main work now, about same acreage will be sown. Pastures growing. Good crop of grapes, no apples or peaches. Eggs. No. 1, 14c; No. 2, 9c; hens, 6c to 9c.—E. R. Griffith.

Marshall—Wanted: Good rain P. D. Q. Cream has advanced in price on account of dry pastures, 19c today, eggs, 5c to 16c. Prairie hay drying up. No road work at all. More tramps on highway than in 40 years.—J. D. Stosz.

Marion—Most of county needing rain. Plowing is the main occupation. Women canning more vegetables than usual, fruit scarce and high priced. Prices higher on wheat, eggs and butterfat. Wheat, 34c; eggs, 12c; butterfat, 18c.—Mrs. Floyd Taylor.

Miami—Corn will be cut somewhat short by hot, dry weather. Soil dry for fall plowing. Hay-making time and some cool-er. Many digging potatoes, quality fine and yields good. Grapes ripening, crop will be good.—W. T. Case.

Mitchell—Several rains are wonderful help to crops, July drouth cut corn short. Potato yield fair. Wheat, 30c.—Mrs. G. M.

Neosho—Possibly less wheat acreage will be sown in this county than for years, few farmers plowing for wheat. Threshing about completed except the stacked grain. Plenty of moisture for growing crops, more needed for plowing. Wind and hail damage in some localities, Considerable prairie hay being baled and quality good. Land being prepared for seeding alfalfa. Livestock and poultry fine and mostly free of disease. Community sales well attended and sales more brisk. Considerable interest in coal mining and leasing land for this purpose.—James D. McHenry.

Ness—Dry, hot, windy weather continuing. Little plowing done owing to dry soil. Disking and one-waying being done for fall seeding of wheat. Feed crop about ruined by drouth.—James McHill.

Rice-Few good showers but good general rain needed, corn generally damaged by dry weather. Silos being filled and plowing done. No sales. 4-H county fair being planned. Wheat, 36c; eggs, 11c; hens, 8c.—Mrs. E. J. Killion.

Rooks—Dry weather continues, local showers have helped only in small areas. Corn prospect not the best. Farmers cutting prairie hay and plowing or one-waying their ground. Dry for seeding. Wheat, 33c; corn, 25c; eggs, 7c; cream, 13c.—C. O. Thomas.

Rush—Drouth continues except for few scattered showers, corn practically dried up. Much corn has been, and is being, put in silos. Grain sorghums in heading stage are being greatly injured by dry weather. Pastures and alfalfa at standstill. Plowing for wheat about three quarters finished, has been stopped by dry soil. Wheat, 34c; eggs, 9c; butterfat, 14c.—William Crotinger.

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Sherman—Harvest mostly over, very good yield in both wheat and barley. Corn good the county over, part of earliest planting hurt some by dry weather. Will have considerable 40-bushel corn in county this year. Feed crops good over county. Hoppers did little or no damage. Considerable hog disease now. Farm sales just starting. Stock cattle suffered considerably from flies for short while. Wheat, 32c; barley, 14c; cream, 15c; heavy hens, 8c; broilers, 10c; eggs, 12c.—Col. Harry Andrews.

Sumner-Hot and dry. Some farmers have given up plowing, few using one-way. Pastures dry and short except where Bulfalo grass is seeded. Fruit scarce. To-matoes, melons and corn good, consider-ing heat. Eggs, 9c; cream, 12c; wheat, 30c; oats, 12c.—Mrs. J. E. Bryan.

Wilson—Threshing almost done, some wheat did better than expected. Oats and flax yield satisfactory, only price so low. Corn and kafir doing extra well, native grass has made large growth, some meadows being baled. Stock doing well. Butterfat, 16c; springs, 11 and 12c.—Mrs. A. E. Burgess.

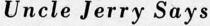
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# Hopper Swarm at Night

MIDNIGHT of August 8, a cloud of migrating grasshoppers swooped down on Oketo, Kan., near the Nebraska line. The whir of their wings could be heard for "more than a mile."
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### Kansas Pit Bars a Co-Op

L IKE its big relative, the Chicago wheat pit, the Hutchinson Board of Trade has denied membership to a trading unit of the Farmer's National Grain Corporation, the Hall-Baker Grain Company. "Of course, the Hutchinson Board of Trade could be dealt with under the provisions of the Grain Futures Act," said Fred Lake, manager of the company, "but we contemplate no further action. We shall continue to transact business as in the past."

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# Bear Creek Crossing

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then, remembering who and what she was, who and what he, she laughed lightly.

"You don't seem a bit glad to talk with me," she replied. "You see, the other night, at Swayne's Roadhouse, I was frightened and nervous, I sup-pose. And I accused you of something which I knew was not true. I have

wanted to apologize."

"That's all right," he told her colorlessly. "It was true. I knew who the man was an' he was a frien' of

"Oh!" Instead of looking angry, as he had supposed she would do, she merely looked delighted. "Won't you tell me about it?"

He shook his head. "I can't miss.

There ain't anything to tell."

THE violinist had tuned and scraped and now, with a nod to his fellow musicians, flung himself into a new waltz. Sibyl Estabrook, looking curiously upon the Bear Track man, for a little hesitating, suddenly leaned nearer to him and said gently, "You haven't asked me for a dance! If you have really forgiven me."

If you have really forgiven me—"
His quick refusal, curt and ungracious, was upon the tip of his tongue. Then he saw beyond her the odd smile upon John Brent's face, remembered his, "I believe that my Bad Man is afraid of a woman!" saw the amuse-

ment in Dabner's eyes, and said shortly.

"I'd be glad!"

It was just an impulse, the impulse of a coquette, that had made Sibyl Estabrook seek him out. She had laughingly admitted to the Judge that she ought to be ashamed to fling herself at a man's head this way, that never before in all her life had she even dreamed of forcing herself upon a man in a dance. But she had seen that he had danced with no one else, she had seen that he had not more

than lifted his hat to any woman there, and it was not her way to go unnoticed. She had invested him with a certain romance, had builded an outlaw out of him, had been quick to see that no other man there had this one's natural beauty or slow-moving grace; while she did not intend to forget that he was but a cowboy, a being beyond the pale of her set, none the less he was a man, and a woman might play with him. She was a bit tired of Mr. Dabner's monotonous graceful platitudes, and a bit reckless with something in the open air. And now, as Hal put his arm about her, and they caught the beat of the music, there was a flush of triumph in her cheeks, a quick light of satisfaction in her eyes.

SHE sought to speak further of the affair at Swayne's Roadhouse for little, but Hal made no answer. Then she grew silent with him. She felt his arm about her, holding her close to him, and suddenly forgot all else than the dance as they swept out to the middle of the floor. For this man did not dance as did Mr. Dabner, man did not dance as did Mr. Dabner, as did any one with whom Sibyl had ever gone thru the steps of a waltz. The music crept into him until its rhythm was one with the rhythm of his supple body, until the waltz was what a waltz should be, the soul of the poetry of motion. With a little gasp of surprise that this cowboy could dance as she had never known a dancing master dance, she gave herself over to his guidance, gave her herself over to his guidance, gave her soul over to the keen enjoyment of the moment.

She sighed a little as she felt his arm tighten about her, knowing that she had not really danced until now. She forgot to note the effect they were making, she with her gauzy white gown and fair skin, he with his holiday chaps and red knotted hand-kerchief and swarthy, tanned bronze of cheek and throat. She just remembered that after all he was a man, she a woman, and they both were young, that the music and the night and the stars made one of the two of them. When she looked up into his face the blood ran red into hers. For there was a smile in his eyes, and back of the smile were the flattering things which many men said to her but which none had said with the eloquence with which they were being said wordlessly to her now.

At her seat she made room for him, drawing her skirts aside. He stood for a moment, looking down at her very gravely.

# Farm Prices Jumped

The sharpest rise in farm prices since the peak days of the World War, occurred in the 30 days that closed July 15, reports the Department of Commerce. Gains included:

Per cent
General farm products 9.6
Corn16.6
Lard
Fresh beef
Fresh lambs
Fresh pork loins
Fresh pork shoulders
Eggs
Cream and butter11.1
Cheese 8.5
Light packer hides
Heavy packer hides
Calfskins

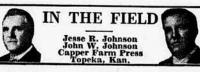
"No," he said quietly tho a bit un-

He put on his hat and left her abruptly, going across the platform and dropping down into the shadows. And he didn't see the men and women among whom he moved en among whom he moved.

### TO BE CONTINUED

The old boy who says he has driven 24,000 miles without a puncture, used to say the little mare had stepped a mile without wetting a hair.

Europe has more idle men than America, but they are called soldiers.



Lee Bolton, Poland China breeder and exhibitor, will be out at the fairs this fall with a good exhibit.

M. H. Haskins, Republican City, Neb., are breeders of registered Shorthorns and are the owners of a good herd.

Dr. B. F. Stewart, Cambridge, Neb., is the owner of a popular and very strong herd of registered Milking Shorthorns.

Ed. L. Eversmeyer, Randolph, Kan., has for sale a three year old Milking Shorthorn bull that he is through with and will sell at a very low price.

Barrett & Son, Oberlin, Kan., are the owners of a yearling Broadcloth boar now heading their herd of registered Poland Chinas. He is a good one.

H. F. Miller, Norcatur, has 16 registered Hereford bulls from six to 22 months old for sale. Mr. Miller has always used straight Anx-iety 4th sires.

The Smith-Jewel county D. H. I. association held their annual picnic at Clyde McCormick's Mac-Bess Holstein farm near Cedar (Smith county), August 4.

L. E. Westlake of Kingman, Kan., maintains a good herd of registered O. I. C. hogs. The spring crop of pigs number over 80. Just the tops are to be sold as breeders.

J. Lee Dunn, Page City, Kan., (Logan county), has a nice ranch that joins Page City on the north, and breeds Durocs and Holstein cattle. A number of years ago he bred Durocs and Herefords in Russell county.

J. E. Bell, Superior, Neb., has claimed October 25 for his Hampshire boar and gilt sale and February 17 for a bred sow sale. He has over 300 spring pigs that are doing nicely.

Frank Flipse, Oakley, Kan., has a nice herd of registered Durces, and will offer boars and gilts of spring farrow for sale this fall. Lead-ing popular breeding is represented in his herd.

Julius Petracek, Oberlin, Kan., has 120 Chester White spring pigs that have done fine this summer. He is not going to hold a public sale but will sell at private sale boars and glits.

Gov. A. C. Shellenberger, Alma, Neb., is out again this year with a strong Shorthorn show herd. He is planning to sell his bulls this fall at private sale and will not hold a public sale.

Wm. P. & S. W. Schneider, breeders of registered Shorthorns at Logan, Kan., have for sale some choice young bulls of serviceable age. They are good individuals and excellently bred.

Goernandt Bros., Aurora, Kan., have over 300 head of registered Polled Hereford cattle in their pastures at the present time. They offer some extra choice young bulls for sale and females.

fair and other fairs that follow. Their big attraction will be the boar Good News Again, a son of the National Reserve Grand champion Good News.

J. C. Banbury & Sons, Polled Shorthorn breeders of Pratt, Kan., reports a good de-mand for breeding stock. Prices are some low-er but farmers appreciate the fact that now is a good time to buy. Banbury's plan to hold a sale this fall

Leslie Linville, Monument, Kan., (Logan county), is the proprietor of the pioneer herd of Brown Swiss cattle in Western Kansas. His father founded the herd over a quarter of a century ago and the Linville strain of Brown Swiss are popular.

John A. Yelek, Rexford, Kan., breeder of registered Hampshire hogs and Milking Short-horn cattle, is a candidate for commissioner in Sheridan county this fall and is going to be elected. He will sell Hampshire hogs at auc-tion, October 26.

Levi Burton, Bartley, Neb., is the owner of one of the strong herds of registered Hampshire hogs in Nebraska. He has over 350 boars and gilts of last spring farrow and is planning to hold a sale in October and a bred sow sale in February.

Vern Albrecht, Smith Center, Kan., is not going to hold a boar sale this fall and is offering right now at very attractive prices young spring boars that are by noted prize winning boars and their dams are winners everywhere they have been shown.

B. C. Scott, Jennings, Kan., one of the very scoresful Durce breeders of Northwest Kansas, is developing 200 spring pigs this summer that he will sell the top boars and gilts from this fall at private sale. They are by state fair prize winning sires and dams.

George Woolley, Osborne, Kan., will have some young bulls for sale this fall out of dams that are daughters and granddaughters of Pauline Segis Superior, the great foundation cow in Mr. Woolley's herd, and one of the really remarkably good cows of the breed.

H. L. Rinehart, one of the most successful registered Ayrshire cattle breeders in Kansas, offers for sale a limited number of cows and heifers at reduced prices. This is necessary to cut herd to barn capacity for winter. They are from good record ancestors. He also offers young bulls.

J. A. Lavell, McDonald, Kan., (Rawlins county), is a breeder of very high quality Jerseys, and recently bought a bull from Linden Grove farm, Coopersberg, Penn. This young aristocrat was sired by an Island bred bull and his dam was an Island cow imported and a noted show cow.

Vavaroch Bros., Oberlin, Kan., have their usual good crop of Duroc spring pigs farrowed and being developed on three farms. They will sell top boars and gilts at private sale and the date of their annual bred sow sale is February 25. It will be held in the sale pavilion at Oberlin as usual.

One of the largest herds of registered Shorthorns in the state is the H. D. Adkinson herd at Almena, Kan. Bulls of the highest quality have always been used and there are over 100 head of straight Scotch Shorthorns in the herd at the present time. They have 20 bulls for sale from six to 12 months old.

Early in his career as a breeder of registered Holstein cattle, Allott Brown of Pratt, bought a high record bull paying \$1,000 for him. This bull has been followed by two bulls of like values with even higher record ancestors. Mr. Brown attributes the present high butterfat records of his present herd to the use of good bulls.

Undaunted by the low prices and rather poor demand for good cattle that has prevailed for a year or more, Ben Bird of Protection, is going forward in his breeding business. He now has 125 head in the herd, 50 of them breeding cows. He continues to buy and keep the best herd bulls obtainable. He knows better days are ahead.

W. F. McMichael of Cunningham, Kan., one of the oldest and most successful registered Red Polled cattle breeders in Kansas, now has 125 head of registered cattle on hand. Mr. and Mrs. McMichael will celebrate their fiftieth wedding anniversary in October and plans are being made to hold a big reduction sale on the same date.

Ajax Boy and Joe's News are two outstanding herd boars in J. A. Sanderson's Spotted Poland China herd at Oronoque, Kan. He is selling his boars and some gilts at private sale and will hold a bred sow sale in Norton, February 21. Mr. Sanderson is superintendent of the livestock division at the Norton fair to be held the last of this month.

The Kansas State Ayrshire Breeders' Association will hold their annual field day and picnic at the Homer Hoffman farm, near Abiene, Kan., next Thursday, August 25. C. T. Conklin, secretary of the national association, will be present and make a speech. All interested in Ayrshires are invited. Mr. Hoffman is a pioneer Kansas Ayrshire breeder.

Mr. and Mrs. Worth, Lyons, Kan., attended the state Holstein Breeders' Association picnic at Topeka last Wednesday, which was held at the state hospital farm adjoining Topeka. Mr. Worth owns one of the splendid herds of registered Holsteins in the state, and recently sold five two year old heifers for \$900 to the Chilco Indian school near Arkansas City, Kan.

D. V. Spohn, Superior, Neb., and N. H. Angle & Son, Courtland, Kan., are Duroc breeders, who always take their show herds out together and own some of their herd boars jointly and hold joint public sales and while the herds are owned separately they find it profitable and pleasant to co-operate in this manner. They have about 100 spring pigs each and you will meet them at the leading fairs this fall.

fer some extra choice young bulls for sale and females.

Ray League, Stratton, Neb., is the owner of an outstanding Spotted Poland China boar, a senior yearling bred by E. T. Sherlock, St. Francis, Kan., that will be hard to beat in the show ring this fall.

Porter Bros., Quinter, Kan., breed registered Hereford cattle and Hampshire hogs. They had a fine trade in bulls last spring and will have a nice lot of young Hereford bulls and Hampshire boars for sale this fall.

October 22, hog feeders day at Manhattan, has been selected by the Kansas Hampshire Breeders' Association as the appropriate time for their annual picnic which will be held at the college on the above date.

Weldon Miller, Norcatur, Kan., has three last fall boars, sired by The Anchor, for sale at right now prices that are attractive. He has over 100 spring boars and gilts that are choice. He will sell bred sows in February.

T. H. Rundle & Sons, Poland China breeders are preparing their hogs for the big Belleville

# Public Sales of Livestock

Duroc Hogs

Oct. 20—Laptad Stock Farm, Lawrence, Kan. Feb. 4—Vern Albrecht, Smith Center, Kan. Feb. 24—Weldon Miller, Norcatur, Kan. Feb. 25—Vavaroch Bros., Oberlin, Kan. April 27—Laptad Stock Farm, Lawrence, Kan.

Poland China Hogs

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Feb. 21-J. A. Sanderson, Oronoque, Kan.

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Oct. 25—J. E. Bell, Superior, Neb. Oct. 26—John A. Yelek, Rexford, Kan. Feb. 17—J. E. Bell, Superior, Neb. Feb. 22—John A. Yelek, Rexford, Kan.

Shorthorn Cattle

Oct. 19—S. B. Amcoats, Clay Center, and Blue-mont Farm, Manhattan, at Clay Center, Kan. Holstein Cattle

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