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## Good Work

**N**O STATE legislature this winter has a better record of achievement than the farmer legislature of Kansas which has just quit and gone home. Virtually all of Governor Landon's economy program was enacted, also the promised state income tax law, a 50 per cent reduction in motor car licenses, a consolidation of three departments into one, and a tax limitation law for all taxing districts. In direct appropriations this farmer legislature saved taxpayers \$4,580,127 and in tax reductions, from 7 million to 8 million dollars.

The legislature enacted these measures of direct interest to farmers:

- Abolishing poll tax, saving  $\frac{3}{4}$  million dollars a year.
- Reducing motor car license 50 per cent. Saving car owners 2 million.
- Imposing a state income tax on corporations and individuals, to take effect next March.
- Requesting state tax commission to reduce assessed valuations of real property and improvements 20 per cent.
- Reducing salaries of state appointive officials and employes and supreme court justices approximately 30 per cent; county officials and employes up to 25 per cent.
- Authorizing railroads to engage in highway, airplane and water transport.
- Establishing optional bounties on coyotes, gophers and crows.
- Authorizing the manufacture of industrial alcohol.
- Moratorium on foreclosures, and extending redemption period 6 months.
- Cash basis for counties, cities, school districts, townships after May 1.
- Consolidating fire marshal, oil inspector and hotel commissioner.
- Giving taxpayers greater control over local expenditures of taxes.
- Establishing tax of 10 cents a pound on butter substitutes in which imported ingredients are used.
- Giving governor control over appointment of state highway director.
- Remitting penalties and interest on lands sold for taxes last 2 years.
- Authorizing districts with funds in insolvent banks to issue bonds to pay school expenses.
- Amendments to law relating to trustees of community high schools.
- Authorizing dissolution of districts which fail to maintain school.
- Permitting a land owners' lien on livestock for pasture or feed.
- Authorizing 2 per cent discount on last half of taxes if paid in December.
- Establishing new weights, lengths and widths of highway trucks.
- Prohibiting burdensome requirements in leases on farm lands.
- Changing rural high school annual meetings to third Monday in May; school district meetings to last Friday in May.
- Reducing charges for grain inspection from \$1 to 75 cents a car.
- Granting wider powers to irrigation districts.
- Authorizing organization of corporations to build dams, reservoirs and canals for irrigation.
- Prohibiting for 4 years any except owners or holders of mortgages to redeem lands sold for taxes.
- Requiring counties to set up a central organization to co-ordinate all relief work for poor.
- Directing school textbook commission not to change textbooks except to meet new conditions.
- Authorizing counties to erect buildings on county farms to rent to unemployed.
- Law to stop bootlegging of gasoline by truck and avoidance of payment of tax.
- Improved law exempting from tax, gasoline not used as motor fuel on highways.
- Reducing mileage expense of public officials to 5 cents a mile.
- Prohibiting buying of crude oil illegally taken in Kansas.
- Permitting open season on doves, September 1 to October 15; for quail, November 20 to 30; for prairie chicken, the Tuesday and Wednesday following third Monday in October.
- Changing school textbook commission to state superintendent of public instruction, state printer and five persons appointed by governor, one a county superintendent of schools; one a city superintendent and three not actively in school work.



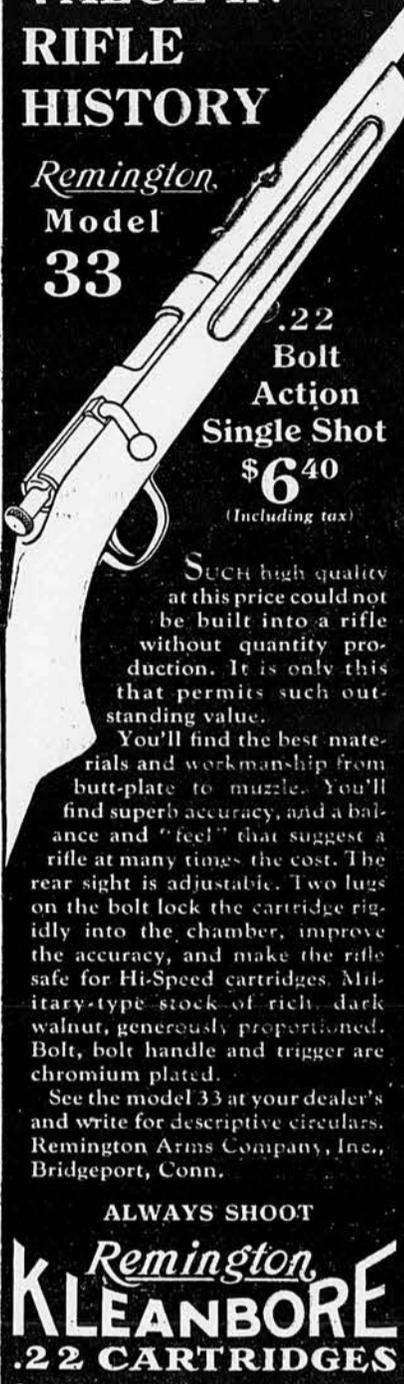
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## Got Seed Thief, Also Reward

J. M. PARKS  
Manager, Kansas Farmer Protective Service

IT was fortunate for Protective Service Member B. L. Wilson, Winfield, that when thieves stole 9 bushels of alfalfa seed from him they had no extra sacks on hand. Wilson visited a Wichita seed market and was able to identify the stolen goods because of the poultry feed sacks in which he had stored a special strain for his own use. A check up with the buyer of the seed led to the conviction of Paul Cranston, Myron Hollingsworth and Lloyd Gaddie. Each was given a 6-month jail sentence. The Protective Service reward of \$25 was paid to Protective Service Member Wilson.

The \$25 reward has been divided between Protective Service Member Hanson and Sheriff C. R. Nordling, McPherson county.

### Detectives Were Suspicious

DETECTIVES thought C. C. Ford was not acting like an honest man when he sold two sets of good harness to a Kansas City second-hand dealer at a low price. Investigation uncovered thefts committed in Jefferson county. Ford was sent to the penitentiary for 5 years for stealing harness from Protective Service Member John Hay, Oskaloosa. A Protective Service reward of \$50 has been divided equally between Mr. Hay and members of the Kansas City Police.



Thru stolen property, found in Kansas, this leader of a gang of Missouri farm thieves was sent up for 4 years by Kansas Farmer

### Busy Thieves

CHARGED with the theft of chickens from three different farmers, Kenneth Teach and Raymond Heck were found guilty by the district court of Saline county and given indeterminate sentences in the state reformatory. One farmer from whom they had stolen, was Protective Service Member J. L. Crawford, Salina. A Protective Service reward of \$25 has been divided among Mr. Crawford, a Salina poultry dealer and former Undersheriff Charles Snyder.

### Betrayed by Car Tracks

WHILE A. McEntire and family, Parsons, R. 1, were absent, clothing, canned fruit and other articles were taken from their home. Car tracks in the snow left by the prowler supplied evidence which led to the conviction of Albert Clough, now serving an indeterminate sentence in the reformatory. A \$25 reward has been paid to Protective Service Member McEntire.

### Pawned Watch Leads to Arrest

BECAUSE Protective Service Member Maurice Hanson, McPherson, knew the identification marks, the sheriff recognized one of Hanson's missing watches when he found it in a pawn shop. This led to the arrest of Marvin Sullivan who is now serving an indefinite term in the reformatory.

### Don't Fall for It

I received a letter from a Los Angeles recording company in regard to the estate of Cyrus A. Clark of whom I had never heard. My mother got a letter from the same place mentioning the estate of an aunt of mine. For \$3 the writer would send a list of the property, names of heirs and copy of will. Would it be wise to pay the \$3?—L. P. W.

No! If you had been one of the beneficiaries of the will, you would have received official notice before the will was filed for probate. Doubtless you were sent this letter for the sole purpose of depriving you of \$3. There are hundreds of such schemes. Wait for official notice that you are among the heirs.

### Check Your Property Often

IT takes quick action to catch a modern thief. The more time you give him, the less the chance of arrest. Check up your farm property every morning. If something is missing, start an investigation. Call on your sheriff to help you. Whether the thief is caught or not, mail a card, or letter, to the Protective Service within two days after you discover the theft. Don't depend on someone else to do this if you expect to share in the reward. Remember we wish to pay this to you, so do your part.

## Work Delayed in Short Grass

HARRY C. COLGLAZIER  
Larned, Kansas

HERE it is almost the first of April and the ground dry as a bone, barring a last minute snow. There is no evidence of any spring work being done. Potatoes should be planted but to do the job up to yesterday, would have required the use of dynamite to make a hole for the seed. A few farmers have dared to sow a little oats and barley. Thousands of acres of wheat are lying in the ground just as sown last fall. The older stands of alfalfa are beginning to show a little growth in spots.

hundred farmers in Larned a few days ago. The purpose of the organization is to get a cost of production price for all farm products. Demands have been made on the President and Congress, and if they are not met on or before May 3 of this year, the Association proposes to declare a national farm strike withholding all products from the market until prices reach a cost basis.

Bad conditions thruout the Southwest are going to make many crop loans necessary. These small loans may be the salvation of many worthy farmers. The Government takes no chances on getting the money back. The maximum loan is \$300 anywhere in the U. S. Those who made the rules had small knowledge of actual farm conditions. A farmer in Eastern Kansas on 20 acres, can borrow \$300 on an equality with the farmer in Western Kansas who farms 1,000 acres. Also the farmer in Western Kansas who has a number of landlords must get a waiver of their claims to any rent, to get a loan. That ruling alone will prevent many from getting help. One of the big problems is to get the folks who make our laws to understand the farm and its needs.

### Seed Loans Made Easier

A NEW regulation for seed loans to tenant farmers, by which landlords or other crop lien holders will not have to waive their liens to enable a tenant to obtain a crop-production loan of \$300, or less, will be issued by the U. S. Department of Agriculture. Henry Wallace, Secretary of Agriculture, has made this promise to Senator Capper, who has been urging that these regulations be made easier to help the county committees handling seed loans in Kansas and elsewhere. Secretary Wallace also told Senator Capper he intended to ask Congress for less rigid restrictions on crop loans for 1934 crops to be planted in 1933. Blanks and information in regard to obtaining seed loans may be had from the county clerk or county agent in the applicant's county.

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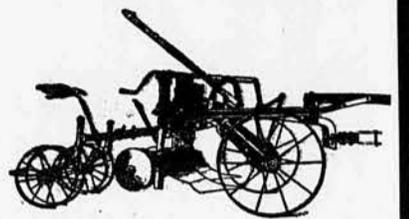
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## Wheat Prices Will Rise

Kansas Farmers Report Heavy Shrinkages in the Crop

UP-TO-DATE I haven't seen a wheat field that isn't spotted thru loss by blowing or by winter killing, and on some sandier land by drought. We had no moisture for a good job of soil preparation, and except for local showers, had very little to bring wheat up last fall. Most of the delay in planting was caused by waiting for moisture, and to avoid wire worms that already were working on winter-seeded fields. Even summer-fallow ground is not showing an even stand, but it is better than the other. We have the poorest chance for wheat I ever have seen. Of course, we will have some if we get enough rain. G. D. Hammond. Stafford Co.

### We're Sorta on the Fence

THIS county is rated about 35 per cent normal for wheat. In our neighborhood it probably is 60 to 75 per cent. Last fall we got some showers and another recently. There was a small decrease in acreage. Ten or 15 per cent has blown out. Some late-sown wheat where ground was worked late, is failing to make a stand. Some volunteer grain hasn't killed out last summer, and in those fields the stand will be thin due to low temperatures in February. However, if the drought should break and spring be unusually wet we could raise quite a crop. If it doesn't it will be the worst failure this county ever has known. Arthur J. White. Comanche Co.

### Deep-Drilled Wheat Best

PROSPECTS for a wheat crop are rather doubtful. In the northern part of the county it will be fair—65 per cent—if we get plenty of moisture. In the south and west, only a small per cent came up last fall, and most of it died from lack of moisture. It has been very dry all winter, no moisture in the ground except in summer-fallowed fields, or in ground well-worked after harvest. There was a 20 per cent cut in acreage seeded last fall. Wheat drilled with the deep-furrow drill on well-worked land is the best and the land doesn't blow. Andrew E. Yale. Gove Co.

### It Is Just a Big Guess

I AM not fully convinced the wheat is dead. Fields I thought beyond help are greening up. Those that had a good start look promising. Very little moisture would change things greatly. Where snow drifts stood this winter my rye is 4 inches tall, and 10 feet from there it looks absolutely dead. Wheat is the same, so there you are. It is just a big guess. Supply of available moisture for plant growth is very low. Fremont Steffel. Norton Co.

### Seed Will Be Scarce

A GOOD many wheat fields are dead. Those that are greening have a lot of dead spots in them, several acres in a place. I recently returned from a trip to Denver. I went out the north route and back the south. I do not believe the western half of the state and the eastern part of Colorado will have enough wheat to seed itself back. Our seeding was cut 10 to 15 per cent. W. A. Barger. Pawnee Co.

### Poorest Prospect in Years

EARLY-SOWN wheat on summer-fallow and corn ground is 90 per cent dead from lack of moisture last fall. A light rain here about October 2, started seeding again. Part of this started, some till is lying there just as it was sown, as is the wheat drilled in November. Probably 60 per cent was seeded after November 1. Only 50 per cent of the usual acreage was seeded last fall. Wind damage has been slight. It is the poorest prospect for wheat in 16 years. I haven't fooled with wheat since 1927, but have observed. I still think our

### A Small Kansas Wheat Crop Well Worth Saving

KANSAS is first in winter wheat. That has made her the chief over-production offender. This year the tables are turned. Some communities cut wheat acreage 5 to 25 per cent. Many farmers did more. That much was voluntary. Drouth, insects, winter-killing, blowing-out, poor seedbeds and late seeding are taking huge tolls. Unless conditions are nearly perfect hundreds of more acres will fail. The crop is likely to be so short that what there is will be well worth getting. So Kansas still leads. This time in the march back to better prices.

county is better adapted to the old cow. Not a great many beef cattle here and only one-third the usual number on full feed. Take this guess on wheat for what it is worth. Plenty of spring moisture always works wonders here. E. W. Morton. Sherman Co.

### Mark Off 80 Per Cent

OUR wheat acreage was cut probably 20 per cent last fall. On top of that, 10 per cent was seeded late and another 10 per cent blew out. Due to lack of moisture and numerous other causes, 70 per cent of the wheat cannot make a crop. That means only 20 per cent is left, which I think is a high enough estimate for Decatur and Sheridan counties. Edgar L. Williams. Decatur Co.

### A Summer-Fallow Score

WHEAT put in after the small crop of last year looks very weak and some fields will be a total failure. The north part of the county that had a near failure last year, causing fields to be fallowed, is showing up in fine condition. It appears that this year will demonstrate again the advisability of summer fallowing. On our farm we have 80 acres of fallow that is greening up nicely. The other wheat on open ground is trying to get started, but must have moisture to

survive. We have only 50 per cent of our usual acreage. Likely will summer-fallow 300 acres.

Just how we will finance farming operations this summer or pay taxes is yet to be determined. From now on income must meet expenses. Barton Co. H. A. Praeger.

### On the Anxious Seat

WE STILL have some prospect for a wheat crop, depending on needed moisture. It is surprising that wheat has come thru as well as it has. Acreage reduction was around 10 per cent. Without favorable conditions abandonment will be large. Very little damage was done by soil blowing. A large per cent of the wheat was seeded late due to lack of moisture. We have had little rain since the night of July 4; in fact, less than 2 inches of moisture. Yet with favorable weather we could raise a 15 to 20 bushel average. Lane Co. Chester Shaffer.

### Cut Acreage 50 Per Cent

WE HAVE the poorest wheat prospect from Dodge City on southwest since 1923, when we raised none. Only 25 per cent of normal acreage was seeded last fall, and another 25 per cent in January and February. More than half of it winter-killed or blew out. We need plenty of moisture to save what little is left. There is a large acreage of barley. Many are applying for seed loans. Intent is to plant the regular acreage to spring crops, possibly more in wide-spaced rows. Grant Co. J. D. Hoel.

### Paying Cut-Worm Costs

THERE was only a 5 per cent reduction in wheat acreage last fall, but the cut-worm is doing a great deal of damage. Some fields have been reseeded to oats. Lack of moisture last fall cut chances for a normal crop this year by 25 per cent. We must have ideal weather conditions from now on to make a 40 per cent wheat crop. Reno Co. A. R. Schlickau.

### It's Up to the Weather

WE HAVE received no moisture to speak of since last October, but our wheat is in good condition. The top soil is dry but the subsoil still is wet. No wheat blew out and very little was sown late. About 5 per cent was seeded too early and is badly infested with fly so is not greening up like the rest. Ellis county can raise a normal crop if the spring is favorable. Ellis Co. C. W. Kraus.

### Seed Failed to Sprout

OUR wheat last year was little more than a fourth of a crop. Acreage seeded last fall was much below normal. Most of it failed to come up, or has died from drouth. Present prospects are the poorest in many years. It is doubtful whether we will have 10 per cent of a normal crop. Ford Co. R. S. Trumbull.

### Could Be Total Failure

WHEAT is in very serious condition thru lack of moisture. Prospect does not exceed 25 per cent of a normal crop. Only a small per cent blew out, but 25 to 30 per cent was seeded too late. Without favorable weather we could have almost a total failure. Wheat on summer-fallow land will give a good account of itself. Clark Co. Chester Young.

### Feeble, But Still Alive

OUR outlook for wheat is none too good, altho it seems that most of it still is alive and would make a crop if the right kind of weather prevailed. Acreage is not quite up to normal. Cheyenne Co. T. G. Wilkens.



# Placing the Responsibility

Passing Comment by T. A. McNeal

I HAVE a subscriber, W. E. Ruff, of Ness City, who interests me. He is a voluminous reader and writer and every once in a while sits down at his typewriter to tell me all about the entire situation. Here is his last general introduction which interests me quite a good deal:

I will explain the business mess, called depression, and about everything else. I will place the responsibility just where it belongs. I will state the truth about things. Of course there are many who want to know "What is truth?" Well I might as well dispose of that question or notion, at once. There are more than 100 million people in the United States who do not know what is truth, do not know right from wrong, or what is honesty or dishonesty. That is why the people are continually in a business mess.

## The Truth in Five Words

IF, as Mr. Ruff says, "There are more than a hundred million people in the United States who do not know what is right from wrong or what is honesty or dishonesty," it might seem that it is a waste of time, energy and typewriter ink and ribbon to try to explain to them what they cannot understand after it is explained. Nevertheless he goes at the impossible task blithely, and with apparent confidence that he can explain to the vast aggregation of hopeless dumbbells what it is all about.

Then he proceeds to say that it can be entirely explained in five words: "That interest is too high."

If that is the entire explanation—and he says it is, then the remedy would seem to be simple; just reduce the interest or maybe abolish it entirely.

## Clouding a Clear Statement

IT is almost an axiom in logic and literature generally, that when a proposition has been stated in its entirety and in the simplest and most easily understood terms, whatever is added in the way of surplus words weakens the original statement. Let me quote the exact language of Mr. Ruff:

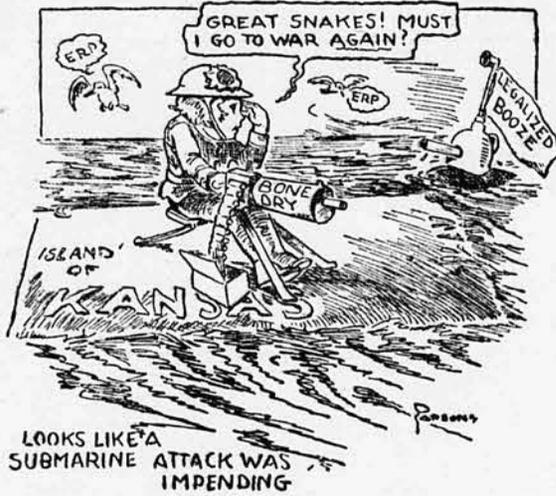
I will explain the business mess, anyway, but no doubt about all have the concept no one can explain it, that no one knows anything about it, or what is wrong. But there are some who can explain it. Will Rogers a few weeks ago explained it entirely in five words: "That interest is too high."

Now there is the brief, clear-cut statement: "Interest is too high." Mr. Ruff says that explains it "entirely." Then whatever he adds to that weakens his statement.

## Why Confuse Weak Minds?

HOWEVER, altho he says that five words used by Will Rogers explain the whole trouble entirely, he proceeds to use up 3,500 additional words in explaining what is entirely explained in five.

Certainly if Mr. Ruff really believed that the whole trouble can be summed up in five words he would not waste 3,500 words in distracting the attention of such as may read his article from the original brief and comprehensive statement and confuse their already weakened minds by such a multitude of useless amplification.



The very length of Mr. Ruff's article—too long to print, I regret to say—disproves the correctness of his initial statement. He says that he knows what is the truth about things. That I presume means all things, because he places no limitation on the number. Then he clearly demonstrates that he knows a very small part of the truth, if any.

NO man can know the truth as an abstract and unqualified whole. A statement detached from everything else may be a statement of fact but is quite likely not to be true when considered in connection with the whole. Interest may be too high, but that is only one of a multitude of factors which have to do with the vast economic, political and social structure of life.

We dote on slogans, because they pass for wisdom. While most of them are only partly true and a great many are positively foolish, some are true under certain conditions and untrue under other conditions.

Mr. Ruff quotes approvingly and with finality one of these slogans: "All wealth is produced by labor."

That is not true now, never was true and never will be true.

## The New Farm Relief Plan

I HAVE read it thru twice, and part way thru the third time. I am not at all certain that I understand it, but the Secretary of Agriculture is the man who has to administer it and presumably he either wrote the bill or helped write it. He ought to know what it means and here is his explanation of what it is intended to do:

- 1. To provide for reduction in acreage or production

## Early Day Boarding Houses

SPEAKING of what "we had to endure in the airly days," remarked Truthful James, "such hotels and boardin' houses as we hed were, generally speakin' full of life. The bed bugs were on the frontier waitin' for the first white settlers when they arrived. They had their habitation in the cottonwoods before there was either sod houses or dugouts, but when the pioneers built the sod houses the bugs moved right in.

One time I was spendin' the night in the frontier town of Wichita. I was young and tender at the time and the bugs left the old tough buffalo hunters, who happened to be stayin' in the so-called hotel, and fed on me. Some of them old buffalo hunters had such tough hides that the bugs couldn't make no impression on them whatever. I was a glorious treat to them bugs.

Well that evenin' a feller come in who was stewed proper. He had imbibed so much of that forty rod that whenever he blowed his nose he burnt a hole in his handkerchief. He was so overcome that the hotel clerk had to carry him upstairs to bed—just tumbled him into bed with his clothes on, entirely dead to the world.

Well that feller waked up two hours after the hotel clerk put him to bed, perfectly sober, but there was over 400 bugs scattered round over the floor and on the bed in a state of beastly intoxication, while another nundred, not quite so far gone were huddled together in a corner of the room tryin' to sing "Sweet Adaline."

The feller who had been intoxicated insisted that he shouldn't be charged anything for his lodgin's on the ground that he had furnished two dollars worth of Medicine Lodge lickier to the bugs and that it ought to be credited on his bill.

of specified farm products and to compensate producers for such reduction thru rental or benefit payments.

2. To enter into marketing agreements with producers, marketing agencies and processors of farm products.

3. To license processors and distributing agencies engaged in interstate or foreign commerce in handling agricultural products and to regulate them so as to eliminate unfair practices and charges.

4. To use the Smith cotton option contract plan on the 1933 crop of cotton.

5. To impose taxes on the processing of the basic agricultural commodities at an amount not in excess of that necessary to restore the pre-war price parity, subject to the limitation that the tax shall be reduced if the full amount is more than can be borne under existing conditions without excessive reduction in consumption.

Perhaps the plan will work out to the advantage of the farmers. Certainly it gives to Secretary Wallace more wide-sweeping and arbitrary powers than were ever before vested in a member of a President's cabinet. The astonishing fact is that this arbitrary power has been vested by a political party whose fundamental principle has always been assumed to be opposition to centralized government.

## The Johnson Grass Law

Please give an analysis of the Johnson grass law. My neighbor sowed Johnson grass with his seed oats in 1931. His farm is above our farm and will prove a menace to our farm if the grass is allowed to sprcad over his farm and the seed allowed to wash down on our farm. Does the law give a man any protection in a matter of this kind?—C. G. M.

THERE are several references to Johnson grass in the statutes but the only law that will especially apply to C. G. M.'s case is found in Article 13, Chapter 2, Revised Statutes. Section 1301 of that article reads:

Every person and every corporation shall destroy, on all lands which he or it may own or occupy, all weeds of the kind known as cockleburrs, burdock, sunflower, Canada thistles, Johnson grass, at such times as the board of county commissioners may direct, and notice shall be published in one or more county papers for a time not less than three weeks before the time fixed upon for the destruction of such noxious weeds.

Section 1302, says:

It shall be the duty of the county commissioners to fix the time for the destruction of such noxious weeds and to provide for their destruction in such manner as to prevent their bearing seed.

Section 1308—If the owner or occupant of any such lands, or the overseer of any highway, or the board of commissioners in any county, shall fail to comply with any of the requirements of this act, they shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. If any county attorney shall fail or refuse to prosecute then the court in which the complaint was brought or pending may appoint some reputable attorney to conduct such prosecution.

Section 1309—The county attorney shall be liable under his bond for any failure to comply with the provisions of this act.

It will be noted, perhaps with surprise by a good many people, that our state flower, the sunflower, is designated along with Johnson grass, as a noxious weed to be exterminated.

For an answer to a legal question, enclose a 3-cent stamped self-addressed envelope with your question to T. A. McNeal, Kansas Farmer, Topeka. Questions answered only for subscribers.



# Held the Grain Market Down

THE Chicago Board of Trade frequently confesses to an undying interest in the farmer's welfare. Yet with other grain exchanges it promptly limited the price that wheat and corn might rise on any one day after the bank holiday, to 5 cents for wheat and 3 cents for corn. In Wall Street stocks were permitted to soar as high as they would. . . . The president of one grain exchange explained that "country holders of wheat might have difficulty in putting up margins in a highly bullish market," meaning the gentlemen who do their farming in front of blackboards in brokers' offices. We have never heard of the Wheat Pit putting a limit on bear markets, even when the President asked it to. That would help real farmers. Kansas Farmer will continue to be strong for a co-operative marketing system.

Since the foregoing was written a committee from the Kansas farm organizations has issued a statement asking, "Why limit the market on an upward trend when no limits were placed to prevent extreme drops which have occurred in recent months?"

The statement was signed by C. A. Ward, president of the Kansas Farmers' Union; C. C. Cogswell, master of the State Grange, and L. E. Webb, president of the Farmers' Co-operative Grain Dealers' association.

## Cutworms Raiding Fields

CUTWORMS are doing serious damage and earlier than usual. Ernest Lohman, Lincoln, gathered a canful from 3 square yards in a field. Near Vesper, 77 were found in a square yard of alfalfa. They are doing sad things to wheat, oats and alfalfa around McPherson. An orchardist near Winfield says the worms are even eating the bark from cherry trees. They have turned wheat fields yellow near Eldorado. The Butler county Farm Bureau has bought 1,400 pounds of arsenic and 4 tons of molasses to feed them in bran mash. There is likely to be a fresh attack on newly-planted corn. . . . To make the mash mix 1 pound of Paris green

## Trend of the Markets

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

	Last Week	Month Ago	Year Ago
Steers, Fed.....	\$ 6.25	\$ 5.25	\$ 7.50
Hogs .....	3.85	3.75	4.15
Lambs .....	7.00	5.60	8.25
Hens, Heavy.....	.10	.10	.10
Eggs, Firsts.....	.09½	.09½	.10
Butterfat .....	.14	.13	.18
Wheat,			
Hard Winter....	.55½	..	.55
Corn, Yellow....	.31	..	.38
Oats .....	.19½	..	.27
Barley .....	.29½	..	.25
Alfalfa, Baled....	13.75	..	20.00
Prairie .....	7.00	..	11.00

Monday wheat jumped to 57½¢, compared to 49½¢ on the same day a year ago.

or white arsenic with 20 pounds of bran. Moisten this with a solution made of 3½ gallons of water, ½ gallon of molasses and 3 ground oranges or lemons. Scatter this in the evening covering 4 or 5 acres. For best protection, use the mash before the corn comes up.

## Farm Conditions Vary

**Anderson**—Wheat came thru winter in fine condition but needs a soaking rain. Early sown oats coming up. Most stock wintered well. Plenty of rough feed. Usual number of chicks being hatched. Eggs, 8c to 10c; butterfat, 13c. Farmers plowing for corn.—G. W. Kiblinger.

**Barton**—Have had several dust storms, moisture needed badly. Very little spring work done. Butterfat, 16c to 17c; wheat, 33c; corn, 21c; eggs, 7c to 8c. Community sale held every week.—Alice Everett.

**Brown**—Most farmers had oats sown before snow storm the first day of spring. Lots of clover seeded, also other grasses. Choice clover seed \$5 a bushel, state tested. More moving than for years. Baby pigs and all livestock doing fine.—L. H. Shannon.

**Cherokee**—Wheat gradually making appearance. Lots of oats seeded. If we don't get more rain, wheat, oats and corn won't grow. Cattle, horses and hogs gaining in price. Mines working a lot more men. Electric company doing better. Eggs, 8c; cream, 16c.—J. H. Van Horn.

**Cheyenne**—A 7-inch snow late in March was first to stay on fields. Little spring grain seeded yet, some disking done.

Wheat on summer-fallow looks good. General optimism over upturn in financial situation. Farmers going ahead on year's plans with high hopes. County commissioners giving help to needy on road project. Hogs, \$3; corn, 15c; barley, 12c to 16c; seed, oats, 20c; eggs, 8c; butterfat, 13c.—F. M. Hurlock.

**Clay**—Most wheat looking well. Recent rain was much needed. Oats all seeded. Much interest in poultry, farm women busy with baby chicks. Folks taking present crisis patiently, hoping a brighter day is near. Farms scarce, many unable to find places.—Ralph L. Macy.

**Douglas**—Many gardens up. Good demand for hay and feed. Most district schools will close the third or fourth week in April. Early chicks making good growth. Eggs, 8c.—Mrs. G. L. Glenn.

**Edwards**—Dry and windy. Many gardens being made where irrigation is possible. Most farmers hatching chicks. Big demand for farms to rent. Wheat, 33c; eggs, 9c; cream, 15c; corn, 21c.—Myrtle B. Davis.

**Ellsworth**—Need a good rain. Wheat fair in most fields. All oats planted but has been too dry to grow. Plenty of fodder and hay. We are proud of our U. S. Senators for voting dry. Wheat, 34c; corn, 21c; oats, 14c; seed oats, 18c; butter, 14c; butterfat, 14c; eggs, 9c.—Don Helm.

**Ford**—Have had several bad dust storms. Ground still dry. Prospect for wheat getting worse every week. A few farmers seeded oats in dry ground. Not many potatoes planted and not much gardening done. Wheat, 33c; corn, 18c; cream, 13c; eggs, 9c; seed potatoes, \$1.48 a cwt.—John Zurbuchen.

**Greenwood**—Had a good rain but not enough for stock water. Oats showing up a good stand. Pasture rents lower than last year. More plowing being done than usual. Feed and grain prices advancing. Corn, 20c; wheat, 33c; kafir, 15c; bran, 60c; shorts, 70c; eggs, 7c to 10c; cream, 12c.—A. H. Brothers.

**Hamilton**—Recent rain and snow sufficient to start wheat. We soon can tell whether it will pay to take a chance on a crop or put wheat ground to row crops or summer fallow. Community sales at Syracuse have been popular, prices satisfactory. Baby chicks arriving. Grass and weeds starting. Considerable barley being planted on abandoned wheat ground. Several farmers applying for crop loans.—Earl L. Hinden.

**Harper**—Crops need rain badly. Wheat blown out, winter-killed and worms have taken some. Prospects very poor. Oats coming up. Corn planting started. Some fall-sown alfalfa winter-killed. Community sales well attended.—Mrs. W. A. Luebke.

**Harvey**—High winds and cutworms destroyed many wheat fields that are being drilled to oats. Others will be planted to corn. Livestock doing fine. Wheat, 35c;

## Market Prospects

Wheat stored in farm bins is good property and will be better in view of the short crop ahead and improved demand.

World shipments of wheat continue at much higher level than during the first half of the season—more than 16 million bushels weekly, compared with 13 million during September, October and November.

The index of farm prices, except for poultry and dairy products, moved up 1 point from February 15 to March 15. Cotton, hogs and wheat led the improvement in 21 farm products.

Kaw Valley potato acreage will be 13 per cent smaller than acreage harvested last year. Reductions in other commercial sections range from 3 to 18 per cent.

Premium lambs, graded and marketed in the last 3 years, co-operatively, sold 35 to 40 cents a hundred higher than regular market top. It will work again.

Corn acreage in the U. S. will be 3.5 per cent less than was harvested last year, says the Department of Agriculture. Kansas alone will show a 2 per cent increase.

Planting intentions March 1 for the country compared to a year ago include: Spring wheat, 97.5 per cent; oats, 97; barley, 97.7; soybeans, 108.9; tame hay, 101.1.

corn, 18c; kafir, 16c; cream, 15c.—H. W. Prouty.

**Jewell**—Wheat looks fine. Many farmers sowing oats. Some potatoes planted. Most farmers look for better prices, and look to President Roosevelt to help end depression. All banks in the county opened for business.—Lester Broyles.

**Johnson**—Oats seeding and potato planting completed. Small acreage of wheat in fair condition. Moisture requirements fairly well met. Gardens planted but little growing weather so far. Farm women depending on hen and home-hatched chicks to a large extent. Many families moving to small tracts from the city. Much interest in possibility of lower interest rates.—Mrs. Bertha E. Whitelaw.

**Logan**—Long dry spell at last broken with rains and snow. Wheat that didn't sprout last fall is making a start. Considerable barley sown and no doubt will come on fine. Cream, 15c; eggs, 8c.—H. R. Jones.

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# Nation to Go to Bat for the Farm

I AM GOING to vote for the President's farm relief bill. It gives broad dictatorial powers to the Secretary of Agriculture to use his best judgment and information to put agriculture on its feet. There are many who doubt it will work; there are many who do not want it to work; there are many who will put obstacles in its way. But the Roosevelt plan for farm relief faces some facts that only the farm organizations, farm leaders and some of us here who have been called "the farm bloc" for the last 10 or 12 years, have known to be the facts.

These dictatorial powers are to be used to attempt to restore pre-war purchasing power to the farmer, that farmers and city workers both may return to prosperity thru the free and comparatively equal exchange of farm products for manufactured products and for services, which is largely labor.

If the Secretary of Agriculture believes the payment of benefits to wheat growers, say 40 cents a bushel or 60 cents a bushel, from the Federal treasury, in return for the grower's agreement to reduce production a specified per cent, is the best way to handle wheat, the Secretary can adopt that plan, which is the domestic allotment plan. The wheat grower would get this benefit whether or not he had any wheat to sell.

If the Secretary decides to lease land and take it out of production, paying the farmer a rental for that land, the Secretary can use that plan, which is called the land leasing plan. He can use the option pooling plan for cotton. He can use another plan for corn, for hogs, for other commodities, if he desires.

The bill authorizes the Secretary to levy taxes on the processing of farm commodities by millers, packers and others, to raise funds to pay the bene-

fits to the farmers. It authorizes him to license all handlers of farm commodities named, to insure control of the marketing and distribution, and the elimination of unfair practices.

The bill authorizes the Secretary to make marketing agreements with any and all marketing agencies, to aid in controlling production and distribu-

tion, and to give both farmers and consumers a square deal.

It gives the Secretary, subject to Presidential control, absolute power to attempt the control of production and marketing of the chief farm commodities.

In effect, the bill says to Secretary Wallace, and thru him to President

Roosevelt who asked for this power:

"Go ahead and use any or all plans proposed for the purpose of increasing farm prices back toward the pre-war level. Use them in the most economical way to insure fair prices and the rebuilding of our export markets. Here is almost unlimited power. Use it, don't abuse it."

The object of course is to increase farm prices, which today are lower by about 50 per cent than are other commodity prices, low as all prices have fallen. I say here, as I have said many, many times on the floor of the Senate, that without the restoration of farm prices we cannot hope for national prosperity.

The Roosevelt program, bitterly as it may be denounced by industrialists who do not understand, bitterly as it may be denounced and misrepresented by millers, and packers, and boards of trade and associated industries who do understand, is justifiable in the public interest in this critical situation.

That is the big reason I am supporting it. We could have saved this situation 10 years ago, even 5 years ago, with less drastic measures. But these same forces that now are opposing this farm relief bill, fought and defeated every one of the less drastic plans proposed. Now it looks as if they would have to take this one.

The farm organizations are strong for the Roosevelt plan. I believe they are right and I shall stand by them.

*Arthur Capper*  
Washington, D. C.

Senator Capper will discuss national affairs Tuesday, April 11, at 10:30 a. m., our time, over WIBW (580 kilocycles). And the following Tuesday, April 18, at 7:45 p. m., on the Columbia chain and WIBW.

## The President's Debt Plan

AS NOW BEFORE CONGRESS it provides a 2 billion-dollar bond issue for refinancing distressed mortgages and delinquent taxes and offers inducements for mortgage holders to scale down such obligations. It is expected the new credit organization will be in operation within 60 days, with Henry Morgenthau, jr., now head of the Farm Board, as its governor, if Congress passes the measure promptly. The bill provides for voluntary debt-adjustment committees of seven farmers, business men and bankers in each farm region. The program includes these provisions:

Voluntary debt adjustments aided by regional counselors appointed by the Secretary of Agriculture.

Refinancing of farm mortgages at 4½ per cent interest, the debt-carrying capacity of the mortgaged farm being taken into consideration—50 per cent on the value of the farm and 20 per cent on improvements, 70 per cent being the maximum covered by the new mortgage.

Use of Federal Land banks and the Reconstruction Corporation for this refinancing.

Credit corporations to be authorized to make direct loans to farmers for paying interest, amortization installments and taxes for not more than 2 years.

Land banks may purchase existing mortgages, or exchange Reconstruction Corporation bonds for the mortgages.

Five loan plans will be provided for refinancing the mortgage debt of the individual farmer.

1. Advances will be made for paying not more than 2 years' interest in taxes.
2. Long-term loans, not to exceed 75 per cent of the fair value, will be available where delinquent interest and taxes cannot be adjusted.
3. Second mortgage loans will be offered as an inducement to the holder of a "distressed" mortgage to reduce his claim to an amount not exceeding 70 per cent of the fair value of the farm.
4. Reconstruction Corporation bonds will be exchanged for outstanding farm mortgages.
5. Mortgages will be purchased.



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# Our Neighbors

## Yes, Indeed

□ Whether a man is satisfied with his lot seems to depend on what it's a lot of.

□ Yes, America was free of evils in the good old days—the good old days prior to 1492.

□ One thing the world needs is a way to get its deflations on the installment plan.

□ A commission is a small body of puzzled men entirely surrounded by a sea of advice.

□ Just now there are six—Mussolini, Roosevelt, Kemal, Stalin, Hitler and the Interstate Commerce Commission.

## Made Him Little Nervous

WHEN the driver of a poultry truck stopped at a Vescott garage, he forgot to take the truck out of gear. When he cranked the car to go on, it started up with a flourish, knocked over two gas pumps and smashed a



SOME FAVOR A RETURN OF THE OLD "BARTER" SYSTEM

door, doing \$40 worth of damage. Gasoline was scattered everywhere. To quiet his nerves, the perturbed driver as he stood in a puddle of gasoline, pulled out a cigaret and lighted it. Everyone else ran. This time fate was with him. No explosion followed.

## It Figures This Way

THE Cawker Ledger recently announced a "Jillion Dollar Rain for Cawker." For the benefit of those who do not know what a jillion is, E. E. Kelley explains that 10 skillions make a rillion, and it takes 10 rillions to make a jillion.

## Suspicious Circumstances

A BIDDER at an auction in Independence during the banking holiday, had trouble making change for a \$21 purchase. He had the \$1 all right, but couldn't find a single \$20 in his roll. They were all \$50 or \$100 bills. Could he have been a hoarder?

## He Needed Small Change

FOLKS who use their heads come off better in almost any emergency. A merchant at Elgin, Ill., foreseeing a shortage of small change, interviewed all the deacons who passed the collection plates in the churches and traded them big bills for the Sunday collections.

## A Curious Coincidence

SPEAKING of coincidences, Charles Walter, Marquette, who once spent many years as a locomotive engineer in the cab of engine No. 2350 on the Missouri Pacific, now drives an auto. When he got his 1933 license plate the other day and unwrapped it, he found the tag number was 2350.

## Almost Lunched With F. R.

THE only Republican governor west of the Mississippi, Gov. Landon, of Kansas, met President Roosevelt at the White House the other day. Senator Capper introduced them. The two

Kansans almost had lunch with the President. They found him eating his at his desk in the executive offices. The governor discovered the President was very likeable. They discussed the oil situation briefly. Then the governor urged President Roosevelt to take advantage of an amendment Senator Capper had just added



JUST TRYING TO MOP UP

to the President's reforestation bill to extend this unemployment relief measure to state parks and lakes in Kansas and other states. The Kansas governor then sought the nearest lunch stand himself and Senator Capper returned to the capitol to lunch with Henry Morgenthau and discuss ways for combining the Government's farm lending agencies.

## Crop Payments for Farms

FARMS in Morton and Stanton counties have been sold recently on crop payments. The buyers do not have the money, but contract to foot the bill with future crops. They will contribute their labor and have a home with a chance to own it eventually if they have a reasonable amount of luck.

## Old Money Comes to Light

IN a business transaction with one of its customers in Minnesota the Capper Publications received \$400 in currency by registered letter. The bills were all of large denominations and several were gold certificates. All were mellow with age and indicated that they had been out of circulation for a long time.

## Saved Old Folks' Home

AT Goodland the sale of mortgaged property of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Delay had been ordered. Then their son, Lawrence Delay, made a deal with the mortgage holders, buying the property on his own appraisal and assuming the responsibility, not only of taking care of the property but of the old folks as well. Which is just as they used to do it on the stage.

## An Unusual Kansan Gone

AFTER a long illness Freemont Leidy is no more. He had a fine farm near Leon and once owned one of the famous Shorthorn herds of Kansas. The after-war farm depression broke him. He is said to have been the best informed farmer in Kansas and to have had the largest farm library in the state. He was formerly a school teacher in Butler county and became principal of the high school.

## Saved Ingall's Picture

WHEN a good Democrat was appointed to replace Senator Capper as chairman of the District of Columbia committee and mayor of Washington, the portrait of Senator John J. Ingalls of Kansas, which had hung for 20 years in that committee room of the Senate, was removed by Senator King of Utah, the new incumbent.

"Are you going to take that picture down," asked Senator Capper.

"We don't need it," said Senator King.

"Then I will hang it in my office,"

said Senator Capper, and there it is. Senator Ingalls was chairman of that committee for 8 years—his only Senate committee chairmanship.

## Hesston Man's Hedge Mower

WHEN Byron Blosser, of Hesston, visited his cousins at Hope, he brought a contraption with him that goes right down a hedge row like a mowing machine, cutting down trees, or rather sawing them off. It felled a quarter-of-a-mile of hedge on Herman Andre's farm in an hour. This was done by a 2-wheel rig powered with a Ford auto engine operating a circular saw blade driven from the drive shaft of the auto engine. Perhaps we can get Byron to give us a more detailed description.

## Across Kansas

A new blacksmith shop is a great curiosity at Scandia.

Beloit's garden club blushing acknowledges it is second best in Kansas.

Norton's county home may be enlarged to care for more county charges.

Beer will continue to be beer in Kansas, advises the state's attorney general, regardless of Congress.

Admittance offerings at a Sedan basket ball game included a calf, a pair of Belgian hares and a tomcat.

Cattle, hogs and horses (801 head), went thru Oberlin's sale ring a recent week. Much cash changed hands.

Somebody has been losing 10 years interest on a \$500 Waverly school bond. The bond was retired 10 years ago.

Both at Russell and at Larned, free seeds and ground for "subsistence" gardens are provided for needy families.

Kansas' road fund is now in the red. No new work will be undertaken this year after the work underway is finished.

Washington county wool growers and pork producers are not narrow. They will have a lamb dinner at their meeting.

Kansas' new highway director, Harry Darby, is a first-class business man, of Kansas City, Kan. He'll make the dollars count.

Will Julius Caesar please notice that the Latin students in Mulvane schools ranked highest among 580 schools in 34 states?

A state lake where the four counties corner, is requested by Trego, Graham, Gove and Sheridan counties. Good place for an oasis.

Members of Buhler's community club each pay \$1 a month and are entitled to medical service for self and family without further cost.

President Roosevelt appoints Harry Woodring, Kansas' former governor, assistant secretary of war. Well, Kansas is a fighting state ain't it?

Walking a picket fence is fun, as Dickie Rosenfield, Junction City, discovered, before he fell on a picket inflicting a 6-inch flesh wound.

The young folks at the Vickers literary, near Oberlin, decided the telephone is more useful than the automobile. Of course, it all depends.

A state-wide alliance against repeal, organized in the First Presbyterian Church at Hays, is being extended to every county in Kansas.

At Gray, the Beacon literary debated, "Resolved, that women have more influence over men than money." No need to guess which side won.

No beer permits for Kansas, is the order received from Washington by the Internal Revenue Collector at Wichita. Uncle Sam will keep the faith.

Kansas now ranks first in milling, grinding 7 million bushels more wheat annually than Minnesota and, last year, producing 2 million more barrels of flour.

Two Oxford women, Sarah and Maude Pennington, probably hold the Kansas record for living on one farm longest—65 years. Their father homesteaded it.

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# GOODYEAR

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FERN had dropped down upon her knees at the bedside, her hand going so naturally to smooth back the hair from the forehead, stooping closer now and then to lay her cheek against his. Oscar had opened his eyes, his hand had slipped into Fern's.

"Fern," he whispered. He tried to lift his head and a spasm of pain ran across his face and contracted his brows.

"I want to tell you . . . everything, Fern." "Don't tell me anything, dear." She strove hard to keep the anguish out of her voice. "Just that you love me, Oscar. And I know you do. That is all that matters."

"No. Let me tell you. I think . . . I haven't . . . long."

Then she saw that this man could not rest in silence under the weight of the thing upon his soul, and she pressed his hand closer to her breast and waited.

"I meant all the time," he went on, stopping between words to gather and hold the strength that was flowing out of him, "to return all that I was taking. I gambled more heavily than you knew, Fern. I broke my promise to you over and over. Dufresne wanted his money, threatened to write to Father. I thought I saw the way to get money, and I have been selling Father's cattle . . . without his knowing it. And," his voice so faint now that she had to bend closer to hear, "I held up the stage at the Crossing!"

"Oscar!" Her lips were as white as his own, "You didn't—"

"No. I should have let them shoot me before I would have killed a man. I don't know who—"

"My poor Oscar." She put her arm about his shoulders and again kissed him upon the lips. "You are square now, and good and true and a man! And you love me and I love you, and that's all that matters, dear."

Now he brought his eyes back to Fern's eyes, and his tears gathered suddenly as he saw what kind of woman this was and what it would be to die and so leave her.

"Love does not blind—it just makes us see clearly, Oscar. And I see in you today the man I have always wanted!"

She felt his fingers stir in hers as she tried to press the hand that she had not drawn back from. His eyes closed again, wearily, and his breathing came more gently in a little sigh which spoke of a thing that was almost happiness.

THEN it was that Hal had come to the house and had had his question answered before it was asked by Yvonne's grief-stricken eyes. He had gathered her tenderly into his arms, holding her tight, his lips upon her hair, the anger in his eyes suddenly softening as he felt her fighting not to let herself go. When at last she raised her head, he asked softly,

"Is he hurt bad?" She nodded, pressing tight together the lips which she did not dare to trust with spoken words.

He glanced over his shoulder and saw Nesbit and the others in the yard. Nesbit's big form was already filling the doorway. Hal turned toward him quickly.

"Come here, Dan," he said, drawing the sheriff aside and back upon the porch. "You can forget about the man as stuck up the stage. You've got back mos' of the money, and the man as took it ain't the same man as killed Bill Cutter, any how."

"What do you know about this business, Hal?" snapped Nesbit suspiciously. "And how's it happen you know so much?"

"What I know you can pump out'n me after a while. I ain't goin' to run away. But there's a man runnin' away now, and he's goin' like hell. He's jes' put two holes into young Estabrook, close up. And you want him anyway. He murdered Andy Holloway one night back in the hills!"

Nesbit, a man used to surprises, stared at him with frowning eyes. But because he was a man of action, he asked no questions.

"Dufresne ain't got much head start of us," he muttered. "But he's got a fresh horse. And he's made the Chink turn the others out."

"Dick's bringin' 'em up," returned Hal shortly. "Put your saddle on the big bay with the white star. I'm goin' on now. Sperry'll show you the way."

Hal had turned the Colonel's head the way Dufresne had gone when he heard Yvonne calling to him, and he drew his horse close in to the porch where she was. She leaned out toward him and lifted her lips to him.

DUFRESNE had ridden straight back into the canyon and for a couple of miles there was no place where he would turn aside. So the cowboy looked only ahead and followed the main trail with unslacking speed. He saw no sign until he had ridden some six miles and had come to a little creek sprawling across the trail. And there he saw what he looked for, the imprint of the hoof of a shod horse, so fresh that the water was still trickling into it, breaking down the little rim of earth it had pushed up about it in the wet, sandy soil. Dufresne had not turned aside.

Hal jerked the Colonel's head up from the water and swept on. "And he's got an awful good chance of gettin' clean out'n the country. He's got the nerve, and he's got the money."

Whether there is such a thing as luck does not matter. Victor Dufresne was, above all things, a gambler. And every gambler is thoroly convinced he is going to win upon his "lucky days," and lose

# Bear Creek Crossing

By Jackson Gregory

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## Beginning of the Story

A party of New Yorkers spend the summer at Bear Track Ranch, guests of Oscar Estabrook, sent West by his father to manage the ranch and get him away from evil associates. Among them is Fern Winston, Oscar's intended. At the ranch they meet Dufresne, gentleman gambler. The stage is robbed and the driver, Bill Cutter, killed. Hal, a ranch hand, suspects the ranch foreman "Club" Jordan. Unseen he sees Jordan, Dufresne and their cronies count the spoil. One, Andy Holloway, is killed by Dufresne. Hal is shocked to see young Estabrook among them and party to a plot to run off 500 of his father's cattle to pay his gambling debt to Dufresne. Hal discovers he is in love with Yvonne, Estabrook's sister, and that she loves him. He catches Estabrook burying a large roll of bills. Oscar admits he robbed the stage to get money to pay Dufresne, but says someone in hiding shot the driver. He promises to help Hal stop the cattle steal. On his way to prevent the sale, Hal discovers a lost gold mine, but hurries on. Telling the conspirators that Sheriff Nesbit is coming to arrest them for the hold-up and murder, Hal stops the sale. Dufresne kills his horse getting back to the ranch to seize the ranch funds and flee the country. Oscar resists. He shoots him down.

upon his "unlucky days." His "streak of luck" had been long and he had played it heavily. And he had known that, soon or late, his losing days would follow as inevitably as the winter was following the summer.

Today when at the very end of his game there had come the interruption in the deal with Willoughby he had sensed that the luck had broken. Then, he had seen that his one hope lay in getting back to the Bear Track and getting the gold there. And he had done it only after shooting Estabrook, and with the sheriff at his heels.

AND now, half a dozen miles ahead of his foremost pursuer, a small thing happened that was a big thing. His big roan was carrying him easily, swiftly, across the grass-matted floor of a little valley. There, in the soft dirt a squirrel had dug a hole. The horse's foot slipped into it, the animal stumbled, fighting for its balance. But it could not check the headlong speed, could not jerk its foot out again. It went down, floundering, with a broken leg. And for a little Dufresne, who had been thrown over its head, lay still. When he got slowly to his feet, he went on on foot, and limping a little.

They came upon him in the thick darkness just after midnight. Hal had come first upon the crippled roan. He had swung down from the saddle and after lighting many matches had found the prints of Dufresne's boot heels. He had seen that

## Summer in a Garden

TALL swaying trees surround this garden plot—

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And bow to lines of stately hollyhocks.

Hot orange lilies lift their fluted cups

To catch the jetting fountain's crystal spray;

A whirling atom, poised, sweet nectar sups—

A humming bird flits down the garden way!

No restless wind invades this dreamy place—

A drowsing trance is on the quiet nook.

Gay butterflies that seek each blossom face

For trusted peace the noisy world forsook.

And a frail day-moon in the sun-bleached blue

Looks down where summer keeps its rendezvous.

—Julia Lott.

the gambler, even now, was making no attempt to leave the main trail. He was headed for the Double Triangle the shortest way.

Half a mile farther there was another crossing. With lighted matches Hal once more sought the tracks of the man who had gone on before him. When he found them their story was plain. Dufresne was walking slowly now, and there was a long scratch in the sand where the right foot had dragged.

Hal lighted no more matches. He rode slowly, peering into the shadows. The night was clear and the stars made here and there spaces of dim light. A sudden thought like a premonition came to him.

If he were in Dufresne's boots, if he were hurt, as the gambler surely was, so that he limped and must walk slowly, he would get a horse, no matter what risk he would run. He would lie in the shadows somewhere close to the trail, close enough for him to shoot the first man who came by and seize his horse's reins.

THE swift thought upon him, Hal swung his horse out of the starlit and into the darkness on the farther side of the trail. The thought had not come a second too soon. The darkness not 20 feet from him was cut in two by the red spurt of fire from a revolver. He felt the sting of lead like a hot iron laid against his side. Again he saw the red spurt of flame, and again, and the third time he heard the whiz of flying lead. But he knew now the gambler's firing was but guess work.

And again Victor Dufresne, true gambler that he was, saw that his luck had left him, that he had missed when he should have shot unerringly, that he had played his last card and lost.

Hal threw himself from his horse, dropped the Colonel's reins over his head to the ground, and came forward a little, walking slowly, watchful, listening. He felt a warm trickle down his side but paid scant attention, knowing that his wound was scarcely more than a scratch. Dufresne had not fired after the third time, and the cowboy could not make out his form. The gambler had chosen his place of ambush well for his purpose. And his purpose was not retreat.

Hal drew nearer, his gun in hand. He saw nothing but the unbroken blackness of the overhanging rocks. He had fired several times at the spit of Dufresne's revolver, and began to wonder if one of his shots had found its mark. It was so silent there, with no sign of a moving, living thing. But he knew Dufresne.

"Dufresne!" he called sharply.

"Well?" It was Dufresne's voice, calm, unmoved, with no trace of emotion in it. "It's Hal, isn't it?"

"Yes. You haven't got a chance in the world, Dufresne. You'd better finish the game out in the courts."

HE moved a little bit, stepping quickly, to the left, expecting his voice to draw the gambler's fire. But there came no fourth shot.

"I think you are right, Hal. I've about played to the end of my string. But the courts?" He laughed softly. "They're a cold deck, Hal." Then, a little change in the quiet voice, "Where are the rest? Where's Nesbit?"

"They'll be here in a minute now. You never were a fool, Dufresne. And you know you haven't a chance."

"No," thoughtfully. He grew silent. Hal, trying to locate him, began to think that he had slipped behind one of the big rocks and was crouching behind it. "Hal," he went on, after a little, "how did you find Estabrook? Is he dead?"

"No. But he is another man whose chances are mighty small."

"I didn't want to shoot the fool. I hope he pulls thru."

"You needn't try to smooth things over with me," cried Hal sharply.

"I'm not trying to. I wouldn't care . . . for him. It's for her sake. . . . I wonder why a woman like her loves a shrimp like him?"

From the meditative, gentle tone one would have said that if in these mountains there were two men with revolvers in their hands, watching for each other, it must be a long way from here. Before either had spoken again there came to them thru the stillness of the night the pound of galloping hoofs. Hal, waiting until he knew that the sheriff and men with him were in earshot, called out to them loudly, still watchful for any move on Dufresne's part.

Five minutes later Nesbit, Dick Sperry, and Cop Kelly had joined him, and the four men moved out in a widening arc so that they could come in on three sides of the man in hiding. But altho they had called out again and again no answer came to them.

SO they waited for the light of the coming day, knowing that he could not get away from them across the broken slope behind him, listening for a rolling stone, watchful for a moving figure against the sky or among the thinning shadows.

Then came the first glint of day, and they saw him. And they knew that he too was ready and waiting.

He had made his way back a little from the trail, a little higher on the slope, and had taken his place upon a level space shut in on three sides by great boulders.

They saw him get to his feet, look at the flush lying close to the horizon and stretch himself like a man awaking from a sound sleep. He was fumbling with something in his pocket.

They could not guess what he was doing. Then they saw him strike a match and light his cigar—the last cigar which he had saved all night until now.

He lighted it carefully, turning it round and round to get it burning evenly, as careful about it as he always was, as tho there were no other thing in all the world this morning that so called for his undivided attention. They saw the glow of the burning cigar end, saw the little puff of smoke held all but motionless by the still air. Then they saw him turn and look out at them, and they fancied he was smiling.

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## Farmers Find New Courage

HENRY HATCH  
Jayhawker Farm, Gridley, Kansas

THE price of most farm products has made an encouraging gain, and I am sure, as hundreds of farmers go out to plow this morning, they go with a feeling deep down in their hearts that this new crop for which the soil is now being stirred is going to return a real profit. The cattleman is feeling encouraged, as is the hogman, and already there are visions of a purchase of the many new things the farm has needed so long, the buying of which will set the wheels of industry in motion in every corner of our nation.

The needs of the farms of the nation now is such an accumulated greatness that the buying of it should put every worker back in the factory, so the day of better prices on the farm means work and wages for the factory hand who has been idle so long. And so, with the prairies turning green, the leaves opening on the trees and new life springing into being everywhere, there is new life, new confidence and new courage in the business world since the turning point has come and gone, and Uncle Sam shows signs of being a well man again.

When a patient is desperately sick there comes a time when the physician looks for the turning point. I now am wondering if the events of the last few weeks have not marked the turning point in the affairs of our sick nation, and if better days may not be ahead. The bank situation, striking the new President a strong blow in the face on the first day of his administration, was handled promptly and admirably. Since then he has handled other situations of almost equal importance in the same prompt, courageous manner. As neighbor meets neighbor from the farms of Kansas there is now a new feeling expressed, one of hope, confidence and courage.

This is the 37th crop of corn I have helped plant on this farm, not as long a record as many can claim on one farm, but this number should be enough to teach one something about the crop. If there is one thing above all others these years have taught me it is this—it very, very seldom pays to "hog" the crop in. And as we have come on down thru time, starting with a soil of virgin richness, each year this become a grater truth—it does not pay to poorly plant a crop.

Strangely enough, 37 years ago this very day my next neighbor on the west, "Bob" Todd, who lately died when past the age of 90—and a better neighbor one never had—started his corn planter. It was an early spring, which became an early seasonable year all the way thru. His early corn was best, and from that day I have observed it to be a rule holding good at least 4 years out of 5, that the early planted corn is best.

True, a little later planting will usually make a greater stalk growth, which gives too often a fake appearance of greater grain, but when measured in the husker's wagon more often the sound, solid ear of the earlier planted wins the race. Our Kansas corn is rather inclined to overdo in stalk growth and leaf in proportion to grain, as compared to the corn of 300 miles further north, all of which works to the advantage of the cattle business, making big shocks of fodder and putting many tons in the silo for acreage harvested.

It seems to be a theory that listing for corn should not be done early, that the bottom of the lister furrow is a cold place for a plant so tender as young corn. But one year I started the lister on the very first day of April, and really it did not seem as if the cool weather which came along after the corn was up yellowed that listed corn as much as it did the top-planted. Since then I have been wondering if all these years we have not been thinking erroneously of early listing for corn, and if the ridge does not prove a friendly protection from a chill wind. Whether planted with planter or lister, no man ever made a greater mistake in a cornfield than the man who planted too thick.



# "WILL YOU BE AT THE MEETING TOMORROW?"



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# Kansas Farm Homes

Ruth Goodall and Contributors

## Native Shrubs Are Fine

MRS. V. W. H.

WE shall go to the woods this spring and bring back such shrubs as sumac, dogwood and elderberry, to use as foundation plantings. We shall plant blue violets from the woods, under our shrubs or in any cool shady place in the yard.

With seed saved from last year and what I receive in exchange with friends, I shall have an abundance of zinnias, poppies and balsam. When the tulips have ceased to bloom, I shall sow the bed with phlox and petunias which will re-sow and next year give us flowers from early spring until frost.

By sub-irrigating, we can force our flowering shrubs to bloom the first year they are set out. We sub-irrigate by burying a 3-inch galvanized spouting full of holes, 1 foot below the surface of the soil, and run the pipe from the bathtub into it.

In place of making a cement walk from front door to the gate, we shall bring in stepping stones. For the lawn, we shall haul in loads of native Buffalo grass sod. If Buffalo grass is kept mowed, it will stay green all summer with very little moisture.

## Beautiful Purple Blossoms

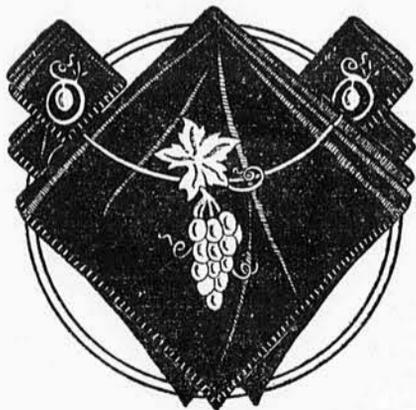
MABLE UNRUH

BESIDES some old-fashioned flowers for my garden, I am planning on planting a Japanese Kudzu vine (sometimes called "Jack and the Bean Stalk"), for the porch. The blossoms are large and in panicles, somewhat like Wistaria but with better clusters. The color is of a beautiful purple, and the foliage luxuriant, somewhat like the leaf of a bean. This vine will sometimes attain a growth of 40 feet in one season. A packet of seed of the Kudzu vine may be had from seedsmen for 10 cents.

## Do Have Some Grapes

A LUNCHEON SET

SAY, folks, have you seen the new luncheon sets, those cheerful, colorful table linens all sensible housewives are using because they are so easily cared for? This handsome one stole its decoration from the country. It is of the prettiest orchid line and applied with a cluster of grapes and a grapevine leaf, the entire design done in white. Really you've



no idea how effective is this contrast of white against the colored background. It is a five-piece luncheon set of yard-square cloth and four 12-inch napkins. Used any time of day for home folks or company, it will be a meal-time gloom-chaser. A few simple embroidery stitches will complete it and for 65 cents you'll have a table cover, napkins thrown in, that will do the work of a \$3 tablecloth. Order it by No. 722 from Kansas Farmer's Needlework Service at Topeka.

Our leaflet for "Brides and Mothers," has suggestions for announcing the engagement; details for a home or church wedding, invitations, gifts, clothes, etc. Price 6c. Home Service, Kansas Farmer, Topeka.

## Garden Sass All Summer

FLOSSIE H. HOPPE

PLANT peas and beans in the poorest spot of the garden. Sweet potatoes also thrive in poor soil and do not need a high ridge, but will yield abundantly set on the level, later hilling the soil around them when "laying them by."

By planting cabbage and tomato seeds in small paper boxes, and later setting the boxes containing the plants in the ground, growth is not retarded in transplanting. Cucumber plants may also be transplanted this way.

Lettuce and onions are much easier tended if put in long rows instead of in short rows close together in beds as is sometimes done. Peas should be planted thickly. Cucumber hills should be so close together that the vines of one hill will overlace those of the other hills. The shade provided by the leaves keeps the soil from drying out and a larger yield is certain. Sweet corn should be 3 or 4 inches high before planting beans with it.

Old chicken wire is excellent for staking beans and peas. Drive a few stakes along the row, then securely nail or wire the wire to them.

Planting peas, beans, corn and the small vegetables every 10 days or 2 weeks, will mean having them right along all summer.

To keep the garden producing, never allow a crust to form on the soil after a rain. Cultivation keeps the moisture in the soil for use of plants.

## What Is An April Fool?

CENTURIES ago the year began on what is now March 25. Later this was changed to January 1. The change caused much confusion at first, as people did not have calendars everywhere those days. So it became a joke among friends when one forgot New Year's day was past. It became the custom for the people to play jokes on one another at that time. They had annual merry-makings which continued for a week and ended on what is now April 1. April fooling began in France about 1564.

## My Scarlet Runner Fence

THIS summer I shall plant the seed of the Scarlet Runner, or flowering bean, as an ornamental covering on our garden fence. They are especially beautiful when growing over a white fence or trellis, as their bright purple blossoms and purple seed pods are showy and the large rich green leaves make fine shade. The Scarlet Runner blooms until frost, and the seed pods in the tender stage, are edible. The seed may be obtained at any seed house. Plant at the time other beans are planted.—Mrs. Alice Heistand, Iola, Kan.

## Papering Living Room

IN selecting wall paper a neutral background with tints of rose and green to give color is recommended for the farm home living room by Maude Deely, home furnishing specialist of the Riley county Farm Bureau. Unless the background has this neutral tone, much of the effectiveness of the room's furnishings, pictures and ornaments, will be destroyed. "The color selected should give the living room dignity, and pale blue and pink never add dignity."

## If Bedbugs Appear

MIX 1 ounce corrosive sublimate and 1 pint wood alcohol (both deadly poison). Find an old oil can in which to put this, as it spoils the can. Then drip the mixture into every crack in springs, beds, mop boards, also on the corners of the mattress. In two weeks or less, go over them again, if you see any signs of bugs. I did this 15 years ago and haven't had a visitation since.—H. C. S.

## Good Vine for the Porch

MRS. DORA F. PHILIPPI

WE have a screened porch on the southeast corner of our house, 11 by 16, the length running north and south. The grapevine at the south end has not provided sufficient shade, the leaves dry up and fall off by the time summer is half over and our shade is gone.

A friend whose porch is shaded by a luxuriant hop vine, has promised me all the roots I can use, assuring me of quick growth and a thick, leafy shade. I shall plant these vines at the south end of the porch and around the southeast corner.

In addition, I am receiving as a premium with a small order of fruit trees, a vining Japanese honeysuckle which I hope to train upon a trellis a few feet distant from the east door of the screened porch.

With these two plantings, I am hoping to change our sunny porch room into a shaded, restful place where all the family may enjoy their leisure.

I have found two U-shaped strap irons, parts of discarded machinery, which I am planning to use for arches above the gateposts of our yard fence, and train vines upon them, probably hop vines.

## Success With Cucumbers

MRS. LEONA OSBORN

FOR 2 years I had a failure with cucumbers, so last spring I dug a large hole where each hill was to be and put a half bushel of well-rotted manure into it. I covered the manure with 8 to 10 inches of earth and packed it well. The seed I planted in a shallow furrow about a foot long, afterwards thinning to 4 plants to the hill.

We began picking cucumbers June 22. After using several bushels from the 22 hills and giving some away, I sold \$8.50 worth. These I gathered in the morning and washed and sorted according to size. It is best to have four sizes for selling purposes—baby-mustard pickle size, split pickle size, dill, and "bread and butter." I soon had orders for more than I could supply.

## Salads Make the Meal

LENTEN DISHES

KEEPING Lent isn't so much a matter of religion these days as it is a bit of good common sense. Coming after the cold months a Lenten diet will do much to thin the blood and prepare the body for hot weather just ahead. If the cook will make it a happy 40 days of "surprise meals," with salads, fish and eggs—even dad will be glad of it.

**Kidney Bean Salad**—Oh so delicious! Mix together lightly 2 cups cold cooked kidney beans, 1½ cups finely cut cabbage, ½-cup sweet pickles cut, 1½ cups of carrots chopped, ½ cup of cheese cubes. Moisten with mayonnaise. Serve cold on crisp lettuce leaves with mayonnaise on top.

**Salmon Casserole**—Cook 1 cup rice. When cold line a baking dish. Flake 1 can salmon. Beat two eggs, ½ cup milk, 1 tablespoon butter, pinch salt, dash paprika and black pepper. Stir into the salmon lightly and cover with rice. Steam 1 hour and serve with white sauce.—Mrs. Geraldine Rhoades, Gem, Kan.

**Stuffed Egg Salad**—An appetizing way to serve eggs: Cut 6 hard-cooked eggs in halves and remove the yolks. Mince 6 sardines, chop two small sweet pickles, ½-teaspoon dried mustard, salt and pepper, and vinegar to moisten. Rub the yolks to a paste with a fork and add other ingredients. Mix well and refill halved egg whites. Serve cold on lettuce leaves with sliced red radishes or sliced red sour beets and mayonnaise dressing. This serves six.

Our leaflet, "Ways of Preparing Eggs," offers 11 ways of serving, also recipe for preserving or storing eggs. Send 3c to Home Service, Kansas Farmer, Topeka.

Our Easter party leaflet is full of ideas for games, decorations and food. Send 3c for a copy, to Home Service, Kansas Farmer, Topeka, Kan.

## Bordered Driveways

MRS. C. M.

A BORDERED driveway of perennials, bulbs and shrubs, always lends beauty to a country home. Such plants as spirea, burning-bush, iris, peony, etc., require little care and withstand rough treatment.

We shall border our drive this summer, first fertilizing and plowing a strip on each side to the highway. Our lawn will be sod, with black walnuts for shade, and native stone for walks. Trellised baby-rambler roses with shrubs will be set about the house.

These will not be for us alone to enjoy, but also for those who come and go.

## What Girls Are Wearing

SPORTY FROCKS



689—When growing daughter reaches a certain age, she'll be better suited by a belted rather than a straight frock. This one has straight tailored lines and the scalloped collar and cuffs are pretty. Sizes 8, 10, 12 and 14 years. Size 10 requires 2½ yards of 39-inch material with ¾ yard of 39-inch contrasting.

908—Isn't this a girlish and smart dress for ordinary wear? Choose one of the new striped silks to fashion it. Note the clever manipulation of the stripes in the original model. The shoulder yoke terminates in flared sleeves. Sizes 11, 13, 15 and 17 years. Size 15 requires 3 yards of 39-inch material.

974—The jumper skirt is straight with an inverted pleat at the center-front to give it ample fullness. It is attached to the simple bodice with suspender straps. The guimpe is the popular tailored type. Sizes 12, 14, 16, 18, 20 years, 36 and 38-inches bust. Size 16 requires 2½ yards of 35-inch material for jumper with 2 yards of 35-inch material for blouse.

Patterns 15c. If the pattern you want is not here, get our new Fashion Book, 10c if ordered with a pattern. Address Pattern Service, Kansas Farmer.

# Shoo Measles Away Until Four

CHARLES H. LERRIGO, M. D.

It is a fact that a healthy child over 4, with proper nursing, meets little danger in a spell of measles. It is the very young child who suffers most, especially the child who is between his first and second birthdays. An English doctor who has been giving this some special study believes that babies get from their mothers a certain degree of immunity, which explains why a little babe may go unharmed by measles when all other children in the family take it. This also accounts for the small number of deaths from measles in babies under 6 months. It should comfort young mothers to know that a nursing babe does have a degree of immunity from measles, but that is no reason for failure to exercise all vigilance in protection.



Dr. Lerrigo

After this immunity of 6 months there follows the greatest time of measles danger. Two-thirds of all deaths from measles are in children under 3 years. From that time on every year of protection removes the child further from danger.

If you have a child of pre-school age in your home together with older children and measles breaks out in your community, you should plan so that the children of school age cannot infect the little one. Perhaps this may make it necessary to send the little one away to relatives for a time. None the less every precaution should be taken.

If measles does invade your home bear in mind that the disease is sufficiently dangerous to demand the best of care. Put the little patient to bed as soon as the early signs of watery eyes, running nose and slight cough appear. Keep him there in comfort until the rash develops (about four days) and continue bed treatment for one week after that as a safety measure.

It is not wise to exclude light from the room and is very unwise to keep the room temperature unduly high. Have everything comfortable, protect the child from drafts, shade his bed against any strong light, give him plenty of water, very little food, and put in a call for your doctor.

If you wish a medical question answered, enclose a 3-cent stamped, self-addressed envelope with your question to Dr. C. H. Lerrigo, Kansas Farmer, Topeka.

## A Feast for Cutworms

IF YOU find seedling tomatoes, cabbage, lettuce and melons cut off near the ground, blame cutworms. They go thru the winter in the soil and start work early in the spring. Ordinarily cutworms work at night but often on dark, cloudy days. When you come across injury you often can find the guilty worm in a small burrow in the soil near the plant it has destroyed. Use poisoned-bran bait. Here is the formula for a small mixture suitable for garden purposes:

- Bran ..... 1 gallon
- White arsenic or Paris green 1 tablespoonful
- Peel of one orange, lemon or grapefruit
- Molasses ..... 1 cup
- Water ..... 1 quart

Broadcast or sow this by hand along the rows or about the base of the plants late in the evening so it will not dry out to any great extent before the worms get busy.

## This "Gets" Crop Pests

THIS poison bait is recommended for insects: Wheat bran, 20 pounds; white arsenic, or Paris green, 1 pound; black strap molasses, 2 quarts; 3 oranges, ground finely; and about 3 gallons of water. Mix the bran and arsenic in a large tub. Mix the water, molasses, and ground oranges in a bucket. Make a hole in the bran to the bottom of the tub and pour the liquid into the hole. Mix thoroughly. Spread the mixture thinly over the

ground, placing the poison mash where insects can find it readily. Spread the bait at night for cutworms, army worms, and crickets. But spread it in the morning for grasshoppers.

## Does Low-Cost Spraying

AN OLD motor car engine saved \$300 for Herman Theden, Wyandotte county. He bought a power sprayer, minus the engine. For power he installed an old car engine and put the machine to work at once in his orchard. That, too, added many dollars to his income by controlling many of common orchard pests.

## Fertilizer Hurries Spuds

APPLICATION of fertilizers on a small acreage of potatoes is worth considering. Potatoes reach maturity from four to seven days earlier than otherwise, so it is possible to get them

on the early market when prices are highest . . . Altho many authorities urge the use of potash, H. E. Myers, Manhattan, advises a nitrogen and phosphorus combination for Kansas. Tests in the eastern Kaw Valley show that application of the combination increases yield and brings harvesting four to seven days earlier. Use 200 pounds an acre of the fertilizer with an analysis of about 11-48-0.

## Don't Skimp on Spray

USE of insufficient spray material is one reason many orchard pests are not controlled, one expert says. Young apple trees up to bearing age need 2 to 3 gallons a tree; young bearing trees, 7 to 10 gallons to the tree; and large, old-bearing trees, 15 to 20 gallons for good coverage. See that the inside and top of large fruit trees are covered.

## How to Stop Plant Lice

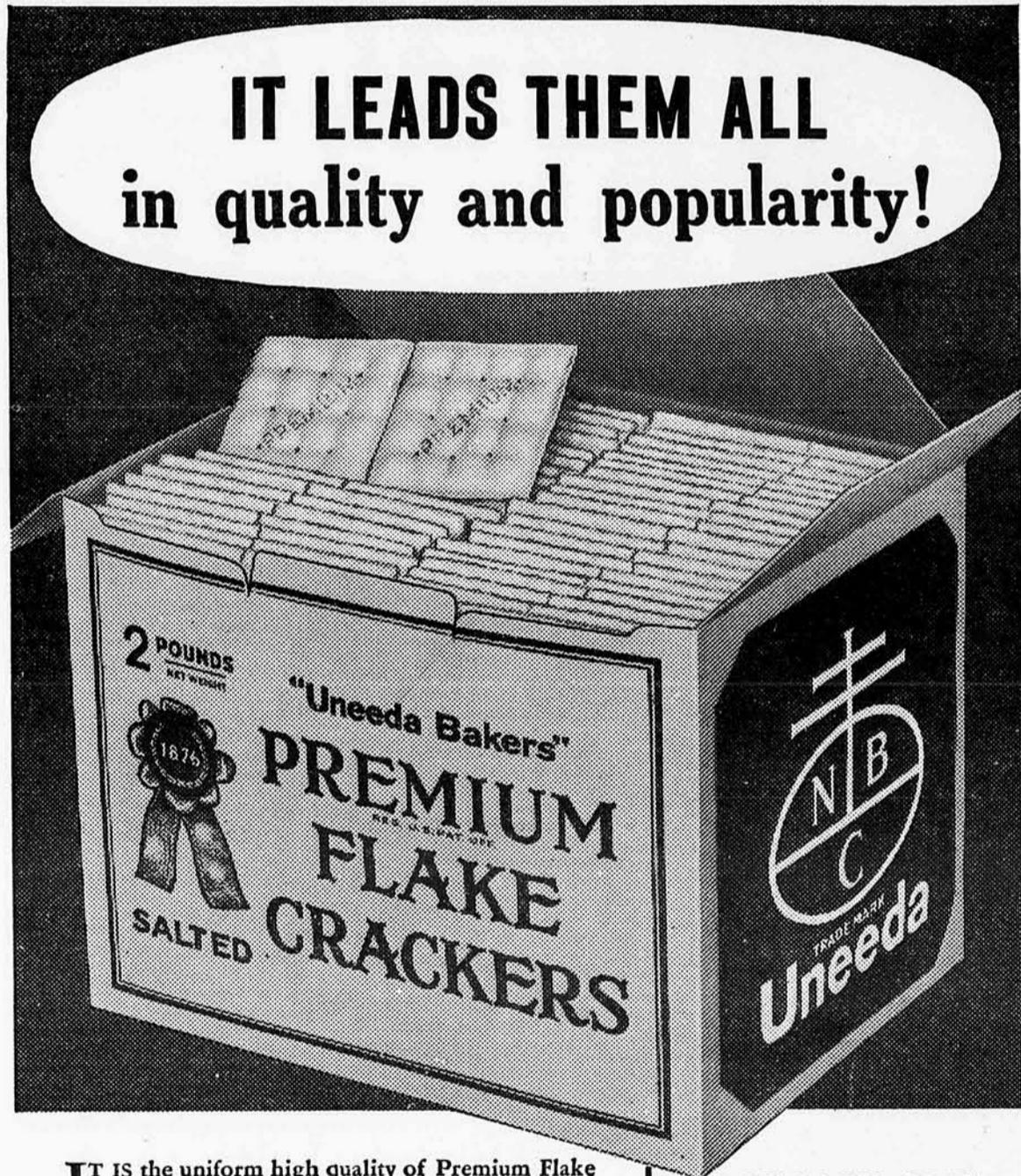
PLANT lice, or aphids, that suck juices from plants may be controlled by such a contact poison as nicotine sul-

phate, or Black Leaf 40. This poison must come in direct contact with the insect. Those with biting mouth parts, that eat the leaves and plants, may be controlled with stomach poisons, such as Paris green or arsenate of lead, sprayed on plants so the insects in eating will get the poison into their systems.

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**Labette**—Some oats froze out, still seeding. Ground working well but need a shower. Considerable corn will be planted late.—Earl N. McLane.

**Lyon**—Another rain was fine on wheat, oats and grass. Will have good pasture by April 20. Farm folks busy plowing for corn, raising chicks and gardens. Grain advanced a few cents.—E. R. Griffith.

**Miami**—Spring-like weather. Plenty of moisture. Some plowing still being done. Early gardens up. Oats coming along. Potatoes about all planted. Weekly market sale at Paola well attended, prices generally good. Farmers making unusually large gardens. Prospects for fruit not very good. Grass doing fine.—W. T. Case.

**Marion**—Wheat very poor. Some fields have been re-seeded to oats, others will be used for corn. About the usual number of chickens. Good interest shown in farm women's club work. Produce prices rising a little.—Mrs. Floyd Taylor.

**Marshall**—Wheat greening up well. Oats all seeded, some fields green. Lots of potatoes planted. Hay selling cheap. Stock doing well. Lots of pasture but not enough cattle. Corn ground ready.—J. D. Stosz.

**Neosho**—Cold may not have hurt oats. Wheat fields in excellent condition. Public sales about discontinued with community sales in most towns. Farm work progressing and most farmers feel more encouraged. There is sufficient surface moisture but subsoil needs a soaking rain. The county Grange and Farm Bureau have been holding very interesting meetings.—James D. McHenry.

**Ness**—Very dry, no moisture since October. Wheat all dead except a few fields of summer fallow. Some oats and barley drilled but most everyone waiting for moisture. Some soil has blown. Feed getting scarce.—James McMill.

**Osborne**—Snow put ground in excellent condition. Wheat coming out nicely, some pasturing of early-sown fields. Good demand for horses, but prices not as high as last spring. Dairy cows bring \$15 to \$25. Good feeder calves, \$3 cwt.; hogs, \$3.15 top.—Niles C. Endsley.

**Pawnee**—Drouth and high winds in March damaged and killed many acres of wheat. Ground in poor condition to sow oats or barley. Demand for feed good as grass pastures will be late. Better prices for dairy products thru co-operative marketing discussed. Trading is popular among farmers. Demand for good work stock increasing, mules preferred. Hedge rows being cut for posts. Farmers welcomed extension on mortgage foreclosures.—Paul Haney.

**Phillips**—Farmers more encouraged as farm prices continue upward. Hogs, \$3.20; wheat, 35c; corn, 17c; cream, 12c; eggs, 9c; hens, 3c to 5c. A few public sales, prices fine. Horses selling well. Milk cows bring fair prices. Folks hope for an early adjustment of financial crises. Ample moisture. Farmers busy planting barley, oats and getting ready for corn. Lots of potatoes planted. Wheat prospect fair around Logan.—Mrs. Ralph Ashley.

**Pratt**—Drouth and high winds caused many fields to blow and drift nearly as high as the fences. Wheat prospects very discouraging. Many potatoes and gardens being planted, soil so dry most places nothing will sprout. Livestock doing well, few cattle or hogs being fed. Few public sales, most everything brings fair prices. Horses and horse-drawn machinery in good demand.—Art McAnarney.

**Reno**—The "allotment plan" in full effect here. Looks like 30 per cent total abandonment in wheat. About 30 per cent will be left and weeds will hurt that. No rain and lots of wind. Large acreages of barley and oats. Wheat, 33c; corn, 22c.—E. T. Ewing.

**Rice**—High winds have been hard on wheat. Crops need a soaking rain. Considerable acreage of oats being planted. Livestock doing well. No sales. Wheat, 35c;—Mrs. E. J. Killion.

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**Rush**—Winter wheat still continues to deteriorate thru lack of moisture. Some summer-fallow ground and a few other scattered fields, that had local showers last fall, are all that show signs of life. Spring farm work is away behind the season. Little more than half of the oats seeded on account of the hard, dry soil, and very little of what has been sown has germinated. Livestock getting thin. Scarcity of feed and wheat pasture. Wheat, 34c; eggs, 9c; butterfat, 14c.—Wm. Crotinger.

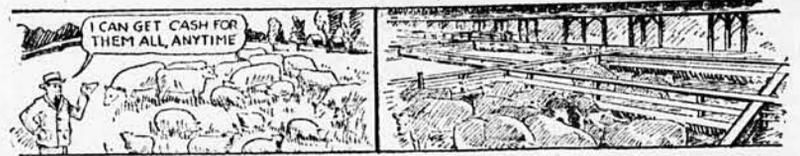
**Stevens**—Very little moisture. No spring farm work done. Little prospects for wheat. Stock doing fairly well. Wheat, 36c; maize, 30c; butterfat, 12c; eggs, 8c; heavy hens, 8c.—Mrs. Frank Peacock.

**Washington**—Wheat looks fine. Oats about half sown. A few sales since opening of banks. Horses in demand at high prices. Wheat, 35c; corn, 20c; oats, 15c; butterfat, 12c; eggs, 8c; hens, 8c.—Ralph B. Cole.

**Wichita**—Farmers busy drilling barley since snow storm, first moisture since June. There will be a large acreage of barley in hopes of beer and good prices for barley. There will be large acreages of corn, kafir, and milo. Wheat is a question as it has just sprouted, and may have to be planted to corn. Cattle came thru winter in fair condition. Fencing work on county farm well under way. Very few sales.—E. W. White.

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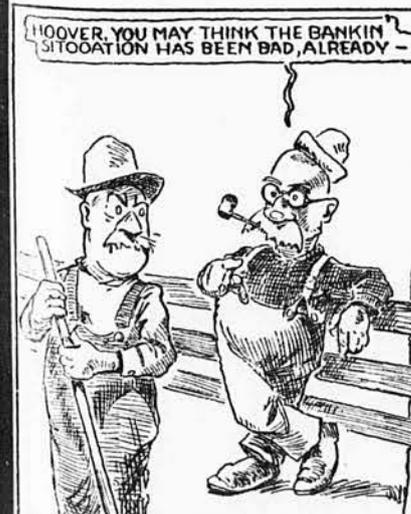
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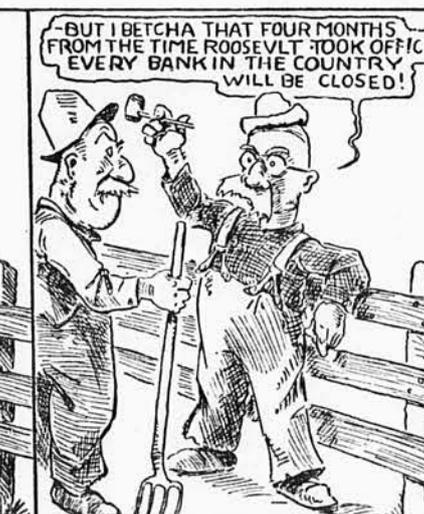
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Natural Gas

Nearly every good joke is a twice told tale. We'd like to have your favorite story for this little column. Address Natural Gas, Kansas Farmer, Topeka.

FRANKIE stood beside his mother, who was making some purchases. The grocer told him to help himself to a handful of nuts, but Frankie shook his head.

"Why, what's the matter?" asked the grocer. "Don't you like nuts?"

"Yes," replied Frankie. "Well, go ahead and take some."

Frankie still hesitated, whereupon the grocer put a generous handful in Frankie's pocket.

When they had left the shop, his mother asked, "Why did you not take the nuts when the kind man asked you?"

"Cause his hand was bigger than mine!" Frankie replied.—W. Y. K.

He Needed Good Alfalfa

The jury had deliberated all afternoon and was still unable to reach a decision. About 6 o'clock, the judge ordered 12 dinners sent to the deadlocked group.

"Eleven dinners, if you please, your honor," interrupted the foreman, "and one bale of hay."—K. T. S.

Beer Grain Market Small

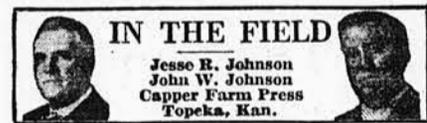
GROWING malting barley, since the passage of beer legislation, has little chance of being a big thing for farmers, says the Department of Agriculture. Even if the brewers used as much barley out of the 1933 crop as they did out of the 1917 crop, the amount used would be less than one-fourth the average annual production of barley. In 1917, about 72 million bushels was used for malt out of a total crop of 211 million bushels. We grow more barley now, 300 million bushels last year.

Our Wheat Farm-Marketed

WHEAT from 82 of the 105 counties in Kansas is being delivered to the Farmers National Grain Corporation through its four state-wide regionals. That number likely will be increased between now and harvest since many farmers' elevators associations, in counties where none of the four regionals operates, are changing their business setups to qualify under the Capper-Volstead Act—a necessary step before a local association can affiliate with a state-wide regional.

Pledged to Farm Bill

THE National Livestock Marketing Association, in annual meeting at Chicago, pledged support to the Roosevelt farm bill. Resolutions urged "that the principles and financial agencies of the Federal Farm Board be retained and further strengthened." Dr. O. O. Wolf, Ottawa, was re-elected a director, along with J. R. Fulkerson, St. Louis, Mo., and C. D. Bellows, St. Joseph, Mo. Charles A. Ewing, Decatur, Ill., was re-elected president.



Pratt, Kan., is to have a new sale pavilion, 40 by 60 and work has already begun on it.

Love Bros., Partridge, Kan., are advertising Polled Shorthorn cattle in this issue of Kansas Farmer. They have 20 young bulls for sale.

Dr. J. H. Lomax, Leona, Kan., sold 10 registered bulls, around one year old during the winter for prices ranging from \$25.00 to \$35.00 each. The date of his Jersey cattle sale at his farm near Leona is April 19.

Achenbach Bros., Washington, Kan., whose cattle barn and other equipment was destroyed by the wind storm that struck Washington July 4th last year, have recently completed a new cattle barn that will house their Polled Shorthorn herd.

Dr. W. E. Stewart, Stratton, Nebr., sold a consignment of Poland Chinas in a sale at Concordia, Kan., recently and the top gilt from his consignment brought \$45.00 and the low gilt brought \$20.00. The average was \$26.00.

Wm. C. Mueller, Hanover, Kan., is advertising Double Standard Polled Hereford bulls in this issue of Kansas Farmer. Mr. Mueller, who by the way, was made a Master Farmer three or four years ago, breeds registered Polled Herefords, registered Holsteins and Poland China hogs and Mrs. Mueller raises Barred Rock chickens and has for sale right now eggs by the setting or by the hundred. Write them for prices and descriptions.

We have a little notice in this column in January stating that Chas. F. Vetter, Beloit,

Kan., wanted to buy a Hereford bull. Recently we received a letter from him stating that quite a number wrote him about selling him a bull. He says he bought a calf from Roy L. Fahstrom, Concordia, that just suits him. The calf is a grandson of Advance Mischief, owned by Mousel Bros., and his dam is one of Mr. Fahstrom's choice cows.

A letter just received from B. C. Settles, Palmyra, Mo., states that the Chester Johnston Jersey cattle sale advertised in the last issue of Kansas Farmer is postponed from April 17 to May 15 because of sickness in Mr. Johnston's family. The sale will be advertised again in the issue of April 20. Every animal will be sold in the postponed sale just as advertised for the earlier date. If you have not already done so you had better send Mr. Settles a postal card for the sale catalog.

J. J. Hartman, Elmo, Kan., Dickinson county, is a pioneer breeder of Poland Chinas of that county and has recently bought from Dr. W. E. Stewart, Stratton, Nebr., a boar and three bred gilts. One of the gilts by Broadcloth weighed over 500 pounds and the boar by Broadcloth is just the boar he was looking for. This makes around 14 new farrowing spring litters for Mr. Hartman. He was mighty well pleased with old Broadcloth and the sons and daughters of him that he saw on Dr. Stewart's farm.

The Southern Kansas Shorthorn Breeders Association will hold a sale in comfortable quarters at the Wichita stock yards, next Wednesday, April 12. The consignments are from 17 of the leading herds of Shorthorns in the territory and there will be 25 bulls and 15 females listed in the sale catalog that is ready to mail right now. If you would like to have one send a postal card to J. C. Robison, Towanda, Kan., who has charge of the sale, and he will mail it to you promptly. The sale is a week from today, next Wednesday, and you should plan to be there if you are interested in good Shorthorns.

Gloria Ormsby Walker, a 6-year-old registered Holstein, owned by G. G. Meyer of Basehor, Kansas, has completed a yearly record in Class A of 684 pounds of fat and 19,300.1 pounds of 3.6% milk, according to the Holstein-Friesian Association of America. Seven other cows in the Meyer herd are on test and Belle Moneta Pride has to her credit 641.3 pounds fat and 19,018.7 pounds milk in 342 days. The senior 4-year-old, Segis Fayne Mutual Netherland, has a splendid start on her year, having made 81 pounds of fat and 2,397.1 pounds of milk during the last month. Two other cows in the herd each topped 70 pounds fat and another made 69.1 pounds during the month.

I have just received the last issue of the Chapman Advertiser featuring in nice writeup the Angus livestock field day program to be held at the J. B. Hollinger farm south of Chapman, April 20. This is an annual field day sponsored by the Angus breeders association of that locality and last year 2,500 spectators in Class A of 684 pounds of fat and a big lunch served at noon. Cattle judging, speeches and other entertainment will make up the program. Mr. Hollinger, Andy Schuler, the Latzkes and a number of others, all in the vicinity of Chapman, are among the best known breeders and exhibitors of Angus cattle in the West. Breeders of Angus cattle and of other beef breeds attend this big event every year.

April 27 is the date of Fred G. Laptad's Duroc and Poland China boar and gilt sale. This is the 41st semi-annual sale for Mr. Laptad and he will sell as usual about 50 boars and gilts in the sale, about equally divided between the two breeds. The sale will be held at Mr. Laptad's stock farm where the two breeds of hogs and Jersey cattle are bred. In addition to breeding the best in livestock the Laptad stock farm is becoming famous because of the high quality of field seeds grown upon it under the personal supervision of Mr. Laptad. If you are in the market for boars or gilts or the very best in seed corn be at this sale. It is a day well spent if you attend this sale and you will not regret the time it takes from your farm work.

For 20 years Dr. J. H. Lomax, breeder of registered Jersey cattle, has held a public sale every two years. April 19 he will sell 50 cows and heifers and 12 young bulls of serviceable age. Much of the younger stuff is by his imported bull and all the cows are bred to him. All the cows have nice C.T.A. records in the Brown-Doniphan-Nemaha county cow testing association. Up to 557 pounds of fat and an average of 341 pounds for the entire herd. The sale which is advertised in this issue of Kansas Farmer will be held at the farm near Leona and B. C. Settles has charge of the sale. The catalogs are ready to mail and if you will send your name to B. C. Settles, Palmyra, Mo., he will be glad to send you one by return mail.

240 spring pigs from 30 sows is a pretty good mark for others to shoot at. Johannes Bros., breeders of fashionably bred and popular strains of Durocs at Marysville had that number when we visited their herd about two weeks ago and had 12 sows to sell from. They expect to hold a boar and gilt sale again this fall and likely a bred sow sale next winter. They will be out at the leading show this fall with their show herd, again this fall. In their last fall sale, held in October, the first 25 boars averaged \$27.00 and the average on the 62 boars and gilts in the sale averaged \$17.00. They sold the Mexican government two cars of gilts and 10 boars that were delivered in November and January last. They recorded more Durocs last year than any other firm in Kansas.

Public Sales of Livestock

Hereford Cattle April 5—Barber county Hereford Breeders Association, Medicine Lodge, Kan. G. L. Bloom, Secretary, Medicine Lodge.

Shorthorn Cattle April 12—Southern Kansas Shorthorn Breeders Sale, Stockyards, Wichita, Kan. J. C. Robison, Towanda, Kan., sale manager.

Jersey Cattle April 19—Dr. J. H. Lomax, Leona, Kan. B. C. Settles, Sale Manager, Palmyra, Mo. May 15—Chester Johnston, Fort Scott, Kan. B. C. Settles, Sale Manager, Palmyra, Mo.

Duroc Hogs April 27—Laptad Stock Farm, Lawrence, Kan. Poland China Hogs April 27—Laptad Stock Farm, Lawrence, Kan.

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Advertising Selling Livestock

John W. Johnson, Livestock Department, Kansas Farmer.

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### A Roughage Cattle Like

**T**WO hundred twenty-five shocks of Atlas Sorgo on 4½ acres is the record made by Ivan Kendall, Pleasanton. It was on good, black, upland and yield was estimated at 70 bushels of seed an acre. Last year was favorable for sorgo. But this shows its tremendous feed-producing ability. Sorgo is a roughage cattle like. The stalks are full of sweet juice that make them palatable. The heads are like kafir so the grain is excellent for feeding. Mr. Kendall grinds them for his milk cows. But while Atlas is a good feed it is not a complete ration. Like corn it should be fed with some protein-rich feed like alfalfa, clover or soybeans. If no legume hay is available a little cottonseed meal and 1½ ounces of fine limestone a day will make cattle do much better. Even stock cattle need this to produce good, thrifty calves and give plenty of milk.

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### To Hold Guernsey Sale

**A** SALE of Guernsey calves and bred heifers will be held at Parsons in May, reports the Southeast Kansas Guernsey Breeders' Association. The sale committee includes Joe Simmons, manager, Glencliffe Farm, Independence; Carlton Hall, Coffeyville, and C. D. Gibson, Moorehead. Cattle sold will be picked from herds in nine counties by these men. They will carry T. B. health certificates and will be negative to the blood test. The first sale will be of grade heifers sired by registered males. A few registered males will be offered.

### Time for Sweet Clover

**T**HE 30 days previous to April 15, are best for seeding Sweet clover. Because young Sweet clover is susceptible to frost damage, many plant high-germinating, scarified seed early in April. Inoculating the seed helps plants to out-grow weeds. Packing the soil after planting is excellent practice. Best stands in Lincoln county last year were seeded in this way. With oats as a nurse crop, planting sometimes is earlier. But the clover which succeeds does so despite the oats, not because of them.

### Angus Breeders to Meet

**T**HE eighth annual Better Livestock Day, sponsored by breeders of Aberdeen-Angus cattle in Geary and Dickinson counties, will be April 20, on James B. Hollinger's Wheatland farm, 7½ miles southeast of Chapman. Angus selected from herds in the two counties will be shown, including several champions of state and county fairs. The noon luncheon will feature Aberdeen-Angus beef. There will be an all-day program.

### A Hot Weather Pasture

**H**OT weather pasture may be had with Sudan grass, says L. F. Neff, Washington. It will carry more livestock from July until frost than any other pasture crop grown in the state. It grows rapidly and thrives in hot, dry months when other pastures are least productive. Small fields can be made to yield large returns by seeding to Sudan for pasture.

### Few Get Clover Disease

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