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Above: Strip cropping, now practiced on more than 75 per cent of all cultivated land in Greeley county, has figured prominently in solving the wind erosion problem there.

Left: Thousands of acres spoiled by "blow-piles" such as this were attacked by Greeley county farmers in a determined fight to stop soil blowing.

**Y**OU CAN'T keep the wind from blowing, but you can prevent it from carrying tons of soil from one field to another. Proving this fact has recently brought nation-wide attention to Greeley county, where an intensive county-wide program has checked serious wind erosion.

The problem there was a grave one. In 1935, nearly 100,000 acres were "blowing" and the larger part of this area was damaged to or near the point of uselessness.

After watching their soil drift for 3 years, resident owners shook their heads gravely and wished they could leave their vast expanses of "blow-piles." Tenants did leave. Now, just 4 years later, owners point with pride to "soil that stays at home," and tenants are returning.

Weapons used in "taming the wind" are plainly evident, immediately upon entering Greeley county. Most important among them are strip cropping and wind resisting cover crops. Viewed from the highways, cultivated land in that area presents an almost continuous succession of long strips averaging about 12 rods wide. In this arrangement, strips of feed crops or wheat are alternated with strips of summer fallow.

These striped designs on the landscape are seen in various patterns. Many are straight, some gracefully follow the contour, while others form a series of circles. Under this system, about 50 per cent of the cultivated land is in protected fallow

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# STATE HUSKING CONTEST

See This Thrilling  
Kansas Farm Sporting Event

Erie, Neosho County

## THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26

Contest Field on Elmer Clark Farm, 3 Miles South of Erie at Junction of Highways 59 and 96



Cecil Vining, present champion of Kansas, will defend his title in this cornfield battle.

### BIG ALL-DAY PROGRAM . . . . EVERYTHING FREE

- 10:30 a. m.—Parade of school bands and husking wagons on contest grounds.
- 11:30 a. m.—Introduction of huskers.
- 11:40 a. m.—National anthem and raising of flag.
- 11:45 a. m.—Opening gun of the corn husking contest.
- 1:05 p. m.—Closing gun, followed by weighing and figuring loads.
- 1:30 p. m.—Talk by Governor Payne Ratner.
- 2:00 p. m.—Music by bands of Chanute and Humboldt, Erie Senior Drum Corps, Erie Junior Drum Corps, Parsons and Iola Drum Corps.
  - Hog-calling contest.
  - Wife-calling contest.
  - Husband-calling contest.
  - Pie-eating contest.
  - Nail-driving contest for women.
- 4:00 p. m.—Announcement of winners in state husking contest.
- 4:10 p. m.—Presentation of colts to holders of lucky numbers.
- 8:30 p. m.—Big street dance.



"Silver," owned by Ray Roberts, will lead the parade beginning at 10:30 a. m.

*This State-Wide Event Sponsored by Erie Young Men's Association and Erie Community  
in Co-operation With Kansas Farmer Mail & Breeze*



"Come to the Contest," invite these 2 Percheron colts which will be awarded to lucky winners at 4:10 p. m.

Neosho County is one of the most fertile farming sections in Kansas. The people of Erie invite you to enjoy the rich scenery of their community, and to visit their friendly city on your way to and from the big cornfield battle. See Southeastern Kansas, the garden spot of the state.

# WHEN NUBBINS FLY

By Roy Freeland

**S**PEEDY champions from 28 counties are now in final stages of training for our greatest annual Kansas farm classic, the State Corn Husking Contest. Hardened and seasoned weeks of grueling practice, these "speedsters of the corn rows" will make their bid for the state championship, near Erie, in Neosho county, October 26.

Starting promptly at 11:45 a. m., the huskers will rip and tear their way thru a 40-acre field of corn on the farm of Elmer Clark, at the junction of highways 59 and 96, about 3½ miles southwest of Erie. Surrounding the level Pride of Saline "battle-field" is 115 acres of free parking space, insuring utmost convenience to the 25 or 30 thousand spectators.

Co-operating with Kansas Farmer Mail and Breeze in sponsoring this contest is the Erie Young Men's Association, with Harold Heaton acting as chairman of the Erie committee. This group has been busy for several months, completing arrangements for band music, special contests, and a variety of commercial exhibits and concessions. Six bands and drum corps will lead the opening parade at 10:30 a. m., preceding the national anthem and raising of the flag.

Cash awards amounting to \$200, provided by Kansas Farmer, will be presented by Raymond H. Gilkeson, managing editor. Mr. Gilkeson will also present the champion with a beautiful silver trophy, awarded by Senator Arthur Capper, thru Kansas Farmer.

Will Zurbucken, assistant superintendent of the State Highway Patrol, will be in personal supervision of more than 35 uniformed patrolmen, with 15 patrol cars, on hand to guard against traffic difficulties. Colonel E. T. Moomau, superintendent of the Patrol, also expects to be present. Sharing responsibility of the traffic management is H. S. Nelson, sheriff of Neosho county, assisted by his deputy, Seth Brown. They have arranged for 8 mounted officers and an army on foot to help with traffic problems.

For those who cannot attend, an "ear-by-ear" account of the contest will be provided by radio station WIBW. Announcers Gene Shipley, Hilton Hodges and E. H. Curtis of this station will go on the air at 11:30 a. m. In addition to the vivid word-picture of these well-known announcers, will be special entertaining features by members of the WIBW radio station talent staff.

Cecil Vining, of Franklin county, who has been state champion the last 2 years, will be in the middle of this year's fracas to defend his title. Mr. Vining won his championship at the 1937 contest, in Allen county, when he husked 30.08 bushels in the allotted time of 80 minutes. This stands as the highest record ever made in any Kansas state husking contest. Mr. Vining retained his title last year in the state contest held at Belle Plaine, in Sumner county.

Altho this is the first state contest to be held in Neosho county, the folks there are well-qualified to stage one of the best contests ever held. With a wealth of fertile farm land stretching for miles along either side of the Neosho River, this county is highly interested in corn production and agricultural events of various kinds. Corn carnivals held annually at Erie have reached enormous proportions, and citizens of that area are known for their ability to "put things over."

**F**IRST Kansas state corn husking contest was held in Nemaha county in 1927. Franklin county was host the next year, to be followed in succeeding years by Riley, Sherman, Douglas, Dickinson and Brown counties. Franklin county entertained again in 1935.

Since 1927, the state championship has been held by 7 different huskers. The first winner was Orville Chase, of Brown county. William Lutz, Riley county, claimed the honor 2 years straight, in 1928 and 1929. C. J. Simon, Barber county, Omer Little, Miami county, and Orville Peterson, Cloud county, were winners in 1930, 1931 and 1932. Lawrence House, of Sherman county, was champion in 1933 and again in 1935.

Contests are strictly amateur affairs, with all professionals barred from competition. This insures that the annual event will continue as one featuring the performance of real farm boys who developed their skill on "the old home farm" in "scrimmage" that lasted from sun-up until after sun-down.

All huskers entered in the state contest have earned the right to compete, by winning in county elimination contests. Winner of this year's state con-



Roy Freeland, associate editor of Kansas Farmer and General Manager of the 1939 Kansas State Corn Husking Contest, which is to be held near Erie, on October 26.



test, and the runner-up, will represent Kansas in the 1939 national contest, to be held near Lawrence, November 3. This event features the meeting of champions and runners-up from Kansas, Iowa, Illinois, Minnesota, Missouri, South Dakota, Ohio, Nebraska, Indiana, Wisconsin and Pennsylvania.

Husking time in all official contests is 80 minutes. No time out is allowed except in case of emergencies such as wagon break-downs, stalled tractors, or some similar difficulty. Each contestant husks 2 rows at a time. He is required to take all the corn on his 2 rows.



This group has just finished a half-day of making plans for the state husking contest. Left to right—Seth Brown, deputy sheriff; Elmer Clark, owner of the field; Harold Heaton, chairman of the Erie committee; Will Zurbucken, Topeka, assistant superintendent of the State Highway Patrol; Lewis Ford, member of the Erie committee; and H. S. Nelson, sheriff of Neosho county.



Elmer Clark, owner of the field, measures an ear. Mr. Clark's farm is located at the junction of highways 59 and 96, about 3½ miles southwest of Erie.



Decked out in his official corn husking contest hat Erie's mayor, C. E. Locke, visits the contest field to tear back a husk and see what the Kansas champions will find.



Will Zurbucken, assistant superintendent of the State Highway Patrol, who inspected the contest site recently, declares this year's site is the most ideal location for a contest he has ever seen. The camera caught him pointing with satisfaction to 115 acres of parking space which surrounds the contest field.

# Passing COMMENT

**I** THINK possibly I can make no better use of the limited space at my command than to attempt to answer the questions asked me by the readers of the Kansas Farmer and Mail and Breeze.

Here is a more or less complicated will case: Father and mother died and left grown children. They had 3 farms. Father died after mother. He left a will, and the children had the will probated but the estate has never been divided. All were to share alike and 2 of the children are executors of the will. One of the executors lives on one of the farms, and he wants to take all the crop money to fix up the buildings. Can he do this? Two of the children are married. Can the boy's wife come in for a share of her father-in-law's property if the boy should die? Can the other brothers and sisters get any of his property if he dies?—E. X. X.

If the father's will provided how the land should be divided, it is the duty of the executors to carry out the wishes of the father and divide the property according to the provisions of the will. If this could not be done without injury to the property, the direct heirs should get together and agree upon a division. As soon as this property, willed to these children, comes into the possession of said children, then the wife's interest accrues. That is to say, whatever land was willed to any of the children remains in the name of such child until his or her death. But at his or her death, if there is a surviving wife or husband, the survivor inherits one-half of said property. If any one of these children dies, possessed of property which is not disposed of by will, and if there are no children and no surviving husband or wife, the brothers and sisters would inherit equally the property of this single brother or sister.

## What Had He Better Do?

**I** HAVE been living on a 40-acre farm for nearly 40 years. It has never made me a living. I get just enough from it to pay interest and taxes, as I am in debt \$600. My wife and I are getting along in years. I am 68; my wife is 51. I have always worked for the other fellow and

## Safety Law Needed

By ED BLAIR  
Spring Hill, Kansas

A driver leads to jaw and knocks hold-up man into Big Muddy, while crossing Hannibal bridge. Hold-up man probably drowned.

There ought to be a safety law,  
So men who ply the trade  
Of holding other people up  
Can do it unafraid.  
A safety law for bridges, yes,  
Where men who drive so slow  
That hold-ups working at their trade  
Won't get knocked off below.

One hold-up hardly got inside  
Till zip the driver struck  
And hit him squarely on the jaw!  
He had no time to duck.  
Outside he rolled and off the bridge  
Below he made a splash.  
It's awful to have bandits foiled  
When they are needing cash!

We should have big, strong nets below  
Where danger lurks so near,  
So when a driver leads to jaw  
These hold-ups will not fear  
Of being knocked off as they work  
Without a chance to get  
To prove by pals they were not there!  
Besides their clothes get wet!

By T. A. McNeal

have drawn good wages. My last good job which terminated 4 years ago, was 9 years on the county highway. I lost that job because I called myself a Republican. On account of my age there is not much that I can get to do any more, and about \$1 or \$1.50 a day is all they want to pay. What is the chance of my getting an old age pension? I have lived in this county practically all my life. How much could I get? Would I have to sign away what little I have to get it?—H. W. B.

We do not have an old age pension in Kansas. We have old age assistance. You seem to be qualified for that. You are over 65; have lived practically all your life in Kansas. If you have lived continuously in the state the last 5 years you qualify as to residence. The law does not fix the amount of old age assistance. You do not have to sign away anything. Take the matter up with your county welfare director.

## Aid for the Blind

**M**Y MOTHER is nearly blind. She has an old 80-acre farm which barely pays the taxes and a poor living. What is the law in regard to assistance for the blind? Would mother have to turn the land over to the county?—C. G.

The law provides for assistance for the blind and defines what is meant by "blind" as follows: "The blind shall mean not only those who are totally blind but also those persons whose vision is so defective as to prevent the performance of ordinary activities for which eyesight is essential."

Chapter 200 of the laws of 1939, amending the law of 1937 and repealing some of the sections of that law, further provides that "assistance shall be granted to any blind person subject to the general eligibility requirements as set out in subdivision A of this section." The requirements in order to be eligible to this assistance are as follows: "(1) That the blind person has not sufficient income or resources to provide a reasonable subsistence compatible with decency and health; (2) has resided in the state of Kansas 5 years during the 9 years immediately preceding the application for assistance, and has resided therein continuously for 1 year immediately preceding such application; (3) is not at the time of receiving such assistance an inmate of any public institution. An inmate of a public institution may, however, make application for such assistance but the assistance, if granted, shall not begin until after he ceases to be an inmate of the public institution; (4) has not made an assignment or transfer of property for the purpose of rendering himself eligible for assistance under this act at any time within 2 years immediately prior to filing application for assistance."

Your mother would not have to turn the farm over to the county or state. She might sell or assign it, provided the sale or assignment is not made for the purpose of rendering herself eligible for assistance.

## Military Training Compulsory

**I** HAVE a son at Manhattan who is being required to take military training. Does the law require it of all students? As members of the Church of the Brethren we are very much opposed to this requirement.—H. W. F.

General Statutes of Kansas 76-436 reads as follows: "That all colleges or universities in the state which have been organized under the provisions of the Act of Congress of July 2, 1862,

known as the Morrill act, the title of which being, 'An act donating public lands to the several states and territories which may provide colleges for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts' shall include in their course of study a course in military training and tactics, such course shall be compulsory and be required of every regularly enrolled male student of such university or college during the freshman and sophomore years; provided, however, that any such student who on account of any physical defect or disability is unfit or unable to pursue such course, or whose health will not permit may be excused from taking such military training course."

## Can He Hold Possession?

**H**OW long can I retain possession of a quarter section of land after foreclosure proceedings have been instituted? Which would be wiser for me, to give the mortgage company a deed or to let the foreclosure proceed?—S. E.

You can retain possession for 18 months after the land is sold and the sale confirmed by the court, unless the mortgage was given to secure a part of the purchase price, in which case unless at least one-third of the indebtedness has been paid the redemption period will be reduced to 6 months. I do not know how long it will take after the foreclosure suit has been instituted to obtain a judgment and sell the land. Generally speaking, however, it requires at least 2 years after foreclosure suit has been commenced to get possession of the land.

As to whether it will be wiser for you to give the mortgagee a deed or let the foreclosure proceed will depend on whether the mortgagee is willing to pay you for giving possession without suit and the amount he is willing to give. If you give him a deed, that will save him the court cost and he will have the use of the land for a period of say 2 years. On the other hand, if you give him a deed you will lose the use of the land for a period of probably 2 years. You, perhaps, can estimate how much 2 years right of possession will be worth to you. It is just like 2 years use of the land without rent.

## Write Live Stock Commissioner

**A**N ARTICLE was published in the Kansas Farmer of October 7, stating that it was unlawful for farmers to vaccinate hogs with anti-hog cholera serum without a vaccinating permit. Please publish in your paper the proper way to get such a permit.—L. G. M.

Please write Will J. Miller, Live Stock Commissioner, Topeka, Kan.

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# FARM MATTERS

*As I See Them*

WENT before the State Department's Committee for Reciprocity Information this week to protest against the Department's proposed trade agreement with Argentina. As I see it, any lowering of tariff protection to increase trade with Argentina will of necessity provide for lowering the tariff protection afforded agricultural products.

I want to lay it down right now, as a clear-cut proposition, that among other things we must maintain tariff protection for all agricultural products which are adapted to production in the United States under our system of Agriculture. Also this should apply to direct substitutes, which otherwise may be brought in and displace important farm products which can be efficiently and economically produced in this country.

I am particularly concerned because the agreement now proposed is with Argentina. Let me make myself clear on this point. I am not inimical to the Argentine. But it just happens that Argentina agriculture is almost identical with farming in Kansas and the adjoining agricultural territory.

They, and we, produce corn and wheat, flax seed and other field crops. They, as we, produce livestock, both beef cattle and dairy cattle, and our living depends upon finding a market for meats, hides and skins, dairy products, and so forth. Their prosperity is based upon marketing the same products.

Now we, in Kansas, in the United States, want Argentina to be prosperous. We have none but the greatest possible wishes for the success of this great Nation to the South; we have the friendliest possible feeling for the farmers and stockmen of Argentina.

But it is not to be expected that we approve, and attempt to obtain, prosperity for Agriculture in Argentina at the expense of our own farmers. I will not agree to the sacrifice of our farmers, thru opening up the American market for imports of farm products from abroad—especially in view of the fact that we are asking, and almost coercing, our own farmers to reduce production of certain of our own farm products.

## This Is Not Our War

THE debate on proposed revision of the Neutrality Act in the Senate, which now has lasted 3 weeks, has not changed my position.

This European war is not our country's war. It is not Democracy's war; it is not Humanity's war; it is not Civilization's war.

This European war is a war over boundary lines; it is another venture in the never-ending game of European power politics.

The only side for the United States to take is the outside.

Repeal of the arms embargo, for the undoubted purpose of enabling the United States to help Britain and France, in my deliberate judgment will be the first step toward our entering the war.

I agree with Senator Borah that if we send arms now we will send armies later.

The light of experience should guide our steps in making decisions on foreign policy.

We have that light of experience. We have the record of events preceding our entrance into the first World War.

We sold arms, ammunitions and implements of war—for cash. We built up a huge industry. The customers' supply of cash ran low—we advanced them banking credits. The banking credits became too large for our bankers to carry. We allowed the Allies to float loans in the United States. These credits, these loans, this gearing of our entire economy to war orders and war profits, naturally created a war boom.

Came the crucial days in 1917, when we either had to see the war boom collapse, or go to war for the Allies. We went to war for the Allies, after persuading ourselves we were going to war to make the world safe for Democracy. We just made the war boom bigger, and the eventual collapse more complete and disastrous—to say nothing of American lives lost in futile effort.

Repeal of the arms embargo will start the same wheels turning again. Munitions sales, credits, loans, and finally men. I am opposed to repeal of the arms embargo.

## Remove the Accident Trap

I AM sure you have said many times in the last few weeks, as I have, that we are fortunate to live in safety far from the European battle fronts. But when we turn to the figures on accidental deaths and injuries we are brought face to face with the fact that we have an "undeclared" war on human safety right at home. I think everyone of us should draft ourselves into the service of accident prevention.

This hits farm folks harder than any other group because farming is the most hazardous occupation of all. In a recent 12 months period, fatal accidents on U. S. farms mounted up to 4,500 compared with 2,300 in manufacturing and 2,800 in construction work. The factories and construction companies spend a good deal of time and money hunting out accident traps and protecting workers from dangerous machinery. But out on the farm there are no safety inspectors, unless the family makes it a point to study this important factor in safe farm living.

One thing that brings this subject to mind just now is the fact that another safety contest, conducted by the Farm Accident Prevention Committee of the Kansas Safety Council, is just ending and the 1939-40 contest soon will be under way. Primarily this contest is to reach young folks. Thru schools and 4-H Clubs the Farm Accident Prevention Committee, headed by J. C. Mohler, secretary of the Kansas State Board of Agriculture, is putting thousands of farm accident prevention primers in the hands of farm boys and girls. This primer shows why and how most farm accidents happen and how they can be avoided. During the last 2 years this campaign has reached 100,000 Kansas farm homes.

Just now, with our thoughts focused on safety from war, it is a logical time to start a safety campaign on the farm. We are shocked at the appalling losses in the war, but there isn't anything we can do about it. We would be grief-stricken should a fatal accident come to the family; but, fortunately, there is something that can be done about this before it is too late. We can remove the accident trap.

*Arthur Capper*

Washington, D. C.

# From a MARKETING Viewpoint

By George Montgomery, Grain; Franklin L. Parsons, Dairy, Fruits and Vegetables; R. J. Eggert, Livestock; C. Peairs Wilson, Poultry.

(Probable changes in feed and carrying costs have been considered in forming conclusions.)

If the European war continues for a year or longer, what effect will it have on dairying as a farm enterprise?—J. E. P., Brown Co.

In my opinion, dairying will become increasingly important as a farm enterprise, because dairy products probably will increase in price to a greater extent than costs of production. The effect war will have on prices probably will be slight in 1939. Prices probably will not increase substantially until world stocks are reduced and large amounts of dairy products are exported to other countries.

It is my understanding that the United States got a whale of a lot of hams and bacon from Poland. Now that Poland has been over-run by Germany and Russia, I presume

that supply will be cut off. What effect will this have on our own hog prices?—R. H. G., Shawnee Co.

Cutting off imports of Polish hams and other pork products into the United States will have little effect on domestic prices, despite the publicity from the standpoint of lowering hog values. Total pork imports from Poland during 1938 amounted to 0.44 per cent of our total dressed pork production, excluding lard; and during the first 6 months of 1939 they accounted for about 0.47 per cent of our production. Research studies have indicated that approximately a 1 per cent increase in the supply of pork, other things remaining equal, depresses prices about 1 per cent. Assuming imports to have the same effect as an increase in supply, Polish imports have depressed our prices about 1/2 of 1 per cent or from 3 to 5 cents a hundred weight, considering the current price of hogs. The disruption of Polish exports probably will have its greatest effect on our prices in an indirect manner, for it may eventually lead to our receiving orders from England that formerly were filled by Poland.

Reports say this is one of the driest falls on record. How will this effect the wheat crop and wheat prices?—M. C., Meade Co.

Investigations show that rainfall prior to seeding time has a greater effect upon wheat yields than at any other season of the year. In the last 2 months rainfall has been so deficient over such a large area, that we may have a small winter wheat crop next year. However, since there will be a large carryover of old wheat on July 1, 1940, there probably will not be a scarcity of wheat, even if the crop should be small. A small crop, however, probably would result in prices working to higher levels.

Would good stock pigs do a person any good with corn at not more than 50 cents a bushel and possibly less?—E. K., Mo.

This should be a satisfactory program, but I suggest that you wait until late November or December to make the purchase. The pigs should weigh enough when you buy them so that they will be ready for market by late

February or March. While less than the usual seasonal price advance from the winter low to the spring high is expected this year, enough advance is probable to warrant going ahead with such an enterprise if corn, or its equivalent, is not more than 55 cents a bushel. Larger supplies of hogs are expected, but improved demand conditions should modify their effect on price.

## Trend of the Markets

Please remember that prices given here are Kansas City tops for best quality offered:

	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago
Steers, Fed	\$11.25	\$11.50	\$11.50
Hogs	7.00	7.90	7.80
Lambs	9.50	9.60	8.60
Hens, 4 to 5 lbs.	.10	.12	.13
Eggs, Firsts	.20 1/2	.18	.21 1/2
Butterfat, No. 1	.23	.23	.21
Wheat, No. 2, Hard	.84	.89	.68 1/2
Corn, No. 2, Yellow	.52 1/2	.57 1/2	.43 1/2
Oats, No. 2, White	.36 1/2	.36	.25 1/2
Barley, No. 2	.50 1/2	.52	.38
Alfalfa, No. 1	17.00	12.00	15.00
Prairie, No. 1	8.50	8.00	8.50

# FARM SAFETY

## Goal of Boys and Girls in Contest

By CECIL BARGER



(1) Glen Davis, Oakley, boy winner in the state farm accident prevention contest. He received a gold watch presented by Senator Capper thru Kansas Farmer. (2) Roy Upham and Josephine Brown, 2 outstanding members of the Brookside 4-H Club, group winner of farm safety contest. (3) Ethel Cochran, Topeka, state girl winner. (4) Part of the Brookside 4-H Club, of Geary county, which won a free trip to the American Royal Livestock Show.

**S**AFETY first" is the motto of thousands of farm boys and girls throughout Kansas who are working to reduce farm accidents. The second year of the Kansas Farm Accident Prevention Contest has just come to a close and winners have been announced.

State girl champion in the contest sponsored by the Kansas Safety Council is Ethel Cochran, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Cochran, of near Topeka. Ethel is the second in her family to be a state winner. Last year her sister, Dorothy, won the girls' division.

Boy winner is Glen Davis, Rt. 1, Oakley. These 2 individual winners were both presented handsome gold watches by Senator Arthur Capper thru Kansas Farmer Mail and Breeze.

The Brookside 4-H Club in Geary county won the group prize of a free trip to the American Royal Livestock Show. They traveled by bus to Kansas City for 2 thrilling days of entertainment.

Awards were made at a special broadcast over radio station WIBW on October 15. Speakers were Gov-

ernor Payne Ratner, J. C. Mohler, secretary of the State Board of Agriculture, Jesse Greenleaf, of Greensburg, Raymond H. Gilkeson, managing editor of Kansas Farmer, and some of the club boys and girls. Senator Capper was unable to be present, but in his weekly talk which followed he commented on the fine work the boys and girls are doing to reduce accidents in rural communities.

Every boy and girl thruout Kansas in a grade or high school or in 4-H Clubs or vocational agriculture classes is eligible to enter the contest. Activities done to make farms safer and to reduce accidents, leadership in conducting community campaigns for farm safety, and a 300-word story on "The Prevention of Accidents and the Conservation of Human Life in My Community" are the things on which the awards are based.

Judges who selected the winners were: Mrs. Julia King Smith, of Manhattan, representing the State Farm Bureau; Mrs. Paul Edgar, of Topeka, representing the Kansas State Grange; and Mr. Merton Earl, secretary of the Kansas Safety Council.

Proof that the efforts of these young people and of thousands of others over the state who took part in the contest are valuable to Kansas, is found in the statistical records of accidental deaths for Kansas during the last few years as compiled by the State Board of Health. This record shows that fatalities in agriculture have decreased from 109 in 1936 to 57 during 1938.

To Kansas goes the credit for first investigating into farm accidents. In 1934, a state-wide farm accident census was taken, which showed accidents amounting to 3,000 annually with as high as 112 deaths. Results were so unbelievable, the census was repeated in 1935, with a similar report. The reports also revealed that machinery and livestock were the outstanding causes of accidents, the 2 together accounting for about two-thirds of all mishaps.

With these figures as a background

the Kansas Safety Council appointed the Farm Accident Committee to consider what should be done. The committee consisted of J. C. Mohler, chairman, and W. T. Markham, then state superintendent of public instruction, M. H. Coe, state 4-H Club leader, L. B. Pollom, state supervisor of vocational agriculture, and Raymond H. Gilkeson, managing editor of Kansas Farmer. The committee planned the contest, and had printed the "Farm Accident Primer," of which more than 100,000 copies have been distributed.

Special co-operators in helping conduct the farm safety contest besides those already mentioned are: D. J. Fair, chairman of the Kansas Safety Council; Bruce Hurd of the Santa Fe, and Deane Ackers of the Kansas Power and Light Company who provided transportation for the winning

## Best U. S. Huskers to Battle

**O**FFICIALS of the 1939 National Corn Husking Contest are going into their final round of preparation for this year's greatest farm sporting event. This contest, to be held on the Frank H. Leonhard farm, near Lawrence, is expected to attract perhaps 150,000 people.

Those in attendance will see 22 of the nation's swiftest corn huskers fighting for the glory of 11 different states. One-half million dollars worth of machinery will be on display and many other exhibits and concessions will dot the contest setting.

Handling the traffic and the crowd will be about 2,000 peace officers, personally directed by Colonel E. T. Moo- mau, superintendent of the State Highway Patrol, and Will Zurbucken, assistant superintendent. The band of officers will be composed of patrolmen, police, National Guardsmen, Legionnaires, horsemen from Haskell Institute, and others.

This is the second national contest to be held in Kansas, the other having

group to Kansas City and for a sight-seeing tour in Topeka; L. E. Hawkins, of the Kansas City Chamber of Commerce, and A. M. Patterson, secretary of the American Royal.

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## Operators Protest New Law

Sixty community sales operators recently protested to Governor Payne Ratner and Will J. Miller, state livestock sanitary commissioner, against the new state law requiring a permit to vaccinate hogs for cholera and requiring all hogs offered for sale in sales barns to be vaccinated. This law was reported in the October 7 issue of Kansas Farmer.

Mr. Miller explained the new law which went into effect October 15, was necessary to offer "protection to the purchaser of hogs at community sales and to the health of the animals sold there." He continued, "I consider it my duty to prevent the spread of cholera and other animal diseases. Buyers of these animals have to be considered as well as the sellers. State Senator Rolla W. Coleman, of Overland Park, indicated a court test of the new regulation might result.

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## Kansas Boys Win at American Royal

**T**WO KANSAS boys, who live only 1/4 mile apart, virtually walked away with the junior beef division of the American Royal Livestock Show. An Angus calf, belonging to Marvin Poland, Junction City, was the grand champion of the boys' and girls' division. Another Angus, belonging to Andrew J. Schuler, also of Junction City, won the reserve championship.

Besides a cash prize Marvin Poland was presented a \$50 scholarship to Kansas State College by the Kansas City Junior Chamber of Commerce. In the collegiate livestock judging contest, Kansas State College ranked third, scoring only 4 points behind Iowa State College, second place winner. University of Missouri placed first. The Kansas State team ranked first in judging horses and second in hogs.

As individuals in the contest, F. Dale Engler placed 10th in all classes, 4th in horses; Marcel McVay was 12th in the whole contest, 9th in judging horses, and 5th in hogs; E. Dale Mustoe ranked 9th in judging horses and 2nd in hogs; Wm. A. Ljunodahl was 7th in judging horses; Evans Banbury was 12th in judging horses.

George Bearnes, of Culver, won 1st in judging cattle in the national 4-H Club livestock judging contest. His team was also 1st in judging cattle. It ranked 4th in the entire contest, including judging of all livestock.

## Handy Record Book Free

New farm and livestock record books for 1940 are now ready. They are free to everyone for the asking. The handy pocket-sized booklet has space for expenses and expenditures, itemized summaries, egg records, milk records, breeding records and crop records. Besides, it contains many helpful measuring rules, bushel weights, miscellaneous tables. Send name and address of every member of the household who wants a copy. Both the Mister and Missus should have one. Address Farm Service Editor, Kansas Farmer, Topeka.

# BEN DAVIS APPLES

## Staging Come-Back With Kansas Growers

By JAMES SENTER BRAZELTON

ACCORDING to Dr. W. F. Pickett, head of the department of horticulture, Kansas State College, an older among the apple varieties is staging a come-back. In the apple display at the Hutchinson State Fair there were 21 tables shown, and 14 of those tables contained plates of Ben Davis apples. Five to 8 years ago fewer tables showed Ben Davis. Doctor Pickett thinks this may indicate that Kansas apple growers are wishing they had more of this variety.

When the apple industry in Doniphan county had its beginning most of the orchards were set with Ben Davis trees, and it was this variety that brought neat fortunes to the pioneer growers. In the mention of these first orchards it is interesting to note that most of the trees were purchased from that picturesque early-day character, Charles Jesse Jones.

From 1866 to 1872, Mr. Jones operated a successful nursery business in Troy, and it was after that he became internationally famous and won for himself the title of "Buffalo Jones" by which he was known all over the world. Mrs. H. L. Parker, wife of a Troy orchard owner, is a niece of this much traveled man whose thrilling adventures have been told in many books.

Jonathan is an apple of much better quality than Ben Davis and when growers discovered it would do well here, more and more of this variety were set out. Then came the Delicious and the humble Ben Davis took a back seat. It became unpopular, and no one ever thought of including it in new plantings.

Gradually, as the original trees grew old and died, Ben Davis apples became scarce. A few wise growers noted this and set out blocks of Ben Davis trees in their orchards. These are now coming into bearing and the wise ones are being rewarded for their foresight.

Altho the lowly Ben Davis cannot be compared to Delicious or even Jonathan in quality, it has many traits that make it a commendable apple. It is much more prolific than many of the varieties in the elite class and it is not an every-other-year bearer, but many be depended on to bear heavy crops every year. It keeps in cold storage as well or better than any of the winter apples.

One of its outstanding characteristics is the tenacity with which the apples cling to the trees. Unlike the Jonathan, Ben Davis apples will weather the stiffest gales without losing their grip and crashing to the ground. Without a doubt we are in for a revival of Ben Davis planting. But this variety will never be grown as extensively as it once was because we now have the superior redbud sports as competitors for popularity.

Growers who contemplate a Ben Davis planting next spring will be interested in a new variety recently introduced, called the Wheatstone, the result of a series of crosses, being a quarter Ben Davis, a quarter Jonathan and half Delicious. It has retained many of the characteristics of its Ben Davis ancestry, one of which is the way it holds its apples in any windstorm. It is prolific like the Ben Davis and comes out of storage better than it went in. It takes its shape from its Delicious parentage.

George W. Kinkead, secretary of the Kansas State Horticultural Society, states Marjory Blevins, Doniphan county Apple Blossom Queen, made a great hit in her tour of Kansas as a part of a state-wide campaign to induce Kansas folks to eat Kansas apples.

Chaperoned by her mother and

riding in a beautiful automobile, provided by the Industrial Commission, after visiting 35 leading cities of Kansas, Miss Blevins visited the Hutchinson State Fair and was introduced at the evening performance by Wm. G. Amstein, Extension Horticulturalist, Kansas State College, to a crowd of 15,000 Kansans. A basket of Jonathan apples that had won the blue ribbon was presented to her, and the charming queen received a real ovation when she had a professional juggler toss these apples out to a crowd that was made up largely of people from the wheat and livestock districts of Kansas and they marveled that such fine apples were grown in this state.

The apple grower does not wait until New Year's Day to make resolutions. A better time is right after the last apple has been hauled away. Then with the rush and worry of the harvest over, in the lull that follows, either consciously or unconsciously, he resolves to do better next year. With such disastrous experiences in mind as the 50 to 75 per cent drop early in September, he may decide he has too many Jonathans.

Same area planted to a variety that has more stick-to-itiveness would be more profitable, he reasons. So he makes up his mind, perhaps, to yank out some of the older Jonathan trees this winter and reset with some other variety. He has a wide choice here and several months in which to make a decision.

If he has no summer apples he may conclude he should have some of these to round out a full season, and if he is wise he will choose some of the improved varieties like Lodi (a large Transparent) or the early-bearing Duchess type apple called Anoka. Then for the later varieties there is the long list of redbud sports to choose from like Richared, Starking, Blaxstayman, Stamored, Gallia Beauty (a red Rome), and Colora (a red York).

Much interest is being developed in the feeding of cull apples to livestock. The Virginia Agricultural Experiment

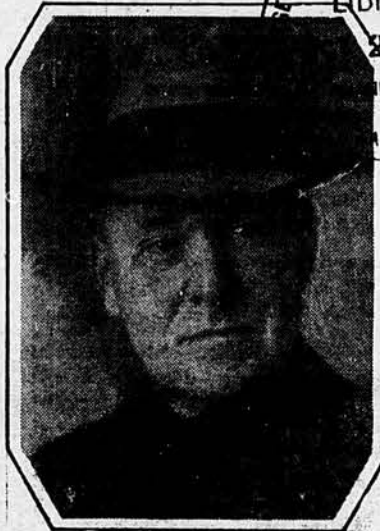
Station commends the practice. The Michigan Apple Institute, Inc., advises growers to utilize their surplus in this way.

It has been determined that the pomace (residue left after the juice has been extracted) has a feeding value equivalent to the same weight of corn silage. Being more palatable, cows are said to prefer it to silage and they can safely be fed 35 pounds of pomace a day along with liberal feedings of alfalfa hay, cottonseed meal and soybean meal. The feeding of apples to milk cows increases the flow of milk.

National Apple Week begins this year on Halloween Day and ends November 6. The purpose of having such a week is to give publicity to the greatest fruit in the world, to increase its consumption and by so doing bring health, happiness and good cheer to all.

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## Master Farmer Dies



E. P. Miller

E. P. Miller, Junction City, prominent dairyman and Master Farmer of the class of 1929, died October 15 in a Dodge City hospital where he underwent an operation. Funeral rites were held October 17. Mr. Miller was considered one of the best dairymen in the United States. His dairy quarters were as clean as a kitchen. Cows were brushed and curried at milking time, and the udder was washed with a dis-

## Finishing Turkeys

Much of the profit from the labor and expense of raising turkeys of fine quality may be lost thru lack of proper finishing or marketing. Feeding at this time is an important factor. Explicit directions for marketing poultry and turkeys, as well as finishing them, are given in these bulletins:

No. 1377—Marketing Poultry.  
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infected solution and a cloth fresh from the laundry. The milk moved from the cow to the refrigerator in 3 minutes, by way of a milking machine, cooling system, and automatic bottling and capping machinery. It was carried to the consumer in a refrigerator truck.

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## Youngsters Show Poultry

Seventy-two members of the Boys' and Girls' Poultry Project and Show Club, sponsored by Lowe's Hatchery in Topeka, exhibited more than 250 birds in a show at Topeka, October 14. Thirty baby chicks were provided each club member last spring with the understanding that 4 birds should be returned to the hatchery at the show.

Grand champion cockerel, a White Rock, was exhibited by Norma Hubbard, R. 3, Topeka. Gordon Stanley, of Topeka, exhibited the grand champion pullet, which was a Rhode Island Red. In White Wyandottes, Verna Graham, Osage City, had the first prize cockerel, and Margaret Howard, Richland, first prize pullet.

Best White Rock cockerel was shown by Norma Hubbard, R. 3, Topeka, and best pullet by Lawrence Mohler, R. 6, Topeka. In Barred Plymouth Rock classes, Wilton Koehler, Richland, won first on his cockerel, and Norman Kirk, R. 4, Topeka, on his pullet. Best S. C. Rhode Island Red cockerel was shown by Warren Engler, R. 9, Topeka, and best pullet by Gordon Stanley, 2020 Swygart, Topeka. Four of the boys and girls receiving 30 R. O. P.-sired chicks raised all of them to 6 weeks of age. They are Betty Bullock, Berryton, Gene Spear, Berryton, Lawrence Mohler, R. 6, Topeka, and Norma Hubbard, R. 3, Topeka. G. D. McClaskey, field secretary of the Kansas Poultry and Egg Shippers Association, judged the show.

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## Still Raising Horses

In spite of predictions a few years ago that horses in Kansas would soon be of little use except as museum specimens, horse raising is still an important industry in the state, according to a recent report of the Kansas State Board of Agriculture.

The report issued by the division of registration shows 2,015 stallions are now in use in the state and 12 pure breeds are represented by the licensed stallions. Kansas being an agricultural state, it is not surprising to find that horses of the draft breeds are most numerous, with Percherons and Belgians far in the lead.

However, a generous supply of lighter types and other drafters is represented. American saddlers rank next to the drafters mentioned, in point of numbers. Next in numbers are thoroughbreds, Morgans and standard-breds, with representation even in that rarest of breeds, the Arab.

## Calf Sells for \$815



For the sixth consecutive year Phillips 66 has paid 66 cents a pound for the champion steer at the 4-H Club fat stock show in Wichita. Above is E. H. Lyon, of the Phillips Petroleum Co., and Billy Winzer, of Leon, owner. Billy got \$815 for his calf.

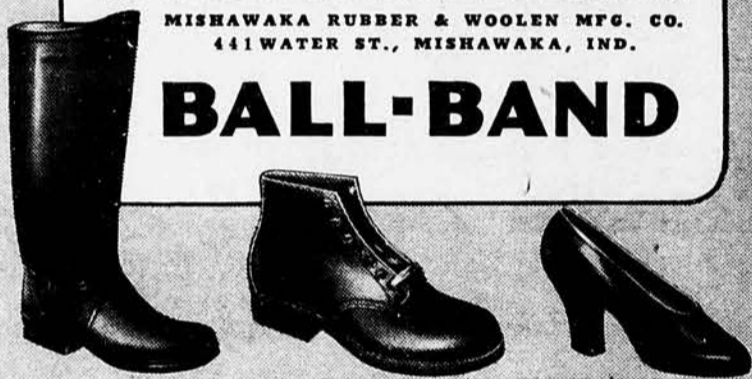


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## WIBW Will Broadcast Husking

WIBW, with announcers Gene Shipley, Hilton Hodges, and E. H. Curtis at portable microphones, plans complete coverage of the Kansas State Corn Husking Contest for Middlewestern listeners when this rural sporting event gets under way October 26 at Erie. WIBW takes to the air at 11:30 a. m., Thursday, to begin description of the contest.

Announcers Shipley, Hodges, and Curtis, familiar to thousands of listeners, will be darting by foot and on horseback here and there to give an "ear by ear" description direct from the bangboards, rows of corn, exhibit tent and officials' quarters. The 3 will work in rotation—switching the scene back and forth to each other to keep abreast of the main interest spots.



Hilton Hodges, popular WIBW announcer.

Pack transmitters with their own power output and antenna will be carted on the backs of the announcers on some occasions as well as on horseback to work within a radius of a stationary transmitter tower set up at a strategic spot. Special telephone lines will be set up to relay these reports of the contest back to Topeka to the main WIBW transmitting plant and thence to listeners.

Not only will eye-witness descriptions be given by these 3 capable announcers, but also entertainment by the entire talent staff when "The Kansas Roundup" starts at 2:30 p. m. direct from the field and a half-hour show, not broadcast, immediately after at 3 p. m. featuring special acts.

Entertainers participating will include the following, whose names readers will recognize: "Henry and Jerome," those 2 masters of pleasing harmony; the "Shepherd of the Hills," one of the nation's ranking cowboy singers; Al Clauser's screen and radio, "Okla-

homa Outlaws," western cowboy band; the Arizona Range Riders, harmony vocal and instrumental quartette; Col. Combs, champion old-time fiddler; Jud Miller, exponent of the sweet type of violin music; Maudie Shreffler, producer and pianist; Ole Livgren, accordionist; Pappy Chizzlefinger, Hal Bolan and Roy Carlson, trumpeters who trumpet tunes out of this world; Dale Brand, electric guitar player; Hoppi Corbin, cellist; Edmund Denney, golden-voiced tenor; Catherine and Frankie McKay, harmony singers famous from coast-to-coast; Roy Faulkner, the Lonesome Cowboy; and others.



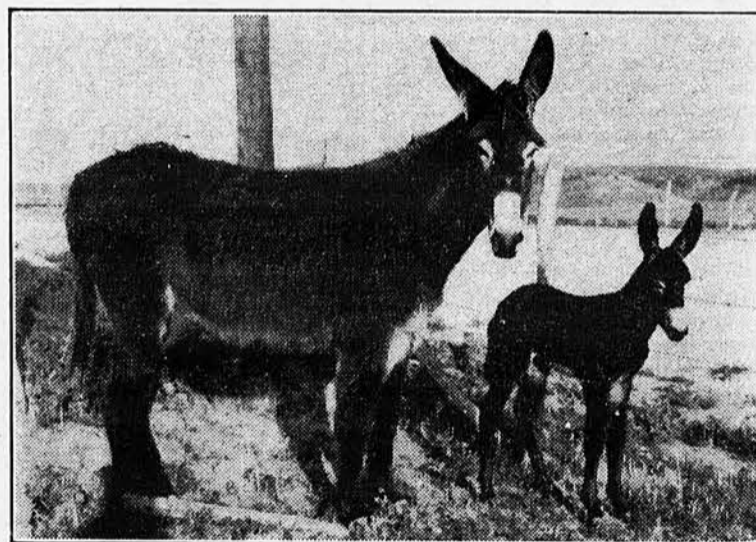
Gene Shipley, one of 3 announcers who will give an "ear by ear" description of the state husking contest.

E. H. Curtis, who will take the air from a cornfield on October 26.

Thousands who won't be able to attend this contest in person can follow right along with their favorite competitors over WIBW, 580 on the radio dial, the day of the starting gun. The broadcasts are made possible thru the co-operation of WIBW with Kansas Farmer Mail and Breeze, sponsor of the contest, and the Erie Young Men's Association.

On November 3, WIBW again takes up the battle for these shuckers as the state finalists go into action at the National contest on corn rows at the F. H. Leonard farm in Douglas county, near Lawrence, with "ear by ear" descriptions being the big features once again.

## There's Jack in Jacks



This jennet was purchased by Beals Brothers, of Ellis county, for \$15, but her offspring, the young jack, is expected to bring \$500 when he is a 3-year-old.

PROFITS from raising jacks on the farm of G. A. and Ernest Beals, Ellis county, are almost as unusual as "the goose that lays the golden eggs" in the story of Jack and the Bean Stalk.

Three years ago, the Beals brothers bought 2 mammoth jennets at \$17.50 each. From these jennets they raised 3 foals, including 1 jack and 2 jennets. When the jack was a 2-year-old, the Beals were offered \$300 for him and it is expected he will bring at least \$500 by the time he is a 3-year-old.

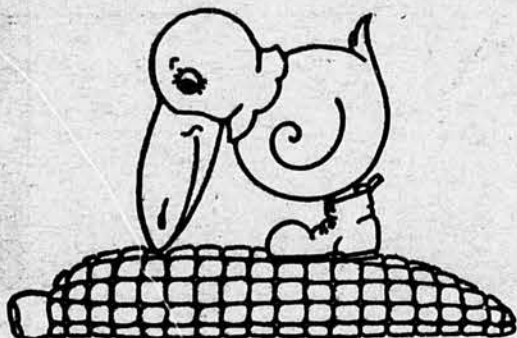
More recently, another jennet was brought to the Beal farm, this one hav-

ing cost \$15 while carrying a foal. The foal proved to be a jack as good or better than the other one for which the \$300 offer was made. As both young jennets raised on the place were saved for breeding purposes, the Beals herd now consists of 5 jennets and 2 young jacks from the original purchase of 3 jennets at a total cost of \$50. One breeding fee added to this brings the total investment to \$62.50.

What about the present value from this investment of \$62.50. The Beals declare they would not sell for less than \$1,200.



## Jayhawk Spreads Contest News



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OF ALL the birds on land and sea, none is more famous than the Kansas Jayhawk. But strange as it may seem, no one has ever seen one of these mysterious birds. It is supposed to have roamed the plains of Kansas in prehistoric times, but it left no remains, no tracks in geological sands. As a matter of fact, the term Jayhawk was coined and first applied to Kansans by Missouri bushwhackers during the Civil War raids.

Even tho the Jayhawk's family tree is somewhat questionable, no one doubts that such a bird exists in Kansas. For the Jayhawk has for years been the symbol of Kansas and Kansans.

A Jayhawk, sitting on an ear of corn, illustrated above, is the theme or symbol of the National Corn Husking Contest, which will be held near Lawrence, Kan., November 3. So far it has flown to many parts of the United States, telling the story of the Contest—a hawk of news. This Jayhawker will be the only novelty or souvenir allowed on the field, and all profit goes to the Lawrence Chamber of Commerce to be used in defraying expenses.

## Sleeps After Counting Cattle

By J. M. PARKS, Manager  
Kansas Farmer National Protective Service

BECAUSE Walter Weide, Rt. 3, Yates Center, had a habit of counting his 18 steers each morning when he fed them, he missed one of them within a few hours after it was stolen. Then, he followed the recommendation of Kansas Farmer and reported the theft promptly to his sheriff. Now, he doesn't have to count sheep at night in order to go to sleep, for he feels sure that the thief is safe in the state penitentiary where he will stay for from 1 to 7 years. A further cause of satisfaction comes from the fact that Weide and Sheriff Charles E. O'Brien have received the benefits of the \$25 reward, paid by Kansas Farmer. The Protective Service suggests that other readers adopt the plan which worked so well in Mr. Weide's case.

### Boosts Protective Service

This letter from Mrs. G. W. Kirgis, Beloit, gives further proof that Kansas Farmer readers approve its thieving agency: "Your check for \$25 dated September 19, was delivered personally by your district manager, Ray Johnson, of Concordia, for which I thank you. The case was handled in a prompt and satisfactory manner. I highly praise your National Protective Service and the courteous manner of your salesman. Thank you again for all past favors. I remain, Yours truly, Mrs. G. W. Kirgis."

Mrs. Kirgis detected a thief in the act of stealing from her home and earned a reward by making a prompt report to the sheriff's office, which report resulted in a prison sentence.

### Easier to Steal Hogs

Thieves sometimes are side-tracked from their original purpose, as is shown in the story of a hog theft from the posted farm of Harry Minium, Morland. Mr. Minium thought from the evidence he found that the thieves had driven down a side road near his farm and shot a hog, butchered it, then loaded it into a car. He reported this



evidence to Sheriff Charles C. Maupin. The officer learned, thru another criminal, already in jail, that this theft had been committed by Pierman McCoy and Lloyd Young. These men were questioned and admitted they drove into the country to steal cattle, were unable to find any, so decided to take the hog. Both men were convicted and given 1 to 5-year sentences in the state penitentiary. The \$25 reward, paid by Kansas Farmer, for these convictions, was divided equally among Service Member Minium, Sheriff Maupin and C. E. Birney, Hill City, who furnished some important clues.

### Watches Home From Hill

While J. C. Wilson, Reading, worked for a neighbor who lived on a hill near the Wilson home, he kept one eye on his own premises for prowlers. This precaution on his part enabled him to give the deputy sheriff, Grove Kassens, a good description of a car which was parked near the house. This car proved to be the one driven by thieves who stole a violin, watches and other articles belonging to Wilson. Punishment of the intruders was 1- to 5-year sentences in the state reformatory. A \$25 reward, paid by Kansas Farmer, was distributed among Wilson and the sheriff's forces of Franklin and Lyon counties, who aided in the capture.

To date, Kansas Farmer has paid a total of \$29,512.50 in rewards for the capture and conviction of 1,228 criminals who have stolen from posted premises of members.

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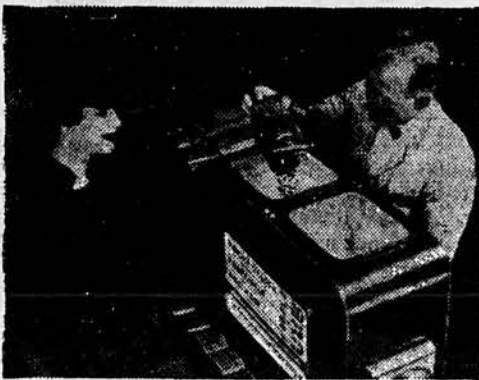
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# It's Time to Have a Party

## Having a Halloween Rumpus?

Cats, goblins, witches, pumpkins, wheels of fortune, and all the rest of the Halloween family are ready for your annual "Spook's Night" celebration! Our "Halloween Rumpus" leaflet will help you plan your party—there's suggestions you'll enjoy whether for a children's party, a grown-ups party, or a large banquet. Also in this leaflet—games—cat lollypop favors for the "kiddies"—Halloween decorations with cat, pumpkin, or goblin motifs for the dining room table or for bridge tables—fortunes with "creepy" ways of presenting them to your guests. Designs are given for the table decorations with simple instructions for making them. For the final party touch—suggestions for food with absurd "spooky" names. And b'glory it's free! Write for yours to Ruth Goodall, Kansas Farmer, Topeka.

**N**O MATTER how dignified, poised and responsible acting we are the rest of the year, All Saints' Eve is the one time of the year when modernity sheds its cloak and we gleefully indulge in childish pranks—aye, glory in downright silliness! Witches fly, goblins strut, ghosts go a-haunting—it's time to have a party! To chill in anticipation, to wax hot, then cold, giggle uncontrollably over things that couldn't possibly be half as bad as they feel and sound. It's time for fun!

After your guests have been initiated into and graduated from all the realms of horror, the fellows neckties completely askew and the gals make-up water-streaked from old-fashioned apple bobbing, there must be substantial, heartwarming "eatments" for the fun-fagged gang. So, let's turn a thought to refreshments.



The table or buffet may be decked in gayly decorated paper tablecloth and napkins, chosen from the Halloween array bound to be offered at all dime stores. Or, spread it with black oilcloth and cover with glistening orange cellophane or cheesecloth dipped in orange dye. Then scatter autumn leaves and bits of corn-stalk leaves, hit and miss fashion, so the goblins and black cats will feel "at home" as they stealthily stalk your party table. Potent Witches' Brew, may be dispensed, piping hot, from a tripod arrangement in the center of the table. If you can find an iron cauldron, that's perfect—if not, cover a large kettle with crushed black crepe paper and suspend it from a tripod, securely anchored to the table. A fire of perkily twisted red or orange crepe paper is kept aglow with a cleverly concealed electric light bulb or a small flashlight. Candles cast their weird glow from small pumpkin or brightly polished red apple candle holders. Plates, cups and spoons with appropriate Halloween designs complete the ensemble.

Suppose we make some edible black cats for decoration and refreshment later.

Begin with the tail, string raisins on fine wire, run the wire on thru a prune body and into a prune head, flattened on one side. Bend the wire back to fasten on the tail and head. Toothpicks may be used, but the wire permits a much more realistic wave to the tail and makes a more durable ornament. Long black gumdrops may be used for the tail. String raisins on toothpicks for the legs, push these well into the body and snip off the protruding ends. Cut ears into the prune head, bedeck with broomstraw whiskers and icing or paper features—and Mr. Black Cat is ready to stalk.

Goblins? Of course, we must have some. Popcorn balls, shiny red apples or oranges may be used for the body of the goblin. Draw a face on a marshmallow and fasten it to the body with a toothpick. Top with a tall, black paper hat, add a row of buttons down the



By **MRS. BENJAMIN NIELSEN**  
and **RUTH GOODALL**

"tummy," and equip it with raisin or gumdrop arms.

The wise old owl obligingly changes his color for this one evening to aid us in carrying out the traditional orange and black Halloween color scheme.

### Owl Salad

Peel and slice oranges of uniform size; dip the slices in warm honey. Moisten cream cheese with orange juice until of proper spreading consistency. For the body of the owl arrange, sandwich fashion, on a bed of crisp lettuce, two slices of oranges with cream cheese spread between. Place half slices, of honey-dipped orange, on each side for wings. A small slice makes the head. Shape round eyes from cream cheese, making centers from bits of prune; cut beak and eyebrows from prune. Use little squares of orange for feet and perch them on a prune branch.

### Witches' Brew

Pour 2 cups of boiling water over 4 teaspoons of tea leaves. Let stand 3 minutes; strain. Add 2 cups of orange juice, 1 cup lemon juice, 2 cups cider, 2 quarts (8 cups) water and sweeten to taste. Serve hot or cold. This makes 1 gallon.



With the aid of a mechanical refrigerator—providing you're lucky enough to have one—some of this mixture may be frozen into cubes in the trays of the freezing compartment. A maraschino cherry, dropped into each square before freezing adds an attractive note of color. If these cubes are used to ice the beverage, the water may be increased to 9 cups in this recipe.

### Funny-faced Sandwiches

Use your most delicious sandwich filling and both brown and white bread, cutting an equal number of slices of each kind. The cover of a pound baking powder can makes a cutter about the right size; a thimble aids in cutting eyes and a sharp knife makes short work of noses and mouths. Place a brown slice and a white slice together, one plain and one with features cut in it for the top, with filling between. Use brown pieces in white faces and white pieces in brown faces. The filling holds them fast. No two expressions are alike and they're good for a round of giggles at any party.

### Orange Ice Cream

1½ teaspoons gelatine 1 cup cream  
2 cups milk 1 teaspoon vanilla  
½ cup honey Orange vegetable coloring  
Few grains salt

Soften the gelatin in ¼ cup of milk. Scald remaining milk, add honey, salt and gelatine. Stir to blend. Cool. Add a few drops of orange vegetable coloring to obtain the desired tint. Partly freeze, then fold in whipped cream to which vanilla has been added. Continue freezing, stirring two or three times while freezing. If made in a freezer it is not necessary to

whip the cream. This amount serves 6 generously and may be stretched to serve 8, politely. When ready to serve heap on slices of your favorite Devil's Food cake. Decorate with Halloween candies or serve with pumpkin cookies. And, doubtless you'll appreciate the recipe for making them, too, for they are so good. Every one likes their spicy, pumpkin nut-like flavor.



### Pumpkin Cookies

1¼ cups sifted flour ¼ cup butter  
2 teaspoons baking powder ½ cup brown sugar  
½ teaspoon cinnamon 1 egg  
½ teaspoon ginger ½ cup cooked pumpkin  
¼ teaspoon salt ½ cup nutmeats, chopped

Sift flour, measure and resift with the baking powder, spices and salt. Cream butter and sugar until light and fluffy. Add slightly beaten egg and beat until blended. Add dry ingredients alternately with the pumpkin. Add nutmeats and mix thoroughly. Drop by teaspoonfuls on a well-oiled cookie sheet. Bake in a moderate oven, 350 degrees F. for 15 minutes. Makes 2½ dozen cookies, as good as any you ever ate.



Halloween refreshments may serve a dual purpose by making them part of the decorations. For instance. Hollow out a large pumpkin. Fill it with apples, doughnuts, popcorn balls or tiny cakes with orange and black frosting. Set a big jug of cider nearby. Or, make an orange or yellow cake. Frost it with chocolate icing topped with orange fondant "pumpkins." Then serve orange sherbet and hot cocoa.



# Tempt Your Daughters to Enjoy the Kitchen

By NELLE PORTREY DAVIS

I HAD planned my own kitchen and it suited me just fine, but when I decided my young daughter was getting old enough to take an interest in the kitchen work I looked around and decided several changes would have to be made. Much of the equipment was not such as would prove handy for small hands. I needed Daughter's help and she needed the training, so I decided changes would have to be made. Gradually I am replacing old favorite pieces of enamelware with aluminum. It is lighter to handle, does not chip, and heats quickly. Teakettle, dishpans and pitchers are of this favorite metal, as well as kettles and pans.

There is one use for which I still favor the enamelware, and that is for mixing batters. Bright bowls add a cheerful note to the kitchen, but I found Daughter was afraid of breaking the pretty things, so I bought a set of

three bright enameled shallow sauce pans. The handle gives her something to anchor to while stirring batter, and the rounding bottom makes it easy to scrape out the contents. Aluminum is not satisfactory for beating, as it tends to darken the batter.

One of the first presents I bought for Daughter after she entered the realm of the kitchen was a set of bright-colored measuring cups and spoons, and a recipe box. How eagerly she followed recipes, scraping and measuring to a nicety!

A good can opener, attached to the wall, is safe for small fumbling hands. A good bread knife and an attractive board makes bread-slicing an interesting task. A covered whipper for beating cream is her delight, and leaves her frock unspattered.

I always used a plain spoon for beating cakes, but I find a slotted spoon makes the task lighter for small arms. A self-wringing mop results in a better "dry" on mopping days. The small-size pail—8 quarts—is large enough for a child to handle.

Daughter likes the dish drainer and was very pleased with the roll of absorbent paper I hung near the sink. It is especially useful for cleaning up liquids that unskilled fingers are sure to spill.

A small table, a pan and a stiff-bristled brush placed outside in a shady spot makes vegetable scrubbing a pleasure. The task is accomplished without a splattered sink, the water is handy, and the outdoor air is enjoyed.

I don't expect Daughter to enjoy being swathed in one of my big aprons, nor to enjoy using my big tea towels. Small aprons—exact replicas of my own—delight her, and she enjoyed embroidering her own small towels.

A slate and pencil hung on the kitchen wall makes a handy place for Daughter to jot down grocery items to be purchased, as she uses the last of the supply.

If we want our daughters to enjoy taking care of the kitchen work, when they are old enough to take charge while we go to visit Aunt Kate, we should begin when they are small to make the kitchen a place which they are tempted to enjoy.

## Funny Eating Habits

By MRS. A. S. E.

"You're a funny fellow, aren't you?" my husband laughed this noon when he saw me finishing off dinner with a cracker, peanut butter and horseradish snack.

"Funny fellow, yourself," I retorted, "you and your milk and water and sugar drinks. You and your catsup on eggs. You and your bacon grease on boiled potatoes!"

"You'll have to admit I don't fix up crazy sandwiches, tho," he defended himself. "Cheese and onion slices. Cold potatoes and radishes! Cornbread and cold bacon!"

We argue so much, it's a wonder we get along at all, isn't it? But somehow I'm happy with the "dope"—even when I see him eating pickles with his pie!

## Time and Temper Saver

By A GLOVE LOSER

One glove is just about as useless as one shoe, isn't it? And how aggravating it is to drop one at a show, in the dark, or rummage sleepily thru a pile of garments to find an elusive glove after the party. Avoid this unpleasant experience by sewing a small loop of tape or braid, preferably the color of the lining, into the coat sleeve, so it is invisible. When you remove your coat, clasp your gloves together thru the loop.

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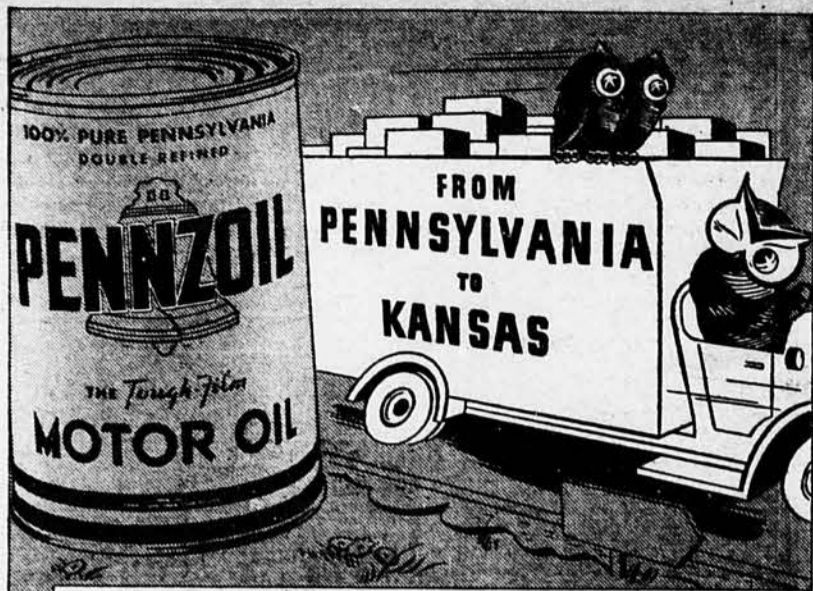
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## Mother, What Does Your Baby Swallow?

By **CHARLES H. LERRIGO, M. D.**



Dr. Lerrigo

MOTHERS of young children should know just what the little ones handle. In the course of a year scores of such things as beans, open safety pins, buttons, peanuts, pins, needles, shingle nails, and other ornamental little articles not only get into a baby's mouth, but not infrequently are inhaled into the larynx, bronchial tubes or lung tissues.

In writing about things inhaled let me give a particularly strong warning to the mother who allows her young baby to play with the baby-powder can. A baby can breathe in enough fine powder in 10 seconds to cause its death. Such cases go on record every year. Next to dusting powder as a dangerous agent I think I would place peanuts.

If the thing the baby gets into its mouth is safely swallowed and passes on into the stomach there need be little fear of dangerous results, even though the article be an open safety pin. In such a case be warned not to give a cathartic (not even castor oil), but let the child take its ordinary food and carefully watch all bowel discharges for a week. Usually you will find the lost article within 48 hours.

Time for alarm is when the object is not swallowed safely down, but sticks in the throat or gets drawn into the breathing apparatus. Any disturbance in breathing makes a child very sick. Once when I was called to such a case I found the mother had reached 2 long fingers down into the pharynx of the child and plucked out a pin that had stuck crosswise, thereby giving prompt relief. This is possible occasionally if the object has not gone down out of sight; but it has its dangers.

One safe thing any mother can do is to up-end the child and give it a shake. Even this can be overdone and is useless if the swallowed object is already beyond reach. Never alarm a child by excited or violent approach. Soothing words and coaxing the child to empty the mouth should certainly be the first effort.

Doctors have some clever instruments, nowadays, for such work. First they take X-ray pictures to locate the foreign body. They may have to give the child an anesthetic, if old enough to resist, but it is usually better not. The instrument known as the bronchoscope helps to illuminate the dark mazes of the chest. They have specially devised forceps of various sizes, lengths and angles with which they reach after the offending object. The patient who can be placed in the hospital within 24 hours has an excellent chance for complete recovery.

### Shingles Serious Disease

Please, what is the cause of shingles? And is there a cure? I've suffered for nearly 3 months. The neuralgia pain left after a few weeks but the rash or breaking out still remains. I'm in my seventies. Otherwise in fairly good health.—C. R. M.

Shingles is Herpes-Zoster to doctors and a much more serious disease than supposed. It is a disturbance of the spinal nerve roots. It affects old people especially. It is not readily cured and 3 months is all too common length. The skin eruptions must be carefully protected from chafing. Sometimes zinc stearate works well. But it is sufficiently serious to make it wise to have a doctor or nurse do the dressings. In old people shingles needs the best of care.

### Depends on Watch

If one has good ears how far in a still room should he be able to hear a watch tick? If a boy of 14 who is in perfect good health has rumbling and ringing in his ears will he some time outlive it or will it never leave him?—B. R. M.

We cannot set up a standard in this way for the very good reason that there is no standard as to the ticking of the watches. Using my watch, 5 feet is a good distance—another might

be 10. Test the watch out on half dozen different people and thereby obtain a standard. Be sure to test each ear separately and do not allow the patient to see the watch. The rumbling and ringing is due to middle ear catarrh. I would advise such a boy to insist upon getting a thorough examination by a good ear specialist without delay, perhaps one who uses an audiometer. It may be worth untold fortunes to the lad.

### Remarkable Liquid

I am told that a certain liquid preparation that is much advertised will make my hair curly. I'm afraid to use it without asking. Would it do any harm?—C. S.

I have never heard of the preparation and do not know that it would do any harm. But anything that you can apply to straight hair to make it curly without the use of any mechanical device must be a very remarkable concoction. I think you may well be suspicious of it.

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. —KF—

## Finds Profit in Raising Pheasants

BIG prices for little eggs are received by Leo Paulsen, of Cloud county. Mr. Paulsen has a flock of Ring-Neck pheasants from which he produces eggs for hatching purposes. The eggs, which are about the size of a pigeon egg, sell at 5 cents each.

In best seasons of production, the hens register about 50 per cent egg production but the average pheasant hen lays only about 60 eggs a year.

Mr. Paulsen's pheasants are used for other purposes along with egg production. Some birds sold for breeding purposes, some are sold for eating, and others get away.

In the spring of 1938, Mr. Paulsen purchased a hatching of eggs from an Eastern pheasant breeder. From this hatching he raised 127 pheasants.

Many of the young birds escaped and are now at liberty in the neighborhood. He says that frequently the escaped cocks come back and fight thru the fence with those still in captivity. It is extremely difficult to hold them, even in a pen enclosed with wire over the top, because they are always watching for a chance to escape when the door is opened. His young pheasants hatched in a commercial hatchery were scattered in all parts of a big incubator when the caretaker found them.

Mr. Paulsen finds the pheasant business to be interesting as well as profitable and he thinks such activities should be encouraged because young birds which escape help to stock the country with wild game. Anyone desiring to raise pheasants commercially is required to obtain a permit.

### Poultry Raisers to Meet

Third annual poultry convention will be held at Kansas State College, Manhattan, Thursday and Friday, October 26 and 27. Several outstanding speakers are on the program, who will discuss the World's Poultry Congress held last summer in Cleveland, poultry marketing, use of eggs, production problems, and general problems of the industry. An unusual feature of the program will be the discussion following the formal presentation of each subject on Friday. L. F. Payne is the poultryman in charge, and he will preside.

## Let's Give a Play This Winter

By LEILA LEE

There is something fascinating about "play acting," whether it's big-time actors producing a play on a large stage, or home talent players presenting the play in the community hall. Plays are so much fun, both for the audience and the actors. "The play's the thing."

In the average neighborhood, nothing proves so valuable to the community, pleases so many or causes more favorable talk than a home talent program. Nothing interests people in one another, whether they are young or old, so much as continually working together. In working up and presenting plays, everyone realizes the value of team-work. Each actor knows he is a part of a group in which all must cooperate to make the play a success.

Many 4-H Club groups in Kansas compete with one another in putting on plays. Community and county play contests have been held in various sections of the state.

In Monroe county, Arkansas, 4-H Clubs and home demonstration clubs will hold drama tournaments this year.

If your community, club, or school would like to put on a play—for a box supper program, to raise money, or just for entertainment—we have what you need. We have prepared a 1-act comedy entitled, "Hitch Your Family to a Star." The setting is simple. There are 5 characters in the play, 2 male and 3 female parts.

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We'll send one copy of the play for 10 cents, or, so that each member of the cast and the director may have a copy, we'll send 6 copies for 25 cents. Address Leila Lee, Kansas Farmer, Topeka.

—KF—

### Dairy Champions Go West

John Weir, of Cowley county, has been declared the State 4-H Dairy Champion for Kansas. As an award

### Care of House Plants

There is something about any growing plant material that gives atmosphere and cheer to a room as nothing else can. The Kansas Agricultural Experiment bulletin on house plants offers valuable suggestions as to soils, moisture and temperature, for various kinds of house plants. You may also be interested in other leaflets listed below, which are free:

- No. K184—House Plants and Their Care.
- No. 702—Cottontail Rabbits in Relation to Trees and Farm Crops.
- No. 166—Soybeans for the Table.
- No. 1674—Food for Children.
- No. 1751—Roof Coverings for Farm Buildings and Their Repair.

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he will receive a free trip to the National Dairy Show to be held in San Francisco.

John was declared the dairy champion over all breeds as a result of the high record he made with his purebred Jersey cow during the last year, and because of the high quality of dairy 4-H Club work he has done during the last several years. This is one of the highest awards that can

be made to any dairy project member.

John and Robert Cook, of Arkansas City, who are on the state dairy judging team, will leave from Manhattan for San Francisco on October 16. These boys will go by car with a group of 6 other Club members and 2 state leaders.

The National Dairy Show will be held in connection with the Golden Gate International Exposition.

### Cattlemen to Dine

Three outstanding speakers will be featured on the annual Greenwood County Cattlemen's Banquet to be held at Eureka, October 27. They are Tom Collins of the Kansas City Journal, Tom Forbes, of Greenwood county, and Dan Smith, president of the stock yards at Wichita. Of course, barbecued beef will be the big dish.

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## Many County Husking Contests

AT TIME of going to press, 24 Kansas counties had already reported plans for, or completion of, county husking contests. Several others have expressed their intentions of having a county event and it is expected that between 25 and 30 county champions will be in line when the starting gun sounds in this year's State Husking Contest on the Elmer Clark farm 3 1/2 miles southwest of Erie, on Thursday, October 26. Counties having contests, along with the dates, locations and leaders, are as follows:

County	Date	Location	Leader
Allen	Oct. 19	John Fursman farm	Earl Means, county agent
Atchison	Oct. 19	Joe Noll farm	W. A. Meyle, county agent Fred Kenner
Barber	Oct. 20	Vernon Coleman farm	V. E. McAdams, county agent
Clay	Oct. 21		Elmer Carlstrom
Cloud	Oct. 17		Concordia Kiwanis Club
Coffey	Oct. 19	Ivy Allen farm	Art Leonard, asst. county agent
Coffey	Oct. 19	Women's corn husking contest	Art Leonard, asst. county agent
Crawford	Oct. 23		S. U. Case, county agent
Doniphan	Oct. 14	L. C. Jeffers farm, Highland	C. E. Lyness, county agent
Douglas	Oct. 17	Brune Bros. farm	Deal Six, county agent
Franklin	Oct. 13	Earl Oakman farm (J. W. Setter, winner)	R. B. Elling, county agent
Greenwood	Oct. 20	Roy Clopton farm	Wm. A. Wishart, county agent R. C. Crull
Jackson	Oct. 12	C. N. Washburn farm (Wm. Brees, winner)	M. C. Axelton, county agent Lion's Club, Holton
Jefferson	Oct. 20	Mort Beasore farm	R. H. Campbell, county agent
Labette	Oct. 3	Oswego (Clifford Lawson, winner)	M. I. Wyckoff, county agent
Leavenworth	Oct. 20	O. O. Browning & Son farm	M. M. Dickerson, county agent
Lyon	Oct. 20		E. L. McIntosh, county agent
Marion	Oct. 24		F. A. Hagans, county agent
Miami	Oct. 10	Frank Moew's farm, Paola (Edward Boehm, winner)	R. G. Wiltse, county agent
Nemaha			R. L. Rawlins, county agent
Neosho	Oct. 12	R. A. Butler farm, Erie (Melvin Floyd, winner)	Lester Shepard, county agent Erie Young Men's Assn.
Pottawatomie	Oct. 17	Louis Ebert farm, Wamego	Chas. H. Olson, county agent
Shawnee	Sept. 23	Wymer Irwin farm, Auburn (Allen Whitten, winner)	Wilbur Alvey, Auburn
Washington	Oct. 19	John W. Shaw farm, Washington	H. D. Shull, county agent
Wilson	Oct. 21	Milton Clegg farm, Neodesha	C. H. Hageman, county agent

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### Kansas Farm Calendar

- October 21-30—National Dairy Show, Golden Gate Exposition, San Francisco.
- October 26—Kansas State Corn Husking Contest, Erie.
- October 26-27—Third Annual Poultry Convention, Kansas State College, Manhattan.
- October 27—Annual Greenwood County Cattlemen's Banquet, Eureka.
- November 15-24—National Grange Convention, Peoria, Ill.
- December 1-9—National 4-H Club Congress, Chicago, Ill.
- December 2-9—International Livestock Exposition, Chicago.
- December 4-7—Denver Poultry Exposition, Denver.

### National Corn Husking Contest, Lawrence.

- November 1—Kansas Day, with state exhibits and program of entertainment.
- November 2—Power and Equipment Day, with entertainment features.
- November 3—10:30, parade of bands and floats.
- 11:45—Corn husking contest begins.
- 2:30—K. U.—Kansas State-football game in Memorial Stadium.

February 20-23—Thirty-Seventh Annual Western Tractor and Power Farm Equipment Show, and Annual Southwest Road Show and School, Wichita.

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# WINTER HOG PRICES

## Expected to Stay Above \$6 at Chicago

By ROY FREELAND

**S**PEAKING before a crowd of Kansas hog men during Swine Feeders Day at Manhattan, C. A. Burmeister, of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, Washington, D. C., predicted that top Chicago hog prices would not fall below the \$6 mark this winter. Mr. Burmeister said he had raised his prediction of the low mark at Chicago from \$5 to \$6 since the outbreak of war in Europe.

He expects the low point some time in November, and explains that it is likely to come earlier than usual this year, because more hogs are now raised in Eastern and Southern states,

industrial activity, which might just about offset the 10 to 12 per cent increase in domestic supplies of pork. If exports are not increased as expected, the domestic supply will be more than 10 to 12 per cent greater, and prices can be expected to weaken accordingly.

Sharing attention with this discussion of the hog market situation was results of feeding experiments conducted by Dr. C. E. Aubel, in charge of swine work at the college. Theme of this year's experiment was the comparative value of tankage, fish meal, soybean oil meal, and mixtures



Part of the crowd in attendance at Kansas Swine Feeders Day, inspecting the college herd at Manhattan. This event, directed by C. E. Aubel, in charge of swine investigations at Kansas State College, attracted hog producers from areas thruout the state.

where pigs are farrowed earlier. In a thorough analysis of the hog market situation, Mr. Burmeister indicated it is likely that continued war in Europe would tend to lessen the expected slump in hog values. However, he did not offer hope for any immediate improvement in prices.

Mr. Burmeister recalled hog price movements at the outbreak of the World War in 1914. Rates advanced \$1 a hundred the first week, much the same as wild markets recently experienced at the outbreak of this war. The dollar advance in 1914 was followed by gradually declining prices thru the fall and winter. In 1915, prices fell still lower, and it was not until 1916, about 18 months after war was declared, that hog prices made any decided upward movement.

As explained by Mr. Burmeister, this year's production of around 83 million pigs in the United States will just about equal the peak production of a few years ago. This figure compares with 71 million last year and only 55 million in 1935. The only hope of escaping sharply reduced prices caused by this "top-heavy supply", he declares, is a substantial increase in export trade or a jump in home buying power.

Mr. Burmeister explained that continuance of European war would undoubtedly increase the export trade, since England is one of the leading importers of pork. During the last few years, England has purchased most of her pork from European countries, which will not be in a position to provide in times of war. In fact, one of these countries, Poland, is definitely out of the picture right now. Canada has been sending all surplus pork to England but she cannot increase these shipments to offset the loss of supplies formerly received by England from Denmark, Poland, Rumania, and others.

Considered by Mr. Burmeister as probably the most important factor in the pork situation is increased domestic trade because of increased industrial activity in this country. He pointed out the close correlation between hog prices and income of industrial workers. Economists are predicting a 10 to 12 per cent increase in

of these feeds as protein supplements for pigs self-fed corn on alfalfa pasture.

Dr. Aubel found indications that tankage produces cheaper gains and better finish than fish meal, altho more rapid gains were made by the lots receiving fish meal. Soybean oil meal produced higher daily gains and better finished pigs than did tankage. However, the pigs fed soybean oil meal ate extremely large amounts of the supplement, and cost of gains were 30 cents a hundred higher than gains made by the pigs fed tankage.

A mixture of tankage 2 parts and soybean oil meal 1 part produced the lowest daily gain of any supplement fed and cost of gains were higher than in the case of feeding tankage only. Pigs in another lot received a mixture of soybean oil meal 5 parts, tankage and fish meal 2 parts each, and cottonseed meal 1 part. Gains made by hogs in this lot were highest of any in the experiment but cost of the gains also were rather high, because of the large amount of supplement consumed. A mixture of soybean oil meal 5 parts, tankage 4 parts and cottonseed meal 1 part produced good daily gains and the cheapest gains of any in the test. However, finish produced by this mixture was poorest.

Dr. Aubel explains these results should be considered as supplementary information to be balanced along with prices and availability of the different supplements.

Popular features of the day's program were discussions of "hog type" by Dr. Aubel and Prof. D. L. Mackintosh, in charge of meat investigations at the college. Dr. Aubel demonstrated 3 types, including the big rangy type, a medium type and a so-called chuffy or fat-back type.

Following thru with the carcass viewpoint, Mackintosh showed carcasses from hogs of the 3 types, resembling those seen on foot. Mackintosh demonstrated that the medium type hog must be recognized as an economical producer of a carcass with a high cut-out value and therefore the type which must be universally adopted if the hog producer expects to find a profitable market for his products.

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# TAMING THE WIND

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each summer. On strips of land producing wheat or feed crops, high stubble is left until spring. This land is then fallowed while crops are grown on strips that were fallowed the preceding year.

If you ask the Greeley county people how they accomplished such sweeping improvement, about the first word mentioned is co-operation. This includes the united efforts of farmers, business men, county commissioners, the Farm Bureau and the land planning group, all working with and backing an active county A. C. P. committee. The committee, composed of Harry Ridlen, L. E. Trued, and T. W. Howland, was determined that AAA funds be used to fullest advantage in making Greeley county a more stable farming area. Farmers throught the county were nearly unanimous in the same viewpoint. In accordance with this, Greeley county has enforced, rigidly, provisions of the state AAA docket specifying soil conserving practices that must be followed to qualify for AAA payments. At an open meeting of all farmers in the county, it was decided the committee should approve payments only where cultivated land is strip cropped or planted to a cover.

As a result, more than 75 per cent of the county's 270,000 acres of cultivated land is now protected by strip cropping. This is about 5 times the acreage strip cropped in 1936. More than 35,000 acres of wind-resisting cover crops in the county protect an area 35 times greater than the cover cropped acreage of 1936.

Summer fallowing has increased from 30,000 acres to 120,000 acres. In 1936 only 80 acres of terracing were found in the county, while the present terraced acreage is around 2,000. Pasture furrowing has increased from 480 acres in 1936 to more than 3,000 acres now, while contour cultivating is practiced on 5 times as many acres as was the case 3 years ago.

### Outstanding Work

After a recent tour, extending from Canada to Texas, L. E. Dodd, director of the Western division of the AAA, declared the most outstanding example of conservation work in the country was that done in Greeley county. Mr. Dodd's area includes Kansas and 12 other states. E. H. Leker, Kansas executive officer of the AAA, says, "Methods used by the Greeley county committee in administering the A. C. P. program and results they have secured in getting conservation practices adopted is perhaps the most outstanding soil conservation accomplishment in Western Kansas since the initiation of the program in 1936."

One big factor in checking the blow hazard was management of idle land belonging to absentee owners. In many instances, tenants had left the scene and no one was there to care for the ground. Less than 200 farmers were charged with the task of tending the county's 270,000 acres of cultivated land. It had to be done because such land, if left to the wind, was a hazard to other land in the county.

Farmers throught the county responded to the call to take responsibility for additional acres. The county A. C. P. committee contacted absentee owners and made arrangements for leasing the land to resident owners. As a result, many farmers in the county were handling more than 3 times their normal acreage, just to help keep the wind under control. In 1937, Jess Taylor, southeast of Tribune, worked more than 9,300 acres, only 3,300 of which was his own. Mr. Taylor explains that he has only 3 machinery units, normally equal to handling only about 3,000 acres. In the crisis, however, machines were operated day and night to help accomplish the job attacked by that county. This year, Mr. Taylor has 3,000 acres of strip cropping, 1,100 acres of which is on the contour.

Harry Ridlen, chairman of the A. C. P. committee, has 100 per cent strip cropping on his 1,600 acres of cultivated land. Four quarters are terraced and farmed on the contour and 1 quarter is circle stripped. Mr. Ridlen says he has done some strip cropping for 20 years, his first work of this kind to catch snow for moisture purposes.

L. E. Trued, another member of the committee is operating 11½ quarters of crop land and 80 acres of grass land. He has 1 quarter terraced and contour farmed, 3 quarters are listed solid to cane, and the balance is all strip cropped. On 5 quarters, his strips are only 6 rods wide, while 8-rod widths are found on the other quarters. T. W. Howland, third member of the committee, has strip cropping on all his 1,200 acres of crop land, and "30 acres of it is on the contour. Mr. Howland says strip cropping has some disadvantages such as increasing grasshopper invasion. "However," he declares, "we can not poison the grasshoppers—but we can not poison wind. It takes strips or solid cover to fight a wind."

### Livestock on Increase

While control of the blow hazard was an immediate aim of Greeley county's program, county agent Lee Brewer points out that other important results have been obtained from strip cropping and raising of feed crops for soil protection. Production of the feed crops, Mr. Brewer explains, has led to increased numbers of livestock. This brought a more diversified and more stable type of farming.

In 1935, the county was practically devoid of stock. Compared with this situation are figures for last winter showing more than 25,000 sheep, 5,500 head of cattle and more than 50 flocks of turkeys. Numbers of hogs and chickens are also on the increase.

A good example of diversified farming in Greeley county is found in the operations of Carl Trued. At present, Mr. Trued has 250 ewes, 600 turkeys, and a herd of Milking Shorthorn cows. He figures he has a much better chance of having a fair income each year than he would on a program of straight wheat farming.

Harry Ridlen, who has been in Greeley county 51 years, declares he has experienced several wheat failures in his time there, but he has never experienced a year when some feed crops for livestock could not be raised.

Strips of feed crops, used by Greeley county farmers in their program to control soil blowing, have led the way to more livestock and a more stable type of agriculture in Western Kansas. E. H. Leker, state executive officer for the AAA, and Lee J. Brewer, Greeley county agent, examine a good crop of Colby Milo grown in the strip cropping practices of T. W. Howland.

Below: This county A. C. P. committee received almost unanimous co-operation from Greeley county farmers in a strict interpretation of AAA regulations to help wage an effective battle against soil blowing. Left to right—T. W. Howland, Harry Ridlen, chairman, L. E. Trued, and Lee J. Brewer, county agent and secretary of the committee.

### Calf Feeding Precaution

Reduce the amount and hand feed calves for a few days when they are changed from pasture creep-feeder to dry-lot full feed at weaning time; otherwise they will be nervous and over-eat. This precaution and many others are brought out in Kansas Farmer's leaflet, "Creep-Feeding—A Profitable Method of Beef Production." For your copy of this leaflet which discusses briefly, but completely, how to produce the most beef in the shortest time, send a 3-cent stamp for mailing to Farm Service Editor, Kansas Farmer, Topeka.

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