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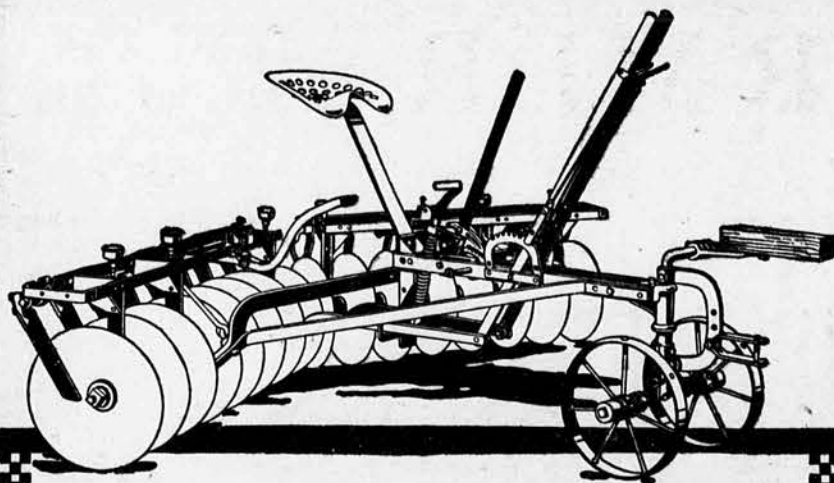
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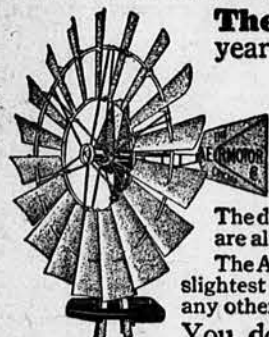
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The Jayhawker Farm Notes

Slate Surfaced Roofing for Barns and Outbuildings Will Prove Durable and Economical

BY HARLEY HATCH

A NEOSHO county reader, who has noted that we have on this farm used a great deal of prepared roofing in the past, writes to ask whether we still advise using it and how it compares with shingles as to cost and service. The slate surfaced roofing which we have been using for many years will give good satisfaction on roofs not too flat if there is a solid surface beneath it. If the sheeting used is not solid heavy hail will injure it or persons walking over it will make holes in it. If you have a flat roof on which the children are likely to run over or play it will be best to use shingles.

The prepared roofing makes a dry roof and it will last for years if well fastened down with battens in addition to the regular nails which come with it. As to cost, the slate surfaced roofing we have always used costs about \$2 a hundred square feet. It is very quickly and easily laid. Shingles cost almost three times that amount and the cost of laying them is three times that of the roofing. Of course, shingles make a better and longer lasting roof but it is a roof which costs three times as much. The slate roofing is virtually fireproof but it is not so nearly wind proof as shingles.

A Real Hot Job

One of the warm jobs on this farm during the past week was the repairing of a large dam in the pasture which was added to this farm two years ago. There is a small pond in this pasture which, so far as we have had it, has not been dry but we wanted a large one, one that would stand a long dry spell. So one was made

which, when filled, would contain 8 to 10 feet of water. This dam was finished in October and not a drop of water ran in it until the middle of the next May.

During the time the dam stood dry something evidently worked a hole thru near the bottom for with the first big rain the middle section of this dam went out before the pond was more than half full. The dam stood in this condition until this week when we got sand and cement and made a concrete core for it and then it took 2½ days' work with the Fresno scraper and four horses to replace the dirt which the water took out in about five minutes. The dirt we put in was damp and the tramping of the horses packed it very solidly and we are hoping that we now have a dam which will stand.

Raising Versus Buying Calves

A neighbor bought calves last winter of good quality for which he paid \$25 each. This would set the value of the production of a cow for one year at \$25. Does it cost that amount to keep a cow one year? We do not think it does on the farms of this locality where rough feed is always plentiful.

For this reason we think it more profitable to raise calves than to buy them when 1 year old. Many do not agree with this and say they can buy young stock for less money than they can raise them. If one had to buy all his feed that might be true, but when a cow is kept entirely on farm raised feeds we think it is best and safest to keep the cows even if pasture has to be figured at \$6 a head for the season.

Letters From Farm Folks

Rural Comment by Our Shirt Sleeve Editors Who Speak Straight From the Shoulder

FARMERS are urged to make free use of this page to discuss briefly any matter of general interest to rural communities. Make the articles short and snappy. Address all letters intended for this purpose as early as possible to John W. Wilkinson, Farm Letter Department, Kansas Farmer and Mail & Breeze, Topeka, Kan.

Farmers Must Vote August 5

Kansas Farmer and Mail & Breeze: T. A. McNeal's letter to W. H. Moses in the Kansas Farmer of June 28 should be read and studied by every farmer and taxpayer in the state, so that they would understand the real objection to the return of Mr. Capper to the Senate by those standpat Republicans in the Eastern states, also a few of the same class in Kansas. They know if they can manage in any way fair or foul to run Mr. Capper out of the Senate they have made a good start to break up the "Farm Bloc" and also put fear into the heart of other supporters of agriculture to do their bidding or share Capper's fate. But if we only do our duty and go to the polls August 5 and vote for Mr. Capper and all the rest of the Kansas Senators and Representatives we will teach those Eastern standpatters a lesson that will show them they cannot say just who shall be sent to Congress and who shall stay at home.

Senator Capper is a true and tried friend of agriculture and altho he and others like him in the last Congress failed to get much done, still it was not their fault. They tried hard for laws that if passed would benefit the whole country, North, South, East and West, but the Wall Street crowd was so well organized that they succeeded at least in having measures postponed that should have been passed last winter. But that is just why we should make it our duty to see that all the old Senators and Representatives are returned again, so they can continue their fight

for laws that will benefit the whole country and not a few rich men who want the Mellon tax law passed so they can get out of paying their share of Government expenses.

Those expenses must be paid, and who is better able to pay than those rich men who made most of their money during the war off the small taxpayers all over the United States? As for the soldiers' bonus we all of us want to see our taxes reduced if possible, but we do not want to see the soldiers of the war go without some compensation for their time and hardships while in the Army. Were it not for them we would all be paying \$100 where we pay \$1 now.

Arthur Patterson.
Ellsworth, Kan.

Favors the Wheat Pool

A large proportion of farmers to whom I have talked are in favor of the Kansas Wheat Pool. There is no question but what we have made progress in wheat marketing in past years in co-operative selling of wheat thru the farmer-owned elevators. Now we should take the next step of the larger effort, in order to gain our place in the markets of the world E. R. N. Barton County.

Great Devotion and Helpfulness

Senator Capper: Farmers now are not only interested in the final result, but also in those who contribute to the successful or unsuccessful end, which you no doubt will agree with me is very helpful.

I am glad Mr. Ketner wrote you and I am always glad to see you receiving at least a part of what is due you for your very great devotion and helpfulness in agricultural matters.

Gray Silver,
Washington Representative.
American Farm Bureau Federation, Washington, D. C.

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By Arthur Capper

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Will Wheat Prices Respond?

By M. N. Beeler

WILL wheat prices respond to the lower production forecast for this crop? As this is written there is some talk of better returns, but will they materialize? This should be a good year to test the "demand and supply" theory so often advanced by folks who feel called upon to explain low prices. The demand is more nearly constant than the supply but the rule ought to work both ways. Prospects indicate a somewhat shorter crop, by about 300 million bushels throughout the world, than last year. Will farmers get the benefit of the smaller crop? That remains to be seen.

The June crop report for the United States indicated 93 million bushels less than last year. Conditions have improved some in the big wheat states since then. The Canadian report indicated a reduction of 100 million bushels less than the record crop of 470 millions last year, but there is a possibility that this reduction is exaggerated. However the spring crop of the Dominion got away to a late start and the shortage may materialize.

The Present Outlook

Winter wheat prospects in the United States July 1 were for 542,551,000 bushels as compared with 572,340,000 last year. The lower estimate is based upon a reduced acreage and poor condition in Washington, Oregon, California, Kansas, Missouri, Illinois and Kentucky. Except for Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, Texas and Oklahoma the winter wheat states give prospect of lower production than last year. The spring wheat acreage is about 10 per cent lower than that of last year and as a result of lower condition at this time of year the prospect is for 197,461,000 bushels or nearly 16 millions less than last year.

The world acreage is 1.5 per cent lower, an inconsiderable reduction, than last year and conditions are about average. The Russian acreage is increased as everybody expected it would be. The Indian and Egyptian harvests are completed and wheat is ready to enter world commerce. The world crop reduction of 300 millions, if it materializes, will leave the yield somewhat

above the average for the previous five years. The crop in 1923 was about 500 million bushels above the average for the previous half decade. However that surplus had been almost consumed and the carryover into the present harvest likely will be little if any larger than that of last year.

You never can tell about a wheat crop. That is lucidly illustrated by our own experience in Kansas, but pros-

pects indicate that there will be a considerable reduction. The United States will not have much more than 150 million bushels to export and unless something happens to the foreign demand or the foreign supply there will be no particular difficulty in getting rid of that amount. It should be remembered that the normal annual requirements of this country are about 600 million bushels. That demand is fairly con-

stant. Few grains are acceptable substitutes for wheat in the bread diet of the American people. Europeans can shift their allegiance to other bread stuffs or even to potatoes when the price of wheat flour goes too high, but we do not do it here.

Some grain men predicted that the price would start at 90 cents. Strong to sensational rises are predicted after that until it reaches \$1.25 to \$1.35 after the bulk of this year's harvested enters the elevators. If such prices obtain or if the price goes even higher, farmers will feel that the law of demand and supply is working. But in view of the reported shortage they will be suspicious if sharp advances are not experienced.

What is Likely to Happen

This is almost certain to happen: The price will be low at the normal marketing time. Speculators likely will see to that. If farmers are inclined to be panicky they will dispose of their wheat before any of the benefits of the short crop are reflected in their prices. That usually happens.

Should prices for the present crop be good or even fair they may have a profound influence upon the future of the wheat growing industry. Every farmer in Kansas will be inclined to seed to the limit next fall. That is the worst thing he can do. Only good fortune prevented a serious over production this year. The acreage, even with the reduction that was made last fall, was still large enough to produce a heavy crop if weather conditions had been favorable. A similar acreage next fall might result disastrously. It would seem to be a good time to hold the acreage down. In that way farmers can capitalize the advantage that nature has given this year. There is not an area in Kansas where other crops cannot be grown. Farmers have made some progress in adjusting their production. Their acreages have been apportioned to a modified diversification program. It would be folly to undo what has already been done, deliberately by farmers and by the interference of nature. A further reduction of acreage next fall would seem to be the part of good judgment.

Every Farm Needs a Good Silo

BY JOHN W. WILKINSON



FARMERS this year in their cropping program who grew at least one crop for silage acted wisely. If a silo has not already been built one should be constructed this year. Almost any kind of silo will answer the purpose if it is the kind that the farmer wants and he will take care of it. Of course some forms are better than others but these are matters that each buyer must determine for himself.

A recent writer estimates that there are more than half a million silos in use in the United States at the present time, but still we are far from being supplied, as we have close to 3½ million stock farmers and every stock farmer needs a silo. It has been conclusively proved that silage in the ration makes a saving of considerable money. With dairy animals the feeding of silage saves from 8 to 15 cents on

the cost of producing a pound of butter and from 30 to 50 cents on producing 100 pounds of milk.

For beef production or the fattening of animals the saving produced by silage is about \$1 for every 100 pounds of gain, the several experiments show three and four times this figure. The average of \$1 is therefore low and conservative. When we consider the growing of young stock, the feeding of dry cows and helpers, the wintering of work horses and mules, the silo certainly points the way for economy and in the end will mean much to our rural prosperity in every community of the Nation.

Culling the Flock Important

By H. E. Reed

HIGH producing dairy herds have been built with the slogan, "Get rid of the boarder cow."

High producing flocks of hens have been developed on the idea of "Don't keep chickens, make them keep you." However, both of these sayings are applicable to the farm flock of sheep. A poor sheep eats as much and costs as much to keep as a good one, and while it is true that sheep return a greater percentage of profit, when properly handled, than any other class of livestock on the farm, it must be remembered that it is the good ones, and not the poor ones, that return the profit.

Eliminate All Poor Types

After shearing time in the spring is an excellent time to go over and cull the flock. With the wool off, a much better idea of the conformation and condition of the ewes may be had.

Old ewes, with broken mouths, thin, because they can no longer properly handle their food, should be shipped to market. Old ewes whose strength has been sapped due to too heavy nursing, and when the possibility of putting them back in condition is slight, should also be among those to go, since too frequently for the good of the owner, this kind turns into "boarders" or else gives birth to weak, sickly lambs.

Thin ewes are not the only ones to cull. Ewes in good condition, by reason of the fact that they have not done a good job of nursing, are just as bad as any of the thin ones. Ewes that are poor mothers for any reason should be marketed.

Every flock owner has a different problem. Many are trying to build up a high grade flock, using purebred sires and retaining the best ewe lambs. Such men have an ideal or standard to which they select but conformity to this standard should not be the only requirement to give the ewe a place in the flock. If she is not a producer, and has not the ear marks of a producer, she should go with the rest of

the culls thrown out in the spring.

Men who handle Western ewes on the farm flock plan, and who may think of saving back ewe lambs, might do well to consider that the ewe lamb will bring just as much money on the early spring market as a wether lamb; and that the money obtained from her sale will more than buy a serviceable ewe of breeding age in the fall. Even if some men breed their growthy ewe lambs, it is not considered a sound practice, as their growth is unquestionably retarded and they are not as good mothers as older ewes.

At culling time the rams should not be overlooked. If they are not of desirable type and their lambs are not

thrifty, early maturing, thick fleshed lambs, the owner will be money ahead by getting rid of them. Incidentally, this is a very good time to get in touch with a reliable breeder in an effort to obtain the right kind of ram for the coming breeding season. Many men wait until too late and then have to take "just anything."

Careful Handling Required

Sheep are a too profitable class of livestock to be handled in a haphazard way and the narrow spread between the price of the good ones and the price of the poor ones is too small for a man to attempt to handle any but the best.

Ewes handled as a farm flock, and as any good farmer in Kansas would handle them, have made Kansas State Agricultural College some good money.

Last fall 49 Western aged ewes were purchased on the Kansas City market by the head of the sheep husbandry work at the college. They dropped 53 lambs last spring. The lambs sold for \$14.75 a hundredweight when they weighed 71 pounds each. The ewes yielded 8 pounds of wool each worth 38 cents a pound.

When purchased the ewes cost 7 cents a pound and weighed 119 pounds each. They came back to the yards weighing 124 pounds each and sold for approximately \$5.60.



Sheep Grazing on Sweet Clover Pasture at the Kansas State Agricultural College June 15, 1924; This Legume is Becoming Popular Everywhere in Kansas

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Passing Comment—By T. A. McNeal

WITH La Follette definitely in the race for President on a platform of his own making and with a running mate of his own choosing there will be a real three cornered race next fall. I am writing this while the New York convention is still wrangling and fruitlessly balloting, so I do not know who is to be the nominee of that convention but have a reasonable certainty that it will be neither McAdoo nor Smith. Either of them would be certain of defeat and with the deep seated antagonisms that have been stirred up I am of the opinion that no ticket that can be named has a show to win a majority of the votes in the Electoral College.

The interesting question is from which of the old parties will La Follette draw his heaviest vote? My opinion is that he will draw more in the Northern states from the Democratic party than from the Republican. So far as the South is concerned, while the delegates will go away from New York sore, the candidate, whoever he may be, probably will carry the solid South.

I have heretofore discussed the possibilities supposing La Follette carries enough states so that no candidate will have a majority in the Electoral College. In that event my opinion is that the chances would be in favor of Coolidge and Dawes, and the election in that case might be decided by the solid South. As a matter of fact the ruling class in the South is intensely conservative and at heart would prefer Coolidge, the conservative New Englander, to La Follette, the radical. If they saw that it was impossible to elect a Democrat and the choice was between Coolidge and La Follette they probably would choose the former altho that would be a bitter dose for Southern Democrats.

Let me say however that if we are honest we will confess that we do not know much about where we are drifting. It looks to me as if there may be a new political alignment near at hand. Whether it will come this election I do not know, but the time seems ripe for it.

The more radical group will follow the leadership of La Follette and demand Government ownership of railroads and laws demanded by labor organizations; the destruction of rights of control of corporations while the other group will lean further toward the conservative side.

Will such division inure to the benefit of the country? Undoubtedly it will result in far more bitter campaigns. There will be far more of excitement and passion, more sharp division between the property-owning classes and those who own little or no property. There will be far more dynamite in the situation than there is now but it seems to me that such a division is coming whether it eventually results in good or ill.

What Will the Harvest Be?

THE Socialists and radical labor unionists are apparently swinging to the support of Senator Robert M. La Follette. The doctrinaire socialist may possibly not be willing to admit it, but the logical end of his philosophy is the doing away with private property.

The radical union laborist may not be willing to acknowledge it, but the logic of his philosophy is that union labor shall absolutely control the Nation and dictate terms to industry. To these groups Senator La Follette hopes to add the dissatisfied farmers of the country. Now if it were possible to unite all of these groups solidly there is no doubt that it would make a very formidable aggregation.

Standing alone the radical Socialists do not cut much figure; standing alone the members of organized labor, even if it were possible to unite them, could not muster force enough to carry a single state unless they could obtain the help of a good many voters outside of organized labor, but if it were possible to unite with the forces of organized labor and the Socialist group all of the dissatisfied farmers of the country, they would carry a number of states and might elect a President, Vice President and a majority in both Houses of Congress.

But the dissatisfied farmer is not in favor of destroying private ownership in property; his grievance is that he has not been permitted to enjoy his private property as he should. Every

time a vote is taken on the single tax proposition he is found lined up against it. He understands that the only way private property can be destroyed is by taxation and that high taxes always hit him first and also that he is the one man who cannot dodge the high taxes.

Furthermore the dissatisfied farmer is not enthusiastic about increasing the wages and shortening the hours of labor of the men engaged in railroading and other industries. He understands

About Ben Adhem

ABOU BEN ADHEM (may his tribe increase!)
Awoke one night from a deep dream of peace,
And saw, within the moonlight in his room,
Making it rich and like a lily in bloom,
An angel writing in a book of gold:
Exceeding peace had made Ben Adhem hold,
And to the Presence in the room he said,
"What writest thou?" The Vision raised its head,
And with a look made all of sweet accord
Answered, "The names of those who love the Lord."
"And is mine one?" said Abou, "Nay, not so,"
Replied the Angel. Abou spoke more low,
But cheerily still; and said, "I pray thee, then,
Write me as one who loves his fellow-men."

The Angel wrote, and vanished. The next night
It came again with a great wakening light,
And showed the names whom love of God had
blessed,

And, lo! Ben Adhem's name led all the rest!
—Leigh Hunt.

that high wages mean high freight rates. Also that high wages and short hours mean that when he must hire help he must pay high wages and let the men work short hours. The business of farming will certainly have to change a good deal before you can find farmers throwing up their hats in favor of high wages and short hours.

When the farmer-labor convention met at St. Paul the enthusiasm of the farmer delegates cooled rapidly when they discovered that the union labor delegates were principally concerned in obtaining higher wages.

Now the question comes back to this: Will La Follette be able to rally to his support these discordant elements?

Collecting From Profiteers

A SUBSCRIBER writes me as follows: "I am a reader of the bone-dry weekly. In the last issue you are spreading on, as you say, political stuff a little more than usual and toward the finish you speak of financial interests trying to dodge the payment of surtax; but you also say that there is no possible way of making the profiteers disgorge their share of their ill-gotten gains. You seem to have a poor opinion of the power of the people to make and enforce proper and equitable laws."

There is one thing which this reader and all others who talk about making the profiteers disgorge, seem to forget. Nearly all of the profiteering was done under the protection and sanction of law.

Take the case of the building of the camps; the profiteering was outrageous, but for the most part it was legal. It is possible that there might be cases found where the profiteers violated laws but such cases were rare. They did not need to violate any law; the profit permitted by law was so enormous that there was no occasion to resort to unlawful methods.

As these profiteers violated no law there would be no right of action against them. Theirs was legalized graft. The Government was authorized by Congress to pay anything it wanted to pay. Let me suggest by way of illustration, suppose the writer of this card six years ago had employed a man to do a certain piece of work and with his eyes wide open deliberately agreed to pay the party twice what the work was worth, does he suppose that he could now recover the excess profits paid the man who took the contract?

The court would say to him: "You undoubtedly paid an exorbitant price but you did it of your own free will. You were competent to make the contract and now you must stand your loss."

Profiteering of course was not confined to these Government contracts, it pervaded every business and walk of life. I do not suppose it would be possible even to approximate the total amount of excess profits collected by all profiteers great and small during the war, but I have no doubt it would aggregate much more than the total military cost of the war and that was estimated at around 40 billion dollars. It seems to me to be idle to talk about righting this great wrong; it simply cannot be done, but we can resolve that never again shall such a wrong be permitted.

The Professional Revivalist

I FIND nearly everybody interesting and rather likable, but I confess to a few, a very few prejudices; one of these is the professional revivalist. I doubt his sincerity and do not like his methods, but then there is no law compelling me to attend his meetings or listen to his talk. So why should I spend any time worrying about him or hating him? So long as I cannot prove that he is a religious fake and a religious grafter I suppose that I ought to give him the benefit of the doubt and assume that he is really sincerely desiring to uplift and save humanity. But I confess to the prejudice just the same.

Honesty and Saneness

JUST a word more about honesty. You think, gentle reader, that you are honest. Probably as a general thing you are and then probably if you are entirely honest with yourself, you must acknowledge that sometimes you are not. There are plenty of people who are dishonest who do not steal money nor other property.

Most people also imagine they are entirely sane. As a matter of fact nearly everybody is crazy by spells. Webster defines sane, as mentally sound, acting rationally. Can you say that you are always mentally sound or that at all times you act in a rational manner? If you really think so that is the best evidence that you are crazy.

Satisfied With Himself

I HAVE in mind another man who looks quite insignificant but I do not know that I ever have seen a man better satisfied with himself. Now this pride and strutting of this little man seem to offend some people. They speak of him as a conceited little ass, and apply other uncomplimentary remarks to him when they see him. Yet this self-satisfied little man, so far as I know, never has done any of these people who deride him and speak contemptuously of him, any harm. In fact, so far as I know, he never has done anybody any harm. He is so well satisfied with himself that his attention is pretty well occupied in thinking about himself, and as a result he does not try to interfere with or push his nose into other people's business. Now, if he greatly admires himself, whose business is it but his own? Why try to deprive him of the pleasure of self-worship?

Brief Answers to Inquiries

AMATEUR SINGER—I know nothing about the art of music either vocal or instrumental and therefore do not feel competent to advise you. It may be that a skilled trainer can make something out of your voice. I have only had the opportunity to hear you try to sing once. On that occasion I heard sounds coming out of the house that made me conclude that the surgeon must be sawing your leg off without having administered chloroform.

RALPH—I am of the opinion that your talk about committing suicide is bunc; people who intend to commit suicide do not write asking advice about it. If you are laboring under the impression that committing suicide would bring your name into prominence, forget it. Not more than

one half of 1 per cent of the people who know you would give a whoop whether you kill yourself or not.

SAMUEL JONES—Whether the radio has been a benefit or a curse is a debatable question. Of course it enables people all over the country to hear the greatest masters of musical instruments and of song, but on the other hand just think of how it multiplied the power of tiresome fools and educated bores to inflict the general public with their speeches.

SUSPICIOUS WIFE—I would not advise you to let your husband know that you think he is carrying on successful flirtations with four different females. He is likely to get swelled up and imagine that he is a blamed sight more attractive than he really is.

ABIGAIL—Your picture shows you to be tall and thin. While I do not think bobbing your hair will make you look much worse than you do now it will tend to call the attention of the spectators to your neck and therefore I would advise you to keep your hair.

CONVERSATIONALIST—You may become an agreeable conversationalist without knowing much of anything, if you can just manage to start the other person talking about himself and then listen as if you were really interested in what he is saying. It may bore you stiff but you will make a great hit with the other person.

"A Youth There Was . . ."

WILLARD CLARK, a youth visiting friends in Horton claims the record for long-distance flight using 1 bull-power. Young Clark was visiting with his brother, Joe Clark, who works on the waterworks dam. He was working as pilot on the Collins farm, north of Sabetha. At least that's what the vaudeville comedian would call it—he was piling it just behind the barn.

Pitchfork in hand, he was stooping over at his work, and did not notice a large and vicious bull,

which resented his presence and was rapidly approaching him from astern. The bull rammed him amidstships and hoisted him into the air. Clark got a good birds-eye view of the Collins farm before he came down.

A parachute would have helped a lot, but he was not expecting to make any such altitude flight during his peaceful employment as pilot. He landed on the other side of a high fence, badly bruised but no bones broken. He is just able to move about, but received no permanent injury.

Farmers' Service Corner

READERS of Kansas Farmer and Mail and Breeze are invited to ask questions on legal problems or on any other matter on which they desire information. This service is free. The tremendous demand for this service makes it impossible for us to print all of the answers, but every inquiry will be answered by mail.

Holder of Second Mortgage

Where a loan has been made thru the Government Land Loan Bank and a second mortgage has been given on the same land in case of default of payment of interest or principal on the second mortgage can the owner of the land who made the first mortgage be dispossessed?

B. M.

Yes. The holder of the second mortgage would have a right to foreclose subject to the mortgage given to the Land Loan Bank and unless this mortgage was paid could dispossess the mortgagor.

Mothers' Pension Law

Is there a mothers' pension law in the state of Kansas and if so what are the requirements?

S. H.

Kansas has a mothers' pension law. It provides that a mother of children under 14 years old who are dependent upon her for their support in case she has not sufficient income to support said children or in case the children have not sufficient property in their own right to support them and in case she is either a widow or has been abandoned by her husband or her husband is incapacitated by reason of disease from supporting the family or is confined in some state institution, in

such case the mother is entitled to receive from the county in which she lives a pension not to exceed \$50 a month. The requirements are that she must be a woman of good moral character and must have been a resident of the state for two years prior to making her application and a resident of the county for one year.

Missouri Soldier's Bonus

I am a Missouri soldier living in Kansas. During the year the Missouri soldier bonus was being paid, not having received any application blank until after December 31, 1922, I then wrote to the Missouri bonus commission in regard to the matter but received the reply that the time for filing applications for bonus expired December 31, 1922. Was there not a bonus for every soldier who served in the World War? Could you inform me to whom I should write in regard to the matter? Am I not still entitled to the bonus?

W. W. V.

The legislature of a state unquestionably has a right to fix a limit to the time in which applications may be made. This is true I think of every state which has passed soldiers' bonus laws. If you failed to get your application in I fear that you have no recourse. Of course, you can institute a suit against the bonus commission asking for an order requiring them to allow your bonus. This will test the question. This suit will have to be filed in some Missouri court.

Right to Sell Goods

Would you please inform me if an agent has a right to sell goods without license?

E. H.

Some agents require licenses in order to do business and others do not. For instance Section 1102 of Chapter 2 requires that persons, firms, associations or corporations who receive, sell or offer for sale on commission within the state any kind of farm produce must have a license.

All cities have a right to pass ordinances imposing a license fee upon agents of practically every kind. Peddlers of patent medicines may be regarded as agents and they have to secure a license. But it is not necessary to have a license to do all kinds of agency business. Only such agents as are specified in the statute as being required to obtain a license are so required.

My Kansas Friends and Readers

AS READERS of the Kansas Farmer and Mail & Breeze in Kansas you are doubtless aware of the fight that has been organized against me as a candidate for renomination Tuesday, August 5, to the United States Senate—an unfair fight as I believe.

I like to think that you think I have been doing things worth while in the Senate. As this is a matter in which we are partners, I feel that you are entitled to hear from me personally about what I have done and have tried to do in the five years I have represented Kansas in Washington.

It is a sad but true fact that the man in Congress who strives to do his honest duty and votes his sincere convictions on public questions, who does as he believes the home folks would wish him to do, often finds himself a target at election time, of interests and factions which prefer men who will do their bidding.

Another sad but true fact is that merit alone seldom carries an election. And this is why I must rely on such good friends as yourself to help me get the "straight" of the matter before your neighbors and so before the people.

The Chief Opponents

For one thing the objection to me is that I have been too aggressive in the interest of agriculture. The Railroad Bloc, the Manufacturers' Bloc, the Financial Bloc, and all other such blocs and lobbies that are constantly promoting their own special interests in Washington, are hotly attacking me for acting with other Senators and Representatives in Congress in what they call the "Farm Bloc."

I have no apologies to offer for such co-operation with the 13 great farm organizations of the country, in striving to lift a desperately sick industry to its feet, the greatest industry of my state and of the United States—the industry which supplies us all with food and clothing.

This is a matter which directly concerns every home, and the most sacred duty of our Government is the welfare of the home. That is in fact the first and last and sole duty of our Government.

There is nothing we have done or tried to do in Congress to help agriculture that has harmed the country or any legitimate interest. And back of agriculture is the farm home where much that is fine and strong in our national life comes from. No nation, however great, has long endured without it or can. I have tried and shall keep trying to make life on the farm and in rural America more livable. I want to see farm and country life made happy, prosperous and secure, with educational advantages as good as the best. To do this we must begin by building a more permanent farm prosperity. And when the Government has done as much to further agriculture as it has done to favor manufacture or merchandising or trade or transportation or banking, the farm industry will be on as sound a footing as these other industries that for many years have obtained the legislation they have declared their

interests demanded. I do not believe the Nation has ever given the careful thought to the problems of agriculture it should.

At the same time I am proud to say that never before has agriculture been so much discussed in Congress and all over the land by persons who heretofore had overlooked it and its great problems. Out of all this discussion and debate and thought, good will come to farm life. How much good we do not yet know.

Our legislation so far has been absolutely sound, and more than that, the country knows better than ever before how much it owes to the millions of workers on the land who give it its food day by day and year after year without fail, the often with less return than any other industry, great or small.

During my five years in the Senate I have stood for those measures that I believed make for a better America. My stand on prohibition enforcement is as well known as my efforts for agriculture. I have voted for the Volstead Enforcement law and against its repeal and the proposed amendment to take the life out of it. In an official letter the Anti-Saloon League of America, commending my record, paid me the compliment of saying, "Your record has been 100 per cent right." This letter added:

"The 'wets' are going on the theory that every 'dry' Senator or Congressman defeated will lessen in his successor any incentive to follow his example. I am sure if the people of Kansas realize the great service you are rendering the prohibition cause and the efforts to establish clean government in the Nation they will give you their united support so that you may continue your splendid work."

I value this appreciation. I wish to see prohibition enforced and observed in every city and state, for I believe that it means better homes, better clothed children, better education for them, larger savings, happier American homes, and will contribute greatly to permanent prosperity.

Clean Record on Appropriations

I do not believe in neglect of these things that make for a better home life in America or in refusing Government support for them, but I have voted against giving 300 million dollars for a ship subsidy to private ship owners—this being one time I was attacked for failure to support a Republican President—and against 300 million dollars for enlarging the Navy, when we are trying to have all navies reduced. I have voted against other proposed appropriations amounting to 180 million dollars which I believed unnecessary and extravagant.

I was for the naval disarmament conference from the start and voted for the treaty for reduced armament.

I have favored from the first the Harding-Hughes plan of American entrance into the World Court, which now President Coolidge urges and which has become a plank in the Republican national platform.

And I introduced in the Senate a bill providing for the draft of wealth and dollars as well as of man-power in the event of a future war. This measure also became a plank in the Republican national platform at Cleveland and is now the Republican policy.

I worked and voted for the National Immigration bill which has become law, which limits immigration on a carefully worked out basis that will admit fewer of the undesirables and unfit and more of the better class of immigrants, the first really scientific immigration law.

I am attacked because I could not agree with President Coolidge in favoring the plan of Secretary Mellon for reducing taxes by relieving the big millionaire incomes. I voted for the bill which became the law and which has reduced taxation more than the Mellon plan would have done, and mainly for the relief of small pocket-books rather than big fortunes.

I also disagreed with the majority of my party in voting against seating Senator Newberry of Michigan, who was proved in court to have spent a quarter of a million dollars to obtain his seat.

Guided by Conscience

On such questions, which I do not consider matters of party principle, I told the people of Kansas when I was first elected that I reserved the right to follow my own conscience and judgment. I also offended many in my party in taking the position that Attorney General Daugherty should resign or be removed from office, and Secretary Denby also. Both of these men later resigned, one at the request of the President.

I stand on my record in all such cases. I do not consider party regularity binding when it comes to a question of decency, honesty in office and faithful service by public officials, whether high or low.

On the other hand I voted 300 times with my party in the Senate and but three times against the wishes of President Coolidge. So far as party regularity goes, I am willing to leave this question, which my opponents have raised against me, with the people of Kansas. I am wholeheartedly for President Coolidge. He is making a fine President and I shall do all I can to elect him.

Now the question is—do my friends feel that my honest and conscientious efforts to do my whole duty merit their hearty support. In the eyes of the world that approval can only be confirmed by a nomination for a second term at the primary, Tuesday, August 5.

If the people generally can be made to know the facts, I believe they will stand by me as squarely and faithfully as I have stood by them. Would it be asking too much of you to ask you to discuss this matter with your neighbors and so lead them to back your vote on primary day with theirs? That would be a wonderful help I should be proud and happy to receive and appreciate.

Arthur Capper

Capper Strongly Indorsed

Here Are a Few Excerpts From the Thousands of Letters Received From Farmers and Farm Organizations Approving His Work in Congress

By John W. Wilkinson

THE efforts of Senator Capper's enemies to make it appear that he is discredited and distrusted by farmers is abundantly disproved by the numerous letters received in the last year or two from farm organizations of all kinds in every part of the country. Extracts from a number of these are reproduced on this page for the benefit of the readers of the Kansas Farmer and Mail & Breeze.

Praise From National Grange

Senator Capper: I have intended dropping you a line ever since the adjournment of Congress to remind you again that your tireless service in the interest of agriculture has been appreciated by your farm friends everywhere.

The National Grange takes no active part in partisan political contests, but allow me to express the hope that your services will be retained in the interests not only of Kansas, but of the Nation as well. L. J. Tabor, National Master, National Grange, Columbus, Ohio.

Never Failed Farmers

Senator Capper: I often have thought of writing you a line thanking you for being so prompt in responding to our calls for help. You never failed us.

C. S. Barrett, President National Farmers' Educational and Co-operative Union of America.

From Secretary Henry Wallace

Senator Capper:

I do not wish to allow the National Agricultural Conference to pass into history without making acknowledgment of my obligation to you for your fine co-operation and effective work in making the conference a success. And I feel that it was a decided success. It was the voice of organized agriculture, and as such, that voice will be heard thruout the country, as well as here at Washington, and the results should be decidedly helpful in working our way out of this severe agricultural depression.

Henry Wallace, Secretary, U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Splendid Work on Norbeck Bill

Senator Capper: I want you to know how much I appreciate the splendid work you did in behalf of the Norbeck bill. All of us in the Northwest who were backing this measure are grateful to you for your efforts. Personally, I want to express my thanks.

I realize that there was very stiff opposition from the East and South. It was gratifying, however, that some of the leaders from the Middle West, such as yourself, went to the front for the Northwest.

We feel that altho the Norbeck bill did not pass much has been accomplished for the cause of diversified farming. The new Agricultural Credit Corporation subscribed by private capital and now having a large borrowing power, is one of the direct results of the campaign we put on.

F. E. Murphy, Publisher, The Minneapolis Tribune, Minneapolis, Minn.

No Greater Service Than This

Senator Capper: I have been feeling that there ought to be some way in which the farmers of America could express their appreciation of the great service you have rendered them in the fight for the Co-operative Marketing law that has just been enacted.

You will recall that the first bill that was presented to Congress, upon this subject, was drawn by Mr. John D. Miller, was presented in Congress at our request by you in the Senate, and by Mr. Hersman, of California, in the House. These measures failed, as have two or three others since, but it has been by your persistence and that of Mr. Volstead in the House, that the measure has now become a law.

I fully realize what it has meant to secure the enactment of this measure, and especially when the Senate, after a full judiciary committee had re-

ported against it. Personally I do not believe that any greater victory was ever achieved for the farmers of this country, against greater odds, than this one. We are under deep obligations to all of our supporters and friends, but it is to you we are most deeply indebted, for your fight was long, arduous, incessant and untiring.

Milo D. Campbell, President, National Milk Producers' Federation.

Congratulates on Record

Senator Capper:

While you have always been known as a friend of agriculture, we feel that new laurels have been acquired by you in the last session of Congress.

Your work in connection with warehousing and storage has been a source of gratification to the American Farm Bureau Federation. May we take this occasion to congratulate you upon your record as a member of the United States Senate?

J. R. Howard, Formerly President, American Farm Bureau Federation.

Tromble Knows What's What

Senator Capper:

I want to assure you that we appreciate your efforts in behalf of agriculture and further state that the farmers of the State of Kansas appreciate your efforts. We are very much pleased to know that you have accepted the position as Chairman of the Farm Bloc. I will write you in regard to some matters in the near future which I will be very glad for you to look after.

John Tromble, President, Kansas Farmers Union.

The Co-operative Marketing Act

Senator Capper: Permit me on this fine morning of the day after to congratulate you and your associates upon the passage of the Co-operative Marketing act authorization generally known as the Capper-Volstead bill.

I know of no other measure that will give more pleasure or in the long run be of more benefit to the farmers of this country than this measure. It definitely removes from every farmer the menace of the jail which has been staring him in the face since the McCall decision when they are doing a right and proper thing in producing and distributing foodstuffs and raw materials for clothing. Much credit must be given you for early having seen the value to the farmers of this measure. Your early interest is evident since the bill was first known as the Capper-Hersman bill. At that time, and all along the difficult road which this bill has traveled you have been consistent and faithful and vigilant in advocating its enactment.

You and a few others early were struggling with this measure but later on, with the organization of the Agricultural Bloc of which you are a charter member, the advocacy of this bill took on a new impetus. Today it is a reality as a result of the untiring efforts of you and your co-workers of the Agricultural Bloc.

I know full well that the farmers of America not only do now appreciate but will continue to be more and more appreciative as they become more familiar with the benefits to be derived from this authorization.

Gray Silver, Washington Representative, American Farm Bureau Federation, Washington, D. C.

From Maurice McAuliffe

Senator Capper: Your letter referring to the Capper-Volstead bill and the Sapiro letter regarding Mr. Thorne's activities against the bill, have just been received.

The bill as passed by the House, without any amendments, is what we want. As amended by the Judiciary Committee, it is practically nullified. I hope you will be able to get it thru without any amendments whatever. I appreciate your efforts in behalf

of the farmers of the country and am behind you in all you do to further the return of prosperity to the farmer.

M. McAuliffe, Formerly President Kansas Farmers' Union.

We Know Our Friends

Senator Capper: I take great pleasure as secretary of this association and also as an individual farmer in thanking you for your very efficient and untiring work in the interests of the agricultural industry of our country. We recognize our friends in our legislative bodies and appreciate them.

W. H. Murphy, Secretary, Wellsville Farmers' Union Co-operative Association, Wellsville, Kan.

Strong for the Farm Bloc

Senator Capper: At a recent meeting of North Star Local No. 1979 of the Farmers' Educational and Co-operative Union of America, it was unanimously voted to indorse the Farm Bloc and to express to you our appreciation for what you are doing for the agricultural interests of the country.

We want you to know that we are back of you in your efforts and stand ready to lend our support in any way we can.

E. E. Gard, Secretary, Stafford County Farmers' Educational and Co-operative Union of America, Stafford, Kan.

Approval From Texas

Senator Capper: I am inclosing to you copy of a resolution which was unanimously adopted at the last regular meeting of Lubbock County Farmers' Union, November 11, 1921:

Resolution—Whereas certain United States Senators have formed what is called the "Farm Bloc" (stigmatized as Ken Cap Klan) for the avowed purpose of passing some legislation beneficial to the farmers of America; also to prevent the passage of such legislation detrimental to farmers and public good. Therefore be it resolved by the Lubbock County Farmers' Union in regular session at Lubbock, Tex., November 11, 1921, that we express our thanks, appreciation and indorsement to said Senators for such movement which has been so woefully neglected heretofore, and which is so badly needed by the farmers of America at this time.

Be it further resolved that copies of this resolution be sent to said Senators.

Your work in the Senate is being watched very closely by the farmers of America, and seems to have their unanimous indorsement.

I can speak in the entire affirmative for me and my associates.

Ernest H. Ward, Secretary, Lubbock County Farmers' Union, Slaton, Tex.

Indiana Approves Work

Senator Capper: It is with great pleasure that I write you that our Jasper County Farm Bureau at its last meeting, authorized me to notify you that they had unanimously voted a vote of thanks to you for your loyal and outstanding attitude toward all farm interests and that in as far as we can, we will use our influence to back you in any policy that is for the interest of the farmer and of humanity in general.

Charles W. Postill, Secretary, Jasper County Farmers' Federation, Rensselaer, Ind.

Dairymen Appreciate His Stand

Senator Capper:

On behalf of the member organizations of the National Milk Producers' Federation, I wish to take this opportunity of expressing our appreciation of the stand you took in voting to knock out the proviso in Paragraph 50-A of the permanent Tariff bill, which allowed vegetable oils to come in duty-

free when used for nonedible purposes.

Not only dairymen, but producers of other farm crops which come in competition with these foreign oils, appreciate the assistance which was made possible by your vote and that of your colleagues.

Charles W. Holman, Executive Secretary, National Milk Producers' Federation.

Vernon Grange for the Bloc

Senator Capper: We see by the papers that Wall Street and other big interests are condemning you and the Farm Bloc on your work on taxation. Also the members of the board of trade are trying to belittle you and the Farm Bloc. The more they condemn you the more we praise your work. Also we appreciate the work you are doing for agriculture and would like to tell the knockers we have in our Grange about 100 votes for you.

R. B. Reed, Chairman, Vernon, Kan.

Entitled to People's Thanks

Senator Capper:

You certainly have made a valiant effort in behalf of the Capper-French Truth-in-Fabric bill, and you are entitled to the thanks of the people of the United States. G. W. Briggs, National Sheep and Wool Bureau of America, Chicago, Ill.

Sapiro Wires Congratulations

Congratulations on remarkable work in defeating Walsh substitute and passing Capper-Volstead Co-operative Marketing act. This is by all means the greatest single fundamental progress made for the American Farmer and you deserve chief credit for the accomplishment.

Aaron Sapiro, New York City, Western Union Telegram, February 9, 1922.

Need More Like Capper

Senator Capper: I want to congratulate you on the good work you are doing for agriculture in Congress. We need more men of your caliber there. We could stand a few more from Illinois in particular.

Clifford V. Gregory, Editor Prairie Farmer, Chicago, Ill.

On Behalf of Kansas Union

Senator Capper:

I wish to express my appreciation for your efforts in the matter and also acknowledge receipt of your letter of May 12th advising us you had succeeded in getting the farmers' mutual insurance amendment in the bill as we wanted it.

I feel as you do that this is something that is far reaching to the farmers at this time and also that it was perfectly right and just. I want to thank you for your efforts in the matter and say further that we feel that we had to have someone to take a special interest in this matter or we would not have succeeded in getting it thru, especially the retroactive amendments.

C. E. Brasted, Secretary, Kansas Farmers' Union.

Hope You'll Come Again

Senator Capper:

It would be hard for me to express the appreciation we feel at having so noted a champion of the agriculture interest address our annual meeting in Montgomery county. I can assure you that every word you said was highly appreciated and that the membership was particularly pleased at having you address them. We were sorry that you were unable to come in time for luncheon and that your business engagements were so pressing that you could not spend more time with us, but we realize what a busy man you are and feel that we were particularly favored in having you with us on this occasion.

J. W. Jones, President, Montgomery County Farm Bureau, Rockville, Md.

Farmers Busy Organizing

There Are Now 5,424 Agricultural Co-operatives in the United States With 651,084 Members

BY JOHN W. WILKINSON

ACCORDING to reports in 1915 there were 5,424 agricultural co-operative organizations in the United States with a total membership of 651,084 individual co-operators; 1,637, or 30.2 per cent, of these organizations were dealing in grain and had a membership of 166,726 individual co-operators, or 25.6 per cent of the total membership of all co-operative organizations.

By 1924 there were 10,160 co-operative organizations of all kinds in the United States with a total membership of 2,025,000 co-operators.

Of this number 3,134 (30.9 per cent) organizations were dealing in grain with a membership of 400,000 co-operators, or 19.8 per cent of the total number. In this period of nine years there was an increase of 4,736 organizations or nearly double the number in 1914; and there was an increase of 1,373,916 individual co-operators, or more than twice the number in 1914.

Kansas Wheat Pool Busy

The Kansas Wheat Growers Association, now starting its third year of operation, will handle all the wheat of the Kansas Co-operative Wheat Marketing Association, the organization which recently put on a membership campaign but which failed to secure its quota of 44 million bushels of wheat.

The wheat of both the old pool and of new members will be handled thru the existing sales organization in order to keep down the cost of handling the wheat. The first wheat arrived in Wichita, June 30 and every day since then several cars of pooled wheat are arriving at the terminals. The association is advancing 60 cents a bushel on No. 2 wheat, on day of delivery to the local elevator, which is about 66 per cent of the price paid by the average local elevator.

World's Largest Grange

The largest Grange in the United States is located at Houlton, Maine, with a membership of more than 1,100; conducting a retail store that does nearly \$100,000 of business each year; while buying and selling operations on a large scale are carried on for the benefit of the Grange farmers over a large area in Kennebec and Aroostook counties. Houlton Grange is located in the midst of one of the best agricultural sections in the Eastern part of the country and this big Grange is a powerful factor in the agricultural affairs of that locality.

Oklahoma Pool in Action

The Oklahoma Wheat Growers' Association this year expects to handle twice as much wheat as it did from the crop of last year, is the belief of organization officials. Approximately twice as much wheat has been delivered this year as compared to the same date last year. This is due to a greatly increased membership and a better crop yield over the state, it was said. The pooling organization handled 3,250,000 bushels in 1922; 6 million in 1923, and expects to go over the 10 million bushels this year.

Another "Sun" in California

The California Olive Growers' Association has adopted "Sun-ripe" as the trade name of its product, according to reports from the sunset state. California's reputation as the home of co-operative marketing is largely maintained by "Sun-kist" oranges, "Sun-sweet" prunes and apricots, "Sun-maid" raisins, and other sunny products of farmers who sell co-operatively.

Rural Life Conference

State Superintendent Jess W. Miley, of Topeka, joined with the Kansas State Teachers College, of Hays, in holding a Rural Life conference at Hays, July 16 and 17.

During the last four years quite a number of large rural schools have been established in the territory of

the Teachers College of Hays, and the purpose of this conference was to discuss the problems of these schools and to consider the specific needs of rural education in this section of the state.

This was the fourth conference of the sort and the attendance each year has been very satisfactory.

Grange Demands Clean Fairs

The latest victory in the Grange movement sweeping the country in behalf of a general clean-up of agricultural fairs, to eliminate all gambling and other objectionable features, is found in recent happenings in Pennsylvania. There the Grange crusade, sponsored by some of the leading Grange members of the state, and greatly assisted by State Treasurer Frank P. Willits, who is the Pennsylvania secretary of agriculture, focused its campaign for clean fairs upon a ruling sought from the attorney general of the state, as to whether any of the \$100,000 state fund for agricultural association can be drawn by fairs which permit gambling, immoral or other questionable features upon their grounds. The ruling was made and the Grange won a sweeping victory. Granges in other states will wage similar fights for clean fairs.

Washington Dairy Co-operative

The Washington County Co-operative Creamery Company, with headquarters at Linn, Kan., is a splendid example of the possibilities of dairying in Kansas. During 1923, this company purchased 243,323 pounds of butterfat for which it paid \$103,328.54; 302,841 pounds of butter were made and the butter sales amounted to \$122,995.46. Practically all the butter was sold at wholesale on the Chicago market.

This company is owned by 306 stockholders. No stockholder has more than \$200 invested but every producing patron must be a stockholder. One interesting thing in connection with the operation of the business is that all cream is collected by trucks which cover the entire group of farmer patrons at least once every four days.

Cotton Pool is Successful

Checks in final settlement on 14 pools as announced in the June 25 issue of the Cotton Grower went in the mail Friday, June 27. The accounting department had promised these checks would be mailed Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Mailing was finished one day ahead of this schedule. The total amount mailed to banks in final settlement on these pools was \$904,230.78 and the average paid per bale was \$40.03. The number of bales represented by this amount was 22,560.

The Marion Equity Exchange

The Marion Co-operative Equity Exchange Company of Marion, Kan., made an excellent record last year according to a recent report, which shows a net profit of \$2,262.50 for the last 12 months. The sales of corn, wheat, oats, coal and merchandise amounted to \$125,963.62. The Marion Equity is building up a nice surplus which now totals \$1,470.07. M. E. Pierce is manager, N. L. Olson is president, and J. M. Schlotthauer is secretary-treasurer.

Where Grange Members Live

The location of the Grange membership geographically in the United States is interesting, with over 900,000 dues-paying Patrons on the roll. Of these 175,000 are in New England; 140,000 in New York; 95,000 in Pennsylvania; 110,000 in Ohio; 60,000 in Michigan. On the Pacific Coast Oregon, Washington and California have large memberships. Kansas, Colorado and Oklahoma come next, Idaho is gaining rapidly and there is reviving interest in Nebraska and the Dakotas.



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HOW would you like to have a birthday party with more than 15,000 children for guests? "Thousands" is a pretty big number to entertain at a party, isn't it? But Senator Capper really has thousands of little friends, and he invited them all to come to his party. July 14 was Senator Capper's birthday. This year he gave his 16th annual party. His guests weren't just Topeka

children, but young folks from all over Kansas. You may have been there yourself. If you were, you'll agree with me when I say that you had about the best time ever.

Crowded street cars carried the young folks to the park. All you had to do was to board the car and say "I'm going to Senator Capper's Birthday Party" and you could ride without charge. And when you reached the park there was a card of tickets for you for the merry-go-round, "Over the top," ice cream cones and roller skating. Of course, you had to wait for the long, long line—with you at the end—to move up so that you could get your rides on the merry-go-round, your flying trips over the top or your turn at skating but when you did get it, it was worth waiting for, wasn't it? And the ice cream! There were thousands of cones given away.

"I've had five cones already, but I'm goin' after my sixth," cried one little fellow as he pushed into the long line waiting for cones.

Sometimes Senator Capper must be away in Washington where he helps make laws for boys and girls and can't be present, but this year he attended his party himself. "I am never hap-

very happiest day of my life."

The picnic started at 9 o'clock in the morning. There were several hundred children already on the grounds when the concessions started, and from that time until the picnic ended at 6 o'clock there was a line of waiting children at the ice cream booth, the roller coaster, the merry-go-round and the skating rink. At the peak of the celebration the lines at each of these places were nearly a half mile long.

The shut-in kiddies and cripples—those who on account of their illness or for any other reason were not able to attend the doings at the park were looked after too. Down at the Daily Capital office there was a squadron of men and women with motor cars who carried a share of the picnic to the shut-ins and cripples who were reported to the Daily Capital offices by their relatives and friends. Picnic eats, souvenirs and greetings from Senator Capper were taken to them. Of course it pleased them to be remembered.

There were some new features this year. That does not mean that any of the old ones were eliminated—far from it. There were all the former contests and races but this year there

were additional contests—which means also there were additional prizes. Heretofore there has been no musical contest on the picnic program, but that was a new feature this year. One of the con-

tests was in the playing of the mouth organ, mouth harp, French harp, harmonica—no matter by what name it is called, it is still the favorite musical instrument of boyhood. There was a wide open contest with any musical instrument which the contestants cared to use—even to saxophone.

And then—the whistling contest. That was the cream of the program. Like all the other contests in the list it was open to boys and girls alike. The little tots were not forgotten either. Most of the kids in Kansas are fairly familiar with several movie actors—especially Jackie Coogan, the kids' own star, and Charlie Chaplin. So the picnic committee arranged to have contests in the impersonation of these two screen notables, and there were prizes for the youngsters who were most expert in the imitations which they gave.

Nor was that all of it. There were some kiddies at the picnic too young to give any sort of an imitation of movie stars, or historical characters—so there was a class of Mother Goose impersonations for them.

There were prizes for all winners. The prize winners in the French harp contest were; First place, Leo

second, Rex Boaz; third, Samuel Fisher.

The winners in the girls' singing contest were: First, Margaret Fisher; second, Gertrude Disney; third, Frances Oakley; fourth, Ida Mae Bacon; fifth, Adeline Sinclair.

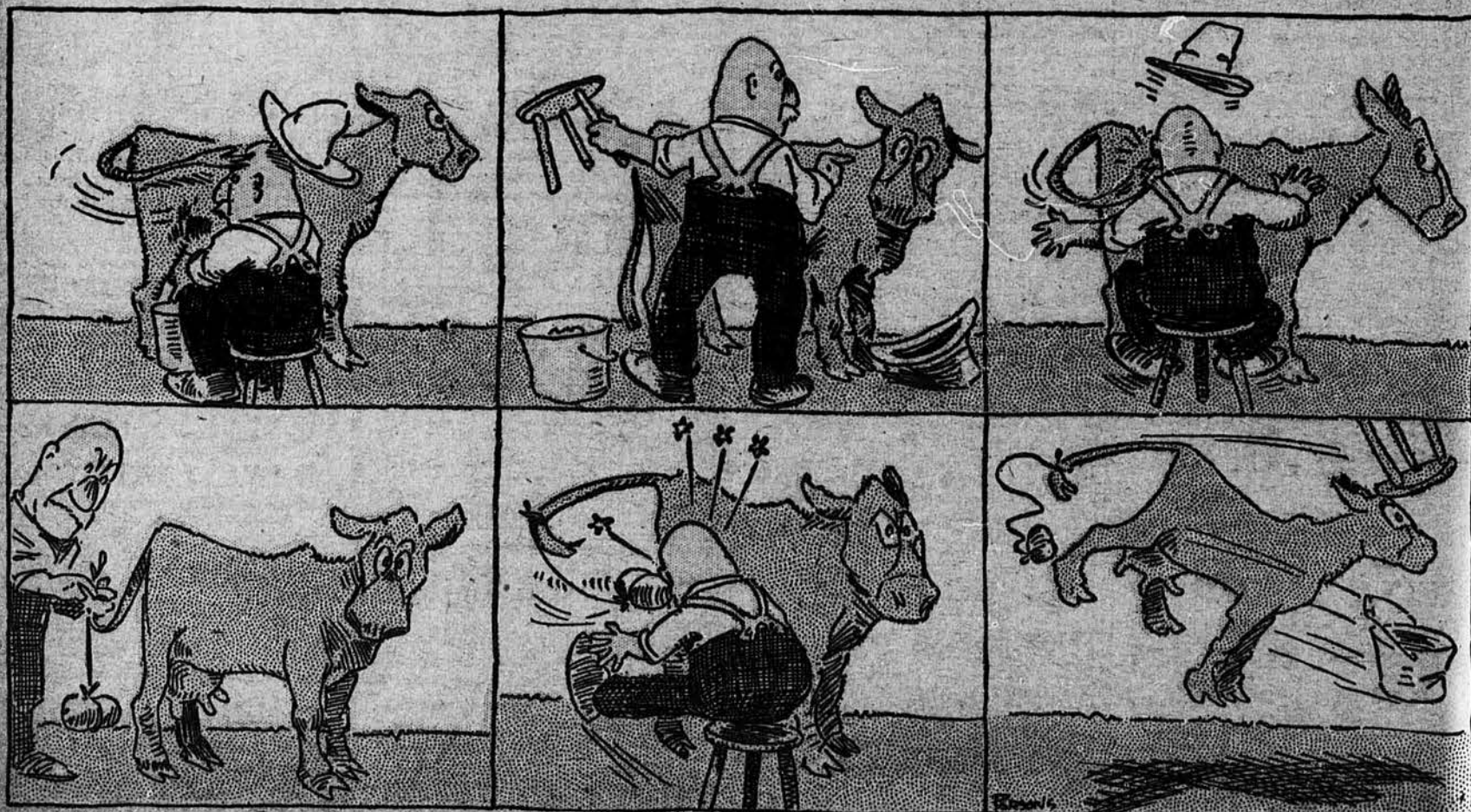
Winners in the Charlie Chaplin contest were: First, Dorothy Thompson; second, Austin Ashley; third, Marlin Sholander; fourth, Leonard Short.

In the Jackie Coogan contest, the winners were: First, Virginia Bolton; second, Doris Thompson; third, Gwendolyn Marshfield.

Two tiny tots with whom the audience fell promptly and completely in love were the only entrants in the Mother Goose contest. They were Verla Bell Green and Albertus Martha Riddle. The two contestants were so much alike in their red cloaks and bonnets that it was difficult to decide which of them should have first place. First was finally awarded to little Verla Bell Green.

They were tired youngsters who pushed their way into the cars about 6 o'clock. Yes, they were tired, but there was lots of chatter about what a good time they'd had and how much ice cream and popcorn they'd eaten.

Leona E. Stahl.



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For the Boys and Girls

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In Our Letter Box

I am 8 years old and in the second grade. I go to Lovett school. Jippy is my dog, and he has a white ring around his neck. Mamma takes Dorothy and me to school. We have a horse named Bell. There are five in our family. I wrote this on Papa's typewriter. Frances Regina Gaddie. Wellington, Kan.

Pets Named Tom and Brownie

I am 11 years old and in the sixth grade. I have three brothers and three sisters. We have two pet cats named Tom and Brownie. Tom is a big white and black cat. Brownie is a brown and blue cat. We have 500 little chickens and 150 hens. We get 100 eggs a day. We have five horses and eight cows, and live on a 100-acre farm. Darlow, Kan. Velma Hornbaker.

A Member of the Poultry Club

I am 11 years old and in the sixth grade. I ride 5 miles to school in the school bus, and have only missed one day. I have two sisters, one 9 years old and the other 3 years old. I am a member of a poultry club and am going to raise Rhode Island Red chickens. I like the little folks' page very much. Helen Rosenberger. San Acacio, Colo.

Please Write

I am 10 years old and in the sixth grade. I have 1/4 mile to go to school. Sometimes my brother, Dale, and I ride our pony. Our pony's name is Mac. I also have a baby brother named Verne Leon. I wish some boys about my age from some other state would write to me. Clare Forward. Colwich, Kan.

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Gardening in July Includes Cultivating Fall Blooming Flowers

AS THE summer advances plants for later flowering need attention. In my own garden I try to plant so that the flowers follow one another and from early daffodils in March until frost comes there is no time without blooms. "There always is something blooming in this garden," a visitor once said; and he did not guess that this had been as carefully planned as the beds themselves.

As the spring and early summer blossoms go be sure to have the mid-summer and fall flowers ready for blooming. This takes a little thought and planning but it pays. In July I begin giving more attention to the cultivation of the soil about the cosmos, salvia, marigolds and chrysanthemums. This is not a complete list as there are any number of brilliant blossoms which belong to late summer and fall. Perhaps we appreciate them even more than we do the more delicate, early flowers.

There are those, too, which belong to both seasons and provide flowers continuously for months if cared for properly. Nasturtiums are among these and they are so satisfactory that I always provide a generous bed of them. Zinnias have even more variety and will bloom freely with little attention. Marguerites when once started may be kept blooming until late and add greatly to the beauty of the garden as white flowers tend to bring out the color of the other flowers. They will come up each year as the plant is self sowing and the blooms seem to grow larger and more perfect as the season advances.

Mrs. Anna Deming Gray.

Farm Home News

BY MRS. DORA L. THOMPSON

WE HAVE heard much about the laws that would be made by the statesmen who "hold down" the cracker boxes. Maybe this suggestion is in that class. We have wondered why our law makers in placing a bounty on crows did not include the crows' eggs as well as their heads. Now, the farm lad earns some of his spending money hunting crows. If he finds a nest of eggs he leaves them until he can get the young crows' heads. Other tasks often prevent his return to the nest until the young crows have taken their flight from it.

If one has not tried the experiment of hanging a dead crow where his friends may view his remains, there may be some doubt as to the effect. From recent experience we know it serves as a warning that most crows heed. Most farmers seem aware of this fact. We have seen crows on wire supports.

Poisoned Wheat for Mice

Mice have become a great nuisance in our church basement. One who has tried many traps, baits and other snares for mice declares the poisoned wheat that may be purchased at drug stores has proved most satisfactory. She says the mice like it and are killed when they eat it and die near the wheat.

Canning and Other Help

Our booklet, "How to Can Fruits, Vegetables, Meats," has suggested new and better methods of preserving food to many women, and it would help you, too. Besides containing what the title suggests, favorite pickling and preserving recipes, and butchering time recipes are included. Other books in our library are, "The Baby and Its Needs," by Mrs. Velma West Sykes, "Stories by Truthful James," by Tom McNeal, "Fun Making Games," "Red

Letter Day Parties," "Today's Etiquette," "Club Day Activities," "Farm and Home Mechanics." All of these booklets would prove welcome additions to your library. They sell for 15 cents apiece or any four for 50 cents. Order from the Book Department, The Kansas Farmer and Mail and Breeze, Topeka, Kan.

New Idea in Quilting

When the Berea Busy Bee Club met with Mrs. Gailey in March to quilt her friendship quilt the women learned something new in the way of quilting—using colored thread. Mrs. Gailey used blue thread, quilting the pieced blocks in straight rows and the white blocks in the lovers' knot pattern. The quilt was of blue and white, and the blue thread made a very pleasing effect, so much so that a member of another club who happened to be a visitor that day, held a quilting party at her home the next week and quilted an unbleached muslin quilt, using pink thread and quilting it in diamonds with a bird design on the border.

Other members of the B. B. B. Club are planning now to use colored thread when their quilts are finished. No. 50 fast-color crochet cotton is used.

Mrs. Fred Johnson.

Anderson County.

Orange Substitutes

Oranges are recommended as fruit that should be used frequently in the family dietary, particularly in the family with small children. There are several reasons why oranges are valuable, especially for children. One of the most outstanding of these is the fact that oranges are an excellent source of the antiscorbutic vitamin. Without a supply of this from some source, scurvy will develop in the human being. The disease might never become acute, but even in a mild and latent form, the harm done could be quite great and every precaution should be taken to prevent it.

It has been found that tomato juice also is satisfactory, as it has a high content of the vitamin. It is much cheaper than the orange juice and has been used with great success by various persons. Many vegetables have a good content of the antiscorbutic vitamin, particularly the cabbage. As cooking impairs the value of this vitamin to a certain extent, the utilization of cabbage in salad is to be recommended. Carrots, lettuce, string beans and the various sorts of turnips also are good for this reason.

Women's Service Corner

Our Service Corner is conducted for the purpose of helping our readers solve their puzzling problems. The editor is glad to answer your questions concerning house-keeping, home making, entertaining, cooking, sewing, beauty, and so on. Send a self addressed, stamped envelope to the Women's Service Corner, Kansas Farmer and Mail and Breeze, and a personal reply will be given.

Gold Cake

Please print a recipe for a cake to use the yolks of eggs that are left from angel food.—Mrs. J. J.

The following recipe may be doubled to use all of the yolks, and will make a very large cake or two smaller ones. You will find if some white is added, as given, the cake will be much lighter.

½ cup butter
1½ cups sugar
4 egg yolks
1 whole egg
2½ cups flour

½ cup milk
½ teaspoon mace
2 teaspoons baking powder

Mix as a butter cake; bake in a loaf.

A Question on Dyeing

I would like to know if I could dye a Copenhagen blue dress black and what color dye should I use? The material is messaline.—Miss M. R. H.

Yes, you could dye a Copenhagen blue dress black, and with black dye made especially for silk material. It might be a good idea to bleach the dress first to obtain a cleaner black.

The Care of Electrical Appliances

BY SALLY E. DAVIDSON

ELECTRICAL appliances will not run their best if we don't learn by reading and experimenting how to get the last penny's worth of use out of every one of them. Being one of those eager to do all this, I asked a lot of questions of persons who know. Thus I learned something the other day which I think will interest every housewife who uses electrical appliances.

It was when I called in the neighborhood electrician to replace the cord on my electric iron for about the "steenth" time. I suspected him of using defective cord and told him so—and that started him!

"That's the trouble with you women—you treat the cord as tho it were made of stone and then expect it to last a life-time," he said.

"But how should one treat it, as tho it were made of eggshells?" I asked.

"Certainly not. But you can't let it get kinked and knotted and twist it around hot appliances, or keep it where the sharp ends of utensils prod into it—you can't do that and get away with it. I don't know what you do with it, but I should say, judging from the number of times I've replaced it, that you do all those things and let the dog chew on it besides."

"I don't do all those things but I

admit I didn't realize how important it was to keep the kinks out."

"I know you didn't and now I'll tell you why. The ordinary lamp cord is made of about 16 to 26 strands of thin wires, and the 'heater cord' which is used on heating appliances is made of about 41 to 65 strands of wire, each being about the thickness of No. 60 sewing cotton. Naturally they are delicate and continual twisting will break some of them eventually. This, then, transfers the flow of more current over the remaining wires which, being designed to carry only a certain amount, wear out by the additional strain imposed upon them.

"That is why," he continued, "in my own home I have taken the lower part of the kitchen closet, put in several large pegs, and then be-

cause we have quite a few appliances I marked each so as to avoid the cords getting mixed up—also to save time when my wife is looking for a particular one. Then I taught my wife to hang each cord as she removes it, on its own peg. We've had this system about two years and it hasn't been necessary for me to replace one of the cords," he finished significantly.

I thanked him for the tip and set my husband to work that very evening. The plan is working out fine.

This may be done by boiling in a heavy suds made with a mild soap dissolved in enough water to cover the garment. Or better than this is a preparation on the market that is excellent for bleaching. I should be pleased to tell you the name of this bleach if you will send me a stamped addressed envelope.

Varying the Berry Dessert

The berry season is very much with us, but the first delight of fresh fruit has worn off a trifle, and the mother of the family is likely to be searching her cook book for suggestions as to how to restore the small fruits to their former favor. Steamed puddings are simple to make and their variety is infinite. An excellent recipe for huckleberry pudding is given, altho almost any berry or fruit can be substituted.

Steamed Huckleberry Pudding

2 tablespoons shortening
¼ cup sugar
¼ cup milk
1 cup flour

1 teaspoon baking powder
1 egg, well beaten
1 box huckleberries

Cream together the shortening and sugar. Add to this the milk. Sift together and add the flour and baking powder, and lastly stir in the egg well beaten. Fill individual cups two-thirds full of huckleberries. Drop a spoonful of the batter on each one. Put in a tightly covered steamer over a kettle of hot water and steam 1 hour. Serve with cream or sauce. This will serve eight persons.

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Business and Markets

Cattle and Hogs Show Strong Advances; Sheep and Horses Not in Much Demand

BY JOHN W. SAMUELS

GOVERNMENT estimates for July place the corn yield of the United States for this year at 2,516 million bushels which is the lowest yield that we have had since 1918. Last year the yield was 3,054,895,000 bushels and in 1922 the yield was 2,906,020,000 bushels. Of course the corn crop may have many unfavorable turns yet before it is harvested. The growth has been backward and most of the stands are rather spotted and uneven. Last week was rather dry until Friday and Saturday when good rains fell in many parts of the state. Heavy showers were reported from nearly all of the Western counties and light scattering showers in many of the eastern counties, but more moisture is needed in these counties now to combat the chinch bugs that are now migrating from the wheat stubble to the cornfields. Hot dry weather late in July and the first part of August might blast all of our prospects.

Feeders in a Quandary

A yield of 2½ billion bushels or less means high-priced corn and this situation is putting the feeders in a quandary as to whether it will be profitable to do any extensive feeding next fall and winter. Of course there are some stockmen who feed a regular number of cattle, hogs or sheep year after year regardless of the cost of feeds, while others get into the game or get out of it according as conditions may seem favorable or unfavorable to them. However, many careful feeders have found that they made their greatest profits during the years when feed prices were the highest. This was notably true in 1902 with its short corn crops and high prices when feeders made record profits.

Well informed market authorities freely predict that full fed corn fat cattle will sell higher next fall than at any previous period of the year, and that will be above the \$12 level. It always pays to market beef cattle of quality.

Best Prices For Quality Steers

It is condition and quality rather than weight that decides whether a steer is to be placed in the beef cattle classification. Within the class it is condition and quality that largely determine the amount of profit that goes to the shipper. Choice to prime steers bring from 75 cents to \$5.75 a hundredweight over the common light stock, according to a study made of lightweight steers coming to the Chicago market during 1923 by the Sears-Roebuck Agricultural Foundation.

The bulk of the shipments are classified under the grades of prime steers, 1,200 to 1,600 pounds; choice steers, 1,150 to 1,600 pounds; good steers, 1,150 to 1,600 pounds; medium steers, 1,100 to 1,400 pounds, and common rough steers, 900 to 1,200 pounds. These are the classification of the United States Bureau of Markets.

Prime beef steers are the ideal type combining exceptional breeding and

thorough finishing. Short neck and short legs, smooth flesh and well-filled, bulging briskets are prerequisites. Prime beef steers are rare, even steers good enough to grade as choice are few. They show most of the characteristics of the prime grade, good breeding and long feeding, smooth flesh and thick fat. On the block the quality steer will show a good proportion of red meat covered with a modest amount of smooth white fat.

Swine Situation is Improving

The hog situation is improving and the peak of the heavy movement no doubt has passed. The low estimate of the corn crop both for June and July brought a great wave of liquidation in cattle and hogs and especially in hogs. That movement has been under way for the last eight weeks, but it is now declining rapidly and the diminishing receipts have caused some advances in prices. A \$9 hog market or better is sure to come in September. The depressed moderately on Monday the livestock market developed urgent demand and higher prices before the week-end. There was a substantial advance in hogs that carried the market to within 5 cents of the extreme high point of the year, and 30 to 40 cents above last week's average. The net advance in cattle was 15 to 40 cents, practically all classes showing the gain. Sheep are 25 cents higher and lambs up 50 cents, compared with last week's level in the sheep market.

Beef Cattle Top is \$9.25

Only a few fat cattle were offered this week at Kansas City. They were fair quality fed steers that brought \$8.50 to \$9.25. Texas cake-fed steers at \$5.50 to \$6.50. Prices are 15 to 40 cents higher for the week, mostly 25 cents higher. Trade has ruled active since Monday and in the past two days receipts have fallen short of requirements. Choice steers sold at \$9.85 to \$10.25. Nothing prime was offered. Cows sold up to \$7.50, heifers up to \$9.25, mixed yearlings up to \$10, and straight yearling steers up to \$10.10. Veal calves advanced \$1.50, top \$10.

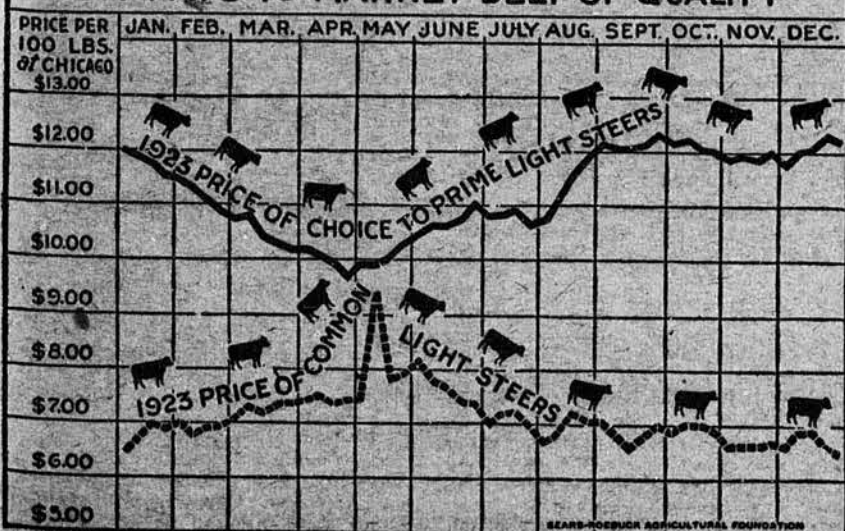
Hog prices this week were 10 to 15 cents higher at Kansas City and 30 to 40 cents above a week ago. The advance has taken the market back to the high point of the season, and in some cases light weights, are above the previous high point. The top price was \$7.50 and bulk of sales \$7.25 to \$7.45. Packing sows sold at \$6.00 and stock hogs and pigs at \$5.25 to \$5.75.

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Big Crops and Good Prices

A Real Prosperity Wave Hits Kansas—State Has 130 Million Bushels of Dollar Wheat

BY JOHN W. WILKINSON

KANSAS farmers this fall it is said will be in a more prosperous condition than they have been for the last three years on account of the unexpected turn in the wheat situation. For one time at least in their experience they have a large crop of good quality when many other states are falling short and good prices are being paid. From 95 cents to a dollar or more is being paid at country elevators while No. 1 new dark hard wheat has been ranging from \$1.15 to \$1.19 a bushel in Kansas City.

The four states from which the Kansas City market gets most of its wheat have produced 86 million bushels more this year than in 1923, an increase of more than 50 per cent, according to the Government July forecast.

In all the rest of the country this year's crop is 131 million bushels less than last year.

State Yield 130 Millions

Kansas now is harvesting a wheat crop that is estimated at 130,038,000 bushels by the state board of agriculture. Nearly ideal weather in June resulted in an increase of 10,827,000 bushels over the board's estimate of June 1.

The estimated crop for 1924 is an increase of 46,300,000 bushels over the yield of 1923. However, the estimated 1924 yield is slightly below the five-year, 1918-22, average of 131,185,000 bushels.

While Kansas wheat is showing a great improvement over 1923, the corn prospects are not quite up to those of a year ago. It is estimated that with favorable weather Kansas will harvest 97,143,000 bushels of corn this year as against 122,149,000 last year.

The condition of wheat improved, due to favorable weather conditions in June 11 points, and now is given at 79 per cent normal. This calls for an estimated average yield of about 13.8 bushels per acre throughout the state. Last year the condition was given as 71 per cent on July 1. The 10-year average on July 1 is 77 per cent.

Forty-seven Banner Counties

"Ford county promises to be the banner wheat county this year with a probable crop of 4,560,000 bushels. Barton comes next with 4,144,000 bushels. Rush, McPherson, Pawnee, Pratt, Reno, Sedgwick and Stafford each offer prospects above 3 million bushels. Seventeen other western and central counties will yield more than 2 million bushels each, and 21 others promise crops in excess of 1 million bushels. No county in the eastern third of the state will be in the million bushel class this year.

Big Hay and Flax Crops

Of the hay crops, alfalfa condition is rated at 76 per cent on July 1, clover and timothy each at 82 per cent, wild hay at 84 per cent of normal. The first out of alfalfa yielded an average of 1.1 tons per acre. The total production of all tame hay for this year is forecast at 907,000 tons as compared with 1,053,000 tons in 1923.

The flaxseed acreage was greatly stimulated in the southeastern counties this season. Indications are that

60,000 acres of flax was sown as compared with 24,000 acres last year. The season has been very favorable and a July condition of 88 per cent is registered as compared with 90 per cent last year. An average yield of about 7 bushels an acre is indicated for this year and a production of 412,000 bushels. Last year the production was 182,000 bushels. This will be the largest flax crop Kansas has produced for many years.

Sorghums and Broomcorn

Both grain and sorghum forage acreages have been reduced in Kansas this year. The present area of kafir, milo and feterita is estimated at 1,438,000 acres, or 90 per cent as large as in 1923. The July condition of the grain sorghums is 71 per cent of normal and a crop of 24,504,000 bushels is the forecast. Last year's crop was 28,285,000 bushels from 1,598,000 acres. The sorghum forage acreage is estimated as being 25 per cent less than last year, or 681,000 acres. Its condition is the same as the grain sorghum crops.

The broomcorn acreage has dropped from 58,000 acres in 1923 to an estimate of only 41,000 this season. It is off to a bad start this year with a July rating of 60 per cent of normal. A year ago the condition was rated at 92 per cent and two years ago at 86 per cent.

Corn Condition is 74 Per Cent

The condition of corn rose 6 points in June and now is rated as 74 per cent of normal. Last July the condition was placed at 82 per cent and a crop of 122,149,000 bushels resulted.

"The crop this year," the board emphasizes, "can only materialize with an average break in weather and insect factors from now until harvest."

The 10-year average in Kansas on this date is 83 per cent. Chinch bugs are now at work in the crop and only an abundance of rain will eliminate this pest, the report states. Good rains fell in Western Kansas last week but more is needed in Eastern Kansas.

The condition of oats also improved in June, rising to estimate of 78 per cent of normal. On this basis the crop should average about 27 bushels an acre throughout the state, and with 1,530,000 acres sown, result in a harvest of 41,535,000 bushels. Last July condition was given at 74 per cent and a crop of 34,922,000 bushels was realized.

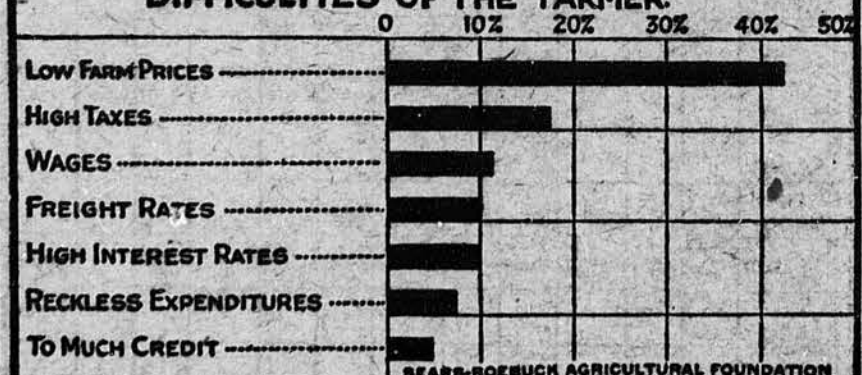
Should Kansas produce a fair crop of corn and good prices be obtained a big wave of prosperity will visit the state following closely the era of good times brought to Kansas farmers by the good wheat crop. The distress and financial difficulties brought by last year will be wiped out by the good turn in the crop situation this year.

The financial difficulties experienced by farmers heretofore are attributed to various sources.

Forty-two per cent of the farmers in the United States blame their financial difficulties on the low prices of farm products, according to the Sears-Roebuck Agricultural Foundation, which has completed a study of

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PRIMARY FACTORS AFFECTING FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES OF THE FARMER.



This Chart Shows the Factors Causing the Financial Difficulties Experienced by Farmers in the United States As They Analyze the Situation

Capper Poultry Club News

BY HAZEL M. FLANAGAN
Assistant Manager

DID you ever stop to think what a dreadful handicap it would be if you couldn't talk? And did you ever stop to think of the hundreds and hundreds of subjects discussed in this world in one day? No doubt most of you can guess what my subject is these days—"When I was in California" or "In Portland I saw —." I suspect Mrs. Neiswender will get so tired of hearing me talk about my vacation that she won't let me go again.

There are so many subjects to talk about that it seems one could talk forever and then not mention all of them. I believe the most common subject, the one discussed pro and con, dozens of times a day, is the weather. What do you think of the weather we are having now? I think that summer is really here, for it is decidedly warm today. It is so warm here that every few minutes I have to get a drink of cold water and try to make myself believe that it is cool and heat doesn't bother me at all.

What Do Chickens Think?

If we could understand chicken language what do you suppose we would hear them saying about the weather? I suspect they get just as hot as we do, only we can go and get a drink of cold water whenever we wish and stay in the shade, but oftentimes when the chickens are thirsty, the water can is empty or the water hot and there is no shade except in the chicken house, which usually is anything but cool. I'll wager this isn't the case with the flocks belonging to club girls, for they can always be de-

pended upon to give their chickens the best of care.

Again the weather plays an important part in the life and progress of chickens. Warm weather is the best time for lice and mites to get a start. One must be ever on guard against these enemies. Clean the chicken house often and spray with a good disinfectant. Light, fresh air and sunshine are essential allies in the battle against these enemies. Do you have them enlisted to assist you?

Fairs Begin Soon

Of course you are planning to exhibit your chickens at fairs or poultry shows, aren't you? We're expecting you club girls and mothers of 1924 to uphold the record of previous years and win your share of ribbons and cash prizes.

To win prizes, entries must be the best and in good condition. It will take a few weeks to get your chickens ready, for besides getting their plumage in the best of condition, it is a good plan to have them trained and accustomed to being handled. Farmers' Bulletin No. 1115, Selection and Preparation of Fowls for Exhibition, will prove helpful in getting your chickens ready. This may be obtained from the United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., and will be sent free on request.

Curing T. B. in Kansas

BY DOCTOR CHARLES H. LERRIGO

A FEW weeks ago I advised a reader who sought a cure for consumption that the best climate was the climate where he could be most happy and comfortable. I conceded that there might be some advantage in a climate giving weather that would permit him to be out of doors a great deal, but I endeavored to make it clear that climate alone was nothing like so important as having freedom from worry, good care, good food, and a chance to rest in bed in the open air.

I am not surprised that this advice has aroused some criticism, because it is so contrary to the teachings of 20 years ago when "climate" was considered to be the only hope in consumption. I am opening the subject again to emphasize it, and to make emphatic the fact that I am not merely expressing a notion of my own but am giving you the opinion of the most expert authorities on tuberculosis in the world.

The only doctors who place much emphasis on climate today are those who are biased by the ownership of sanatoriums in the "favored climates." The Colorado Tuberculosis Association says:

"For the best interests of those tuberculous who have no funds, their migration to the West should be checked. Too often they leave their best opportunities for care behind them, and, sacrificing their all, start out on the quest for health which, as we know, in almost every instance ends in death."

From California comes the warning:

"The State Board of Health warns you because it wishes to spare you homesickness and suffering from financial strain."

The Surgeon-General, United States Public Health Service, says:

"The belief which prevailed years ago in the specific virtues of certain climates, particularly that of the arid Southwest, is now known to have been wrong."

Dr. C. D. Kenney of the Kansas State Tuberculosis Sanatorium declares that no climate has any advantage over that of Kansas in the treatment of tuberculosis.

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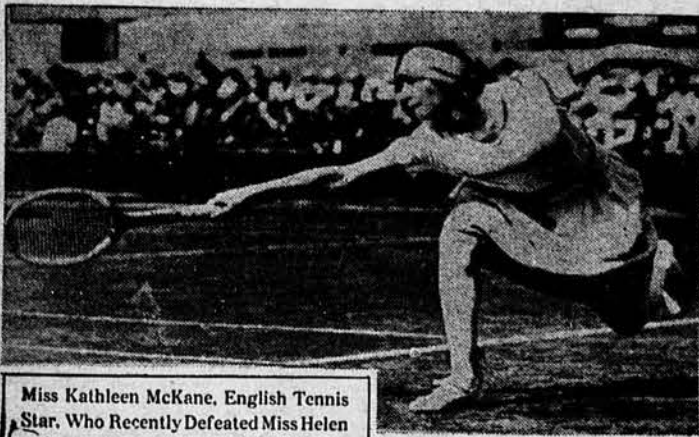
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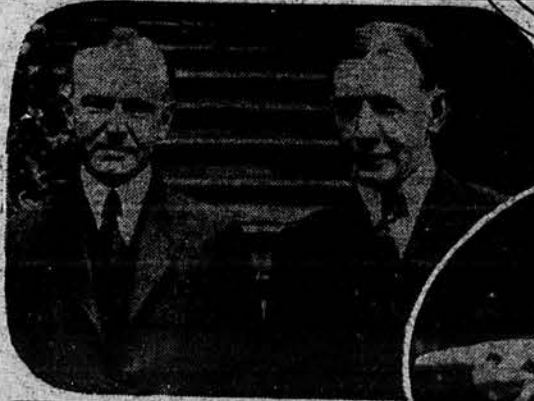
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