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When You Take a Pull at the Water Jug Give the Horse a Drink. It Will Increase His Efficiency and May Save Serious Loss

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# FARM POWER

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### Items of Interest About Automobiles, Engines, Tractors, and Motorcycles

The selection of an automobile is one of the problems which many people are trying to solve at this time of the year. The question is too often decided, not by the merits of the car, but by the salesmanship and skill of the demonstrator. It is much safer to purchase a car of a make which is known to be reliable, even without a demonstration, than to select a car by the demonstration alone.

the demonstration alone. The first thing to decide is the size of car most suitable for the requirements and purse of the purchaser. Briefly, the advantages of the larger cars are: More style, easier riding, more room, smoother operation and greater speed on good roads. The smaller cars, on the other hand, are lower in first cost, as well as in operating expenses. Due to the light weight and to the comparatively narrow tires, small cars travel more easily over muddy, sandy or other heavy roads. The two chief items of expense in

The two chief items of expense in running an automobile are tires and fuel, and these will be almost directly proportional to the weight of the car. It is a great mistake to buy a big car and then use it sparingly on account of the expense of operation. With the same money one can buy one of the smaller cars and keep up with the expenses for 10,000 to 15,000 miles of service.

The type of motor to select depends largely on the preference of the individual. The four-cylinder motor is less complicated and has fewer parts. Sixes, eights and twelves are more flexible, quieter and better balanced. The life and reliability of any motor depends upon the workmanship and design but not upon the number of cylinders.

When ignition systems are considered, there is nothing more reliable than a first class high tension magneto. Due to the limited spark range in the ordinary form of magneto it is not adapted to sixes and eights. In addition to reliability, the pleasure car must have an ignition system which is extremely flexible. Storage battery systems have this quality of flexibility and are cheaper than the magneto installation, because current is drawn from the startinglighting battery. The Ford ignition system, which is unlike any other, is more complicated than either of the above, but provides a convenient means for locating a "missing" cylinder.

Regarding transmissions, the selective sliding gear and the planetary gear practically cover the field. The sliding gear operates more quietly and provides and intermediate gear for heavy roads and hills. The planetary gear is less liable to be damaged by inexperienced operators, allows quick maneuvering and quick get-away, but requires occasional adjustment and replacement of the transmission band' linings.—E. V. COL-LINS, Department of Steam and Gas Engineering, K. S. A. C.

### **Tractor for Heavy Work**

On every farm there are certain tasks that can be done more successfully and economically with horses than by any mechanical power known to us at this time, but this does not indicate that it would be necessary or wise to maintain a barn full of horses to accomplish the work of two or three.

The average farm that could use a tractor to advantage usually possesses eight or ten horses, and often more. It is impossible to get along with any less, because in the busy season it takes every available horse to do the work. In the spring when the ground becomes fit, the farmer gets into the field with gang plows, disk and peg-tooth harrows, and land levelers. To do this work properly and finish ahead of the planting season requires a large number of horses.

If it were not for this rush work, the number of horses actually required to handle the farm work could be reduced to three or four. It is to eliminate the surplus of horses that must be maintained for rush seasons only that is inducing progressive farmers to buy small tractors.

It follows then that the farmer with ten or a dozen horses which he keeps for all farm work can profitably dispose of all but three or four of the best and purchase a substantially built, timetried farm tractor of a size best suited to his requirements. Six or eight horses put on the market today will bring more than enough to buy a light weight allpurpose kerosene tractor that will not only do all the work formerly done by the horses, but do it quicker, better and much cheaper.

Let us contrast the method and expense of keeping horses with the manner and cost of upkeep of the small farm tractor.

With the spring break-up the horses are thrown into the field and used every available minute from daylight till dark. They are soft from their enforced winter's idleness, and consequently the heavy field work soon begins to tell. They lose weight, contract sore shoulders, occasionally strain their muscles, and become generally run down before the spring work is completed. Every year hundreds of horses die from various causes resulting from overwork. Starting in the spring of the year with the opening of the season, we see a light farm tractor hard at work in the field.

Starting in the spring of the year with the opening of the season, we see a light farm tractor hard at work in the field. It is pulling two, three or four plows, according to conditions, and instead of lifting them a trifle as is done when we see the horses plowing, we are putting them down to the last notch, turning up soil that has never been exposed. Following the plows comes the disk or peg-tooth harrow, conserving every possible trace of moisture and practically assuring a good crop. We plow straight through to the noon hour, and instead of unhitching and returning to the barn for feed and rest, we replenish the hopper with water and let the boy or the hired man keep on working while we go to dinner. After working steadily through the afternoon, we have plowed more during the day than any horsedrawn gang plow of equal size could possibly turn over. All the heavy farm work can be done quickly and cheaply with the tractor.

possibly turn over. All the heavy farm work can be done quickly and cheaply with the tractor. Plowing, disking, harrowing, seeding, harvesting, pulling the corn picker, and heavy hauling can be done with the tractor, and when not busy in the field it can be used to saw wood, pump water, run the feed grinder, corn sheller, silage cutter or small thresher. With the exception of the light work, the horses are an unnecessary quantity, and instead of a barn full of expensive horses that represent several thousand dollars' investment and individually eat the produce of five acres of ground, you have three or four horses and a light, economical tractor that costs nothing when not working and needs merely a shelter from the weather.

After deciding to buy a tractor, many farmers have made the mistake of looking for the lowest priced machine, regardless of quality or length of service. The trouble and grief that almost invariably results from such purchases have hindered the growth of tractor farming popularity, because many land owners seeing only the low-priced "freaks" were deterred from buying until they became acquainted with some one of the really practical, all-purpose farm tractors.—Tractor Farming.

Good horses will be in demand even after tractors come into general use. The number of horses on the farm can be reduced, and at the same time the quality of those remaining can be improved. Supplementing the tractor with a small number of high-grade brood mares for the light farm work, we will be able to breed the best, sound, and high-grade horses for which there will always be a demand on the market. As an authority on farm power aptly puts it—"It is the only money-winning, sensible, business like plan to follow—more good horses, fewer bad horses, and more farm tractors."

What farm tasks cost the most in time and give the least in return? Not the big things; not the field work, but the chores. They are, of course, a necessary part of farm work, but they take much valuable time that most farmers would rather spend in the field. What every farmer needs is dependable power to do the routine work about the barn. With an engine of a size to meet his requirements, he will have a dependable hired man to handle his time-taking jobs and to furnish power for his profitmaking machines.

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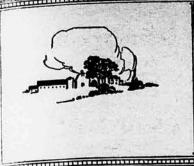
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here the market of Saturday wheat have suffered a decline. If any tres of the Topeka farm weekly use of its quotations on wheat in mail marketing transactions and re-to sell Saturday, they suffered a loss on account of that paper's their Seve ous quotations. In presenting notations, without giving a date erroncous and without even naming a market on which they apply, any farm weekly is guilty of a great injustice to its readers. "Of what avail is it to help a farmer Suc to mise more wheat or more of other from cultivated areas and at the crops same time mislead him as to market quotations? It is as unprofitable to farmers to quote a market too high as to under-quote it, for in each case the producer is misled, often to his financial injury.

the editors of some of the farm weeklies which persist in giving market prices without specifying time or place were practical enough to appreciate what it means in dollars and cents to a farmer to have accurate figures, they would hasten to put an end to their reprehensible practice of leaving their at sea. The farmer needs ac-market quotations as badly as real curat is correct advice on the most apmethods of cultivation, breeding, and other work connected with and other work connected with iness of growing food. The fail-iarmers to obtain accurate fig-stead of the misleading quotations Topeka farm weekly probably in a loss of thousands of dollars th ure ure ree lly, if not millions, in their reve-from the products of their labor." Telegram does KANSAS FARMER 81111

instice in not being more specific. into this matter of market quota-and decided that it was worse and decided that it was worse iseless to attempt such service in ly paper for the very reasons by the Telegram in this edi-We yield this field to the marily which is in a position to fur-his service accurately. We feel his service accurately. We feel be Telegram should call the atnithe of its readers to the fact that FARMER follows this policy in tter of market reports and that of its th ove editorial was not directed at thi aper.

### INTERNATIONAL STOCK SHOW

udge from South America will the grade and cross-bred fat steers ph International Live Stock Exposito be held in Chicago this year. man selected is Senor Carlos M. m, Buenos Aires, Argentina, a granch owner of that country. The Du Ricardo F. Pearson, another prom-live stock man of Argentina, has selected by the American Short-Association to pass on Shorthorn Iner hos still

has been the custom for a good m years to have foreign judges to on the grade and cross-bred steers paai is live stock show, but heretofore have all come from Great Britain. th Th new departure has considerable significance to the pure-bred live stock interests of this country. For thirty years the leading ranchmen of Argentina have been liberal buyers of breeding anihave at times been startling. They

have been such strong bidders for "tops" that it has been difficult for American importers to compete with them.

American breeders have been looking with longing eyes at this South Amer-ican trade for some time. It is now generally understood that in most lines our breeders are producing animals that measure up to the highest British stand-ard. Only occasionally, however, have sales been made to South American buyers. The European war has greatly disturbed commercial relations between Argentina and Europe, and this country Argentina and Europe, and this country is now looking to America for breeding stock. Only recently a very large ship-ment of high-class pure-bred Shorthorns was forwarded from New York to Buenos Aires. The selection of two judges from Argentina for the Interna-tion will without doubt. further ention will, without doubt, further encourage friendly live stock relations between the two countries. Following the selection of these judges

by the directors of the International show, a cablegram was received from the management of the great breeding show of Argentina, asking that a quar-tet of American judges be sent to place the awards on the Shorthorns, Herefords, Angus Lincoln shown and draft because the awards on the Shorthorns, Herefords, Angus, Lincoln sheep, and draft horses, at this show which will be held in August. The exhibit of Shorthorn classes alone at this Argentina national show frequently extends to more than a thousand entries, which shows the mag-nitude of this event. The selection of men qualified to respond to this impor-tant call was taken up at the recent men qualified to respond to this impor-tant call was taken up at the recent meeting of the directors of the Interna-tional. The following selections were made: Shorthorn judge, Prof. C. F. Curtiss; Hereford and Angus judge, Frank VanNatta; Lincoln sheep judge, Robert Miller; draft horse judge, Frank B. Ogilvie.

This exchange of courtesies between these two great live stock shows is cer-tin to lead to considerable development along the line of opening up South Amer-ican trade to breeders of pure-bred stock in this country.

How long can a tractor be expected to last is a question frequently asked. The average life of a tractor on a 160acre farm should be at least ten years if given good care, although many, in If given good care, although many, in figuring tractor power costs, estimate the life at only five years. If the trac-tor is good for only five years and does the work on a 160-acre farm, it will more than pay for itself. Good care means proper adjustment and the atten-tion processory to know any clear of high means proper adjustment and the attent tion necessary to keep any class of high grade machinery in good working order. All working parts must be kept clean, well oiled or greased, all take-up bear-ings must be adjusted and all bolts and puts heat tight. If this is done the nuts kept tight. If this is done the minimum wear results and there is no reason why, unless the tractor is heavily overloaded and subjected to undue strains, a well designed and well built machine will not perform its duties sat-

will GROW FEED CROPS The Hessian fly may be the means of compelling more diversified farming in the wheat belt. A good many wheat farmers will have wheat that will be too badly damaged to pay to leave it to be harvested. Already hundreds of acres of wheat have been abandoned. What to do with these fields is the

question. It is not too late to plant feed crops, and nothing will give better returns when properly handled than the grow-ing of such crops. Even at this late date cane and kafir are sure to produce date cane and kair are sure to produce forage and grain under reasonably favor-able conditions. If there is any live stock on the place, these feed crops can be converted into money. It is not a bad plan to put out these feed crops even though there may be an insufficient amount of stock on the farm at the present time to consume the error when present time to consume the crop when grown. The man with an abundant supply of feed can often take advantage of market conditions and buy stock. When feed is lacking, many are com-pelled to sell stock at a sacrifice.

Some yield figures from the Kansas Experiment Station will be suggestive in connection with the kinds of feeds best to plant. For the years of 1912,

1913, and 1914, kafir yielded at the rate of 10.66 tons an acre, green weight, at Manhattan; cane, 16.93 tons. In 1915, the cane yielded 23.4 tons an acre. The cane did not mature well last fall owing to the nature of the season, but it is a splendid crop both for dry forage and silage, and in ordinary seasons will ma-ture much better than it did last fall. For the central and eastern portions of the state, the Kansas Orange is the best variety. In the western part of the state the Red Amber and the Western Orange will give the best results. It is our belief that it would be a

paying proposition for many of the wheat farmers to list in feed crops in the abandoned wheat fields. It may be the beginning of a better balanced systhe beginning. tem of farming. .

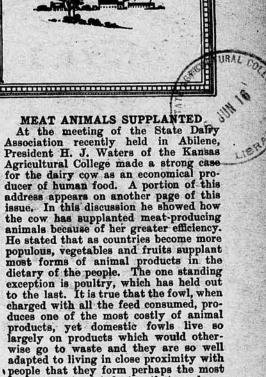
BANKERS ENCOURAGE CLUB WORK Bankers of Kansas are not alone in the matter of lending their support to such movements as the Kansas Farmer Dairy Club. Bankers all over the United States are realizing the value of such club work as a means of materially improving rural conditions. Pig clubs have been most popular. As far as we know, ours is the first dairy club. Not a few of the bankers in various sections have made it possible for worthy club memmade it possible for working this mean bers to secure pigs on their personal notes. In this way a well-bred pig is secured and the member can pay for it from the proceeds of the pig as a meat animal or from the sale of offspring in the case of a breeding animal. The animal or from the sale of offspring in the case of a breeding animal. The member enters into a business agreement —with the parents' consent—with the banker. This arrangement is a prac-tical means of teaching business methods to the rural young needle. It is close to the rural young people. It is also a character-building process, for it is but natural for a boy, when treated as a man, to act in a manly manner.

This generosity on the part of the bankers is in many cases business acu-men. A case in point is that of a Texas bank. The president of the bank placed 326 pigs among the pig club members of his county. As a result of the ac-quaintance made in securing and placing these pigs, many new patrons were se-cured. These patrons brought in over \$75,000 in individual deposits. Needless to say, this was profitable business for the bank, but it is also a means that will increase with time in its beneficial influence. One of the Texas papers states that the banker "has laid the foundation for a present which will foundation for a prosperity which will be lasting. The boys that he has helped to get started in the hog business are now on their feet financially and before many years they will be making big shipments of hogs to market each year. The money received from the sale of hogs will be expended in further developing the county. Every merchant in the county will profit, the banks will get more deposits, and the farmers will have more money with which to further develop their farms." The Kansas Farmer Dairy Club will

lead in a similar manner barry Chub will ment of a profitable industry. It has greater possibilities than the pig clubs because of the great economy of the cow as a producer of food value.

### "TITANIC" WHEAT

The Federal Department of Agriculture has recently been advised by a cor-respondent in California that a variety of wheat is being advertised under the name "Titanic." The assertion is made that it is a new variety of wheat discovered in England about four years ago, and that a small quantity of seed was brought to the United States by one of the survivors of the ill-fated Titanic. The wheat is represented as having extremely high yielding power, the returns reaching as high as 7,000-fold. A photo-graph sent by this correspondent shows a head identical in appearance with the widely exploited "Alaska" wheat. Five acres of the wheat are said to be grow-ing in the state of Washington, and the seed, it is believed, will be offered at high prices after harvest. The Departnigh prices after narvest. The Depart-ment has no further or more definite information concerning this variety, but farmers and dealers are cautioned to be on their guard concerning this new exploitation.



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largely on products which would otherwise go to waste and they are so well adapted to living in close proximity with adapted to living in close proximity with people that they form perhaps the most enduring animal industry that we have. Fowls and fish are the animal industries China has left. The duck, goose, and the chicken are still there in such quan-tities as furnish an important item of export. As well adapted as is the state of California to the nonduction of rank export. As well adapted as is the state of California to the production of poul-try, San Francisco buys large quantities of eggs from China. The fowls them-selves are exported to this country in considerable quantities. Much of the albumen used by us in sensitizing pho-tographic plates is made from eggs and comes from China

comes from China. President Waters called attention to the fact that the cost of producing a pound of meat from the three principal pound of meat from the three principal sources, is perhaps in this order—beef, mutton, pork. Beef is costly to produce and sells at a relatively low price. While it costs less to produce pork than mut-ton, the difference between the two is not large and on the average is much less than the difference between either of these and beef.

On the other hand, however, these animals bring on the market, when fitted as they usually are, prices in just the re-verse order based on the experience of the past. That is, hogs have perhaps sold highest, with sheep a very close sec-ond, and cattle considerably below either.

It is evident, therefore, that in a strictly agricultural region, such as the Mississippi Valley, the margin between the cost and selling price has been low-est in beef of any of our meat animals. . . .

### LIVE STOCK MEETING AT K. S. A. C.

We again call attention to the important live stock meeting that is to be held at the Kansas Agricultural College, Manhattan, June 9. A paper of excep-tional-interest to all farmers of Kansas will be that by Dean W. M. Jardine on "Progress with Pastures."

The cattlemen will be especially interested in what Doctor Schoenleber has to say on the new method of controlling black-leg.

Prof. L. E. Call will tell of experimental work in crops and soils.

In addition to these addresses there will be those given by Dean C. F. Cur-tiss of the Iowa State College, and P. W. Goebel of Kansas City. Special refer-ence was made in last week's issue to the addresses to be made by these two prominent men from out of the state.

The experimental farm and the herds breeding cattle will be visited before lunch, which will be served in the judging pavilion. We hope many of our readers will plan to attend this important meeting.

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The average dressing percentage of hogs is 75, while of cattle it is 53 and of sheep 48. Part of this difference is due to the method of figuring. In the case of the hog the hide, head and feet are included in the carcass weight, while in the case of cattle and sheep the head, hide and feet are not included. Then the hog is very thick-fleshed and has a small digestive system. Cattle and sheep have large paunches and digestive systems. Sheep dress out lowest due to the wool and the rather light fleshing of the carcass.

# INEVITABILITY OF DAIRYING

Dairy Cow Three Times as Efficient as Steer in Producing Human Food

By H. J. WATERS, Before State Dairy Association

THIS subject is not of my own choosing. I am not by birth, education or sympathy a dairyman. My sympathies and tastes are all in the other direction—the production of meat, and primarily in the production of beef. I like the Shorthorn, the Hereford, and the Angus much better than I do the Jersey, Holstein, and Guernsey. I like the beef business much better than I do the dairy industry. Nevertheless, I realize that the man who stands out against dairy and poultry husbandry as the basis of a permanent agriculture is standing out against an irresistible force, and he will in the end be as effectual as one who attempts to sweep back the ocean tide with a broom. Either this country is going to be an exception to all human experience, or we must ultimately surrender to the inevitable.

The beef business is primarily adapted to the newer conditions such as broad acres, cheap land, scarce and high-priced labor, and to the transportation of the products over long distances. As population becomes more dense, as land becomes more dear, as labor becomes more abundant, and, therefore, cheaper, we shall produce on our farms products which will employ the maximum of human labor. The dairy cow, the pig, and the hen will be the last animals to be driven from our farms. We must not forget that human labor is the only exhaustless element in production. New York, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, and Connecticut were formerly the great beef-producing states of the Union. At that time the dairy industry was being nursed and carried along by its enthusiastic friends just as it was in Kansas a few years ago and as it yet is in some parts of the state. The beef business was able to take care of itself then as it is yet in Kansas. Now the dairy business dominates in the East and they are trying to coax back the vanished beef industry.

FERTILITY RESTORED BY DAIRYING.

Thus, as the farm land of a community is divided into smaller farms, and as the people are forced to work on an economical basis and when their soil fertility has become so depleted by grain farming that they must conserve their resources, the beef industry is the first to wane and in its stead the dairy industry comes. First it is usually combined with beef, but later, especially in the vicinity of the large cities and in the most congested centers, it becomes a highly specialized industry. In the rural districts the combination of beef and dairy production, with dairying as the principal feature and beef as an adjunct, has remained stable in the oldest European countries.

pean countries. Broadly speaking, the second class of meat animals to diminish outside of the mountain and other strictly grazing regions, is the sheep. Then follows the hog, although on account of the use to which the hog may be put as a consumer of waste products around the home, it remains a prominent feature in the agriculture of the most densly populated regions of Europe.

regions of Europe. We have not yet, however, approached the most cogent reason for the elimination of the beef industry when great economy must be exercised in production and consumption.

STEER AND COW COMPARED.

The most striking fact in connection with this whole question is the inefficiency for the production of human food of the beef animal as compared with the dairy cow.

the dairy cow. Let us assume that we full feed a steer for 300 days, and that his average daily gain for that time is two and one-fourth pounds, making a total gain or 675 pounds. In the same length of time a dairy cow of quality equal to that of the steer above assumed would produce,

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SOME KANSAS FARMER DAIRY CLUB MEMBERS INSPECTING HERD OF O. GIACOMINI, LEAVEL WORTH COUNTY.—HERE THE EFFI-CIENCY OF WELL-BRED COWS IS RECOGNIZED.—DAIRY CATTLE ALWAYS SUPPLANT BEEF ANIMALS AS LANDS BECOME HIGH IN PRICE

at the very least, 6,000 pounds of milk. The dairy cow will require for the production of her annual milk output less grain, less hay, less grass and less range than will the steer in the production of its 675 pounds of gain in weight.

than will the steer in the production of its 675 pounds of gain in weight. Let us, however, inspect these total annual products more closely. The 675 pounds gained by the steer will contain 286 pounds of water; 253 pounds of fat; 95.5 pounds protein; and 40.5 pounds ash; or a total of 389 pounds of dry matter.

matter. The 6,000 pounds of milk produced by the cow in the same length of time might be safely estimated to contain 5,160 pounds of water; 276 pounds of fat; 285 pounds of sugar; 231 pounds protein; and 48 pounds ash; or a total of 840 pounds dry matter.

The water in the meat and in the milk is of no more value for food than that which comes from the cistern or spring, and we are, therefore, primarily interested in the quantity of dry matter produced.

### MUCH WASTE IN STEER'S PRODUCT

A close scrutiny of the detailed figures given above will show that the whole story is not yet told. The steer's product will need to be still further reduced, because a portion of the gain made is inedible, being in the form of increase in weight of bone, hoof, horn, hide, vital organs, blood, etc. We have no reliable data from which to estimate the amount of the annual growth of this material on a steer, but it is certainly safe to assume that the amount of ash given could be classed as inedible and of use only for the manufacture of leather or fertilizer. On this basis there would need to be deducted 41 pounds from the total of 389 pounds of dry matter, leaving a total of 348 pounds of edible material produced by the steer, compared with 840 pounds produced by the cow.

There is yet a difference to be considered. The fat produced by the cow is the most digestible of all the animal fats. The sugar in milk is perhaps the most easily digested and assimilated of all sugars, and is assumed to be all available when used as food. In the case of casein and albumen—the protein of milk —it is practically completely digestible, and the same is true of the ash. Therefore, not only is the edible material produced by the cow more than two and a half times as large in amount as that of the steer, but it is a significant fact that practically all of this is digestible and easily assimilated by people of all years, from youth to old age.

### STEER'S FAT OF LOW VALUE.

In the case, however, of the production of the steer, there is a further waste. For when the animal is slaughtered the butcher is compelled to trim the carcass of its excess fat or tallow. In the average case this green tallow is not worth as much per pound as he has paid for the steer alive. This tallow has perhaps cost the feeder ten cents or twelve cents a pound to make, and it has a value when sold as such, and not attached to a steak or roast, of perhaps less than four cents. Furthermore, when the butcher divides this carcass into steaks and roasts, the customer is constantly insisting upon having the excess tallow trimmed off before it is weighed. All of this tallow must, like that which was trimmed from the carcass when the animal was killed, go into the tub as low-priced material. Furthermore, when the steak or roast is cooked, a considerable portion of the fat is fried or stewed out, and this is likely to be poured into the garbage can or sewer. Then, when the meat comes to the table, the first protest from the children is against being given too much fat. The portion of the steak or roast is left uneaten is the fat, and this is essentially wasted or fed to the dog, the chickens or the pigs.

Thus, this high-grade material—that is, material that is most expensive of all animal products to make, is really of least practical use for human consumption, because it, unlike butter fat, is of itself not especially palatable.

In New York City so much fat is poured into the sewers that recently the city authorities set about to recover it,

SAVING EFFECTED BY SELLING BUTTER INSTEAD OF FEED Butter sold to other states in one year \$1,768,065.57 2,303,136.74 \$ 535,071.17 Saved to farm when marketed as butter ... \$1,234,341.70 Saving in freight by marketing butter instead of feed ..... \$1,176,088.72 Total saving to state through selling-butter instead of feed ..... \$2,945,501.59

and millions of pounds are thus taken from the sewerage and sold at a low price, chiefly for the manufacture of soap. This means that the corn of the Mississippi Valley is being converted into high-priced fat on our hogs, cattle and sheep, a portion of which finally finds its way into a soap factory through the sewers of our great cities.

the sewers of our great cities. Just what number of pounds of the annual production of the steer would be actually left as digestible material it is impossible to say, but it is perhaps not unreasonable to say that the amount of digestible matter produced by the cow is about three times as large as that produced by the steer in the same length of time.

Thus it is perfectly evident that the dairy cow is a very much more efficient machine for the manufacture of our grain, grass, and hay into edible animal products than is the beef steer, or than is any animal producing meat, for that matter.

### COW REQUIRES LESS GRAIN

Of equal importance is the fact that the cow will make the yearly product ascribed to her in the foregoing computations on grass alone without grain during the summer months. The rest of the year she will eat less grain per day than the steer will require. On the other hand, it will be necessary to feed the steer to the full limit of his appetite for each one of the 300 days figured in the foregoing tables in order to have him make the amount of gain credited to him. All these figures is the cow are in every way conservative. It is likely indeed that the amount of food comsumed by the steer to make the gains used in our computations would produce fully one-third more milk and total solids than has been credited to the cow.

ADVANTAGES OF SELLING BUTTER

The economic advantages of using dairy animals as a market for farmgrown feeds, are most strikingly shown in the table on this page. The amount of butter sold in one year to other states is from actual figures secured from the creameries of the state. The feed required has been calculated on the basis of standard dairy rations and in placing a value on the feeds it has been assumed that they could be sold on the market as readily as the butter. The freight figures were supplied by one of the railroad companies of Kansas and represent actual conditions at the present time. Foreign countries in making their pur-

Foreign countries in making their purchases almost invariably buy raw material and in so doing fatten their soil at our expense. We sell annually twenty million dollars' worth of products to the little country of Denmark and buy but two million dollars' worth of products from that country. They buy enormous quantities of oilmeal, cottonseed cake, and bran. Their chief exports are butter, cheese, and bacon. In the past twenty-five years the Danish farmer has increased the acre yield of his land 50 per cent.

A farm used for dairy purposes should gain constantly in fertility because the manurial value of the feed grown on the farm is retained and that of purchased feeds is added. When milk products are sold from the farm only a small portion of the plant food contained in the entire crop, is sold.

# GENERAL FARM INQUIRIES Something For Every Farm-Overflow Items From Other Departments

NE of our readers asks if it will O NE of our readers asks if it will pay to go to the expense of put-ting up shed or barns to protect alfalfa from the rain. No bulky feed produced on the farm compares with alfalfa in feeding value.

It contains almost as much protein as wheat bran. It is rich in ash-animals fed good alfalfa never lack for bone. When the hay is exposed to rain much When the hay is exposed to rain much of this feeding value is dissolved and washed out. By keeping it bright it will command a higher price on the market if it is to be sold, and it is also worth much more for feeding. We be-lieve it would be a paying investment to put up sheds for protecting alfalfa from the rain. Each year there are enormous losses of this most valuable feed because it is left out without such protection. The sheds used need not be expensive. Some 20-foot poles can be set up and a roof made of corrugated steel or roofing boards. The sides do not need to be covered more than five or six feed down from the top. Such a shed will pay for itself in a very short time.

### The Binder Engine.

S. L., Clay County, asks if an engine suitable for running a binder is a good investment.

For a number of years a few farmers have used engines to run their binders. The engine furnishes power to operate the machinery so it is independent of the bull wheel. All the horses have to do is to pull the machine over the ground and the bull wheel does not have to de-liver any power for running the machine. liver any power for running the machine. Last year, owning to the excessive rains, many fields were so wet that only by using engines could the grain be harvest-ed at all. After a crop has been grown a farmer cannot afford to let it go un-harvested. All he has put into the crop becomes a dead loss in such case. The magine is so much superior to horse engine is so much superior to horse power when used on a binder or header that it is possible to do the harvesting much more rapidly than it can be done where horses must furnish all the power. With an engine to operate the binder, the machine can be pulled through fields where it would be impossible to use the binder at all if the power had to be fur-nished by the bull wheel. We believe the engine for operating the binder or beader should become standard equipment on the harvesting outfit.

These engines can be used for scores of other purposes. If they had no other use than to run the binder during the harvest they might not be realized. harvest they might not be profitable in-vestments, but in view of the fact that they are general-purpose farm engines, and can be used the year around, the anney put into one is well spent.

It wor good plan to begin now to make preparations for the coming harvest and if an engine is to be used there is no reason for delaying its purbase. It takes some time to adjust the engine to the binder, and when the crop is ready to harvest there is little time for doing this work.

Testing Milk for Fat. A. E., a California reader of KANSAS FARMER, asks if the comparative value cows can be determined by setting samples of their milk in glasses and measuring the thickness of the cream that rises. Also, when two samples measure the same, would the one having richer yellow color contain more but-er fat than the one paler in color? Measuring the thickness of the layer

cream that rises is a very unreliable thod of testing milk for butter fat. The fat in milk is in the form of minute globules. They vary considerably in size in the milk from different cows. When e globules of fat are relatively the cream or the fat rises quickly; when they are small the fat does not separate quickly, and the separation will never be as complete as in milk having the large globules. Of course, this does not apply to the results secured in using hand separators. These make a complete separation of the milk and cream without reference to the comparative size of the fat globules. In the old days when gravity separation was the method prac-ticed, it was important to have milk upon which the cream would rise quickly when set in pans or crocks. It is char-acteristic of some breeds of dairy cattle to produce milk having large fat globules. The cream on Jersey or Guernsey milk separates more quickly when set in pans than that of Holsteins. The fat in Hol-tein milk separates proceeding because stein milk remains in suspension because the blobules are very small, and for

whole milk consumption Holstein breeders claim this is an advantage. It will be seen from these statements that the number of inches of cream that rises on milk cannot be taken as a reliable guide to the percentage of butter fat the milk contains. Of course, when a large amount of cream rises on a bottle or glass of milk it is an indication that it is rich milk, but as an accurate means of determining the amount of butter fat the sample contains it is unreliable. the sample contains, it is unreliable. The Babcock test is the only simple and reliable method of determining the per-cent of fat in samples of milk. This test should always be employed in determining the amount of fat produced by

COWS. Color is commonly associated with richness in milk, but a rich, yellow milk may not contain any more butter fat than another sample much paler in color. It is common observation that all cows give milk of a richer color in spring and summer when they are eating green

planted as late as the middle of June grass or cane for hay. Feterita can be and mature a crop of grain in ordinary seasons. If the season should be too wet it will not do as well as will kafir. wet it will not do as well as will kafir. Sudan can be planted as late as July 1 and yield a good crop of forage. It should be planted in rows, using four or five pounds of seed to the acre. Some, however, prefer to plant with the grain drill. This will take from fifteen to twenty pounds of seed.

#### Polled Herefords

E. L. Farmer, a Polled Hereford breeder of Missouri, writes us as fol-lows, regarding this new breed of cattle: "There are over five hundred members in the Polled Hereford Association, over fifteen hundred different herds and more than 7,000 cattle recorded. Kansas has nearly fifty members in the association. In the Polled Hereford sale at Des Moines, February 8, twenty-eight bulls sold at an average of \$558, twenty-nine



SKIM MILK CALVES ON FARM OF E. L. MARSHALL, LEAVEN-WORTH COUNTY. THEY ARE SIRED BY A PURE-BRED POLLED DURHAM BULL. CATTLE ARE SOURCE OF PROFIT ON THIS FARM

feeds, than during the winter season when they are eating dry feeds. It is also a fact that Guernseys and Jerseys give milk that is of a deeper shade of yellow than that of most other breeds. This color is produced by a substance called carotin. This coloring matter is present in the carrot in large quantities —hence the name. Green feeds are rich in carotin also hay that has been carein carotin, also hay that has been carefully cured so its bright, green color has been retained. Good silage also contains it. Bleached hay, dry fodder, straw and similar feeds are poor in carotin, also most of the commonly used concentrates and grains. This explains why cows produce light-colored milk in winter.

Jerseys and Guernseys have no power to manufacture this coloring matter, but it seems to be a breed characteristic with them to transfer a larger propor-tion of the color from the feed to the milk. The rich, yellow color of the skin of these breeds and other dairy breeds as well, is due to deposits of carotin. Cows having a large amount of yellow color stored up in their bodies can draw on this reserve and produce yellow milk even when consuming feeds very poor in

carotin. In selling whole milk it is an advantage to have it look yellow because con-sumers associate yellow color with rich-ness. For the same reason butter that is off in color is not as acceptable as that containing a larger amount of coloring matter. The color, however, has nothing to do with the richness of the milk.

### Catch Crops.

E. R., Summer County, writes that the green bugs have destroyed his oats, and he wishes advice as to what crops to plant at this-late date. No crop should be planted until the bugs have been starved out or brought

under control by their parasitic enemies. Planting another crop would simply be supplying feed for the bugs. If it is pos-sible to graze the oats with hogs or other stock, it would be a good plan to pas-ture them. As soon as they have been grazed down the ground should be plowed. This will turn under the insects and leave no food for those that escape. By keeping the ground in good condition some quick-maturing crops can be planted later, such as feterita or early strains of kafir for grain, and Sudan

females averaged \$397, or an average for fifty-seven head of \$476. These must have been pretty good cattle to make such high sale averages." Our correspondent fears that some of

our readers may misunderstand some of the statements made in a recent article on this need breed. In this article refer-ence was made to the fact that only about 100 naturally polled Herefords were registered in the American Hereford Record Association. The two Polled Hereford record associations do not confine themselves to double standard Polled Herefords, but accept for registry animals that are not eligible in the American Hereford Record. Hornless Herefords are somewhat of a rarity, and in the establishment of the new breed, breeders have not confined themselves to the use of pure-bred Herefords of the old breed. A double standard Polled Hereford is one that is not only possessed of the polled character, but also by its ancestry eligible to registry in the books of the American Hereford Record.

We feel sure this breed has a great future before it. Horns are objection-able in the feed lot, and the demand will undoubtedly be great for cattle possess-ing the hornless character.

### Destroying Peach Tree Borers.

B. T. S., Sedgwick County, writes that borers are injuring his young peach orchard, and asks how he can prevent

their doing further injury. The first thing to do is to dig out the worms. After this has been done, apply a protective solution and mound up the dirt around the tree to a height of eight or ten inches. This is the advice of J. H. Merrill, assistant entomologist of the Kansas Experiment Station.

A good protective wash can be made by adding a pound of arsenate of lead to five gallons of lime and sulphur solu-The arsenate acts as a poison and tion. The arsenate acts as a poison and the lime and sulphur as a repellant. Various kinds of wrappings have been advocated, but these are seldom satis-

factory. Mounding up the earth compels the female to deposit the eggs high up on the trunk of the tree, and this seems to have a tendency to reduce the number of eggs deposited. This herer neases the winter in the

This borer passes the winter in the

larval stage, many of them only half grown. They begin working actively in the spring, and as soon as fully mature come out from their burrows and spin themselves a cocoon of silk.

Dock Lambs Before Fly Time Lambs that have not already been docked should be attended to at once. If docking is delayed much longer, flies will give trouble by laying eggs close to the wounds. 'The maggots that hatch' from these eggs feed in or near the

from these eggs feed in or near the wound and prevent it from healing. Many neglect to dock the lambs. It may not be absolutely necessary, but it is advisable because docked lambs pre-sent s more attractive appearance than those with long tails, they bring from 25 to 50 cents more a 100 pounds when marketed, and in case of scours when the flock is turned on grass filth will often collect on the tails of the docked lambs, making an ideal place for mag-gots to live.

gots to live. At the Missouri Agricultural Experi-ment Station no bad results from docking have ever been noticed and in no case do the records show any loss in weight due to docking. Strong healthy lambs can be docked most easily when from two days to three weeks old by cutting the tails off about an inch from the body with a good sharp knife. Older lambs will frequently bleed badly if docked with a knife or hatchet. Hot irons are used in order to prevent the loss of blood, which in some cases will be so great as to weaken the lambs and

loss of blood, which in some cases will be so great as to weaken the lambs and cut down their gain for a week or more. The regular docking iron which can be purchased from any sheep supply house at \$1.25 to \$1.50 is used for docking the lambs of the College flock. A hot chisel, no doubt, would be just as successful. The purpose of the use of the hot iron is to prevent bleeding by thoroughly searing the ends of the blood vessels. The irons should be heated until they are cherry red. If they are too cold, the blood vessels will not be seared; if they are too fot, the tails will be taken off too quickly and some bleeding will frequently occur. An ordinary tin-smith's blow torch is one of the most convenient means of heating the irons, but a portable forge may be used. Ram lambs that are not to be kept for breeding purposes should always be

for breaching purposes should always be castrated at docking time. This is not necessary in case of lambs that are to be sold for mutton at the age of three or four months, but spring lambs that are not to be marketed until fall will be much easier to manage and fatten if castrated. This operation should always be performed before flies become trou-blesome in spring.—H. HACKEDORN.

### Fitting the Horse Collar

Ill-fitting collars are frequently re-

sponsible for sore shoulders. The collar should fit snugly. It should not pinch at the crest of the neck and there should be room enough between the collar and lower part of the neck to admit the hand freely when not The contact surface of the colpulling. The contact surface of the col-lar should be smooth and plastic and distributed over as much bearing surface as possible. The incrustations that form on a collar should be removed daily to prevent chafing of the skin. Sweat pads or false collars should not be used except in cases where the animal has been galled or has a collar boil, and in this case a hole should be cut in the pad so as to prevent the bearing surface of the collar coming in contact with the sore.

### Farm Ice Club

Ice on the farm is a great luxury, but not out of reach.

A number of enterprising farmers could form an ice club made up of men who would join in purchasing a wagon-load of ice from a neighboring town and distribute it to the members of the club. In some sections a possible outgrowth of the idea might be a community ice house, especially if a group of homes were clustered about a cross roads, but where artificial ice is available it is often cheaper and always more sanitary than that obtained in winter from ponds or streams.

Sometimes automobiles need readjustments and repairs. If you know just how to proceed and can make them yourself, you can save considerable money, but it is a good plan never to turn a screw or make an adjustment on your car unless you know absolutely what you are doing. KANSAS FARMER



SUGAR CANE GROWS.

of course when we consider raw products we must carry the subject further on into the matter of the prices we get and the prices we must pay for finished products. We shall confine our consideration, too, to those products which have their origin on the farm either in the raw state or finished and manufactured into edible or wearable articles.

Let us take wheat, for example. We all know that the war has put the price of wheat way up. Very well—this means that the whole country: city, town and rural population as well are paying more for their flour—there-fore the wheat raiser should theoretically be getting rich on a product which it costs him no more to raise than formerly and for which he gets more money.

But wait a minute—there are other things to consider in this matter of growing rich of of the war. Cotton and wool and meats and farm machinery and sugar have gone up too. This means that while the wheat raiser is setting more for his product, he is also paying some other agriculturist more for his product. This cuts down somewhat on the profits the war is bringing to the farmer. Then it would seem that the best way to keep ahead of the same is for the farmer to pay the farmer who raises his necessities the increased prices that the war has brought about and when buying his luxuries or those things that are not bare necessities of life to pick and choose from

Now Coca-Cola, as you how, is really an agricultural product—a product of the soll. Cane sugar—the very purest and finest—constitutes a large part of Coca-Cola grup. As you know, sugar has gone way up—so every glass of Coca-Cola you drink makes some farmer's heart gladder heart gladder.

So it is with the pure fruit juices that, combined, produce the inimitable flavor of Coca-Cola. Not so much in quantity seemingly when you consider—a single glass of this delicious beverage, but enormous when the en-tire Coca-Cola output is considered.

Yet this product of nature—of the farm— increased in cost though it has been to the makers, has not been raised one penny in price to dealer—or to you. The price at the soda fountain and in the bottle has not risen one iota.

Now inasmuch as the rural population alone of America consumes millions of bottles and glasses of Coca-Cola every year, you and the other agriculturists of this country will not only be able to continue to please your palates and get delicious refreshment with this bev-erage at no increased cost, but you will be sending back to the farm bigger profits and more money at no greater expense to yourself.





T the Kansas Experiment Station a double-deck carload of 310 lambs was divided into four lots and the lambs experimentally fed the past win-ter. The purpose of this trial was to study the value of feeds adapted to Western Kansas conditions in finishing sheep for market. Too little is known of the value of such feeds as kafir in finishing stock for market.

The lambs purchased cost \$8.15 a hundred. They were shipped to Manhattan and fed on kafir fodder and corn until November 26, when they were divided into four lots of 75 lambs each, care being taken to have the lots as uniform in weight and quality as possible. The following rations were fed to these four lots: Lot one, shelled corn, cottonaeed meal, alfalfa, and silage; lot two, whole kafir, cottonseed meal, alfalfa, and silage; lot three, ground kafir heads, cot-tonseed meal, alfalfa, and silage; lot four, shelled corn, cottonseed meal, and alfalfa. It will be seen that a direct comparison was made between shelled corn and threshed and whole kafir, likevise a direct comparison between ground kafir heads and whole kafir grain. A comparison was also made between alfalfa as a roughage and alfalfa and silage.

The silage was fed at night and the alfalfa in the morning. The lambs were started on a grain ration of 14 pounds a day to the seventy-five head, grad-ually increasing to a full feed which amounted to over a pound a day per lamb. The same amount of grain was fed to the lambs in all the lots. The roughage, of course, varied slightly, de-pending upon the manner in which the lambs cleaned up what was given them.

In Lots 1 and 2 it was possible to study the comparative value of shelled corn and whole kafir. The lambs in the kafir lot made as good gains as those in the lot fed shelled corn and their gains were less expensive since the kafir was figured at a lower cost. The net profit from the kafir lot was six cents more per lamb than the profits on the lot receiving corn. The lambs fed the ground kafir heads

did not show the condition and finish of those in the lot receiving the whole kafir grain. On the market they sold for fifteen cents a hundred less. The probabilities are that there was too much bulky material ground up with the grain. By ordinary methods of heading it is difficult to have all the heads cut short enough.

In comparing alfalfa as roughage with alfalfa and silage, it was found that the lot fed the alfalfa alone made a little better gains than the lot receiving silage in addition. They likewise sold for five cents more a hundred.

In figuring the results of this experi-ment, the following prices per hundredweight were charged for the grain: Shelled corn, \$1; kafir, 90 cents; ground kafir heads, 72 cents; cottonseed meal, \$36 a ton. The following prices for roughage were used: Alfalfa, \$8 a ton; silage, \$3 a ton. The table on this page gives the results in full. The total profit is based on the selling weights of the lambs on the Kansas City market where they were sold.

The outstanding lesson in this test is the fact that kafir gave results prac-tically equal to corn. There is no reason why sheep cannot be fattened for market anywhere in the western part of the state. Corn is not essential to finishing sheep for market. When the value of the grain sorghums is more fully appreciated there will be much more live stock grown and fed on the farms now too largely devoted to exclusive wheat growing.

Plan Now for Fall Colt Show

A well managed colt show invariably stimulates interest in better horses. We hear a good deal about the poor prices received for horses, but upon careful in-vestigation it is nearly always found that these complaints have reference to the prices paid for the common, ordi-nary kind. Really good draft horses are scarce, and farmers who strive to pro-duce this kind will not have much cause

to worry about prices. Where colt shows are held, more of this kind of horses will be grown. Bet-ter breeding methods will be followed and there will be more incentive to feeding the colts properly. In many cases poor feeding results in colts not growing out as good as they should.

In order to have a good colt show it is well to begin work early, as the man-agement must have time to thoroughly canvass the community. It is very im-portant to have a man manage the colt show who understands what must be done.

The best time for holding these shows is in October or the fore part of November. Colts can always be shown to bet-ter advantage after they are weaned and broken to halter.

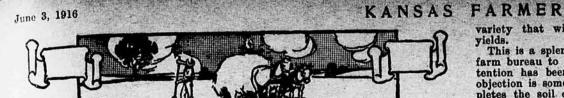
One of the first things to do in work-ing up a colt show is to secure the coing up a colt show is to secure the co-operation of the stallion owners in the community. It is not always necessary that they contribute prize money, but they should be made to feel that the colt show will be of much benefit to them in a commercial way, as it will increase interest in better horses. Dur-ing the spring second stalling curves ing the spring season stallion owners have opportunity to meet the men who are raising the colts; and they can do much to work up interest.

It is always desirable to have a number of prizes in each class and ribbons should be granted as well as cash prizes. In fact a ribbon will be kept and highly prized long after the money won haben spent and forgotten.

Colt shows have been successfully held in connection with county and township fairs, but it is possible to have it held independently.

### RESULTS OF LAMB FEEDING TESTS, NOVEMBER 26, 1915, TO FEBRUARY 14, 1916.

Lot 1.	LOT 2.	LOT 3	LOT 4.
Shelled Corn, Cottonseed Meal, Alfalfa Hay, Silage,	Whole Kafir, Cottonseed Mcal, Alfalfa Hay, Silage,	Ground Kafir, Cottonseed Meal, Alfalfa, Silage.	Shelled Corn, Cottonseed Meal, Alfalfa,
Lambs in lot	75 58.80 lbs. 80.82 " 22.02 " .275 " 55.3%	75 57.77 lbs. 77.52 " 19.75 " .247 " 55.0%	75 58.50 lbs. 81.70 " 23.20 " .290 " 56.5%
AVERAGE DAILY RATION:Grain.1.01 lbs.Cottonsced meal.16 "Alfalfa hay.95 "Silage1.24 "	1.01 lbs. .16 " .95 " 1.26 "	1.16 lbs. .16 " .93 " 1.09 "	1.01 lbs. .16" 1.70"
FEED PEB 100 LBS. GAIN: Grain	368.89 lbs. 58.11 "	471.64 lbs. 64.82 "	350.23 lbs. 55.17 "
Alfalfa hay	346.85 " 459.74 "	377.11 " 444.63 "	618.39 "
Cost of 100 pounds gain \$6.83 Cost of total feed per head 1.50 Initial hundredweight value. 8.15 Final hundredweight value 11.10 Average profit per lamb 1.73	\$6.44 1.42 8.15 11.10 1.79	\$6.74 1.33 8.15 11.00 1.60	\$6.97 1.62 8.15 11.15 1.76



#### FARM STORING ON WHEAT

BILITY to store the wheat crop on the farm will be perhaps of greater value to the farmers this year than ever before. For this there are two principal reasons — first, the shortage of freight cars, resulting from the congestion of freight on the Atlantic scaboard; second, the lower price per bashel during the early threshing season. This lower price necessarily results from incidility to get transportation facilities, in bility to get transportation facilities, in bility to get transportation facilities, from the greater risk and hence greater margin taken by elevators to handle grain before it has gone through the sweating process, and from the fact that the whole grain trade knows that great quantities of wheat will be mar-keted in July, August and September, whatever the price may be. In a study of wheat marketing, Prof. L. A. Fitz of the agricultural college has found that two-thirds of Kansas grain is marketed in July, August, Septem-ber and October, and almost without ex-ception prices are lower than later in

ception prices are lower than later in the year.

ception prices are lower than later in the year. The principal remedy for this condi-tion is in the hands of the farmer him-self and consists in the storing of grain on the farm for a short period to sev-eral months. This may be done by stacking the grain, by storing it in farm elevators, granaries, or metal bins, or by a combination of stacking first and storing in bins afterwards. Grain well stacked immediately after harvest does not germinate or become bleached, goes through the sweating process in the stack and not in the bin, and when threshed and placed on the market av-erages one to two grades better than if threshed out of the shock. This means two to four cents more per bushel. The difference is especially marked in a sea-son of wet harvest. Even if bleached in the shock before stacking, the grain re-gains much of its original color in the stack. The expense of stacking and threshstack.

The expense of stacking and thresh-ing may be a little more than if the grain is threshed out of the shock. The fact, however, that many can use their labor more effectively over a period of stacking than over a shorter period of threshing out of the shock, more than counterbalances any loss that may re-sult from the additional labor in stack-ing.—EDW. C. JOHNSON, K. S. A. C.

### Nasal Trouble in Sheep

Grub in the nose" is the common way

"Grub in the nose" is the common way describing a condition caused by the twa of the sheep fly which lodges in facial cavities of sheep; especially dug animals up to yearlings. A sheep fly deposits its eggs around the nose of the sheep. The eggs find the way into the nasal cavity and sheet to the cavities in the bony struc-ue of the face and head. In the spring ence to the cavities in the bony struc-tre of the face and head. In the spring larva migrate to the nasal cavity is dropped to the ground in the sal discharge. The pupe develops and from six to eight weeks this develops to the sheep fly. After fertilization females again deposit eggs in the exp's nose. The eggs are deposited using the summer months. Usually bent noon, when the sun is warmest, if is swarm from their resting places ilies swarm from their resting places dies swarm from their resting places cracks, crevices, underbrush, etc. As y approach the flock of sheep will together, lower their heads and even havor to thrust their noses into the und. However, as soon as the eggs deposited the flies depart, the sheep one quiet and nothing more is no-d until the following spring when larve make their way out of the eld eavities. | cavities.

ually the discharge from the nose the evident irritation is sufficiently mounced for a layman to recognize trouble. However, sometimes the arthal signs are absent, but the ani-might show signs of dizziness, be-ac very nervous and may keep on the ve almost constantly, very frequently cling in the same direction until ex-sted. These symptoms are due to larvæ penetrating to the vicinity of brain, rather than coming out ough the nasal cavity. Treatment of animals that are show-

the brain symptoms seldom, if ever, we effectual. Therefore, such animals to all be sent to slaughter, preferably an establishment under federal inbreeding animals that are showing the catarrhal symptoms may be treated by a qualified veterinarian who would open the frontal sinuses and remove the

larvæ. If a considerable portion of the flock is affected the nose of each affected animal should be rubbed with snuff or animal should be rubbed with shall of the animal should be made to inhale an irritating smoke. The object is to cause the animal to sneeze violently and dis-lodge the larvæ if possible. Diluted vin-egar or salt water poured into the nose has also been recommended.

Preventative measures are rather difficult. The animal's quarters should be fumigated with an ill smelling prepara-tion and the sheep's noses should be smeared with some such material as tar, smeared with some such material as tar, hartshorn oil or any material that has a disagreeable odor. It is suggested that salt be placed in a trough and a board put over the trough. The board may be bored at intervals with holes large enough to admit the sheep's nose. The edge of the hole should be kept thickly covered with the material you desire to have smeared on the nose. to have smeared on the nose.

### Kafir in Cowley County

Kafir in Cowley County Kafir has made a grain crop in Cow-ley County in nine of the past ten years. During this same period corn has made but three grain crops. J. C. Holmes, the agricultural agent of this county, re-ports that twenty-four kafir tests are being conducted by members of the farm bureau this year. Improved strains of kafir are being tried out on these vari-ous farms in comparison with ordinary varieties and with corn. The members of the farm bureau recognize that kafir is practically a sure crop and these tests are for the purpose of determining the

variety that will produce the largest yield

farm bureau to take up. Too little at tention has been given to kafir. The objection is sometimes made that it der This is a splendid type of work for a objection is sometimes made that it de-pletes the soil of moisture late in the season and cannot be followed immedi-ately by wheat, but this is a fault that can be easily overcome by working out suitable rotation systems. The grain of kafir can be harvested as easily and as inexpensively as corn and it is almost if not quite its equal for feed. For sil-age, it is much more easily harvested and handled than corn, and it is grow-ing in favor as a silage crop.

### **Milo for Grain**

M. R., Stafford County, writes that he has abandoned part of his wheat ow-ing to Hessian fly damage, and wants to know it he can hope to produce grain by planting milo or feterita at this late date

Both of these crops are used success-fully as catch crops in Oklahoma and Southern Kansas, even after wheat or oats have been harvested. The feterita oats have been harvested. The feterita will mature grain in a shorter period of time than will the milo. These quick-maturing grains are the safest crops to plant where wheat has been abandoned in the south central part of the state. They will produce good yields of grain where the annual precipitation is twenty inches or less. Yields of milo ranging from six to sixty, hushels an acre were inches or less. Yields of milo ranging from six to sixty bushels an acre were reported by Western Kansas growers in 1913. To produce such yields it must be given a chance. We have known of yields ranging from nothing to fifty bushels an acre in the same neighbor-hood. The difference was largely due to conditions controlled by the growers.

When chinch bugs are numerous they are likely to do much damage to milo or other similar crops planted in wheat fields, but this year there are very few chinch bugs to be found, and we believe

wheat growers who are abandoning wheat mids can profitably put out con-siderable ages of these quick matur-ing grain sorthums. Must Fight Orchard Enemies

Kansas has mearly the whole list of incerts and sungous diseases in her orchards right how, according to George O. Greene of the extension division of the Kansas Agricultural College. These can be kept in check easily by the proper use of various spray materials. Spray early—do not wait until the in-sect pests or diseases are beyond consect pests or diseases are beyond con-trol. Spraying is a preventive and not a cure. The man who does not have time to spray his orchard is about ready for the horticultural scrap heap.

Fight pests at their first appearance. Use the right spray for the right pest at the proper time. That is, use fungi-cides for fungus and insecticides for insects.

insects. Bordeaux is preferred as an effective fungicide, and arsenate of lead is the most reliable insecticide. The former consists of three pounds of copper sul-phate and four pounds of lime added to fifty gallons of water. Arsenate of lead is prepared commercially and should be used at the rate of one pound of pow-der to two pounds of paste added to fifty gallons of water.

The draft colt that does not weigh a thousand pounds or better at the age of one year, is not likely to get into the top drafter class. It is an easy matter to skimp the colt's feed during this first year so he cannot possibly make the growth he should. It takes liberal feed-ing to make a draft horse. The feed and care the colt receives during the first year largely determines what it will be at maturity. The colt should early be encouraged to eat grain. It should also have plenty of alfalfa or clover. These feeds are rich in bone material and this is something the growing animal must have. The draft colt that does not weigh a



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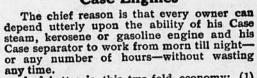
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### KANSAS FARMER Kansas Farmer Dairy Club Importance of Keeping Milk and Feed Records Properly

**F**OR the benefit of the dairy club members who have started their year's records, we give a sample of the milk record on this page to show how it should be kept. The record for each calendar month must be kept sepeach calendar month must be kept sep-arate. For instance, if your cow fresh-ened on May 11, close the record for this month on May 31. The milk given each day should be recorded in the space to the right of the proper date: Pro-vision is here made for recording both the night and morning milkings. Some may have cows giving enough milk to warrant milking them more than twice a day. Where this is done, you should a day. Where this is done, you should make the figures small and crowd in the extra milking.

Unless your cow happens to freshen so that you begin the year's record on the first day of the month, this first month's record will not be a full one. It will be easier, however, to have one short month, than to have the record for every month contain parts of two calendar months. Several of our members have been confused on this point. bers have been confused on this point. You should read carefully all the in-structions given in KANSAS FABMER and save each paper for future reference. The method of keeping these records was explained several weeks ago. If you start a record past the middle of the month the butter fat test for the month following is to be used You will

month following is to be used. You will have to wait until the test is made before you can calculate the total amount of butter fat the cow gave in the beginning month. The records for each month should be

sent in to KANSAS FARMER and a copy of each furnished your bank before the tenth day of the following month. An exception to this will be made where it is necessary to wait until the butter fat test can be secured for the first month and in which case this butter fat test the month following. The feed record is to be kept in the

same manner, each day's ration to be recorded in the space to the right of the date.

There is a good reason for following the calendar month in closing the records. The business world generally balances accounts and closes all records on the last day of each month. Keeping the dairy records in the same manner thus fits into the ways of the business world.

### **Co-Operate in Cow Buying**

A county agricultural agent called KANSAS FARMER by telephone recently and told us there were twenty boys in his county lined up for the dairy club

**Milk Record** 

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Kansas Farmer Dairy Club

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THIS SHOWS HOW MILK RECORD SHOULD BE KEPT

Name of Contestant John Mann Name of Cow Ruby

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771.

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For Month Ending april 30, 1916

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42.5% Per Cent Butter Fat

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Total Milk 477 3/9

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if they could get the cows. In the same county a number of the men are also wanting to get some good cows. . The thing to do in this community is

. The thing to do in this community is to decide just what is needed and then send someone to a locality where the cows can be purchased. This has been done in many places in Kansas. Prof. O. E. Reed of the Kansas Agricultural College has given freely of his time to assist in selecting cows for Kansas buy-ers. A prominent deirwan seid at the ers. A prominent dairyman said at the recent meeting in Abilene that too much credit could not be given the agricultural college for permitting Professor Reed to render this splendid service to the dairymen of Kansas. The way in which the beginner gets started in the dairy business will have much to do with the progress our state makes in this great industry.

We hope this community will make this arrangement to go and select such cows as are needed. We are especially anxious to have all our dairy club members get started right. We want you to have your first dairy experience with cows that are right in every respect. There are a lot of things that can be wrong with cows purchased for dairy purposes, and you should seek the best advice and assistance in making your selections.

### **Boys Investigate Cows**

**Boys Investigate Cows** Evidence is accumulating to the effect that Kansas Farmer Dairy Club mem-bers are selecting their cows carefully. Ernest S. Asbury, a Leavenworth County boy, wanted to get started in the club and went to Mr. Wulfekuhler of the Wulfekuhler State Bank of Leaven-worth, to talk it over. This banker was willing to let Ernest have the money, but like all wise bankers, he was inter-ested in knowing into what sort of inested in knowing into what sort of investment the money was going. Ernest had located a grade Shorthorn cow that he could buy, but in talking it over they decided he ought to more closely look up her record as a producer before buying her. Ernest called on Mr. Ross, the agri-cultural agent, to help him in securing the information needed. He has finally made a very satisfactory deal. The fol-lowing from a letter just received tells how he managed to secure a good dairy

cow: "The cow I bought is a grade Short-horn, and I paid \$90 for her. She has a heifer calf about three weeks old. My father has a good grade Jersey that he said he would trade 'me even for my grade Shorthorn. The Jersey will be fresh in about two weeks. She will give 40 or 50 pounds of milk a day when fresh and her test is 5.6. The Shorthorn cow gives 50 pounds a day but it



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tests only 2.9. Mr. Ross thought this was a good trade for me to make and told me to write to KANSAS FARMER to told me to write to HARBAS FARMER to see if it would be all right to trade my Shorthorn for the Jersey. Mr. Ross has seen both cows. As soon as I hear from you I will send in my blanks properly

filled out. This shows that Ernest has given much thought and effort to getting a cow that is likely to make a good rec-ord. KANSAS FARMER thoroughly ap-proves of this transaction.

proves of this transaction. George H. Kuhnhoff, another Leaven-worth County boy, writes that he has just purchased a two-year-old grade Hol-stein heifer that will be fresh in about three weeks, but says he may not use her in the contest, as he thinks he can get a registered cow.

If all the club members are as keen to get good cows as these boys are, and give them the right kind of care and feeding, we can expect some splendid records in the dairy club work.

you have no faith in advertising your breed of cattle it is because you have never tried it out properly. Well-designed advertising is a valuable asset to any breeder.

Treatment of Spoiled Udder F. R. E. Chase County, writes that one-quarter of the udder of a grade Shorthorn cow he bought last fall is badly swollen and very hard. This quarter did not seem to be right last fall when the calf was weaned. The cow freshened again this spring and the calf is thin and rather small. He asks if the ordinary treatment for garget will do any good, and if rubbing would be bene-ficial. If so, how long would such treatment be required?

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Dr. R. R. Dykstra, of the agricultural college, offers the following suggestions:

"In view of the fact that your cow's udder has been diseased for more than a year, the chances of recovery are very poor, indeed. In a case of this kind the changes in the udder are so extensive that no remedial agents can bring it back to normal. It is possible that daily vigorous massages of the udder in the form of rubbing and kneading move-ments will be of benefit. Before apply-ing such manipulations the udder should ing such manipulations, the udder should be oiled with some non-irritant lubricant, such as vaseline, unsalted lard or butter, because otherwise the skin will be injured by the massaging."

# Weeds Reduce Crop Yields

### By H. F. ROBERTS, K.S.A.C.

W EEDS cause serious losses in crop production. Unlosses in crop production. Unless we be-gin a systematic campaign against these troublesome plants that are each year becoming more numerous, they will become most difficult of eradthey will become most unlikely of all ication. Billions of weed seeds are in the fields as a result of the luxuriant 1915 crop of vegetation. Early and fre-quent cultivation will kill weeds by the millions.

WEEDS WASTE TONS OF WATEB Weeds waste tons of water that should go into growing crops. It takes more water to make a ton of pigweeds or Russian thistles, than to make a ton of sorghum. Sunflowers will cost an acre of Kansas land 13,000 barrels of water a year, or enough to irrigate an acre of alfalfa a whole summer. It pays better to raise crops than to raise weeds, and it is just as easy if one starts in time

Rest the overgrazed pastures and let the native grasses come back and crowd out the ironweed, wild verbena, horse; bur, snow-on-the-mountain, wild croton, poverty grass, drop-seed grass, and other pasture weeds. Salt the bindweed, whenever it appears in a new locality, with an application of common crude salt applied at the rate of twelve tons to the acre. Have alfalfa seed tested at the seed laboratory of the experiment sta-tion, to find what weed seeds are in it. There is no seed law to protect the farmers, so the farmers will have to protect themselves. If Sudan grass seed is planted, be certain that the sources insure its being free from Johnson grass seed. The seeds of the two species can scarcely be distinguished from each other.

It is hoped that the county agents will give special attention this year to weed problem in their respective localities and report unknown or trou-blesome weeds to the state botanist for identification and for information as to means of eradication.

When weeds are sent in for examination and identification, enough of the plant should be sent to show the characteristic leaves and the flowers or seeds. The latter are indispensable in many, if not most, cases for correct identification. Seedlings should not be sent. Specimens should be forwarded in as fresh condi-tion as possible, wrapped in damp paper, tiod tied, rewrapped in strong dry wrapping paper or newspaper, tagged with the name of the sender and his address, plain of the sender and his address, plainly written, and mailed, parcel post, to the Department of Botany, Kansas State Agricultural College.

Despit xtensive literature subject of weeds, a vast amount of defi-nite information on their life habits is needed. Nearly every experiment station issued a weed annual and the weed books by various authors are increasing in number.

### STUDY THE WEED PROBLEM

STUDY THE WEED PROBLEM More thorough work in weed biology is needed. It would pay the state of Kansas, for example, to employ a man to devote his entire time for the next five years at least exclusively to a study of the weed question in the field. In addition to the pernicious new weeds that are constantly coming in and invading fields, new weed problems are constantly arising with regard to native weeds, the habits of which have never been thoroughly investigated.

Sometimes native plants that have hitherto attracted little attention, suddenly become noxious weeds on account of special conditions. This was notably

the case in the drouth of 1913. During that year a native herbaceaus prairie plant growing in dry soil from Kansas to Texas, known as eryngo, al-though hitherto unknown as a weed, became in certain localities temporarily a noxious and vicious weed. On one farm alone, near Wichita, is caused \$1,000 worth of damage.

worth of damage. In the same year a little narrow-leaved native annual plant, the western horse-weed, swarmed over the pastures and alarmed the farmers, who thought it a new introduction. It had always been with them but had been held in check, in years of normal rainfall, by the other preirie plants.

the other prairie plants. A native plant of the plains, fog fruit, because of its underground root system, has become in certain places in West Central Kansas a pernicious weed of gar-dens, vineyards, and orchards. The western ragweed, an ordinary prairie plant, often becomes a nuisance in cultivated fields because of its propagation by means of horizontal roots.

BINDWEED IS BAMPANT PEST

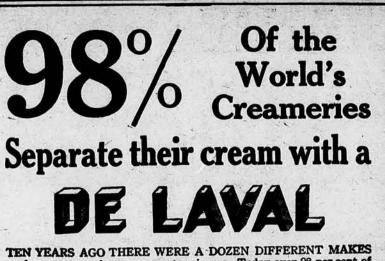
Among introduced weeds, the bind-weed is common but not dangerous in Europe and the Eastern States, where it is held in check by the growth of competing vegetation. In the dry, west-ern country, though, it is a rampant pest—the most dangerous and the most manufic ble weed merely because nearly ineradicable weed merely because nearly ineradicable weed merely because its deep ranging root system enables it to collect the moisture that should rightly go to the growing crops. Spread-ing by means of its underground system more extensively than by its seeds, it advances steadily and never retreats. A more complete knowledge of the range and spread of introduced weeds is seriously needed. At present, a new weed is usually allowed to spread suffi-ciently to become troublesome before it

ciently to become troublesome before it is reported to the state botanist.

There are approximately 800 kinds of weeds in the United States. Fully 400 may be called common weeds, and about 200 range from merely troublesome nuisances to dangerous pests. Strange to say, most of the worst weed pests in the United States have come from Europe and Asia. It is sufficient to men-tion Canada thistle, Russian thistle, field sow thistle, field bindweed, Johnson field sow thistle, field bindweed, Johnson grass—sub-tropical—quack grass, crab grass, foxtail, cheat, buckhorn, most of the wild mustards, the cockles, catch-files, and campions, mullein, burdock, pigweed, lamb's quarters, and wild car-rot. These and scores of other weeds have come into the United States in seed shipments or in ballast and have made their way steadily inland. The botanist finds weeds interesting because they generally are successful

because they generally are successful types of plants, and it is of scientific value to find out how and why they are so successful. The scientific knowledge thus gained lies at the basis of the study of weed eradication.

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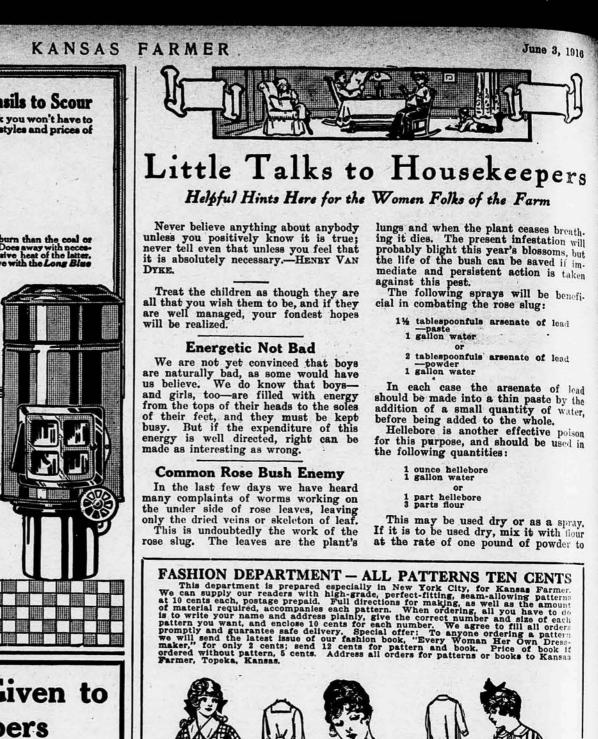
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to the air.

Too much precaution cannot be exercised in the use of any poison, and none of the solution should be allowed to stand within reach of children or animals.

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N<sup>0</sup> housewife who attempts to do any home canning can afford to let the rhubarb season pass by without getting her share of this gar-den plant into glass jars. Of all the vegetables that grow in the garden, rhu-barb is the easiest to can, and when used moderately it is one of the most healthful. It is not only a very desir-able food, but a fairly good tonic. It is also very appetizing and lends itself to

also very appetizing and lends itself to many kinds of dishes. When mixed with

gooseberries, strawberries, oranges, or figs, marmalades can be made "fit for a king." For pies and sauces it is a most

excellent substitute for berries and fruit.

Another advantage which the rhubarb

offers is that when sugar is high, as at the present time, it can be canned without a syrup and then sweetened

Glass jars should always be used in canning rhubarb, as the acid which is

present in this plant works on the tin and makes even the best of tin cans

Canned Rhubarb: Cut good fresh

canned Knubarb: Cut good fresh stalks, not too young nor too old, clean, cut into pieces that will pack best in jar, leaving as little waste space as pos-sible. The skin need not be removed. Blanch in boiling water one to two min-utes, then plunge into cold water; pack into glass iars and fill jar to overflow

into glass jars and fill jar to overflow with syrup or boiling water. Partially seal, and sterilize in hot-water bath out-

fit about fifteen minutes and then re-move jar and seal lid good and tight.

If using steam-pressure canning outfit, sterilize five to ten minutes under two to five pounds of steam. Don't let steam run higher than five pounds.

ASPARAGUS

Asparagus, unlike rhubarb, is some-what difficult to can. The reason the asparagus is classed as one of the difficult vegetables to can is because of the

lack of the acid which is found in the tomato or that which is so abundant in rhubarb and which helps to protect

these from the growth of bacteria which so frequently cause asparagus, greens, corn, etc., to spoil. But when canned properly, asparagus is almost as good as when taken fresh from the garden in

early spring. Only freshly pulled asparagus should be canned and it is simply a waste of both time and jars to can those stalks

which have become hard and fibrous.

In fact, anything which is not good be-

fore canning cannot be made good by canning, and any housewife who has used much asparagus late in the season knows that all her care in cooking and

an abundance of good rich seasoning fail to make the old or tough stalks of asparagus good. The same will be true if the tough stalks are canned. Cut

fresh tender stalks, clean carefully, re-move all fibrous and hard portions, blanch in boiling water three minutes, plunge into cold water, take out at once and cut into pieces which will best fit the iar baying as little waste space as pos-

jar, leaving as little waste space as pos-sible. Add one teaspoonful of salt to

sible. Add one teaspoonful of sait to the quart. Put rubber in position, closely pack into jar reasonably full, and add boiling water to fill up all re-maining space. If using screw-top jar, place lid in position and turn only about as tight as you can easily with thumb and little finger. Sterilize in hot-water bath outfit two hours, not counting time till water is boiling around the jars. and

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somewhat unsafe as containers.

when used.

out to seek fortune. Get clear in your mind on such a day the whole vision; see then the way to accomplishment of your desires; set out resolutely and at once on the way. That high flood-tide in your life cannot last. Next day, as you go about your work, the way may seem long and hard; you may half re-pent that you have set yourself to travel it, yet be sure that the vision that came to you when your courage ran high and your sight was keen was the truest one—the one best worth purtruest one-the one best worth pur-

The vision is the thing. We do not go beyond it, maybe do not reach it, yet it is worth the struggle. You have all sorts of schemes for your life, your farm and your children; the noblest of them are possible and best worth while. One soul takes counsel of its fears; it gets not far; another takes departure on the life journey on the day when the flood-

Sunshine and air are worth more than the colors in the carpet.

then keep water up to shoulders of jars at least. It is better to keep it com-pletely over tops of jars. When two hours are up, remove one jar at a time and tighten lids good and tight. Invert

jars on clean paper to test for leaks. If steam-pressure outfit is used for the sterilization, sterilize sixty minutes under ten pounds of steam or seventy-five minutes under five pounds steam. In the above recipes the term "blanch-ing" is used. By blanching is meant the process of scalding. That is to plunge products into rapidly boiling water and keep them in vessel over the fire for the length of time indicated in recipe for blanching.

blanching. The length of time is deter-mined by the age or ripeness of the products. After blanching, dip imme-diately into cold water and leave there just long enough to cool, then remove and neak into isrs at once

and pack into jars at once. By the term "process' or "sterilize" is meant the cooking of the products in the jars. If the recipe calls for a two-

hour process in hot-water bath, it means

that products are to be cooked two hours

after the water in the hot-water bath outfit is boiling. If recipe calls for a forty-minute process at five pounds steam, do not begin to count time till

your thermometer registers five pounds -228 degrees Fahrenheit.

PLACING THE CAN LIDS First make sure all lids are in good

condition, perfectly clean-no rust, no pieces of rubber from rings used the pre-

vious year. Then examine the shoulders

of jars where lid is to rest. A small piece of rubber or a few grains of sand may cause trouble. When using jars

may cause trouble. When using jars that require the ordinary rubber rings, be sure a good quality of rubber is used and that they are placed in proper posi-tion before putting on lids. Don't try to use a lid which "does not want to fit," and always see that it starts on straight. Never tighten it till after the testilization projed is over

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<sup>gains.</sup> For best results, milk should be the first food taken. It is well worth while to dip the beak of each chick individually and see that he takes a good drink of milk while he is being transferred from the incubator to the brooder. This will give the chick a start and help develop a been appetite for the milk.

give the chick a start and help develop a keen appetite for the milk. Milk should be fed as soon as it thickens and before the curd begins to separate. The chicks like it best in this condition, and consequently consume more. A convenient way to feed is in shallow pans holding about a pint with a piece of inch mesh wire stretched across the top to prevent the chicks from getting wet.

In actual practice milk is worth vastly more than its analysis would indicate. It not only carries a large amount of nourishment in itself, but it renders other food more digestible. If skim milk cannot be obtained, it is worth while to pay whole milk prices for the first two weeks of a chick's life. In this case the cream should be removed, as the skim milk gives much better results. Care should be taken to keep all feeding dishes clean and teed only fresh sour milk. Allowance should be made for the milk and protein feeds such as beef scrap re-

Allowance should be made for the milk and protein feeds such as beef scrap reduced, else the chicks may be forced off their feet. This is particularly true during the earlier part of the season, while the chicks are kept more closely confined and not given opportunity to exercise. Some of the advantages of sour milk feeding are as follows:

1. Chicks start quicker and grow very much faster.

2. Become more disease resistance by means of their own increased vigor and vitality.

3. Make larger gains per pound of feed consumed.

4. Reach normal maturity younger and make better paying birds.—Connecticut Agricultural College.

### Making Kerosene Emulsion

A poultryman wants to know how to make kerosene emulsion. It is made as follows. Take two gallons of kerosene oil, one-half pound whale oil soap, or one quart home-made soft soap, and one galles of water. Dissolve the soap by boiling in water, then remove from the fire and immediately add the kerosene. Beat this mixture rapily and violently until the emulsion is as smooth as beaten cream. Bear in mind, the vessel used in making the emulsion, must be sufficiently large to hold a considerable increase in measure, as the bulk is nearly or quite doubled in emulsifying.

making the emulsion, must be sufficiently large to hold a considerable increase in measure, as the bulk is nearly or quite doubled in emulsifying. One part of the emulsion as prepared to seven parts of water is used for application to poultry buildings, dropboards and nest-boxes. Add a couple of ounces of carbolic acid to the diluted emulsion just before applying. This is a spiendid disinfectant and insecticide to use about the poultry houses.

### Blue Ointment for Lice

Blue ointment, a preparation which may be procured at any drug store, is a very effective agent in completely ridding chickens of lice. To cheapen the preparation, as good results may be had by adding one-half part vaseline. Apply a small amount, such as a thimbleful, of the grease just below the vent of each bird. Do not attempt to grease sitting heus with this preparation. The blue ointment contains mercury and suet. The lice eat the suet and are poisoned with the mercury. This method of treatment is more effective than dusting, inasmuch as it remains intact longer and hot only kills the lice that are alive, but also catches those that hatch out later.

Now that most of the hatching is done, the principal thing to do is to see that the chicks are kept thriving.

It never pays to stint the young chicks, give them all the feed they will eat, and rush them to maturity as early as possible.

To make a good, and at the same time a cheap, disinfectant, dissolve in five gallons of water about three pounds of copperas, to which add one pint of crude carbolic acid. If you haven't got a sprayer, use a common watering pot and sprinkle the house and yards occasionally with this mixture and contagious diseases in the flock will not often appear.

When the young cockerels weigh from a pound and a half to two pounds, is the best time to sell them. You will get a better price for them at that weight than you will later. Of course, if you want some of them for breeders next season, you will save the most promising of them. But if you are raising them for broilers, sell them before they weigh two pounds.

Some one asks if bran, when placed in hoppers for young chicks to feed at will, is not harmful, causing distented crops. We fed lots of bran last season to chicks without any evil results. If they are fed grain regularly, they will not eat enough of the bran to hurt themselves. On the contrary, it will prove beneficial to them, for the bowels are regulated by its use, and it is a good food for growth and development.

Don't get the notion that there won't be many lice and mites this year, just because the season has been cool and not many have shown up so far. They will come during hot weather, you may be sure, and every one you kill now is worth a hundred thousand later in the season. Keep spraying the poultry house with a good lice killer, and so keep ahead of the pests.

Not enough importance is placed on the value of good airslaked lime for use in the poultry house and on the runs. Properly used, the lime is of great sanitary value. A free use of airslaked lime on chicken runs where gapes prevail is exceedingly beneficial.<sup>9</sup> Its use no doubt also destroys other germs and bacilli. The wise poultryman will always have a good supply of lime on hand and use it both inside and out of his poultry houses.

A flock of lively chicks in an orchard will pick up thousands of insects and worms and the eggs that hatch such insects. The eating of these will supply the chickens with animal food, and do them lots of good, and at the same time it prevents the insects from damaging the trees. To entice them into the orchard, scatter grain along the path that you want them to take to get there. After they once get a taste of the bugs and worms they will want to go again.

There is no gain in grinding or cracking corn or kafir for chickens. As long as the grain is not too large for them to swallow, its digestibility is better when whole than when cracked. If the chickens are provided with plenty of grit, they will do all the grinding of the grain that is necessary for good digestion. Don't forget the grit however, for without that they cannot digest hard grains, where they might soft food. Plenty of water, of course, is necessary for soaking the grain.

The broody hens should be taken away from the laying house and put in a coop by themselves, for they are a nuisance in the hen house. They bother the other hens that are laying, and contaminate the eggs by sitting on them before they can be gathered. If the broody hens are placed in a clean, airy coop, they will soon quit their setting propensities and go to laying again, whereas if you leave them in the hen houses they will keep on setting for a long while.

### Unselfish

Brown (on fishing trip) — Boys, the boat is sinking! Is there anyone here who knows how to pray? Jones (engrety) — I do!

Jones (eagerly)—I do! Brown—All right! You pray and the rest of us will put on life belts! We're one shy.





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While in New York recently J. C. Robi-ron, of Towanda, Kan., purchased a son of the Segis Pontiac Alcartra, the famous 50.000 Holstein buil, to place at the head of he Holstein herd. This buil was pur-chased at arount \$1,000. His sire is the highest priced buil of the breed and the only buil to have three of his got sell for flo.000 and over. Two of his sons sold for flo.000 and over. Two of his sons sold for flo.000 and over. Two of his sons sold for flo.000 and over. Two of his sons sold for flo.000 each and one for \$15,000. Mr. Rob-ison cynects to keep from 150 to 250 regis-tered and high grade Holsteins in his herd, and this young buil, backed by a long line of records, will be a valuable addition to the herd.

the crops fed to our animals are wasted by improper methods in feeding. We must feed according to the object we have in view, as it requires different methods in developing breeding animals than it does with market animals. With a breeding animal our aim is to get growth and not fat. With a market animal we want them fat at the end of the feeding period. One thing of great importance in either case is to provide nasture for our hogs in summer and KANSAS FAIRS IN 1916 Following is a list of fairs to be held in Following is a list of fairs to be held in Kansus in 1916, their dates—where they have been decided on—locations and secre-taries, as reported to the State Board of taries, as decided to the State Board of the secretary J. importance in either case is to provide pasture for our hogs in summer and roughage for them in winter. Alfalfa, clover, rape, soy beans or cowpeas pro-vide good pasture, but I believe alfalfa the best, yet you will find that hogs like a variety of pasture and do better where they have it. Good pasture is one of the big items in producing pork at a Asticulture and compiled by Secretary J. C. Molieri Kanzas State Fair Association. Phil East-Manas State Fair, A. L. Sponsley, Secre-tary, Hutchinson; September 16-23. Allen County Agricultural Soolety, Dr. F. Allen County Moran Agricultural Fair Association, E. N. McCormack, Secretary, Moran; September — Bartion County Fair Association, Porter Bartion County—The Hiawatha Fair Asso-ciation, J. D. Weltmer, Secretary, Hiawatha September 5-8. Descliptor Astronomics Astronomy Social Astronomy County Fair Association, Porter Bartion, J. D. Weltmer, Secretary, Hiawatha September 5-8. Descliptor Astronomy where they have it. Good pasture is one of the big items in producing pork at a profit, which is not by any means all in the extra pork either, for our land is made far better by the legumes used as pasture and the fertilizer produced by the pigs, so that the profit produced is really a double one. I do not believe any man can produce pork on an ex-tensive scale at a profit without pasture. We must have other feeds along with ation, J. D. Weitmer, Secretary, Hiawama, entember 5-8. Buther County-Dougliss Agricultural So-lety. J. A. Clay, Secretary, Douglass; Sep-ember 27-30. Clay County Fair Association, W. F. Mil-Clay County-Wakefield Agricultural As-Clay County-Wakefield Agricultural As-clation, Eugene Elkins, Secretary, Wake-leid; October 6-7. Cloud County Fair Association, W. L. Mc-arty, Secretary, Concordia; August 29-entember 1. D. 5-8 ciet. tembe Clay Se ler, S. Clay Carty, Septe. Coff County Agricultural Fair Associa-D. Weaver, Secretary, Burlington; D. County — Eastern Cowley County clation. W. A. Bowden, Secretary, dates not set. County Agricultural & Live Stock m, Frank W. Sidle, Secretary, Win-y 11-14. Septen

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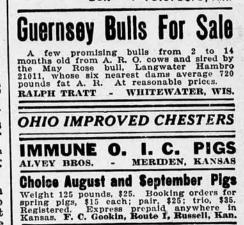
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