

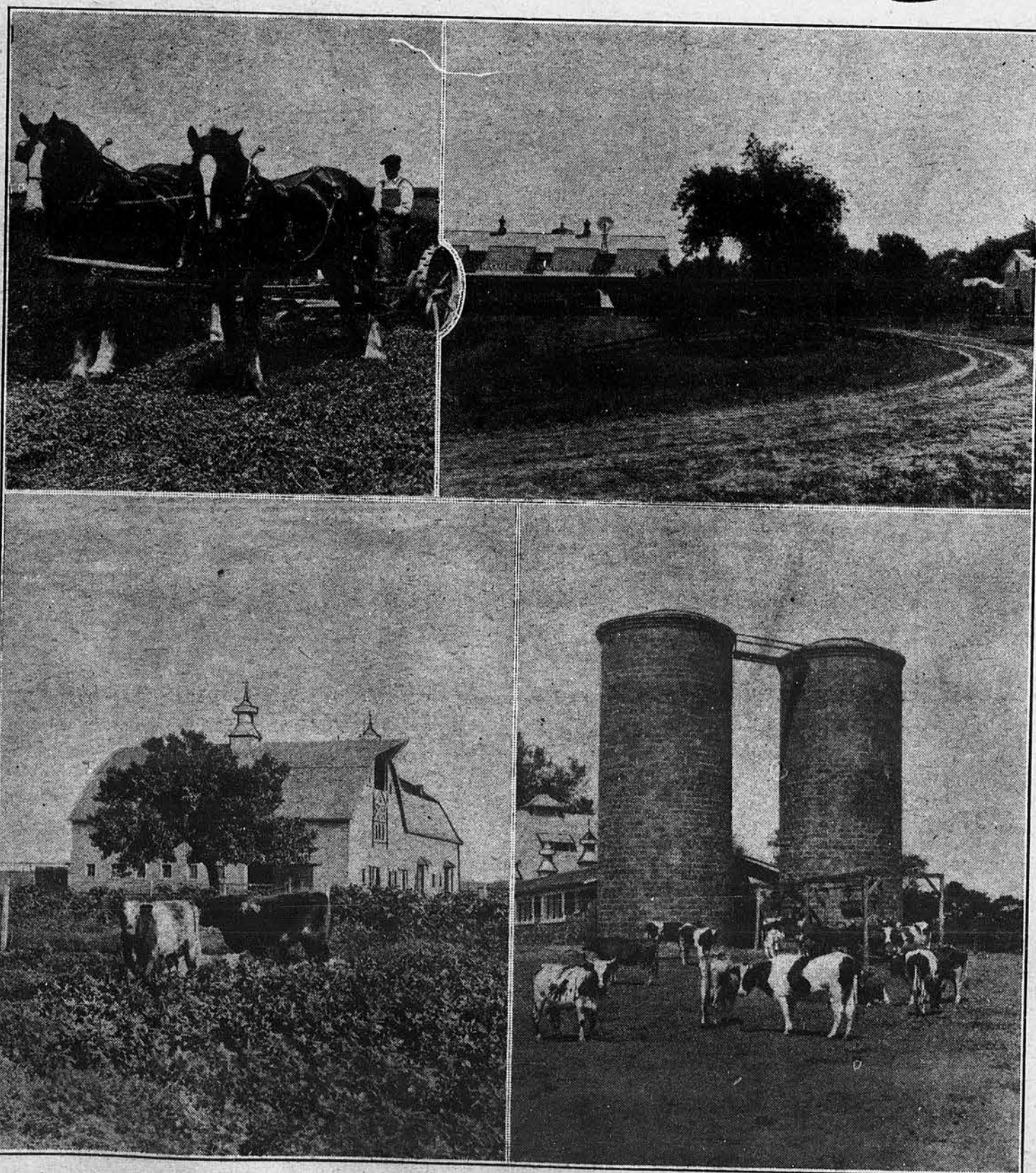
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## Green Acres This Winter are earning high returns in this fertile Valley

IT'S mild and warm in this Valley—like summer in fact. And crops are growing. On many acres they're the second, third or fourth crop this year.

That's why farmers prosper on twenty, thirty and forty acre farms. The soil is fertile, growing almost any crop. The average is 300 days of sunshine every year.

They get water when they need it and in just the right amount, for the great Roosevelt Dam impounds the water for irrigating this lush, green Valley.

So farmers in the Salt River Valley, Arizona, earn more dollars to the acre.

Yet there are acres here that can be bought at surprising prices on terms that are an added inducement to established citizens. Thousands of farmers here are making money. Yet it's an undiscovered Valley—an unknown opportunity—to thousands of farmers who would live here if they knew.

### Valuable Crops

Almost anything grows in the Salt River Valley—alfalfa, grain, cotton, citrus and deciduous fruits, garden truck, potatoes, grapes, dates, figs, and many other crops.

And all make excellent records. 80,000 acres of alfalfa averaged \$72 per acre; 2,000 acres of Desert Sweet oranges and grapefruit averaged \$400; 4,000 acres of cantaloupes averaged \$152. Berries produced \$450 per acre, and asparagus often runs as high

as \$1,000 per acre. These figures are from the Bureau of Statistics, United States Department of Agriculture, 1922.

Grazing land is plentiful, stock does remarkably well. It is a dairy country with wonderful advantages.

But best of all it is a place to live in comfort and happiness the year around. Farmers prosper. Their children grow strong and robust. And the climate adds years to the lives of the citizens.

### An American Community

The Valley has been settled by the highest type of American farmer. The schools rank second in the United States. Churches of every denomination are located conveniently throughout the section.

In the center of the Valley is Phoenix, the capital of the state—a thriving city of 35,000 people. Other up-to-date towns are located throughout the district.

400 miles of paved boulevards make every part of the Valley accessible. No farm is more than a mile from a paved road.

And added to the climate is a mountain playground that practically encircles the Valley. Here is beauty and quiet that makes the days of rest and relaxation full of new and interesting things to do.

Truly this is a land of plenty and a land of opportunity. It offers much that you can't now imagine. There's happiness and freedom for thousands of farmers who will find their ideal homesite here.

Come and visit this homeland. Be prepared to want to stay. You'll enjoy every moment of the trip and may find that life offers more than you ever suspected. Send for our free booklet and plan to take this trip.



### A Monument to Roosevelt's Greatness

Big, broad, sound and productive, the Salt River Valley stands as a fitting monument to the great man who made it possible.

It was one of the many interests of Roosevelt. He studied its soil and climate carefully. He sought the advice of experts.

Then when he knew that hundreds of thousands of productive acres could be reclaimed by water alone, he threw the weight of his influence into the scales for the great dam which bears his name.

His fondest dreams for this section are being more than realized. In addition to the amazing farm land which the dam made possible, the power development is rapidly paying for the entire cost of the great engineering feat, so that soon the water for irrigation will cost the farmers nothing.



## Salt River Valley

Irrigated by the Great Roosevelt Dam—  
Arizona's All Year Farming Land

Salt River Valley-Arizona Club, Department 112,  
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Please send me detailed information about the fertile farming lands in the Salt River Valley and the opportunities which are open to newcomers. It is understood this incurs no obligation on my part whatever.

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## Farm Organization Notes

### The National Convention of Farmers' Equity Union Meets in Omaha, January 23-24

BY JOHN W. WILKINSON

THE annual national convention of the Farmers' Equity Union will be held in Castle Hotel, Omaha, Neb., January 23 to January 24. Ohio has been making desperate efforts to get the convention but the executive committee finally decided in favor of Omaha. Each local exchange in every state will be represented by one delegate and an unusually large attendance is expected from the Middle West. The program committee appointed by the national board is preparing an excellent program which will be announced next week. Several speakers of national prominence will make addresses.

#### Kansas Wheat Pool Gets \$25,000

As a starter for organization of a wheat marketing pool by the newly formed Kansas Wheat Co-operative Marketing Association, \$25,000 will be paid to the Association by the National Co-operative Wheat Marketing Association, Chicago, according to word received by W. P. Lambertson, member of the executive committee.

The money is from a revolving promotion fund of \$250,000 known as "the Lowden fund" held by the national organization. Former Governor Frank O. Lowden of Illinois is one of the largest contributors to the fund.

At a meeting of the executive committee of the Kansas Wheat Pool held in Wichita, December 28, it was decided to start an aggressive campaign for new members immediately.

#### Pooling Cuts Grazing Costs

The advantage of pooling cattle grazed on the national forest ranges of Colorado last year over individual handling is brought out in a cost study just completed by the United States Department of Agriculture.

Three hundred eighty-three ranchmen in 10 pools comprising a total of 23,451 head of cattle, grazed their cattle at an average cost of \$1.87 a head. Seventy-one individual operators outside of pools grazing 18,803 head of cattle paid an average of \$2.26 a head.

#### Farm Loans Total 32 Millions

Approximately 32 million dollars have been lent by the Federal Intermediate Credit Banks to aid the farmer in financing the production and marketing of the 1923 crops.

Farm Loan Board officials say the figures failed to show that the wheat growers have taken advantage of the Government's latest credit facilities, altho appeals for financial assistance

have come from these areas. Of the total loans made direct to farmer organizations, only \$2,403,896 have been advanced on wheat.

All the loans on which wheat was furnished as a security were made in the Wichita, St. Paul and Spokane credit bank districts, Wichita reporting wheat loans of \$1,508,000. The Wichita district also handled \$50,000 in loans on broomcorn.

#### For Uniform Farm Laws

Uniformity of agricultural laws, standardization of marketing and warehousing and standard grades and classes of all farm products, were considered at a three days' conference of commissioners of agriculture and directors of warehouses and marketing of Southern states which was held in New Orleans recently. A permanent organization to put into effect policies adopted at the meeting will be formed.

#### State Grange Outlines Position

Six resolutions outlining the position of the Kansas State Grange were adopted at its recent meeting in Hutchinson, and constituted the main work of the various committees of the organization. The resolutions, some of which were adopted unanimously and some of which caused lengthy discussions, were as follows:

1—The committee on taxation opposes the future issuance of tax free bonds.

2—The Grange opposes the proposed amendment to be voted on in 1924, for the classification of property for taxation purposes.

3—The Grange asks that a law be passed prohibiting county and state engineers from preparing estimates of costs for the use of contractors who contemplate submitting bids on any public work.

4—The Grange favors regulation of immigration, first by basing it on the United States Census of 1890, rather than on the 1910 Census, as it now is based, and, second, by insisting that prospective immigrants have a certificate issued by the American consul at the point of embarkation, as well as passing at the port of entry.

5—The Grange opposes the cancellation of debts owing the United States by any countries whatsoever.

6—The Grange urges the Government to more rigidly enforce the Volstead act and particularly to prevent the unloading of liquor by bootlegging ships on our coasts, and the Grange opposes any modification or change in the present law that would legalize the sale of light wines and beer.

## Cash Prizes For Poultry Letters

THE Special Poultry Edition of The Kansas Farmer and Mail and Breeze will be published on February 2, 1924, and in that issue we wish to have as many of our readers in Kansas and Colorado as possible tell us what success they have had in raising chickens or in marketing poultry and eggs. Your experience may be valuable to someone else and will help us to arouse a greater interest in the poultry industry.

There will be five contests but in order that all may have a fair show no contestant may compete for more than one prize. For the best letters submitted on each group of topics mentioned below, the Kansas Farmer and Mail and Breeze offers the following cash rewards: First prize, \$2.50; second prize, \$1; third prize, 50 cents.

**The Farm Flock for Profit**—Send us a brief letter giving your profits on your farm poultry flock last year. Mention methods used and submit records as far as possible. State what breeds of poultry you have found satisfactory.

**Incubators and Brooders**—Tell us about your experiences and success in handling incubators and brooders and how long you have used them in your poultry work.

**Day Old Chicks**—Have you tried purchasing day old chicks and found this plan as satisfactory as setting and hatching eggs produced on the farm? Give facts and figures to support your statements.

**Production and Marketing of Eggs**—Tell us what you know about eggs. Do you know a better way to feed poultry for egg production? Also tell us how you keep your records and how you market your eggs and any other tricks about the trade you consider worth while.

**Money from Turkeys, Ducks and Geese**—What luck have you had with turkeys, geese, ducks, guineas or pheasants as sidelines in the poultry business and to what extent have they proved profitable?

**Closing Date for Contest**—All letters intended for the Poultry Contest should reach us on or before January 18, 1924, at the latest. Address all communications to I. B. Reed, Poultry Editor, Kansas Farmer and Mail and Breeze, Topeka, Kan.

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By *Arthur Capper*

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# Rebirth of Salem Community

## Minister Arouses a Morbid Neighborhood and Makes Church a Factor in the Life of an Awakened People

By M. N. Beeler

**F**OUR years ago a small group of men, probably a dozen, gathered in a ramshackle country church a few miles southwest of Nickerson in Reno county. They were the leaders of Salem community, but there was nothing to lead, for the neighborhood had fallen into a lethargy of which it

a meeting. They responded to the man. Soon afterward, in May, Kinzie brought O. O. Wierd, head of a detective organization, to Salem. Wierd is a good talker and gave a series of lectures that extended over a week. All Salem came to hear him and the old meeting house would not hold them.

ligious subjects on Sunday closed the festival. Salem had awakened and found itself. Congregations of 40 and 50 swelled to 150 and 200 and on special occasions the old church would not accommodate them. Other festivals have been held each year and new departments have been added.

Today Salem is one of the most active communities in the whole country. In another corner of the cross-roads a new church stands, built by funds contributed in the neighborhood. The old building was rededicated two years ago as a neighborhood hall. It is in use nearly every night by the livestock shipping association, a community party, basketball game, farmers' meeting or other gatherings. During the first three years of the fair a lecture course was given, but the program has become too full for that. Speakers are



Rev. W. A. Kinzie Brought Salem to Life With a Community Fair

entertainments are provided from time to time.

The new church which was built three years ago will seat 560 persons comfortably without extra chairs. It is frequently filled. It is equipped with electric lights, heating plant and run-



Part of the Crowd at the First Festival Which Marked the Awakening of Salem. This Old Church Was Rededicated Two Years Ago as a Community Hall

was indifferent. They had gathered there in the stiff-backed pews to consider what means, if any, could be taken to bring the people to the church and make it a factor in their lives. Before them, a somewhat angular man, earnest of face and with the fire of a great vision in his eyes, recounted the story of a dead community—a story which to them was well known.

W. A. Kinzie had been their pastor a year. Altho he was well along in his "forties" he had come to the Salem community direct from McPherson College where he had got a late start in studying for the ministry. Salem's decadence was no secret and Kinzie was strongly advised not to take the charge, but he knew country communities and had studied about community development in college. He thought this would be a good place to try some of the theories he had learned at school. After a year, however, he had been unable to arouse any particular interest. This meeting of the best men in the neighborhood had been called to see if something could not be done to overcome the community's indifference. But the leaders said it was impossible.

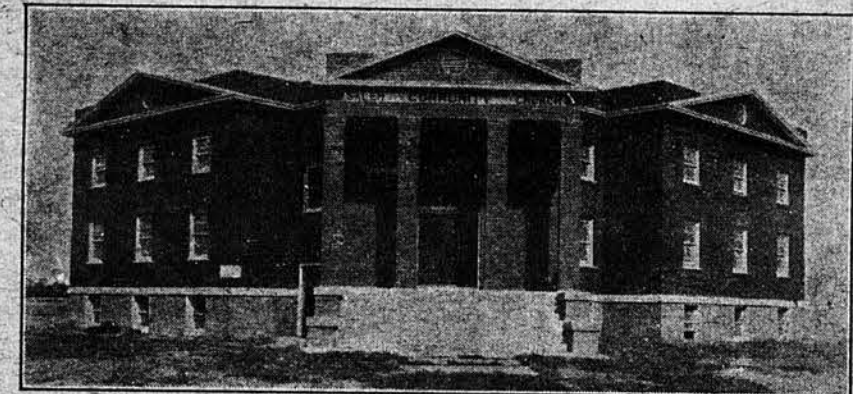
"Then," said Kinzie, "if something cannot be done to fill this church at least two or three times a year, I am going where it will be possible. I am tired of talking to empty benches." And he told them of an offer that had been made by another community and of his acceptance that had already been written but not mailed.

Now the leaders did not care to lose Kinzie. They thought he was a good man to have as their pastor. To their remonstrances, he replied that only on one condition would he stay, and that would be their approval of a plan he had in mind to awaken the community. He asked only another year in which to make the test. So convincing was his argument that the leaders not only gave their permission but they agreed to back him.

A few days later Kinzie appointed 35 committeemen to arrange a fall festival or community fair and in the letter of notification to each one he called

He made frequent mention of what he called their "pumpkin show" which was to be held in the fall. The meetings were closed with a community day. Salem rubbed its eyes and looked around. That was the beginning.

Everybody heard about the festival and as plans went forward, there was something for most of them to do. The fair opened Thursday night with a community play. Products of farm, kitchen and sewing basket were exhibited Friday and Saturday. Contests were held and games played. An all day meeting with a lecturer on re-



Salem Community Church was Built by Money Subscribed in the Neighborhood After the Rejuvenation Process Had Been in Progress Only One Year

provided, but for the most part the three days are given over to educational work, showing, demonstrations and similar features. Lecturers are brought there at intervals thruout the year. Concerts, plays, orchestras from nearby towns, glee clubs and other en-

ning water. The basement is equipped as a banquet hall, on one side of which is a church kitchen supplied with range, sink, cabinet, silverware, china and cooking utensils. On the opposite side of the building is an Aid Society room 16 by 30 feet, the same size as the kitchen. The basement is also used for neighborhood fellowship meetings and for the primary Sunday school classes. Upstairs and just off the balcony are 11 Sunday school rooms. Near the entrance on the first floor is a nursery where mothers may leave their babies during services. Back of the pulpit is a stage.

This church cost \$32,000, and Kinzie says that not a penny of it was begged. The congregation subscribed about \$20,000 and the rest was raised by the community. It was necessary only to explain what the fund was for and the money was forthcoming. Farmers who were members of no church whatever gave as much as \$500 to \$1,000 because the value of the church in upbuilding the community had been demonstrated. Salem was originally a Dunkard, or as the denomination is now known, a Church of the Brethren, community. The church is still under that jurisdiction, but Salem is in effect truly a community church, serving the needs of rural people regardless of creed.

### He's a Survivor

Another man who has met Western Kansas conditions and won is F. H. Atwood, east of Ellis. He is a Gallo-way breeder, but because too much beef production is as unsafe as too much wheat, he distributes risks among several projects. He owns 3,200 acres and farms almost a third of it. He grows 500 to 600 acres of wheat, 400 to 500 acres of roughage and grain feeds, and milks a dozen cows.

## Sell Hogs When Signs Are Right

BY SAM PICKARD

**W**HEN to sell, is the biggest marketing problem with which the individual farmer has to deal," says R. M. Green, who has charge of the marketing work at the Kansas State Agricultural College. "The stockman can act with or without information; he can make an effort to do the best he can, or he can take a fling at the market in the same way he might play the roulette wheel. A man often stumbles with both eyes open but he is much more likely to do so, when he has both eyes shut."

So it is with the present hog market situation. No one can know exactly what day the highest price will be paid for hogs in the year. There are some facts about the situation, however, that will materially assist in forming good sound judgment regarding the correct time to market. An average of the last 13 years, shows that the February receipts of hogs at Kansas City have averaged 17 per cent lower, and prices 2 per cent higher, than for January. This average tendency, however, held true only eight years in the 13. March receipts of hogs have averaged 9 per cent lower than February receipts and March prices 4 per cent higher than February prices. This tendency has shown itself 10 years out of the last 13. April receipts have averaged 3 per cent under March receipts and April prices 4 per cent higher than March prices. This tendency has held true 9 years in the last 13. April top price for hogs at Kansas City has been higher than May top prices 31 years in 43. May is usually the month of heavy receipts, a fact which frequently results in causing a recession in prices.

During the last three or four years there has been such a tendency to sell on the April-May market that early April or early June marketing has helped to avoid the rush.

"The present situation seems to be in brief this," says Professor Green, "the supply of hogs on farms in addition to the cold storage holdings of pork products with the exception of lard, are heavy. There has been a disposition in the past to start heavy movements of hogs fairly early in April. This tendency in 1924 is likely to be encouraged by the continued high prices of corn. Further recessions in price in the immediate future are to be looked forward to," in the opinion of Mr. Green.

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## Passing Comment—By T. A. McNeal

IN CONVICTING and sentencing the would-be  
abductors of Bergdoll, the German judges  
seem to have appreciated the situation. They  
described the draft-evader as a contemptible  
person and their sympathies were with the ab-  
ductors. Nevertheless they found these men guilty  
of a violation of law. The judges threw out the  
hint that an appeal for the probation of the of-  
fenders against German law might be considered,  
but the most pregnant suggestion they made was  
that if Bergdoll is wanted in the United States  
the State Department might avail itself of the  
right of extradition. If the extradition treaty  
does not include such an offense as Bergdoll's  
then it is possible perhaps to amend it retroactive-  
ly. Anyhow, extradition was suggested by the  
court as a solution of the Bergdoll mess.

From the expressions of the judges, Germany  
does not desire Bergdoll and would be glad to be  
rid of him. But so long as he is there German  
law has to be enforced. To turn successive vio-  
lators loose out of sympathy would only demoral-  
ize law enforcement and make it ridiculous. If  
there is no way for the law to fasten its grip on  
Bergdoll, then this case is in a bad way, but the  
court indicated a way out that would comply with  
the forms of law.

### Some Rambling Observations

IT IS really amazing what travelers the Ameri-  
can people have become. As I recall when I  
was a lad, a journey of a few hundred miles  
was considered quite remarkable, at any rate that  
was the opinion of the country people and also  
those who lived in the little village near my boy-  
hood home.

There was one merchant in the village who used  
to take a trip every year or so to New York to  
buy goods. At that time there were not so many  
commercial travelers and a great many merchants  
went to New York to buy their goods. That store-  
keeper, as he was called, was regarded as a widely  
traveled man. Very few people in that commu-  
nity ever had been more than a hundred miles from  
home and a great many never had been that far.

The Centennial Exposition held at Philadelphia  
in 1876, did more to get country people in the no-  
tion of traveling than anything that ever oc-  
curred in this country up to that time. The rail-  
roads and steamship companies put fare down so  
that it was possible to take what seemed to the  
untraveled folk, like wonderful journeys for a  
small amount of money. Before the exposition  
ended, it was possible to start from North Central  
Ohio, go to Philadelphia, from there to New York  
and up the Hudson River by boat to Albany,  
from there to Niagara Falls and back home for  
\$40 or \$50. Or the traveler could go from Phila-  
delphia to Washington, stay as long as he liked  
at the Capital and get back for the same amount  
of money.

Even first class hotels charged only \$2 a day  
and medium class hotels charged only \$1 a day.  
Those country people were not reckless spenders.  
They did not see much money and when they got  
hold of some they were loath to be separated  
from it; so they made the great journey often at  
a total expense of less than \$60. Some of those  
people were satisfied to settle down after they got  
home and talk about what they saw on the trip  
for the rest of their lives, but there were others  
whose appetites for travel were simply whetted  
by this experience. They got in the notion of  
"gadding about," as the older and staid citizens  
expressed it.

It was right after that the great tide of travel  
to Kansas set in and the population of the state  
was doubled within a very few years. Then the tide  
rolled out clear to the western boundary of the state  
and over into Colorado before it stopped. Of  
course it rolled back in the years that followed,  
but the general tendency to travel continued and  
grew.

### The Coming of the Automobile

THE invention of the automobile was the next  
thing to increase travel. It is estimated that  
there are enough automobiles in the United  
States to hold all of the men, women and children  
in the Nation. I do not understand how a great

many people who have automobiles, can afford it,  
but at any rate, they seem to have the machines  
and they are riding in them; not just riding  
around home or to the nearest town, but they  
are traveling everywhere, from ocean to ocean.

So many people are traveling, either by train  
or by automobile, that it is no distinction any  
more to be a traveler. Travel notes, describing  
towns and scenery, are generally a bore. It used

### Ebb Tide of The Year

BY EDITH M. THOMAS

DO YOU not see and hear  
Already is the ebb tide of the year,  
Tho it should seem no more  
Than a first wave retreating down the shore?  
"No, no," you say, "for still  
Noon empties his hot arrows on the hill;  
And many are the flowers  
And ardent hues to mark the sun bright hours!"

I answer: Tho the moon  
Flames on the hill, when has night brought such  
boon  
Of cooling drink outpoured—  
Deep Sleep—the oldest vintage ever stored;  
While the tree cricket plays,  
Moving his slender wings of chrysophrase,  
And searching is the sigh  
Of the low wind thru leaves grown crisp and dry!

And, as for many flowers,  
Look how—like ladies from their windowed towers,  
The bloom creeps ever higher  
On foxglove and on evening primrose spire  
Until the last flower-bell  
With kisses tells aloft its world farewell!

No birds in nests: they fare  
In flocks afar—no mated loves are there.  
Silver yon stubble fields  
Where her swift shuttle the gray weaver weilds.  
Red gold, the great orb'd sun  
Leans yearningly toward earth, day being done.  
Some beauty—past all guards,  
Each evening will be slipping heavenwards!

Summer's old heart is tired,  
Beats fitfully, but Time cannot be hired.  
You will not have it so?  
Too young! These aging signs you will not know!  
More wise—or sad, am I:  
So many a year has bidden me Good-by!

to be quite a distinction to be able to say that  
one had been in New York. Now nearly every-  
body goes to New York. In fact, many persons  
go there every few weeks. As I have been in New  
York only three times in my life, I confess that  
the town interests me tremendously; but it is  
not the high buildings so much as the people.

### The Sights of New York

THERE are so blamed many people in New  
York and I am continually wondering when  
I am there how in the world they all manage  
to live and move and have their being. I was  
told that nearly 10,000 of them spend their busi-  
ness hours in one building. Maybe this is true,  
maybe not. I didn't count them.

The transportation of these people back and  
forth from where they live to where they are em-  
ployed in one way and another is an amazing  
thing to an outsider. There are about 6 million  
people in Greater New York but there are at least  
another million persons hanging around on the  
fringe, called by other names, such as Jersey City,  
Newark, Hoboken, Montclair and Morristown and  
a large percentage of them goes over to New York  
proper every day and comes back sometime in  
the evening or night. Then there are millions of  
people who live on Manhattan Island or out on  
Long Island, who have to travel from a hundred to  
two hundred blocks to get from where they are

supposed to live to where they are supposed to do  
business. They have to travel underground and  
on the surface and up in the air on the elevated  
roads, and even then there are times in the day  
when every kind of conveyance is packed with a  
miscellaneous assortment of humanity. There is  
nothing in the world more democratic than a New  
York subway when the rush is on. Rich, poor,  
business men and common laborers, white, yellow,  
red, black, Jew and Gentile, clean and dirty, high  
and low, all crowd together, regardless of race,  
color or previous condition of servitude or present  
odor.

And let it be said, that these are good natured  
crowds. No matter how uncomfortable the pas-  
sengers of the crowded and often ill smelling cars  
might be, I heard no complaint. Of course, the  
man or woman who grumbled would have small  
sympathy and probably the general suggestion  
would have been made that if the grouch didn't  
want to ride he didn't have to; he could have  
walked.

### A Cosmopolitan Aggregation

NEW YORK is so tremendous that the  
stranger who simply loafs around for a  
couple of weeks gets a most superficial idea  
I imagine, of the city. I have no doubt that there  
are millions there who have been residents for  
most of their lives and who are now middle aged  
or upward, who still know very little about the  
lives of the great majority. It is, of course, old  
stuff to say that New York probably is the most  
cosmopolitan city in the world.

There are several times as many Jews in New  
York as there are in Jerusalem, more Irish than  
in Dublin; more Italians than in Rome.

There are, I believe, something like 1,600,000  
Jews in New York. There were times when I was  
there that I thought all of them must have been  
on the street. They are multiplying fast. I saw  
a calculation that at the present rate of increase,  
within 25 or 30 years, there would be 6 or 7 mil-  
lion Jews in the city and in a generation there  
will be none but Jews in our greatest city. An  
expert can prove anything by figures.

### Where Traffic Cops Are Supreme

THERE is a general impression, I think, that  
the New Yorkers are cold blooded; that they  
do not care a hoot for anybody and would just as  
soon run over a stranger as not. I would say  
from my own experience that this does the New  
Yorkers an injustice.

Of course, there is a continual hurry and jam.  
When the traffic cop says to stop, you stop and  
when he gives the sign to go, you go; and let  
me pause here to say a word for the traffic cop.  
Considering the vast traffic, the almost innum-  
erable number of cars and vehicles on the streets  
at all hours, the police handle it remarkably well.  
One might suppose that there would be serious ac-  
cidents happening continually, but as a matter of  
fact, the accidents are surprisingly few.

### They Treat Strangers Kindly

I DID not find the New Yorkers cold blooded  
or unaccommodating. They were perfectly  
willing to answer any question a bald headed  
rube might see fit to ask. If he was riding on the  
subway train and wanted to get off at Thirty-  
fourth Street, for example, a regular patron of the  
subway not only patiently told him just how many  
stops there would be before reaching Thirty-  
fourth Street, but went further and remarked in a  
friendly way that he was going to stop off at  
Thirty-fourth Street himself and therefore the  
rube would not need to worry, just follow him  
when he got off. Furthermore, this information  
was not given in a supercilious "you poor rube,  
I will have to show you, I suppose," sort of way,  
but in a real friendly way as if he was glad to  
do the rube a little service that didn't cost him,  
the New Yorker, anything.

On one occasion, a perfect stranger went out of  
his way to take me clear across the big station  
at Times Square where I had to change to another  
line, and showed me where I must take gate to  
reach the other line. I made up my mind that

the New Yorkers are just folks, and as human as folks are out here in Kansas. Of course, they hurry and crowd, they have to, but they are not any more callous or cold blooded than people are in other places.

### Wonderful Growth in Population

NEW YORK is so immense that its natural growth means an addition of enough population every year to make what would seem to us like a great city. Things are great only by comparison, after all. If in a single year, the population of Topeka should increase from 55,000 to 110,000, it would cause remark in every paper in the country, and yet the population of New York increases several times that number every year and nobody thinks anything about it.

I have no doubt enough new buildings are erected in New York every year to house several times the entire population of Topeka, but yet it does not seem that New York is having any building boom. I gathered the impression, in fact, that there is a slackening up of building on account of the excessive cost.

The regular builders have an organization and undertake to agree on prices to be paid for labor. They do not object to organized labor. One of the representatives of a leading building firm told me that the regular builders would prefer to do business with labor unions if they could depend on the labor unions' standing by agreements, rather than to have the open shop and deal with laborers individually, but unfortunately the labor unions do not seem to be very particular about their members keeping agreements.

In the case of this particular firm, a bid was made on a building on the basis of \$10 a day for bricklayers. That was the regular union scale. At that time there was a great deal of what might be called speculative building, mostly carried on by Jews. One of these enterprising Israelites would get hold of a piece of ground, then borrow enough money to put up a building, generally an apartment house. He paid a very heavy discount for the money borrowed, in some cases as much as 20 per cent.

His idea was to get the building up as soon as possible and sell it at an advance, a thing that was entirely possible so long as there was a scarcity of buildings and advancing rents. These outside builders, in order to get the building up as soon as possible, bid up on labor, running the wages of bricklayers, for example, up to \$16 a day. The regular builders found themselves faced with the alternative of not being able to fulfill their contracts and probably suffer a penalty, or paying the same wages paid by the outside builders and probably lose money on their contracts by reason of unexpected cost of construction.

There is reason to believe that rents are coming down and that cost of construction has reached the limit. Unless there can be a reduction in cost, there will be a let-up in construction and a lot of idle labor in New York soon.

### The Labor Problem

THIS same builder also complained about the unreasonable regulations of some of the labor unions. In one case his firm was constructing a building in which certain metal doors were treated with acid in order to give them a dull and antique appearance. The treating of metal in this way is a trade by itself. The workman employed to do the work has followed that trade

for more than a quarter of a century. He puts on the acid with a brush.

While he was at work a walking delegate or union labor inspector came around and asked if this workman had a union card; the workman said that he had and showed his card. "You have no right to do this work with a brush," said the walking delegate, "unless you belong to the Painters' Union." The workman insisted that he had been working at this trade for a quarter of a century and always used a brush, but because he was not a member of the Painters' Union, the walking delegate called all the painters off the job. The officials of the two unions chewed the rag for a day or two and then the painters were ordered back on the job, but meantime work had been held up for that length of time.

It was this builder's opinion that labor unions should be incorporated so that they could be held responsible. Of course, under the opinion of Chief Justice Taft, they can be held responsible anyhow, but perhaps, the incorporation idea might be a good one.

### Washington's Old Headquarters

IF YOU happen to visit New York and have time, go over to Morristown and spend as many hours as you can in the old house which was Washington's headquarters during a part of the Revolutionary War. Aside from Mount Vernon, it is the most interesting place connected with the memory of Washington I ever have visited. So far as relics are concerned, there is a much larger collection of them there than at Mount Vernon, but of course, no place can quite rival Mount Vernon in interest because it is there that Washington is buried. It was there that he lived both before and after the struggle for independence and there you have the feeling that you are living in the same atmosphere in which he lived. In other words it takes only a little stretch of the imagination to feel that the spirit of Washington is still present at Mount Vernon, and that you are sitting or standing beside him, as you view the magnificent sweep of the Potomac and the beauty of the landscape, a beauty rarely, if ever equaled. George Washington was great in many ways: He was a great commander, a great President and statesman and he was also a great planter and business man and must have had an artistic talent, which was shown when he picked the site for his colonial home.

### Farmers' Service Corner

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

#### Exemption from Judgment

If A mortgages his livestock and implements to B, the note falls due and there is a sale, does A have any exemption in the way of stock that he might keep, such as horses, cows, and farm implements?

R. K. F.

If the mortgaged property was sold at public sale and brought more than enough to satisfy the chattel mortgage, whatever surplus there was would go back to A. But the exemption law would not apply to any of this stock. While the farm implements and team and two cows are exempt from ex-

emption for ordinary debts the owner of this property may mortgage it if he sees fit to do so and when he does mortgage it he has released his exemption right to that.

#### License to Do Business

Will you kindly inform me whether or not I will have to pay a license before I can retail confectionery and cigars in my lunch room?

Mrs. F. K. N.

If you are doing business in an incorporated town they may by ordinance require you to pay a license. There is no state law which would require you to pay license for doing this retail business.

#### Liabilities Under Compensation Act

I was hurt one Saturday about 11:30 a. m. and was laid off for six and three-quarters work days or seven and three-quarters counting the following Sunday. The company works on Sunday when rushed but did not work Sunday while I was off. They carry insurance on their employees but refused to give me anything for my time. They say I was not off long enough to collect anything. Is there any way to get my pay?

H. W. J.

The original workmen's compensation act provided that the employer should not be liable in respect to an injury which did not disable the workman for a period of at least two weeks from earning full wages at the work at which he is employed.

In 1917 the compensation act was amended providing that where a temporary total disability results from an injury no compensation shall be paid during the first week of disability except that the employer is liable for the cost of the surgical and hospital treatment up to the extent of \$150.

#### Powers of School Directors

Can a teacher hold a child back with the rest of its class if the child can go on and do two years' work in one? Is it unlawful to place the stove in the center of the school room? Have two members of the school board a right to move the stove without asking the third member's consent? If there is a meeting of the school district board and only two members are present, the treasurer and director, is one of them required to act as clerk and must they file minutes of their meeting with the regular clerk, or is the meeting legal?

D. J. N.

It would be within the discretion of the teacher as to whether this pupil would be permitted to go on and take two years' work in one.

It is not unlawful to place the stove in the center of the room and as two members of the board constitute a majority, those two acting together can do whatever the full board would have a right to do.

There is no law compelling the keeping of a record of the proceedings of every meeting of the board.

#### Hospital Authorities Can Collect

Some time ago in a town where I lived they were soliciting subscriptions for a new hospital, which they said would be a paying investment. Afterward it turned out to be a county hospital. I subscribed \$50 and since then moved away. Recently I received a letter from my banker stating that the directors of the hospital had authorized suit to be brought on all subscriptions which are past due. He said he had been somewhat embarrassed during the last year with reference to my subscription. He went on to say that he had repeatedly assured the committee that it was absolutely good. I never told him I would pay it and furthermore they built a much more expensive hospital than they first agreed on, and in order that final payment could be made the banks in that city lent to the hospital with such subscriptions as collateral and say the only way it can be taken care of is by these being paid and reduce the note to that extent. Can they collect these subscriptions?

K. A.

I am of the opinion that they can collect.

# War Taxes Must and Will Be Reduced

CONGRESS is certain to put thru a tax-reduction program. It may not be in every detail what Secretary Mellon proposes, but in its effect on the great mass of business men—the business men of 43 states—and on the general taxpayer, Congress will give them all the relief suggested by Secretary Mellon and probably more, but it is not likely to take off quite as much from the millionaires as Mellon has recommended.

#### Mellon Plan of Tax-Reduction

Strong pressure is being brought to bear for the adoption of the Mellon plan of tax reduction. That section of the press which reflects the opinion of big business is unanimous in its demand that this plan be accepted without changing a punctuation mark. It wishes Congress to function as a rubber stamp and "okeh" on the dotted line the proposal of the Secretary of the Treasury.

That is not likely to happen. Congress, I am convinced, in undertaking the job of bringing taxes down, will exercise its judgment as to particulars and as to whose taxes shall be dealt with. In directing the operation Congress will say where the knife shall cut, how much it shall cut and where the knife shall be withheld.

#### Where Relief Should Start

In my opinion relief should come first to those upon whom the burden bears heaviest. The man who works for his income or derives it from his industry, ability, initiative and capital invested in his business, farm or factory, the man who gives employment to labor—he is the real wealth-producer of the Nation and the mainstay of its

prosperity. He should not be penalized by burdensome taxes while the "endowed loafer" escapes his share of the costs of Government thru tax-exempt securities and stock dividend melons.

Extreme care must be taken to make certain that no injustice shall be done any taxpayer, large or small. I particularly favor and shall use my best efforts toward reducing the normal tax, toward abolishing the so-called "nuisance taxes," and above all toward reducing the tax on earned income as distinguished from unearned income.

There must be no attempt to load the tax burden upon any particular group. No group should be relieved of its just share of taxes by giving it more than its proportion of relief. That must not be tolerated.

#### No Favoritism Wanted

Secretary Mellon, in my opinion, goes too far in the proposed reductions on incomes above \$100,000, and not far enough on incomes below \$25,000. There should be no favoritism shown the fortunate possessor of the big income.

The guns of the World War ceased firing five years ago. Yet the people continue to pay war taxes. In peace times war taxes are a dead weight on industry and enterprise. The load we are carrying is too heavy. It must be lightened.

Cutting straight to the heart of the matter, President Coolidge makes tax reduction the chief concern of his administration.

The Harding Administration left us as a legacy a cash surplus of some 300 millions in the Federal Treasury. This surplus was made possible by budget-system economies and by revenue from war

taxes and from import duties in excess of estimates.

President Coolidge wishes to share this surplus with the taxpayer. He would also share with the taxpayer the anticipated fruits of a continued policy of strict economy. As a means to this end he urges a downward revision of Federal tax laws.

#### No Dispute About Main Issue

There can be no dispute about the main issue. It is only a question of where the cuts shall be made, how the burden shall be lightened.

In his courageous fashion, the President sets the matter clearly before Congress. Secretary Mellon of the Treasury estimates that at least 320 million dollars can be given the taxpayer in tax reductions. I believe this reduction can be made without impairing the essential revenues of the Government even tho Congress votes the bonus for the soldiers as now proposed.

#### Square Deal in Tax Reduction

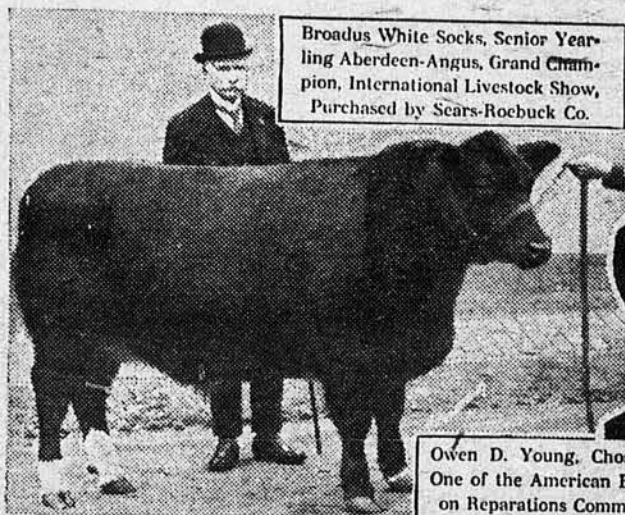
Tax reduction should be approached in a spirit of absolute fairness, with a determination to arrive at a solution that will serve the interests of the whole community. All that should be asked of the rich man—all that should be asked of any citizen—is that he carry his proportionate part of the load, share and share alike on the basis of ability to pay.

That is the only equitable basis. Nothing less will do, or is honorable or worthy of respect.

Arthur Capper

Washington, D. C.

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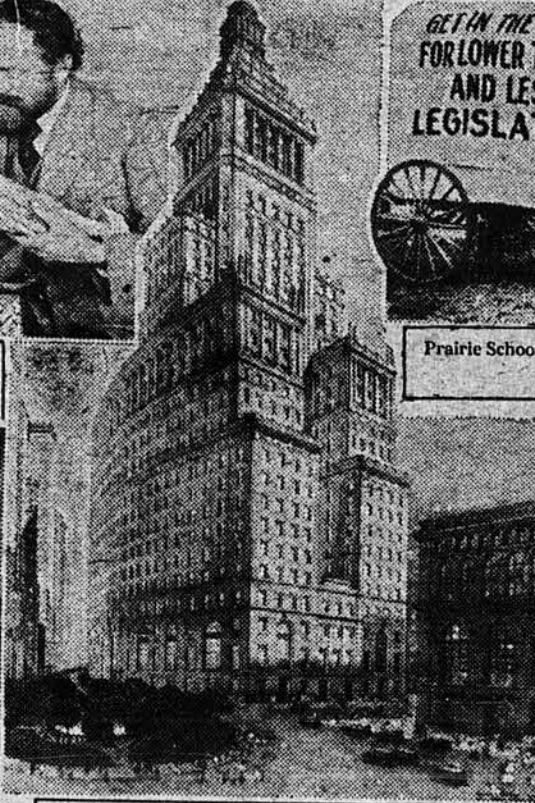


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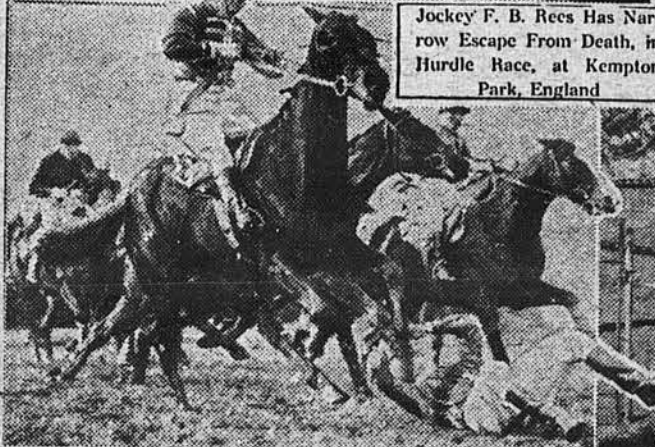
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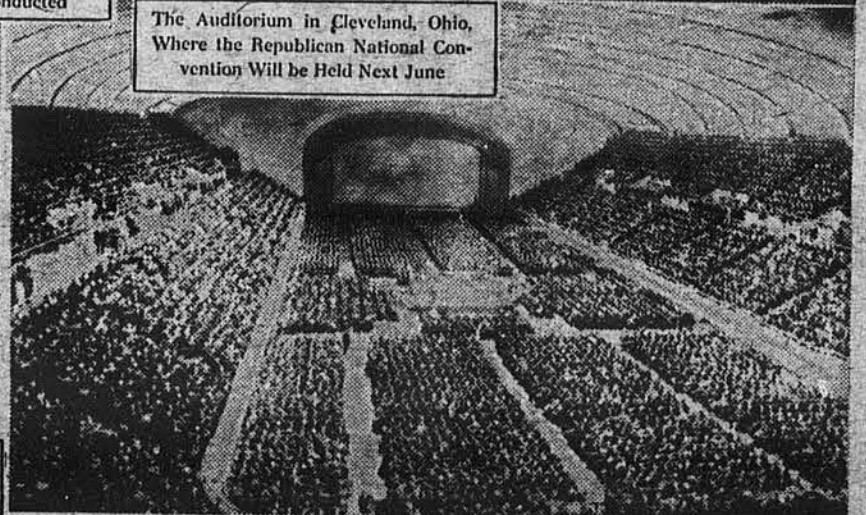
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# The Cross-Cut—By Courtney Ryley Cooper

## A Story of a Fight of Real Men for Wealth in the Silver Mines of Colorado

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IT WAS the last chance. Clutching fear at his heart, he told Mother Howard of the happenings at the mine, quickly, as plainly as possible. Then once more he went forth, to retrace his steps to the Blue Poppy, to buck the wind and the fine snow and the high, piled drifts, and to go below. But the surroundings were the same; still the cave-in, with its small hole where he had torn thru it, still the ragged hanging wall where Harry had fired the last shots of dynamite in his investigations, still the trampled bit of fuse with its cap attached. Nothing more. Gingerly Fairchild picked up the cap and placed it where a chance kick could not explode it. Then he returned to the shaft.

### Out Into the Night

Back into the black night, with the winds whistling thru the pines. Back to wandering about thru the hills, hurrying forward at the sight of every faint, dark object against the snow, in the hope that Harry, crippled by the cave-in, might have some way gotten out of the shaft. But they were only boulders or logs or stumps of trees. At midnight, Fairchild turned once more toward town and to the boarding house. But Harry had not appeared. There was only one thing left to do.

This time, when Fairchild left Mother Howard's, his steps did not lead him toward Kentucky Gulch. Instead he kept straight on up the street, past the little line of store buildings and to the courthouse, where he sought out the sole remaining light in the bleak, black building—Sheriff Bardwell's office. That personage was nodding in his chair, but removed his feet from the desk and turned drowsily as Fairchild entered.

"Well?" he questioned, "what's up?"

"My partner has disappeared. I want to report to you—and see if I can get some help."

"Disappeared? Who?"

"Harry Harkins. He's a big Cornishman, with a large mustache, very red face, about sixty years old, I should judge."

"Wait a minute," Bardwell's eyes narrowed. "Ain't he the fellow I arrested in the Blue Poppy mine the night of the Old Times dance?"

"Yes."

"And you say he's disappeared?"

"I think you heard me!" Fairchild spoke with some asperity. "I said that he had disappeared, and I want some help in hunting for him. He may be injured, for all I know, and if he's out here in the mountains anywhere, it's almost sure death for him unless he can get some aid soon. I—"

But the sheriff's eyes still remained suspiciously narrow.

"When does his trial come up?"

"A week from tomorrow."

"And he's disappeared." A slow smile came over the other man's lips. "I don't think it will help much to start any relief expedition for him. The thing to do is to get a picture and a general description and send it around to the police in the various parts of the country! That'll be the best way to find him!"

### A Search With No Success

Fairchild's teeth gritted, but he could not escape the force of the argument, from the sheriff's standpoint. For a moment there was silence, then the miner came closer to the desk.

"Sheriff," he said as calmly as possible, "you have a perfect right to give that sort of view. That's your business—to suspect people. However, I happen to feel sure that my partner would stand trial, no matter what the charge, and that he would not seek to evade it in any way. Some sort of an accident happened at the mine this afternoon—a cave-in or an explosion that tore out the roof of the tunnel—and I am sure that my partner is injured, has made his way out of the mine, and is wandering among the hills. Will you help me to find him?"

The sheriff wheeled about in his chair and studied a moment. Then he rose.

"Guess I will," he announced. "It can't do any harm to look for him, anyway."

Half an hour later, aided by two deputies who had been summoned from their homes, Fairchild and the sheriff left for the hills to begin the search

for the missing Harry. Late the next afternoon, they returned to town, tired, their horses almost crawling in their dragging pace after sixteen hours of travel thru the drifts of the hills and gullies. Harry had not been found, and so Fairchild reported when, with drooping shoulders, he returned to the boarding house and to the waiting Mother Howard. And both knew that this time Harry's disappearance was no joke, as it had been before. They realized that back of it all was some sinister reason, some mystery which they could not solve, for the present at least. That night, Fairchild faced the future and made his resolve.

There was only a week now until Harry's case should come to trial. Only a week until the failure of the defendant to appear should throw the deeds of the Blue Poppy mine into the hands of the court, to be sold for the amount of the bail. And despite the fact that Fairchild now felt his mine to be a bonanza, unless some sort of a miracle could happen before that time, the mine was the same as lost. True, it would go to the highest bidder at a public sale and any money brought in above the amount of bail would be returned to him. But who would be that bidder? Who would get the mine—perhaps for twenty or twenty-five thousand dollars, when it now was worth millions? Certainly not he. Already he and Harry had borrowed from Mother Howard all that she could lend them. True she had friends; but none could produce from twenty to two hundred thousand dollars for a mine, simply on his word. And unless something should happen to intervene, unless Harry should return, or in some way Fairchild could raise the necessary five thousand dollars to furnish a cash bond and again recover the deeds of the Blue Poppy, he was no better off than before the strike was made. Long he thought, finally to come to his conclusion, and then, with the air of a gambler who has placed his last bet to win or lose, he went to bed.

But morning found him awake long before the rest of the house was stirring. Downtown he hurried, to eat a hasty breakfast in the all-night restaurant, then to start on a search for men. The first workers on the street that morning found Fairchild offering

them six dollars a day. And by eight o'clock, ten of them were at work in the drift of the Blue Poppy mine, working against time that they might repair the damage which had been caused by the cave-in.

It was not an easy task. That day and the next and the next after that, they labored. Then Fairchild glanced at the progress that was being made and sought out the pseudo-foreman.

"Will it be finished by night?" he asked.

"Easily."

"Very well. I may need these men to work on a day and night shift, I'm not sure. I'll be back in an hour."

Away he went and up the shaft to travel as swiftly as possible thru the drift-piled road down Kentucky Gulch and to the Sampler. There he sought out old Undertaker Chastine, and with him went to the proprietor.

### A Deal With the Sampler

"My name is Fairchild, and I'm in trouble," he said candidly. "I've brought Mr. Chastine in with me because he assayed some of my ore a few days ago and believes he knows what it's worth. I'm working against time to get five thousand dollars. If I can produce ore that runs two hundred dollars to the ton, and if I'll sell it to you for one hundred seventy-five dollars a ton until I can get the money I need, provided I can get the permission of the court—will you put it thru for me?"

The Sampler owner smiled.

"If you'll let me see where you're getting the ore." Then he figured a moment. "That'd be thirty or forty ton," came at last. "We could handle that as fast as you could bring it in here."

But a new thought had struck Fairchild—a new necessity for money.

"I'll give it to you for one hundred fifty dollars a ton, providing you do the hauling and lend me enough after the first day or so to pay my men."

"But why all the excitement—and the rush?"

"My partner's Harry Harkins. He's due for trial Friday, and he's disappeared. The mine is up as security. You can see what will happen unless I can substitute a cash bond for the

amount due before that time. Isn't that sufficient?"

"It ought to be. But as I said, I want to see where the ore comes from."

"You'll see in the morning—if I've got it," answered Fairchild with a new hope thrilling in his voice. "All that I have so far is an assay of some drill scrapings. I don't know how thick the vein is or whether it's going to pinch out in ten minutes after we strike it. But I'll know mighty soon."

Every cent that Robert Fairchild possessed in the world was in his pockets—two hundred dollars. After he had paid his men for their three days of labor, there would be exactly twenty dollars left. But Fairchild did not hesitate. To Farrell's office he went and with him to an interview, in chambers, with the judge. Then, the necessary permission having been granted, he hurried back to the mine and into the drift, there to find the last of the muck being scraped away from beneath the site of the cave-in. Fairchild paid off. Then he turned to the foreman.

"How many of these men are game to take a chance?"

"Pretty near all of 'em—if there's any kind of a gamble to it."

"There's a lot of gamble. I've got just twenty dollars in my pocket—enough to pay each man one dollar apiece for a night's work if my hunch doesn't pan out. If it does pan, the wages are twenty dollars a day for three days, with everybody, including myself, working like hell! Who's game?"

### Into Real Ore

The answer came in unison. Fairchild led the way to the chamber, seized a hammer and took his place.

"There's two-hundred-dollar ore back of this foot wall if we can break in and start a new stope," he announced. "It takes a six-foot hole to reach it, and we can have the whole story by morning. Let's go!"

Along the great length of the foot wall, extending all the distance of the big chamber, the men began their work, five men to the drills and as many to the sledges, as they started their double-jacking. Hour after hour the clanging of steel against steel sounded in the big underground room, as the drills bit deeper and deeper into the hard formation of the foot wall, driving stealthily forward until their contact should have a different sound, and the muggy scrapings bear a darker hue than that of mere wallrock. Hour after hour passed, while the drill-turners took their places with the sledges, and the sledgers went to the drills—the turnabout system of "double-jacking"—with Fairchild, the eleventh man, filling in along the line as an extra sledge, that the miners might be the more relieved in their strenuous, frenzied work. Midnight came. The first of the six-foot drills sank to its ultimate depth. Then the second and third and fourth; finally the fifth. They moved on. Hours more of work, and the operation had been repeated. The workmen hurried for the powder house, far down the drift, by the shaft, lugging back in their pockets the yellow, candle-like sticks of dynamite, with their waxy wrappers and their gelatinous contents together with fuses and caps. Crimping nippers—the inevitable accompaniment of a miner—came forth from the pockets of the men. Careful tamping, then the men took their places at the fuses.

"Give the word!" one of them announced crisply as he turned to Fairchild. "Each of us'll light one of these things, and then I say we'll run! Because this is going to be some explosion!"

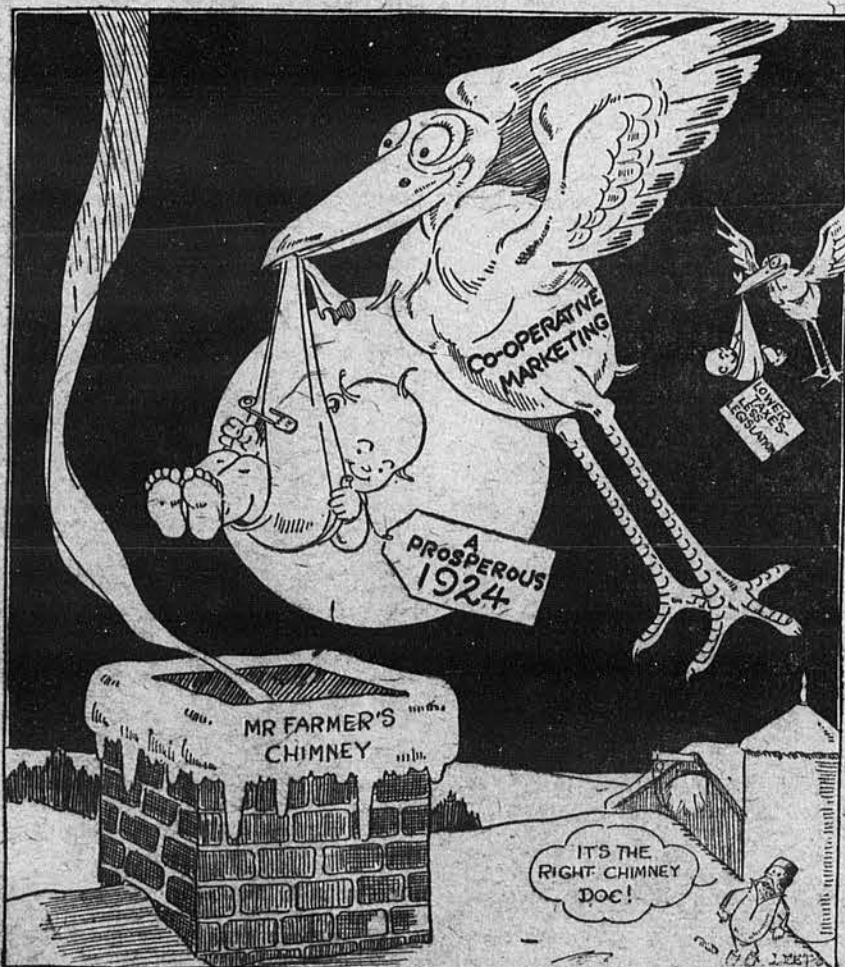
Fairchild smiled the smile of a man whose heart is thumping at its maximum speed. Before him in the long line of the foot wall were ten holes, "up-holes," "downs" and "swimmers," attacking the hidden ore in every direction. Ten holes drilled six feet into the rock and tamped with double charges of dynamite. He straightened.

"All right, men! Ready?"

"Ready!"

"Touch 'em off!"

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# Farm Bureau Sheds Its Coat

## State Organization Launches Broad Program in Annual Meeting at Emporia

BY M. N. BEELER

FARM bureau members in Kansas crave tax reform. At least delegates to the fifth annual convention of Kansas State Farm Bureau at Emporia, December 18 and 19, thought so and they definitely committed their organization to a program which will seek to levy taxes on the basis of "ability to pay rather than on inability to escape." The convention declared in favor of a gasoline tax for road building and maintenance so that the burden for that work may be lifted to some extent from real estate and farm property.

The delegates approved the constitutional amendment submitted by the last legislature which would require a classification of intangible property for taxation purposes. Other phases of the tax problem considered by the convention were taxation of incomes from tax exempt securities; of oil and mineral production; certain luxuries, such as tobacco, amusements and cosmetics; a state income tax. Regulation of passenger and commercial motor vehicles on highways, manufacture of road materials by the state prison and a state highway system wherein the local governments would have a greater voice in the building and location were considered. The delegates recommended that farmers give thoughtful consideration to the marketing plan suggested by the National Wheat Marketing Advisory Committee and to the co-operative marketing of eggs as suggested by the Kansas Egg Marketing Committee.

### Many Interesting Addresses Given

The two-day convention of the Kansas Farm Bureau at Emporia was one of the best the organization has ever held. An exceptional program was arranged. The subjects discussed by speakers reflect the problems that are occupying the attention of farmers and all progressive farm organizations. John G. Brown, president of the National Livestock Producers' Association,

explained the plan by which the producers' commission firms are saving marketing expense for their members. He explained that eventually the co-operatives would be able to stabilize the flow of stock to market and be able to prevent the violent daily and weekly fluctuations in prices. The organization started business two years ago without membership or capital. Now there are 13 co-operative firms on 13 big markets which are making material savings to several hundred thousand members.

### The Present Market Plan

R. N. Clarke, representative of the National Wheat Marketing Advisory Committee, explained the proposed marketing plan and the contract under which the organization will do business. This is the plan undertaken by Kansas wheat growers at the meeting in Topeka, December 12. Clyde M. Reed, chairman of the Kansas Public Utilities Commission, discussed the commission's plan for reducing freight rates and showed the injustices that now obtain from high freight rates on low priced farm products. Prof. Eric Englund, of Kansas State Agricultural College, outlined a tax program that would lift some of the tax burden from real estate and farm property and shift it to classes of property that are not now bearing a just portion of governmental expense.

C. R. Jaccard, Coffey county, submitted the plan of the Kansas Egg Marketing Committee for co-operative marketing of eggs. Among the other speakers were H. Umberger, dean of extension for Kansas State Agricultural College; Mrs. A. P. Foster, Sedgewick county, state home and community chairman, who explained the home and community program for women; Miss Amy Kelly, state home demonstration agent leader; Mrs. J. M. Timmons, Wyandotte county, leader of the Glenwood Canning Club in Leavenworth. (Continued on Page 17)

## Farmers' Week in Topeka

BIG problems need big men and the 53rd annual Farmers' Convention to be held under the auspices of the Kansas State Board of Agriculture will bring such men to face such problems.

Beginning in Representatives' Hall, State House, Topeka, on the evening of Wednesday, January 9, the three-day program will contain the names of some of the noted men from other states as well as strong men and women who "carry on" in Kansas under the present adverse agricultural conditions.

Dr. Alonzo E. Taylor, director of the great research institute at Leland Stanford University and who ranks among the first American authorities, will bring a full knowledge and ripe experience to the handling of the "Complexities in the Wheat Situation." Ex-Governor Frank O. Lowden of Illinois, who is now the president of the Holstein-Friesian Association of America and owner of the famous "Sinnissippi Farms" in his state, and who presides over the destinies of the National Wheat Growers' Advisory Committee, will tell of "Organized Agriculture" and its methods and possibilities. Ex-Governor W. L. Harding, of Iowa, presents another phase of rural activity in his discussion of "County Fairs as Community Builders" on which he takes high rank as an authority.

Under the title "Wheat and Chaff" DeWitt C. Wing, editor of the Breeders' Gazette at Chicago, will present those ideas of sanity, sense and courage which have characterized his paper and made of it the greatest exponent of a balanced farm life as well as a balanced agriculture in America.

"Our Real Farm People" will be identified by Mrs. Albert Brickell of Florence, a delightful speaker who will introduce a class of Americans about whom there is getting to be too little known. As Kansans are mostly farm people the problem of "Keeping Kansas in the Forefront" by Judge E. Allen Frost, Counselor of the National Advertising Association, will help us to realize our own importance.

Friday afternoon will be devoted largely to the dairy interests of the state, beginning with an inimitable address by Senator Emerson Carey of Hutchinson on "A Little Child Shall Lead Them, With a Calf" and followed by Prof. M. E. Olson of the Kansas State Agricultural College; O. Hanson, manager of a Farmers' Co-operative Creamery in Nebraska and J. H. Frandsen, Dairy Counselor of the Capper Farm Press.

Prof. L. E. Call, Chief of the Department of Agronomy of the Kansas State Agricultural College, will discuss legumes in our agriculture. Dr. O. O. Wolf, of Ottawa, who is one of the most experienced breeders and veterinarians in the state, will give inside information about livestock remedies and Secretary C. A. Babbitt of the Kansas State Association of Fairs, will discuss the aims of that important organization.

During the various sessions music will be furnished by the Washburn Girls' Glee Club, which entertained so delightfully last year, and by the Santa Fe Glee Club with their comic songs and Southern melodies.

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## Health in the Family

### Every Farm Home Should Keep on Hand a Supply of Adhesive Plaster for Emergency Use

BY DR. CHARLES H. LEHRIGO

I KNOW of nothing with which I can give so much surgical help, so much medical help, and also so much first aid to almost any broken surfaces as adhesive plaster. Any doctor who had to get along without it would feel that he worked under a distinct handicap. Every country home can find good use for it. I think the best size for general use is the 5 or 10-yard roll of 2-inch width, and I suggest from my experience that you ask for "ZO" adhesive. The 2-inch strip may be wider than is needed for small jobs, but it is easily torn down to any desired size.

In cuts or any wounds in which the skin is broken put on a dressing of sterile gauze next to the wound and put the plaster over it to retain the dressing in place. In deep cuts you may save a bad scar by applying a strip of plaster on each side of the cut and then drawing the two strips together with stitches. In places where there is no muscle resistance this is almost as efficient as having a doctor sew up the wound by stitching thru the skin.

Adhesive plaster is an excellent dressing for a sprained ankle. When the plaster is properly applied the patient may get about with comfort. In fractured ribs a dressing of adhesive plaster, put on while the patient makes the chest as small as possible, is a great help. It may also be used to support a broken collar bone. It is no good in breaks of the extremities excepting to hold splints and dressing in place, but for that it is invaluable.

The skin must be clean and dry before application and much better adhesion is secured if it is carefully freed from grease. The hair should be shaved from the skin where the plaster is to be applied if good adhesion is to be expected and especially is this good advice from the viewpoint of the patient, when removal is attempted.

To preserve adhesive plaster, keep it in a cool dark place. Protect it especially from direct sunlight. Protect from direct exposure to air. Its keeping qualities are wholly dependent upon these conditions. When a little is used from a large roll, wrap the roll and replace in its box or can and close the lid.

#### Milk from Tuberculous Cows

I would like to know if butter made from a cow that has tuberculosis is injurious to health, or if the bacilli that may be in the milk are killed in the process of souring the cream.

Butter made from a cow having tuberculosis is as dangerous as the cream from which it is made. The souring of the cream does not kill the bacilli.

#### Treatment for Boils

What is the cause of boils and how can they be prevented? After a person has one what can he do so he will not get any more?

When crops of boils come it is well to remember that two things are to be considered. 1—Infection from external agents. 2—Lack of resistance to the infection. I knew a man who had boils on scalp and neck repeatedly until

he threw away an old cap. It is well to search for the point of infection. Resistance is built up by rest, careful and nourishing diet and sometimes by vaccination with an autogenous vaccine. I think that in some cases medicines are decidedly helpful, but there is no one medicine. Each case must be handled on its own merits.

#### Operation for Appendicitis Needed

I have been troubled with appendicitis more than a year. Will a bad appendix affect other organs? A near relative made the remark last night, "Oh, it is just your appendix, there is no hurry." What do you think? I am 34 years old and have two children.

S. M.

Once more let me say that appendicitis is one of the most treacherous of diseases. It does affect other organs, both actively and by reflex. The removal of a diseased appendix generally clears up a number of ailments that one would not expect to be related to it. If any member of my family had a diseased appendix I should now be arranging for its removal.

### Capper Pig Club News

BY RAYMOND H. GILKESON  
Club Manager

#### We are Looking for Ambitious Boys and Girls Who Wish to Win Prizes

I SUSPECT Santa brought you lots of mail, didn't he? Well, he didn't forget us and here is what one letter said—"My sister and I are just crazy to join your clubs." This boy and girl are going to have an opportunity to join our clubs and they are going to be real live members, too.

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Girls between 10 and 18 years old are eligible to join the poultry club and they have the choice of entering one of three departments—baby chick, small and large pen departments. In the baby chick department, 20 chicks are entered; in the small pen department, eight hens or pullets and one cock or cockerel are entered, and in the large pen, 15 hens or pullets and one or two cockerels. Records in all departments are simple and easily followed. Senator Capper will lend money to purchase purebred chickens if a girl is unable to get them.

If you think you would like to start a business of your own, cut out the application blank which you will find at the bottom of the page, send it to the club managers and you will receive complete instructions. Line up now.

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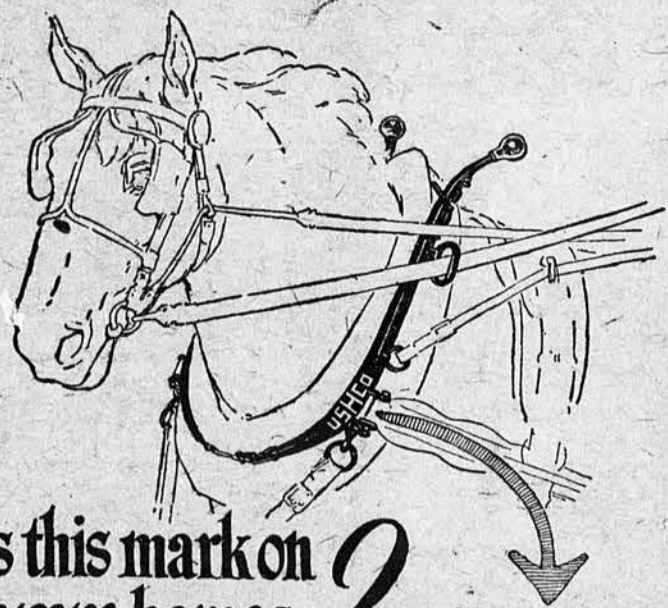
I will try to get the required recommendations, and if chosen as a representative of my county I will carefully follow all instructions concerning the club work and will comply with the contest rules. I promise to read articles concerning club work in the Kansas Farmer and Mail & Breeze, and will make every effort to acquire information about care and feeding of my contest entry.

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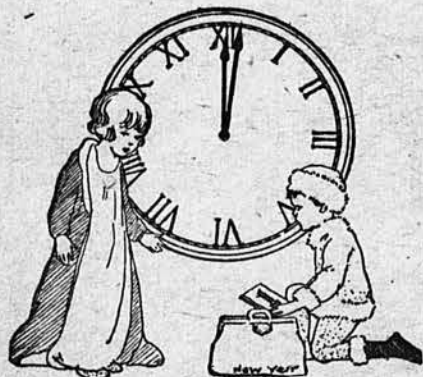
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# Our Kansas Farm Homes

Mrs. Ida Migliario  
—EDITOR—



**T**HRU snow-bent branches flits the blue-coat-jay; The dawns are pale, the nights are keen and clear; And trudging earthward down the Milky Way, Old January brings another year.

## Care of Your Ferns

Of all ferns, the Boston fern has for some years been the favorite, partly because if properly handled, it is the most decorative, and partly because it is not difficult to care for if a few general rules are followed.

To do its best, it must have a light, spongy soil and plenty of root room. The Boston fern is propagated by runners which are sent out by the old plant and take root wherever a joint comes in contact with soil. The plant should be kept out of the sun at all times, and it should have plenty of water.

If it is necessary to divide a large fern, cut down between the divisions of the crown with a very sharp knife, leaving some roots with each part, and pot in a soil made of leaf mold and garden loam mixed with some coarse sand. Often the ferns will droop in the house and appear to be dying, when all that is needed is a good bath for all ferns are very dependent upon moisture.

## Plants Need Bathing

The pot should be placed in a tub and sponged off with soapy water at least every few weeks. This will safeguard against insects, too, and you will be surprised at the new start the plant will take. When a fern does not seem to be thriving, if a couple of raw oysters are buried under the dirt close to the roots of the plant, a rapid improvement will be noticed. The oysters nourish the plant life, and give it a new start.

Among the low growing ferns, Maidenhair, Moonwort and Oakfern are good, and the foliage is attractive. These are suitable for the dining table, and as they do not need the sunshine, will thrive there as well as anywhere else. But all the house plants are dependent upon fresh air and the room where plants are kept should be aired daily.

Anna Deming Gray.

## Recipes Using Prepared Bran

Cereals which are ready to serve when purchased blend into the following recipes with pleasing results.

### Bran Bread

2 cups bran 1/2 cup molasses  
1 cup boiling water 1 1/2 teaspoons salt  
1 tablespoon shortening 1 yeast cake soaked in 1/2 cup lukewarm water  
4 cups flour

Pour boiling water over bran and let stand 1/2 hour. Add shortening (melted), molasses, salt, yeast and flour. Beat well, let rise, turn into buttered bread pans, let rise again and bake 1 hour.

### Bran, Nut and Raisin Bread

1/2 cup brown sugar 1/2 cup water  
1/2 cup milk 1/2 cup molasses  
1 cup flour 2 teaspoons baking powder  
1 cup bran 1 teaspoon salt  
1/2 cup English walnut meats 1/2 cup raisins

Mix in the order given, sifting flour, baking powder and salt. Add raisins and nut meats dusted well with flour.

Pour into buttered bread pan, having the pan three-quarters full. Bake slowly 2 hours or longer. Nut meats may be omitted.

### Quick Bran Bread

Mix 1 cup bran, 1 1/4 cups flour, 2 teaspoons baking powder and 1 teaspoon salt together. Add 3/4 cup milk or water, 1/4 cup molasses and 1 well beaten egg. Thoroughly beat and pour into a buttered bread pan. Bake in a moderate oven 1 1/2 hours.

### Bran Porridge

Bring to a boil 1 cup of milk and 1 cup of water, add 1/2 teaspoon of salt, 1/4 cup oatmeal and 1/4 cup of bran. Place in a double boiler and boil 1/2 hour. Serve with sugar and cream or sugar and butter. All water may be used if desired.

### Bran Griddle Cakes

1 cup bran 1 teaspoon baking powder  
1 cup flour 1 cup milk  
1 tablespoon sugar 1/2 cup milk  
1/2 tablespoon butter 1 egg  
1/2 teaspoon salt

Mix dry materials, add egg slightly beaten and milk and butter. Beat thoroughly and bake on a hot griddle. Serve with butter and sirup. This will make 20 cakes.

### Bran Doughnuts

1 1/2 cups bran 2 teaspoons baking powder  
1 1/2 cups flour 1/2 cup sugar  
1 tablespoon butter 1/2 cup milk  
1 egg 1 teaspoon salt

Cream butter and sugar. Add egg well beaten. Mix and sift dry ingredients and add to the first mixture. Roll on a floured board. Cut with a doughnut cutter. Fry in hot, deep fat.

## Refinishing Bulletin is Ready

Almost every housewife has stored away somewhere an old piece or two of furniture that is perfectly good except that it needs refinishing. And refinishing is expensive and difficult to get done. So tables and chairs and bedroom suites, many of them of excellent wood and style, continue to litter up the attic and the woodshed.

Refinishing can be done at home very satisfactorily and economically, if you know how. A bulletin entitled "Refinishing Furniture" has just been issued by the extension division of the Kansas State Agricultural College. Mrs. Harriet Allard, specialist in household management, is the author. The bulletin tells how to remove old finish and prepare the wood for the new finish, either stain or enamel. Directions for waxing also are given.

"The directions for refinishing furniture are simple and practical," says the introduction of the bulletin. "They may be followed for almost any type of refinishing that the average ama-

teur will attempt in the home. Wise selection of furniture, knowledge of how to remove old finish and to apply the new with careful work and necessary patience will insure a finished product of surpassing beauty, fully compensating time, effort and money expended."

The bulletin, "Refinishing Furniture," may be obtained from the extension division of the Kansas State Agricultural College at Manhattan, Kan.

## Farm Home News

BY MRS. DORA L. THOMPSON

**AS PLANNED**, we had our union meeting of home nursing classes in Thompsonville, December 8. About 100 persons sat down to an excellent chicken pie dinner. Among the invited guests present were W. P. Lambertson of the State Board of Administration, Dr. Nyburg of the State Board of Health and Jerry Kimball of Brown county. Dr. Nyburg, in his talk to the class, urged the members to adopt the fad that is being promoted by health authorities of having a thorough physical examination on their birthday.

This is somewhat along the line the Japanese follow. They are said to hire doctors to keep them well. Dr. True of the tuberculosis staff in Topeka gave a talk on "The Chance of the Child." The work of public health nurses in cities provided the material for her discussion. Compared with the rural school located in a county where there is no county nurse, the city children seem to have some decided advantages. The only examination our school children get is the dental examination.

These classes in home nursing have been conducted by M. Pearl Martin from the Kansas State Agricultural College, co-operating with the county Farm Bureau.

### Many Hogs Killed

The wide spread between the price of hogs on foot and the price of fresh pork ham in the meat market has caused an unusually large number of hogs to be butchered this fall. Only 5 cents a pound is being paid for hogs but 17 cents a pound is the price of the fresh ham in this locality.

### Capon by Mail

For several years we have mailed a capon at Christmas time to an Iowa cousin. Different guests have liked the meat well enough to send for one for their table until we now have quite

a list of orders from that state. This is a case of the goods advertising themselves.

We have always dressed the chickens ready for the table, the probably the best way would be to have them undrawn. The chickens should not be fed for a day or two when they are to be shipped undrawn. Post office authorities were quoted as saying last year that many neglected to say what was in the package and they had to guess that it was fresh meat that should be kept in cold rooms.

### A Good Remedy for Roup

A letter from a New York inquirer states that the roup remedy suggested to her has cured 250 chickens of the ailment. This simple remedy is a pint of melted lard, about 2 tablespoons of turpentine and a few drops of carbolic acid. Hold the birds' bill over the nostrils in the grease until it sneezes. This, repeated twice a day for a few days, usually effects a cure.

### How to Save Your Cyclamen

During the winter you may receive a cyclamen in full bloom for a gift. After it is thru blooming, place it in a cool, dry place and let it dry out. In the spring or early summer, bury the pot containing the root to the rim, under a tree or on the north side of the house. Keep fairly moist and

### A New Year's Resolution

**T**O BE contented, but not satisfied; to be a credit to the work I am doing and to make that work a credit to me; to greet each new day with a smile of confidence and end it with one of satisfaction; to work heartily, to play freely, and to deal squarely with my God, my fellowmen and with myself—this is my New Year's resolution.

—Kellogg's.

leave it alone. Along in the fall new leaves will come up. Then repot the root, using rich loam and take care that the root is half above the ground. You will be rewarded by another crop of lovely flowers.

### Pretty Housedress Here

A housedress of gingham—in two shades of lavender and lemon yellow—is a dainty choice. This little dress is trimmed down the long surplice closing and around the short sleeves with lavender and is easy to make and easy to iron.

It is made in one-piece style with an elastic casing on the underside of a waistline slightly lower than normal and is fastened by means of two large pearl buttons and snaps. It unwraps, and you walk into it as you would a coat—a feature that will appeal to women who do not like the slip-over type of dress. There are two sets of snaps between the neck and the waist and four between the waistline and the 4-inch hem.

This also is a pattern over which a street dress may be made, the addition of a plain or metallic girdle being all that is necessary in the completion of a silk or wool frock. Of course in a frock of these finer materials it is no advantage to know you can lay it flat over the ironing board.

Halley Hayden Hershey.



## A Happy New Year to You

**N**EW Years Day makes me glad. I think it makes everyone glad. For to most of us it means the opening of another closed door behind which lie bright, luring things that go to make up hope eternal and lead us on. It is well to pause for just a minute and look back over the way we have come before we open the door. Has it been an easy way? Not always. Have we met obstacles and temptations and overcome them? Yes and no. We have met them but we are human. We have been defeated sometimes, but not always. Looking back on the highway we see some darkened, shadowed places. Ah, yes, the bitter hours, the tears, the disappointments! We well remember passing over these places. But most of the way was bright and sunny. Some places sparkle in the garden of memory like dew drops on an April morn. These are the minutes of victory, the glory of goals reached and successes won. These are the fellowship of friends and loved ones.

After all, it was a pleasant journey. There were more smiles than tears. So we come to the closed door, to the tomorrow, to the unknown, knowing only that here is a clean, white sheet upon which we are to write a record. We come with gladness in our hearts, and with hope reborn in our souls. May we use wisely the precious new minutes that are before us!

Rachel Ann Nelswender.



# A Number of Patterns in One

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BY MRS. HELEN LEE CRAIG

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## Business and Markets

### The Outlook for Trade Conditions in 1924 Seems Favorable for Both Business and Farming

BY JOHN W. SAMUELS

WITH the approach of the closing days of the present year, the business situation is clarifying in many ways. There is a confident tone in the iron and steel industry which many persons regard as our safest business barometer. In this optimistic view the First National Bank of Boston concurs and in its recent financial review says: "During the last two weeks a considerably more optimistic attitude toward the near-by future of business has appeared. The outgo of funds into industry has increased perceptibly, and is reflected in a larger volume of bank loans and a more active commercial paper market. With trade and financial conditions on a more stable foundation, based on an underlying 5 per cent money rate, both industry and the security markets are active and generally healthy."

### Farm Prosperity Depends on Livestock

So far as farming is concerned on the production side, since the great money crops are now known factors, the key to the development of the next four months rests with the livestock industries. In fact, it is with the farm animals that the greatest uncertainties lie. The swine industry is liquidating, probably incident to heading out of a period of very heavy production. The dairy industry seems heading into a period of heavier production. Beef cattle producers are trying to catch their breath after three years of depression. The sheep industry is riding the crest of a remarkable wave of prosperity. Just where these various enterprises are going to stand six months hence is anybody's guess.

Moreover, on where they stand depend the profit or loss from a vast crop of grain, hay and forage grown under unusual difficulties. It is one thing to figure up big corn and hay crop values on paper; but to actually realize those values in terms of hogs and dairy products sold during the next four months may take a master hand.

### Corn Market Outlook

Owing to the unfavorable feeding ratio between prices of hogs and corn, the present tendency is to curtail hog production and sell more corn. Furthermore, corn prices may have some stimulating effect on acreage next spring. The outcome is likely to be lower prices for corn and a higher hog market ultimately, but it will take some time to bring this readjustment about. Based on present indications corn prices until well along in 1924 should remain as high or higher than in the corresponding months of last year.

High prices tend to attract more corn into commercial channels. The crop and carry-over in the Corn Belt, which furnishes most of the commercial supply, is slightly larger than last year, but the East and South, which always buy a good deal of the corn leaving the surplus states, have small crops. The industrial demand should compare favorably with the last twelve months. Exports declined about

115 million bushels in the last year and offer but little hope of improvement unless prices are much lower.

The new corn crop together with the carry-over of old corn will furnish a bushelage approximately 1 per cent greater than last year but less in feeding value as the quality of the new crop is 79.4 per cent compared with 85 in 1922. The number of hogs, cattle and sheep to be fed is greater than last year but the present tendency is to use corn more frugally and larger crops of oats, barley, grain sorghums and the use of more lowgrade wheat will take care of part of the increase in feeding requirements.

### Kansas Livestock Sales

Prices for fat cattle early in the week were lower, and later most of the loss, except for heavy steers was regained. Stockers and feeders ruled strong until the middle of the week and then declined moderately. Hog prices yielded to a moderate decline, but general trade was active and offerings were cared for readily. Strong weight and heavy hogs are bringing a premium over the lighter weight classes. Lambs are 25 to 35 cents higher and sheep are stronger.

Receipts this week at Kansas City were 45,500 cattle, 11,000 calves, 80,350 hogs, 23,400 sheep as compared with 57,025 cattle, 12,725 calves, 79,200 hogs and 26,175 sheep last week, and 39,325 cattle, 6,500 calves, 59,100 hogs and 21,850 sheep a year ago.

### Beef Cattle Top is \$10.25

Monday and Tuesday most classes of fat cattle declined 15 to 25 cents but later the light and handy weight kinds regained the loss, but heavy steers remained weak up to the close. Practically all the fat steers offered were short fed. The top price, \$10.25 was paid for 950 pound yearlings that had been fed around three months. Most of the 60-day fed steers brought \$7.50 to \$9. Some 1,400 pound steers brought \$9.50 and plain light weight "warmed up" steers, sold as low as \$6.50. Cows averaged steady. Medium classes of heifers declined 15 to 25 cents. Veal calves were off 25 to 50 cents and bulls were steady.

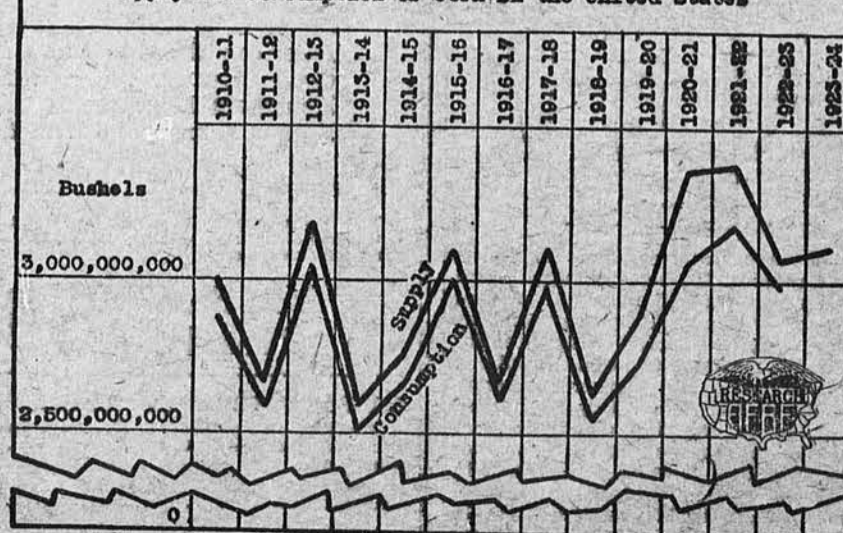
In the first two days of the week, prices for stockers and feeders held firm but in the last two days of the week there was a moderate decline. However, volume of business was fully normal for this season of the year.

### Hogs Decline 25 Cents

Trade in hogs was active all week, but prices eased-off, slightly each day, and finally were 20 to 25 cents lower than a week ago. Demand remained large. There was a large demand from the Southwest for good fat grades, and packers are increasing their call for heavy hogs. The top price was \$6.70 and bulk of sales \$6.25 to \$6.65. Packing sows sold at \$6 to \$6.25 and pigs and stock hogs at \$5 to \$5.50.

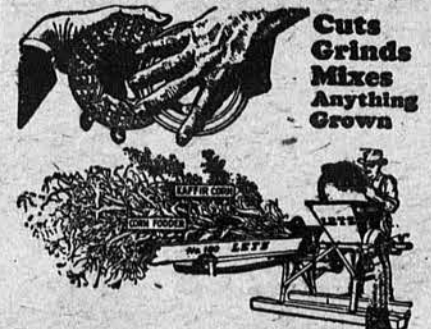
Demand for both sheep and lambs was active all week and lamb prices closed 25 to 35 cents higher and sheep (Continued on Page 17)

### Supply and Consumption of Corn in the United States



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She'll catch the best pink china cups and play that they are trout,  
And when she drops the line again she'll draw spoon minnows out;  
The plates, of course, are flounders (so round and flat, you know);  
The kitchen knives are hungry sharks out watching for a foe.

Each saucepan is a pollywog, with handle for a tail,  
And—"There she blows"—the frying pan, how very like a whale!  
There's nothing left, pour out the sea and put the fish away  
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## What Four Kansas Towns?

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The letters forming the above sentence also form the name of four Kansas towns, using each letter but once. For the first five boys or girls who can name the four towns correctly we have a package of postcards each. Send your answers to the Puzzle Editor, Kansas Farmer, Topeka, Kan. Be sure to address them to Puzzle Editor.

## Letter Guessing

Read these riddles aloud to the family, withholding the answers, and see how many can guess them.

Why is the letter Q the most helpless letter in the alphabet? Because it

never undertakes anything unless U is right behind it.  
What letter in the alphabet should be the most shunned? S, because it always leads in sin and is always crooked.

What letter should be the most sought after? A, because it always leads in ability.

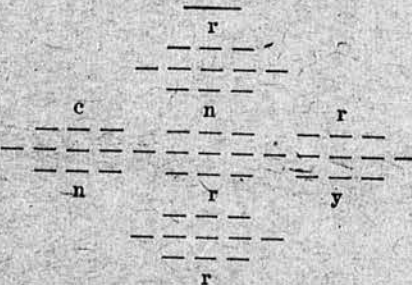
What letter is the most detestable? G, because it always leads in graft, greed and gambling.

What letter is the most successful? E, because it leads in both earnest and endeavor.

What letter is the most spiritual? F, because it always leads in prayer.

What letter is most liked by children? F, because it is first in freedom, fun and frolic.

## Connected Diamonds



Upper diamond: 1. A consonant. 2. To plunder. 3. A bird. 4. A place for corn. 5. A consonant.

Central diamond: 1. A consonant. 2. An abbreviation for a month. 3. Not at any time. 4. A small insect. 5. A consonant.

Lower diamond: 1. A consonant. 2. A metal. 3. A stream of water. 4. A boy's name. 5. A consonant.

Left-hand diamond: 1. A consonant. 2. A vehicle. 3. A narrow gorge. 4. Ends with X. 5. A consonant.

Right-hand diamond: 1. A consonant. 2. A body of water. 3. Prepared. 4. To sum up. 5. A consonant.

Fill in the blank spaces with letters so as to make each word (the words are to be guessed from the definitions given) in each diamond read the same across as from top to bottom. One letter in each of the outside diamonds is used to make up the central diamond. Can you complete each diamond? Send your solution to the Young Folks' Editor, the Kansas Farmer and Mail and Breeze, Topeka, Kan., who will give to the first five boys or girls sending the correct solution a copy of a pamphlet telling how to play more than 60 jolly games.

## In Our Letter Box

I have a little yellow horse 4 years old that my Grandma and Grandpa gave me. Its name is Patty. Then I have a calf which my Papa gave me providing I would feed it. Its name is Buttercup. I have eight pet cats.

Elizabeth May Drury.  
Selma, Kan.

## A Pet Rabbit Named Fluff

I am 10 years old and in the fourth grade. I have a pet rabbit named Fluff. Sometimes she will stand up on her hind legs. Sometimes I take her out of her box and let her run around in the yard. But I watch her. She washes her face. Erma Bethel.

Salina, Kan.

## The Puzzler

A bottle and a cork cost \$1.10, the bottle costing \$1 more than the cork. What did each cost? See how many can answer \$1.05 and 5 cents.

## See What Letters Can Do

There is magic in the alphabet. Change the order of the letters in a word as directed below and see what you get. Try it without looking at the answers.

Transpose the backbone into a game bird.

Transpose a covering for the foot into another covering for the foot.

Transpose the opposite of heat into a hard lump of earth.

Transpose wanting in volume or body into a suggestion or an insinuation.

Transpose to join together into to separate.

Transpose to hurl into value.

Transpose the retreat and flight of an army into a trip.

Transpose to gaze fixedly into small drops of fluid from a lachrymal gland.

(Answers: Spine, snipe; shoe, hose; cold, clod; thin, hint; unite, untie; throw, worth; rout, tour; stare, tears.)

## To Twist Your Tongue

See how fast you can say these. You are welcome to send your favorite tongue twisters for publication here.

Poor Polly Prim proposed to Peter Pimples without her Pa's permission.

Because bees began buzzing, Bill's best blouse buttons broke.

I saw a vile viper in a vase of vinegar.

You have felt it  
and maybe heard it,  
yet you never saw it  
and what's more  
you never want to

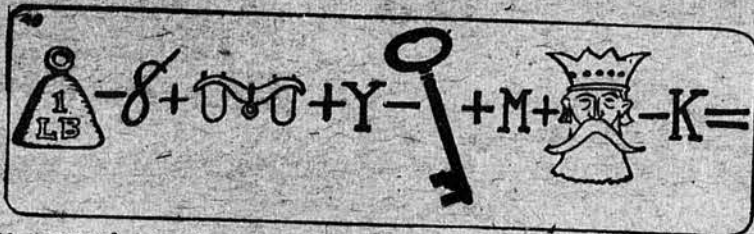
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## Obvious

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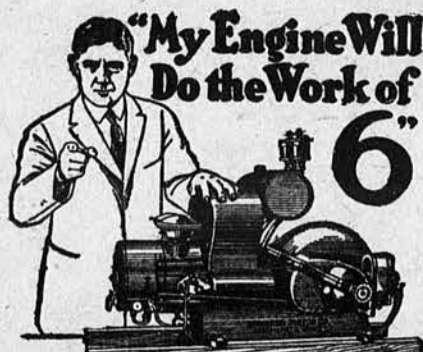
"Count it!" said the promising youth.



The name of a western state is concealed in this puzzle. When you find what it is send your answer to the Puzzle Editor, the Kansas Farmer and Mail and Breeze, Topeka, Kan. There will be a package of postcards each for the first five boys or girls answering correctly.



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## New Year Brings Good Cheer

The Nation's Crops Are Worth \$8,322,695,000 or About \$872,891,000 More Than for Last Year'

BY JOHN W. WILKINSON

THE New Year, according to all reports received, will start upon its course under most propitious circumstances in every way. Recent statistics made public by the United States Department of Agriculture show higher yields and increased prices for nearly all farm crops. An increase of about 600,000 acres in the planted area lifted the total value of this year's crops \$872,891,000 above last year. Value of this year's crops is placed at \$8,322,695,000 by the Department of Agriculture in its final crop report of the year. The values were based on the farm price of the crops as found on December 1.

Corn is the Nation's most valuable crop with a total estimated value of \$2,222,013,000. Cotton ranks second with an aggregate value of \$1,708,885,000.

#### Hay Also Exceeds a Billion

Hay was the only other crop whose value exceeded a billion dollars, its total being \$1,390,967,000.

Hay production is about 6,800,000 tons less than last year but the value of the crop is about 50 million dollars above last year's because of higher prices.

Acre yields were larger this year than last for corn, winter wheat, oats, barley, potatoes, tobacco, sugar beets and peanuts. Smaller acre yields than last year were reported for spring wheat, rye, buckwheat, flaxseed, rice, hay and cotton.

The acre yield of corn averaged just 1 bushel an acre more than last year's acre yield and the price was almost 7 cents a bushel more, while the total production was 3,054,395,000 bushels, or 148 million bushels larger than last year. The area planted was 1,312,000 acres more than last year, and the value about \$11 million dollars more.

The area of cotton picked was about 4,400,000 acres more than last year but the yield an acre was 12.8 pounds less. Total production is 219,183 bales more and with the price a pound 7.2c more than last year, the total value of the lint is about 400 million dollars above last year's crop estimate.

#### Wheat Production Lower

Winter wheat yields averaged seven-tenths of a bushel an acre more than last year, and the total production was only about 14 million bushels less than last year on an area of 2,836,000 acres less than last year. The price was 9.7c less a bushel.

Yields of spring wheat were 2.7 bushels an acre less than last year, the area was about 1,200,000 acres less and the estimated total production is about 77 million bushels less.

The Government authorities estimate that about 40,191,000 acres were sown to wheat in the United States this fall or approximately 5,759,000 acres less than for last year, a reduction of 12.6 per cent.

The condition of the Nation's wheat crop December 1 was 88 per cent of normal, which is 1.5 points better than the 10-year average condition on that date, showing the crop goes into winter in good condition. Abandonment of acreage last winter amounted to 6,428,000 acres, or 14 per cent of the acreage

sown. Abandonment in the previous 10 years averaged 9.8 per cent, ranging from 1 per cent to 31 per cent in the various years.

If the average annual abandonment occurs this winter, it would leave about 36,252,000 acres to be harvested next summer.

The largest reduction in acreage was in Missouri, which was 25 per cent below last year's sowings. Kansas and Indiana showed a 13 per cent reduction; Nebraska 12 per cent; Illinois, 17 per cent; Oklahoma, 8 per cent; Ohio 6 per cent, and Pennsylvania, 5 per cent. Washington showed a 10 per cent increase in acreage.

#### Kansas Has 10 Million Acres

The acreage planted to winter wheat in Kansas is estimated by Edward C. Paxton, Federal Statistician of the United States Department of Agriculture at Topeka, at 10,081,000 acres with a condition of 84 per cent for December as compared with 73 per cent for last year and 80 per cent for the last five years. If present favorable weather conditions continue the yield next year may greatly exceed that of this year despite the reduction in acreage.

Altogether the wheat outlook so far as prices are concerned for 1924 is not very encouraging and it means that farmers will have to use considerable skill and foresight in marketing this crop. The formation of wheat pools, and co-operative marketing of this grain, under the direction of wise leaders and reliable market experts, will be the only way to avoid disaster and heavy losses. Wheat has declined about 5 cents during the last month due to developments indicating World supplies probably in excess of previous estimates and in excess of the World's needs. Next year farmers will have to make further reductions in wheat acreages and plant more of their land to other crops.

#### Farm Conditions by Counties

Local conditions of crops, livestock, farm work and rural markets are shown in the following county reports of the special correspondents of the Kansas Farmer and Mail & Breeze:

**Clay**—Many farmers are taking advantage of the good roads and are hauling wheat to market. Others are storing it. There are many public sales. Rural market report: Wheat, 90c; corn, 60c; oats 45c; eggs, 34c; butterfat, 51c; butter 50c.—P. R. Farslund.

**Greenwood**—Another rain fell on the 11th of December which will delay plowing. No threshing is being done because of the wet weather. Farm sales are not numerous. No road work is being done. Livestock is in excellent condition.—A. H. Brothers.

**Greenwood**—We have had several very wet snows and rain, and the roads are in a very bad condition. Some plowing is being done between rains. The wet weather has badly damaged the feed and there may be a shortage before next spring. Rural market report: Eggs, 40c; cream, 55c.—John H. Fox.

**Gove and Sheridan**—About 7 inches of snow and rain fell during the week of December 9. The snow is beginning to melt. Corn shelling and shucking is beginning in earnest again. It is too wet at present to thresh, and this is going to delay the farmers in filling contracts for January 1 and 15 for corn, cane, kafir, and milo, which were contracted early at a good figure for these dates. Present prices are 25c to 40c lower now. Livestock is in splendid condition.—John I. Aldrich.

**Harper**—Rain fell in this county recently.

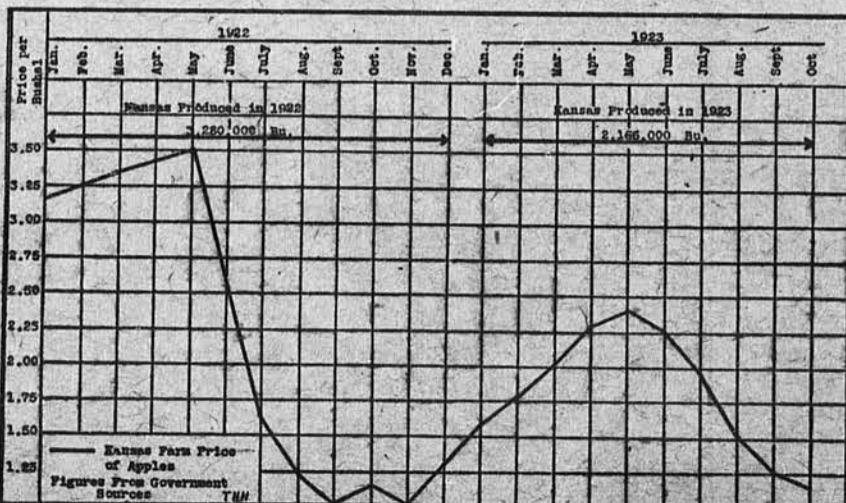


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Johnson—A heavy rain fell here the last part of the week. Roads are in bad condition. Some farmers are having sales and leaving the farm. Some of the livestock men in the county are holding their hogs for better markets. Rural market report: Corn, 65c; potatoes, \$1.60; butterfat, 50c; eggs, 40c; hens, 18c.—Mrs. B. B. Whitelaw.

Kingman—The wheat pasture is almost gone. Most of the livestock is in splendid condition. Rural market report: Alfalfa hay, \$15; hogs, \$5.50; eggs, 35c; ducks, 8c; butterfat, 53c; wheat, 95c; corn, 76c; bran, \$1.40; hens, 14c.—J. F. Kirkpatrick.

Lane—A 4-inch snow which fell on December 11 will be very beneficial to the wheat. Corn husking is progressing nicely. All threshing machines are running on full time. Rural market report: Corn, 55c; barley, 45c; butterfat, 44c; eggs, 40c.—S. F. Dickinson.

Labette—There has been considerable rain in this county, and freezing temperature at nights. Many cellars are partly filled with water, a condition hitherto unknown in this county at this time of year. Wheat on uplands looks well, but water is standing on the low fields. Stock looks well and so far feed has been conserved. A large amount of fall plowing is done. Road building has ceased for a time. Rural market report: Wheat, 98c; corn, 90c; oats, 50c; apples, 35c; eggs, 47c; flour, \$1.75; bran, \$1.55; potatoes, \$1.—J. N. McLane.

Linn—We have lately had some stormy weather, but at present it looks better. It is too wet to do much in the fields. There is some corn yet to be gathered. Livestock is doing well on pasture and feed. The wet weather was pretty hard on fodder, however, there wasn't much cut to spoil. A few buildings are going up and some repair work is being done. Rural market report: Eggs, 40c; hens, 15c; corn, 65c; hogs, \$6.—F. W. Chinesmith.

Marion—The weather has been favorable for hauling grain to market, and for plowing for oats. Cattle are doing well on wheat pasture. Prices at sales are more satisfactory than they were a short time ago. Rural market report: Wheat, 95c; corn, 68c; eggs, 32c; butter, 45c.—G. H. Dyck.

Nemaha—We have had splendid fall weather with no rain, and but one snow which melted in a few hours. No time has been lost from the fields. Some are thru husking and others will finish the coming week. Rural market report: Corn, 54c; hogs, \$6.40; cream, 45c; butter, 48c to 50c; hens, 13c; springs, 14c.—A. C. Cole.

Pawnee—Fine winter weather for farm work is being enjoyed in Pawnee county. Wheat is in splendid condition. About 100 teams are hauling sand and gravel on the Santa Fe trail. Rural market report: Wheat, \$1; corn, 80c; oats, 55c; butterfat, 50c; eggs, 40c.—E. H. Gore.

Russell—The weather has been excellent for livestock and wheat pasture is excellent. County bridges are being repaired now. There has been no sickness in this vicinity. Rural market report: Eggs, 30c; cream, 48c; wheat, 96c.—Mrs. M. Bushnell.

Rawlins—Corn husking will soon be finished. The weather has been excellent. No snow has fallen yet, with the exception of about 2 inches which fell December 9. Rural market report: Corn, 50c; hogs, \$5; wheat, 85c; eggs, 50c; butterfat, 40c; potatoes, \$1.25; alfalfa hay, \$10; cane hay, \$5.—A. Madsen.

Rush—Rush county's first livestock and poultry show, December 6 and 7, was not only quite attractive, but was very successful. It was largely attended, not only by Rush county, but by surrounding counties as well. Large numbers of cattle are being shipped out, as the wheat is getting short. Volunteer wheat looks bad as a result of the Hessian fly. Livestock is wintering very well. Rural market report: Wheat, 96c; corn, 70c; milo and kafir, 60c; cream, 44c; eggs, 37c; hens, 16c; turkeys, 15c.—R. G. Mills.

Roos—The ground has been covered with a thin sheet of ice and sleet for several days. A few farmers are thru husking corn, but there is still considerable corn to pick. Rural market report: Eggs, 35c; butterfat, 45c; turkeys, 14c; hens, 18c.—C. O. Thomas.

Reno—The weather is splendid. Farmers have caught up with their work. Most of the corn is in the corn crib. Few public sales are being held.—D. Engelhart.

Rush—Up to the present time we have had no snow. Wheat pasture is getting short. Most livestock is in fine condition. There is a large amount of road work being done. Kafir, milo, and other grain crops are mostly threshed. The yield was not over-large. No public sales have been held recently. Rural market report: Wheat, 96c; corn, 50c; milo and kafir, 55c; hens, \$5.50; cream, 45c; eggs, 32c.—R. G. Mills.

Scott—Snow which fell December 9 and 11 stopped wheat sowing and threshing. There is no sale for livestock. Rural market report: Corn, 54c; eggs, 30c; cream, 44c; turkeys, 15c; chickens, 8c.—D. F. Smith.

Stafford—Weather continues warm for this time of year. No low temperatures have yet been recorded. Early sown wheat has made a good growth, but reports of Hessian fly are quite prevalent. Farmers are marketing their wheat. Prices of all products remain the same as for the last month.—H. A. Kachelman.

Saline—We are enjoying nice, mild weather. Farmers are playing for oats and barley. There has been more cane seed raised than usual. Because of low market prices cattle are being killed for home consumption. Dairy cows are bringing good prices. There is no sale for horses and mules, except good grades.—J. P. Nelson.

Smith—The weather conditions are ideal. Corn is nearly all taken care of and cattle are in stalks. No stock disease has yet broken out. Public sales are being held nearly every day during January and February. Rural market report: Wheat, 91c; corn, 56c; cream, 49c; eggs, 34c.—Harry Saunders.

Wichita—During the last week we have had about 5 inches of snow. Most of the corn husking will be finished in another week. Huskers get from 8c to 8c a bushel. Corn is yielding from 40 to 60 bushels an acre. Cattle are in good condition for winter. Rural market report: Corn, 50c to 54c; barley, 42c; eggs, 38c.—Edwin White.

Woodson—Weather is fair again, but it is still muddy in the fields and roads. Kafir topping for threshing is in progress now. Corn is about half husked. The small acreage of wheat planted is looking well. Rural market report: No. 1 wheat, \$1, but

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## Farm Bureau Sheds Its Coat

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worth county; Alfred Docking, state parole officer.

## New Officers Elected

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The following members of the executive committee were elected as representatives of their respective congressional districts: R. C. Obrecht, Topeka; Carlton Hall, Coffeyville; Andrew Shearer, Frankfort; J. E. Whitman, Pratt; E. A. Rhoades, Ashton and D. E. Wahler, McPherson. Mrs. Foster was re-elected home and community chairman of the state organization. Snyder and Whitman were named delegates to the American Farm Bureau Federation.

Delegates reported reviving interest in the local farm bureaus and while they would not predict any rapid increase in membership, they expressed confidence in the steady growth of the organization both in a local and state way. Membership dues are easier to collect, they report, and there is a healthy growth in the demand for the farm bureau program. Approximately 30 county bureaus sent delegates to the meeting.

## Business and Markets

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strong. On the close fat lambs were quoted at \$11.75 to \$12.50, ewes \$5.75 to \$6.75 and wethers \$7.50 to \$8. Receipts continue moderate.

Receipts of horses and mules were light this week and they will be smaller next week. Prices are quoted steady.

## Grain Prices are Sagging

Liberal receipts of wheat coupled with lack of export demand and an indifferent attitude on the part of millers caused grain prices to sag again. Future in Kansas City declined 2 1/4 to 3 1/4 cents a bushel and from 1 1/2 to 2 1/2 cents in Chicago.

The visible supply of wheat is estimated to be 74 million bushels or 43 million bushels more than reported for last year at this season.

The following quotations on grain futures are given at Kansas City: May wheat, \$1.02 1/2; July wheat, \$1.00 1/4; December corn, 67 1/2c; May corn, 69 1/2c; July corn, 70c; September corn, 69 1/2c; December oats, Chicago basis, 41 1/2c; May oats, 45 1/4c; May rye, 70c. Cotton futures at New York City advanced 73 points leaving final quotations on December cotton, 36.30c; January, 35.05c, an advance of 50 points; and May cotton, 35.50c, an advance of 45 points.

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## Southern Kansas

By J. T. Hunter



H. H. Glenn of Newton, is sending in the same sale the stallion, Uncle Sam. He was first prize 3-year-old and reserve grand champion at the state fair in 1922.

Fred Abildgaard, Winfield, Kan., will consign a few head of his own production to the Kansas National Shorthorn sale. He has always paid particular attention to the dual purpose characteristics.

J. C. Robison, Towanda, Kan., will consign eight head, sired by an imported bull and for the most part out of imported dams, to the Kansas National Shorthorn sale. Mr. Robison has been a consistent consignee to the Wichita sales and other sales throughout this section of the country and his cattle are always offered in presentable condition.

Tomson Bros., Wakarusa, Kan., will consign six head to the Kansas National Shorthorn sale. Their cattle have made such a reputation in the state of Kansas and elsewhere as to make them most desirable for anyone who really wants better breeding associated with size, thickness of flesh and quality.

John Regler, Whitewater, Kan., will consign two head to the Kansas National Shorthorn sale. This herd is one of the most attractive in the state of Kansas from the standpoint of breeding and individuality. Cattle produced in this herd have made good in the hands of other breeders.

H. O. Sheldon, manager of the hog department of Deming Ranch, Oswego, Kan., leaves January 15 with his Poland show herd for the Denver show and then to the Kansas National at Wichita beginning January 28. It is a large Poland herd that Mr. Sheldon manages. He now has over 100 sows and gilts bred for spring farrow.

W. H. Mott, sales manager of the Holstein sale to be held in connection with the Kansas National, reports that never before in any show sale have there been so many Colorado and Kansas breeders consigning the best animals in their herds. There will be more real show winners in the sale than ever before consigned to a Kansas sale.

T. M. Ewing, Independence, Kan., has one of the best Holstein herds of South-eastern Kansas. He has made several state records in past years and maintains a good large herd and from it regularly disposes of all classes of Holsteins. The herd is fully federal accredited which makes it an absolutely safe proposition for the buyer of livestock from Mr. Ewing.

Abe and Rus. Cline, or Cline Brothers, Coffeyville, Kan., are good substantial farmers living near Coffeyville, Kan., that raise purebred Angus cattle and Poland China hogs. They have had herds of these animals some time and have been more concerned with maintaining good quality than with keeping large herds, although they do have reasonably good sized herds of each.

Harvey County Livestock Improvement Association will hold its regular spring sales February 21 and 22 at Newton, Kan. Shorthorns will sell February 21 and Polands and Durocs will sell February 22. Parties interested in consigning will communicate with County Agent A. B. Kimball, Newton, Kan., or Chas. F. Molzen, Newton, Kan., or J. F. Bell, Newton, Kan., who will manage the sales. If sufficient number of dairy cattle, purebreds or grades, will be consigned there will be a sale of these animals.

H. O. Sheldon, manager of the hog department of the Deming Ranch, Oswego, Kan., showed herds at the 1923 Topeka, Hutchinson, Oklahoma City, shows and

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brought home 21 purple and champion ribbons. This is just the winnings of the one season. Show herds go out from that ranch to all the big Poland shows each year. Mr. Sheldon will be at the coming Kansas National with Polands. The two well known boars, Ranch Yankee and Latch-nite stand at the head of the Deming Ranch herd. Mr. Sheldon reports a number of good sales recently. Note that his report is that these sales have been recent sales. That is encouraging to hog breeders.

Thos. M. Steinberger lives a mile north of Andale, Kan. He has a 240-acre farm and has been raising wheat for several years. He has been raising purebred Durocs for five years. Last spring he bought a few of the best bred sows available in Kansas. There are several good fall pigs to be found on the Steinberger farm and a few of these pigs are outstanding. Some of them are by Gold Master and some by Orchard Scissors. Mr. Steinberger has recently bought a Col. bred boar for herd sire. The Durocs, something over 100 in number, are grazing on wheat and alfalfa. Mr. Steinberger says that he has found that where hogs graze on wheat during fall and winter the yield is better the following summer.

H. G. Eshelman, Sedgwick, Kan., is one of the largest breeders of Percheron horses living in Harvey or surrounding counties. He has always been progressive enough to show his horses at the state fair where he has won many prizes including senior and grand champion on his herd stallion Carmet, a grandson of the International Grand Champion Carnot. For the last seven years he has sold his surplus cash year in the sales managed by F. S. Kirk. His farm is only 15 miles from Wichita and he recently made the statement that it seemed to him like a long way to ship his horses to Topeka to sell them. However, his confidence in the ability of F. S. Kirk as a sales manager caused him to go to the expense of shipping eight head of his good Percherons to Mr. Kirk's sale at Topeka in January.

Seven hundred birds were exhibited at the second annual Harvey County Poultry Show, Newton, Kan., December 5, 6 and 7. Two hundred more and better birds were shown this year than last. All the standard classes were represented. Outstanding pen in the show was a pen of White Rocks exhibited by Mrs. Earl Frederick, Burrton, Kan. Heaviest cockerel was a 10 1/2 pound Buff Rock exhibited by Mrs. Fred Johnson, Walton, Kan. Rhode Island Reds and Barred Rocks were in greatest numbers. Some of the best birds shown were raised by members of boys' and girls' clubs. Altho special prizes were offered by merchants it was primarily an educational show. No admission nor entry fees were charged. A. B. Kimball, county agent, is a poultry expert and was largely responsible for the show.

J. A. Morris, Anadarko, Okla., a well known attorney at law, is quite an extensive breeder of Shorthorns, maintaining his herd as a hobby for the pleasure he gets out of it. He says that it is no pleasure to own a common or ordinary Shorthorn, that he gets his pleasure in showing his Scotch show cattle to friends and breeders and having them pay him the compliment of saying that his herd is in better condition and contains more strictly first class individuals than any herd the visitors have ever seen. Such statements as the above are similar to the ones made by all field men, auctioneers and everyone else who has had the pleasure of visiting the herd owned by Mr. Morris. He is so fond of his cattle that he dislikes to part with any of them. However, they increase so rapidly that it becomes necessary to sell the surplus. For this reason he has consigned 25 head to the combination sale that F. S. Kirk will hold at Topeka, and if reports are true they will probably be as good or better than any consignment of like number to any sale this winter.

The financial condition of Kansas farmers continues to be somewhat unsatisfactory. Nevertheless demand for purebred beef cattle of the better kind regardless of flesh is getting better. At the H. B. Gaeddert, Buhler, Kan., Shorthorn sale held at Hutchinson, Kan., Tuesday, December 18, the offering was thin in flesh. The 26 head were sold at an average of \$91.35. The nine Scotch animals averaged \$159 and the 17 Scotch topped animals averaged \$55. The seven Scotch females of breeding age averaged \$185 and the 10 Scotch topped females of breeding age averaged but \$57. This shows that the buyers were bidding up on breeding rather than on condition of

## SIGNS OF IMPROVING BUSINESS

W. P. Hamilton, Belle Plaine, Kan., a new Spotted Poland breeder, wrote recently when changing his card in the Kansas Farmer, that he was sold out of gilts.

the offering. Top was a 4-year-old Stephanotte Cruickshank by Missle's Last at \$230, to J. C. Seyb, Pretty Prairie, Kan. Mr. Seyb also paid second top price, \$225 for a 4-year-old Marr Emma by Bapton Corporal. C. F. McIlrath, Kingman, Kan., paid same price for a 5-year-old Clipper by Village Supreme. Fifteen buyers took the offering. Additional buyers were Henry Walker, McPherson, Kan.; W. F. Schrock, Medora, Kan.; J. P. Balzar, Inman, Kan.; M. S. Mabry, Little River, Kan.; R. L. Curtis, Conway, Kan.; P. J. Dyck, Buhler, Kan.; A. N. Hays, Lyons, Kan.; G. K. Toews, Inman, Kan.; P. H. Ediger, McPherson, Kan.; D. L. Voshell, Conway, Kan.; G. W. Johnson, Buhler, Kan.; C. F. Ashman, Inman, Kan.

## The H. L. Burgess Shorthorn Sale

Moving a first class Shorthorn herd from a drouth stricken country to a place where there is plenty of feed and where the farmers want good Shorthorns and selling these cattle at good prices has been successfully accomplished by H. L. Burgess, Chelsea, Okla., who bought 29 head of Scotch Shorthorns at the John Kramer, Tulsa, Okla., sale and shipped them to Abilene, Kan., where he sold them at auction Wednesday, December 19, at \$176 average. It was a well bred Scotch offering. Nearly every animal possessed good individuality and carried good flesh. Fourteen cows and heifers averaged \$197.50; five under year heifers averaged \$91.50; and 10 bulls in-

cluding spring calves averaged \$133.50. The offering scattered out to 21 buyers. Bidding was spirited. One man bid on every one of the first nine bulls that came in the ring, finally buying the ninth bull offered. Top price was \$325 for the herd sire, Imp. Proud Emblem's Heir, a 7-year-old by Proud Emblem out of Diamond Beauty 3rd to B. W. Stewart, Talmage, Kan. The several calves in the offering sired by him were especially well proportioned resembling their sire very much. Three cows at \$300 each were second top, one being an 11-year-old Wedding Gift by Shenstone Albino, bought by Joe Neimein, Hope, Kan. Another was a 4-year-old Cruickshank Lavender by same sire to same man. Third top cow, a 5-year-old Cruickshank Gardena, went to a C. Brewer, Chapman, Kan. Three head, 3-DEC-23

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#### Spanish Bulls for Wichita

Secretary Horace Ensign of the Kansas National Livestock Show at Wichita, Kan., writes that Dan C. Smith, the president, and Leslie Robinson, a director, went to Mexico and purchased a carload of genuine imported Spanish wild fighting bulls with an equal number of wild fighting steers. A number of the bravest and most daring matadors, toreros, and picadors known in the profession in Central Mexico have been engaged to stage the bull fights, according to Secretary Ensign.

#### Northern Kansas

By J. W. Johnson



D. S. Sheard, Esbon, Kan., will sell Polled Shorthorns at his farm near that place January 15. The Sheard Polled Shorthorn herd is well known in Northwest Kansas.

The date of annual show sale of Holsteins at Wichita the week of the Kansas National is Friday, February 1. An adjourned meeting of the Kansas Holstein Breeders' Association will be held at the same time.

Morton Bros., Oberlin, Kan., are breeders of Chester White hogs and the Morton Stock Farm in which the brothers and their father are partners breed Shorthorn cattle. Morton Brothers will sell Chester White hogs at auction in Oberlin's big \$20,000 sale pavilion February 16.

J. B. Hunter, Denton, Kan., has made a big success of dairying with high grade Jerseys and last Thursday dispersed his herd of high grades and will keep only purebreds in the future. Thursday was a pretty bad day but the sale tent was not large enough to accommodate the crowd of buyers. Sixty head of cows and heifers, many of them just calves, sold for \$3,956.50.

Henry J. Haag, Holton, Kan., has rented his farm near there and is moving to Holton because of better school advantages. On January 10 he is dispersing his herd of Spotted Poland Chinas and there are over 100 head in the sale, 75 of them bred sows and gilts. Mr. Haag purchased Model Ranger, the 1922 world's junior champion boar, and recently sold him to Dr. J. A. Beveridge of Marysville, Kan. A majority of the Haag offering will be Model Ranger sows and gilts.

#### NEWS OF OTHER STATES

By Copper Farm Press Fieldmen

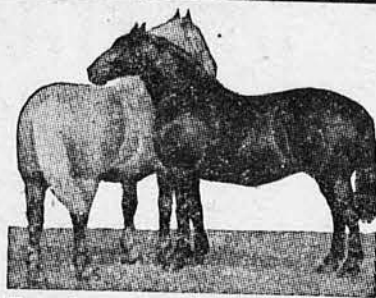
Altkre & Hinds, Chickasha, Okla., are consigning four head of their own breeding to the Kansas National Shorthorn sale. These, for the most part, are sired by Milkmaid Type, a son of the bull Cumberland Type, a bull that has as good a show record as any bull in America.

Tom Walker has been breeding big Poland Chinas at his present location so long that the younger crowd in the vicinity of Alexandria, Neb., don't know whether the herd was named for the Little Blue River valley or whether the river took its name from the herd. Old timers say the river is no deeper nor is the valley any wider than it was 25 years ago. But the Blue Valley Polands are a half larger and of much better type than they were in the old days. Tom and the boys are making ready for their annual bred sow sale to be held in the pavilion on the farm on February 6.

The Spotted Poland China herd of A. B. Singleton, Peculiar, Mo., has been well known for several years. The past two seasons Mr. Singleton has had the reputation of owning the greatest lot of sows known to the breed; it has been said they are the most wonderful sow herd of any breed. Singleton's Giant is the sire of more champion and first prize pigs at the big state fairs than any other boar. This year at the five leading state fairs five of his pigs were junior champions. The sow, Advance Lady, has won 11 grand championships at state fairs and expositions and is the dam of the greatest show litter of 1923. Other sows in the herd are by Revelation, Liberator, Liberator's Leader, Gate's Wonder 2nd—all grand champions and producers of grand champions. The building of such a remarkable herd of breeding stock is a credit to the man and of much importance to the livestock industry. That this herd must be dispersed is regrettable, altho it means much for breed improvement when these magnificent animals are distributed. The health of Mrs. Singleton than the big business he has built. When physicians advised immediate removal to another climate he decided to sell everything, hogs, farm equipment, furniture, and has claimed January 8 and 9 for the auction. Three hundred Spotted Poland Chinas of the very highest class will sell on the 9th. Spotted Poland Chinas that have made the Singleton name familiar wherever there is any interest in agriculture.

#### SIGNS OF IMPROVING BUSINESS

M. A. Martin, Paola, Kan., on Oct. 11, sold 87 registered hogs in one sale. The average was not high but it was better than pigs similarly grown had been selling, and the crowd kept buying as long as the pigs came in.



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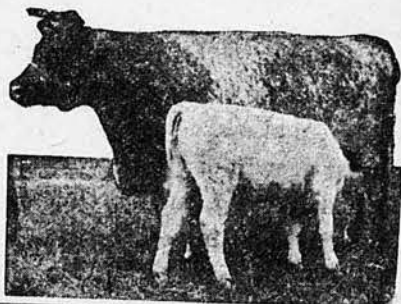
**Wednesday, Jan. 16, 10 a. m.** 19 Percheron Stallions, 31 mares and fillies, 6 colts. Sale includes 28 State Fair International Grand Champion Carnot than will be sold in any other sale this winter, including 2 sons, 8 grandsons, 7 Carnot. We sell 9 big Jacks, excellent breeders.

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# A Human Paper for Real Folks

AS WE approach 1924, the brighter rays of economic hope become plainer in the East. It seems probable that the coming year will be the best season the agriculture of Kansas has known since the era of reconstruction started following the World War. Slowly the farmer's dollar is becoming more valuable—the two price levels about which there has been so much complaint are coming closer together. This movement will be continued until in time the economic position of the farmer and the city worker will be on a plane relatively the same as in 1913, with price levels for both somewhat higher.

Along with this encouraging, but slow change in the economic relationship of the producers and consumers, we are finding that farmers also are putting their house in order. There has been a great growth of interest in Kansas in the last two years in diversified farming, and more of a tendency to get away from the old plan of "putting all the eggs in one basket." This has been true even in most of the leading wheat growing communities of Central Kansas. Farmers are trying to adapt their methods of production to what the markets of the World are now demanding.

And with this comes the effort that is being made in co-operative commodity marketing, which in some ways is the most encouraging item in the progress of Kansas agriculture. Kansas Farmer and Mail and Breeze has a great belief in the Kansas Wheat Pool—which plans to sign up 44 million bushels, or a third of the state's acreage in this grain, between now and May 24, 1924. We hope this co-operative effort will win, and that in the long run the state will get the same fine results from commodity marketing which have been obtained by the tobacco, cotton and wool interests of certain sections, and also by the enterprising fruit farmers of the great state of California.

It will be the purpose of the paper to tell of the progress of these and other economic movements affecting agriculture all thru the coming seasons and months of 1924.

A huge amount of space will be given to these and also to the dairy, poultry, and livestock industries, as well as to orcharding and gardening, special business and market reviews, weekly crop reports, farm engineering problems, letters fresh from the field, news items concerning activities of farm organizations in the state, and so on down to "grass roots" material telling of the work of the Kansas farmers from all parts of the state. Real news of the actual doings of the producers of the state will be an even more important feature of the work of the Kansas Farmer and Mail and Breeze than it has been in 1923.

The effort of the editors is to mirror up before the folks the actual happenings, week by week, of what is occurring in the state's agriculture. And the ideal is to do this without theory or bunc or inflated atmosphere—to tell the actual news of what is taking place. But with it all there is vision, and hope, and a belief in the brighter future which the coming days will bring.

Departments of interest to women and children will continue to be a feature, to an even greater extent than in the past. The work of the women's department is constantly growing. It will

continue to expand. And so will the children's department, and the boys' and girls' club work. The success of the pig and poultry clubs ever has been dear to the heart of the owner, and the editors as well as to the managers of these departments.

An effort is made to produce a human paper, which is interesting and which contains features such as the serial story, the comic strips, the cartoons, the joke section and the like. A farmer's interests are not all in plowing, sowing and harvesting, or even in selling, and so a feature is made of material which will make life happier and better and richer in its fullness.

There are, of course, many other angles to the work, such as rural improvement, good roads, consolidated schools, rural health service—Kansas Farmer and Mail and Breeze was the first farm paper in the world to establish a department of this kind—the veterinary section, and answers to questions on law, dairying, poultry, soils, crops, farm management and the like.

Thru it all the effort is made to produce a well-rounded farm paper, practical, up-to-the-minute and with a news wallop that holds the attention of the readers. That this program is winning is well shown by the subscription list, which includes the names

of more than 100,000 Kansas farmers, giving the paper the most concentrated circulation of any farm paper in America. There is many a rural route in Kansas on which every farmer is a subscriber to the paper; most routes include as our readers three-fourths or more of the folks. This paper has fought its way thru to this position of leadership by making good, all thru the years, issue by issue, with its readers.

It is for the farmer, first, last and all the time and always will be. The editors who direct its policies have their feet planted on the rock



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of Kansas agriculture by their training all thru the years of the past and with an understanding of the human angles to the life of the open fields which never has failed in any way.

And as we start into 1924 their hope is that they will do their job a little better month by month. The folks will be the judge. What they are thinking will guide the plan on which the paper is built. Certainly it will be a better era than we have known recently. And as we go onward into the brighter days which are to be, Kansas Farmer and Mail and Breeze will tell week by week of the progress which the agriculture of the state makes. May it mean more in human relationships, in financial return and in the brightness of the morning sunshine of happiness than we ever have known before.

There is no question but that this can be brought about if all of us will work together with a real vision of the development which is possible. We are very optimistic over the future of country life so far as living goes, as well as in the belief that business conditions will improve. This will be helped greatly by the development of better machinery in the field and the home, but especially in the home. Great progress already has been made in this direction, and much more can be brought about. May we make the best of the larger opportunities in the coming days and the better times which will be ours.