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INCREASE MEAT PRODUCTION

Diversified Farming is a Winner and the World is Waiting to Buy Your Product

T WOULD be a national calamity to have any further reduction take place in our meat-producing animals. The whole world is hungry for meat, and the meat-producing animals are absolutely essential in converting into human the large quantities of low grade feed food large quantities of low grade feed material. Bread is called the staff of life, but to be deprived of meat is a serious handicap in the proper nourishment of mankind. Our most virile races have ever been consumers of meat and meat products.

Because of various conditions in recent Because of various conditions in recent months, prices have been unusually high, but, as Prof. W. A. Cochel recently pointed out, war conditions have influenced the price of meat and meat products less than any other foodstuffs which come to our tables. Producers are wondering whether these high prices are to continue for any considerable period. In discussing the food situation as related to meat production, before the food conference. Professor Cochel pointed out

In discussing the food situation as related to meat production, before the food conference, Professor Cochel pointed out that in spite of the high prices prevailing, a large proportion of our people, due to profitable employment, are able to pay the price.

This has undoubtedly worked a hardship upon those whose incomes have not increased proportionately with the advance in food costs. We can look for little or no decrease in prices so long as industrial conditions remain in their present healthy condition. Statistics show that the number of animals slaughtered during the past twelve months has been greater than in the corresponding period three years ago and the domestic supply has been augmented by an almost total absence of export business. Hence the price is not due to smaller supplies but to greater demand.

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"Although these facts are self-evi-dent," said Professor Cochel, "yet our production is decidedly less than condi-tions warrant. Among the many causes leading to the present condition are the continual agitations against the so-called meat trusts' and 'packer combines,' recommendations of 'doctors' who are unommendations of 'doctors' who are unable to diagnose symptoms, that their 'patients' discontinue the use of meats, violent fluctuations in the market price

violent fluctuations in the market price of meat-making animals, and the decrease in surplus of grain and forage usually used in the preparation of animals for market. All of these factors have caused the farmer to decrease meat-making operations for fear they would be unprofitable."

Professor Cochel pointed out that the production of pork, mutton and beef is limited by the production of grain, roughage and pastures. While it is generally assumed that live stock is essential to the maintenance of soil fertility, little emphasis has been placed on the fact that good farming, resulting in large that good farming, resulting in large yields of crops, is essential to the economic and extensive production of meat.

Methods may be materially improved by the use of more efficient animals. The rapid increase in the use of pure-bred sires indicates that this advantage is being made use of by farmers and ranchmen. Better methods of manage-ment are recommended which will perment are recommended which will permit each animal to make an increase in weight every day of its life instead of frequently failing to gain or actually losing weight during the winter or in seasons when protracted drought has caused pastures to fail.

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Theorists have recommended that the beef supply could be materially increased by the prevention of the slaughter of young animals. Students who have taken into consideration all of the intaken into consideration all of the influences of age on cost and amount of production, agree that a greater supply of beef could be secured more readily from the available feed supplies by increasing the number of breeding females and finishing the product at from fifteen to twenty months of age rather than by permitting steers to obtain an age of from thirty-six to forty-eight months before being marketed.

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A further increase in the meat supply could be secured by utilizing more fully the by-products of grain farming, such as corn scalks and straw, rather than allowing them to go to waste, or by burning, as is frequently practiced in the corn and wheat belts of the country.

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the corn and wheat belts of the country. Professor Cochel further called attention to the fact that animal diseases greatly reduce the available supply of meat-producing animals. The ravages of hog cholera, blackleg in calves, and stomach worms in lambs, are stupendous. Fortunately, recent investigations by experiment stations have enabled the farmer who is willing to make use of farmer who is willing to make use of scientific knowledge to control these dis-eases. It is not generally realized that

contagious abortion is responsible for an annual decrease of approximately 10 per cent in the calf crop in Kansas and adjoining states. There are no preventive or curative measures as yet discovered by which this disease can be controlled. Other minor allments further decrease the number of animals available for slaughter which proper sanitary measurements. slaughter which proper sanitary measures would prevent.

ures would prevent.

Increased meat production is coming as a result of improvements in methods of breeding, feeding and managing our meat-making animals.

"The greatest future increase," said Professor Cochel, "will follow an improvement in the pastures, an increase in feed supplies, such as corn, kafir, silage, alfalfa, and other roughages, the utilization of the by-products of grain production, and the use of more efficient animals. animals.

"The greatest possible incenti crease in live stock productic being applied, that is, a reas surance of financial profit to the stock who has invested his capital in live stock to convert his farm-grown feeds into

meat."

"Better stick to the old cow—she will pull you through," says J. C. Hopper, of Ness County. Mr. Hopper is a firm believer in diversified farming and live stock production for the western part of our state. In a recent letter he states that the continued lack of rain is a reminder to those who live west of the reminder to those who live west of the ninety-eighth meridian that it has not ninety-eighth meridian that it has not forgotten to get dry. Not since wheat was sown last fall has there been sufficient moisture to bring it in sight in many sections of the so-called wheat belt. Just when many were getting ready to turn their backs on the cow, something happens to remind us of her importance in food production.

The cow will thrive and fatten on the short buffalo grass, even when it is dry enough to burn. She will eat almost any kind of rough feed and only asks that there be plenty of it. Common cane or the new-fangled white and black varieties all look alike to her and she does not object to such drouth-resisting crops as Sudan, or if nothing else offers will consume the lamb's quarter, which grows rain or shine, or the Russian thistles if they are properly stored for her use. her use.

"Quality in cattle is becoming more evident on our western farms. We have passed up the longhorn and the streaked and striped. Jacob would have a poor chance with his father-in-law on the plains of Western Kansas. Here you will find the cattle becoming more and more uniform in appearance. Good blood counts and no people know it so well as those who live in the West. Good blood—lus feed is developing on the plains that the states of Ohio, Indiana, Illiucky thought could only

"A remarkable change has taken place in the cattle business in Western Kansas during the past dozen years. There was a time when cattlemen who were not handling registered herds cared little whether their males were pure-bred or mongrels. The herds contained grades of all colors, types and sizes. Now we find the herds uniform in appearance and all of the same color and breed and headed with registered males. This is working a wonderful reformation in the beef-making business in this section.

There has never been a period when the cattle business was more promising than it is at the present time. The cow is absolutely essential, both on the farm and on the ranch. It will take years to catch up with the world's shortage of meat. Young men seeking opportunities cannot do better than to take up the

business of growing cattle.
"The plains of Western Kansas contain much undeveloped land that is waiting for young men with energy and pluck and a determination to win. There are great opportunities for those who will work out systems of diversified farming which will include the handling of cattle as an important feature of the business. This true of forming is sure business. This type of farming is sure to win and the world is waiting to buy your product."

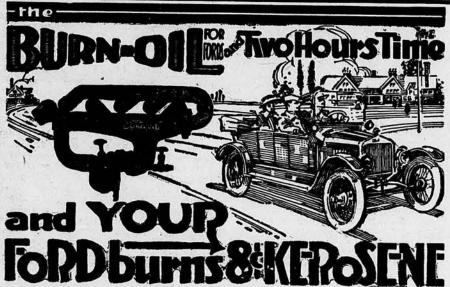
The cut on this page illustrates a scene on Mr. Hopper's ranch in Ness County.



BREEDING COWS ON J. C. HOPPER'S BANCH, NESS COUNTY.—GREAT OPPORTUNITIES FOR CATTLE PRODUCTION IN LAND OF THE GRAIN SORGHUMS

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FARM POWER

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

T IS entirely possible that the winning of the great war may yet hinge upon the ability of the American farmer to greatly increase crop production. We must not only feed our own people at home, but our non-productive armies in the field and at the same time provide an enormous surplus to sustain our allies.

In this emergency the farm tractor somes like a godsend to the nation. The successful development of the tractor seems to have been providentially timed to meet the crying need for more help and more power on the farm. The American tractor may yet win this war—not alone as armored tanks crawling across shell craters, cutting through barbed wire entanglements and dealing deadly broadsides at the enemy, but here on our American farms turning two or three furrows where only one was turned before, cultivating two acres where only one was cultivated before, and harvesting the yield of the fields on time and with a great saving of hand labor.

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We should recognize the possibilities and efficiency of the improved tractors of today. Don't make the mistake of disparaging all tractors because some have failed to do what was expected of them — don't judge the light, one-man, all-purpose tractors of today with the clumsy, heavy, pioneer machines that were adapted only to long stretches of level acres in the northwest grain belt.

The tractor of today is a proven success on thousands of farms. There is not alone one type, but several—all of which have their advantages—all of which do

The tractor of today is a proven success on thousands of farms. There is not alone one type, but several—all of which have their advantages—all of which do good work and some one of which is exactly suited to your needs. For example, if you work a farm of only eighty acres you will find a type that will do all your farm work without horses. A tractor that is light, easy to handle, economical to operate, and low in first cost.

Write for different tractor catalogs. Study the maker's claims for each. Note the advantages each would have when applied to your own farm problems. But our recommendation to every farmer is to investigate farm tractors—now. War or no war—power farming is here to stay and the most successful farmer of the future will be the one who like the successful manufacturer installs the latest and most efficient machinery. And the most vital of all machines in these days of scarcity of hired help is the farm tractor.

The Spark Plug of Today

"Good ignition is a source of much satisfaction to the owner of a motor car," observes Chester S. Ricker, M. E., in the May number of American Motorist. "I often feel that good ignition is less appreciated by the average car user of late years than it is by the pioneer motorist. When you stop to consider the many miles that you have run withour replacing a broken spark plug or even cleaning the plugs in use, you first

begin to realize how reliable the little things have become.

things have become.

"I can well remember how in the early days of my automobile experience I always carried a whole set of spark plugs along, and never thought aught of it if I had to change a couple of plugs in a fifty-mile run. We always carried extra porcelains in those days, and few were the motorists who could not take a plug apart and replace the broken part. . . . At that time it was a question whether jump spark with battery ignition or make-and-break ignition was the most desirable.

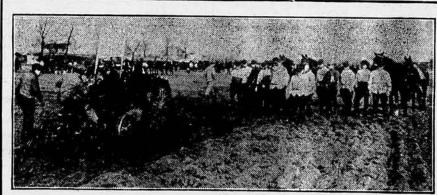
"Ten years have rolled around since then, and today the jump spark is universal. This was only brought about by the development of the spark plug which was reliable. Nowadays almost any plug will give better results than the most expensive ones did in the past. Furthermore, the plug of today costs only about one-quarter as much as did those of yesterday. Today you can purchase a good plug at prices ranging from 75 cents to \$1.25. Some of the best plugs, however, run into much more money, and a charge of \$5 for a high-grade plug, such as is used in aeroplane and racing motors, is not considered exorbitant."

Essentials of Tractor

There are so many tractors now on the market that the would-be purchaser is often puzzled in selecting the proper outfit to suit his conditions. There are many requirements necessary to meet all the conditions of power farming, but it is pointed out in a recent issue of Gas Engine that a successful tractor engine must have certain qualifications regardless of its type.

"It must be so constructed that it can develop its maximum horsepower without self destruction. The element of limited overload must be eliminated because it cannot be controlled. It must travel and operate without undue loss of time and must do a season's work with ordinary care and without the services of an expert. It must develop its rate of power economically and operate successfully with the kinds of fuel common in the locality where it is used."

"The Modern Gas Tractor" is the title of a new book prepared by Victor W. Page, who is also author of "The Modern Gasoline Automobile." It describes all types and sizes of gasoline, kerosene and oil tractors. Design and construction are treated exhaustively and complete instructions are furnished for the care, operation and repair of tractors, as well as practical suggestions regarding their use on the road and in the field. It is the latest work out on farm tractors and tractor power plants and is a most valuable book for the tractor owner. It is published by the Norman W. Henley Company, New York, and sells for two dollars.



TRACTOR AT WORK IN FRANCE.—SHORTAGE OF HORSES MAKES USE OF THIS KIND OF POWER INCREASINGLY NECESSARY

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HELP, NOT ADVICE, NEEDED

We do not wonder that farmers are We do not wonder that farmers are becoming somewhat annoyed at the continual bombardment of advice coming from every quarter. It is refreshing in wading through the mass of material sent out by corporations and business concerns of various kinds to find occasionally a concern that has a writer who realizes the farmer's position and knows how fully he is shouldering his burdens in helping the nation to win victory in the great war. We refer to a circular from the American Steel and Wire Company, which reads as follows:

pany, which reads as follows:
"The subject of most importance this week is the attitude of the farmer. What is he going to do? One thing is sure, he is going to do as much as any other man, as his record from Lexington to Santiago has shown.

Santiago has shown.

"The farmer stands on the threshold of his new year, and it is a momentous year for him, and his success. All eyes are on him and he is receiving advice from every line of life. If you have had a lot to do with waking him, you say he is awake; if not, you say he is not awake.

awake.

"The farmer is just a human being; he is contemplating affairs as others do—perhaps with little more intelligence—and he is going to solve his problems from personal consideration just as others do, despite loud talk to the contrary. Don't apply special rules to untary.

"An analysis of the farmer mind at the moment will be helpful to all. He must be amused at the sudden deep solicitation of the banker for his welfare, for he remembers the interest and re-newal commissions he has paid this man.

"Looking backward he sees 1893 when he sold his corn for 16 cents or burned it in the kitchen stove. The hogs went for a pittance.

"Rightly or wrongly he suspects, or believes, he has no part in naming the prices for his produce. Speakers and newspaper headline writers have made him believe the 'board of trade' has priced his grain, the 'packers' priced his live stock, and the 'Elgin board' his butter fat the free-lance speculator his ter fat, the free-lance speculator his eggs. He cannot forget when he sent that carload of apples to Market Street expecting a good return, and in place of which he received the polite request to send his check to cover expenses. He has never been able to see why his potatoes must remain on the ground, unsold when the Chicago may a hundred

tatoes must remain on the ground, unsold, when the Chicago man, a hundred miles away, can't afford to use them on account of high price.

"Suspicious by nature, he is doubly suspicious of the hue and cry, from every side, that he grow crops to the limit of his financial ability; breed all the brood animals on the place, etc. Isn't he doing as much as the other fellow? fellow?

"Manufacturing and merchandising are always paralyzed by uncertainty, the currents in the channels of commerce at this very moment are slowing down on account of price uncertainty. The farmer isn't a fool, what of his prices? Business has the machinery to stabilize and will soon run on as usual. Provide the machinery to stabilize the prices of the 1917 farm crops and the farmer will take care of the rest.

farmer himself and you can lean on him, and business as usual' may once more be the order of the day. You won't have to worry about enough to eat for our

people and allies.

"For years he has had preached to him, by government and state official, 'Don't follow Europe in securing large

yields per acre. Remember prices are best obtained by holding down produc-

"Let the federal government establish prices of crop and live stock, help the farmer to credit and labor, and the farmer will do the rest."

MILK AS FOOD MILK AS FOOD

The dairy cow takes high rank as an economical producer of food. It would be a national calamity to have the dairy cows reduced in number at the present time. People generally do not sufficiently recognize the value of milk as food. This fact is at the bottom of the problem now facing the producers of milk for city trade. At the auxiliary meeting of the Kansas State Dairy Association held in Topeka last Saturday the present cost of milk production in relation to the price received was discussed more than any other topic presented. more than any other topic presented. Feed has been unusually high. One speaker stated that the increase in feed speaker stated that the increase in feet prices during the past year ranged from 100 to 300 per cent and that the cost of labor had increased 50 per cent, while the price of milk had advanced only 10

We sometimes wonder if people realize how small a quantity of milk enters into how small a quantity of milk enters into the diet of the average person. The es-timate for the whole country is a little more than a half pint daily. On farms where milk is produced a larger propor-tion is probably used, but even here it would be economy to increase the use of this food which supplies the food nutri-

this food which supplies the food nutrients so cheaply.

Milk contains all the body-building
materials and also nutrients which supply energy. In protein, which is the
muscle-building material of a food, a
quart of milk contains as much as seven
ounces of sirloin steak, 4.3 eggs, or 8.6
ounces of fowl. In total energy a quart
of milk supplies as much as eleven ounces
of sirloin steak, eight and one-half eggs of milk supplies as much as eleven ounces of sirloin steak, eight and one-half eggs or 10.7 ounces of fowl. One of our foremost American authorities on nutrition says: "Do not buy meat until you have bought three quarts of milk a day." This applies to a family of two adults and three children.

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Producers of milk might well consider the plan of co-operatively advertising the food value of milk. In some of the larger cities the National Dairy Council has most successfully conducted such advertising campaigns. Foods of all kinds are extremely high in price and many families could reduce living expenses by

increasing the use of milk and other dairy products. Milk at ten cents 'a quart furnishes protein as cheaply as sirloin steak at 23.3 cents a pound or

eggs at 25 cents a dozen.

In addition to their economy, dairy products have additional advantages. There is no waste connected with their use. They contain valuable mineral salts and other invaluable food substances.

While this sort of information is of the greatest value to people who purchase milk, there are probably many on the farms who could make greater use of dairy products and reduce household expenses.

ENROLLING TRACTOR OPERATORS

The war is creating an increased demand for men who can operate tractors.
One of the advantages of a tractor is
that it does not get tired and can be
kept at almost continuous work if the
men are available to operate it. Dean men are available to operate it. Dean A. A. Potter of the engineering division of the agricultural college told us recently that his division was getting in touch with every young man who had received training in the handling of traction engines and power farming machinery at the college, the object being to make it possible to use all the tractors of Kansas to their full capacity if possible.

We would suggest that any man who has any training in the handling of gasoline engines, report to Dean A. A. Potter, Manhattan, Kansas. Men who have had experience in handling and repairing automobiles and automobile engines had experience in handling and repairing automobiles and automobile engines can easily learn to operate the gasoline or oil tractors. The demand for this kind of help will be greatest when the work of preparing the soil for next year's wheat crop begins.

According to a recent report the apportionment of steel to manufacturers of farm implements the coming year by the National Council of Defense is to be about one-half the amount used last year. This would suggest the possibility of a shortage in farm equipment. It can be overcome by the co-operative use of machinery for as many hours of the day as is possible, and the immediate repair of all old machinery. Some large implement companies are making definite plans to put on a repair service that will make it possible to extend the use-fulness of discarded machinery.

CATTLEMEN MEET AT MANHATTAN

The annual cattlemen's meeting held at the agricultural college, Manhattan, is one of the most important meetings of the year. The purpose of this meeting is to give the cattlemen of the state a chance to inspect the work of the cycles. is to give the cattlemen of the state a chance to inspect the work of the experiment station and especially the results of the cattle feeding experiments that are carried on during the winter season. These tests close on the date set for the meeting. This year's meeting will be held Friday, June 1. The stockmen of the state greatly appreciate this opportunity to study at first hand the work of the experiment station. Hundreds of men from all over the state gather at the college for this meeting. Last year some of those in attendance drove automobiles from as far west as Ellis County. Getting together tendance drove automobiles from as far west as Ellis County. Getting together and exchanging ideas on the various phases of live stock production is no small part of the benefits to be derived from attending this conference. Prof. W. A. Cochel earnestly desires the cooperation of all the stockmen in the state in the work he is doing for their benefit.

benefit.
P. W. Goebel, president of the Commercial National Bank of Kansas City. mercial National Bank of Kansas City, Kansas, and of the American Banking Association, will speak on "Financing the Cattle Industry." T. H. Ingwersen, of Chicago, for twenty-eight years a cattle buyer on the Chicago market, will discuss "The Cattle Buyer's Viewpoint." Murdo McKenzie, San Paulo, Brazil, who was formerly the manager of the Matador Ranch; Gov. Arthur Capper, and ex-Gov. W. R. Stubbs will also be present and take part in the program.

The results of experimental work will be given. Six lots of cattle are being fed with a view to determining the com-

fed with a view to determining the comparative value of the influence of different methods of curing alfalfa in fattening cattle. A comparison is also being made between alfalfa hay and sweet clover for fattening purposes, and of the value of corn and barley. The steers have been fed as follows: Lot 1, ground have been fed as follows: Lot 1, ground barley, cottonseed meal, alfalfa hay, and barley, cottonseed meal, alfalfa hay, and silage; Lot 2, shelled corn, cottonseed meal, silage; Lot 3, shelled corn, cottonseed meal, alfalfa hay (green); Lot 4, shelled corn, cottonseed meal, alfalfa hay (brown); Lot 5, shelled corn, cottonseed meal, sweet clover hay; Lot 6, shelled corn, cottonseed meal, alfalfa silage

The visitors will be taken on an auto trip to the agronomy farm where the field experiments will be explained. An opportunity will be given to inspect the dairy herd and other college stock.

INCREASE PAY OF SOLDIERS
The collective draft act which was ap-

The selective draft act which was approved last week makes a substantial increase in the pay of enlisted men. The new schedule has just been sent out to the recruiting officers. The pay of en-listed men ranges from \$30 a month for second class privates and buglers to \$81 a month for master hospital sergeant, a month for master hospital sergeant, medical department, master engineers, senior grade, engineers, quartermaster sergeant, senior grade, quartermaster corps. There is need for a great many men having special training of various kinds, and the pay is in accordance with the value of the service rendered.

Make new plantings of snap beans, lima beans, sweet corn, okra, squashes, beets, and cucumbers, to take the place of early lettuce, radishes, mustard, etc. Beans are of special importance just now because they are very nutritious and

because they are very nutritious and can be dried for later use if they cannot be canned.

LET COUNTY AGENT HELP

O ONE who is starting a garden for the first time should hesitate to avail himself of the advice of his state agricultural college, and, where such an official exists, of his county agricultural agent. Land which is planted and which is not cared for represents a greater waste than if it had not been planted at all. This is something which should be borne in mind by the thousands who are venturing into the garden world for the first time this spring. There is a chance that unless these garden activities are properly supervised there will be a waste of valuable seeds and no less valuable labor. It seems to us that the present time represents an admirable opportunity for the extension of the activities of the county agricultural agents who are now so widely scattered throughout the country. These agents should during the present year be provided with assistants to help in the planting and the care of town and village gardens. Communities might well appoint garden supervisors to advise and aid all those who are venturing into the new field of food production.-The Outlook.

FORAGE CROPS FOR STOCK

Must Have Abundance of Cheap Feed to Handle Live Stock Profitably

HE live stock industry is absolutely dependent on the production of an abundance of cheap feed. No matter what kind of stock we handle, the greatest service they can render is to furnish a market for a lot of farm-grown feed that would otherwise be of little value. There is little profit in handling stock if it is necessary to buy large quantities of feed for them. In sections where the soil and general conditions are not favorable to general conditions are not favorable to the extensive growing of cash grain crops, live stock must become the basis of any system of profitable farming.

These fundamental ideas as to the re-

lation of live stock to farming are being advocated and promoted by the Southeast Kansas Improved Live Stock Association which held a most successful meeting at Fredonia in February. The idea of depending more largely on the growing of such crops as can be consumed by live stock is gaining ground in that part of the state. It is important that those who are interested in live stock in that section, or in any other section, study carefully the kinds of forage crops that are best to grow and the methods of growing them. Special in-terest is being taken in such questions in Southeastern Kansas. Our mail today brought us, among other letters of a similar nature, one from a reader in Cherokee County which suggests the problems being considered. This reader asks about sowing red top and sweet clover together for pasture. He says he does not know much about sweet clover but would like to try some this fall or next spring. Many in this section of the state are interested along similar lines. Sweet clover is a crop of excep-tional promise for that part of the state. At the Fredonia meeting referred to

At the Fredonia meeting referred to this question of forage crops for stock was one of the important subjects diswas one of the important subjects discussed. In answering our correspondent's inquiry and supplying information desired by many others, we would refer to some of the things said at this meeting. Prof. L. E. Cali, of the agricultural college, who made the principal talk on thi subject, printed out that feed crops for this region may be classed as follows: First, crops for pasture; second, crops for hay and roughage; and third, crops for silage.

crops for silage.
Good pastures are absolutely essential for the economical production of live stock. There are many farms where the native pastures have become unproduc-tive and where it is desirable to supplement them by seeding a part of the cultivated land to mixed grasses. The old pastures may then be brought under cultivation or given a rest.

The most promising grasses to seed for pasture purposes in Southeast Kansas are Kentucky bluegrass, red top, timothy, orchard grass, English bluegrass, alsike clover, Japanese clover, and sweet clover. The best one to sow will depend upon the type of soil and location. Of the grasses proper, timothy and red top are best for low-lying ground. On well drained bottom land a mixture consisting of two to three pounds of alsike clover, five pounds of sweet clover, four to six pounds of tim-othy, four to five pounds of red top, and one to two pounds of Kentucky bluegrass gives good results. On upland soils in a fair state of fertility a mixsoils in a fair state of fertility a mix-ture or five pounds of sweet clover, four pounds of English bluegrass, six pounds of timothy, and one to two pounds of Kentucky bluegrass is good. On thin upland soils containing a fair supply of lime, sweet clover seeded at the rate of tax to fifteen per pounds to the ten to fifteen pounds to the acre makes the most economical pasture crop. On thin planted shale soil of an acid nae sweet clover will not make a satisfactor, growth and there are no other grasses that will do well. For such soils a mixture on ten to twelve pounds of rea top and four to five pounds of alsike clove: would be the most apt to succeed

SWEEL CLOVES AS PASTURE CROP At a result or his observations Profes-

sor Call stated that sweet clover is one of the best pasture crops for Southeast of the best pasture crops for Southeast Kansas except on the white soils of that section or on other soils very deficient in lime. When it can be grown it makes excellent pasture for cattle, sheep, horses, and hogs. It very rarely causes bloat and for this reason is preferable to alfalfa for pasturing cattle or sheep. Because of its vigorous growing habits, sweet clover will pasture more stock per acre than most other pasture grasses or legumes. It is about equal to alfalfa

or legumes. It is about equal to alfalfa and red clover in feeding value and stock pastured on it make gains that compare favorably with those secured from the latter crops. It is especially valuable for the poorer types of soil where alfalfa and pasture grasses can seldom be grown with profit.

Sweet clover can be used to good advantage in supplementing other pasture. It produces early and late grazing, survives the midsummer drouths, often furvives the midsummer drouths, often furvives the midsummer drouths. nishes good pasture during the time reg-ular pasture grasses are dormant, and produces fairly well on soils that would otherwise be practically barren. Sweet clover may be grown along river bot-toms, on land where the water does not toms, on land where the water does not stand, even though the water table occasionally rises within two feet of the surface of the soil. Because of this fact it is an important crop on the low river bottoms where the water table is too near the surface for alfalfa.

As a rule, live stock must acquire a taste for sweet clover before they will eat it. The best way to securate them

eat it. The best way to accustom them to the crop is to pasture them upon it

early in the spring before other forms of green feed are available.

For best results sweet clover should be pastured heavily enough to keep down the growth, so there will be an abundance of fresh shoots at all times. During the second case of it may be record. ing the second season it may be necessary to clip back the old growth once to stimulate the development of fresh shoots. In case permanent pasture is desired, sufficient plants should be left to reseed the field. If hogs are pastured on the sweet clover during the first year it is best to ring them to prevent their digging up the roots of the young plants.

Maximum returns in pasturing sweet clover where the pasture enters into a rotation can be secured by maintaining two fields, one of which is seeded the

Principal Garden Insects and Remedies

HE home gardener must count upon the presence in his garden of insect pests, and if not combated they will interfere seriously with yields and in many instances destroy the plants. The following table, prepared by J. H. Merrill, Assistant Entomologist, Kansas Experiment Station, lists the insects most likely to appear in the vegetable garden and furnishes information in regard to the plants attacked and the treatment recommended:

CROPS ATTACKED	INSECT PEST	WHAT TO DO	WHEN TO DO IT
Beans, Peas	Aphids (plant lice sucking sap from the leaves	Nicotine sulfate—% pint to 100 gallons of water plus 3 or 4 pounds of soap. One teaspoonful to 1 quart of water plus a small piece of soap. Soapy spray—1 pound of laundry soap to 6 gallons of water.	When insects first appear.
Beets, Chard, Spin- ach	Webworm (worm which eats and ties the leaves)	Arsenate of lead—3 pounds of lead arsenate paste to 50 gallons of water. Must be ap- plied with force.	As soon as insects appear.
	Cabbage Worms (Soft bodied worms which devour the leaves and ruin the heads)	Arsenate of lead—3 pounds of lead arsenate paste to 50 gallons of water. Dust as for Colorado potato beetle.	As soon as the plants are set. Con tinue until heads are half formed
	Cutworms (Fleshy worms which cut of young plants at sur- face of ground)	Bran	the amount
Cabbage, Cauliflower, Turnip, Radish	Harlequin cabbage bug (An orange and black triangular bug that sucks the sap)	Hand picking bugs and eggs.	As soon as bugs appear.
	Aphids	On cabbage and cauliflower, use sprays given under beans and peas and wet the aphids. On turnip and radish, use only nicotine sulfate with 3 pounds of soap to 50 gallons, or 1 ounce to a gallon.	When they become numerous.
	Squash bugs (Brown bugs which suck sap from under side of leaves)	Hand pick bugs and eggs and trap with	When insects appear.
Pumpkins, Water-		Protect young plants with screens. Dust with tobacco, lime, or sulphur. Apply arsenate of lead liberally, using 3 pounds of lead arsenate paste to 50 gallons of water. Nicotine sulfate and soapy spray used as for bean aphids. Spray under sides of leaves to hit insects.	
Onions	Onion thrips (Small sucking insects causing white spots on plant).	Spray as for aphids, using high pressure.	When insects appear.
Potatoes, Egg Plants, Peppers.	Potato bug (Thick, striped beetle and red- dish larvae eating	Arsenate of lead—4 pounds of lead arsenate paste to 50 gallons of water. Paris green	Hand pick adults and eggs when plants are not large enough to spray. Spray when insects are attacking the plants.
	14.5	Water	
	Fles-heatles (Small	Arsenate of lead and Bordeaux mixture on under sides of leaves.	
Weet Corn	Corn earworm (Worm found eating the kernels of corn in the ear)	Three parts of pewdered arsenate of lead to 1 part sulphur or flour.	Dust with cheesecloth bag, perforated can or powder gun when silks first appear and repeat every four of five days while corn is in silk.
ikely to attack any garden truck	Grasshoppers	Poisoned bran mash as recommended for cutworms.	

year following the seeding of the other. Newly-seeded sweet clover will furnish pasture after it makes a growth of about twelve inches. Ordinarily it does not attain this height until some time in June in Eastern Kansas. It can then be growed for the remainder of the seesant June in Eastern Kansas. It can then be grazed for the remainder of the season if not pastured too heavily. The second year sweet clover makes a rapid early growth and will provide pasture from very early in the spring until the new seeding is available. The stock can be transferred to the new field and new seeding is available. The stock can then be transferred to the new field and the old field left for seed production or for hay, or it may be pastured alter-nately with the new field. By seeding a field to sweet clover every spring, this method of pasturing the crop may be continued indefinitely. Sweet clover pasture is available throughout the growing season and for a longer period growing season and for a longer period than can be secured from most pasture

CROPS FOR HAY

Two classes of hay crops can be successfully grown in Southeast Kansas. First, the usual crops such as cowpeas, soy beans, millet, sweet sorghum, and Sudan grass; and second, perennial crops

such as clover, sweet clover, and alfalfa.
Soy beans and cowpeas can be successfully grown on almost all types of soil in this section of the state. They are especially valuable to plant in the summer as a catch crop after harvesting a small crop of oats, barley, or wheat. If a seed bed can be prepared and the crop planted before the first of August, a fair crop of hay or pasture can usually be obtained. The Whippoorwill, a largegrowing cowpea, is one of the heaviest yielding varieties, but it should not be sown after August 1. For later planting, the New Era or Groit should be used. Soy beans usually produce as heavily as cowpeas but are a little more sensitive to soil conditions and usually require inequalities when grown for the require inoculation when grown for the first time.

Sweet sorghum—commonly called cane —is a valuable crop to sow for roughage. Sudan grass has replaced this crop to some extent. Sudan grass does not make as heavy a yield under ordinary conditions as a good variety of cane, like Kansas Orange or Sumac, but the hay is finer, more easily cured, and the quality is better. A large number of tests com-paring the two crops for hay production have been made by the experiment sta-

have been made by the experiment sta-tion in co-operation with farmers in Southeastern Kansas.

As an average of eleven tests con-ducted during the seasons of 1915 and 1916, in Allen, Miami, Cherokce and Montgomery counties, Kansas Orange cane has produced 2.3 tons of field-cured hay while Sudan grass has produced 1.3 hay while Sudan grass has produced 1.3 tons. The cane is a little more difficult to cure and undoubtedly contained more water when weighed than the Sudan water when weighed than the Sudan grass. It is also coarser and is more wasteful in feeding. Sudan grass has a decided advantage in being a crop that can be more easily stacked or even baled and thus stored in better condition than cane. The Sudan grass also often furnishes a large amount of fall pasture after the hay crop is harvested. Everything considered, Sudan grass is almost if not entirely equal to sorghum for hay purposes in seasons when the seed can

purposes in seasons when the seed can be bought at a reasonable price.

Perennial crops should be depended upon to produce most of the hay. Not only are such crops more economically grown, but they are of greater value in increasing the fertility of the soil and are usually more easily cured and of better quality for seed than the annual

hay crops.

Red clover should be the crop most Red clover should be the crop most generally grown for hay in Southeast Kansas. Mixed with a little alsike clover and timothy, it makes a satisfactory and profitable crop on most of the soils of this section which are not acid. It can be grown under wetter conditions than alfalfa and is an easier crop to handle and a better crop to feed than sweet clover. sweet clover.

Sweet clover is growing in favor as a ay crop because of the ease with which hav crop because it can usually be established, especially on poor soils. When properly handled the quality of the hay is good and is relished by all classes of stock when they become accustomed to it.

ALFALFA REQUIRES FERTILIZING

Alfalfa is the best and most profitable crop to grow for hay on bottom land that is well drained and also on red limestone upland soils. It can be successfully grown on the black limestone soils if well drained, but red clover is usually as good and frequently better

on this type of soil. Alfalfa can also be grown on many soils formed from inter-bedded sandstone and shale if the

soil is properly prepared for the crop.

An experiment to determine the best method of treating soil formed from inter-bedded sandstone and shale to prepare it for alfalfa has been conducted in Allen County near Carlyle. Alfalfa was sown in the fall of 1914 on ground that had previously been inoculated, about one-half of which had been underdrained with tile. A series of plots laid off so as to extend across both the drained and as to extend across both the drained and undrained areas of the field were treated, before seeding, with manure, lime, and commercial fertilizers, as indicated in the following table.

The manure was applied at the rate of ten tons per acre, ground lime rock at the rate of 3,000 pounds per acre, acid phosphate at the rate of 250 pounds, and muriate of notash at the rate of

and muriate of potash at the rate of fifty pounds per acre. The manure and lime were applied before seeding only, but the commercial fertilizers have been

applied each season.

The alfalfa on the unfertilized ground has produced a total yield of 3,208 pounds. The crop made a poor growth, was very weedy, and the alfalfa plants weak and sickly. This plot will undoubtedly be taken by weeds in another season. When lime alone was used the total yield was 4,765 pounds and the plants were much more healthy. Barnyard manure alone increased the yield to 6,280 pounds and where used with lime to 7,571 pounds. The plot receiving acid phosphate and lime produced 5,893 pounds, while potash in addition to lime and acid phosphate increased the yield to 6,099 pounds. The underdrained ground produced on the average 842 pounds more hay than the undrained ground. The alfalfa on the unfertilized ground

The test shows that alfalfa cannot be successfully grown on unfertilized soil of this character but that lime, manure, or fertilizer greatly improves its growth. Lime or manure alone will insure a profitable stand, but the combination of the two is much better. When manure cannot be obtained, acid phosphate or some other commercial fertilizer supplysome other commercial fertilizer supplying phosphorous can be profitably used. Potash was not profitable, although it increased the yield slightly. Underdraining produced a marked increase in yield and will undoubtedly extend the life of the crop.

Pure-Bred Stallions Increase

Eighty per cent of the stallions advertised for public service in Kansas this year are pure-breds and only 20 per cent grades and scrubs, according to Dr. C. W. McCampbell, secretary of the State Live Stock Registry Board.

In 1909, the year before Kansas had a stallion license law, 70 per cent of all the stallions advertised for public service were advertised as pure-breds while half of them actually were grades and scrubs. Not one grade or scrub stallion has been advertised as a pure-bred this year as compared with 2,022 of them in 1909. The stallion license law will not permit fraudulent advertising.

A great change also has taken place

in the kind of stallions standing for public service in Kansas. In the last six years the grades and scrubs standing for public service in Kansas have decreased 1,300 and the pure-breds have increased 700.

This demand for sires of better breeding is due largely to the enforcement of the stallion license law, the main pur-pose of which is to give stallion patrons

a means of knowing exactly the breed-ing of any stallion they may wish to

patronize.

Protecting Seed

L. H. S., of Eastern Colorado, asks if there is any method of treating seed that will protect it from being eaten by ground squirrels. He is poisoning the squirrels by putting out poisoned grain, but they are so numerous that he fears they will dig up the seed planted. Lee R. Dice, of the zoological department of the agricultural college, states that the best method of treating seed to prevent its being eaten by squirrels or other rodents is to coat it with coal tar before planting, although even this method will not always prevent damage. To treat the seed, mix a large spoonful of coal tar with a gallon of boiling water. When the mixture has partly cooled the seed may be stirred in and allowed to remain several minutes without injuring its



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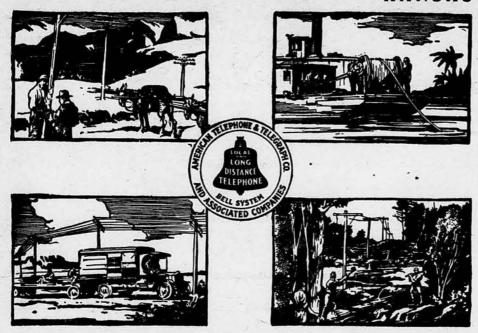
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Kansas Farmer Dairy

Scale For Weighing Milk

HE keeping of accurate records is a very important part of the work of the Kansas Farmer Dairy Club. It is no small achievement to have accurately weighed and recorded the milk produced by a cow in a period of twelve months. This is one of the things you must do as a member of the dairy club.

There is no information more valuable to a dairyman than an accurate record of the amount of milk produced by the cows in his herd. In

order to keep such records it is necessary to have a reliable scale to use in weigh-ing the milk. If one of the cheap spring balances are used, mistakes will be fre-SPRING BALANCE To VEIGH 30 Ib quent and by the end of the year the sum of all of these mistakes may be quite large. We are anx-ious to have members of the dairy club form habits of accuracy in their work. You should know to a cent what it is costing to feed your cow and to produce a pound of butter fat or gallon of milk. The scale illustrated

in this article is the best kind to use in weighing the milk. The same scale may also be used in weighing the feet in the fee ing the feed. It is known as the stand-

and thirty-pound milk scale. There are sixty and 120-pound scales made, but they cost more than the thirty-pound scale and this size will do very well for the work of the dairy club. There will probably be few cows milked that will give more than thirty pounds at any one milking.

These scales are made to weigh either ounces or tenths of pounds. We recommend that a scale graduated in tenths be used. There is a red hand on the dial of the scale, which is movable. By loosening a screw it can be set so as to stand at zero when the milk pail hangs on the hook. It can then be fixed in place by tightening the screw and if the same pail is always used in weighing the milk, this hand will show the amount of

milk in the pail. 'Some of our club members seem to have trouble in learning to write the amount of milk in the pail in the form of a whole number and a decimal frac-tion. Half way between the pound marks on the dial is a mark which indicates a half pound, or .5 of a pound. Each one of the four longer graduations between this half-pound mark and the pound mark are tenths. Between each of these marks indicating tenths is a shorter mark. The pound is thus di-vided into twenty parts, and some of the members write their records in the form of a common fraction—for example, 147/20 pounds. With a whole month's record, every single weight of which has a common fraction, the work of adding the columns is much more difficult than if the weights are all recorded in the decimal form. In reading the scale, write the number of pounds first, then count the number of tenths and write that immediately following the decimal point. If the red hand stops half way between two lines indicating tenths, simply write the figure 5 following the figure indicating the number of tenths In reading the scale and writing the 14%0 pounds used above as an illustration, it will be noted that the hand has passed the third graduation indicating tenths following the fourteen pounds and stops half way between this graduation and the one indicating four-tenths. The cerrect way to record the weight is to write it 14.35.

Whatever the number of tenths, the second figure of the decimal is always 5 when the hand stops midway between two graduations indicating tenths. The use of decimal fractions is very simple and will save a great deal of difficult addition work.

One of the requirements of the club work is that members shall use a scale like the one illustrated to weigh their milk. At the present time these scales are costing \$3, to which must be added 15 cents to cover postage. We will be glad to order scales for members of the club who may wish us to do so. Some may be so located that you can get the cream buyer to whom you sell your cream buyer to whom you sell your cream to order them. In ordering scales we will instruct the company to mail them direct to you, sending the bill to KANSAS FARMER, and you pay us the amount due. We cannot guarantee the price quoted, as metal is liable to increase in cost and the companies selling the scales might have to raise the price.

Borrow of Home Banker

Boys or girls who wish to become members of the Kansas Farmer Dairy Club cannot expect bankers who do not know them to loan the money needed to buy a cow. The function of banks is to furnish financial help to people in the community where the bank is located. They cannot be expected to loan money to strangers. It is a part of their busi-ness to be familiar with the people to whom they loan money so that they may have assurance that the money will be repaid according to contract. Credit is based on confidence and in order to have confidence it is necessary that the banker know his customers personally and be familiar with their habits and the conditions which surround them.

A few weeks ago we referred to a let-ter from Ike W. Crumley, of the Rex-ford State Bank, in which he assured us he would loan money to anyone wanting to buy a cow or a dozen cows, and expressing a desire to help finance any worthy applicant for such a loan. We suggested that the boys and girls in that territory take advantage of that gener-ous offer. He has just informed us that he is receiving letters from remote parts of the state as a result of this reference to his offer to make loans.

If you want to become a member of the Kansas Farmer Dairy Club, go to the banker with whom your people do business. This banker knows you and we do not believe he will turn you down if he has confidence in your ability to do your part in paying back the loan which he makes you.

Hardiness in Cows

Is she hardy? is the question often asked by those considering for the first time the buying of dairy-bred cows. There is often a wrong idea back of this question. What the man usually has in mind is not whether a cow has a strong constitution, a great capacity to use feed for milk production and the endurance. for milk production and the endurance to persist in her business of giving milk to persist in her business of giving milk through a long lactation period, but rather will she endure neglect and hardship, improper handling due to lack of real dairy knowledge, and still keep up a profitable milk flow. He wants to know whether she will rustle her feed for herself like a Hereford raised on the range, or stand the cold with no other shelter than a wire fence for a windshelter than a wire fence for a windbreak.

It is this conception of hardiness that prevents dairying from being a success when taken up by those who have not yet learned what is the true measure of a dairy cow's work. Is it any wonder that well-bred dairy animals dry up and fail to return a profit when handled by men having so little appreciation of what constitutes real merit in a dairy

Do not feed the dairy herd as a herd, for cows differ in their food requirements just as human beings do. feeding all cows in the herd alike, some are sure not to get enough for the greatest profit and others will get more than they can use to advantage.

Cooperative Bull Associations

THE use of good pure-bred bulls is the cheapest and most effective means of improving dairy herds. Co-operative ownership is one way to secure the use of better bulls. There are now more than thirty active co-operative bull associations in the United States. On July 1, 1916, there were thirty-two, representing a total membership of 650 and owning about 120 pure-bred bulls.

The co-operative bull association save

The co-operative bull association, says an article in the 1916 Yearbook of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, is esspecially adapted to herds which are so small that a valuable bull for each herd would be too heavy an investment to be justified by the extent of the business. Through co-operation, cattle owners are enabled to obtain the benefits which come from the use of a pure-bred sire at an expense which is not greater, and in many cases is even less, than the cost

of maintaining a scrub.

"Better and fewer bulls" is a phrase which represents the aim of these associations. A typical organization is composed of from fifteen to thirty farmers who own jointly five bulls. The territory of the association is divided into five breeding blocks and one bull assigned to each block. To prevent inbreeding, each bull is moved to the next block every two years. Barring losses from death or other causes, therefore, no new bulls need be purchased for ten years. It is customary to apportion the purchase price, and the expense of supporting the bulls, among the members according to the number of cows owned by each. A smaller number of men can organize for joint ownership. The simplest possible plan of co-operation is for two neighbors to buy a good bull together. Co-operation, to be successful, must be between men who know each other.

These associations have been known in the United States only since 1908, when the first one was organized, in Michigan. The short time which has elapsed since then makes it impossible to demonstrate the full value of the associations, because the influence of a pure-bred sire is felt in the herd for more than one generation. Similar associations, however, have existed in Denmark ever since 1874, and the movement in that country has proved most successful. So far as we know now, there seems to be no serious objection to organizations of this character to offset their very obvious advantages. Instead of spreading abortion,

tuberculosis, and other diseases, as has been sometimes alleged, they seem to aid in the control of contagion. One association, for example, refused to permit one of its members to use the bulls until he had consented to dispose of all his cattle which reacted to the tuberculin test.

This same association is composed of sixteen farmers and is organized into five blocks. Before the association was formed, eight farmers who afterwards became members had each an average investment of \$85 in a scrub bull. These scrubs were sold and five pure-bred bulls were bought at \$240 each, or an average or \$75 for each member. This actual saving in cash, however, is a far less important matter than the fact that the members now are able to use pure-bred sires instead of the former scrubs. A larger membership would of course reduce the expense still further. In an other association which has more than 100 members the original cost to each for purchasing the pure-bred sires was only \$23.

In regard to the returns from grading up cattle through the use of the purebred bulls of the co-operative associations, one estimate obtained from farmers in Maryland, Michigan, and Minnesota, places the increased value of the offspring in the first generation at from 30 to 80 per cent, or an average of 65 per cent. Such large profits are commonly associated by business men with the possibility of equally serious loss, but in the bull associations this does not seem to be true. It is difficult to see that any probability of loss exists. "It is true," says the article mentioned, "that some associations have disbanded, but there is no case in which any member actually lost on his investment."

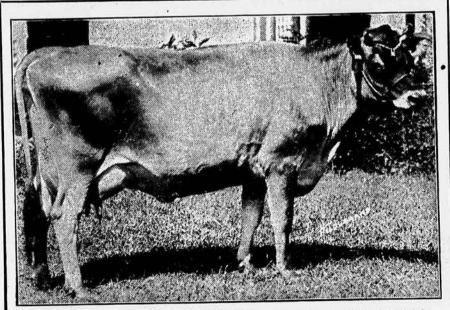
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E XAMINATION of hundreds of acres of sweet clover in different sections of the United States during 1915 and 1916 showed that the stand on at least 50 per cent of the fields was partly or entirely killed by cutting the first crop of the second season too close to the ground. That is the report of a specialist in forage crop investigations of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, in-cluded in Farmers' Bulletin 820, "Sweet Clover: Utilization," soon to be pub-lished. To prevent the loss of stands, farmers should examine the fields care-fully before moving to determine the fully before mowing to determine the height at which the plants should be cut. At least one healthy bud or young branch should be left on each stub. In fact, the plants should be cut several inches above the young shoots or buds, as the stubble may die back from one to three inches if they are cut during

damp or rainy weather.

Because of the difference in the growth that sweet clover makes on different types of soil and because of the difference in thickness of stands in dif-ferent fields, it is impossible to state definitely the proper height to cut the first crop the second season when a secfirst crop the second season when a second crop is to be expected. When the field contains a good stand and when the plants have made no more than a thirty-inch growth, a five- to six-inch stubble usually will be sufficient to insure a second crop. When fields contain very heavy stands—fifteen to twenty-five plants to the square foot—it may be necessary to leave an eight-inch stubble. When the plants have been permitted to make a thirty-six to forty-inch growth, a stubble ten to twelve inch growth, a stubble ten to twelve inches high should be left. In semi-arid regions where the plants do not make as rapid growth as in humid sections. they may, as a rule, be cut somewhat closer to the ground without injury.

The proper time to cut the first crop the second season will vary in different localities, depending upon the rainfall, the temperature, and the fertility of the soil. In no event should the plants be allowed to show flower buds or become woody before mowing. On fertile, well-limed soils, in many sections, a very rapid growth is made in the spring, and often the plans will not show flower buds until about five feet high. On such soils it is essential that the first crop be cut when the plants are no more than thirty to thirty-two inches high if than thirty to thirty-two inches high, if hay is desired which is not stemmy, and if a second growth is to be expected. In cutting the first crop of the second season it is a good plan to use extension shoe soles on the mower so that a high stubble may be left.

It is not necessary to leave more than an ordinary stubble when cutting the sweet clover hay crop in the fall of the year of seeding. A stubble four or five inches high, however, will serve to hold drifting snow and undoubtedly will be of some help in protecting the plants

from winter injury.

In some sections of the country it is difficult to cure sweet clover hay because the stand is ready to cut at a time of the year when weather conditions are likely to be unfavorable for hay making. Succulent plants like sweet clover can not be cured into hay of good quality unless excellent weather conditions prevail during the haying period. One of the most successful methods for handling sweet clover hay is to allow the plants to remain in the swath until they are well wilted or just before the leaves begin to cure. The hay should then be raked into windrows and cocked at once. The cocks should be made as high and as narrow as possible, as this will permit better ventilation. In curing, the cocks will shrink from one-third to onehalf their original size. It may take ten days or two weeks to cure sweet clover by this method, but when well cured all the leaves will be intact and the hay will have an excellent color and aroma.

When sweet clover is cocked at the proper time the leaves will cure flat and such a manner that the cocks will

readily shed water during heavy rains. In stacking sweet clover, a cover should be provided either in the form of a roof, a canvas, or long green grass. A foundation of rails, posts, or boards, is desirable, as this will permit the circulation of air under the stack. No instance of spontaneous combustion in sweet clover hay have been noted, says the writer of this bulletin, but this may be due to the fact that comparatively little sweet clover hay is stored in barns. The same precautions in this regard should be taken with sweet clover hay as with red clover or alfalfa.

Farmer Doing His Part

As usual, everybody is advising the Kansas farmer, everybody is knocking because they think he is getting the big prices, when on examination they would find that the holdings of the necessaries of life are in the hands of speculators. Every man and woman, every boy and upon the Kansas farms is speeding up to do his or her level best. How can you help? That is your problem. Your bit is as much a patriotic necessity as that of the man who works out in the hot sun to win the food from Mother Earth that you and countless millions must have and have goon. Who is go must have and have soon. Who is going to demonstrate that he will not "hike" prices to make a stake, will not "hike" prices to make a stake, will not make food and clothes and shelter, seed and implements and money inaccessible at this time because of the exorbitant profits assessed upon it by its holders because they can? Hamans and Judases and Shylocks are to be found at all

The contemptible curse of most conflicts has been that while brave men are falling for their country, over the field of battle hovers a cloud of hungry vul-tures fattening upon blood and flesh. So those who would, coin blood of the patriot into boodle. The strong hand of the federal government should stop the making of grain into liquor, and the speculation in foodstuffs at once. It should be an emergency wer measure should be an emergency war measure. In the hour of need sites for public use, railroad systems, telegraph and telephone communication, are seized and there is no criticism. These are not wasters, but ordinary agencies of public utility. Why should the waster that of-fers no return be exempted while people starve in war time?

Now is a good time to eliminate all unnecessary expense in any useless pub-lic service. The army of producers might be recruited from the superfluous official position holders .- ALFRED DOCKING.

Grow Sorghum for Grain

We cannot refrain from again calling attention to the possibilities of greatly attention to the possibilities of greatly increasing our grain production by growing grain sorghums. A good many farmers over the state have made marked successes in growing these crops for grain production. The trouble has been that in too many cases grain sorghums have not been given a fair chance. But in spite of the fact that they have been given such scant attention, they have given such scant attention, they have made good as revenue-producing crops. These crops, including kafir, mile and feterita, are very resistant to dry weather and in most seasons will make profitable yields even though corn may be a failure in the same localities.

These grains can be used for human dings and mush they are fully comparable with corn in nutrient value. They able with corn in nutrient value. They have not been used for this purpose, however, very extensively in the United States, although greater interest is being taken in recent years to directing the attention of people to their value for human food. In the present emergency the chief value of the grain sorghums



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culled out for various reasons. A pure-bred sire is now used and the heifer calves from the best cows are saved. This spring another eighty seres of land across the road from the original forty

has been purchased at a price of \$9,500.

Mr. and Mrs. Bigger went heavily in debt for the first forty acres some twelve or fifteen years ago, and everything they have has come from the profits of milking cows. The cows have not only made ing cows. The cows have not only made them a comfortable living, but have paid for the original forty, the barns, silos, and other equipment. In making these successes they have done a lot of hard work, but no great successes have been made in any business without persistent application.

The forty or fifty dairymen who visited Mr. Bigger's place took the greatest interest in what they saw. Judging from the number of questions they asked both Mr. and Mrs. Bigger while looking the place over and studying the methods, they must have seen many things that suggested helpful ideas to them. Those in charge of the trip had trouble in getting the crowd away from

this place and started on to the next.

We hope many of the dairymen who visited Mr. Bigger's place and heard him explain his methods will be encouraged by his success. There should be no backward steps in dairying in this state.

New Remedy for Calf Scours

It is generally understood that preventative measures are the best remedies for calf scours, which causes considerable trouble to some dairymen in raising calves on skim milk. The most imporing calves on skim milk. The most impor-tant preventative measures are to guard against overfeeding, feed at regular peri-ods, be sure the milk is at the proper temperature at feeding time, keep the pails and other utensils in which the skim milk for the calves is kept thor-oughly clean and sterile, and also keep the news and stalls clean. the pens and stalls clean.

There are two entirely distinct trou-bles, both of which have the symptoms of scours. One is from navel infection at time of birth and the other is from indigestion. If a calf becomes sick within a few days after birth and dies within a day or two, the case is probably navel infection. This trouble is often called white scours because the passages from the animals are generally

Indigestion is the cause of common scours. This generally occurs when the calf is from two weeks to a month old. Prevention is the best remedy. The common causes of indigestion are over-feeding, feeding milk cold or sour, feeding sweet milk one meal and sour the

next, and dirty pails, troughs or stalls.

Each calf should be watched carefully.

At the first sign of foul-smelling dung, its source should be determined, as this is one of the first indications of indigestion. The amount of milk fed should be cut to one-half the usual amount and a dose of one owner of caster oil in milk a dose of one ounce of castor oil in milk, followed by the formalin treatment, is advisable. The formalin treatment conadvisable. The formalin treatment consists in giving one tablespoonful of forsists in giving one tablespooniul of for-malin solution, made by adding one-half ounce of formalin to 154 ounces of water, in each pint of milk fed. The amount of milk fed may be gradually brought back to normal after a day or two.

Many feeders have obtained good re-sults from the use of blood meal as a

sults from the use of blood meal as a means of correcting a condition of scours. Where the case is mild a teaspoonful or the dried blood is added to the milk at each meal.

Developing Dairy Heifers

An experiment that is expected to prove of inestimable value in the development of the dairy industry in Kansas is being conducted at the agricultural college under the direction of O. E. Reed, professor of dairy husbandry. Its purpose is to determine the feeds that will tend towards the perfect physical development of heifers and the production of a maximum amount of milk at the

lowest possible cost. The tendency on the part of the average dairyman is to breed early and underfeed, and because of this fact the dairy cattle do not attain full size. The best producers of any breed are those which have been fully developed to the

breed standard. The experiment in question was started two years ago. Twenty-four grade Holstein heifers—all related—were fed on skim milk up to 6 months of age. Since that six heifers have been fed on alfalfa hay and silage, and 12 on alfalfa hay, silage, and grain.

The heifers are bred to freshen at 30 months, with the exception of those in half the lot, which are fed grain as well as alfalfa hay and silage. These are bred to calf at two years. Professor Reed expects to find out whether or not cows getting the grain will develope sufficiently and give enough extra milk if allowed to calf six months earlier to pay for the extra feed they will receive.
The experiment will be continued until
the cows are 6 or 7 years old. By that
time the department will have records
on at least three milking periods.
Two of the heifers have already fresh-

ened. One of these, which is fed on alfalfa hay alone, is giving thirty pounds of milk a day and producing it at a low cost. She is eating forty to forty-five pounds of hay a day. The ordinary

amount consumed is fifteen to twenty pounds a day. The other heifer that has freshened is fed alfalfa, silage, and grain. It is producing thirty pounds of milk, eating twelve pounds of hay, thirty pounds of silage, and seven pounds of

The cattle in the experiment are weighed every month, and their measure-ments taken.

Missouri Cow Makes Record

Carlotta Campus Girl, a pure-bred Holstein four-year-old cow, bred and owned by the University of Missouri College of Agriculture, has recently es-tablished a new mark for four-year-old cows in Missouri. She produced 99.9 pounds of milk February 7, 1917, and

thereby obtained the state record for cows of her age and the second highest Missouri record for cows of all ages.

Missouri Chief Josephine was the granddam of Carlotta Campus Girl and

granddam of Carlotta Campus Girl and was the one cow in the state to beat this record. She produced 110.2 pounds of milk in one day and holds the highest one-day record of cown of all ages in Missouri. She also was owned by the University of Missouri.

Missouri Chief Josephine also holds the year record of milk production for cows of all ages in Missouri, having produced 26,841 pounds in 365 days. Her granddaughter, Carlotta Campus Girl, made the highest record for milk in Missouri for two-year-olds by giving 15,725 pounds of milk when she was two years old.



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Self-Feeders Profitable

SELF-FEEDER like the ones used at the Kansas Experiment Station will cost \$20 to \$50 and will accommodate twenty hogs. Properly used a self-feeder will return a profit of \$33 in 100 days. This statement is based on the results of an experiment conducted at the Kansas Experiment Station last summer and fall.

It was shown as a result of this test that the feed bill was smaller, while

cents per hundredweight or 50 cents per pig, in favor of the self-fed. Average market prices of feed were used. These pigs were farrowed late. With the same kind of feeding earlier spring pigs will allow the advantage in the earlier mar-

ket prices.

The details of this comparison of hand-feeding with the self-feeder are shown in the table on this page.

While the saving of labor is one of

Self-Feeder For Hogs Returns Profit

SIX PIGS FED IN EACH LOT—	LOT 1 Mixed Corn meal 70 Shorts 24 Tankage 6 Self-fed	LOT 2 Free Choice Corn meal Shorts Tankage Bone ash Self-fed	LOT 3 Mixed Corn meal 70 Shorts 24 Tankage 6 Bone ash to appetite Hand-fed twice daily	LOT 4 Mixed Corn meal 40 Shorts 48 Tankage 12 Bone ash to appetite Hand-fed twice daily
Average initial weight	48.6	49.1	47	47.5
	99	91	132	125
	1.51	1.64	1.13	1.20
	5.64	6.11	4.86	4.82
	873	369	428	402
	\$6.04	\$5.92	\$6.93	\$6.60

Prices of Feeds: Corn meal \$1.60, Shorts \$1.45, Tankage \$2.55 per cwt.

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labor was saved and the pigs were hurried to market.

The saving of labor and the hurrying of the pigs to market are two factors of profit which especially apply to the spring litters of pigs. The rush of summer work and a declining fall market give sufficient evidence of these facts. During the last thirty years only four exceptions to a lower market in December than in October have occurred on the Kansas City market. An average of the last five years shows a gradual decline from September until the close of the year.

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In the tests referred to self-feeding and hand-feeding of pigs in the dry lot were compared. Rations of corn, shorts and tankage were fed to five lots of fifty-pound Duroc-Jersey pigs for sufficient periods of time to make an average gain of 150 pounds per pig.

In a comparison of the results of the self-fed and hand-fed lots it was found that the self-fed pigs made 25 per cent faster gains and consumed 8 per cent less feed. In other words, they made their 150 pounds gain and were ready for market thirty-two days earlier with a saving of 99 cents per head on feed alone.

These pigs were started on feed July 28. The self-fed pigs weighed 200 pounds November 1, and would have sold for \$8.05 per hundredweight, while the hand-fed pigs weighed 200 pounds De-cember 3 and would have sold for \$7.80 per hundredweight-a difference of 25

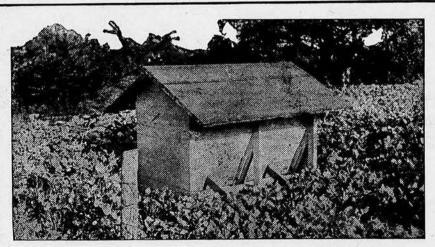
the strong arguments for the self-feeder, the strong arguments for the self-feeder, it is very conservative to assume that in feeding two carloads of hogs—one by the self-feeder method and the other hand-fed—there would be a saving of one hour per pig in favor of the self-fed. Giving this hour a value of 16 cents and adding the 99 cents saved in feed and the 50 cents gained in market price, there results a difference of \$1.65 in favor of the self-fed pig.

The average self-feeder built on the farm or offered on the market will act

commodate about twenty head of hogs through a feeding period similar to the one in this experiment. With an advantage of \$1.65 per head, a balance of \$33 may be credited to the self-feeder above the net returns from twenty hand-fed hogs.—C. M. VESTAL, K. S. A. C.

Do not let the pigs wean themselves. Take the sow away from the pigs when they are about ten or twelve weeks old and give her next litter a fair start in life. Take the sow away from the pigs and not the pigs from the sow. In this way the pigs will be left in their accustomed lot and will be less likely to notice the change in their living condi-

Shell the corn for the self-feeder and have a separate compartment for tankage. If the pigs are pretty small, it will be advisable to provide middlings or shorts in addition.



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There are many orchards in Kansas where demonstration work in orchard management is being done, but none are management is being done, but none are more interesting than that in charge of the Dickinson County High School, located at Chapman. This orchard has been carefully pruned under the direction of T. H. Parks, specialist in entomology in the extension division of the agricultural college, and will be sprayed four times during the season. The stu-dents of the high school are performing most of the actual work and the orchard thus becomes a class room or laboratory for training students, as well as a dem onstration of proper methods in orchard management for the people of that com-

Feeding Laying Hens

T IS too common a practice on Kansas farms to let the hens shift for themselves during the spring and summer, or, at most, to throw them a little grain. Birds fed in this way seldom give a profitable production the fol-lowing fall and winter. In most cases it will be safest to feed a well balanced ration, excepting green feed, throughout the spring and summer as well as through the winter months; the amount is limited to the needs of the hens. All but the heaviest breeds will keep active, ranging for insects and tender shoots even when fed. They will, in fact, con-sume only so much of the ration furnished as is necessary to supplement the feed picked up. It is only stock that comes through the summer in good con-dition that can be expected to lay many winter eggs, because heavy egg produc-tion, and particularly winter egg pro-duction, is a severe drain on the vitality

A scratching feed composed of two of the most economical grains from Group 1 on page 11 of this circular is satisfactory. (These grains are corn, kafir, milo, oats, and wheat.) This feed should be changed as prices become extreme. A mash containing feeds in proportion similar to those below should be fed with the scratch feed:

Six pounds finely chopped corn chop, six pounds wheat bran, three pounds wheat shorts, two pounds commercial

meat scrap.

If the birds have all the sour milk or buttermilk they care to drink the meat scrap may be cut to one pound. Oyster shell and grit should be kept before the

The successful handling of hens depends as much upon how they are fed as upon what they are fed. Just as there are several good rations, so there are several routines of feeding that are equally satisfactory. The one suggested here has been used with excellent success in connection with the ration given above.

The first thing in the morning a light feed of grains is well scattered in a deep litter of straw, so that the birds will be compelled to work vigorously in scratching it out. This usually keeps the birds busy until between ten and eleven o'clock. At noon the self-feeding drymash hopper is opened and left open during the afternoon. If the birds are not runing on pasture, as much green not running on pasture, as much green feed is given as they will clean up in a half hour. If mangels are used they should be split. At least two hours be-fore sundown a liberal feed of grain is given. The birds should go to roost with full crops; therefore there is no objection to throwing down a little more grain than they will consume.

The proportion of about two pounds of scratch feed to one pound of mash should be maintained. However, when the hens are laying a large number of eggs they require more moist feed than when only a few eggs are laid. It is sometimes necessary to close the mash hopper or withhold the scratch feed in order to maintain these proportions.— Circular No. 60, Kansas Experiment Sta-tion, Manhattan.

Forcing for Egg Production

When the object in feeding hens is tion of using the fowls for future breeders, the forcing method is adopted. By this method the hens are kept in a small yard or house, and are given a ration which is high in egg-producing elements. By this method the reproductive system is worked to its highest capacity. It is seldom that a bird will be able to stand up under such feeding conditions for more than one season. This system of forcing is followed by large commercial egg plants, the object being to get the

greatest possible income from the hens in the shortest time.

The practice of the forcing method has

The practice of the forcing method has given rise to the statement that the pullet year is the most profitable of the life of the hen. As the great majority of hens are kept on the general farms, where the production of eggs is merely a side line, forced feeding is not practical, the general plan being to allow the hens free range, and feeding them so as to produce only the normal amount of eggs. Cared for in this way, hens of of eggs. Cared for in this way, hens of the small egg breeds will produce nearly, but not quite, as many eggs the second season as the first. Those breeds which have a tendency to put on fat readily usually become unprofitable the second

Hens that are to be kept as breeders should never be given highly concen-trated feeds. If this should be the case, the hens will not be in a good physical condition to produce the best of chicks.

Poultry Conveniences

There are many conveniences that help out in poultry raising. In many cases these appliances can be made cheaply at home. Among these helps in handling poultry, Ross M. Sherwood, of the agricultural college poultry department, mentions the supply bin for feed, which saves going to the granary each time the chickens are fed. The size depends on the number of fowls. This bin may be of metal or wood. or even a pends on the number of fowls. This bin may be of metal or wood, or even a tight barrel placed on the floor or on the wall would answer the purpose.

The self-feeder is used for feeding bone, mash or charcoal. This feeder has a sloping bottom and the feed slips down or feet as it is consumed. It is well to

as fast as it is consumed. It is well to have it on a platform two feet high.

The feeding trough is used for moist mashes. This may be made of wood or metal. Often a V-shaped trough with slats across it is used. The only objec-tion to wooden troughs is that milk sometimes gets in the cracks and causes

poisonous molds to grow.

A water fountain may be made by taking a bucket, cutting a hole near the top, and setting it upside down in a pan. The top should not be flat, so that the chickens will perch on it and contaminate the water with droppings. The pan should be on a platform so that straw will not be scratched into it.

The devices for small chicks are nearly the same, except smaller. In the self-feeder, bone is used. A netting is placed over the feeding trough to keep the chicks from scratching the feed out.

Breaking Up Broody Hens

Eliminate the expense of broody hens. Even the fowls have no right to sit and do nothing at a time when the country is facing so great a food shortage, says Ross M. Sherwood, acting head of the poultry department in the agricultural college.

He points out that the average hen lays four or five eggs a week, worth 12 to 15 cents at the present price of eggs. Hens should be "broken up" as soon as they become broody. If possible do not let them set over night, for a day saved in shutting them up may save two days of their laying period. Broody hens should be placed in airy

coops with slat bottoms and kept off the ground. Too frequently an ordinary box or tub is turned over them, and as a result they are almost as content to sit on the ground as they were on the nest.

It is a mistake to starve a broody She should be well fed at this time so that she will be ready to lay when turned out. Avoid fattening the hen while breaking her up. Give a limited amount of grain and a liberal supply of milk and table scraps. Care should be taken to turn the hens out as soon as they are broken up.



The Eyes of America Turned on Her Farmers

AT last the American farmer oc- many big manufacturers in this esteem of the world. Manufac-lead. turers, merchants, bankers and city dwellers of all kinds heretofore have taken their food for granted and have overlooked the man behind the plow—the man who feeds them.

Conditions today are such that the producer of foodstuffs is recognized as the mightiest force—not only in the welfare and prosperity of the nations of the world but in the very existence of nations and their

A noticeable feature of the situation, which has shown the American farmer to be on a high moral plane as well as holding an important industrial place is the fact that he has not taken advantage of conditions to extort unreasonable prices from his fellow Americans. He has patriotically increased his production in order to prevent famine prices instead of keeping production down to force prices up.

He has shamed the food speculator -though unfortunately his example has not been followed by all manufacturers—particularly among the makers of so-called luxuries; though

cupies his rightful place in the country have followed the farmer's

One of the most noticeable cases among those who have kept faith is that of the makers of Coca-Cola. In spite of the enormously high price of cane sugar—the principal ingredient of Coca-Cola—and in spite of the higher cost of its other ingredients the Coca-Cola Company have not raised the price to consumers nor lowered the quality of that delicious and refreshing beverage one iota. Like the farmers they have kept faith with the people to their own cost.

Perhaps the lessons of fair-dealing and helpfulness that the heads of that institution learned as boys on the farm (for they are products of the soil) have strengthened them to stand firm in this crisis. So let us remember that the beverage Coca-Cola, known as the National Beverage because of its great popularity, has proved itself indeed national by doing its bit to keep down the cost of living.







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In washing woolen blankets all water used should be of the same temperature and the best results will come from the use of lukewarm water. A mild white soap should be used and should be dised in water to which has been added a little borax—about two tablespoonfuls to a large cake of soap. The blankets should not be rubbed or twisted, but squeezed through the hands. All soap should be removed by careful rinsing through several waters and a little ing through several waters and a little bluing should be added to the last rinse water. If the soap is left in the blankets they will become hard and will shrink. The wringer should be set loose for wringing the blankets. They should be hung over the line double and should not be dried in the sun nor in too cold air. Frost will shrink the fiber and sunlight will burn white wool. After drying the blankets can be made light and fluffy by gentle brushing.

State Extension Schools

Kansas communities expecting to take advantage of the state extension schools offered by the extension division of the Kansas Agricultural College for next fall and winter, should begin at once making arrangements for securing one of these schools.

Only thirty-two of the extension schools in agriculture and home economics can be held during the season 1917-18
—from November 1 to March 1. A petition signed by no less than fifteen responsible citizens who promise to have an interest in the school and work for its success, and who guarantee the money necessary for local expenses, should be sent to the Extension Division,

Kansas Agricultural College.
Best results are obtained in the community where all local organizations co-

The money guaranteed by the petitioners is used for local expenses only, such as necessary supplies for use in the school work, transporting speakers and equipment from and to railroad station, and for the hotel bill of the four representatives sent from the agricul-

tural college. Salaries of these men and women and their railroad fares are paid by the college from money appropriated for this purpose. A fund of not less than \$75 must be on deposit in a local than \$75 must be on deposit in a local bank when the school opens, which may be drawn upon by the local committee as designated by the college representative in charge of the school. This fund usually more than takes care of the expenses of the school and any money left goes back to the committee to be used for paying premiums on grain, live stock or household products, or for prizes in contests in connection with the extension school, such as stock or grain judging. school, such as stock or grain judging,

sewing, baking, etc.

This fund can be raised by sale of season tickets to the school, which should bring one dollar apiece, and by sale of tickets to adults not holding season tickets, for the two evening entertainment programs given in connection with the school.

Courses offered for men are soil fertility, farm crops, animal husbandry, dairying, horticulture and entomology, live stock sanitation and animal diseases, farm management and rural economics, any two of which will be given. There is a first year and second year course for women in foods, shelter and management, and clothing. Four instruc-

two women and two men-conduct

each school of five days.

Two well-lighted rooms must be provided by the community for the school. Further information regarding these extension schools may be secured by writing the Extension Division, Kansas Agricultural College, Manhattan.

Refinishing Soft Wood Floors

The following treatment for old floors is recommended by W. H. Ball, assistant in woodwork at the Kansas Agricultural College:

"Raw linseed oil is the most satisfactory dressing for soft wood floors. It is more nearly water-proof than any other oil. Hard wood dressing should not be used.

"Clean the floor thoroughly. If it has

Young Gardener and His Equipment

R OR two years Lester McDaniel has captured about all the garden prizes offered for garden club work around Wichita. We hope boys in that section will give Lester plenty of stiff competition this year. Last year in the garden contests conducted by the Wichita Y. M. C. A. in co-operation with the United States Department of Agriculture, Lester won \$49 in cash prizes on the different kinds of vegetables from his garden and in addition various merchandise prizes offered by the business men of Wichita valued at \$67.40. He fairly earned the title of "Garden King" of Southern Kansas, which was given him Club Leader Otis E. Hall. Lester did nothing that cannot be done by other hoys, and we pre-dict that he will have to work hard to retain his laurels this year. The cut shows him with the tools



been painted, a good paint remover should be used. Heat the oil not to exceed 180 degrees, and after removing from the fire add a little turpentine, not more than five per cent, which causes the oil to penetrate into the wood more readily and improves the wearing qualities. A coat of good floor wax may be applied over the oil if a polish is desired, and rubbed with a woolen cloth or weighted floor mop.

"For darkening, Van Dyke brown, want under on some other dark colors."

"For darkening, Van Dyke brown, burnt umber, or some other dark color may be added to the oil although the oil tends to darken the floor. A common paint brush may be used to apply the oil, and care should be taken to spread it smoothly. Do not allow the oil to puddle as it will dry on the surface and will peel off or produce glossy spots. One gallon of oil will cover from 500 to 700 square feet with one coat, depending upon the condition of the floor and the amount of wear. It is well to apply two coats in the beginning and renew with a coat once a year.

"A common method of treating old floors in bad condition is to use a good floor paint after the floor has been cleaned. A dark color such as brown, produced by burnt umber, or such neutral colors as will harmonize with the color scheme of the room should be used. It is not advisable to use a cheap varnish as it is not permanent.

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"If it is desired to bring out the grain of the wood the floor should be stained the color chosen and then from two to three coats of good floor varnish should be applied. Shellac is sometimes used for the first or priming coat as the cost is from one-third to one-half that of varnish, but it is not recommended for permanent results. In no case should shellac be used exclusively on a floor as it has a tendency to scar and peel off."

By placing a tuck in the hem of a child's wash dress, it will be an easy matter to lengthen the skirt when the child has outgrown it. The tuck should be run in by hand.

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I was twenty-one.

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and unhappiness.

That things worth while require time, patience and work.

That you can't get something for

That you can't get something for nothing.

That the world would give me just

about what I deserved.

That by the sweat of my brow would

I earn my bread.

That a thorough education not only pays better wages than hard labor, but it brings the best of everything else.

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The value of absolute truthfulness in everything.

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CLAIM SALE DATES.

May 31—R. J. Linscott, Holton, Kansas, June 26—Dr. J. H. Lomax, St. Joseph, Mo. Sale at farm near Leona, Kansas.

June 8—Ed Stegelin, Straight Creek, Kan.

Poland Chinas.

Aug. 15—H. L. Faulkner, Jamesport, Mo. Oct. 4—Dr. J. H. Lomax, St. Joseph, Mo. Sale at farm near Leona, Kansas.

Oct. 5—U. S. Byrne, Saxton, Mo. Oct. 16—H. B. Walter & Son, Effingham, Kansas.

At the sale of Hereford cattle held May 16 at Kentland, Indiana, by Warren T. Mc-Cray, the average for seventy-five head of Herefords was \$1,750. Martin Fairfax, a bull, sold to George Fuller, of Saskatchewan, Canada, for \$17,000, the top price. The top price on females was \$5,000, which Frank Fox, of Indianapolis, paid for Mousel's Express. Bulls in the sale averaged \$2,381 a head; cows, \$1,435.

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John Linn & Son, of Manhattan, Kansas, own one of the good herds of Ayrshire cattle in Kansas, They now have twenty-five cows and heifers in their herd, headed by Elizabeth's Good Gift, whose dam was the world's record cow in 1913, having made a record of 15,122 pounds milk and 526 pounds butter fat as a three-year-old. His sire's first daughters are making an average of 1,200 pounds milk and 400 pounds butter fat as two-year-olds. Lady Fearnot of Oakdale, a two-year-old cow in the herd, has a thirty-day butter fat record of fifty pounds. Euphemia of Oakdale, a mature cow, has a thirty-day butter fat record of Seventy-one pounds. Alta Drummond of Oakdale, a mature cow, made a thirty-day milk record of 1,650 pounds and a butter fat record of sixty-five pounds. Susie May Pender, a three-year-old, is now milking fifty pounds per day. They have ten head on test at the present time.

Poland Chinas should be strongly represented at the fairs this fall. Fourteen thousand dollars in cash prizes, besides it is now expected that several states will be visited with "view herds," costing in the agregate of \$3,000 per head. The prize money is divided as follows: Seventeen state futurity shows, \$600 per show, in the states of Ohio, Nebraska, Kansas, California, Iowa, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, Oregon, Montana, South Dakota, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Oklahoma, Idaho, Texas, Memphis Tri-State National Swine Show; Omaha, Neb., October \$10, 1917. Two thousand dollars in the open classes, and \$1,000 in the National Round-Up Futurity. About \$800 is given to pig clubs and other extension work.

Catalogs are out for Ed Stegelin's Polled Durham sale to be held at Straight Creek, Kansas, June 8. This sale will be of unusual interest to Polled Durham breeders for the reason that the famous Polled Durham bull, True Sultan, with twenty of his sons and daughters, will be included in the offering, and about the same number of cows with calves at foot or safe in calf by the great prize winner. At six different shows in 1916 True Sultan and his get were awarded 119 prizes, including twenty-five champlonships and grand champlonships. The offering includes the aged show herds, a young herd and a calf herd, all in first class condition to go on the fall show circuit.

The sale of the Benton Gabbert herd of Hereford cattle at Dearborn, Missouri, May 11, dispersed one of the oldest herds of that breed of cattle in America. The foundation of this famous herd was laid thirty-five years ago. The seventy-five head catalogued sold for an average of \$525. Twelve bulls sold for an average of \$525. The sixty-three females sold for an average of \$525. The sixty-three females sold for an average of \$505 per head. Beau Gomez, purchased by Gabbert & Son at the H. D. Cornish dispersion sale for \$4,000, sold for \$3,900, R. M. McNeel, of Marietta, Georgia, being the purchaser. The offering was widely distributed. A large percentage of the cattle went to breeders in Missouri, Illinois, Georgia, Kentucky, Kansas, Nebraska, Texas and Oregon.

George C. Tredick, of Kingman, Kansas, owner of the Tredico Herd of Holsteins, reports a good demand for Holsteins that are bred for production. Mr. Tredick has a line of breeding in his herd that has contributed largely to the fame of Holsteins as producers.

T. R. Maurer & Company, of Emporia, Kansas, report their Holstein herd doing well and a lively demand for high class

Holsteins. This firm owne one of the good herds in Kansas. They have a line of rec-ord breeding that insures profitable Hol-steins.

D. J. White, of Edgewood Farm, Clements, Kansas, reports his herd of registered Angus cattle doing fine. Mr. Clements owns one of the outstanding good Angus herds in Kansas. The popular Angus familles are all represented in his herd and he is breeding the profitable type. A feature of his herd at this time is the fine lot of young stock, including a fine lot of yearling bulls.

J. P. Mast, of Scranton, Kansas, reports his Holstein herd making a good record again this year. Mr. Mast has built up one of the great producing herds in the West. His herd is drawn upon heavily for breeding stock and many good producing herds in the Southwest were started with foundation stock from this herd.

Geo. W. Ela, of Valley Falls, Kansas, one of the live boosters for Hampshire hogs in Kansas, reports his herd of pure-bred Hampshires doing fine. Mr. Ela, who is secretary of the Kansas Hampshire Breeders' Association, has recently organized a boys 'pig club of twenty members and will start them in the Hampshire business with pigs from his herd. A feature of Mr. Ela's herd at this time is the choice lot of fall boars and gilts and a very fine lot of spring pigs.

New Books

"Vegetable Growing," by Boyle, is the title of a book recently published by Lea & Fabiger, Philadelphia. It covers the whole subject of vegetable growing, both from the standpoint of home use and production on a field scale. It is a valuable book to anyone growing vegetables. Locating and planning the garden, seed supply, garden tools, insect and disease control, classification of vegetables, and vegetable storage are some of the chapter titles. The book sells for \$2.25.

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The Macmillan Company has just added to the Rural Science series a book entitled "The Potato," by A. W. Bilbert, professor of plant breeding at Cornell University. It is intended to give brief, practical suggestions on the growing, breeding and marketing of potatoes. It is written especially for practical men who wish concise information on potato growing but do not have the time to go through all the miscellaneous sources of information, and especially experiment station bulletins, in search for this information. This book sells for \$1.50.

"A History of the Percheron Horse." by A. H. Sanders, is a new book just published by the Breeders' Gazette that should be in the hands of every breeder of Percherons. Probably no one is more competent than Mr. Sanders to prepare such a book. It includes hitherto unpublished data concerning the origin and development of the modern type of heavy draft horse, drawn from authentic documents. Mr. Sanders' own personal recollections of the American Percheron trades goes back to his boyhood, his father, James H. Sanders, having been one of the earliest introducers of Percheron blood in the country west of the Mississippi and compiler of the initial volumes of the Percheron Stud Book of America. This book is a distinct addition to the literature of the Percheron breed. It is printed on high-grade paper and contains many illustrations.

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"Agricultural Entomology," by Osborn, is the title of another Lea & Fabiger publication that meets the need of students and others who wish to learn something of insect life in its relation to farm crops and live stock. It is fully illustrated and while the author has assumed that his readers will have some technical knowledge of plant and insect life, the book is of value to the general reader.

Fly Campaign in Order

From now until freezing weather comes again we should fight flies systematically. Those who have made a study of disease carriers, tell us that the fly has no equal as a germ carrier and that five hundred milion germs have been found in and on the body of one fly. This statement shows the importance of killing the first fly and every other one that makes its appearance. For every fly killed now there will be innumerable less flies later in the season.

The most effective step in a fly campaign is the destruction of their breeding places. Flies breed in filth and where there is filth flies are sure to be found in great numbers. If they remained in the filth they would not be dangerous in the fifth they would not be dangerous to life, but they soon leave their early home, carrying with them much of this filth and depositing it wherever they stop,—on the food we eat, on the baby's mouth, or other places where these disease germs will thrive and do their destructive work.

Clean premises, meaning nothing left out in the open that will attract flies, is the first step in a fly campaign, and the killing of any that do come, is the next step.

The Federal Government suggests for-maldehyde and sodium salicylate as the two best poisons, both being superior to arsenic. These poisons attract flies, they are convenient to handle and are not poison to children. Three teaspoon-

fuls of concentrated formaldehyde solution, which is commercially known as formalin, should be used to a pint of water, or three teaspoonfuls of the pure chemical sodium salicylate, which is a powder, to the same amount of water. Fill or partly fill an ordinary drinking glass with either of these solutions, place over the glass a piece of blotting paper and on top of this a saucer or small plate. Next invert the glass and plate and place a match between the glass and the blotting paper. As the solution dries out of the saucer the liquid seal is broken and more flows into the saucer

broken and more flows into the saucer or plate. By this means the blotting paper is kept continually moist.

There are many odors which are pleasing to people which are equally unpleasing to flies and these can be used in freeing the house of this pest. A little oil of lavender mixed with the same quantity of water and sprayed around the room, will drive out the flies. The odor of geranium, mignonette, heliotrope and white clover, is also disliked by flies. When using any of these an opening through which the flies can leave the room, should be left.

The mixture of cream, ground black pepper and brown sugar, is poisonous to flies. One tablespoonful of each of these, mixed in a saucer and set in a window that is left light in a darkened room, will attract the flies and kill them. Flies that are killed in the house should always be burned.

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