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A Future Bright With Promise



THE United States has developed its position of world leadership on the most substantial basis the history of the human race has ever recorded. Our national wealth has increased about 35 per cent in the last decade, to 325 billion dollars. We have more than half the gold of the world. Our favorable trade balance for 1925 was more than 1 billion dollars and at the same time we put 1 billion dollars into foreign loans. While the world trade is about 20 per cent below the level of 1913, our foreign trade is 20 per cent above pre-war. In automobiles, for example, we export almost as many cars as the rest of the world makes!

Our national debt has been reduced about 1 billion dollars a year since the World War ended. The national budget has been cut nearly half since 1920. And despite the big tax reductions of 1924, Congress will this year make the largest cut ever known in any nation in the history of the world. The United States has no menace from communism, no serious unemployment and no threats of war. Wages are on the highest levels ever known—128 per cent above pre-war! And wholesale price levels are but 50 per cent above those of 1913.

We can spend 8 billion dollars a year for motor cars without any special effort. And since Great Britain has put up the price of rubber, we embark on an adventure in planting Liberia to rubber trees which will cost 100 million dollars. If necessary we'll convert Central America, Mexico and the Philippines into rubber plantations. Living standards in the United States are the highest in the world.

There is no doubt that the progress in industrial life has gone ahead of agriculture, but still it is encouraging, when viewed from the standpoint of the producers, for this has greatly increased the income of the city folks which is available to buy the products of Kansas farms and Congress is showing a real willingness to help agriculture. There seems to be no question but what an export corporation for farm products will be established soon, which should help still more in keeping up price levels with both crops and livestock.

So taking the matter from any angle the outlook is mighty encouraging. The future seems bright—the coming year appears better than any since the peak of war times, and it may be the most prosperous year which Kansas agriculture has ever seen, if the weather is favorable. It is a privilege to be alive in such a time in the United States, and to play our part in the great scheme of World Destiny.



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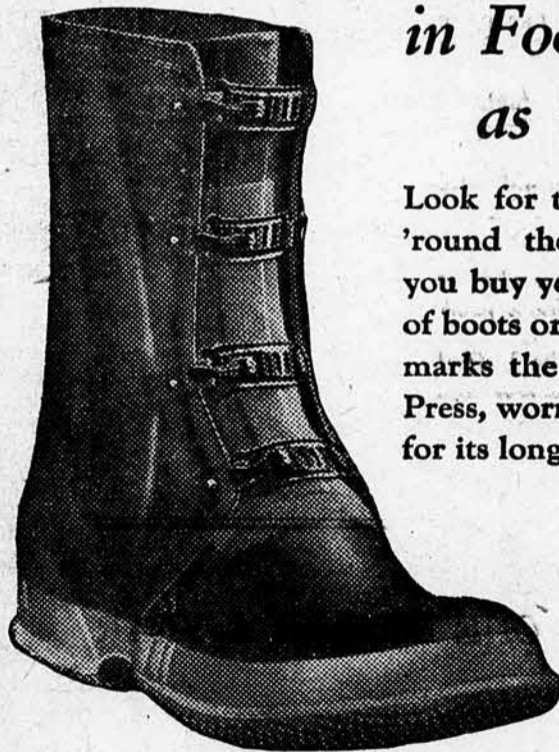
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This Was a Real Wolf Hunt!

Coyotes Would Have More Luck in Kansas if They'd "Lay Off" Chickens

BY HARLEY HATCH

DURING the last 36 hours considerable rain has fallen, and the clouds still hang dark and heavy. It is warm—for January—which no doubt means a change soon. The rain was needed for the wheat; it has been a long time since wheat has had a drink in this locality. We have had a little snow several times, but none of it remained on the wheat. The wheat rows are looking greener this morning and the frost is virtually all out of the ground. New Year's day witnessed a big wolf hunt here; the drive took in considerable pasture land, and was successful in rounding up at least seven wolves, six of which were killed. The proceeds of hide and bounty, amounting to more than \$50, were turned over to the Red Cross. If the coyotes had sense enough to confine their hunting to rabbits, on which they largely live, they would not be hunted down so closely, but they cannot let chickens alone.

crops but does not want to plant corn because of possible danger from Chinch bugs coming in from the wheat. Oats are suggested as a crop, and the inquirer wants to know the best way to prepare the land, which is the red upland soil of that part of Kansas. I should by all means plow, and the sooner the work can be done the better. We have raised, or tried to raise, oats on disked kafir stubble, and the result was always 25 per cent less grain than on disked cornstalk ground of the same quality. We have given up the raising of kafir on this farm because of the difficulty of finding a good crop to follow it. Another crop which might be sown instead of oats is flax, which used to be a regular crop in Southeastern Kansas, especially in that part lying near the linseed mills at Fredonia. Flax can be sown as late as April 15, but it is better to sow about April 1 or even March 25 in the latitude of Neodesha. Between oats and flax, however, I would choose oats, especially if the ground can be plowed and the oats sown by March 15.

Back to "Devil's Dream"

I watched the old year out, and at the same time listened to the music of the old fiddler's contest as broadcast by station WOS, Jefferson City. There were 53 contestants and each played three numbers. A telegram at the beginning from an enthusiastic Texan said he was going to stay with them to the end, and the announcer told him if he did he still would be listening at 6 o'clock the next morning. Sure enough the last tune was played and the station signed off at 6:45. I suppose hundreds of my readers heard this program of old time dance music, and if you remember back of 1900 I am sure it brought old memories to you as it did to me. The present day jazz is a nightmare when compared with these tuneful old dance numbers, but jazz will soon die, while "Money Musk," "Devil's Dream," "Leather Breeches" and "Lost Indian" will live on and on just as the old Scotch reels and Strathspeys have lived; it has been almost 200 years since "The White Cockade" and "Over the Water to Charley" were born of the rebellion of 1745, and where is the mature person who has not heard them played? In this connection let me say that there is one funeral I should be very glad to attend, and it is that of the inventor of "jazz."

Has a "Frying" Noise

A reader of this column living at Arkansas City asks a number of radio questions, the answers to be based on our rather brief experience with a new radio set. This inquirer has tried two sets and discarded both because of the "frying" noise in evidence so much of the time. This "frying" noise is familiar to us all under the name of static, and if there is any set free from this pest I have never heard of it. It goes with certain weather conditions, and is much worse in warm than in cold weather. I think I may say that a fortune—a real fortune—awaits the inventor of a device to shut out static. Those who have sets with indoor loops say there is less noise and interference with them than with sets having outdoor antenna. I am going to give this matter a test sometime soon and will then report results. This inquirer also asks if the direction of the antenna makes any difference in reception. Probably it does to a small extent. A friend who has an indoor loop set can turn the loop in any direction, and he tells me that when two stations are coming in on the same wave lengths he can tune out one of them by setting the loop in a direction opposed to that station. With outdoor antenna we find it difficult to separate stations when they come in at about the same wave length.

Played a Bull Fiddle

The old dance tunes as played by the Missouri fiddlers brought to thousands of listeners memories of the times when we danced until 4 o'clock in the morning and got home just in time to help with the chores and eat breakfast. I remember those old days in particular, because a neighbor and I used to provide the music, or at any rate that is what it was called. He played the fiddle and I came down heavy on the "doghouse" or "bull fiddle," as the boys called it. The country seems full of girls today, but in those long gone times girls were not plentiful, and the number of sets on the floor was limited by their scarcity as well as by floor space. In those homestead days the house that had room enough to dance two sets was thought a big one, and the usual dance consisted of one set, or four couples. Each set used to dance three changes of the old quadrilles, but soon it was cut down to two so each one could dance oftener. The musicians had numbers just the same as the rest, and danced just as often, volunteer players taking their places, and if they could not handle the fiddles they made music just the same on an accordion or mouth organ. If there was any harm that came of those pleasant old neighborhood dances I never heard of it.

Getting Real Roads

A friend writes from Medicine Lodge to express his satisfaction with the way the present road law is working out. He says that they now have in the motor car and gasoline taxes all the money that the community can afford to spend yearly on roads, and that they are getting real roads for their money. This, I think, about expresses the views of all real farmers, farmers who really farm and do not have interests in cement or brick plants. Farmers are not opposed to good roads, but they want them where they can use them and they want to build them just as they can afford without putting a staggering load of debt on the coming generation. We have wasted the fertility of our soil, we have cut down and destroyed our forests and are squandering our coal and oil resources, and that is an ill enough legacy to leave to the coming generation without piling up an immense debt for them to pay. Let's pay as we go, both in personal and public affairs, for the next 10 years, and by so doing leave better chances for those who come after us. As our Medicine Lodge friend says "let's do anything rather than pile up more debts."

Better Plow Soon

A farm problem is presented from Neodesha for solution. A field which has been listed to kafir for a number of years has wheat sown on two sides of it. The owner wishes to change

American commerce would be on a basis of unprecedented prosperity if every man who complains about the slowness of France in settling her debt would pay all his past due bills.

What Does the Oak Grange Community Owe to a Handy Kitchen?

By M. N. Beeler

YOU'D like to live in the Oak Grange community. It's such a neighborly neighborhood that you wish some good fortune would make you a part of it. Folks have a habit of dropping in to discuss this or that for the good of the community or just to visit. There's no rural isolation here. In the first place the Grange hall focuses all neighborhood activities around itself. Whenever there's a meeting on, everybody, almost, goes. And meetings are right frequent, not merely the regular Grange sessions, but other neighborhood gatherings as well.

But even at that, folks just can't seem to see one another enough. There are so many things to do, so much community business to transact, so much friendship to dispense that it all cannot be taken care of at the regular meetings, at the house parties or the club gatherings.

Take Mrs. B. L. Holloway, for instance. She just had to see Mother Engler, or at least that is the way she explained her visit early one bright winter afternoon, and so she hitched up the family car and drove over.

Maybe it was on business, maybe merely a desire to see someone, or only an urge to get out in the open on a beautiful day. She arrived at the Engler home soon after noon. There had been an oats threshing bee at the W. T. Engler farm that morning, and Mother Engler had accomplished the thresher dinner, cleared away the "things" and had her kitchen in shape by the time her visitor arrived. Her house was in order as always.

She Wouldn't Admit It

"You'll find it as well kept as any in the county," Mrs. Julia Klene, until recently home demonstration agent for Shawnee county, had said, "and she keeps it that way without outside help. You'll wonder how she can do that and at the same time be the moving spirit of a whole community."

Now Mother Engler wouldn't admit that she was the moving spirit of a neighborhood, not for the world. And her service is so unselfish that she would be wholeheartedly honest in her denial. What she wants most to do is to serve without seeming to serve. And it's doubtful if the thought ever occurred to her in that way at all. She is a bit concerned about what the neighbors will think of this story. A fellow wrote a "piece for the paper" about her home one time, and it was embarrassing because he put in everything she said and a lot of things she didn't say. Well, one can pardon him for that, for everything he said was

"nice," and altho the neighbors bantered her some about it, they approved. Mother Engler is so wholesome and helpful that one just can't keep all of the enthusiasm about her out of the story.

That "mother" name fits like a glove. She got it specifically by election, but you can't make names like that to order. The persons they belong to grow them. Maybe that is why the Go-So Girls' Club selected her to be the club mother. Some of the girls are as old as she is, too. That's a further explanation of why she and the name fit so well.

The Go-So Club requires a great deal of attention. Not that it isn't well organized, nor that it's a bit wayward, but no matter how well any group is organized, work is necessary to keep it functioning properly. There are 22 members.



Community Work is No Part Time Job For These Folks. Mother Engler, Left, and Mrs. B. L. Holloway Discuss the Go-So Club Program

That's all that can get in, for a bigger group wouldn't fit into the entertainment facilities of the average country home. The membership has been 22 since the club was formed five years ago, and 22 it remains. A few have dropped out, moved away from the neighborhood, perhaps, but always there is somebody who wants to get in, and so the body is constantly recruited to its full complement.

Every six months a program is made up for the

coming half year. The club meets twice a month. Valentine, Mother's and St. Patrick's days, July 4, Hallowe'en, Thanksgiving and Christmas require special programs. Other meetings consider such topics as journeys taken, a favorite great American, bird study, garden plans, Bible verses, interesting short stories, favorite novels, current events, fall planting of flowers, international fairs held in the United States, recipes and storing winter vegetables. The birthdays of members are noted in the programs of club leaders. Every member gives to the flower fund as many pennies as she is years old. This money is used in sending flowers to anyone in the neighborhood who must be confined indoors. Club members go in groups to visit invalids and old persons.

Every Christmas the club makes up a collection of foods and clothing which it presents to some needy family. On the whole it is a very busy organization.

Cream Can Full of Water

Then, Mother Engler is a member of the Willing Workers' Club, an organization of older women, which meets every other Wednesday. She is a great help to the Grange, which meets on the other Wednesday evenings. Last fall when the annual farmers' institute was held who but Mother Engler should remember to provide all the little things to make the meeting a success? On the evening of the first session the Engler car journeyed up the road with a cream can full of water on the running board. It was the only drinking water provided, and a return trip to the farmstead had to be made before the session was over. When additional kitchen utensils, dishes and other equipment or supplies are required for meetings at the hall, the resources of the Engler home are always available.

Mother Engler would be the first to deny credit for the activities of Oak Grange community, and it is only fair to the other neighbors to grant that they do their share. But somehow, Mother Engler seems to be the leader, first because she is willing and then because she always finds time from her household duties to keep up her end of the work. There's a meeting to attend every week and a lot of extra things to do betimes. How does she manage it? One is inclined to credit a handy kitchen and a modern home, a conveniently arranged house, electricity, running water and time saving equipment for part of it. Also Mother Engler always plans her housework with community activities in mind. The rest is just willing neighborliness.

A Bright Outlook in Foreign Trade

By Julius Klein

During 1925 the export trade of the United States continued its steady advance, exceeding by more than 7 per cent its value in 1924. The total value of our exports for the year is about 4,900 million dollars, the largest figure since 1920, and

representing an increase due largely to increased volume rather than to higher prices. This is an eminently satisfactory showing when compared with that of other leading industrial countries. British exports of domestic products were slightly less than in 1924, and French exports also showed a decline. Very naturally those of Germany, in view of the re-establishment of her currency and

the at least partial settlement of international complications have shown some increase—about 6 per cent. After allowing for the changing prices, British exports are only about three-fourths as great as before the war, and German exports a little more than one-half as great, while French exports, as nearly as can be ascertained, have increased slightly. Those of the United States, on the other hand, show a large increase in physical volume—at least 20 per cent.

It is particularly a matter for comment that our exports of finished manufactures have again risen markedly. Almost every class of manufactured articles has been exported in greater quantity than ever before, except in the inflation years, 1919 and 1920. A remarkable achievement of American industry is its increase of nearly 60 per cent over 1924 in the number of automobiles exported, raising the automobile to a rank in our export trade surpassed only by cotton and mineral oils. (Continued on Page 27)

THE year 1925 closed with our foreign trade in a highly satisfactory situation. Unless unforeseen causes should arise drastically affecting either our own production or the purchasing power of our leading foreign markets, the prospects for the coming year are altogether favorable.

Foremost, perhaps, among the factors which promise favor to our foreign trade for the coming year is what has already come to be known as "the spirit of Locarno," in the countries of Europe that are among our best customers. No review of the last year would be complete without mention of the Treaties of Locarno, whereby the principal nations of Western and Central Europe pledged themselves to mutual guarantees of peace, stability and good will. We have reason to hope that a new era has thus invoked among former warring nations, and to believe that Europe is at last about to enter into a period offering the most beneficent opportunities for her undisturbed internal development. Restored to a reasonable sense of national ability and the opportunity for greater industrial productivity, Europe undoubtedly must find herself with an increased ability to buy from abroad; and it can hardly be doubted that American trade will have its appropriate share in Europe's improved markets.



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DON SEITZ, a well-known writer and for 25 years publisher of the New York World, comes out with a strong defense of the farmer in The Outlook. He is of the opinion that the farmer has just grievances that can be remedied.

"What is required," says Mr. Seitz, "is co-operation, not on the part of the farmer but of the community. This he seldom gets. I mean by that, instead of asking the farmer to combine and hold up the community, the community should combine and uphold the farmer."

"It would require accomplishments far beyond my own," continues Mr. Seitz, "to figure out the extent to which overhead is piled on the products of the soil. There is enough wool in the fleece of the average sheep to make a suit of clothes. For this at present prices the sheep raiser would receive \$3.50. Yet the commonest suit the farmer buys would cost him \$35, and the city man, to order, from \$50 to \$125. The rest is in-between. This rides the sheep pretty hard."

Mr. Seitz urges that the town merchants take an interest in the farmer. "How easy it would be for these gentlemen," he says, "instead of roaring as Lions or whizzing as Rotarians, to get together and decide to treat the farmer decently, to give him real money instead of 'store credit' for his products. How easy it would be for such co-operators to get together and check up their requirements—how many pounds of meat; how much milk, butter and cheese; how many bushels of wheat, corn, oats, potatoes, beans, peas, pears and peaches; how many dozen eggs; and how much poultry the town requires and apportion this by requisition among the adjacent farms, each according to its capacity. How joyously the farmers would come to welcome a regular market and cash pay, as against a measly credit too often taken up in inferior goods at outrageous prices. How the community would rejoice at fresh food right off the farm."

All of which sounds well and has considerable sense in it, but it sounds, after all, just like what a man would write who has been engaged practically all his life in a business that has about as little to do with practical farming as any business there is.

It looks easy to Mr. Seitz for the business men to get together some evening and figure out just how much of this and that food product is needed to supply the people of the city, and after they have the figures to go to the farmers and say to each one: "Now we have decided to apportion so much of this to you, bring it in and get your cash."

He thinks that the farmers would welcome this plan with tumultuous joy. Well, if Mr. Seitz could find a town or city where the business men were ready to put his scheme into operation, he probably would have another think coming; for the average farmer is a tolerably independent individual, and instead of welcoming the plan with loud acclaim he would resent it.

In order to make the Seitz plan a success it would be necessary to standardize farm products; that is, make them of approximately the same grade. Mr. Seitz may not know it, but the fact is that farm products of the same name differ from each other even as one star differeth from another in glory. He may suppose that a fresh egg is a fresh egg no matter where it is produced, but fresh eggs differ in size and flavor. One farmer's wife makes butter that is better than the best creamery product, but there is some fresh country butter that is not fit to eat.

It would be a glorious thing if they could be standardized. Maybe that happy state of things will be brought about some time, but it is not so easy as Mr. Seitz seems to think.

Far be it from me to discourage co-operation between the business men of the cities and towns and the farmers! I am for it and for it strong, but the farmers must do their own co-operating and they must lead. When they have reached the state of intelligent co-operation, which will mean a high standard of production and an intelligent understanding of market conditions, they will not need the fostering care of the business men of the cities and towns; they will control the situation.

Snow in the Mountains

THE press dispatches announce that there is a lot of snow in the mountains of Colorado. "Mighty fine thing for Kansas," remarks the old timer. In the early days of Kansas a heavy mountain snowfall was a sure sign to the pioneers that the crops the following summer and fall would be bountiful. Three months ago the snowfall in

Passing Comment

—By T. A. McNeal

the Rockies had been heavier than for any three previous winters. It has since snowed a lot. So the snowfall up to date for the present winter is up to normal and far ahead of the past three winters.

The old timers who came West to break the virgin sod of the Western prairies didn't have any scientific apparatus to guide them. They went by "signs" mostly, which added to a close observation of nature and all her doings, gave them a pretty fair index of what was going to happen in the way of crops the coming season. The snow in the mountains theory was one of the most prominent forecasters of that day. History is somewhat hazy as to how often their signs came true, but nevertheless, a favorable "sign" gave them a lot of satisfaction and confidence, and scores of them stayed another year when the aforesaid "sign" was right. That year, in many instances, proved to be the turning point, and many of them are here yet. So the "sign" is right this year, and Kansas is due for bumper crops all along the line.

To a Rejected Poem

BY ELIZABETH FROST REED

Just fourteen times I sent you far away
 To editors cold-blooded. They hold sway.
 The money that I spent on envelopes
 And stamps I ill could spare. My buoyant hopes
 However, would not down, and so I sent
 You out each time with confidence, more bent
 To have you recognized for what you are—
 A lilting lyric singing of a star.

Just fourteen times you have come back to me.
 A pink rejection slip reads: "Poetry
 Like this we do not need just now." I take
 You up and kiss your creased face; I wake
 Anew to your chaste beauty. Now at last
 You find a home. Your wandering days have
 passed.
 Child of my heart and brain, I paste you tight
 Within my scrapbook out of critic's sight.

Big Bookkeeping Job?

WHENEVER this Federal Farm Board determines that there is or will be an exportable surplus of any basic agricultural commodity, and that a substantial number of the co-operative associations or farm organizations representing the producers of that commodity favor operation under the bill, the board will determine upon an operation period.

"During this period the board will advise co-operative associations in the disposition of the commodity and will enter into agreements with co-operative associations, under which the associations will buy at the domestic price and sell at the world price and will be reimbursed for any losses sustained.

The funds for the payment of such losses are obtained by the collection of an equalization fee from the producers of the commodity when they sell, and any balance remaining after the payment of the losses will be returned to the producers.

To make a law like that proposed in the Dickinson bill effective, it would seem necessary that this Board have general control of the marketing of all these basic farm products, otherwise it would not be possible to levy and collect the fees necessary to furnish the capital for buying the surplus. In other words, the board should have a system similar to the "check-off" arrangement of the labor unions with employers, by which the employers deduct the dues of the members of the union from their pay checks.

On the face of it, this seems like a very far-reaching and complicated plan. I presume, however, that Congressman Dickinson has in mind an arrangement by which the buyers of these farm products will collect the fees as the keepers of filling stations collect the gasoline tax by adding it to the price of the gasoline.

Senator McKinley of Illinois has introduced in the Senate a bill called the Sconce plan. This seems to hark back to the old sub-treasury plan proposed by the Populists 35 years or more ago. "This bill," says Senator McKinley, "proposes to work thru the Federal Reserve Banks, and a simple selling organization will enable the farmer to retain ownership of his crop for nine months, if desired, to have same sold when the demand warrants and to borrow at once three-fourths of the present selling price."

That there will be some legislation looking to the betterment of farm prices is probable, and that it will not follow entirely either the Dickinson or the McKinley plans is equally likely.

Truthful James on Lions

ONE evenin' Bill Wilkins and me was sittin' smokin', Bill, by the way, usin' my tobacco and pipe, when I said to him, says I, "Bill, you hev been tellin' me about your huntin' experiences up in the Arctic regions; did you ever hunt in the Rocky Mountains?" "I sure did," said Bill. "I spent several years there when the huntin' was particularly good and also dangerous. Did I ever tell you, James, about my adventure with a mountin' lion up in the Big Horn Range?"

"You never did," said I, "but I might say that if you will confine yourself to facts, Bill, I will take more interest in your narrative. I hev told that polar bear story of yours to a number of people, and most of 'em said they didn't believe a doggoned word uv it. I'm gittin' sort of tired uv hev'in' to vouch for your reputation fur truth and veracity every time I repeat one uv your stories."

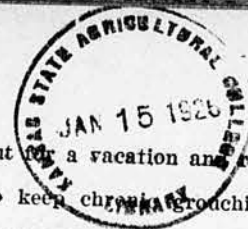
"James," said Bill, as he wiped a tear from his eye, "you and me hev been friends fur nigh onto 40 years. You kin trust me, James. I know that I hev'n't many more years to live, and when you air standin' by my coffin and sayin' a few words in the way uv remembrance I want you to say "Here lies William Wilkins, who wuz the only man aside from G. Washington who never told a lie."

"I'll do my best, Bill," says I, "but I am surmishin' that just when I say, "Here lies William Wilkins," some son-uv-a-gun will rise up and say that he always knowed you was a goldurned liar while you wuz alive, but supposed that you would quit it when you wuz dead; but lettin' the future take care uv itself, Bill, what is the story about your adventure with the mountin' lion?"

"As I said," said Bill, "I wuz hunting in the Big Horn Mountings and hed sort uv lost my bearin's. I figgered out the general direction uv my camp and was mushin' along thru the snow when suddenly I found myself on the brink uv a narrrer, deep gorge. The sides was plumb perpendicular, and it wuz fully 1,500 feet to the bottom. The gorge was just about 40 feet wide, but so fur as I wuz concerned it might as well hev been a mile wide, and as fur as I could see it run the same way in both directions. I might hev to travel 50 miles before I could find a crossin'. It wuz winter and mighty cold. If I stayed there I knowed that I would freeze to death, and if I went wanderin' up or down that gorge I probably would perish.

"I set down to rest a spell and figure out the best thing to do, when I heard back uv me a couple of hundred yards the scream uv a mountin' lion. There I wuz, a 1,500 foot drop on the one side and the biggest mountin' lion I ever see on the other. That lion, as I found afterward, measured 11 feet and 6 inches from tip to tip, and weighed over 300 pounds. Now ordinarily the mountin' lion will not attack a man, especially in daylight, but I reckon that lion wuz powerful hungry, and I wuz the only livin' critter in sight. He eyed me fur a considerable spell, lashin' his tail to and fro.

"I might hev shot him if it hedn't been fur the fact that I hed carelessly shot away my last cartridge, and he sensed the fact that I wuz out uv ammunition. Even then he hesitated, fearin' that maybe I hed another gun, but as I didn't shoot he got his courage up and made ready fur a spring. He couldn't cover the hull distance at one bound, but his first spring brought him within 175 yards. The next bound he cleared 50 yards, and the next he wuz within 10 yards uv me and makin' ready fur the final spring. My blood wuz runnin' cold and I was saying to myself, "This here is where William Wilkins, Esq., sees his finish." But it hes always been my motto never to say die. I did some mighty quick thinkin' just as that lion took his last spring. I jumped sideways quick as lightning and if I do say it myself, there wasn't any



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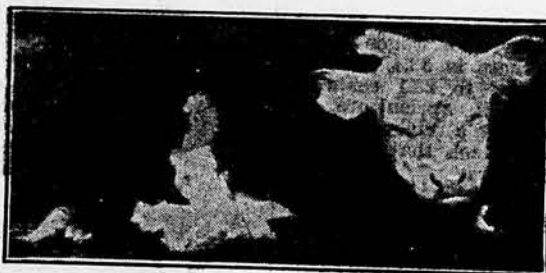
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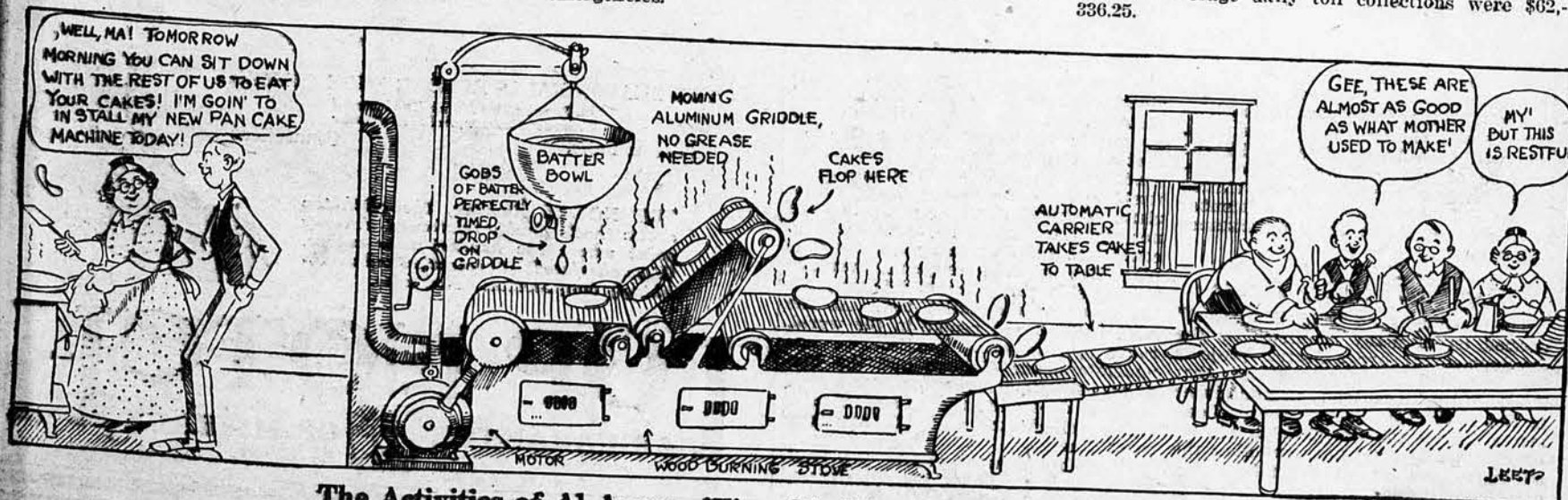
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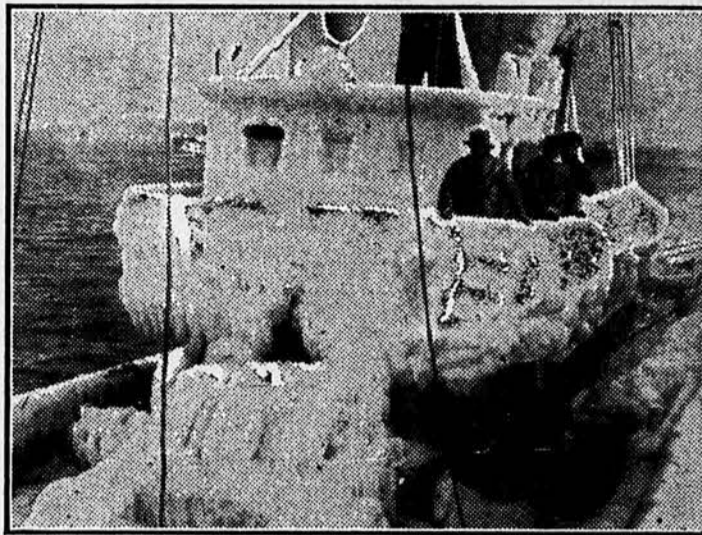
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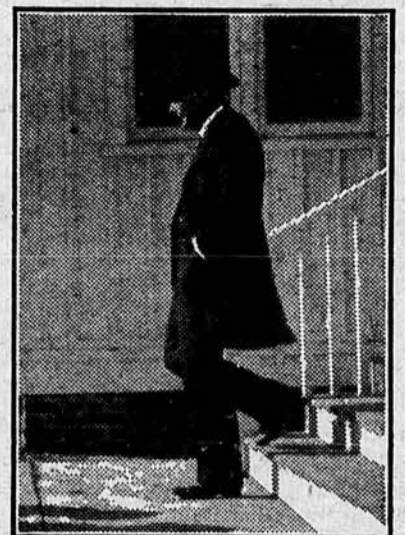
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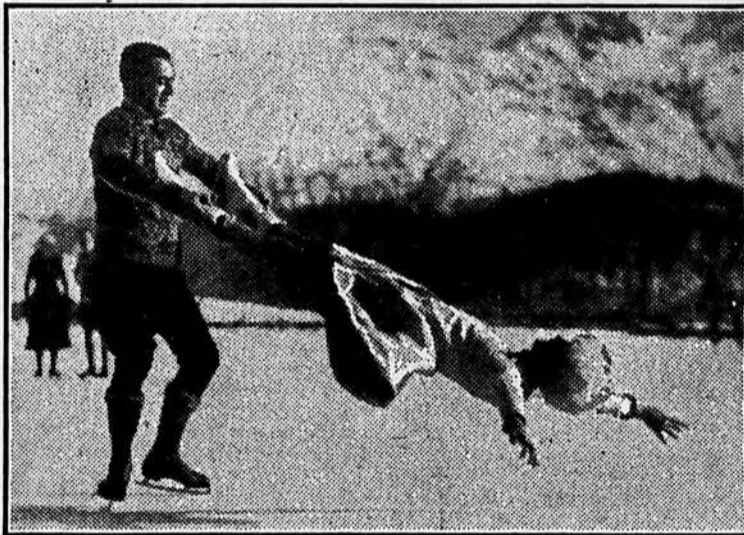
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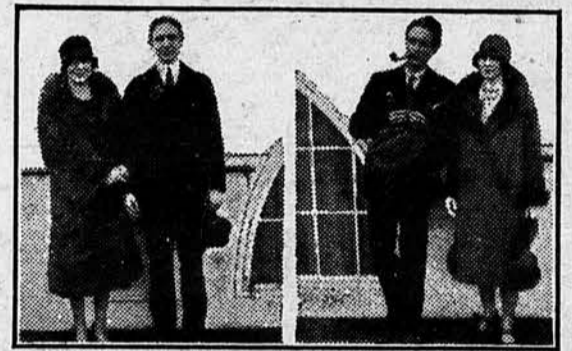
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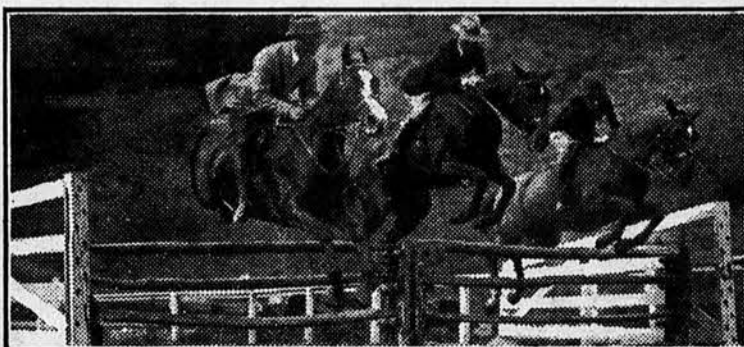
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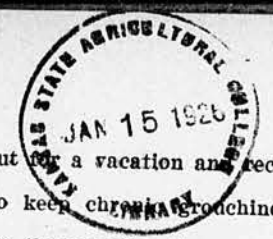
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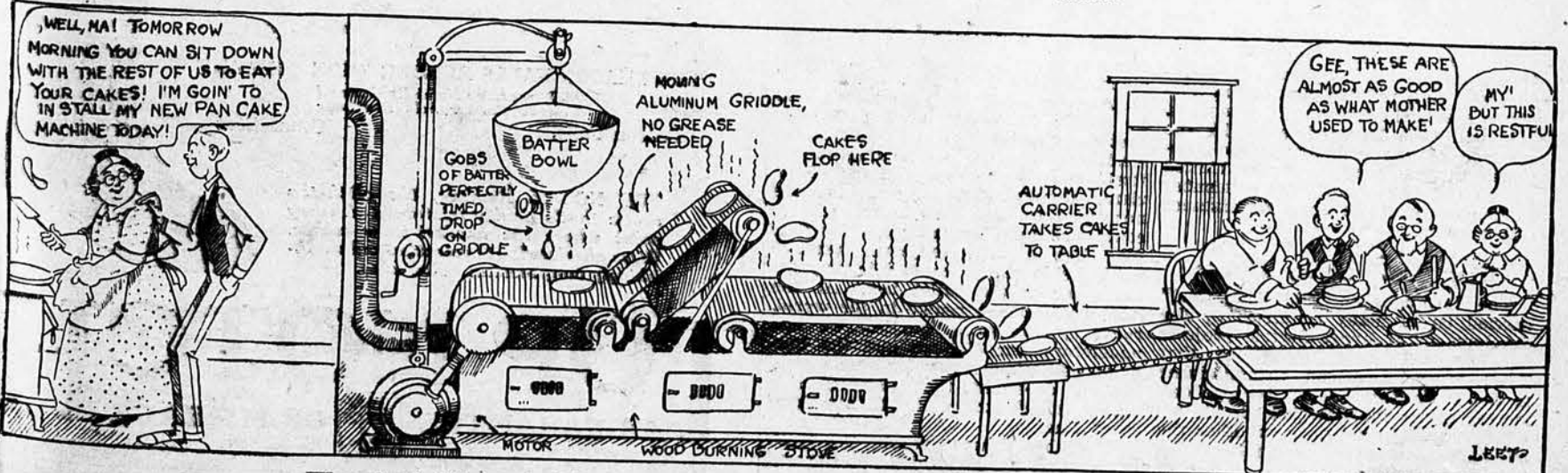
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The Administration is for the World Court. It believes the United States should enter this tribunal at once, with reservations which will safeguard the interests of the country. It feels that this will help with the more friendly spirit of co-operation which seems to be developing among nations.

James A. Reed, United States Senator from Missouri, is very much against the whole idea, as he was with the League of Nations. He delivered a forceful argument against the World Court recently before the City Club at Kansas City, which was broadcast by radio, and which thousands of Kansas folks heard. His argument, expressed briefly, is that the World Court would be "packed" against the United States, and that we could never hope for a square deal.

A Joy to Work

Mussolini pays the United States a perhaps undeserved compliment. He says that, alone among nations, we regard work not as an irksome necessity, in order to live, but as the very purpose and joy of life. We welcome life, because it is a chance to work, and rejoice in a rich continent, because it gives us something to work on.

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Crop Surplus Troubles Continue

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"Give Me London Please"

Success of experiments in transoceanic radiotelephony has led to the prediction by engineers that commercial trans-Atlantic radio phone conversation will be a regular part of the telephone system before many years pass.

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King Coal's Shaky Throne

The onslaught on "Old King Coal" carried on in many countries by the development of hydro-electric projects has assumed such proportions that Basil Miles, American Commissioner to the International Chamber of Commerce, raises the question, in his review of world conditions, whether the old monarch's throne is not becoming a trifle unstable.

"In Italy," says Mr. Miles, "the general recovery seems to be progressing

and continues to be accompanied by plans for replacing coal imports—which in a purely economic sense, are so expensive—by the development of hydro-electric power. The same process seems to be fostered in Switzerland, and in Austria is considered so important as to justify the creation of a budget deficit in order to provide funds for hydro-electric developments which will profit the country in the future. This tendency leads to the natural inquiry whether King Coal has not had his day. If this be the case, the country principally concerned will be Great Britain, where much of the foreign trade has been based on the profitable export of coal. But other countries, too, will be affected, and this feature may well prove henceforth one of growing international importance."

Another thing which is wrong with the coal business is a lack of public confidence in it. As a Kansas man said recently in Wichita, after another man had run off with both his motor car and his daughter, "there has been too much damn foolishness." The strike in the hard coal fields is a fine example of this. As the Kansas Farmer showed in the issue for December 26, the average wages of anthracite coal miners is 83.4 cents an hour, as compared to 23.1 cents an hour for workers in agriculture. If the coal folks need a higher income it is a lead pipe cinch that this also is true with farmers.

Here's Another Coolidge Story

The whole country appears to be resounding at last with Coolidge yarns. The way they have blossomed out suddenly in all directions leads one to suspect that some are far from genuine, the probability being that all New England has been combed for stories typical of that section and its people so that the said story might be pinned to the first New Englander in the White House since 1857.

The latest of the Coolidge yarns is attributed to "Jimmy" Walker, the new mayor of New York City. According to the mayor, two lads were sitting one day on an old stone fence whittling. The late autumn sky was overcast and threatening. Silence reigned for a long time. Then one of the boys called to the other:

"Cal."

No response. There was another whittling silence. Then a second call:

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Still no response; still another silence. Then finally:

"Cal, I say, do you think it's going to rain or clear up?"

Once more the strange New England silence. But at last the boy addressed moved. Slowly he turned toward his questioner.

"What you trying to do?" he queried. "Pin me down?"

Neither Wanted Fair Play

General Pershing's failure to arrange for a plebiscite in the Tacna-Arica strip satisfactory to both Chili and Peru is due to his soldier-like directness and honesty, in the opinion of the Springfield Republican. He framed a plan that would have insured absolute fairness, which perhaps neither country desired. The job should have fallen to a Philadelphia or Boston politician. Says the Republican:

"At this distance it looks as if the whole plebiscite idea had been knocked into a cocked hat. The only hope for its success, we are given to understand, was to have sent down there an American politician so clever that he would have convinced each side that the election was to be held under conditions peculiarly advantageous to itself and to the disadvantage of its rival. General Pershing's talents were not equal to such an emergency. He could not help standing up for fair play like a drill sergeant, whereas neither side really wants fair play for the other at the ballot box. As the most ballot-boxed people in the world, ruled by competing parties, we can understand the Chilean and the Peruvian politicians scrapping over a plebiscite to determine the possession of a highly valued strip of South American coast line.

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A GUARANTEE OF MILEAGE

uvian governments might display sound judgment in asking for the nullification of the recent award and the reopening of the case by the arbitrator. Another award drawing the boundaries with finality between Chili, Peru and Bolivia, without plebiscite accessories, would close the incident, if the governments most concerned would accept such a solution."

Is it Nature's Way?

Is the fad of wearing short skirts, thin rolled hose and frill slippers, now raging among the women, simply nature's way of balancing the sexes? This may be a rather far fetched suggestion, and yet one can never tell.

Appalled at the amazing endurance test of the women thus attired romping the streets in below-zero weather, the Chicago Daily News editorially dubs this "The Winter of Frozen Knees," and says: "The adoption of the present form of covering the female foot and calf began in all its stark inadequacy only this year. Consequently we have no statistics to show its effect. We do have, however, the sad fact that in the five years previous the mortality of women between the ages of 18 and 32, previously always below that of males of corresponding ages, rose higher than that of males. In that period young women exposed their necks and chests in winter as they had never done before. Now that they are exposing their legs to the cold more than ever before, their clothing being at once thinner and briefer, what consequences can be reasonably expected?"

"It has often been remarked that nature does some unusual things after any great war. The birth rate of male infants increases for one thing. Nature brings more males into the world to help make up the deficiency resulting from the waste of war. Is nature now ordering more females out of the world by means of this incomprehensible reduction of protection against the winter cold? Do women thus blindly obey the brutal command of nature that women shall die in unusually large numbers until the world's balance of the sexes is again established?"

"But there are no women to spare in this country. Nature must be thinking of the whole world when she orders American women to dare Arctic temperatures most inadequately clad from the knees down."

4 Out of 5 Asked For Bonus

One out of every five World War veterans entitled to compensation under the bonus act had failed to apply for the relief granted by Congress up to December 1, 1925. The total number of applications received up to that date was 2,760,677, of which 2,669,370 were certified to the Veterans' Bureau as valid, the remainder having been disallowed or were at that time in process of correction.

It is estimated that approximately 21 per cent of 700,000 of the compensable veterans or dependents have not yet applied, Maj. Gen. Robert C. Davis, adjutant general of the army, declared in a report a few days ago on the handling of the huge clerical job. He added that under the law, the door remained open for accepting applications up to January 1, 1928.

As indicating the scattering over the world of American World War veterans since their discharge, General Davis listed some 90 "foreign locations" from which bonus applications have come, including the tiny republic of San Marino.

A Centennial For Leavenworth

Plans are being made for the centennial celebration of Fort Leavenworth. It is the oldest fort in Kansas, and was established by Colonel Henry Leavenworth in May, 1927. A section of the old wall is still standing. Major Elvid Hunt, a member of the faculty of the General Service Schools, was in Topeka recently searching the records of the State Historical Society for material relating to the fort's history. Plans for the observance of the centennial will be in charge of Brig. Gen. Edward L. King, commanding officer.

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What is Ahead in Farming?

A CONSIDERABLE development in poultry raising will take place this year in Kansas. Probably it will be the greatest year for farm flocks the state has ever seen. More poultry houses have been built and rebuilt this winter than in any similar season. Folks who sell incubators, feeds and other equipment and also the baby chick people are looking forward to a season well above last year. Evidently the state is on its way to place the poultry industry on a considerably larger basis.

vane, by the way, has now reached the place where it is getting a very substantial profit from the sale of surplus cattle, which will still further increase the income of this quite remarkable community.

Will Pump More Water?

Pumping irrigation will make a greater growth this year in Kansas than in any previous season. Most of this will come in the Arkansas River Valley, but it is gaining elsewhere, as was shown by a story on page 3 of the Kansas Farmer for January 9. More than a million acres of underflow land is available for development in the Arkansas River Valley at a lift of 30 feet or less. It is fortunate that Kansas has a man like George S. Knapp, State House, Topeka, as the State Irrigation Engineer. Certainly he has been of tremendous service to the state in the last few years in directing this movement along safe and sane lines, which are practicable from the financial and mechanical standpoints.

More Early Potatoes

Reports from growers in the Kaw River Valley indicate that the acreage of early potatoes will be well above that of 1925. And very likely this will be all right, as there is a serious shortage, as is well shown by the high prices, which are above wartime levels. It is likely that this shortage will not be made up by the time the Kansas crop is sold, and likely the price levels will be on a profitable basis. Probably this will not be true with the late crop. Experience with potatoes has shown that in seasons following abnormally high prices the acreage is increased to such an extent that in the fall the supply is larger than the demand, and prices go way down. In general this angle of the matter is of only academic interest in Kansas, for the state has never made a serious effort in producing late potatoes, and probably, on an average, is helped rather than injured by low prices for potatoes in the fall.

Larger Crop of Beets

Evidently the acreage of sugar beets this year in Kansas will be the largest the state has ever seen. That is pretty likely to occur even if considerable grief develops with the crop between now and planting, for the folks in the Arkansas River Valley are thinking beets, talking beets and planning to plant beets in a way they have never done before, and this is true as far down as Sedgwick county. It is a good thing. Kansas can well afford to pay less attention to crops like wheat, which many times must be sold on an export basis, and more to those like sugar, which sell on an import basis.

Real Interest in Seed

Another increase is coming this year in the acreage of Sweet clover and alfalfa. Much more interest is being shown in the production of these crops for seed. Certainly the folks who have grown Sweet clover for seed in the last few years have made good money from it. And there has been nothing in all the agricultural history of Kansas which has been any more silly than the decline in alfalfa seed production, from 350 carloads a year to 50 cars, and to a point where much of it had to be imported, from Utah and other far-away places, despite the fact that this is one of the best seed producing regions in the world. The effort which producers are making to "back track" in this business is an encouraging sign.

An Upward Beef Trend

This will be a good year for the beef cattle growers, unless something occurs to the market which its students are unable to see. Pasture rents will show a slightly higher tendency, probably about 10 per cent on an average. The business is at a place in the cycle where profits should be made for two or three years more.

Good Year For Wheat?

Most of the 11,395,000 acres of wheat in Kansas is in good condition, far better than usual, and especially when compared with a year ago. Unless the weather should be very abnormal from now until March, the crop will go into the spring with the minimum of winter killing. While it has not supplied as much pasture as usual, the roots are well established, and there is very little of it which is suffering for moisture. It seems quite likely that the yield for the state in 1926 will be above the average; certainly that will be true if the condition today is any indication.

For Service, 30 Cents

The farmer in Cloud county who was assessed at \$10,000 in 1925 paid 30 cents toward the agricultural extension program among local farmers. That's the bill as estimated on a basis of \$1,200 which the county paid for support of the work.

Now whether C. H. Sheldon, Miltonvale, is assessed at \$10,000 or 10 cents isn't revealed, but he made a mighty good investment in information when he joined the Farm Bureau and put himself in the way of realizing on the dues and his taxes. The first week after he installed a balanced ration, the bureau system of chicken feeding, he made back the membership fee for a year. The next week he paid his share of the taxes which the extension work cost the county, provided his assessment is \$10,000, and had \$4.70 left over. Sheldon has increased his profits \$5 a week since he adopted the bureau's method of feeding.

Whatever our weakness in the air, the fast increasing number of armored cars used by banks and business houses makes us feel pretty strong in case of another war.

A Few More Pigs

There will be some increase in the spring pig crop, as compared to last year. If conditions are favorable at farrowing time, and the number saved is above the average, as it was in 1925, it may be large enough for the state's needs. But the crop will not be so large as was forecasted by a good many folks last fall.

Dairying to the Front

An excellent demand for dairy cows has developed in Kansas in the last four months, and it seems likely that the state is definitely on its way toward a real "place in the sun" in the dairy world. Much of this is due to the higher prices for butterfat, and for whole milk at places fortunate enough to have condenseries, such as Mulvane, Iola and Fort Scott. Mul-

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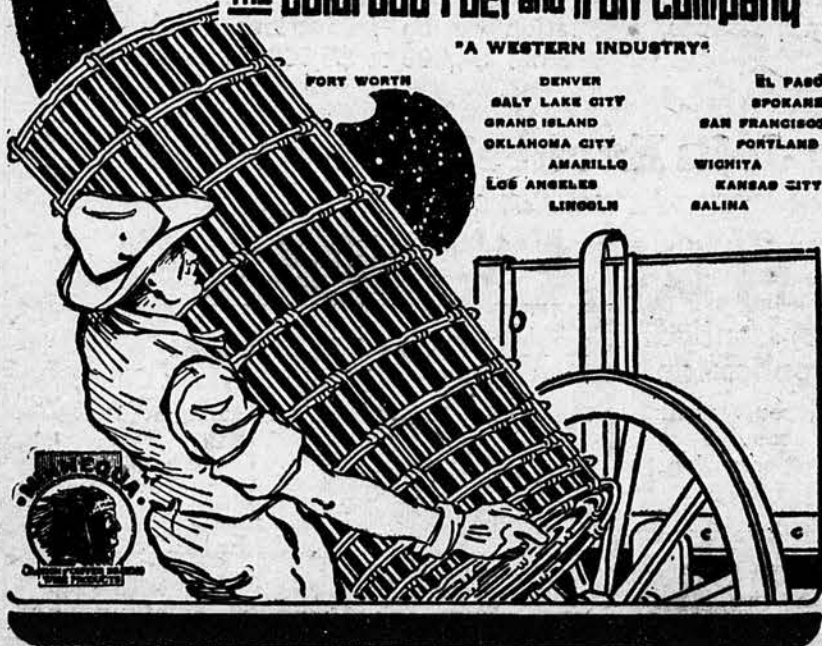
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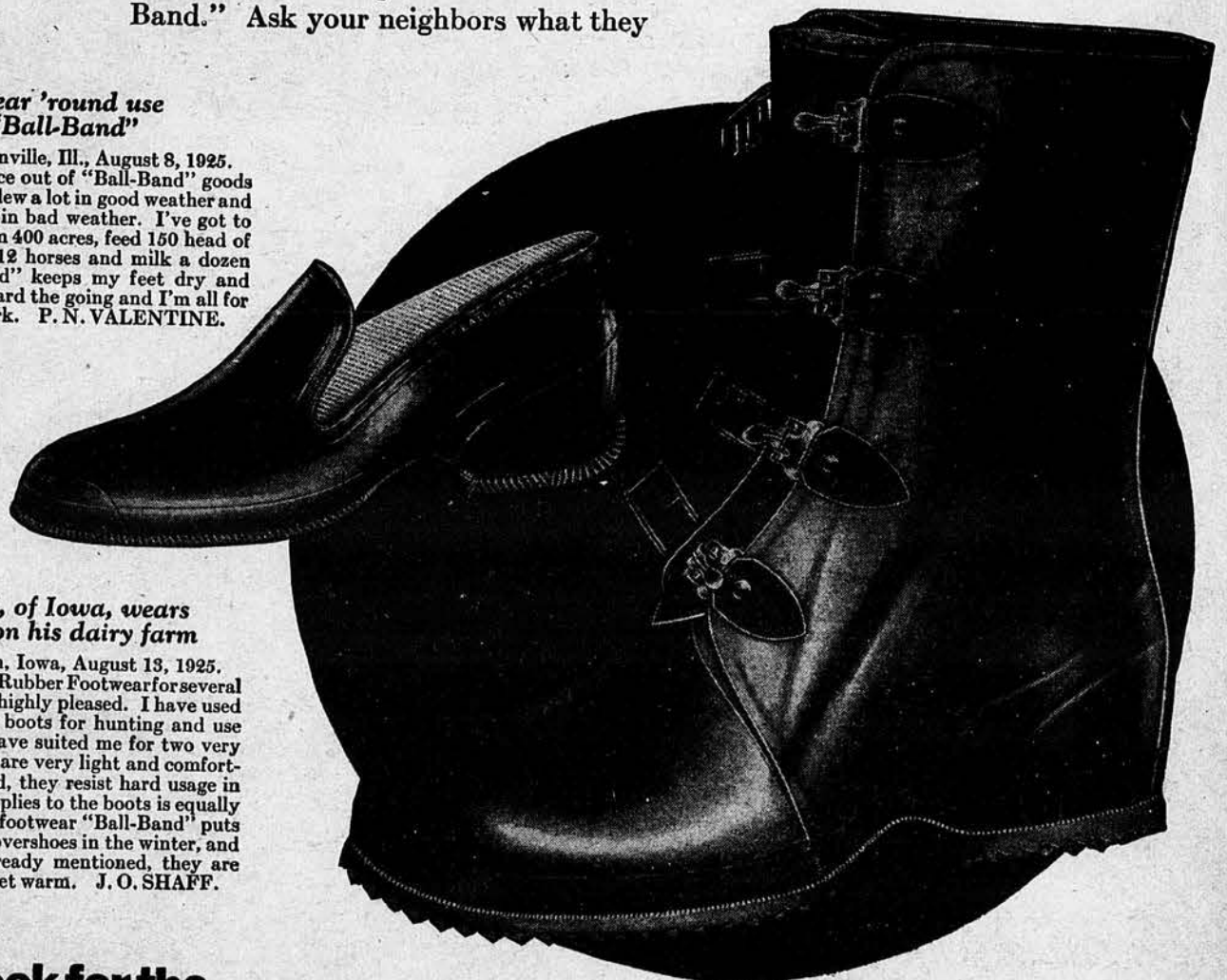


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What the Folks Are Saying

IN A RECENT issue of Kansas Farmer I note that Harley Hatch mentioned the large number of unpainted buildings he had seen on a recent motor car trip in Eastern Kansas. In most rural communities this same condition may be seen. I believe much of this can be charged against non-resident land owners.

Landlordism is a curse in all the farming regions of the state. Many tenant farmers are compelled to live in houses that a first-class poultryman would not use for his flock. But the average farmer who owns his land has a desire to improve it from year to year.

A few years ago a law was passed which made it impossible for an alien to own land in Kansas. But would it not be far more beneficial if we were to pass a law which would make it impossible for a man to own land unless he lived on it, and at least actually directed the farming operations? This would eliminate land speculation, and also make it possible for a young man to purchase a farm on a productive basis—instead of a speculative basis.

Landlordism, land speculation and the recent era in which farm products have been produced at a loss are the direct causes of the rural population leaving the farms for the city. We need to have our farms operated by the men who own them.

I am not a tenant farmer; I own 600 acres, and it is well improved. I enjoy farm life; no city or town life for me! But I do believe there is too much land speculation.

G. J. Stauth.

Dodge City, Kan.

Road Users Should Pay?

Practically everyone in Kansas is agreed that the users of the roads should pay for them. A great many persons—but not all—agree that those who help pay also should have something to say about how and where the money should be spent. This probably is one of the reasons for the growing sentiment in favor of a state road program.

Under present laws every motor car owner in Kansas pays an annual automobile license tax. This will average about \$10 a car. Every motor car owner also pays a 2-cent tax on every gallon of gasoline he buys. The money from both sources goes into the road fund of the state. It comes from motor vehicle owners and users only, and the amount contributed is in direct proportion to the number of cars in the county.

Here is the way it works out. Hamilton county has 560 motor vehicles. In other words, there are 560 persons in Hamilton county who pay the automobile license tax and are subject to the gasoline tax. Sedgwick county has about 25,000 motor vehicles, so there are 25,000 persons in Sedgwick county who pay the automobile license tax and the gasoline tax. Sedgwick county has approximately 45 times as many motor vehicles as Hamilton county, and probably will contribute about 45 times as much money to the state road fund as Hamilton county.

The road fund is not distributed back to the county where it is collected. A fund of \$1,200,000 was set aside by the legislature as a State Aid road fund, and the rest is to be distributed to the various counties, 40 per cent being divided equally among all



—From The News of Dallas

counties and 60 per cent according to assessed valuation. Under this plan Sedgwick county loses more than \$100,000 a year. Other big counties lose in proportion. Hamilton county gets part of the money. On the basis of figures given out some time ago by the State Highway Commission showing the estimated amount each county will receive under the present law, two-thirds of the money Hamilton county will receive will be taken from the people of other counties. Yet the people who contribute the two-thirds have nothing to say about how or where the money is to be spent. It may be used in any manner the commissioners of Hamilton county desire so long as it is used on the state system. They may spend it for dragging roads at so much a drag if they wish, and the folks who pay two-thirds of the cost have nothing to say about it. The same situation prevails in Greeley, Haskell, Stanton, Wichita and other counties with smaller population.

Undoubtedly the people of the larger counties are willing to contribute for roads in counties with smaller population and less wealth, providing the money is used for building permanent roads where they have a chance to use them. Under the present county system, money taken from the richer counties and given to counties with less wealth may be used on roads which are of no value to the people who pay a large part of the cost. Under a state program the main roads, connecting county seat towns and important market centers, would be improved in every county, from funds derived from automobile license fees and the gasoline tax, and there is a growing feeling that Kansas will have to come to this plan before it makes any satisfactory progress toward a connected system of improved roads.

M. L. Breidenthal.

Kansas City, Kan.

Might Raise More Seed?

I have been much interested in the comment which has been aroused over the idea that Kansas might raise more alfalfa and Sweet clover for seed, and also sugar beets, which paid well in 1925, and thus cut down some on the wheat acreage. Certainly the sugar beet acreage will be increased. I fancy that there will be a great development with the crop this year, all down the Arkansas River Valley in Kansas, at least as far as Sedgwick county.

Apparently Sweet clover has been a paying crop, when grown for seed, for several years. The demand is much greater than the supply. This is certain to be true for several years, as the acreage of this crop is due for a huge increase in Kansas. And I think this also may be said of alfalfa. It is a peculiar situation, to say the least, when Kansas, which is so well adapted to alfalfa and to Sweet clover, can't raise enough seed for its own use.

Jefferson County, F. O. K.

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Let us get busy and do something for the farmers along the tributaries of the Kaw River. The Chambers of Commerce of Kansas City, Lawrence, Topeka, Manhattan and Salina can do no greater work than to help the farmers solve their flood problems. For these floods mean a tremendous loss yearly to the farmers, and in turn to the cities.

These are big problems, and we need business men that can look into the future to help in this work, for when the floods are properly controlled, (which they can be), it would lay the future foundation for other projects.

President Coolidge, in his recent message to Congress, said: "Along with the development of navigation should go every possible development of water power." Why should we let these waters waste down our rivers when a method could be worked out to hold the waters where they fall for a longer period? A pond on every farm would help.

Article GS-902, (if my memory is right) of our Kansas laws, says that we can use the public road for damming water. By impounding water under various methods we can increase the natural flow of water at all times. By a method of this kind the Kaw



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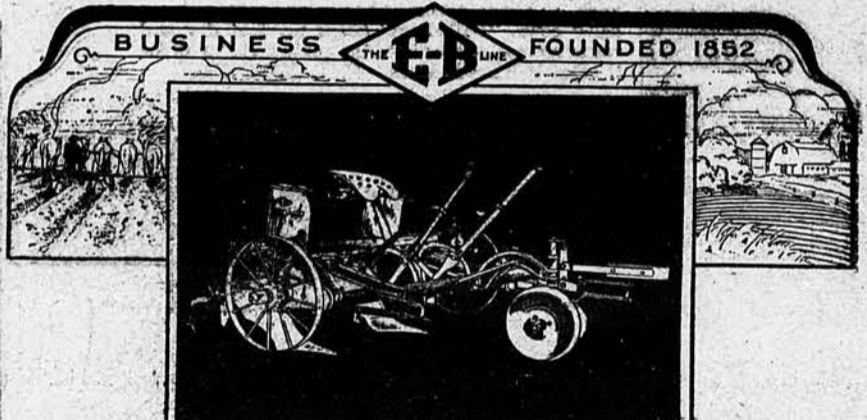
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If Congress should see fit to appropriate a large sum of money for improvement of the Missouri River for navigation, we should be ready to ask for a share of this to help develop the Kaw River as a feeder for the Missouri, for this would go a long way toward solving our floods.

C. H. Thompson.

Ozawkie, Kan.

Chicago, a Wheat Center

BY W. M. JARDINE
Secretary of Agriculture

The Grain Futures Administration during the last year has continued its activities in analyzing the character of the transactions in futures on the various grain exchanges designated as contract markets under the Grain Futures act. In addition to the reports received daily from the clearing members of the contract markets, close supervision of the exchanges was maintained thru the examination of books and records of the important commission houses, not only in Chicago but also in New York and other outside cities.

The volume of trading during the year was unusually large, owing to enormous speculative activities on the part of professionals as well as the general public. The total trading for all grains on the 10 contract markets amounted to 31,416,196,000 bushels bought, with an equal volume sold. Of this quantity 27,942,403,000 bushels, or 89 per cent, represents trading on the Chicago Board of Trade. The trading in wheat represented more than 60 per cent of the total for all grains, the volume being 18,875,971,000 bushels, of which quantity 16,587,110,000 bushels, or 88 per cent represents transactions on the Chicago Board of Trade.

It is therefore clearly evident that the transactions in grain futures are governed almost exclusively by the activities at Chicago, where most of the hedges are placed, altho the market is primarily speculative in character.

In connection with the trading at Chicago it is of interest to compare the actual deliveries on futures contracts with the total volume of trading, the total deliveries in wheat being 31,571,000 bushels and in corn 12,950,000 bushels. In each of these grains the deliveries were less than two-tenths of 1 per cent of the total sales for future delivery.

During the latter part of the fiscal year the Grain Futures Administration was engaged in an exhaustive inquiry into the activities of professional speculators, especially in wheat. This inquiry was instituted because of the sensational character of the market, which was marked by wide daily fluctuations and by sharp advances and drastic advances and declines in prices.

Altho the investigation carried on by the Grain Futures Administration did not disclose such large individual accounts as were commonly reported, nevertheless lines of several million bushels of wheat futures, sometimes long and again short, held by individual professional speculators, were not infrequent during the first three months of 1925. During the life of the May future fluctuations of 5 cents or more occurred on 52 days. On 16 days the fluctuation was 8 cents or more, and on six days 10 cents or more without any apparent reason other than heavy speculative activities.

The largest long interest discovered in any one future was slightly in excess of 7 million bushels, and the largest individual short interest at any one time was nearly 5 million. The investigation revealed only eight speculative accounts that reached a net position of 2 million bushels or more, either long or short, and some of these changed frequently from one side to the other, moving the market in line

with their operations unless counteracted by a similar force. In 80 per cent of the cases where such transactions involved a change in net position of 2 million bushels or more the price movement was in the same direction, with an average change in price of 5 7/8 cents.

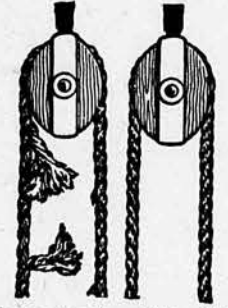
At the request of and in co-operation with this department, a number of the central markets have voluntarily set up administrative machinery for the purpose of preventing unwarranted price fluctuations. Committees on business conduct have been appointed, whose members are pledged not to speculate for their personal account. Broad powers over the business conduct of mem-

bers of the exchanges are to be exercised by the committees. They also are authorized to limit daily fluctuations in the market prices of grain during emergency periods. The Chicago board also adopted a suggestion that it should establish a modern clearing house. Probably no more progressive and far-reaching steps were ever taken by the exchanges to insure prices accurately reflecting supply and demand conditions. I believe they will be effective. The adoption of these plans makes it possible for the department to co-operate with the exchanges in furthering the objects of the Grain-Futures act. Laws are most effectual when met by sensible, sound

co-operation on the part of everybody concerned.

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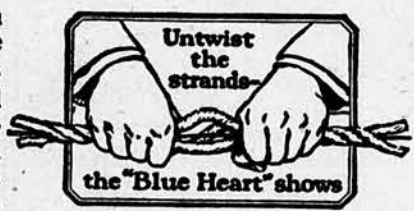
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Click of Triangle T

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THE face of the range was suffused with a soft clear light as El Diablo approached. The salmon tinted clouds on the eastern horizon heralded the imminent flash of the first level sunbeam. Overhead a joyous skylark shot upward like a delirious feathered bullet at the coming of the sun. The plain itself was bare. Nothing stirred between Hog Wallow and the stand of trees toward the northeast which marked the buildings of the Triangle T except the grass which rippled prettily under the caressing touch of the morning wind.

El Diablo was first at the trysting place. He dismounted in the little thicket of young trees some one hundred yards from the sandstone pocket, tethered his horse, and walked serenely forward to peer into the hollow and plan his position. He parted the tall grass at the edge of the sloping declivity and almost fell forward in his surprise at the unexpectedness of what he saw.

He had been very badly mistaken. He was not the first to reach this place. Seated on a boulder, faithful camera in one hand and back turned toward the Spaniard, was the familiar white clad figure of Jim Farlane. He was alone and unattended. Too restless to wait for the awakening of the household, he had left at the first coming of light, armed with camera and water bottle, and had walked out to explore the sandstone hollow.

Face to Face

The Spaniard's approach had not been noiseless, but Farlane had not heard. It is doubtful if he would have seen El Diablo had the latter happened to approach from the front. In fact, the ranchman had completely lost sight of his surroundings. He thought he had come here to gaze upon a sandstone formation; instead, he was seeing a piquant, oval face with great,

wistful dark eyes framed by a mass of beautiful brown hair as fine and soft as the down on the breast of a swan.

Recovering himself, El Diablo contemplated the well-formed shoulders and neatly tapering back of the seated man. The consummation of his task was immeasurably simple. One calm, deliberate shot, and he could return to Craggs without discomfort or delay, having expiated his treason with an unerring promptitude the Panther himself could not have surpassed. He drew his six-shooter and leveled it on the unwary victim so the bullet would pass thru the lower tip of the left scapula or merely graze the edge of the shoulder blade. And then he hesitated.

Conscienceless tho he was, willing to shoot down an unarmed man tho he was, El Diablo could not bring himself to put a bullet in his victim's back even for amends to the absent King Haines. Jim Farlane had won his regard, such as it was, and he found a positive distaste in the execution of his task. If he could only bring Farlane to the point of provoking him.

Agilely he poised himself and leaped down behind the ranch owner. If he had been quick and graceful in this action the other man was as swift as a darting serpent. Aroused by the sound of dislodged earth and gravel, Farlane leaped from his sitting position to a faced-about crouch fully four feet to one side of the boulder upon which he had been seated, his camera pointing squarely at the debonair figure of the Spaniard.

"Buenos dias, Senor Farlane," greeted the latter calmly. "You are making exposures and studies of still life this morning?"

"El Diablo!" ejaculated Farlane, glancing down at the drawn gun in the right hand which was still bandaged.

This glance was sufficient to spur the Spaniard onward; it was the

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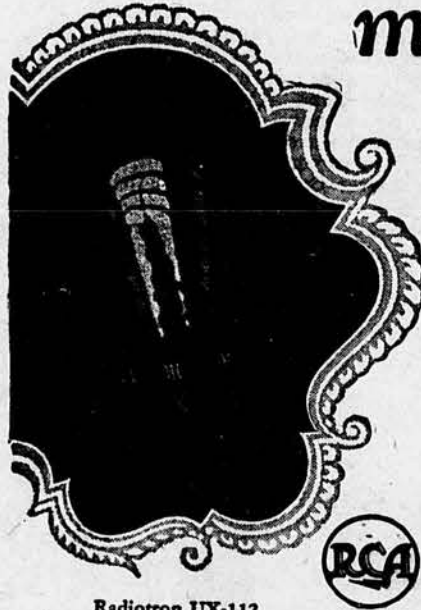
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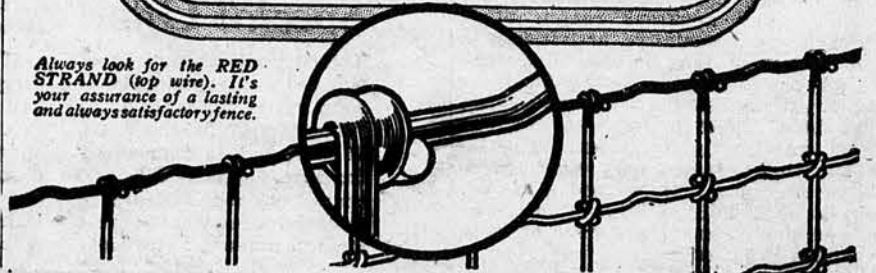
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"Si, Senor," said the latin, smiling for the first time that morning, his clear tenor voice drawing caressingly. "It is I. I have called this morning to offer my regrets that I was not at home to receive your courteous call of yesterday afternoon. Let me hasten to assure you, Senor, that I could have promised you a more enjoyable and lengthy visit."

"Doubtless," agreed the other steadily, his eyes fastened on the Spaniard's mocking features. "I was contemplating a second call upon you today at Craggs."

Two Shots

"So I have been given to understand," returned El Diablo pleasantly. "But I couldn't think of allowing the gracious Senor to so inconvenience himself. You left your card, and the prevalent social conventions demanded that I repay the courtesy punctiliously. In brief, my friend, I am here to terminate your activities upon this spheroid of matter as a material being. If you persist in your operations it will necessarily be in the inconvenient form of a Grecian Ker."

"Wait!" cried Farlane sharply, reading the purpose in the other's glittering black eyes. "Wait—before you talk yourself up to the point of shooting an apparently unarmed man! For some crazy reason I don't want to kill you. I—drop that gun, Mendoza! Reach for the sky! Quick! My God man, I warned y—"

The Spaniard did not even heed the other's words. He had satisfied the uneasy scruples in his breast—it was time to strike. With a deft twist of his wrist he pointed his weapon at the whiteclad figure before him and fired pointblank from the hip. It should have been a pretty shot—El Diablo was very dextrous with lethal toys—but a severe pain shot up his wrist from this sudden wrench and he scored a clean miss.

There was no time, no thought even, for a second shot. Because at the same instant the Spaniard fired there was a flash and a muffled bark from the camera which had covered him so unwaveringly during the brief interview. Something kicked him in the side with the power of a giant mule, and he

could feel his whole body grow numb. For that second a strong man can stand against the crashing impact of a neatly placed bullet he stood, twitched, strove to steady his gun hand, and pitched forward on his face at the feet of the photographer with the smoking camera.

Complete silence descended like a pall about those two gun shots which welcomed the first bright shaft of sunlight. The whole world seemed hushed at this telltale sound of human violence. The wisps of smoke drifted upward and dispelled. Nothing remained to indicate the swift tragedy that had just occurred.

And then a small snake rustled thru the tall grass near the edge of Hog Wallow. An uneasy prairie dog barked. A thrush or a meadow lark burst into a few tentative notes of song. Life had resumed its serene and unruffled course. One extinguished spark or a thousand extinguished sparks meant nothing to fecund Mother Nature.

Jim Farlane stood, immobile, for a long moment above the man he had shot—the first man he had ever killed. He stared down solemnly. It was no light thing, this taking of a fellow being's life on one's soul. Despite the supreme justice in his action and the honorable vindication to be found in the strange duel, for the unknown reason which worried him, he felt no elation at his deed; he experienced no relief at the abrupt termination of the blood trail. Despite it all he was sincerely grieved to have shot the care-free Spaniard.

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He placed the battered camera on the boulder and bent over the prone figure in crimson. He rolled the man over. The movement aroused the Spaniard. His eyelids fluttered, and he stared up at the moody features of the man above him. El Diablo was not dead. A gun-camera was hardly more conducive to accuracy than a wounded right hand. Farlane's air of gloom changed instantly to solicitude.

Quickly he opened the jacket and shirt and made an examination. At once he proceeded to stop the flow of blood by plugging the hole with his handkerchief. Not only was El Diablo alive, but there was a very fair chance of his remaining alive despite the fact that the Panther had not proved sufficiently omniscient to warn his lieutenant of the automatic hidden in the camera.

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less effectively staunched the flow of blood with their two handkerchiefs and had bound up the wound with the Spaniard's shirt, Farlane propped the man gently against his knee and tilted his water canteen at the drying lips. After a few swallows the mocking orifice opened in a painful smile.

"Again I have underestimated you, mi amigo," he whispered in frank admiration. "And I pay the dear price of ignorance."

"Mendoza, you fill me—you choke me with unutterable regrets," responded Farlane, his tone vibrant with earnestness. "Because I really must be a fool I like you. Why, in God's name, did you have to murder Tom Farlane for his oil land?"

"Senor!" exclaimed El Diablo, starting up only to fall back sick and fainting. Fighting off the nausea and gathering darkness he went on, his cultured voice the acme of politeness in even this extremity. "You ask why I murdered Tom Farlane? I am very sorry to disappoint you, but I did not have the pleasure of shooting your estimable uncle."

It took a good minute for this to record itself in Farlane's mind. Then: "For a man as near death as you may be," he said, "you choose a queer time to deny your guilt."

"I never lie, Senor," rejoined El Diablo proudly.

"Then you deny the writing of the note—my uncle's ownership of the tobacco pouch which is now in your sash—your tacit admission that night at the Break —?"

"I do not deny all this, Senor, I but deny the actual deed."

"Who, then, is the assassin?" demanded Farlane, shocked and astounded but actually relieved to believe the Spaniard innocent.

It Was Don Barton

"That delightful gentleman known in certain quarters as the Panther," El Diablo sighed faintly. "The arch fiend who thought he was sending me as well

as you to instant death by not apprising me of the deadliness which now attends your photographic operations.

Farlane's nostrils distended like an eager hound's and his eyes grew hard and bright.

"I heard you mention this mysterious personage before. My Texans heard of him also, but our inquiries have led to nothing as yet. Tell me quickly, Mendoza, who is this unknown being?"

"If you will examine the scroll which was in my left sleeve, Senor," murmured the Spaniard, "you will be gazing upon his likeness."

The ranch owner's eyes searched the ground. He snatched up a cylinder of white paper which unrolled into a five by seven print. He stared down at a picture which all but stopped his heartbeats.

He pressed his hand against his burning eyelids and looked again. The illusion did not fade. He was gazing at a picture which he himself had taken the day of his arrival in Hassan. Down at the railway station he had taken this picture of this splendid, handsome rider on a rearing sorrel horse. It was the photograph of Don Barton, foreman of the Triangle T.

"Mendoza, I can't believe it. I can't believe it!" he cried aloud in agony. "Oh, God, for Jane's sake, it cannot be so."

"At this moment," murmured the Spaniard, his pale lips stirring in a faint, cynical smile, "he awaits my return or news of both our deaths at the Break-o'-Dawn."

"This is awful," groaned Farlane in the anguish of his soul. "Jane Terrell must not know of this until it can be broken to her gradually. Oh, God, what shall I do?"

Don Barton had discovered the indications of oil. He wanted it for himself. He had had Haines do the writing to the firm of Rockman and Strand. Before buying the place or swindling his employer out of it he had intended making certain the oil was there. It was in accordance with

Democracy is Still on Trial

AN OLD French proverb says that "great evils require great remedies." One of the great present day evils with which nations are wrestling is slackerism in civic affairs, which includes unwillingness to abide by the laws of the land where such laws interfere with so-called individual freedom. Statesmen the world over are asking themselves how to curb this growing evil. It is going to require a great remedy, as the French proverb implies, and one such remedy is being tried out in Italy in the form of a dictatorship more absolute than any known among world powers in modern times.

The news from Italy may well be disquieting to those who have fondly believed democracy in government was so firmly established that there would never be a retrograde movement, to say nothing of returning to an absolute autocracy. Yet the Italian government today is an autocracy, and it is growing more autocratic day by day under the strong hand of Mussolini. Months ago it was predicted the one-man rule of Mussolini was doomed for an early fall, but instead his grip has tightened, and his support seems to be stronger than ever before because of what he has done for his countrymen. Apparently there is less of the after-the-war suffering in Italy than in any other European nation. Her lire is worth more than the French franc, her men are at work and no dole is necessary, as in England.

And the Italians drove the shrewdest bargain of all debt-funding commissions that have visited Washington. At the close of the war Italy had its choice of going over to communism, as did Russia, or of going to the other extreme under the leadership of Mussolini. She took the latter course, and hasn't regretted it so far. Other European nations seem to be headed in the same direction. Spain has a military dictatorship. Germany turned to her war lord, Von Hindenburg, in her extremity. France, changing cabinets every week or two, and with the franc going down constantly, is ripe for some strong man to assume dictatorship and bring his nation out of the ruck. England turned out its labor government and is considering some very decidedly radical measures to save herself and empire from the doom that threatens her.

Has America anything to fear from this world trend away from democratic government? Perhaps not immediately, and yet the same causes operating in Europe, and the same symptoms, resulting from them, are evident here. Flouting of laws is a growing evil too apparent to need pointing out. Law-breaking has become one of our great national sports. In the past one remedy sought for lawlessness has been to make more and more laws until statute books are cluttered with them. Far from being enforced, many of them are forgotten by public and officials alike.

Then there is the civic slackerism manifested most strongly at election time. Less than half the qualified voters in the United States took the trouble to go to the polls in the last Presidential election. More than 30 millions did not vote as against 26 millions who exercised their franchise, a good example of minority rule in itself. This percentage of vote slackers has shown a steady increase in late years. Until 1912 the voters were still in the majority, for in that election a 62 per cent vote was cast. In 1900, 73 per cent went to the polls and in 1896, 80 per cent.

Considering the space of time it has covered in world history, democracy in government is still a comparatively recent innovation. Autocracy held sway many thousands of years before any form of popular government came into being. And since gaining a foothold it has had a long, painful struggle, fighting for every inch of progress it has made at terrific sacrifice in human blood as well as material wealth. Would the present generation put up any such fight to save it or offer any such sacrifices in its behalf? Your guess is as good as anyone's.



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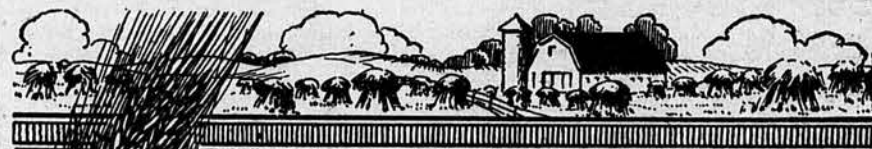
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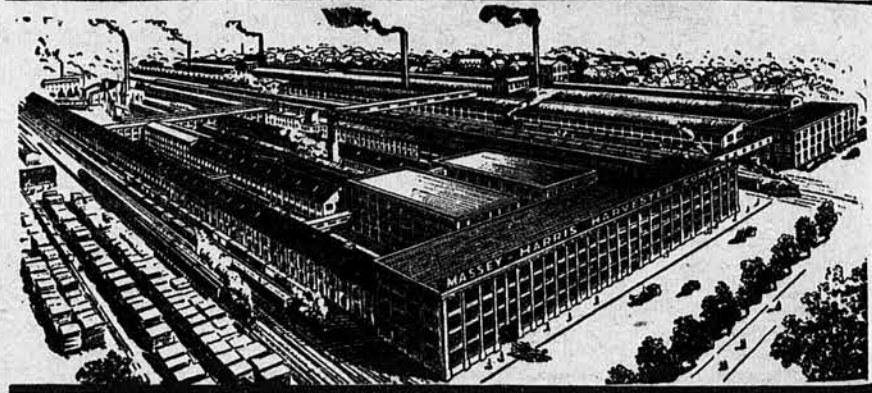
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That letter from the geologists that the plotters had been gathering the samples of rock when Tom Farlane must have ridden unexpectedly upon them. Barton had treacherously shot his employer down because he was discovered, confident that Jane Terrell would inherit the Triangle T. He had planned to marry the heiress.

Of the lesser villains, Mendoza was the only one who had possessed sufficient courage and daring to carry the dead ranchman away from the spot and plant spurious evidence up there on Eagle Mountain. The death of Tom Farlane was to have remained an unsolved mystery. But the Spaniard had accidentally used that telltale letter upon which to scrawl his fraudulent message.

Good Acting, Anyway

Of course, the leaving of the ranch to an unknown nephew must have all but swamped the foreman's schemes. But the latter adjusted himself to this new condition and pressed his suit for Jane Terrell's hand so it would be profitable to dispose of Jim Farlane. How he must have hated to save his new employer from El Diablo the night of the storm! But he had dared do no less; he dared not have him killed yet. And Mendoza would not have known that Farlane's presence at Craggs had been accidental and not a deliberate plan of Barton's. Barton had hurried him back to the ranch, after silencing his surprised henchman, to keep him from meeting Baldwin who was expected any time.

No wonder Barton had lost his temper up there in the hills when Jane refused him so definitely; it made it impossible for him to dispose of Farlane, as the ranch would have passed entirely out of his reach by going to the Terrells.

And Farlane had already refused to sell out. There had remained the alternative of worrying and frightening the simple photographer off the range. Doubtless Barton had arranged that plan with Haines and Mendoza that night he remained away, the cattle rustling being the first move in this new campaign. And Farlane had been fortunate enough to block this very first move with the capture of Haines, uncovering much of the plot with his subsequent rescue of Baldwin.

Doubtless the only reason Barton hadn't shot him last night was because Jane had given him fresh hope. So he had pretended to go with the punchers after the missing cattle, only to pretend his horse had gone lame, probably, and he had turned back to go to

Craggs and send Mendoza to take Farlane's life.

As he thought back over all of these details, and considered the past few weeks of the foreman's company, Farlane marveled at the man's consummate perfidy. What a deep, loathsome fiend Barton was! How diabolically cunning he had been! He had lived a hideous lie. And his superb acting last night! How calmly he had discussed the oil find with Baldwin whom he had not dared to meet before in company with Haines. How callously he had listened to the entire story of his crime—had heard everything but his own name mentioned. He had found himself on the very brink of discovery and had listened to it all without a noticeable tremor.

And then, with the genius of master evil, he had reproached them all for leaving him in ignorance of their operations. He had stood under the painting of his victim and wept genuine tears for the blood of the murderer. It was horrible. Only by the grace of a beneficent Providence had he been kept so long in ignorance of the activities which were eating into the web of which he was the center.

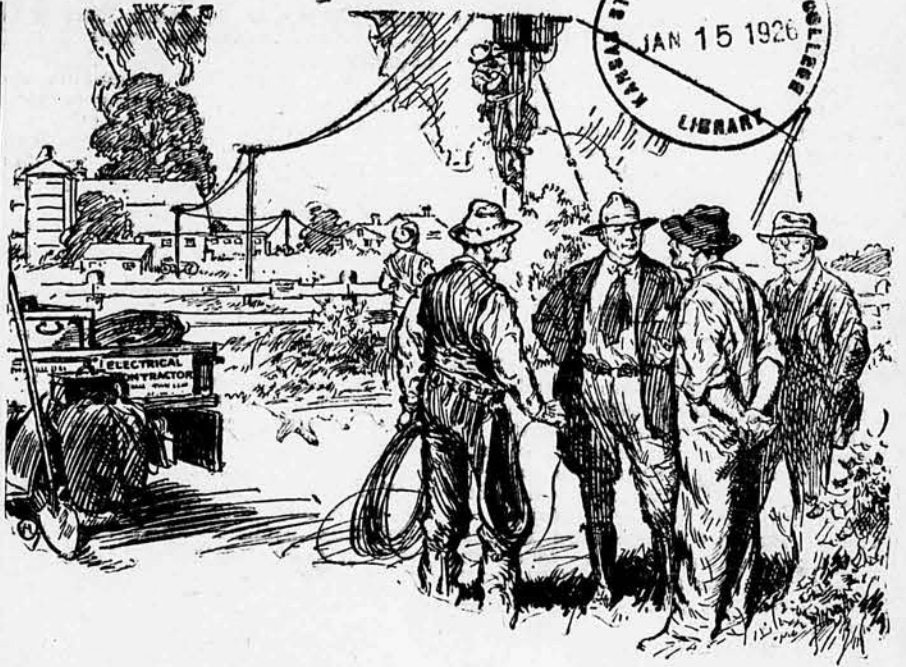
And Jane Terrell had given her heart to such a being! Farlane had become resigned after a fashion to the union of Barton and Jane. And now, this! The woman for whom he would gladly have given up his life had thrown her love away on the viper her hero-idol, Tom Farlane, had nursed at his bosom.

Farlane now understood why he felt no elation in the shooting of Mendoza. The rising wrath in his heart needed no verification of El Diablo's charge. Everything dovetailed too nicely. For one of the very few times in his life Jim Farlane was shaken clear down to the foundation of his seat of emotions—for once he had received that impetus which boosted him to the heights of conflict, and his rage leaped forth unleashed.

"On one point you wrong Barton, Mendoza," he said, white-lipped. "He didn't know about the gun in my camera. That was the only thing I failed to tell him last night. And I'm going to Craggs to report the results of our meeting to him now. Baldwin will be here shortly, and he will take care of you."

"Senor, mi amigo, listen for a moment," protested the Spaniard.

Fifteen minutes later, had one failed to witness the events which transpired down in that little barren pocket in the plain, it would have seemed that the Panther had struck unerringly.



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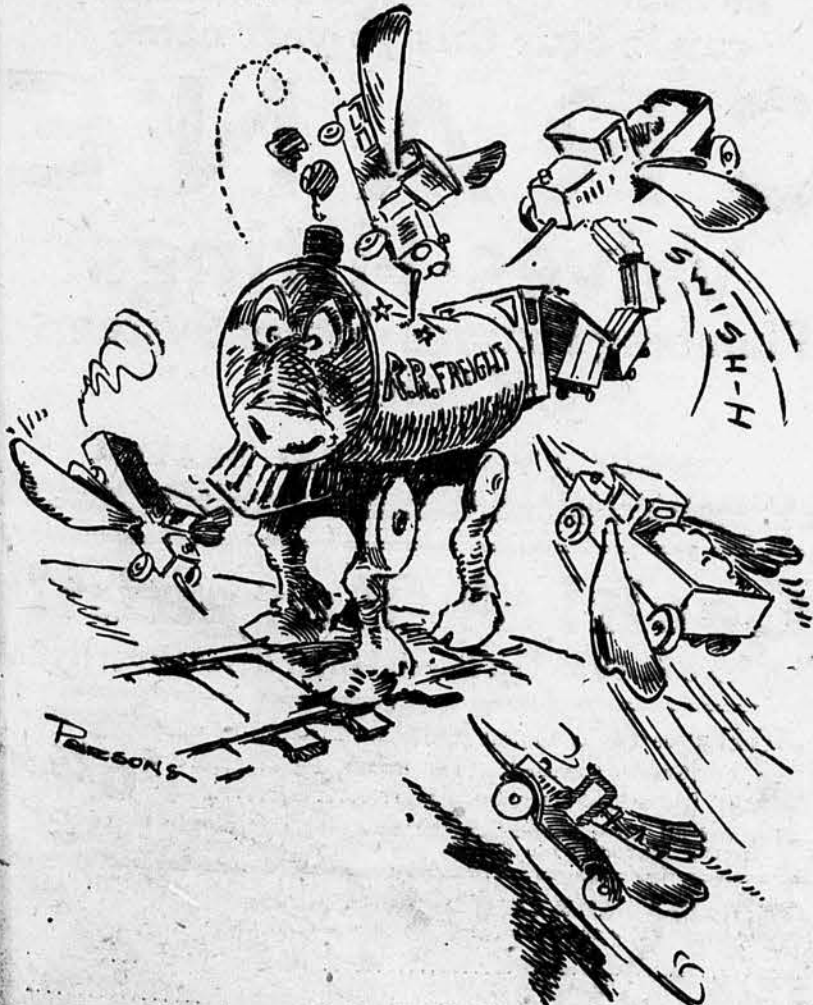
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For a figure in familiar white lay propped against a boulder to await the coming of the geologist. At one hand rested a canteen of water and a battered camera from which the magazine clip of the automatic had been prudently extracted. Shading the eyes of the reclining figure was a ridiculous English topi. While out on the meadow an arrogant figure in crimson garb, for the first time genuinely thankful that he was not a tall, heavy man, ran lithely toward the thicket which sheltered El Diablo's horse.

At Break-o'-Dawn

The interior of the Break-o'-Dawn House, during the hours begrudged to daylight, was dark and dingy without being particularly well ventilated or cool. There was not an excessive number of windows piercing the walls, in the first place. The few which had existence were either curtained or dirty, excellent co-operation to keep out the glare of the sun. Thus, the great room was gloomy and ill-lit. It was hardly the place for a tubercular person.

This morning, the first of his return, Pug Wilson stood behind his sloppy bar, a square-faced, heavy green bottle on the counter before him and a filled glass in hand, surveying the havoc which had been wrought in his absence. His hard features had a dour cast as he speculated on his probable losses, on his present dimmed prospects, and on the chances for recuperation. Between periods of abstraction, during which the bottle and glass performed automatic service, he would have brief spells of energy, as he sought to bring order out of the chaos of the bar.

He had the great room to himself for the time. Inez was engaged in her greasy duties in the kitchen. Dolores had not yet arisen; the two Mexicans had just gone to bed. The Panther was out in the stable causing the innocent Pete a very sad half-hour for his part in the catastrophe which had overtaken the vain but loyal King Haines, Pete, by the way, having returned to Craggs the same evening he had delivered the fatal message, as soon as he had had his supper. Reluctant but puissant fear of the Panther had prevented his remaining on the Triangle T.

Pug Wilson was highly dissatisfied. The mighty chains of preternatural fear still bound him in abject servitude to the mighty Panther, but even this fear and obedience did not prevent Pug from heartily wishing himself well out of the muddle this morning. That nagging lump of fat, that hideous jellyfish of evil, Inez, had been right after all. She had warned him against and scolded him for becoming personally involved in the affairs of the Panther and his satellite El Diablo. He had a nice business; why couldn't he have kept his nose out of a far more risky game? His business was tampering with fusel oil—not crude petroleum.

"Any Beans?"

El Diablo had been dispatched to kill the rancher-photographer. If he succeeded, all kinds of trouble were bound to follow. If he failed, things would be in one hell of a mess. Why hadn't Mister Wilson let well enough alone? He had been safe from inquisitive persons in Wisconsin and fairly safe from prowling revenue officers. Now, he was an accessory before and after a thousand damning facts, he was losing good custom, the fat oil

lands were slipping away, and the shadow of the law was creeping unpleasantly close.

He drank again, and stooped down to clear up the litter of empty bottles on the floor behind the bar. Life looked pretty bleak and bitter to Mr. Wilson after his experience up on Black Butte and his subsequent interview with the raging Panther.

The dull clatter of hoofs in the dust outside caused him to straighten up, and a vast relief permeated his being at sight of a familiar figure in crimson that darkened the threshold. The return of El Diablo was so obvious that Pug Wilson did not trouble to note the sombrero was carefully shading the face, or that the Spaniard's garments fitted too snugly and actually strained the jacket at the shoulder seams.

El Diablo had performed his task. All of the proprietor's misgivings and forebodings melted away. The situation, however complex, was more simplified and safer. The Panther was infallible; Pug had made no mistake in casting his lot with such a man. Inez was a sniveling, fat Mexican hag. "Back, are yer?" he greeted cheerfully. "Croaked 'im, I guess? The dirty scum!"

"The Panther, El Toro?" responded the newcomer in a strained voice which was like and yet was unlike his habitual tones, his eyes darting rapidly over the entire room.

"Panther's out givin' Pete hell fer carryin' yer note to Farlane that day," grinned Mr. Wilson conversationally, pouring another drink and blundering on in blissful nescience. "Have a drink? Watcha want fer breakfast?"

In two lithe steps the man in crimson was resting his hand slightly on the counter directly before the huge proprietor and the heavy green bottle.

"For breakfast?" he asked gently, showing back his sombrero and letting his hard blue eyes burn into those of the proprietor. "Have you any beans this morning, Pug?"

Mr. Wilson's expression as he gazed into the ruthless face of Click Farlane was an ugly study in emotion. For an instant his obtunded mind refused to function; the liquor and the shock having temporarily deadened it. Then, his eyes actually started from his head. The evil scar on his face stood out, a livid gash against the dirty gray of his countenance. He clutched at the bar weakly for support. In that one awful moment Pug Wilson knew a keener superstitious fear than the Panther could ever have instilled in his rotten heart. He strove for articulation.

"Gawd! Gawd!" he slobbered, loose-lipped, the saliva drooling from the corners of his ugly mouth. "You! In El Diablo's clothes! Now wotcha done to th' Spaniard?"

(TO BE CONTINUED)

Radio Exports Increase

World-wide interest in radio was illustrated recently in Commerce Department figures showing radio goods worth \$8,936,565 were exported during the first 11 months of 1925, as compared with \$4,950,746 during the same period of 1924.

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What Final Reports Show

Farm Herd Brought \$2,309.51 for H. F. Hodges —Elmer's Net Returns Are \$295.48

BY PHILIP ACKERMAN

HERE is what you have been waiting for—the announcement of the Capper Pig Club winners for 1925. There are four divisions of the contest in the Capper Pig Club. They are: The pep contest, open contest, contest for the profit trophy, and the father and son contest. First, I am going to give you the names of the winners in the open contest and mention the cash prizes they win:

Member	Prize
Lester Ziegler, Council Grove.....	\$20
Elmer Hodges, Ottawa.....	15
William Sterbenz, Olpe.....	10
Loy N. Harrel, LeRoy.....	7.50
Roy Sanders, Kincaid.....	5
Merle Crispin, Webber.....	5
Joseph E. Musil, Frankfort.....	4
Harold Kirkpatrick, Webber.....	3
Clair Cantwell, Frankfort.....	2
Arthur Bridge, Medicine Lodge.....	1

Following closely in this race are Harold Duffy, Vermillion, and Paul Tewel, Fort Scott.

Profit Record Wins Cup

To the member showing the highest net profit on sow and contest litter, a handsome trophy cup is awarded. Elmer Hodges wins the profit trophy. His net profit was \$295.48 which is just a little more than twice the average profit made by Capper Pig Club members. Elmer has a good showing for his work, and money to put in the bank.

Some excellent records were turned in by the father and son division. These are the records made with the entire farm herd. The winners are:

Partnership	Prizes
Elmer and H. F. Hodges, Ottawa.....	\$15
William and Joe Sterbenz, Olpe.....	12.50
Merle and M. F. Wright, Kiowa.....	10

Mr. Hodges's profit on his farm herd was \$2,309.51. He marketed 11,578 pounds of pork and has in the herd now 114 hogs that weigh more than 100 pounds each. Mr. Hodges started the year's work with 14 hogs. He had remarkable success saving the pigs. Of 170 pigs farrowed 149 were raised to more than 60 days old. "I like the club work fine," wrote Mr. Hodges. "It has been a great help to me. The records I keep show me just what I am doing."

Net Gains Are High

The average value of sows entered in the Capper Pig Club contest was \$47. The average profit on the spring litters was \$146.60. These averages are based on all the records sent in to the club manager. Now, if pig club boys can make an average profit of nearly \$150, we feel that it is worth while to encourage other boys and girls to get into the game. Of course, the profits mentioned here are net gains. All expenses for cost of feed, money spent for sow in beginning, vaccination and other expenses were subtracted and these gains remain.

Perhaps you are interested in Capper Pig Club work. No doubt, you can clear a good profit with a sow and litter in 1926. Anyway it would be fun to try. I believe you can do what others are doing.

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Poultry Club Manager, Capper Building, Topeka, Kan. When your coupon comes in I will send you a letter to tell you about the club and how boys and girls get started with pure-bred stock.

What About Rubber?

By the time the Interstate and Foreign Commerce committee of the House arrives at the end of its investigation of the restriction of rubber exports from British Malaya and Ceylon, with the consequent rapid rise of prices since January last, the situation probably will have changed very much for the better. It is now in a transitional stage, as indeed it has been since November, when the British authorities considered a moderating revision of the restrictive system maintained for some time by the principal rubber-growing colonies. The breaking prices toward the end of December have partially indicated the coming course, though they have been also due in part to the statistical story of previously rising prices laid before the country by the Secretary of Commerce.

As to the excessive prices demanded for crude rubber during the greater part of 1925 there is no question. They are facts beyond controversy. At the same time it is but fair to say that there is no reason to question the statement that restriction of exports was introduced to save the plantations and avert cessation of rubber production, at a time when market values had fallen so low that they involved positive loss to producers. About 18 months ago crude rubber reached the low figure of 18½ cents a pound in the New York market. The plantations were not producing too much, but the world had enormous stocks, and till these were moved away the values would not move up.

The restriction scheme went into operation November 1, 1922, and by the end of 1924 the surplus stocks had been cleared off. For the quarter November 1, 1924, to January 31, 1925, the exportable quantity was settled at 50 per cent, one-half the quantity produced. With the surplus gone and the demand increasing, prices rose far faster than had been anticipated, and so during the latter part of last year we have had to pay heavily for our rubber. But the 50 per cent restriction on exports no longer prevails. In November the British authorities extended the proportion of production for export to 85 per cent, holding back only 15 per cent of the yield. Besides they decided to extend the quantity for export to 95 per cent at February 1, 1926, with the probability of entirely removing restriction at that date. This is an agreeable prospect. We trust it will be realized. Reclamation and saving can then complete the satisfaction of our rubber needs.

John Galsworthy has been awarded the palm for the greatest newspaper headline. It appeared in an American newspaper over a story of the refusal of Robert Bridges, the English poet laureate, to be interviewed, and it read: "King's Canary Won't Chirp."

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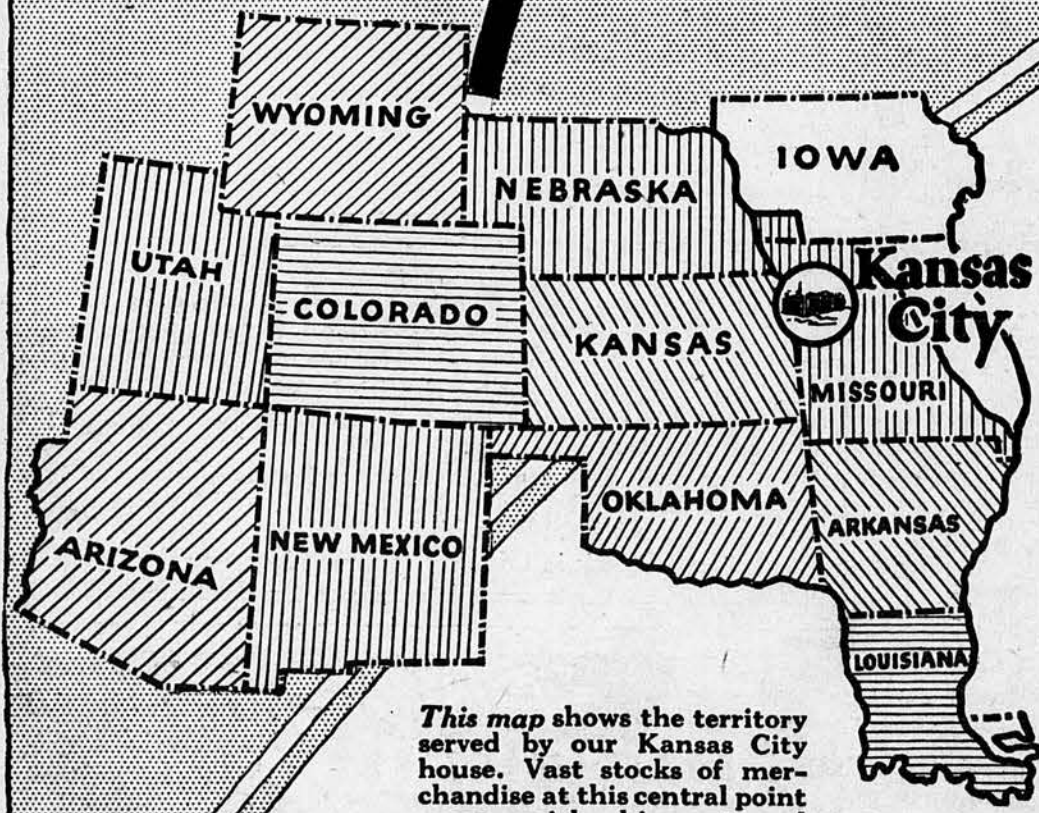
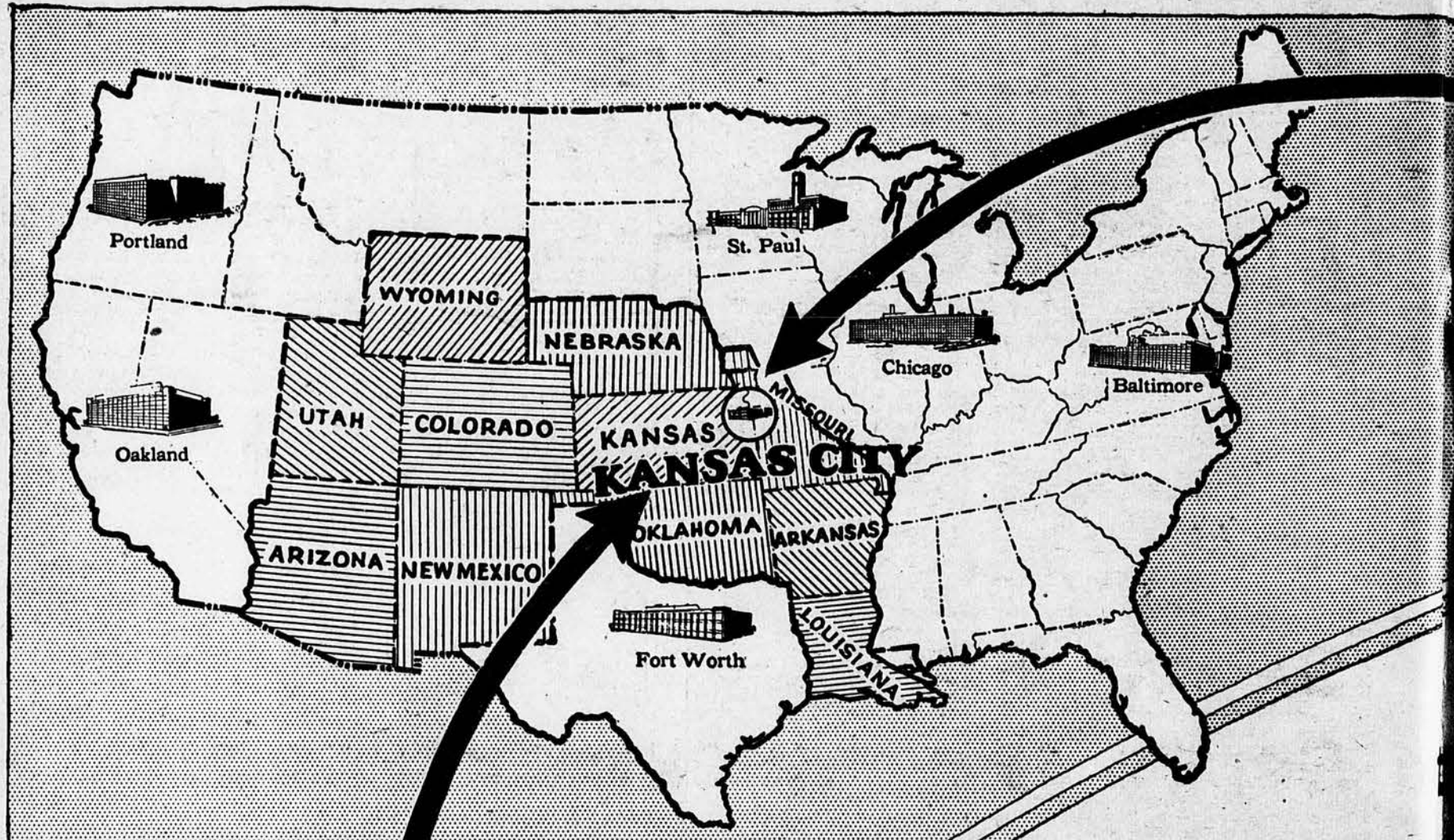
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Beef Canning on the Thompson Farm

By Mrs. Dora L. Thompson

A HALF grown steer has been treated to the best of feed as a preliminary to his conversion into beef. We do not care much for the fat of beef but we consider the lean much better when the animal carries considerable fat. We use the fat in frying, in canning and in soap making. In canning, a small piece of cooked fat is placed in each can. This makes possible a better gravy from the canned beef.

The only beef that has caused us any trouble in canning is the neck or other parts that have blood lodged in them. A few cans of meat from which we had attempted to soak a small quantity of blood proved unfit for use. Others have told us they had no trouble in keeping this meat when they boiled it and skimmed off the brown scum from the water. We give the chickens meat that is decidedly bloody and the rest of the neck we use in making mince meat.

Ribs are not the problem some consider them. If sawed crosswise into 4-inch strips they may be cooked in the oven until the bone is removed easily, then placed in a roll in a sterilized can.

When we have a large quantity of meat to can and the weather is warm enough to cause worry and haste, we usually cure some of the beef. This we call corned beef. It is relished as a change from the fresh both when cooked and canned. To cure 100 pounds of beef we use 7 pounds salt, 1 pound sugar, 1 ounce saltpeter and 4 gallons water. A clean crock is best as a container for the meat and the brine. We place a very thin layer of salt in the bottom, then pack the meat. The brine is boiled and allowed to cool before it is poured over the meat.

If the brine gets bloody or "ropy" we make fresh brine. Many boil the old and skim. We prefer to discard it and make a fresh supply. For the second batch we use less salt. The meat will not keep well in warm weather.

Little Sister's Playhouse

LITTLE sister likes tea towels her size, then washing up after the tea party is fun. A little cup applied in one corner with bias tape curved to form the handle makes an effective decoration. Bibs for the dollies can be made in a few minutes, with white tape sewed on the neckline to form tie strings. These may be trimmed with bright-colored cross stitching.

Luncheon sets for the tea parties are welcome, too. If the little lass has a play stove, small holders are useful, and she can use them when she lifts little cakes baked in small pans from mother's oven. A clock in colors, cut from a clock advertisement, mounted on pasteboard can be hung on the playhouse wall, or pasted to a block of wood it will stand on the little cupboard or shelf.

Jelly that mother cooked a little too long may be dipped in prepared breakfast food, cocoanut or nut meats to make delicious lolly-pops.

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Short Cuts Around the House

By Our Readers

ALL OF us are on the lookout for suggestions to make our housekeeping easier or our homes brighter. Perhaps you have discovered some short cut that your neighbor doesn't know about. If so, won't you tell us about it? For all suggestions we can use we will pay \$1. Address the Short Cut Editor, Kansas Farmer, Topeka, Kan. Include postage if you wish your manuscript returned.

How I Mend Granite Ware

WHEN a bit of puttying is to be done about the house get out all the granite ware, basins and kettles that have leaks. With a kitchen knife work a bit of putty into the holes, then smooth a little more over broken enamel both outside and inside. Set the pan near the stove for several days to dry thoroughly. It then can be used in the oven or over a fire, and usually can be depended on to last for a long time.

Calhan Co., Colorado.

Saves Bluing and Temper

HOW many women are annoyed on wash day by pouring too much bluing in the rinse water or tearing the cork to pieces in getting it out of the bottle? Here is my method: Upon getting a new bottle of bluing, I cut out a triangular piece down one side of the cork with a sharp knife and put the cork back into the bottle as tightly as possible. Then when bluing is wanted just shake the bottle and only a few drops will come out at a time.

Douglas County.

Dumplings Delicious

IN ANSWER to an inquiry in a recent issue of Kansas Farmer for plain dumplings, I should like to pass on my recipe. I use 3 pints flour, 3 teaspoons baking powder, ½ teaspoon salt and 1 egg. Sift the baking powder, flour and salt together in a crock. Add the eggs, moisten this with sweet milk to make a soft biscuit dough, and cut

out with your spoon dough balls a little larger than an egg. Place these balls in a greased steamer that has holes in the bottom, leaving space between the dough so it will not pack closely when the dumplings rise. Place this steamer over a pot of boiling water until light. These dumplings will not fall if you look in while cooking. To serve, cover with chicken broth or meat gravy. We also like them served covered with apple sauce or other fruit. Any dumplings that are not used can be warmed over by steaming again and they will be as delicious as when fresh. Mrs. F. E. Barr. Grant County, Oklahoma.

'Twas Just a Burlap Sack

ABURLAP apron made from a clean gunny sack is one of the most serviceable things I own. I used an ordinary one-piece apron to cut it, and bound the edges in red with red ties. I wear this when scrubbing, cleaning the cellar or doing other disagreeable work and it saves laundering my better aprons. The apron has two strong pockets and when I mend the chicken coops or want to make a hen nest, I put nails and staples into the pockets and it is a simple matter to dive for them. Besides, these aprons are really attractive.

Jefferson County.

Mrs. Cora Harding.

Color Has Its Place

THE beauty secret of the "home in good taste" is a correct color scheme for every room. Instead of choosing colors merely because they are pleasing in themselves the home maker of today

Good Philosophy

"True worth is in being, not seeming;
In doing each day that goes by,
Some little good, not in dreaming
Of great things to do by and by.
For whatever men say in their blindness
And spite of the fancies of youth,
There's nothing so kingly as kindness,
And nothing so royal as truth."

prefers to test them with the color of other furnishings in the room as well as with both artificial and natural light. The choice of color involves the careful study of the needs of each room and depends upon the purpose of the room and the location.

Color has an almost magical effect in changing the appearance of a room. For instance, when walls are decorated in grayed yellow or tan, the room always appears larger than its actual size because such colors have a receding effect. On the other hand, when walls are decorated with such advancing colors as bright yellow, blue, green or red, the room appears smaller than actual size.

As to Our Floor Coverings

ORIENTAL folk take off their shoes to their rugs, but busy American housewives have found it more practicable to treat their rugs kindly by keeping them clean and removing any spots on them. Altho the surface dirt and litter on rugs needs to be collected every day or two, it is quite necessary to give rugs a more thoro cleaning once a week with a vacuum cleaner if possible. A carpet sweeper has been found very satisfactory for picking up the crumbs on the dining room rug after each meal.

Solled spots on rugs having a short nap may be successfully removed by the application of a heavy lather made with a mild soap. As soon as the spot has been removed, rinse the sponged portion of the rug with plain water to prevent any change in color. Sponging may be done with a sponge or a small brush.

Grease spots in which dirt has settled are one of the most common spots found on rugs. They may be removed by sponging

or by the use of a cleaning fluid. If the latter process is used, care should be taken that there is no open fire in the room since cleaning fluids such as gasoline are very inflammable.

The usual method of removing ink spots from carpets or rugs is as follows: Apply some absorbent such as talcum powder, blotting paper or other absorbent material in order to take up as much of the ink as possible. Then apply the cut surface of a lemon and squeeze the juice on while rubbing. Alternate the applications of lemon juice with sponging with a damp cloth. After the spot has been removed, rub with a clean dry cloth and brush up the nap.

The Blue Danube Waltz

By Cheryl Marquardt

ONE musical number on record and roll of which I never tire is the "Blue Danube Waltz." I must not be alone in liking this number for it has endured thru the years, and that is the acid test of real worth in art, music and literature. This waltz of all waltzes, so dear to our hearts, was composed by Johann Strauss, said to be the sternest and most austere of composers. It is told of him that he wrote upon an autograph fan of Madame Strauss a few bars of the waltz, with this inscription: "Not, I regret to say, by your devoted friend, Johannes Brahms."

Many of the great composers wrote waltzes—Beethoven, Schubert, Weber, Brahms and Tschalkowsky—but when it came to the actual ball room Strauss held his own with the beautiful "Blue Danube Waltz." It was written at a time when the whole world was "waltz mad" and needless to say it took the whole world by storm. There are many renditions of it by different artists. Sufficient to say that it should be in every home in some form.

Any help with your music problems will be cheerfully given upon receipt of a self-addressed, stamped envelope. Address Cheryl Marquardt, Kansas Farmer, Topeka, Kan.

Our Club on Kansas Day

KANSAS DAY last year was the occasion of one of the most interesting club meetings we have had in this community for some time. Invitations were sent to the churches of the community, inviting the women to be our guests and to bring with them a pair of scissors and one or two old magazines.

The committee arranged an interesting program of readings and songs on Kansas, as well as a contest of 20 questions on Kansas history. Then little booklets were handed to the guests, with prettily decorated covers to suggest Kansas Day. The women were requested to find a picture in one of the magazines stacked on the table to show how they looked when they first came to this state. This was to go on page 1; then they were to show their first home in Kansas on the next page, what they ate for their first meal in Kansas on the next page, what their best crop in Kansas had proved to be next, and so on. What fun the women had searching thru the magazines! Needless to say, some mighty interesting booklets were turned out. Four judges awarded a prize to the best two booklets.

Bourbon County.

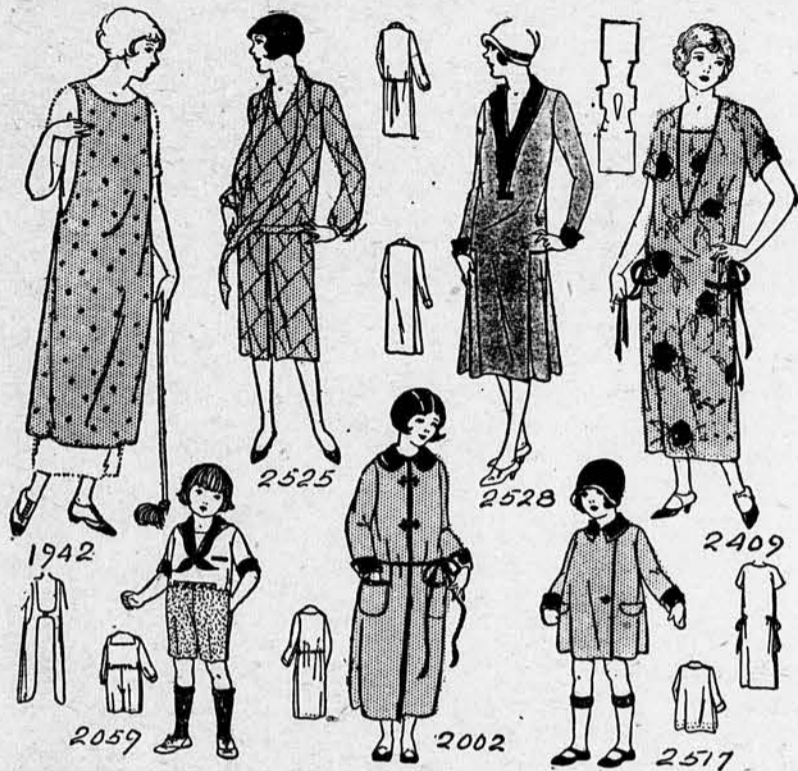
Mrs. Arthur Fowles.



DURING her pre-Christmas visit to the Children's Hospital in Washington, Mrs. Coolidge cuddled a tiny cripple who had become frightened at preparations for a flashlight picture. She kissed away his tears and brought a broad grin to his face. This picture shows her during a halt beside one of the beds in a ward entertaining a small patient with a favorite story.



In Between Season Styles



1942—Pretty Apron Style. The armholes and back edges may be bound or trimmed with braid. Sizes 36, 40, 44 and 48 inches bust measure.

2525—Youthful Frock. Youthful lines are expressed in this stunning style. Sizes 16 years, 36, 38, 40 and 42 inches bust measure.

2528—Frock with Side Flare. Frocks such as this that are made at home reveal delightful originality. Sizes 16 years, 36, 38, 40, 42 and 44 inches bust measure.

2409—Smart One-Piece House Dress. This attractive dress cuts entirely in one piece as shown in the accompanying diagram. Sizes 16 years, 36, 38, 40, 42 and 44 inches bust measure.

2059—Boys' Suit. This little suit consists of a slip-on blouse and straight trousers. Sizes 2, 4, 6 and 8 years.

2002—Boys' or Girls' Bathrobe. There are several ways that this serviceable garment can be finished. Sizes 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12 and 14 years.

2517—Coat for Wee Tots. A soft broadcloth is suggested for this dainty little coat. Sizes 2, 3, 4 and 6 years.

These patterns may be ordered from the Pattern Department, Kansas Farmer, Topeka, Kan. Price 15 cents each. Give size and number of patterns desired.

Women's Service Corner

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

Head Cheese

Would you please print a recipe for head cheese?—Mrs. T. U. O.

The head should be shaved clean, the snout skinned and nostrils cut off in front of the eyes. Cut out the eyes and ear drums. The fattest part should be used for lard. When the head is cleaned, soak it in water for some time to extract the blood and dirt. After the head is thoroly cleaned, cover it with water and boil until the meat separates from the bones. Tongues may be cooked with the head. When thoroly cooked take out the meat, saving the liquor for future use. Chop the meat up fine. Season with the following for every 50 pounds of meat: 2 gallons of liquor, 1½ pounds salt, 3 ounces black pepper, 1 ounce red pepper, 4 ounces ground cloves. All should be mixed thoroly. If casings are available, stuff the mixture into large beef casings. A hog stomach, after it is thoroly cleaned, may be used. If the meat is stuffed into casings it should be boiled again in the same liquor in which it was cooked before until it floats, then placed in cold water for a short time. Store it away in a clean, cool place on a shelf or table. Place a board over the meat in the casings with a weight on top in order to hold

the shape and to prevent the moisture from collecting in one spot. If there are no casings available in which to stuff the meat it should be kept in shallow pans.

Our booklet, "How to Can Fruit, Vegetables, Meats," contains other butchering recipes as well as directions for canning meat. It may be ordered for 15 cents from the Book Editor, Kansas Farmer, Topeka, Kan.

A New Novel

What is Kathleen Norris's latest novel?—A Reader.

Kathleen Norris's latest novel is "Little Ships." It is published by Doubleday, Page, New York City. Price \$2.

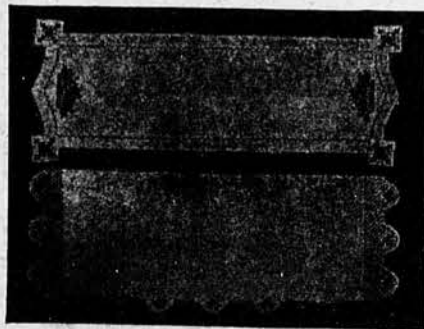
True Gladness

Be glad when the flowers have faded?
Be glad when the trees are bare?
When the fog lies thick on the field and moors,
And the frost is in the air?
When all around is a desert,
And the clouds obscure the light?
When there are no songs for the darkest day,
No stars for the longest night?

Ah yes, for the truest gladness
Is not in ease or mirth;
It has its home in the heart of God,
Not in the loves of earth.
God's love is the same forever,
If the skies are blue or dim,
And the joy of the morning lasts all day
When the heart is glad in Him.

Scarfs to be Embroidered

THERE are a dozen and one places about the home where one can use a pretty scarf. The buffet, the dresser, the sewing machine and the stand all call for a covering of some kind and we have just what you have been looking for in these two numbers. Brown and yellow predominate in the scarf above, No. 95, while other colors are worked in to form an artistic design. Blue predominates in the scarf below



with flowers of rose and green leaves. It is No. 2115. Both articles are stamped on white Indian head of a very fine quality, with sides hemstitched for a crocheted finish. No. 95 sells for 85 cents and No. 2115 for 75 cents. Floss for completing and an instruction sheet are included with both scarfs. Order from Fancywork Department, Kansas Farmer, Topeka, Kan.



The Sugar Story Farmers Should Know

SO many western farmers depend upon sugar beets for their main cash income . . . so sound is their interest in marketing the sugar made from their crops to farmers in home territory . . . certainly that story should be known by every farm reader.

When the beet-growing farmer in your state or in a neighboring state harvests his beet crop and delivers it to a Great Western plant, he receives a guaranteed initial payment. But, ordinarily, that is not all. His total payment for his crop will be determined not alone on the tonnage, but on a sliding scale of values which includes the sale price of the sugar. Additional payments, when the sugar is marketed, are made later if the price realized for the sugar warrants.

Freight costs naturally make any commodity of greater net value the nearer to the point of production it is sold. When Great Western Sugar is sold in this state, having a freight advantage, the farmer gets a relatively higher price for his beets than if sold where greater shipping costs must be paid.

Every pound of Great Western Sugar you buy contributes to the greater prosperity of the American beet farmer . . . you buy it with that assurance.

As to the quality of Great Western Sugar . . . its millions of users include exacting housewives, most competent judges . . . so many of them farm housewives who tried it once and have used it ever since! It is guaranteed to give satisfaction for any purpose.

Ask your grocer for it BY NAME
The Great Western Sugar Company
Sugar Building Denver, Colorado

Try these candied apples

Pare three medium sized, tart apples and cut in round slices. To one cup of Great Western Sugar add one cup of water and one tablespoonful of old fashioned red-hot. Add the sliced apples to this solution before cooking. Cook until tender.

Use Great Western Sugar in this test. You be the judge.



Free

Many delicious desserts described in the Sugar Bowl recipe book, Vol. II, by Mrs. Ida Bailey Allen. Send today.



Great Western Beet Sugar



Here's Fun for Every Boy and Girl



V—is for Viper
A snake's other name,
But whatever you call him,
He's a snake just the same.

Inez Writes to Us

I am 14 years old and in the eighth grade. I drive 6 miles to school. I live on a 160-acre farm. For pets I have a pony named Dolly, a cow named Rocky, several calves, two hounds and I did have three coyotes but two got out and we sold one. I

help my father in the field. I like to work in the field. We milk 20 head of cattle and sometimes I milk half of them. I also help in the garden, and with the chickens and turkeys. We raise lots of watermelons.
Safanta, Kan. Inez Harlow.

Try These on the Family

When is a lady's arm not a lady's arm? When it is a little bare (bear).
What is the difference between a dollar bill and a silver quarter? Seventy-five cents.
If you lose a dollar today, why would it be a good plan to lose another tomorrow? So as to make your loss a-gain.
When the day breaks what becomes of the pieces? They go into mo(u)ning.
What is the difference between a mother and a barber? The latter has razors to shave, and the former has shavers to raise.

If a man should see his mother-in-law in prison, what letter would he think of? Letter "b" (let 'er be).
On what side of the mug is the handle? Outside.
What is an extra dry subject? A mummy.
What is hard to beat? A drum with a hole in it.
What musical instrument is the most untrue? The lyre.
What is the key of good manners? B-natural.
What tune makes everybody glad? Fortune.
When is music like vegetables? When there are two beats (beets) to a measure.
Why is the inside of everything mysterious? Because we can't make it out.

Nimble Numbers

What numbers if added, subtracted, multiplied and divided by "2" will give the same results?
? plus 2 equals ?
? minus 2 equals ?
? times 2 equals ?
? divided by 2 equals ?
When you have solved this puzzle send your answers to Leona Stahl, Kansas Farmer, Topeka, Kan. There will be a package of postcards each for the first 10 boys or girls sending correct answers.

Gordon Has Plenty of Pets

I am 10 years old and in the sixth grade. I have a brother 13 years old. There are 15 pupils going to our school. I have a purebred Jersey heifer named Rosalee June. For pets I have a pony named Topsy, a dog named Bounce and a white cat. His name is Blue Ears.
Altoona, Kan. Gordon Wiltse.

There Are Five of Us

I am 11 years old and in the seventh grade. I have one sister and three brothers. Their names are Viola, Lloyd, Rollin and Curtis. For pets we have three ponies. Their names are Dot, Ribbon and Dolly. I live 1/2 mile from Rising Star school.
Bayard, Kan. Luna Mae Curley.

Billy, Spick and Snowball

I am 7 years old and in the second grade. My sister and I have 3/4-mile

to walk to school. There are 20 going to our school. The name of our school is Pleasant Union. I have two sisters and two brothers. For pets I have a goat named Billy and two dogs named Spick and Snowball. I wish that some of the boys and girls would write to me.
Wayne Karnes.
Studley, Kan.

ASK YOUR FRIENDS TO TRY THIS ONE

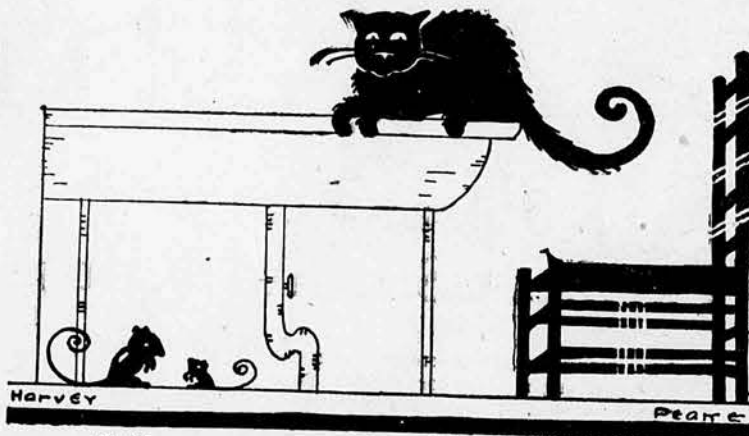
USE ONLY NINE MATCHES TO MAKE THREE SQUARES

The Solution

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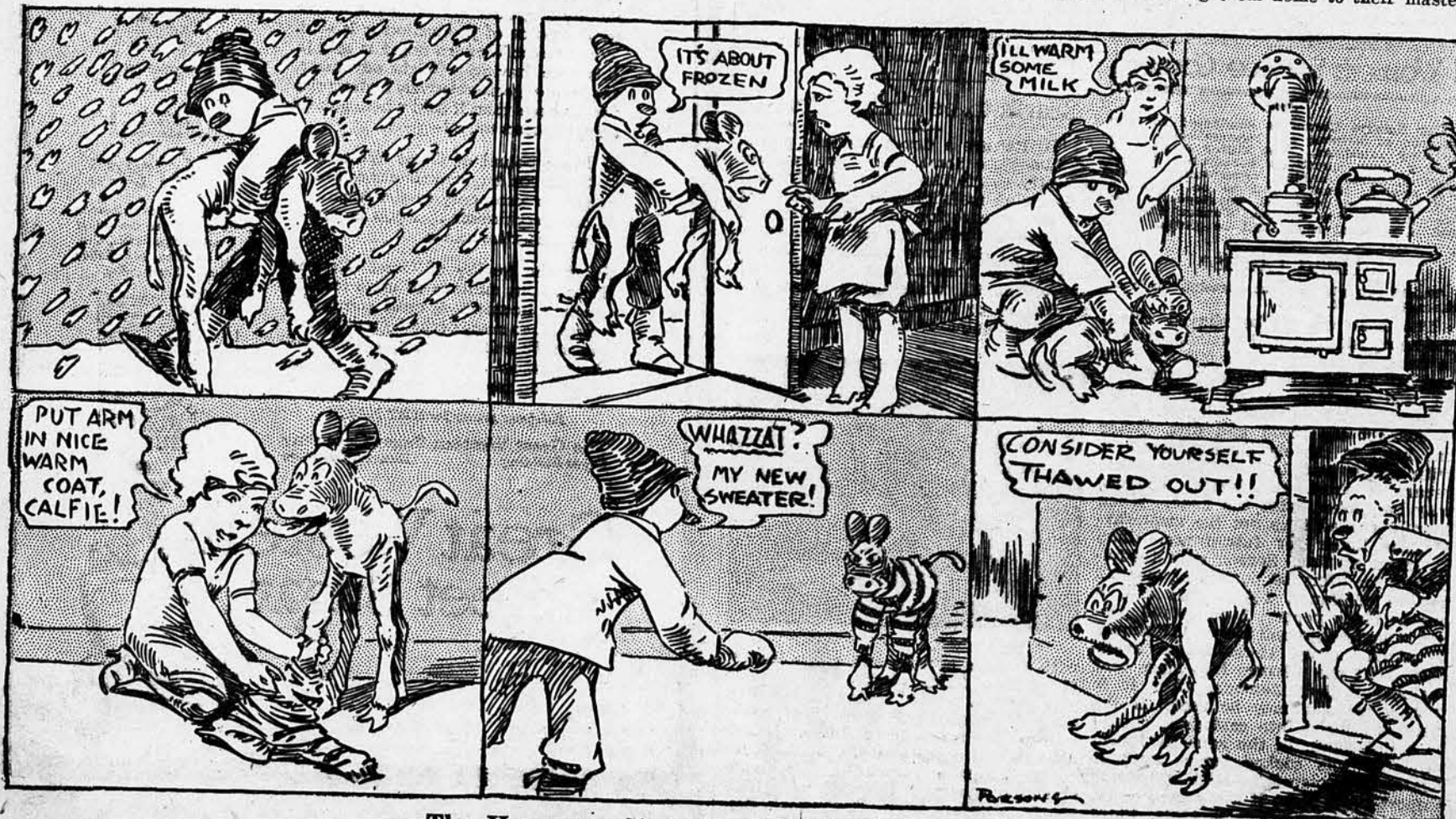
Little Boy Blue

Little Boy Blue, come blow your horn
And blow it loud and shrill,
The sheep's in the meadow, the cows'
in the corn
Upon yon distant hill.
Where's the boy that looks after the sheep
With shining, bright, new horn?
He's under the haycock fast asleep
While the cows are eating the corn.
Go wake him, go wake him and bid
him come quick;
For the sun is sinking low,
Oh, no, not I, 'twould be a mean trick
To treat the poor boy so.
For if I wake him he'll certainly cry
When he hears of the awful disaster;
To get the cows and sheep I'll try
And bring them home to their master.



Said a very young rat, "Pa, I _____,"
(have an opinion)
You may bring me some victuals and _____."
(beverage)
But the rat's father _____;
(proclaimed)
"Your wish is _____"
(refused)
"Till the cat goes to sleep in the _____."
(a basin for waste water)
"Upon the line write the word that is defined below it."

When you have filled in the correct words, send your answers to Leona Stahl, Kansas Farmer, Topeka, Kan. There will be a surprise gift each for the first 10 boys or girls sending correct answers.



The Hoovers—Sis is Kind to Dumb Animals!

Noises in the Chest

BY DR. CHARLES H. LERRIGO

The reason the examining doctor chose to begin searching for my hidden faults by sounding my chest is because the chest contains the heart and the lungs, which must be sound if one is to have good health. The first thing demanded was the removal of all clothing down to the waist. A doctor who examines you without this preliminary has about as much chance of finding anything as if he made his diagnosis by reading the signs of the Zodiac. My doctor has an office nurse who looks after women patients and provides them with a kimono affair that saves their modesty and does not hinder examination.

Most of you know why a doctor raps and taps above a patient's lungs. He calls the process "percussion." There are places where he should get a dull or flat note, others where the sound should be clear and resonant. If you give out a flat tone where it should be resonant, the chances are that something has happened to partly fill up the lung. It makes the doctor suspicious.

He takes his stethoscope next. It intensifies sound somewhat and helps to shut out other noises. It helps as he listens to the quality of your breathing. If there is a moist secretion that should not be there he talks of hearing "rales," which is just a name given to the sound of your air intake bubbling its way thru mucous. The doctor found my breathing very good for a man of 50. Of course he made allowance for natural changes which occur in all of us as we get older.

While he was percussing he tapped out the "area of dullness" that indicated the region in which my heart lay. He declared that my heart was in the right place and of normal dimensions. Then he applied his stethoscope to various points both in the chest and back and listened to the noises. The valves of the heart, when in good condition, render two distinct sounds, quite familiar to the trained ear. If they do not close, perfectly certain abnormal sounds are heard which the doctor usually speaks of as "murmurs." It is just as well to bear in mind that murmurs do not always indicate a serious or incurable heart defect. When the doctor examined me he had me jump up and down some 50 times just because he thought I was too good to be true. After that he found a murmur. But as soon as my heart had settled down after the exercise the murmur disappeared. The best authorities concede that a heart murmur which requires exercise to produce it, and which disappears completely when the heart rate quiets down, rarely signifies structural valve damage. So all the doctor could say was that my heart appeared to be all right, but I would better refrain from pitching hay, engaging in Marathon races or other extra indulgences.

The chest examination was satisfactory. Had it been doubtful the next step would have been a stereoscopic X-Ray picture of the chest which would have told a lot about both heart and lungs. But in my case this was not needed. Next week I shall tell you about my blood pressure.

Not For Home Use

What is the difference between a medical battery and a violet ray? Which is best?

There is no comparison whatever between the two methods of using electric treatment. The electric battery, as designed for home use, is mildly stimulating and may do a little good in certain conditions, but I do not advise anyone to try home treatment in this way because the benefit is comparatively slight. Violet ray treatment is given by the use of special therapeutic lamps which transmit the rays thru quartz glass. No layman is competent to give this treatment, as it may do a lot of damage in unskilled hands.

A Cause of Headache?

Will broken down arches cause headaches? G. H.

Ordinarily I should not expect headaches to result from broken down arches. It is a fact, however, that they interfere quite seriously with the general circulation, and it is not impossi-

ble that such interference might result in headaches. As a usual thing the pain from broken arches is felt in the feet, legs or back. Treatment of this condition depends a great deal upon its severity and stage of progress. If it has not gone very far it can be cured by wearing proper shoes, built up on the outer side of the sole so the weight is thrown inward. Toeing in also is a good practice. You will get a great deal of relief from having a doctor apply proper bandages of surgical plaster to the feet.

What is Farm Wealth?

"The farmer's wealth means our prosperity," a Chamber of Commerce speaker told a group of Kansas business men recently. This would make a splendid slogan, and any Chamber of Commerce that will drive home the

thought and make it stick in the minds of city business men generally will have rendered a real service to its home town and community. But the speaker mentioned made a mistake common to city business men in taking it for granted that heavy crop production and prosperity are synonymous terms, for he quoted statistics giving the millions of bushels of wheat raised in Kansas, the great corn crop, and thousands of hogs, cattle, sheep and poultry on its farms.

Nothing was said about the profits the farmers made on these operations, which in the final analysis is the measure of farm wealth. In a sense big crops of grain and large herds of livestock are wealth, but being the stock in trade of farmers, they must be exchanged for coin of the realm to bring real prosperity to their producers, which in turn means prosperity

to the rest of the universe. "Two blades of grass where one grew before," means nothing to the farmer of today unless he is assured of a fair profit on both.

Chained a Train

As a means of collecting a \$100 judgment against the Southern Pacific Lines, a peace officer flagged a train recently at Normangee, Texas, and tied the locomotive to the rails of a siding with a log chain. Officials of the road, instead of protesting, ordered the sheriff to remove the appropriated property from the right-of-way. That was a reasonable request, but inasmuch as the county furnished no derricks for such emergencies, the peace officer had to remove the chain and go back to the courthouse, without either the locomotive or the \$100.

ATWATER KENT RADIO



Radio, yes—
but what kind?

This is a commonsense advertisement, meant for farmers, their wives and children.

Every Sunday Evening
The Atwater Kent Radio Hour brings you the stars of opera and concert in Radio's finest program. Hear it at 9:15 Eastern Time, 8:15 Central Time, through:

- WEAF New York
- WJAR Providence
- WEEL Boston
- WCAP Washington
- WSAI Cincinnati
- WCCO Minneapolis-St. Paul
- WFI Philadelphia
- WOO alternating
- WCAE Pittsburgh
- WGR Buffalo
- WOC Davenport
- WTAG Worcester
- KSD St. Louis
- WWJ Detroit
- WEAR Cleveland
- WLBB Chicago

The set shown is the MODEL 20 COMPACT Price, \$80

YOU already know that a radio set is a good thing to have, and if you don't get one pretty soon you'll begin to feel you are lagging behind the neighbors.

But as the kinds of radio sets are as the sands of the sea for number—and as nobody wants to make a mistake—you may be hesitating.

If you will select your radio just as you select your livestock or farm machinery, you can't go wrong. You learned long ago that poor animals and poor implements don't do the job, and, in the long run, cost more than good ones.

It's the same way with radio. Who makes it—and how? What's its reputation? Whatever set you buy, your satisfaction will depend on the answer to these questions.

Atwater Kent Radio comes from the same manufacturer who makes the Atwater Kent ignition system for automobiles. It is designed in our own laboratory. It is made in the largest radio factory in the world with as much care as if this were the smallest factory in the world and a reputation was yet to be won!

So strictly is the integrity of our name-plate guarded that one out of every ten

workers in the factory is a tester—and every set has to pass 159 tests before it can leave the factory.

The result is that when Atwater Kent Radio reaches your home it is absolutely dependable—and it stays so. You do not have to fuss and tinker and apologize.

In addition, it has all the other good qualities—tone and volume, range and selectivity—without the sacrifice of any one to over-emphasize another. It is so good looking that it makes an agreeable companion in any room.

And the price is the lowest at which reliable, full-powered (you'll need that!) thoroughbred radio can be sold.

That's the whole story. It is so compelling that more farmers and their families—as proved by every survey—intend to buy Atwater Kent Radio than any other make.

Listen to your neighbors' sets. Consult the nearest Atwater Kent dealer. Look outside and inside. Tune the stations in and out. Make any test—any comparison—for performance, appearance, price. That's the way Atwater Kent Receiving Sets and Radio Speakers are sold.

Send for it!

We will gladly send you free a copy of this beautifully illustrated 32-page booklet if you will just write and ask us. In it you will find descriptions and prices of Atwater Kent Receiving Sets, Radio Speakers and other equipment.



ATWATER KENT MFG. COMPANY
A. Atwater Kent, President
4769 WISSANICKON AVENUE, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

You'll need this, too

A good set deserves a good mate. Remember that the sound, as it comes to you, is made in the speaker. The best radio set cannot do itself justice if the reproducing instrument is inferior.

So you will need an Atwater Kent Radio Speaker. It is designed to give you the true values of speech and music, without blurring, without loss of high or low notes—and it does.

If you already have a set with another speaker—try it with the Atwater Kent Radio Speaker and note the difference.



Model H, with flexible cord, \$24

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No Buckles To Tear No Rings To Wear



\$5 After 30 Days Trial

Send for my big new free harness book. Tells how I send Walsh No-Buckle Harness on 30 days free trial. Use it—prove for yourself that it is stronger, easier to handle. Outwears buckle harness because it has no buckles to tear straps, no rings to wear them, no buckle holes to weaken them. Amazing success—thousands in use in every state.

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Answers to Legal Questions

BY TOM McNEAL

I am an ex-soldier, and served two years in the World War, including 18 months across the sea. I am suffering from a disability so I cannot work, having lost my health in the army. I am not able to support my family. My eyes are bad. I need glasses but am not able to get them. Do you think I could get any help from the Government? If so, where should I write to find out?

WRITE to Frank T. Hynes, Director United States Veterans Bureau, Arlington Building, Washington, D. C. State in your letter as fully and concisely as you can just where you served and how long and the nature of your disability and when, where and how it was incurred.

7 Million in New York

Will you give me the official census returns of the population of greater New York and also of greater London? J. S.

The population of greater London, according to the census of 1920, was 7,746,100. The population of greater New York in 1920 was 5,620,048. It probably is nearly 7 million by this time.

No Rights to Property

A and B are husband and wife. A sells a farm and gives B, his wife, \$3,153.50. B, the wife, buys property. Has A, her husband, any right to half of her property? The husband works on the property.—Colorado.

Under the laws of Colorado the property of the husband and wife, except-

ing the homestead, may be disposed of by either without the consent of the other. It is not necessary in Colorado that the husband sign the deed to his wife's property or that she sign the deed to his property. Their homestead is an exception to this rule.

At the death of the husband or wife the surviving husband or wife inherits one-half of any property owned by the deceased.

Cabinet Members

1—Who are the members of the Coolidge cabinet and who were the predecessors in each office? 2—In what order are the 48 states ranked as to education? D. M.

1—The members of the Coolidge cabinet are:

- Secretary of State, Frank G. Kellogg
- Secretary of the Treasury, Andrew W. Mellon
- Secretary of War, Dwight W. Davis
- Secretary of the Navy, Curtis D. Wilbur
- Secretary of the Interior, Hubert Work
- Secretary of Agriculture, William M. Jardine
- Secretary of Commerce, Herbert Clark Hoover
- Secretary of Labor, John James Davis
- Attorney General, J. G. Sargent
- Postmaster General, Harry S. New

If D. M. means to ask the names of all the cabinet officers since the beginning of the Government our space does not permit such an answer. If what is meant is who were the immediate predecessors of these cabinet officers I will say that the immediate

predecessor of the Secretary of State was Charles E. Hughes. The immediate predecessor of the Secretary of War was John Wingate Weeks. The immediate predecessor of the Secretary of the Treasury was David F. Houston. The immediate predecessor of the Attorney General was Harlan F. Stone. The immediate predecessor of the Postmaster General was Hubert W. Work. The immediate predecessor of the Secretary of the Navy was Edwin Denby. The immediate predecessor of the Secretary of the Interior was Albert B. Fall. The immediate predecessor of the Secretary of Agriculture was Henry C. Wallace. The immediate predecessor of the Secretary of Commerce was Joshua W. Alexander and the immediate predecessor of the Secretary of Labor was William B. Wilson.

2—The percentage of illiteracy is highest in the Middle Atlantic states and lowest in the West North Central states. The highest percentage of illiteracy is found in Alabama, with 22.9 per cent. The next following that is Mississippi, with 22.4 per cent, and next to that is Georgia. Iowa shows the smallest per cent of illiteracy, with 1.1 per cent. Following that is Nebraska, with 1.4 per cent. Following that is Kansas, with 1.6 per cent, and following that is Minnesota, with 1.8 per cent.

A Problem in "Relations"

1—A and B are cousins. What relation are their children? 2—What relation is A to B's children? 3—A is 40 years old, single, and the aunt to B and C, 15 years and 17 years old. A's mother is C's and B's grandmother. What name must A call her mother when speaking to her niece, "mother" or "grandmother"? A. U.

1—A and B are second cousins.
2—A is somewhat less than first and somewhat more than second cousin to B's children. I suppose she would be called a first cousin once removed.

3—In speaking of her mother A should call her "mother," not "grandmother."

What the Law Says

Can the county commissioners take off a bounty on rabbits, crow heads and pocket gophers in their county? A. W.

The statute in regard to the payment of a bounty on jack rabbits, gophers and crows seems to be mandatory. Section 2307 of Chapter 19 of the Revised Statutes reads as follows:

The county commissioners in every county in the state of Kansas shall at the April, 1923, meeting of said board place and thereafter pay a bounty of 5 cents on each jack rabbit and 10 cents on each pocket gopher, crow or crow's head and a bounty of 1 cent on each crow's egg if said pocket gopher, jack rabbit, crow or crow's egg be caught, killed or taken in said county.

Maybe A Can Collect

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If the note is not outlawed he can get judgment against B. Whether he can collect it depends on whether B is execution proof.

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We Are Gaining

The other night a flaming meteor, glowing like a giant skyrocket, swept across the Eastern sky, trailing a great arc of fire behind it as it sped thru the darkness. It appeared over New York City and shot northward, and was seen by thousands all the way to the Canadian border.

Three hundred years ago that sight would have put the countryside into a panic. It would have been accepted, almost universally, as a portent or symbol of wrath and destruction. The entire nation would have waited, trembling, for a war or earthquake or plague to follow and devastate the country.

As it was, what happened? Well, a lot of people admired the meteor's beauty—and that was all.

So, you can see, we have advanced. We aren't afraid of a phenomenon that would have inspired universal terror a short time ago.

Unfortunately, however, we haven't advanced quite far enough. If we have lost our ancestors' fears of unimportant things, we have lost their faith. We don't get in a panic at a meteor; but we don't go thru life, as they did, filled with a sense of its importance and meaning, with our thoughts on the welfare of our own souls.

That is understandable, because fear and mystery, it would seem, are a prelude—perhaps a necessary prelude—to worship. Man finds the world big and strange and powerful, full of influences and currents that may crush him; so he kneels and finds comfort in religion.

And now, having stripped the world of its old terrors, we are more and more ignoring our temples. We are becoming Epicureans, in the worst sense of the word. We decline to worry about our souls because we know what causes the lightning.

This condition won't last long, tho. For when we grow really educated and intelligent, instead of only half educated and half intelligent, we will understand that science, in destroying our old fears, has only given us new ones.

Don't you believe it? Buy a handbook on astronomy, then, and read of the universe as a black vacancy, inconceivably immense, interspersed with pin points of light which are suns like ours; read of man, for all his skyscrapers and radios and airplanes, as a helpless mite on a fly speck in a corner of heaven's map—a faint glow thrown off by a dying ember poised in eternal night—and then ask yourself if, alone and unaided, you aren't afraid to front it.

We are in the "in-between" period now. Presently, however, we will realize that we, no less than the biggest stars, are fundamental parts of this vast scheme; that whatever may be in store for us when the curtain rings down is going to be the best thing that could happen to us; that there is a faith, after all, which will support us even in the face of the new terrors with which our scientists have replaced the old.

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3. Give me more than I expect, and I will give you more than you expect. I can afford to increase your pay if you increase my profits.
4. You owe so much to yourself that you cannot afford to owe anybody else. Keep out of debt, or keep out of my shops.
5. Dishonesty is never an accident. Good men, like good women, never see temptation when they meet it.
6. Mind your own business, and in time you'll have a business of your own to mind.
7. Don't do anything here which hurts your self-respect. An employe who is willing to steal for me is willing to steal from me.
8. It is none of my business what you do at night. But if dissipation affects what you do the next day, and you do half as much as I demand, you'll last half as long as you hoped.
9. Don't tell me what I'd like to hear but what I ought to hear. I don't want a valet to my vanity, but one for my money.
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"The number of tractors on farms March 1, 1925, was 26,203, compared with 25,019 reported the year previous; there were 3,828 combined harvester-threshers this year as against 3,116 in 1924; and 97,574 cream separators in use now as compared with 96,505 last year. The number of silos was less by 143 than in March 1, 1924, and now aggregates 13,658 in the state.

"The number of tractors in Kansas has shown a steady increase from 1915, at which time the first equipment figures were gathered by assessors. That year there were but 2,493 in use; five years later, in 1920, there were 14,370, and 1925 shows an increase of more than 82 per cent over 1920. McPherson county is now first in number of tractors with 810; Sedgwick, first last year, is second with 762, and Dickinson third with 710. All counties in the wheat belt of Kansas report a large use of tractors, and but five counties of the 51 in this belt show decreases when compared with the 1924 figures. The largest increases have been in Rawlins and Saline counties, which have 60 and 78 more tractors, respectively, than a year ago.

"While statistics on the number of combined harvester-threshers have only been gathered during the last three years, a 37 per cent increase has been made in that time. There are now 3,828 combines in use in Kansas. Naturally, most of them are found in the wheat belt and, aside from a few counties in the north-central part of this section, the wheat growing counties have more combines now than a year ago. Pratt leads with an increase of 82, followed by Harper, Meade, Barber and Pawnee counties, with increases of 49, 39, 36 and 34 respectively.

"Cream separators have shown a

steady increase since 1922, and there are now 97,574 of these devices on Kansas farms, as compared with 70,250 in 1915, when the first separator statistics were gathered by the board of agriculture. Reno with 2,228 has more cream separators than any other county. Washington is next with 1,990; Marshall 1,984 and McPherson 1,937, while 50 of the 105 counties each report more than 1,000 separators.

"The number of silos in Kansas shows a slight decrease from the number on March 1924. There are 13,658 now as compared with 13,801 a year ago. This decrease of 143 is scattered over about 55 counties. Dickinson county with 504 still leads in the number of silos and shows an increase of 27 in the last year; Reno county is second with 413, and McPherson county third with 412."

A Foolish Custom-Ended

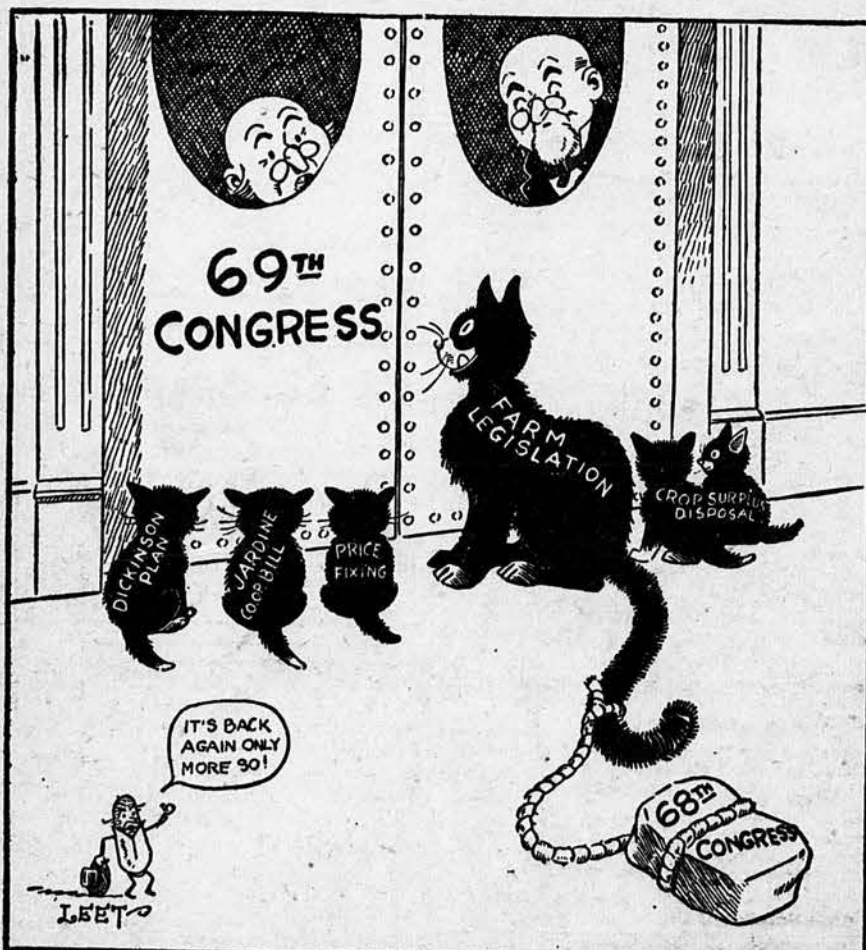
It was quite a shock to a few sentimental souls when Governor Paulen recently ordered that the usual paroling of penitentiary convicts for the holidays would be discontinued. Over at Lansing there was a long waiting list of prisoners who hoped to enjoy the outing and frolic, which has grown up to be a custom at Christmas time. The governor's order to clamp down and stop this was something new in Kansas.

Notwithstanding the fact that Governor Paulen promised the people he would stop the pardon and parole scandal if elected governor, which pledge he is faithfully keeping, democratic newspapers have charged that he is pardoning and paroling more prisoners than did Governor Davis.

The truth is that Governor Paulen has paroled only 28 penitentiary convicts, and these under circumstances that amply justified it. Governor Davis in his two years in office paroled 621.

And that isn't all. Governor Davis issued full pardons during his term to 13 penitentiary convicts sentenced by the courts for the crimes of murder, embezzlement, incest, arson and forgery.

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Up to this time the cattle on the Beal farm had consisted chiefly of "red" cows with a few brindles and yellows that denoted a trace or more of Jersey blood. A bull of rather uncertain ancestry had been used. The Jersey grades had proved their superiority at the pail over the other cows kept, so naturally Bert's choice of a breed was the Jersey.

It was Bert's good fortune to attend a farm auction sale about this time, in which were included several purebred Jersey cows and heifers. He purchased at this sale one purebred heifer for \$50. She was not a prepossessing heifer in appearance, so Beal was forced to withstand a great deal of chaffing on the part of friends and neighbors concerning his purchase. However, he had informed himself on her breeding, and being a good judge of livestock, had confidence in her development.

It has since been shown many times that his faith was not misplaced. In the Allen County Cow Testing Association last year this cow produced 402.2 pounds of butterfat. She was once grand champion female at the largest county fair in Kansas. She has been a reproducer of type and production, as shown by her 14 descendants in the Beal herd. She is the dam or granddam of five out of the 15 cows in this herd, which averaged 303 pounds of butterfat in the testing association last year.

The start in the dairy business which this \$50 investment gave the Beals (now Beal Brothers since a younger brother entered the business) has meant the building of one of the most successful purebred Jersey herds in Southeastern Kansas. It now numbers 35 purebred Jerseys, although few females have been purchased in the seven years of the herd's existence. Bulls of good individuality and from tested dams have been used. Culling is now in progress thru a testing association, and as soon as feasible the boys intend to do semi-official testing.

It would be a fallacy to imply that a lucky strike in the purchase of the original heifer has been responsible for such a distinct success in building this Jersey herd. Such is far from true. Only undaunted enthusiasm and patient, diligent and intelligent effort on the part of the man back of the enterprise could have succeeded, even though he made a good start in purchasing a heifer of marked productive and reproductive capacity. Disappointments have hit Beal Brothers, as they do all dairymen and breeders. Crops have failed, and losses from disease and accident have been as prevalent on their farm as elsewhere. These were accepted as a part of the game, however, and the plan for the development of the herd progressed steadily despite all hindrances.

Today 40 more acres have been added to the farm; the herd is being carefully weeded out and improved; Bert is able to divide the management with a younger brother and so devote more time to the study of his business; and what is most important of all, he has contentment and interest in the steady progress of a creditable farming program. His opportunities were not unusual. Such opportunities in dairy farming are within the reach of hundreds of young men in Kansas.

Alaska's Mineral Wealth

Great things are expected of an airplane survey of Southeastern Alaska by Dr. Philip B. Smith, Chief of the Alaskan Bureau of the Geological Survey. It is to be undertaken in the spring by naval aviators at the request of the Interior Department. An

area of about 40,000 square miles is to be mapped. Dr. Smith says that the rigors of the climate, dense forest growths and rough mountain ranges have made surveying difficult and slow. With photography from the air there should be a sound basis to work on:

We shall be able to see where the mineral formations are most likely to be and where we can make roads and trails to get at them. Then we can send out our geologists to complete the details.

Speaking of Southeastern Alaska, Dr. Smith says that "when the territory is actually opened up its output (of mineral wealth) should run far into the billions." One would like to believe it, but mining in Alaska for 45 years has had to solve such problems as transportation, labor and semi-Arctic snows and frosts in all but four summer months. Placer mining, which produces 85 per cent of the gold, has sometimes suffered from insufficient water. Moreover, the placer bonanzas have frequently had a brief existence. Miners poured in by the thousands, to find fortune eluding them and to beat a retreat. The fame of the placers and gold sands of Nome built a city, but its decline was rapid. There probably is no part of Alaska in which minerals cannot be found. There are "prospects" almost innumerable and many mines. Most of the mines make a showing on the credit side of the ledger with difficulty. According to the 1925 edition of Greely's handbook:

Among the mines now operated are those of gold placers, gold lodes, copper, silver, lead, nickel, tin, palladium, platinum, bismuth, quicksilver, marble, gypsum, coal and petroleum. Other mines temporarily closed are those of antimony, barites, chromite, graphite, molybdenite and tungsten, which await higher prices of minerals and lower cost of production.

The aggregate mineral output of Alaska up to the end of 1924 is imposing until the total value of \$535,-

600,000 is divided by the 44 years of operation. Gold led with \$335,526,000, and then came copper, \$145,479,900, and silver, \$8,884,000. Greely says:

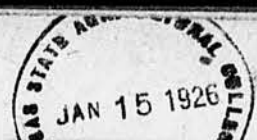
The costly, elaborate plants which are found in all rich placer districts make Alaska a rich man's country. Bonanzas are exceedingly rare, and to an increasing extent the product comes from mines operated by men of considerable capital. In general the cost of production is double what it is in the United States proper. During the nearly eight months of long winter the demand for labor is very greatly reduced in the Yukon basin and on Seward Peninsula, which causes thousands of men to leave each autumn for the "outside," with a consequent uncertainty of their return the following season.

It seems that for quicker results the investor must look to Southeastern Alaska, where, speaking of quartz mining, Brooks, in one of his Geological Survey reports, says that "the discovery of promising auriferous lodes in so many widely separated localities is auspicious for a large lode gold-mining development." Silver-bearing galena ores also abound. This is the territory which the naval aviators are to survey in the spring. It is penetrated by many floods that facilitate transportation by water. With passable roads for motor trucks mining operations could be carried on with more profit. It is the part of Alaska whose call for development should be heeded. There can be no doubt that airplane maps would quicken geological surveying.

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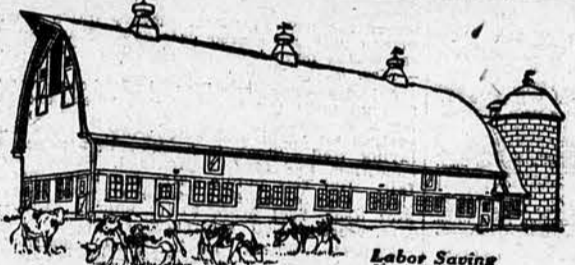
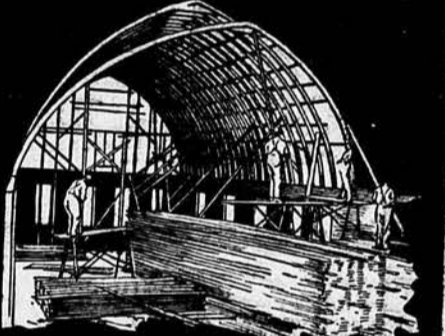
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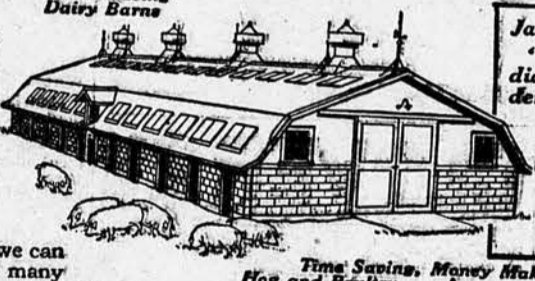


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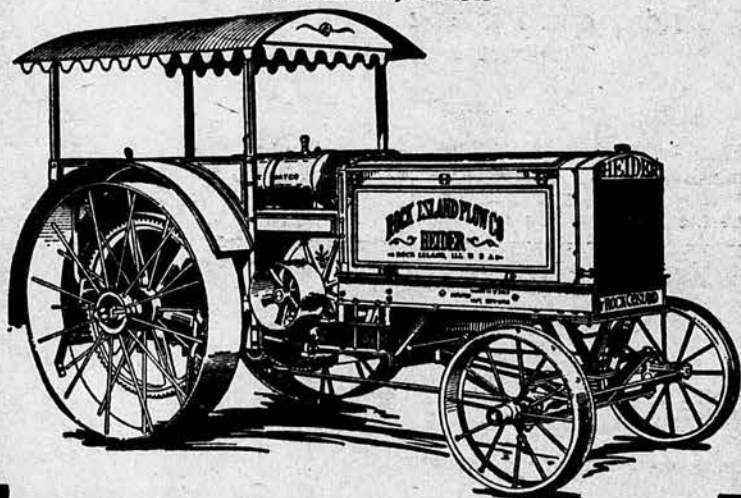
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LIVESTOCK is wintering better than usual. All of which is not so bad, especially considering the tendency which both cattle and hogs have been showing to stage a comeback into the profit column. Anyhow stock generally is in good condition in Kansas—and this has not been accomplished at an excessive use of feed. But the weather has helped.

Wheat is coming along well. Farm work is rather quiet, and is limited largely to the ordinary winter jobs. A good deal of burning of fence rows has been done recently, to discourage Chinch bugs—the Christmas freeze didn't kill 'em.

Allen—More cows are being milked in this community than ever before. This is developing into one of the great dairy counties of the Middle West. Much of the increased feed required apparently is corn ground on the cob. Corn, 63c; kafir, 65c; eggs, 30c; butterfat, 36c.—Guy M. Tredway.

Barber—The wheat is in excellent condition. Roads are good. Stock is going thru the winter in fine condition. Eggs are scarce. Practically no grain is being marketed.—J. W. Bibb.

Bourbon—We have been having nice winter weather recently, with some rain. Considerable plowing has been done here. Wheat is in fairly good condition. Not many public sales. Markets are on favorable levels for all grain and produce, and this has been a source of considerable encouragement to farmers as they go into the new season.—Robert Creamer.

Butler—Considerable fall and winter plowing and listing have been done here. A good many cattle are on full feed—but not many hogs! Hay and feed are scarce. Corn husking and kafir heading are finished. The wheat is small—which I understand is the case in many other sections of the state—and it hasn't made much growth since cold weather came. Alfalfa, \$15; corn, 78c; wheat, \$1.56.—Aaron Thomas.

Cloud—An inch of rainfall in 36 hours recently has been followed by mild, fair weather, which has been fine for livestock—stock is standing the winter in fine shape. Grain prices are on attractive levels these days. Hogs are scarce. Cows are coming fresh, and it also is likely that there will be more colts here this year than has been the rule for several seasons. Poultry is not doing especially well, and eggs still are scarce and high priced.—W. H. Plumly.

Cowley—The wheat is coming along fine, and it is greening up very nicely since the first of the year. The kafir is about all threshed, and it is selling for 65 cents a bushel. There is still some corn in the fields to be gathered. Cattle are wintering very well, and there is an abundance of feed to carry them thru until grass comes. Silage is selling for \$5 a ton, and there has been an active demand; it is about all marketed. Some contracts are being made at \$8 a head for the cattle pasture season of '26. Corn, 76c; wheat, \$1.75.—H. T. Fromm.

Douglas—Very mild weather prevailed for more than a week before the recent storm, which enabled farmers to get well caught up with their work, especially corn husking. Some rain fell, before the snow, but there was not enough to fill the wells and cisterns. Some stockmen are obliged to haul water for several miles. Every day's mail brings attractive seed catalogs. Many new radio sets have been installed here recently.—Mrs. G. L. Glenn.

Johnson—The weather had been very fine up until the snow of last week, except for a few light rains. Farmers are busy getting up wood and butchering. Hens are laying well. Stock is healthy and in good condition, and feed is plentiful. Roads are fair. Few public sales are being held. Corn, 80c; oats, 40c; butterfat, 43c; eggs, 34c; hens, 28c; bran, \$1.60; shorts, \$1.90.—Mrs. Bertha Bell Whitelaw.

Labette—Wheat is in good condition, and there is ample moisture in the soil. Fall plowed land was helped by the freeze which came during the holidays, and a good many insects were killed. No public sales are being held. Hogs are scarce. Wheat, \$1.60; corn, 65c.—J. N. McLane.

Morris—Favorable weather conditions have made it possible for farmers to get well caught up with their work. Practically all the corn is husked, and it is selling at the local elevators at 60 cents a bushel. Kafir threshing is mostly done; the yield was rather light, and the crop is selling at 63 cents. Feed has been holding out well because of the warm weather, but it is not plentiful. Farmers have sold close on both hogs and cattle. Butterfat, 45c; wheat, \$1.65; hens, 29c; eggs, 31c.—J. R. Henry.

Phillips—We have had some moisture, in rain and snow, recently, which has been of help to the wheat, which is in fairly good condition. Prices on everything a farmer has to sell are good except with corn, which is moving at 60 cents a bushel. Potatoes are in the luxury class! A few public sales have been held recently, with fairly high prices.—J. B. Hicks.

Rawlins—Folks are feeling prosperous in this part of the state, and farmers have gone into 1926 with considerable confidence in what the season will bring. The weather has been cloudy and damp, and rather favorable for the growing wheat. A good deal of wheat is being sold at \$1.65 a bushel. Corn is priced at 60 cents a bushel, but not much is being moved. A carload of hogs was shipped here a few days ago, at 10 1/2 cents and also two cars of cattle. A wolf hunt was held a few days ago, and one was killed! Public sales are few, and almost no farm land is changing hands.—J. A. Kelley.

Riley—We had a good rain a few days ago, which brought moisture that was of value. We are testing corn, as there is some question in regard to the germination of the new crop. Cutting and sawing wood take a good share of the time of the folks

here just now. Livestock is doing very well. Not many farm sales are being held. Corn, 76c; wheat, \$1.70; flour, \$2.60.—P. O. Hawkinson.

Rooks—We have had very nice weather recently. We had a few showers early in the month. Farm work is not very active. Corn husking is finished. Eggs, 30c; butterfat, 37c; corn, 55c; wheat, \$1.63; bran, \$1.60; shorts, \$2.—C. O. Thomas.

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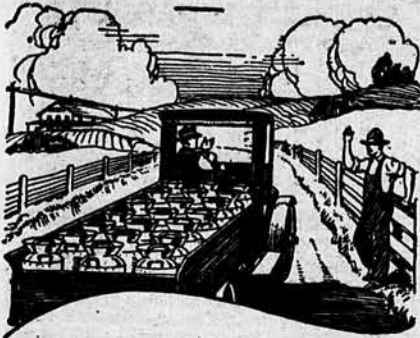
Fewer Foreign Born

Of the Kansas population of 1,812,086, as shown by the Decennial Census returns of 1925 to the State Board of Agriculture, 1,681,464, or 92.7 per cent, were born in the United States, 88,010 were foreign born, and the place of birth was not recorded for 43,512. The foreign born population comprised but 4.85 per cent of the state's total, as compared with 6.89 per cent in 1915.

The largest number of foreign born inhabitants is in Wyandotte county, which reported 10,842, followed by Crawford, Shawnee, Sedgwick and Marion counties in the order named. Marion county has the largest per cent (12.67) of foreign born residents, and Crawford is second with 12.4 per cent. McPherson, Rush, Trego, Ellsworth, Ellis and Russell counties show more than 10 per cent foreign born.

Of the native born population, 62.6 per cent, or 1,054,103, were born in Kansas, 157,117 in Missouri, 86,155 in Illinois, and 50,441 in Iowa. Indiana, Oklahoma and Ohio each contributed more than 40,000, and Nebraska more than 30,000 persons to the population of Kansas. Of the 88,000 inhabitants born in foreign countries, 22 per cent were born in Germany, 11 per cent in Russia, and 9 1/2 per cent each in Sweden and Mexico.

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Danger from overfeeding is lessened if the chicks are fed often and a little at a time for the first few days.

Giving the chicks some form of milk at the start stimulates their appetite and promotes growth.

Vitamins, minerals, and direct sunlight are essential for proper growth and vigor.

A suitable mash, fed thruout the summer, balances the grain ration and keeps the chicks growing without any setbacks.

Early roosting keeps the chicks from crowding into the corners.

Removing the cockerels at broiler age gives the pullets more room to grow and develop. Birds of both sexes will grow better when separated.

Heavy feeding before the pullets are placed in winter quarters gets them in condition for laying during the winter.

Careful culling before the pullets go into winter quarters eliminates many unprofitable birds.

Growing strong, healthy chicks requires the constant, careful attention of the farmer or his wife.

Must Supply Vitamins

One of the main requirements of the ration which the chicks get is that it supply them with the necessary vitamins. It is now known that a lack of vitamins in the feed of chicks prevents proper growth and causes other serious troubles. A ration that lacks these essential elements lowers the vitality of the chicks to such an extent that they are more susceptible to disease.

An absence of vitamin A may cause a disease similar to roup. Sore eyes and blindness have been found to be rather characteristic symptoms of this nutritional trouble. However, chicks that are fed a normal ration with plenty of green feed and yellow corn are not likely to suffer from a lack of vitamin A.

Chicks rarely are undernourished because of a shortage of vitamin B in their ration, but in extreme cases a lack of this vitamin may cause nervous disorders, and lead to paralysis. This vitamin is found in natural feeds, including green feed and the embryo and outer covering of the common grains.

Young chicks that are kept indoors are susceptible to leg weakness. This trouble is brought on by the feeding of a ration deficient in the anti-rachitic vitamin and minerals. Calcium and phosphorus are not properly deposited in the bones and consequently the bones do not harden. Direct sunlight which does not pass thru glass has been found to be effective in curing and preventing leg weakness, and in preventing deformities such as crooked keels, provided there are plenty of minerals in the ration. These minerals are supplied in bone meal, meat scrap containing ground bone, milk, green feeds and limestone grits. Since direct sunlight is beneficial, it is a wise plan to get the chicks out-of-doors as soon as the weather will permit.

When chicks are hatched early in the season and must be confined to the house, the addition of 1 to 2 per cent of cod-liver oil to the ration has been found to be effective in preventing leg weakness. The value of the

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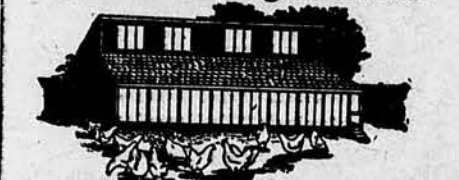
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oil lies in the fact that it contains the anti-rachitic vitamin. The oil should be thoroly rubbed into the mash. Only a small quantity should be mixed at a time.

Raw eggs fed at the rate of one yolk daily to 30 chicks also are beneficial. These may be beaten up in skim milk and mixed with the mash. Care should be taken not to feed raw eggs from hens infected with bacillary white diarrhea, as this is a means of spreading the disease.

A ration for young chicks need not be complicated so long as the chicks can get out-of-doors in the direct sunlight. Careful selection of natural feeds which contain the essentials for proper growth of their bodies usually is all that is necessary. If a system of feeding has proved satisfactory, it is wise to hold to that system and to avoid making sudden changes.

\$75,000 For Irrigation

The Arkansas Valley Development Association will raise \$75,000 for the development of irrigation in Southern Kansas, according to action taken at the first meeting of the organization in Hutchinson, January 7. About 200 representatives of business and agricultural interests attended the session. Senator E. E. Frizell, Larned, was made president of the association, and D. J. Fair, Sterling, secretary-treasurer.

A three-year program for agricultural development was planned under the direction of the following board: John Engstrum, Wichita; W. L. Brown, Hutchinson; A. DeBard, Arkansas City; H. B. Harley, Sedgwick; Robert Mirick, Great Bend; C. E. Mackey, Cimarron; Charles I. Zirkle, Garden City; Allen Gelt, Wellington; J. E. Lawrence, Lyons; G. D. Cochran, Dodge City, and John Lewis, Larned.

Among the speakers at the convention were Senator Frizell; Judge E. E. Blake, drainage and irrigation commissioner for Oklahoma; Senator Ben Hegler, Wichita; George S. Knapp, irrigation commissioner for Kansas; J. C. Mohler, secretary of the State Board of Agriculture, and H. B. Walker, Kansas State Agricultural College.

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Chicks Must Rest

Chicks should be left in the incubator until they have become thoroly dried off and "fluffed out." This hardens them and gives them the rest which they need before they are transferred to the brooder. Darkening the incubator will prevent the chicks from getting restless and crowding toward the front of the machine. Opening the door slightly will allow for some ventilation and help in the hardening process. It is wise to transfer the chicks to the house so there is no chance of their being chilled.

But Use Good Males

Many poultrymen follow the practice of obtaining new male birds every year. They will trade their own males for inferior ones just for the sake of introducing new blood. Such a practice is entirely unnecessary and makes constructive breeding impossible. If your flock is giving satisfactory results, select and use the best male of your own raising. D. C. Warren. K. S. A. C.

How the Alfalfa Helped

BY L. E. CALL

There are two general methods of soil treatment by which a farmer may increase the protein content of his wheat: (1) By increasing the fertility of his soil so that more nitrogen will

be available for the use of the crop; and (2) by early plowing and a thoroly preparation of the seedbed so that more of the nitrogen in the organic matter of the soil may be changed into nitrates and thus made available for the wheat plants.

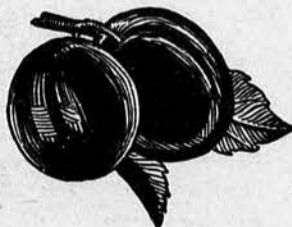
The best and cheapest way to add nitrogen to the soil is to grow a leguminous crop. The best legumes for Kansas are alfalfa, Sweet clover, cowpeas, soybeans, and Red and Alsike clover. These crops, when inoculated, have the ability to secure nitrogen from the air. When they are grown in rotation with wheat, they leave in the soil a supply of nitrogen that can be changed quickly into nitrates and used by the wheat plant. The protein content of wheat, therefore, can be increased greatly by planting wheat on ground that has previously grown alfalfa or some other legume.

The following incident illustrates how rapidly available nitrogen may be added to the soil by alfalfa: In the fall of 1922 a plot of ground on the college farm at Manhattan was divided into two parts; one part was planted to alfalfa and the other to

wheat. In July, 1923, after harvesting the second cutting of alfalfa, the ground was plowed and prepared for wheat. The adjoining wheat ground was plowed at the same time and prepared for wheat in the same way.

It was found at seeding time that the plot that grew alfalfa the preceding season contained 143 pounds of nitrates an acre, while the ground that had not been in alfalfa contained but 74 pounds. In 1924, when the wheat on these plots was harvested and threshed, it was found that the crop on the alfalfa ground produced 49.7 bushels of grain an acre that analyzed 12.4 per cent protein, while the yield on the old wheat ground was 43.2 bushels which tested 10.7 per cent protein. This is a difference of 6½ bushels an acre in yield and of 1.7 per cent in protein in favor of ground that had previously grown alfalfa but one season.

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But Mike Got 1926

This is the open season on members of the auto license department in the office of Frank J. Ryan of Topeka, secretary of state.

Car owners wanting certain license numbers chase them down without mercy. Ryan himself was having a hard time of it recently. James E. Porter of Kansas City has had number 60 ever since the law was passed. His Masonic lodge number is 60, his residence number is 60, his telephone number is 60.

Then there is Thad Carver of Pratt, an old-time friend of Ryan. Thad likes to have a license number the same as his age. This year Thad is 30. So he has written for license No. 60. Frank doesn't know what to do. Suggestions will be welcome.

A. L. Cooke of Ottawa drew No. 1, having applied for it months ago. Mike F. Ahern, director of athletics at the Kansas State Agricultural College, drew 1926 in the face of severe competition. Only the competition came after Mike's application had been on file for several months. F. A. Erwin of Barnes got No. 13 at his request. W. J. Kinsley of Marysville drew No. 100 and M. A. Falladori of Leavenworth got No. 2.

General Edwin L. King, commandant of the General Service Schools at Fort Leavenworth, asked and received No. 11. Colonel W. W. Whiteside, post quartermaster at Fort Riley, has had No. 50 for several years, but is in the Panama Canal Zone this year, and has no use for a Kansas auto license plate. D. R. Lupton and D. R. Lupton, jr., of Lawrence, took 400 and 500, respectively. Charles S. Holbrook, representative from Wyandotte county, again rejoices in No. 10, which he has had ever since the license law went into effect.

Two Strong Men

BY RUDYARD KIPLING

Oh, East is East, and West is West, and never the twain shall meet Till Earth and Sky stand presently at God's great Judgment Seat; But there is neither East nor West, Border, nor Breed, nor Birth, When two strong men stand face to face, tho' they come from the ends of the earth!

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Jan. 20 and Jan. 21, 1926

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Wednesday, Jan. 20, 1926

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Turning to his wife, the husband remarked, "Relatives of yours, I suppose?"

"Yes," said his wife, "by marriage."

Some Famous Last Words

"Don't you dare to knock those ashes off on my clean carpet!"

"Look at the mud you've tracked in on my nice clean floor!"

"Before we were married you wanted to take me some place every evening, but now—!"

"How long have you been carrying that letter around in your pocket?"

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Filial Loyalty

Father—"So the teacher caught you using a bad word and punished you."

Tommy—"Yes, and she asked me where I learned it."

Father—"What did you tell her?"

Tommy—"I didn't want to give you away, pa, so I blamed it on the parrot."

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Oberlin (Ohio) Tribune—Mrs. Josephine Bristow was struck yesterday by an automobile. Dr. Gunn was summoned and took her to the hospital. Now she wants to know who struck her in the middle of the pike.

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"Mother," cried little Mary, as she rushed into the farmhouse they were visiting. "Johnny wants the listerine. He's just caught the cutest little black and white animal, and he thinks it's got halitosis."

Hoped For the Best

Judge—"I have listened very carefully to you, Mr. Brown, for an hour, but I am none the wiser."

Counsel (politely)—"I hardly expected your honor to be, but I thought you might be better informed."

No Chance

Bobby—Pa, why do they have the aisles roped off?"

Pa—"So the bridegroom can't get away, my son."

A Bright Student

Interested Prof.—"What do you expect to be when you get out of college?"

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HIT BY AUTO

IS IMPROVED

Lucky?

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A Bright Outlook in Trade

(Continued from Page 3)

But our so-called favorable trade balance, that is, the excess of exports over imports, has been about one-third less than last year. This is due, in large part at least, to perfectly normal and healthy conditions. When our business is active and the people prosperous, we demand more exotic foodstuffs on our dining tables and more raw materials from abroad for our factories. The year 1921, which was one of marked depression, for example, showed much smaller imports and a much larger excess of exports over imports than in the years since. The year 1925 was marked by greater prosperity than 1924. As against an increase of a little over 7 per cent in our exports, imports have increased by 17 per cent in 1925. This disparity need be lamented only because of the fact that fully half of the increase in value of imports has been due to price advances.

It should be borne in mind that since pre-war years the United States has changed from being primarily a debtor country to a great creditor country, toward which interest payments and payments on principal flow, tending to increase imports. Moreover, we now have to pay relatively much less to foreigners for ocean transportation on account of the development of our own shipping. Were we not constantly making large new investments in foreign countries, the change in our position in this respect might readily result in a normal excess of imports. The continuous large balance in our favor represents primarily our increasing loans and investments abroad. Our new placements of capital in foreign countries during 1925 probably have totaled more than 1 billion dollars, and bring our total foreign investments (exclusive of loans by our Government) to more than 9 billion dollars, as compared with about 2 billion dollars before the war. These investments represent, of course, savings of the American people and additions to their wealth; they supply a future increase of national income in the form of interest and dividends from such investments, as well as a most potent stimulus to our exports.

Considering more particularly the character of the recent changes in our trade, it should be borne in mind that our exports of crude materials and of foodstuffs are dependent not so much on the enterprise of our producers and exporters as on changes in our crops and those abroad. To a greater extent exports of semi-manufactures, and especially of finished manufactures, reflect the degree of efficiency and enterprise of our industries and our traders, altho at the same time they also are affected by general economic conditions and the buying powers of our customers. An increase in exports of these classes is a favorable sign, both as to domestic and foreign conditions.

The exports of 1925 show, as compared with 1924, an increase of about 13 per cent in the value of crude materials, a slight decrease in foodstuffs, and an increase of about 12 per cent each in semi-manufactured and finished articles. The increase in crude materials would have been still greater but for the decline in the price of cotton, the most important item. Owing to the marked improvement in our last two crops, our cotton exports were more than 40 per cent greater in quantity in 1925 than in 1924; but the increase in value has been around 25 per cent. The principal individual foodstuffs exports decline materially in quantity, but owing to higher prices show much less decrease in value. Exports of wheat and flour, for example, have been about one-third less in quantity than in 1924.

Particularly gratifying is the showing of our exports in most of the major classes of manufactured goods. The increase of nearly 60 per cent in the number of automobiles exported has been mentioned, and every indication shows that this remarkable advance will continue—largely because of the general improvement of world economic conditions, the lowered prices of our motor cars, the inability of most European producers to satisfy demand, and the exploitation of hitherto undeveloped markets, stimulated in several important instances by the Department of Commerce. Outstanding examples of increased purchases of American automobiles in 1925 over 1924 are: Belgium, 96 per cent; Denmark,

Kansas Poland China Breeders

The number of sows bred for spring farrow will be about 11 per cent greater than that of last year, according to intentions expressed by farmers in the pig survey December 1. In view of the fact that the number actually falls some 8 to 10 per cent short of December 1 intentions, the potential spring pig crop likely will be no greater than the last one. Even if the favorable corn-hog price ratio should induce greater breeding operations the pig crop likely would not be large enough to create a surplus.—M. N. Beeler, Livestock Editor.

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Exports of machinery (other than electrical and agricultural) have increased in value more than 20 per cent, and those of agricultural machinery more than 25 per cent. Exports of electrical machinery, in contrast with the normal increase of recent years, have been stationary. The increase of recent years in exports of copper was continued during 1925, stimulated by the further recovery of Europe and the effort there to make up for deficient electrical development during the war years. Our exports of rubber tires increased about one-third in quantity, again a commodity to which the Department of Commerce has been giving some special attention. Those of cotton manufactures, which had fallen off somewhat in 1924, again rose materially. In fact, the only important class of manufactured articles to fall off in exportations are lumber and iron and steel. The decrease in iron and steel is comparatively insignificant, and is the natural result of a gradual recovery of European production and of the severe competition of countries like Germany, Belgium and France with much lower wage scales and—in the case of the two latter countries—with a temporary stimulus to exportation resulting from currency depreciation.

Our exports to every continent, except Asia, were greater in 1925 than the year before. On account of the diminished buying power of Cuba, however, resulting from the fall in sugar prices and of Canada's poor harvests of 1924, our exports to North American countries showed but a small increase. In Asia the decrease is confined substantially to Japan and China, but even so, our sales to the Continent of Asia in 1925 were not far short of four times as great in value as they were in 1913. In the case of Japan, the decline in our exports is attributable to the naturally reduced demands for reconstruction material, and to a general business depression that has been felt there; but the outlook for 1926 in the Island Empire is more encouraging. Disturbed political conditions in China have seriously hampered our exports to that country, and the trade prospect there for 1926 is still uncertain, but we should at least equal last year's trade. Our exports to India increased slightly, despite falling price levels and of British, German and Japanese competition. Americans are steadily gaining a foothold in this market. Exports to both Australia and New Zealand show an increase despite greater competition from Europe, and totaled in 1925 more than 3 1/2 times those in 1913. And likewise, in the face of keener competition from both Europe and Japan, we made fairly large gains in our exports to Malaysia. The buying power of the Malay region is being much enlarged by the high prices of rubber and tin.

As has been so frequently the case in recent years, our exports to South America show a marked increase, being more than 20 per cent greater than for the previous year. Improved world trade stability and a much enhanced demand in European markets for Latin-American products have brought about more prosperous conditions in the countries of Latin America. This has been reflected in their increased purchases of our manufactured products during 1925.

Exports to Europe consist very largely of foodstuffs and raw materials, and they have shown an increase of about 14 per cent in value in 1925. Exports to Russia increased over 50 per cent, cotton being the dominant item; those to the United Kingdom by 9 per cent. The improvement in the economic situation of Germany is reflected by an increase of nearly 20 per cent in our exports to that country. Increasingly stabilized conditions, both political and economic, and restored opportunities for the reorganization of productive industries after the disorders following in the wake of the war are doubtless the main reasons for the steady growth of our trade in European markets.

Good Outlook With Beef

"The cattle business is fairly prosperous for the first time since the market went to pieces," said F. M. Arnold of Emporia, president of the Kansas Livestock Association, a few days ago. "Most stockmen made a good profit last year, and, if conditions are favor-

able, they will do better this season. Many cattle raisers made enough money to clear up the debts incurred in less prosperous years and have established their credit again. They are in a position to start anew."

No general decline in cattle prices is probable in the near future, Mr. Arnold says, altho the prices of stockers are out of line. That has come about because of the belief of the producers in the future, and the competition for younger stuff which this has brought.

LIVESTOCK NEWS

By J. W. Johnson
Capper Farm Press, Topeka, Kan.



Bohlen Bros. write they have the largest and best fall boars and gilts they have ever raised. They never hold public sales but sell their bred gilts and these boars at private sale.

Earl Lugenbeel, Padonia, Kan., proprietor of the big Chester White herd that has won all over the country again this season will sell bred sows and gilts in the sale pavilion at Hiawatha, Jan. 26.

I have a letter from L. C. Swihart, Lovewell, with the information that the Jewell county Shorthorn breeders and Polled Shorthorn breeders have claimed April 6 for their annual sale at that place.

I have a letter from Vern Albrecht, Smith Center, asking me to claim Feb. 6 for his bred sow sale in the sale date column. Mr. Albrecht says his gilts will average 350 by sale day and that they are the best lot he has ever raised. He has just purchased a senior yearling sow by the world's champion, Harvester.

The A. G. Banks sale of 150 high grade cows and heifers, about 100 of them in milk or very heavy springers will be sold with 40 splendid yearling heifers. This is a working herd, federal accredited and all bred on the farm they will be sold on. It is important that splendid sires have been used in building this herd during the last 12 years.

N. H. Angle & Son, Courtland, have just sold to A. L. Morey, Mankato, 44 bred Duroc gilts that they were getting ready for their bred gilt sale. Their sale date is now canceled and this is very likely the largest sale of pure bred gilts sold at private sale in the state this season. They were sired by Super Six Pathmaster Sensation and were bred to Advance Col. and Stills Leader. They have 25 sows bred for their own use. They have sold their last spring crop of pigs for \$4,530 and have a number of their best gilts left.

I have just received a letter from Fred Reppert's School of Auctioneering with the information that two Kansas men had graduated from this school recently. One of them is Floyd W. Gift and Mr. Reppert says Mr. Gift has a lot of natural ability and

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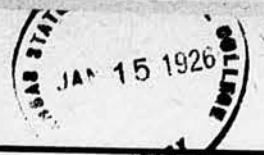
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Draft Horse Shortage

Figures compiled by the Kansas State Board of Agriculture, based on the assessors returns since 1918 indicate a shortage of work horses in the near future that may become serious. The tabulation shows there are now over 200,000 fewer horses in Kansas than there were in 1920. During the same period stallions decreased nearly 2,000 in number. If this ratio of decrease continues for a few years good horses will be so high the average farmer cannot afford to own them.

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is sure to make good as an auctioneer. The other is Murray Spencer of Nortonville, and that this young man has a splendid voice and a fine personality, and is sure to make a good auctioneer and he is a good student and is bound to make a success. Mr. Reppert is now planning for another big class in August. The school is located in Mr. Reppert's home town, Decatur, Indiana.

The Woodbury Duroc sale is next Friday, Jan. 22, and if you have not already secured the sale catalog you will find one waiting for you at the sale pavilion in Sabetha. It is very likely the most important sale of bred sows and gilts that will be held this winter anywhere. Such an offering several years ago would likely have sold out of the reach of many small breeders and farmers but it is not expected that prices will be high in this sale although it is doubtful if any offering in the past five years has been as full of rich breeding and splendid individuals. Every breeder in Kansas should be interested in this wonderful offering.

LIVESTOCK NEWS

By Jesse R. Johnson
463 West 9th St., Wichita, Kan.

Carl L. Howe, Neosho Rapids, in sending change of copy for card running on our Hereford section says he is getting very good inquiry for cattle at this time.

F. Oliver, Holstein breeder of Danville, calls attention to the fact that his herd bull is a brother to the state champion cow recently owned by Geo. Appleman and sold for a long price to an Oklahoma breeder.

A team of matched sorrel mules sold on the Wichita market recently for \$500.00. They belonged to Frank Watson, a Sedgwick county farmer and were said to be one of the best pairs ever sold on that market.

T. B. Bowman & Sons of Boone, Neb., probably have at this time the largest herd of registered Percherons in America. They have a thousand acres of Boone county land fenced horse tight and expect to continue in the business.

Miles Austin, Poland China breeder of Burrton, the man who owns Golden Rain, now writes that he has been selling some fall pigs. He has bred quite a lot of spring gilts to the above boar and will sell part of them.

L. E. Knox of South Haven and F. E. Wittum of Caldwell have joined forces for a bred sow sale to be held in Caldwell Feb. 9th. They plan to have rather a better offering than would be possible for either to put up alone without selling off closer than would be practicable.

J. G. Axtell & Son of Great Bend report the recent purchase of a choice bunch of bred sows and gilts from Leo Breeden also of Great Bend. The Breeden sows will be used to strengthen the offering that goes in their Feb. 16th sale. Mr. Breeden will not hold any sale this year. The Axtells say the hogs are doing well and that they will have a fine lot of stuff for their sale.

H. T. Hineman, senior member of the firm that produces the big jacks out at Dighton writes me that he has recently sold two car loads of mules to George Mitchell of Hiawatha. He says they weighed from 1,400 to 1,600 pounds. Mr. Hineman says there have been 1,300 mules shipped from his town during the past six months. Good mules are always to be found where there are good jacks.

Public Sales of Livestock

- Shorthorn Cattle**
 - Jan. 19—Western National, Denver, Colo., W. A. Cochel, Sale Manager, Baltimore Hotel, Kansas City, Mo.
 - Feb. 3—O. A. McKenzie, Wayne, Kan.
 - March 23—Kansas Shorthorn Breeders' Assn., Manhattan, Kan., C. E. Auel, Sale Manager, Manhattan.
 - March 24—Kansas Shorthorn Breeders' Assn., Wichita, Kan., C. E. Auel, Sale Manager, Manhattan.
 - April 6—Jewell County Breeders Association, Shorthorns and Polled Shorthorns, Lovell, Kan.
 - April 21—Northwest Kansas Shorthorn breeders, Concordia, Kan., E. A. Cory, Sale manager.
- Holstein Cattle**
 - Jan. 25—A. M. Davis and Hobart McVay, Hutchinson, Kansas.
 - Jan. 26—A. G. Banks, Lawrence, Kan.
 - Feb. 15—E. L. Bean, Atchison, Kan.
 - Feb. 22—Dr. C. A. Branch, Marion, Kan.
- Poland China Hogs**
 - Feb. 2—Jos. H. Deleye, Emmett, Kan.
 - Feb. 3—O. A. McKenzie, Wayne, Kan.
 - Feb. 9—I. E. Knox, So. Haven and F. E. Wittum, Caldwell, Kan.
 - Feb. 9—H. B. Walter & Son, Bendena, Kan.
 - Feb. 10—W. H. Charters, Butler, Mo.
 - Feb. 18—E. E. Hall, Bayard, Kan.
- Spotted Poland China Hogs**
 - Feb. 3—Lynch Bros., Jamestown, Kan.
 - Feb. 13—Dr. Henry B. Miller, Rossville, Kan.
- Chester White Hogs**
 - Jan. 26—Earl Lugenbeel, Padonia, Kan. at Hiawatha, Kan.
 - Feb. 25—M. E. Goodpasture, Horton, Kan.
- Duroc Hogs**
 - Feb. 4—Earl Means, Everest, Kan.
 - Feb. 6, 1926—Vern V. Albrecht, Smith Center, Kan.
 - Feb. 10—J. G. Axtell & Son, Great Bend, Kan.
 - Jan. 24—H. E. Mueller, St. John, Kan.
 - Jan. 22—Woodbury Farm, Sabetha, Kan.
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 - Feb. 6—E. G. Hoover, Wichita, Kan.
 - Feb. 8—E. E. Innis, Meade, Kan.
 - Feb. 9—G. M. Shepherd, Lyons, Kan.
 - Feb. 11—Long Duroc Farm, Ellsworth, Kan.
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 - March 10—Sherwood Bros., Concordia, Kan.
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Kansas Shorthorn Breeders

C. E. Auel, secretary of the Kansas Shorthorn Breeders' Association, reports that 40 beef clubs were organized among boys and girls of the state last year. They averaged 10 calves to the club. Of the 400 calves 136 were Shorthorns. Auel urges beef breeders to take an active part in helping the club program. It is a worthy cause and eventually will result in wider distribution of purebreds. He suggests that breeders not only help in organization and operation of the clubs but that they see that the youngsters get good calves.—M. N. Beeler, Livestock Editor.

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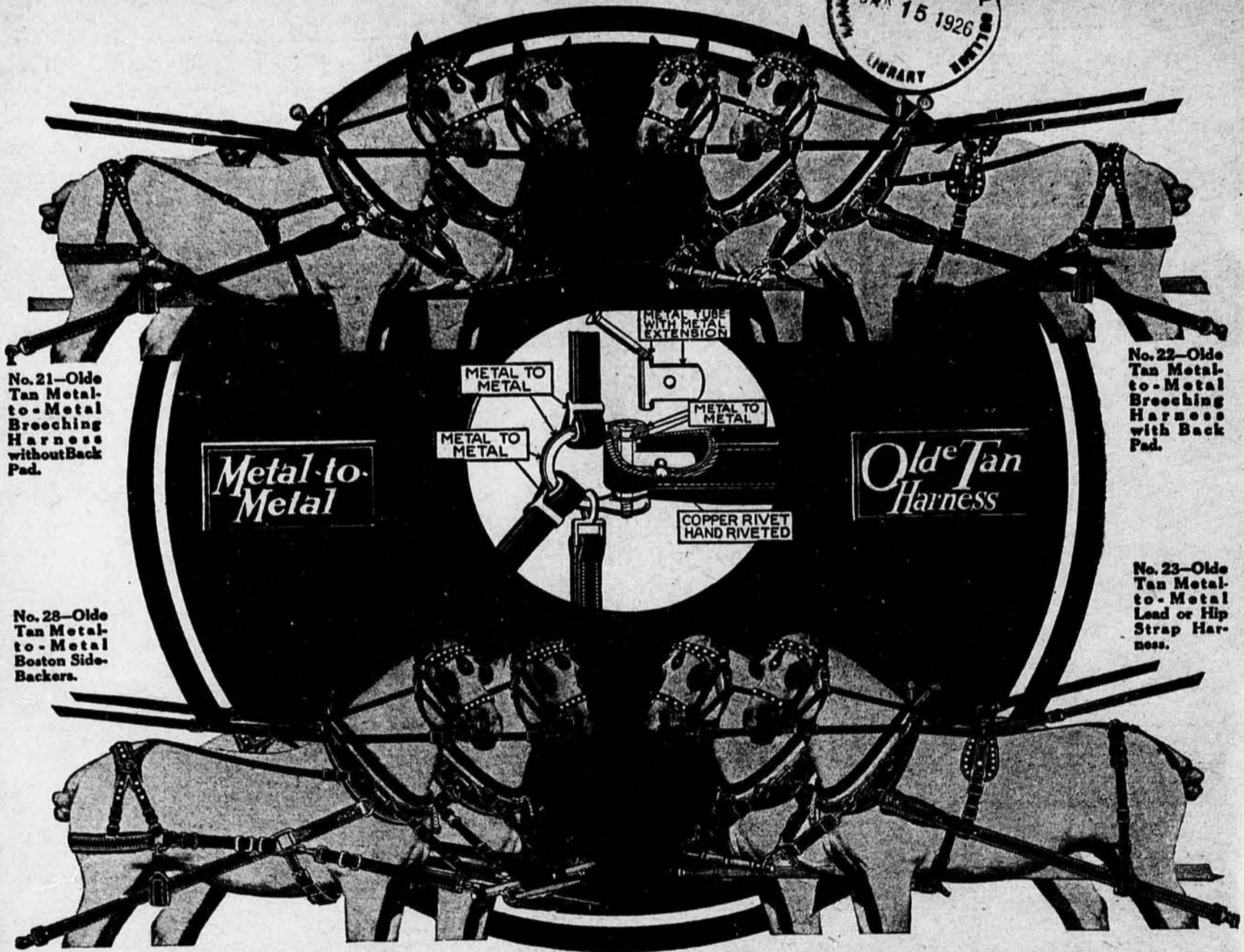
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