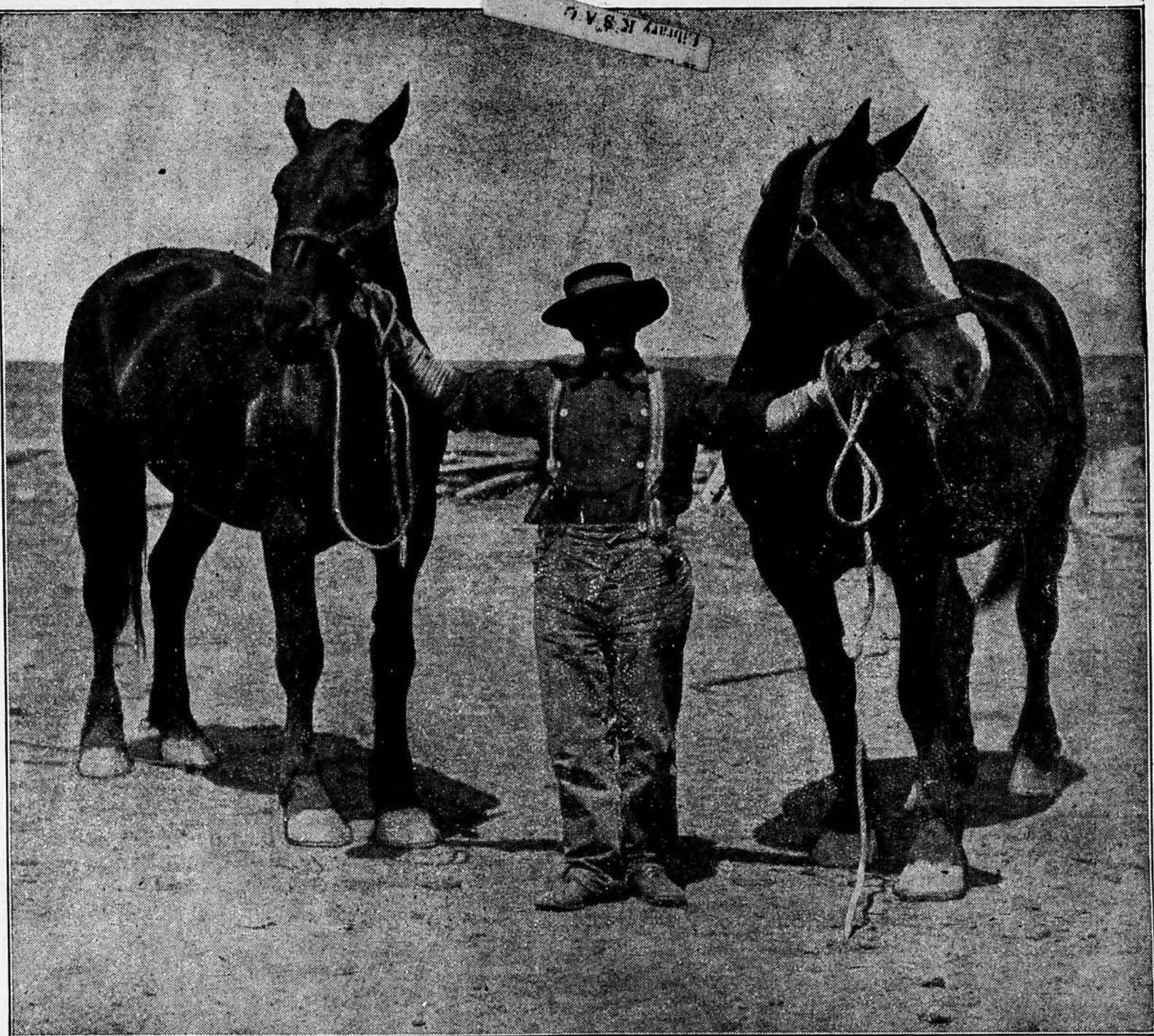


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## ABOUT THE SILO AND WHAT COUNTS IN ITS FILLING

IT SHOULD be as much an ambition of the farmer to conserve the fertility of his land as to derive profit from its products. Using his grain and forage for maintaining and fattening livestock affords by all odds the most practicable and economical method of upbuilding the soil. It has been clearly demonstrated that long-continued selling of products directly off the farm inevitably results in such impoverishment that production ceases to be profitable. One factor in obviating this is the use of silage, and it is encouraging to note the marked increase in its popularity.

Increase in the use of feed in this form is indicated by a recent compilation of the United States department of agriculture, the first dependable data. It reveals that every state, except Nevada, uses more or less corn for ensiling. Of the country's plantings 5 per cent, or 5,291,250 acres, was cut for silage in 1911, and 3.5 per cent, or 3,641,225 acres in 1910. The North Atlantic states used a greater proportion for that purpose than any others, or 18.8 per cent. The largest increase was in the North Central states west of the Mississippi, where the per cent in 1911 amounted to 6.2 as against 3.7 per cent the preceding year. Of these, two states, Kansas and South Dakota, gave twice the area to silage in 1911 that they did in 1910.

The figures show Kansas as having so used 5 per cent of the corn acreage of 1911, or about 20,000 acres, as against 2.5 per cent of the planting the year before. Vermont ensiled a larger proportion of her corn than any other state, or 62 per cent, while Kansas, with her 5 per cent, actually cut more corn by 361,000 acres. The department attributes the general increase to the shortage of hay in 1911, owing to dry weather. This makes it apparent that the silo is coming into quite general esteem as protection against such seasons, and if the experience of 1911 multiplies the silos in Kansas the lessons of that year were valuable.

While corn, clover, cowpeas, millet, sorghum, soy beans, Kafir, milo and even alfalfa, are used for the purpose, unless otherwise specified, silage ordinarily means the corn plant and its grain unshipped but matured, cut in lengths of 1/2-inch to an inch, stored and fermented in a silo. Thus far other crops so used are comparatively insignificant, although in regions of frequent rainfall at that particular time of year the silo affords an excellent means of saving entire the first cutting of alfalfa.

Whatever crops are intended for treatment in this way should be grown as near the silo as practicable, thus shortening the haul; also, if the crop is on higher ground than the silo the pull will be easier, which is worth bearing in mind. It has been found advisable to plant corn a little thicker for silage than for grain, to develop somewhat nearer the proper proportion of ears and stalks. The ordinary varieties, having large leaf surface, should be given preference. An increase in the rate of seeding of perhaps 25 per cent is advised, which will give more stalks and smaller, but more ears, whereby a greater amount of digestible matter is secured than when the aim is mainly for large ears. An objection to the thicker planting, and especially on thin soils, is that in dry weather the roots may not be able to deliver enough moisture to the plants for their full development, but the acreage required by the ordinary farmer for the particular purpose is comparatively so small that he can well afford to plant on rich ground, and give the crop special attention. All things considered, the

### The Second of the Three Articles on the Silo and Its Relation to Kansas

By F. D. Coburn

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thicker planting seems best, and to insure an abundance planting some Kafir would be wise. If not needed or desired for the silo, it would be found useful otherwise. It is not unusual for an acre of silage corn in the corn belt to yield 15 to 20 tons per acre. Last year in some localities Kafir yielded 12 to 15 tons, while Indian corn in adjacent fields was practically a failure.

Corn is king of silage plants, on account of its heavy yields, the excellent ration it provides, and the economy of its ensiling, as the whole plant is utilized. Kafir gives promise of meaning to the Southwest not only what corn does to the corn belt as a grain, but also as a silage crop; and it is sure throughout vast areas where corn is not.

Corn is at its best for silage when the grain has hardened past the milk stage, when the more ad-

other conditions. At the Iowa station it has cost in eight years 60 to 75 cents per ton, the higher being due to wet grounds or longer haul. Hauling with seven or eight teams, 100 to 125 tons have been stored in a day. As there is, broadly speaking, a period of about two to four weeks for this work, community-partnership is quite feasible. The corn-binder or harvester is a great aid in this work.

The corn is almost invariably cut in lengths of 1/2 to 3/4 inches. Such lengths favor packing that excludes air, prevents mold and makes a convenient, palatable feed. As to whether the filling should be done slowly or rapidly there are differences, but it depends to a considerable extent on convenience. Both ways have proven satisfactory, and where a man has his own equipment, filling at intervals, allowing the freshly cut corn time to settle is satisfactory. With some such neighborhood co-operation as has been suggested, it would probably be advisable to fill the silo in each instance without delay. The only disadvantage is that later when the mass has settled the silo will not be full. The gasoline engine is becoming quite popular in this as in other work.

In distributing the material in the silo it is better to keep the outsides packed a little higher than the center. In this way the light and heavy particles are evenly distributed, which prevents air pockets and consequently moldy streaks. Some men do not believe tramping the corn in the silo is necessary, but the experiment stations recommend it, especially about the sides and when within a few feet of the top. Close packing is important to quality.

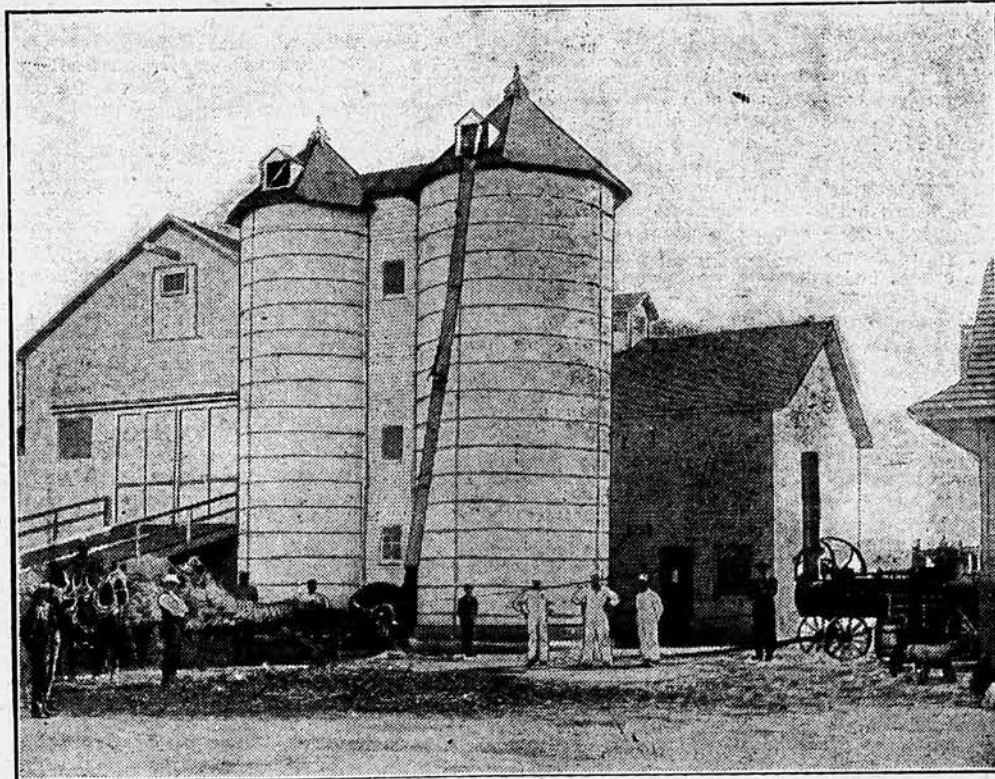
If using is not to begin at once it is a good practice to strip the ears off the last few loads of corn and cut the stalks for the top layer, which should be tramped well, and then several barrels of water poured over it. One Kansan, as he was harvesting his cowpeas in September, put a few loads through the cutter to "seal" the corn he had just finished putting in, and says it served the purpose the best of anything he had used.

Forethought and intelligence count in filling, and those taking the most pains are well repaid.

Roughage of some kind is, of course, used with ensilage, and that found best is clover, alfalfa or cowpea hay. It is relished by all livestock, affords a palatable, economical feed of the highest value, and as a supplement to pastures it is in growing favor. Thus far, however, greatest stress has been given to its value as a winter feed, supplying in that season a ration approximating June pastures, maintaining a flow of milk in dairy cows otherwise not probable. W. A. Henry in his "Feeds and Feeding" shows that corn silage yields more pounds of digestible nutrients per acre than any other crop.

While the value of silage as a milk ration has long been known, the beef-makers have recently been reaching out to secure some of its advantages to aid them in reducing the cost of production, one authority stating that "beef that is costing 10 cents per pound to manufacture can be produced on silage feed at 5 cents per pound;" that "money invested in a silo will pay 100 per cent on the investment the first year, and that 10 acres of good corn in a silo will afford more and better feed than 40 acres of hay."

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vanced ears are dented and the husks and lower blades are taking on a tinge of brown. Harvested much earlier there is a deficiency in quality. It is better to put it into the silo a little too ripe than too green, for two weeks, say, preceding maturity there is a rapid increase in quantity of nutrients. The more food nutrients it contains the more valuable of course, but there should be sufficient moisture to insure the desired fermentation. Animals given silage made from immature corn are apt to scour badly.

Four or five or more owners in a community might profitably purchase the necessary machinery in partnership and exchange labor when filling their silos. This would eliminate one of the chief objections urged, that of the expense and hired labor. The cost of this depends on length of haul, weather, yield, and

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PASSING COMMENT by T.A. McNeal

KICKS ON SCHOOL METHODS. J. P. Freeman, of Menno, Kan., has a complaint about the manner in which the school is being conducted in his neighborhood. Gentlemen who have migrated to this fair land from Russia, according to Mr. Freeman, are in complete control of the school district affairs and run it to suit themselves, which evidently does not suit Mr. Freeman.

"We are supposed," he says, "to have seven months' school taught in English, but the teachers are both Russians, also all the school board, so they teach four classes in German every day while they recite in one English class once a week and in some others twice a week."

Mr. Freeman says he took his troubles and complaint to the county superintendent, but with no avail. "Then," he continues, "I wrote to the state superintendent and he had the gall to congratulate me for living where German was taught with district money."

Getting no satisfaction from the state superintendent, Mr. Freeman addressed a letter to the attorney general of the state and another letter to Governor Stubbs, both of whom turned his letters over to Mr. Fairchild, who again wrote him, giving him no more satisfaction than he had given him in his first reply.

"Then," he says, "I wrote our district judge with no avail, then went to our county attorney, who said that he could do nothing if both county and state superintendents were favorable to the present arrangement. So there it is."

Taken altogether Mr. Freeman is not in a pleasant frame of mind. He says, in concluding his letter, "I hope every voter in Kansas will notice the kind of officers we have at the head of our state government. We could get teachers for less money who could not teach German, but we pay these teachers \$80 per month just because they can teach German. I think this is a curse to all the taxpayers in Kansas. The idea of robbing our families to support a set of officers who live in luxury and then favor a set of foreigners."

What have the governor, superintendent and attorney general got to say to this I wish to know.

THE FUTILITY OF REGULATION.

At an expense of a million and a half dollars for high-priced government lawyers and no one knows how much more for general court expenses, after years of labor, it was announced with a sigh of relief and satisfaction that we had at last dissolved two great trusts, the Standard Oil and the Tobacco trust.

When an individual business man is busted it means that he is put out of business, financially injured, his business and stock sold by the sheriff or receiver appointed by the court. In the cases

of the Standard Oil and Tobacco trusts the effect seems to have been just the opposite. Neither one has been put out of business.

Standard Oil stocks have reached a price never heard of before in the history of that remarkable organization. The consumer finds that instead of buying the products manufactured by the Standard Oil cheaper he has to pay more than he did before.

The Standard still controls the oil business and that includes all the by-products manufactured by that great concern. Who has been benefited? Nobody, apparently, except the lawyers and the holders of Standard Oil stocks.

If there ever was a case of big smoke and little fire, of a big noise and no beneficial results this is one. The old case of the mountain in labor that brought forth a mouse no longer holds the record for tremendous labor with little result.

The fact is that the Standard Oil and the Tobacco trusts are in better shape than they have ever been for the reason that now they are protected by edicts of court and can if they choose put their competitors out of business without fear of interference by the courts.

The various companies that were merged into one and made up the great Standard Oil company are now separated. The court says so and surely the court ought to know. But the same people who owned the old Standard organization now own the separate organizations. Where there is both some opposition now the separate organization can put down the price of oil and its products to such an extent that the independent concern will be forced out of business.

Of course that particular Standard Oil company will lose money, but what of it? Other Standard Oil companies where there is no independent opposition can raise the price of their product enough to make up the difference, and they are safe in doing it, because theoretically every company is an independent concern and at liberty to charge what it pleases for its products. It is a beautiful arrangement—for the Standard Oil.

We have been busy regulating the railroads. Departments have been added to departments. Suits have been piled on suits. The costs of courts, boards and lawyers have mounted up into the millions, but discriminations still continue and the transportation problem is not solved.

Regulation is an expensive luxury, a failure so far as practical results are concerned, or nearly so, but it was necessary to go through the experiment in order to bring about public ownership, which is the only reasonable solution.

Our railroad commissions high and low have been trying to regulate rates on the old competitive theory, which is founded on the principle that rates should be built on what the traffic will bear. That theory is so manifestly unjust that it is remarkable that any intelligent man will still have the gall to defend it. It is the old theory of taking from the weak because they cannot help themselves, and giving to the strong because they can. It is the theory of the highway robber protected by the sanction of law.

The advocate of governmental regulation contends on the one hand that we are not capable as a people through our chosen government agents of owning and operating the business of the railroads, but that we are capable of telling the railroads how they should operate their own business.

Regulation is illogical in principle, tremendously expensive in practice and of little or no benefit to the masses of the people who have to pay the bills.

PROPOSE TO ABOLISH THE SENATE.

Representative Lindbergh, of Minnesota, proposes to abolish the senate of the United States, and reduce the lower house to a membership of 300. Three hundred representatives are perhaps 100 too many, but what I fear about the Lindbergh plan is that it does not seem to provide for necessary checks on the power of this single house.

In the several states it would be entirely feasible to abolish both houses and substitute for them a single house of not more than 30 members with a check placed on the power of that body by a referendum to the people, the legislative body being limited in the measures that it could submit to the people for their ratification or rejection, to such a number that the people could have ample time and opportunity to study and understand them before voting on them, but in the case of the United States the referendum, it seems to me, would be so tremendously cumbersome that it would not be practical.

I have a great fear of placing unlimited power in the hands of a few men either in congress or in the state legislature. Experience has demonstrated that it is vastly easier to corrupt a legislature than it is to corrupt the whole body of the people and it is also easier to corrupt the smaller of the two bodies of the legislature than it is to corrupt the larger body.

Corporations have always looked to the senates of the states to get what they wanted in the way of legislation or to prevent the enactment of legislation that the corporations did not want. This is not because the members of the senates are worse men individually than the members of the house, but because it was easier to control a small body than a large one.

The demand for the popular election of United

States senators has grown out of the notorious fact that corporations have so often controlled the election of senators. A few years ago in our own state of Kansas a man was elected to the senate as the result of a bargain he made with a railroad company to support one of its hirelings as a candidate for a place on the federal bench. The fact that the senator was a Republican and the lawyer to be appointed was a Democrat, cut no figure in the case. Political names cut no figure with the men in control of the railroad corporation. What they wanted was one of their men on the federal bench.

There were two prominent candidates for the senate. The other candidate had been given the same offer of railroad support, but did not make the required promise. He was defeated and the man who did make the promise was elected to the senate by the combined influence of the railroads, which supported him on the strength of his promise.

Fortunately, the railroad lawyer was not appointed. I say fortunately, although I am not certain that the man who was appointed was any less a tool of the railroads than the one who was not appointed. However, it may be said that the senator did his best to carry out his part of the agreement.

Four years later the other candidate, who had refused to give his promise of support of the railroad lawyer and tool, made his peace with the railroads and he was sent to the United States senate. I do not know what promises he made in order to secure their support, but I have never heard that they were not willing at any time to pronounce upon him the encomium, "Well done, good and faithful servant."

I mention these cases simply to show that it is not safe to place unlimited power in the hands of a limited legislative body. Legislators are not always bought with money. That form of bribery, I think, is the exception, but there are more dangerous and effective means of bribery than cash. The representatives of corporations wanting legislation or the defeat of legislation are experts on human nature. It is their business to find out how each individual man may be reached.

Often the legislator is reached by an appeal to his vanity. Often by promises of favors to be bestowed in the way of office or business. By one form of influence or another they can reach enough of the members of a small legislative body to secure what they want. Here is the only objection that I see to the Lindbergh proposition. It would place a tremendous power in the hands of a single legislative body, without so far as I can see any adequate check.

Of course, such a change would require an amendment to the constitution, to which the consent of the requisite number of states could not in all probability be obtained at present. When the people get ready for it some way to put a proper check on the legislative body may be devised. If there can be, then I, for one, am for it.

LINDBERGH AND THE ALDRICH PLAN.

The most able review and criticism of the Aldrich currency plan that I have seen is the speech made by the congressman, Lindbergh. I have not, however, seen where he has proposed another plan to take the place of the one he so ably criticises.

It is not of much avail to simply denounce a proposed change in the currency laws unless you have a better plan to offer in its place. For example, had as I believe the Aldrich plan to be it must be admitted that it would probably be an improvement on the system we have now, so that unless the opponents of it have something better to offer it is likely to be adopted.

There are certain things that it appears to me must be kept in mind in preparing a currency system. The money of the country must be stable in its relation to the value of things to be exchanged. Instances have been numerous where the people of this and other countries have suffered from a greatly depreciated currency. That meant that there was not a proper relation between the medium of exchange and the things to be exchanged.

If, for example, the government of the United States exercising its sovereign power should suddenly issue 30 billions of dollars of legal tender notes the effect would certainly be disastrous for the reason that all proper relation between the volume of the medium of exchange and the things to be exchanged would be destroyed. People might be forced by edict of law to accept this money in payment of debts owed them at the face of the debt, but the man for example who had corn or wheat to sell could not be compelled to accept this money in payment for his wheat or corn. The purchasing power of the currency would inevitably decline until in all probability it would have almost no purchasing power at all.

That such a condition would be most disastrous to the business of the country and especially to the people who work for it seems to me is not a question for argument. I think any sane man will admit that it would be. We are not suffering even now from a lack of volume of currency. The present volume is perhaps sufficient to supply the needs of the country fairly well if it kept active.

As civilization advances the demand for currency does not keep pace with the increase in the total volume of business. People come more and more to exchange credits rather than actual money. If the citizen wants to make even a small purchase of goods at a distance from his home he does not send the

actual currency in all probability. He will go to the postoffice and buy a money order or to the bank and buy a draft.

The reason for this is because it is safer to send the credit in the form of the money order or the bank draft than to send the currency. Perhaps a majority of men even pay their monthly bills at the grocery and dry goods stores by check rather than in currency for the reason that the check itself is a receipt for the payment of the bill in case any dispute arises as to whether the bill had been paid or not.

It is, therefore, not essential that we have a vast volume of currency, but the fact still remains that currency, it may be gold, silver or paper, is the basis of the system of credit exchanges that have so largely taken the place of money in the transaction of business. In my opinion it is not fair that this base should be in the hands of private parties or associations.

When the control of the currency of the country is left to private individuals or associations to be used for profit there is always the tendency on the one hand to over-inflate the volume of this currency at times when speculation is rife and there is an extraordinary demand for currency, and to hoard the currency and thereby violently contract it at times when the reaction comes from the speculative period.

I am not disposed to heap abuse on the persons and associations who either over-inflate or contract the volume of currency. They are acting according to the law of self-preservation and self-advantage. If there is a great demand for currency they are almost forced to increase the volume in order to meet the demand. If, on the other hand, there is a business reaction they are forced to hoard the currency in order to protect the institutions they control from bankruptcy.

This has driven me to the conclusion that the control of the volume of the currency is or ought to be a public, a governmental function. While I do not believe that intrinsic value is necessary in the material out of which the money is made, I would not unnecessarily disturb the commonly accepted theory that gold is the ultimate money of redemption. Let the theory stand for the present, but let the government be the sole purchaser of the gold that is to be used as the money of redemption until the business world is educated up to the belief, as I think it will be, that money is simply a medium of exchange and that its purchasing power does not depend on the intrinsic value of the material out of which it is made.

Now, instead of handing the control of the volume of currency over to an association of individuals whose business is to collect interest on it, I would make the government the sole power to issue money. It would not be to the interest of the government, representing the whole people, to speculate in money to make it excessively plenty at one time and excessively scarce at another, but it would be to the interest of the people to keep the supply of money as nearly related to the normal volume of business as possible.

It can be ascertained from year to year how much the farms, mines and factories of the country produce and how much or about how much currency is necessary to affect the exchange of those products. Whatever that may be is the normal volume of money. More than that is a redundancy, less than that causes stagnation of business and widespread disaster.

With the government in exclusive control of the currency of the country it will be possible not only to avoid such panics as convulsed this country in 1907, but it will also be possible to very materially reduce the burden of taxation to the people.

Under the Aldrich plan the choicest securities that will be deposited with the Central Reserve association will be good municipal bonds. They are now very properly regarded as among the choicest kinds of securities. Let the government permit choice municipal bonds to be deposited in the United States treasury, bearing 2 per cent interest and issue to the municipalities currency to the amount of the municipal bonds deposited.

This would relieve the municipalities of from one-half to two-thirds of their interest charges and at the same time bring into the treasury of the United States a revenue of approximately 40 million dollars per annum.

As fast as the bonds of the United States fall due they should be paid in full legal tender United States notes. I have no objection if the notes are made payable in gold, as the present greenbacks are in fact, although it is not so specified on the face of the greenback. This would in the course of a few years relieve the government of all interest on its bonds amounting to something over 20 million dollars per annum. The money paid out by the government in liquidation of its bonded debt would go into the channels of trade and thus benefit the business of the country.

We do not want an inflated currency, neither do we want to see the money of the country hid away in bank vaults when it is most needed. Neither do we want to see the bulk of it drained into Wall street and loaned to stock gamblers at times when the country needs it in the transaction of legitimate business.

**CONGRESSIONAL ECONOMY.** Some time ago there was a pretended effort made to cut out the mileage graft that members of congress have enjoyed for half a century. When the government of the United States was organized

members of congress received a compensation of \$6 per day and I believe even this was restricted to the days actually served.

At that time there were no railroads. The swiftest method of travel was by stage coach or horseback. As many of the members had to travel over roads that had only recently been cut through the woods the progress was slow and laborious. Probably 20 miles a day was better than the average rate of travel. If a congressman lived as far from Washington as Coolidge is from Topeka it would require at least two weeks of hard travel for him to get to Washington. Twenty cents a mile was probably not more than sufficient to pay his actual traveling expenses at that time.

At present, however, if a congressman resides 300 miles from Washington, he gets on a fast express train making at least 40 miles an hour and in seven hours and a half he is in the capital of the nation. His railroad fare has cost him \$6. His Pullman and one meal in diner have cost him \$3 more, a total expense of \$9. He draws from the public treasury \$60 mileage or a clear graft of \$51 for seven hours' time. Of course, the farther he travels the greater the graft.

Kansas congressmen draw between \$500 and \$600 mileage per session, while their actual traveling expenses coming and going will probably amount to \$60 or \$70. The California congressmen each pluck about \$1,500 per session, I think, while the delegate from the Sandwich islands pulls down in the neighborhood of \$2,500. The delegate from the Philippines will probably draw twice as much as the one from the Sandwich islands.

A few years ago congressmen voted themselves an increase of salary from \$5,000 to \$7,500 per year. It would have seemed that in view of the increase in salary they would have been willing to cut out the mileage graft, but it was not so, Pauline.

**THE DOG AND THE FLEAS.** A large fat dog acquired a bunch of hungry fleas. These insects plainly enjoyed the taste of dog and further it was evident that this dog was their proper meat.

For a good while the dog, who was one of the best natured of his tribe, stood for this feeding, but finally he became considerably peevish and entered an objection that was intended to be a word with the bark on it.

"Get off my carcass, you dod swizzled loafers," said the dog. "I am sore to the bone on account of having to feed you and all your kin."

"What seems to be hurting you?" asked the chief spokesman of the flea tribe, arrogantly, as he took another nip. "If you knew as much as you ought to know you would realize that we are a great blessing to you."

"How the jumping Jehosophat do you make that out?" howled the dog.

"It is this way, Tows," said the flea. "We are consumers, you see. Now, if there was nobody to consume your surplus flesh what would be the result? In a few months you would get so fat you would probably die from apoplexy."

"Again, without us your mind would grow sluggish and from lack of exercise you would become stiff and unfitted for the chase. We keep you occupied. We have formed a combination with the flies to see that you are kept alert and busy and in constant training. When you are not biting at one of us you are snapping at a fly, thus keeping both your mental and physical faculties stimulated to the highest pitch."

"What, I may ask, would be the object in your hunting for bones and other food calculated to make flesh if there was no one to devour the flesh after it was accumulated? If you were not an ungrateful cur you would see that we are your benefactors, the consumers of your products."

"Yes," said the dog as he bit viciously at the flea where it had been, but where it was not when he bit, "I understand that you are consuming what I produce all right, but I would like to know just where the ——— I come in."

**INCREASED NEWS-PAPER POSTAGE.** Editor Greason, of the Miami Republican, is evidently not an ardent supporter of President Taft. In a recent issue he says:

President Taft recommends that the postage rate on newspapers be doubled, in addition to the limitations and restrictions heretofore applied by his postmaster general. This is absolutely unfair, unjust and unwarranted, and if the newspaper publishers of the United States had the sense that geese ought to have and as much sand as the trust puts in its sugar, not one of them would support Taft until he acquired proper information on this subject. The cost of running a newspaper is constantly increasing, while the income is at a standstill or diminishing.

Why should President Taft and his postoffice department direct so much of their energies and efforts against the newspapers? Do subscribers want to pay more for newspapers? If not, write at once to your senators and congressmen and ask them to vote against this proposed increase in postage rates. If the newspapers and their friends will go after the members of congress and point out to them the unfairness of this proposition, it can be defeated, otherwise the postoffice department will force it through.

It used to be claimed that the deficit in the postal revenues was caused by the low rate of postage on newspapers, but it has been disproved by facts. Even as it is the newspapers pay as much as it costs to carry them in the United States mails and are bearing a part of the unnecessary expense of deadhead matter

that is sent out under congressional frank. If the government did not permit itself to be held up on mail contracts and made congressmen pay for their postage like ordinary citizens, the showing would be still better than it is.

**A KICK FROM A WOODMAN.** With the desire that both sides to the present controversy in the Woodman order may have a fair hearing, I publish the following letter just received:

Editor Mail and Breeze—In the Mail and Breeze of March 16, you endorse the action of the head camp in raising the rates. Now, a few words from a kicker and a camp clerk for 13 years. What do we want of a great big surplus? We have always claimed to do business at cost, yet in the past few years we have accumulated \$6,619,699.66 in the investment fund with from eight to 11 assessments and \$2,811,407.73 in cash. (See March paper.) The new rates and 12 assessments will bring in about three times as much as the present receipts.

The head clerk claims that there is no profit on lapses, yet in the mortality report, Volume III, statistics show viz:  
Lapse 1884 to 1910 inclusive.....616,001  
Deaths 1884 to 1910 inclusive..... 53,628  
Average lapse rate per 1000 members..... 82.91  
Average death rate per 1000 members..... 5.24  
Where in the law do we find authority for the head officers to employ actuaries at the expense of the society? How much do the head officers spend each year on their trips around the country? We have no way to get our side before the people. They have the general fund to foot their expenses from. They own the editor of the Modern Woodman of America and he dictates what shall go into the paper.  
J. W. CAMPBELL.  
Plevna, Kan.

### MR. CAPPER'S NEWSPAPERS STAND FOR THE PEOPLE

From the Topeka Capital, March 21

Almost alone among the daily newspapers of Kansas, the CAPITAL supports the doctrine of popular sovereignty. In it alone may the people of this state find faithful reports of the progress of the campaign of the progressives, in state and nation, for the nomination of Theodore Roosevelt. Alone among the newspapers of this state, the CAPITAL advocates the cause of progress as opposed to the cause of reaction. It stands resolutely for the establishment of the supremacy of the people over government, for government conducted by the people for their common welfare, as opposed to government by plutocracy for the benefit of Special Privilege and Private Interest.

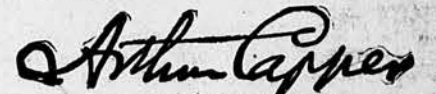
The CAPITAL holds enlightened views and advocates progressive doctrines in questions of economics as in affairs of politics. It believes heartily, not only that it is the right, but that it is the duty of labor to organize. It believes in the principle of collective bargaining, for only thus can labor secure for itself a fair share of the fruits of its toil.

In order to maintain the standard of American living, government asserts the right, through the protective tariff, to empower domestic manufacturers to charge more for their goods than they could charge under free trade conditions. When that act of national benevolence is perverted in practice by greed to private profit, and the intended beneficiaries of the protective policy are deprived of its benefits and compelled to labor for starvation wages, the CAPITAL asserts the right of government to establish a minimum wage. If the government has the right to impose tariffs to protect American labor it certainly has the right to provide that American labor shall receive the protection.

Economic questions are not abstract, remote, academic problems. They are woven into the very fabric of the campaign now in progress. They are vital factors in the lives of millions. As they are solved in the public interest or solved in private interest, the people are happy and content or they toil in wretchedness and die in misery. The new social consciousness teaches the supremacy of human rights over property rights and that consciousness has become an integral part of the conscience of this newspaper. The CAPITAL stands for whatever increases the sum of human happiness and necessarily, therefore, is progressive, supports progressive policies, that would destroy the power of plutocracy in government and supports Roosevelt, who is a champion of popular sovereignty.

There is no other newspaper in Topeka that asserts those principles, advocates those policies and supports that candidate. In it alone can the progressive people of Kansas find faithfully chronicled, day after day, the march of events toward the success of the progressive cause. Only in it will they find declared and defended the principles through the triumph of which government may be wrenched from the service of money to the service of the people and the rights of living, toiling men and women be established as far more sacred than the rights that attach to inanimate accumulations of dollars that are merely canned labor.

Proud of the support it has received and rejoicing in the confidence it has inspired, the CAPITAL pledges itself to the people among whom and for whom it is published and maintained never to cease this conflict until justice triumphs and government becomes the true expression of social righteousness.



## JAYHAWKER FARM DOIN'S

BY H. C. HATCH, GRIDLEY, KANSAS.

We like to get the experiences, views and opinions of "our folks" on any farm or livestock subject particularly if seasonable and likely to help some of us who may need the information. Your letters are always welcome. Subscriptions to Farmers Mail and Breeze or other good publications for best letters received. Address Editor Farmers Mail and Breeze, Topeka, Kan.

St. Patrick's day saw no potatoes planted in this corner of the world. One year ago that day most of the early garden was made in this neighborhood, oats were sown and grass was starting.

Did the snowy, wet cold weather kill the chinch bugs? It should, but we fear there is no such good fortune in store for us. Young bugs are easily killed by cool, wet weather but old bugs are tough, hardy critters.

A good roads meeting was held in Burlington the other day which we should like to have attended but the roads were in such condition that we could not think of making the 12-mile drive. The attitude of most everyone in this part of the state is about as follows on the road question: They would like to have good roads mighty well, but would hate like sixty to pay for them.

All this good roads agitation will in the end come to just this: We can have good roads when we dig down in our pockets and pay for them. We can meet, we can resolute and we can talk good roads until Debs is elected president but unless we raise money and build them we will never get them. Will it be done? That is for the people to say.

Hog prices have been on the up-grade this week, due partly to the roads being in such condition that hogs could not be marketed in most of the West. But we think the price would have been good whether or not the roads were. It seems to us that the hog prices must hold good all summer. Pork is the cheapest meat now on the market and that will help the demand for pork products.

Men who have sized up the situation say that cattle fit for beef are scarcer than they have been in many years and that a great part of the fresh meat supply will have to be cut out of hogs until grass beef comes at least. There is a limit to what the ordinary run of people will stand in beef prices and that limit is nearly reached.

In figuring up the price situation there is another thing to be considered. It is certain that the cellars of the packers are well filled with pork. In other lines a supply like this would tend to cut down prices but with the control the packers have over the market it works just the other way. When they get big supplies on hand they turn to and support the market. In order to cash in their winter pack they have got to hold up the price of hogs and this it seems certain they will do.

It seems almost certain that grass beef, especially the first that comes on the market, will bring a high price. But we have noticed that there is nothing so uncertain as the course of the livestock market. What looks like a sure thing many times turns out otherwise and even the packers, who should by rights know more of the market than anyone else, are often badly fooled. But we hardly see how the stockmen are going to be fooled out of a good price for their grass fat stuff. It has cost more than ever before to winter it and they are entitled to all they will get.

It seems to be pretty certain that the distillers are not buying Kafir corn to make into whisky. Not but that Kafir would make good whisky, but that it is too good for them. They buy the very worst stuff imaginable to distill using all the rotten corn they can get hold of. In Illinois they are always in the market for the rotten stuff that Kansas farmers throw under the wheels of the wagon, when husking, for fear of the stock getting hold of it. No corn is too rotten or too wormy and for this rotten corn, that we think hardly fit to burn, they pay 25 cents a bushel.

This winter has brought out more than the usual crop of spelling bees and the results are bound to be good. We are all mighty deficient in spelling and it would seem that the business colleges are especially backward in teaching it. They can turn out graduates by the hundred who can make pot hooks and hangers and who can make a typewriter rattle like a 16-year-old buggy, but they do fail to turn out stenographers who can spell. It is very allowable to miss some words but our schools should at least try to turn out graduates who can spell the common, every-day words.

In the usual run of spelling schools it is many times the common words that floor the spellers. They study the spelling book in preparation for the event and dig up the odd and obsolete words because they catch the eye and look hard. Thus it is that the whole school is prepared to spell "xebec," "hautboy" and words of that caliber but go down like a row of ninepins on "sugar-bowl." This is not an imaginary case, for we once saw a whole row of spellers go down on that very word.

We have a letter from a friend at Effingham, Kan., referring to that family of beggars who have been traveling the Kansas roads for the last year or more. They worked the whole territory around Effingham, going up one road and down another but never by any chance hitting the same place twice. They told the same story they did here, only substituting localities. Here they said they were trying to reach Topeka on foot where they had friends and that they had lost their horse down in Woodson county. At Effingham they said their horse had died near Hutchinson and that they were trying to reach White Cloud. The party consists of a man, woman and two children, a boy and a girl. They are without doubt professional as well as systematic beggars and if they appear in any locality where this is read they should be attended to by the proper authorities.

This brings up the question as to how far it is wise to go in feeding tramps and beggars. We do not believe one case in a hundred is a case of genuine poverty. Many of those who ask for food are merely tramping the roads because they like to. It is idle to say that they are not able to work; a man who is able to travel day after day is as able—and perhaps more so—to work as the average farmer. Why should we be compelled to provide for such people? They are a menace to their betters who dwell in isolated localities and instead of being fed should be promptly sent along or else turned over to the authorities. Many say they do not like to turn anyone away but it is coming to be a matter of self-defense among farmers. We do not want this scum at large in our country neighborhoods; we want the highways made safe for women and children. In order to have them safe we must make tramping unpleasant instead of profitable.

We are glad to think we have made no mistake in voting for Congressman Jackson. So far he has sent us no garden seeds and we have received no letter from him in which we are addressed as "esteemed friend" and which is subscribed as conveying the writer's "kindest regards." Mr. Jackson is doing well. But seriously, why do not congressmen vote to cut out the free seed graft and for the establishment of a real parcels post? We don't want the seeds and we do want a parcels post worthy of the name. Heretofore congress has insisted on giving us what we don't want and withholding what we do. Please, Mr. Congressman, put that seed money into improving the postal service and we will stand ready to forgive many things.

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# Catalpa As a Kansas Tree

What it Requires—Errors to be Avoided

Much has been said and written in recent years about the growing of catalpa trees for posts and fuel. Stories of immense profits have led many growers into disappointment, but chiefly because of lack of knowledge of the habits of the tree and its proper care. The first and most important thing is to be sure of getting the right variety. The species known as the hardy catalpa or catalpa speciosa, is the one to get for wood and pole production. The others are not worth the planting for this purpose. A rich and rather moist soil, containing not too much alkali is best adapted to catalpa growing.

To grow catalpas successfully requires a small amount of skill and careful attention to detail, more so perhaps than

caying stubs of larger limbs that have been broken off after the tree attains some size.

Under favorable conditions the first crop of posts may be cut 10 years after planting. By that time each tree should produce one first class post worth 12 to 14 cents, one of second grade worth 8 cents, and two or three stays worth 3 cents each. A considerable amount of firewood is also obtained from tops and small and crooked limbs. By the time of the first cutting the tree has developed a vigorous root system and future crops of posts are grown in from 6 to 8 years.

One of the largest and most profitable catalpa plantations in the country is to be found on the Yaggy farm near Hutchinson, Kan. Here is a catalpa



Scene on the Yaggy catalpa plantation of 500 acres near Hutchinson, from which a strip of 62½ acres is cut each year. The return per acre is estimated as nearly \$100 annually.

The growing of any other one tree. When 2 or 3 years old the young trees grown from seed are usually cut off close to the ground. This starts several sprouts from the stump and the best one of these, left to make the tree, will be as tall by the end of the season as the original stem would have been. Very often the undesirable sprouts are not cut out until the following winter and either one or two good stems may be left to grow from each stump. The competition for sunlight stimulates height, growth and encourages natural pruning, thus forming a straighter and taller stem with fewer branches. A disease to be watched is heart-rot which gets in through the de-

grove of 500 acres from which a strip of 62½ acres is cut each year. The trees are planted 4 feet apart in the row and rows are 6 feet apart. This makes 1,800 to 1,900 trees per acre and, on the basis that one tree will produce 30 cents' worth of posts, each acre would yield \$544.50 worth of posts every six years. This does not include firewood.

### Good Spring for Tree Planting.

Mr. Editor—There has been more timber cut for fuel in Kansas this winter than any previous winter since the state was settled. Every man who has land should set a few forest trees this spring, such as are adapted to the locality. This may seem to be a slow way of providing fuel but I am now reaping the benefits of my labor performed 30 years ago. I have single trees that will make two cords of good stove wood each. Another advisable thing to do this spring: Set out a few fruit trees, especially apples. Our old orchards are now on the decline and they should be renewed or new ones set out to take their places. I would advise the latter plan—planting on ground that has not been in fruit before. This will be a particularly fine spring to set out trees since the ground is full of moisture and they will thus get a good start.

William Baird.

Vesper, Kan.

### April 9 Tree-Planting Day

KANSAS NEEDS MORE TREES.

Arbor Day in Kansas will come on April 9 this year according to proclamation by Governor Stubbs. That is the day on which custom has decreed that schools should have appropriate exercises which include the planting of trees and shrubs not only by school children and students but by their elders as well. Kansas needs more trees and only a little effort is required to give coming generations an almost priceless heritage in the way of groves and forest plantings. Due to a hard winter the supply of timber trees has been greatly diminished to furnish fuel and this should call for extra planting this spring.

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you might pick the corn early and pasture the stalks and the cowpeas early in the fall before heavy frost. This would necessitate growing rather early maturing corn. I am mailing Bulletin No. 160 giving further information.

A. M. TenEyck.

**Field Infested With Corn Lice.**

I have a field infested with corn lice and every season they take some of the corn as it comes through the ground. What should be done to avoid the damage?—I. W. F., Formoso, Kan.

Early spring disking or plowing will disturb the lice in their winter quarters in the roots of the old stalks and thus destroy many of them. A better plan is to quit growing corn on this land. Give it a rotation with other crops for a year or two. This will clear the land of corn root lice, and other insects injurious to corn and will also put the soil in better tilth and fertility.

You may plant oats or other spring grains on this corn land, preparing the seedbed by disking, or better, plow deep this spring and plant cowpeas about May 25, harvesting the crop for forage and plowing the second growth under early in the fall for green manure. Or you may sow oats this spring and plant cowpeas immediately after oats harvest and plow the crop down for green manure before heavy frost, pasturing some before plowing if this is desirable.

I am referring your letter to Dr. T. J. Headlee, station entomologist, for further answer regarding methods of destroying corn root lice. I am satisfied, however, that the method I have proposed "rotation of crops," is the simplest and most economical method of ridding the land of this pest.

A. M. TenEyck.

**Cowpeas in the Shortgrass.**

I am going to try cowpeas this summer. I have ordered New Era. Which variety do you consider the best? Would sowing them after harvest on oats stubble be too late to make a hay crop if weather conditions were good? At what stage is it best to cut for hay, and when for seed?—U. S., R. 2, Alton, Kan.

You will find all your questions fairly answered in Bulletin No. 160, a copy of which has been mailed to you. Cowpeas planted after oats harvest may make a crop of forage in a very favorable season. Usually, however, I would not expect much growth from such planting in Osborne county. The method is more applicable to eastern counties of the state, which have a larger late summer rainfall. To insure a good crop of cowpeas in Osborne county, better prepare a good seedbed by early plowing and give sufficient cultivation to clear the land of weeds and conserve the soil mois-

ture, planting the cowpeas the last week in May or first week in June. One good crop each year, by dry-farming from Osborne county land, or from the best soil in counties west of Osborne, is enough, and this is better than you or any other western farmer will secure, on the average.

New Era cowpeas is one of the earliest-maturing varieties, is well adapted for late planting, and under favorable growing conditions will mature for hay in about 90 days. Sow 3 to 4 pecks of cowpeas per acre broadcast or in close drills. A bushel will plant 4 or 5 acres if planted in rows 3 to 3½ feet apart, and the method of planting in rows and cultivating will yield more seed and as much or even more fodder than close planting without cultivation (see Bulletin No. 160). Cut for hay when first pods are beginning to turn yellow. The crop should not be harvested for seed until most of the pods are brown and ripe. One and a half to 2 tons per acre is a good yield of cowpea hay.

A. M. TenEyck.

**Fertilizers for Corn Land.**

The soil here on the Arkansas is a soft sandy loam of fine quality for corn but has been cropped for 25 years with corn and wheat. We are beginning to rotate with alfalfa but that is too slow for the soil improvement we need. The owner living in the eastern part of the state wishes me to try commercial fertilizer.—W. O. S., Alden, Kan.

It is doubtful if you can use commercial fertilizer economically, on this land. The land is not really greatly exhausted in fertility. It is doubtless well supplied with the mineral elements of plant food. It has been cropped continuously with corn and wheat without manuring and with no rotation with grasses and legume crops, until the humus or organic matter in the soil has become deficient and that means also a deficiency in soil nitrogen.

Probably the only commercial fertilizer which would give much benefit to a corn crop in this soil is a nitrogenous fertilizer such as nitrate of soda, and nitrogen and numus may be applied in a much more economical form by manuring and by plowing crops under for green manure, or by a rotation with leguminous crops and grasses.

As you have stated, you may use alfalfa to restore the fertility, but it takes a long time to extend the rotation with alfalfa over all the fields on the farm. Hence, it is necessary to use shorter rotations, including animal legumes and green manuring crops. Among the best of these for your part of the state are cowpeas, sand vetch and Sweet clover.

Cowpeas is a warm weather crop and must be planted late in May or early in June and cut for forage, or seed, or pastured or plowed under for green manure.

Sand vetch may be seeded early in the fall, when it will make early spring pasture and may be plowed down for green manure about June 1.

Sweet clover may be seeded either in the fall or spring. It grows rankly and is a deep rooting plant and an excellent soil fertilizer.

I am mailing bulletin on cowpeas and circular on sand vetch and Sweet clover. I am also mailing bulletin and circular on commercial fertilizers and soil management.

A. M. TenEyck.

**Moldboard or Disc Plows?**

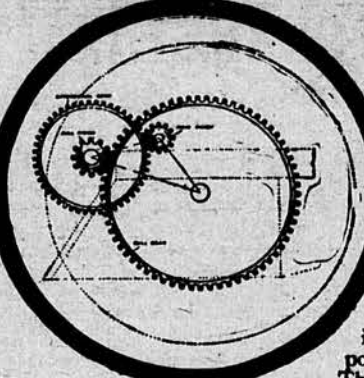
Which is better to use, moldboard plows or disc plows? With the disc plow is there danger of getting the ground too loose by plowing every year? My ground is a chocolate loam.—D. M. N., Minneola, Kan.

The disc plow has some advantages over the moldboard plow in very hard, dry soil, also in hard gumbo soil. In such land the moldboard plow will not work, or it will do poor work.

For average soil and land in good plowing condition, I prefer the moldboard plow, because it does a better quality of work than the disc plow. The disc plow does not "shear" or pulverize the soil so well as a moldboard plow. It leaves the ground more loose and cloddy as you have suggested, with a tendency to dry out and blow away in a dry year, but it does not break the soil into a finely pulverized mass, as a good moldboard plow will when the soil is in good plowing condition.

I should judge that your chocolate loam soil is not a hard soil to plow, and I believe you will find a good moldboard plow the better implement for general use. I am mailing other information in regard to disc plows.

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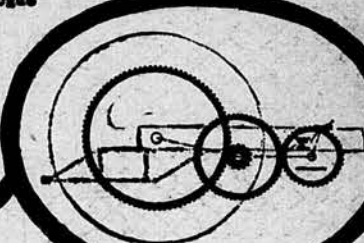
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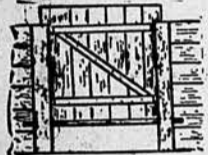
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#### Just a Little Thing, But—

Mr. Editor—I have been using a block and tackle wire stretcher for some time. I have changed the wire grip end and the chain end for end and now pull with the wire. This makes it much easier to pull and is not so hard on the corner post. Try it.  
Hugo Kral.  
Vliets, Kan.

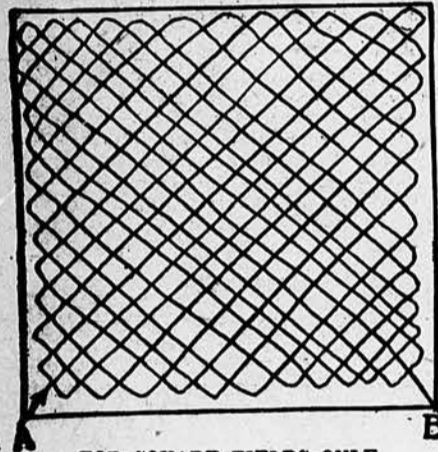
#### Slide Door for the Hog House.

Mr. Editor—This sketch shows a hog house door of my invention. It is very useful in keeping sows in a pen when the little ones are allowed to run out. The pole below is placed through holes in the door posts and the door rests on top of it. The door works up and down in a slide.  
Rosebud, N. M. H. N. Kerr.



#### A Double Harrowing Scheme.

Mr. Editor—This is a diagram of my scheme of harrowing by means of which we go over the ground twice with one operation. The start is made at A,



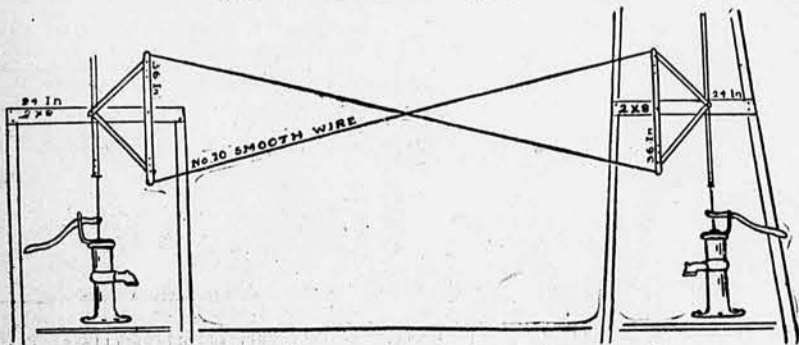
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and B is the finish. If your field is not square it will be well to lay it off in squares in order to work out this plan right. One advantage in this method lies in the fact that it saves turning squarely around as must be done with the usual method.  
T. B. Shinn.  
Conway Springs, Kan.

#### Working Two Pumps With One Mill.

[Awarded Second Prize.]

Mr. Editor—Here is a device by which two pumps may be operated with one windmill where the wells are shallow. I have seen this scheme worked where the wells were 75 feet apart and I believe it would work at even greater distance. The two upright beams work on a pivot on the framework of the mill and the crosspiece of a frame set firmly in the ground over the mill. The distance between the pivot of the upright beam and the connection on the pump rod is 24 inches in both cases. Good strap-iron may be used for the two pieces connecting to the pump rod. The stroke may be adjusted by changing the wires



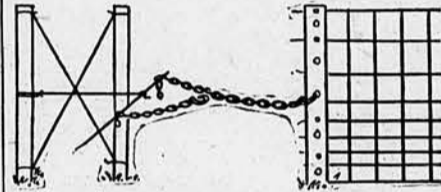
WORKING TWO PUMPS WITH ONE WINDMILL.

in the holes at the ends of upright beams. When running just the one pump, at a distance, the wires should be straight instead of crossed. Have the wires reasonably tight.  
Greensburg, Kan. W. H. Noel.

#### Good Stretcher for Woven Wire.

[Prize Suggestion.]

Mr. Editor—Take two stay chains from the wagon and a log chain, fasten a chain or wire about 2 feet from a 2



USE A LONG POLE FOR LEVER.

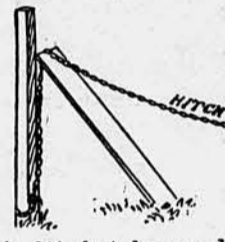
by 4 or other pole and connect back to the corner post and you have a good stretcher for woven wire fence. Sling a stay chain about the lever on either side of the connecting wire, or chain and hook the other ends into the log chain as the fence is drawn up with the lever. To get a firm hold on the wire take two pieces of 2 by 4 and bolt them over the end of the wire as shown.  
Elmer J. Million.  
Pond Creek, Okla.

#### Pond Creek, Okla.

#### For Pulling Posts With a Team.

[Prize Suggestion.]

Mr. Editor—This drawing shows a good scheme for pulling up posts with a team. Take a log chain 10 feet long and hook a team to it or fasten to the rear axle of a wagon. Sling the other end around the post at the bottom, pass the chain over the short plank which is 3½ feet long and drive on. The piece of plank should be set at an angle of about 45 degrees.  
Ripley, Okla. Frank Shoup.

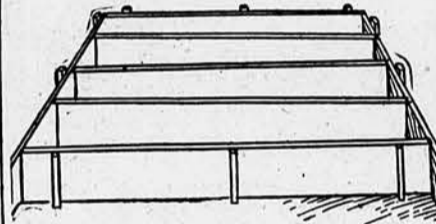


#### Fence Posts Made of Cement.

[Awarded First Prize.]

Mr. Editor—I make my cement posts 5 by 5 inches at the bottom and 3 by 5 inches at the top. I cut the dividing boards for forms from 1 by 5-inch stuff, cutting them 1¼ inches longer than the posts are to be to allow for width of blocks that are placed between them at ends. These blocks are cut in two sizes, 1 by 5 by 5 inches, and 1 by 5 by 3 inches. I select a smooth piece of hard ground preferably under shelter so the work can be done on rainy days and set up two parallel planks so the dividing boards will fit between them lengthwise. Stake the planks securely on the outside. Wet the ground and place newspapers over it; then place the first dividing board just inside the ends of planks and 1 inch from square. Put one 5 by 5 block at one end and a 3 by 5 block at the other, then another board and two more blocks, reversing the sizes.

I place enough boards for from 5 to 10 posts, depending on the amount of help I have. Stake both end boards well on the outside. Wet the boards and have everything ready before beginning to mix the concrete as the cement will be proportionately weakened if work is allowed to lag after the cement sack has been opened. I use coarse wash sand and gravel, 1 to 4½ in proportion. One sack of cement should make five posts. Use a slush mix as it is more easily worked and makes stronger posts. I mix my concrete in a box 1 by 3½ by 8 feet, set on three trestles 17 inches high. One man should use the garden rake vigorously to thoroughly mix the concrete as it is being shoveled in. Cut a block 1 by 4 by 5 inches for a gauge and drive a nail part way into each edge 1 inch from one of the ends. Then fill in all the forms with 1 inch of concrete and true off the surface with the gauge. Place two reinforcing wires, one on each side, 1 inch from the edge, then fill with concrete to within 1 inch of the top and true off again. Place two more wires as before and fill up, smoothing the top with trowel or shovel. I use a crimped wire made especially for post reinforcing. For staples I bend 16-penny nails an inch from the point and push them into the concrete—head first—tamping the concrete about it with a small stick. Cover the posts with straw or coarse manure and water daily for two weeks when they may be piled. The posts should not be set until a month old. With cement costing \$2 per barrel and counting in labor and all, posts will



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cost 18 to 20 cents each. Where a large number of posts are to be made it would be better to use 12 steel templets instead of dividing boards. The templets should bevel from a thickness of ¾-inch at one edge to ¼ at the other, and have raised eyelets so that they may be carefully removed an hour or so after moulds are filled. Then clean templets thoroughly at once.  
Coats, Kan. C. L. Edwards.

#### So the Ladder Won't Slip.

Mr. Editor—A safety device for ladders is a strip of iron bolted to the bottom of each leg. Make these irons sharp so they will not slip on hard floors or when ground is slippery or frozen.  
Emmett Mechem.  
R. 2, Ottawa, Kan.

#### A New Cultivator Shovel.

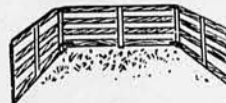
[Prize Device.]

Mr. Editor—Here is a cultivator shovel that I have tried and that has proven very satisfactory. It is about 8 inches long, 3½ wide at the widest part, and 1¼ inches wide at the top. It has several advantages over the common shovel, especially in loose ground top planting and also in trashy ground as the part exposed above the surface is narrow and will not clog easily. At the same time it has a wide cutting edge, leaving no weeds between the shovels. Such a shovel also scours better. Perhaps the greatest advantage is the fact that this shovel will not leave a deep furrow and yet does its work well. They can be made by having the blacksmith cut them out of an old pair.  
Esckridge, Kan. F. L. Zink.

#### Handy Panels for Penning Stock.

[Awarded Third Prize.]

Mr. Editor—Here is a sketch of a hinge panel that I have found to be about the handiest thing on the place when used to handle calves, hogs or other stock. It is especially handy to catch and pen a sow without worry, as two men can entirely enclose an animal with it. Have a man at the end of each wing of the panel, walk up to a hog and enclose him while asleep or eating. Panel,



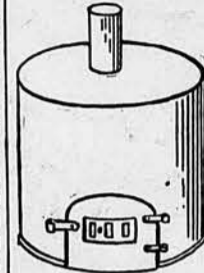
hog and all may then be slipped along to the pen. The panels make a good pen to enclose a sick animal, or a sow and litter that has been farrowed in the open. There are many other uses for it. The panels should be made of light, strong lumber. Mine may be folded up and carried under the arm.  
D. H. Gripton.

Smith Center, Kan.

#### Better Than Grubbing Stumps.

[Prize Suggestion.]

Mr. Editor—A good way to burn out a stump is to make a furnace of strips of galvanized iron or tin and set a piece of stovepipe in the top for a flue. Cut a hole in one side and set the furnace over the stump with the hole toward the wind. Pour coal oil over the stump and start the fire at the door. When the draft is good a large stump will burn out in a remarkably short time. Leave the hole open while burning.  
S. M. Suddarth.

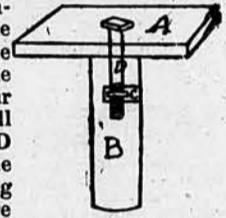


Columbia, Ky.

#### Milk Stool That Stays Together.

[Prize Device.]

Mr. Editor—Ninety-nine out of every 100 milkers use a one-legged milk stool and every one of them has trouble with the seat board coming loose. Make your stools like the one shown in the sketch and your stool troubles will forever disappear. D is a ¾-inch machine bolt, 4-inches long and has a square head. Bore a 7-16 inch hole through A and into B, 4 inches deep. Three inches from the top of the leg bore a 1-inch hole into the leg at right angles until past the middle. Place a tap on C into this hole and screw down your bolt.  
C. E. Peattie.

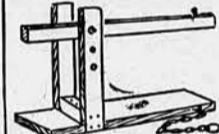


Jewell, Kan.

#### Pretty Good Wagon Jack.

[Prize Suggestion.]

Mr. Editor—Here is a good homemade wagon jack: It takes a piece of 2 by 3 feet long, 2 pieces of 2 by 4 about 2½ feet long and most anything for a lever, to make it. Mortise the 2 by 4 into the 2 by 3 and nail a block between them at the bottom. At the other end of the base fasten a short piece of chain to hook over the end of the lever.  
Harper, Kan. N. F. Hall.



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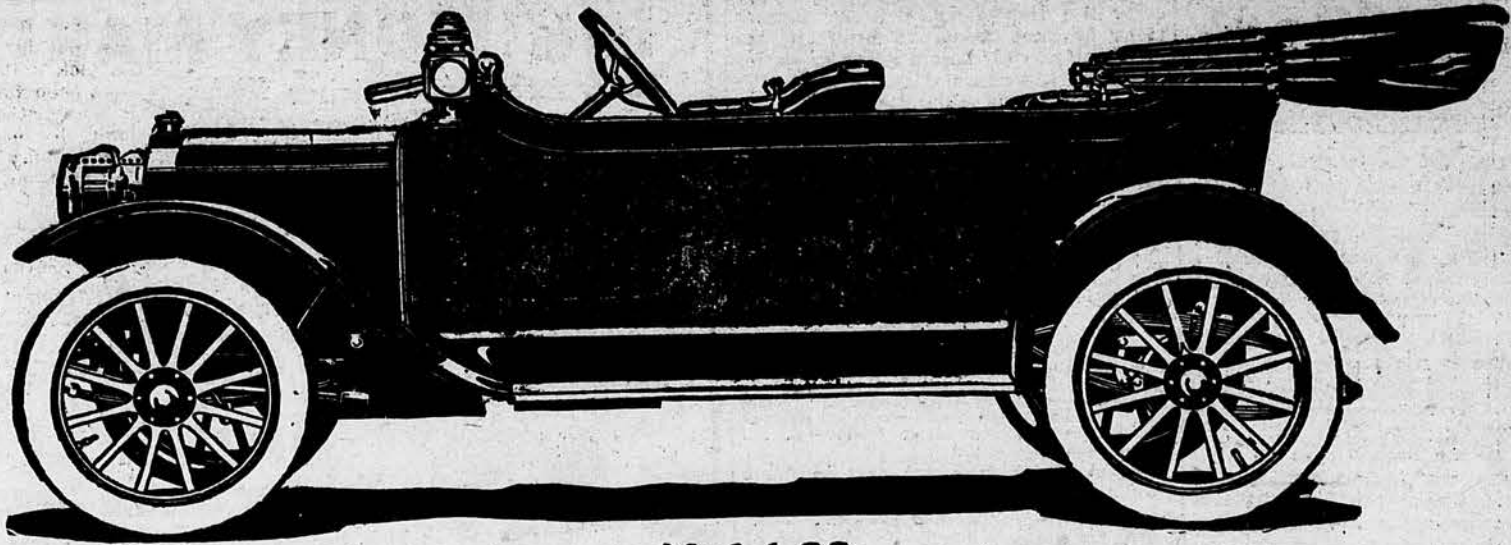
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All Matter Contributed to this Column by Prof. Wheeler, Expert in Animal Husbandry, Extension Service, of Kansas Agricultural College, Bears His Signature.

**Don't Build a Square Silo.**

I have a silo 20 feet deep in the ground and 12 feet in diameter. I am figuring on cementing the walls and making it 14 feet square and 8 feet higher above ground. How thick should this wall be and would there be any danger of damp in such a silo?—H. J. Y., Bellaire, Kan.

The square silo is not satisfactory and has long since been discarded. If the pit in the ground is circular I should certainly continue it above ground in the same form. In my reply to P. E. E. and C. J. W. I have a full discussion of the underground type of silo. Cement walls built above ground must be well reinforced with wire or stone to withstand the pressure of the silage. If properly constructed the wall need not be more than 6 inches thick.

G. C. Wheeler.

**Merits of Brown Swiss Cattle.**

I should like to ask what is known about the Brown Swiss cattle as milk and beef producers. Are they good rustlers?—W. W., Oswego, Kan.

Switzerland is the native home of this breed of cattle. They are somewhat variable in size, weighing from about 1,300 to 1,400 pounds at maturity. The male sometimes reaches 2,000 pounds. The Swiss dairy cow has records showing large producing capacity for this breed. In the Pan-American test in 1901 the five Brown Swiss cows entered stood third in total milk solids produced, eighth in net profit on fat, and fourth in total number of pounds of milk produced. In per cent of fat the milk does not rank high, the average test of several thousand head showing 3.3 per cent of butter fat. Briens No. 168 is one of the noted cows of this breed. She has a record in a public test under the direction of the Illinois state board of agriculture of 81.7 pounds a day for three consecutive days, with a total fat production of 9.35 pounds.

These Brown Swiss cattle fatten rapidly and the steers reach good size. It is not likely, however, the breed can compete with our distinctly beef breeds of cattle in this country. However, these cattle do well in Switzerland and Germany as beef cattle. Their native home is in the mountains and they are a distinctively hardy breed. In some of the more elevated parts of our country, where a rugged breed is required, they might possibly give better results than some of our distinctly dairy breeds, but it is not likely they can ever compete successfully with our best dairy breeds in the more fertile sections of the United States.

G. C. Wheeler.

**The Objections to Pit Silos.**

Could you tell me if silage will keep in an underground silo that is built like a cistern? It is 10 feet above ground, 20 feet below the surface and has a diameter of 16 feet.—P. E. E., Courtland, Kan.

Could a silo be dug into the ground the same as a well, and plastered up? Would this not do as well as any other kind?—G. J. W., Thackerville, Okla.

Silage will keep in an underground silo as well as in one built above ground, provided the walls are made smooth and air and water tight. The earliest silos of which we have any record were built in this way and the walls were not even cemented on the inside. In localities where the ground to be dug out is rocky or very hard, a great deal of labor is involved in excavating a pit of this size. Another serious objection to the underground silo is that it involves a great deal of labor to get out the silage for feeding. Silos of this character have been built in the western part of the state in sections where the soil was easily dug and where the farmers concerned had no spare capital to invest in a silo built above ground. They simply sold their own labor, for which there was no demand at that time, to themselves, and as a result had silos at very little cash outlay.

It must never be forgotten in using a silo of this type, however, that there is considerable danger from the formation of poisonous gases which collect above

the silage. Fatal accidents may easily occur in a deep pit silo if proper precautions are not taken to ascertain the purity of the air before going down for silage. In western Kansas, with the prevailing winds, this danger probably would be reduced to a minimum, since the suction of the wind passing the open mouth of the pit would tend to create a draft and so keep the air pure. There is certain to be some danger, however, and this fact should never be overlooked. The pit silo should be looked upon rather as a last resort than as an accepted form of silo.

G. C. Wheeler.

**Grinding Corn for Horses.**

Would it pay to shell and grind corn for horses at a cost of 5 cents per bushel? Would a mixture of 1 part oats to 5 parts corn chop be a good ration for work horses? Does it pay to buy stock foods?—R. B., Ramona, Kan.

Ordinarily it does not pay to grind corn for horses. Exceptions might be made to this for horses that are being worked extremely hard. In the case of ordinary farm work horses can grind the feed more cheaply themselves than it can be ground for them. I should prefer to add 1 part of bran by weight to the mixture you suggest, making it 5 parts corn, 1 of oats and 1 of bran. In case oats are omitted, the proportion of bran should be about 1 part to 3 or 4 of corn. Where there has been much damage to corn by reason of worms, the corn should be thoroughly cleaned before feeding it to the horses, since the disease, blind staggers, which is almost invariably fatal, is caused by feeding wormy corn. Placing the corn in a tub and filling the tub with water will make it possible to pour off from the top the bulk of the mouldy kernels and other poison materials.

Livestock being fed well balanced rations and handled in the proper manner does not need condimental stock foods and no profit could be realized in feeding these high priced foods. When an animal is really out of condition it should receive some specific treatment instead of giving it a cure-all. These stock foods have been given careful experimental tests at several of our experimental stations and the results have almost invariably shown that they have not been of special advantage to the animal. The basis of the better class of stock foods on the market is a combination of linseed, meal and wheat middlings. Some of the cheapest ones contain screenings, low grade mill offal and other material of low value. To this material is added small percents of such ingredients as common salt, copperas, charcoal fenugreek, gentian, pepper, epsom salts, etc., and sometimes tumeric, ironoxide, etc., for coloring matter. In case the animal is so rundown in condition, or the feed is so poor in quality that the appetite requires a stimulant, any good veterinarian can furnish a formula for condition powders and this may be purchased for much less than they cost in the condimental stock foods.

G. C. Wheeler.

**Why Silos Should Be Round.**

Would silage keep in a silo built square, say 30 feet wide, 50 feet long, and 20 feet high, putting sheeps on the outside and sheeps on inside to make it airtight? I have never seen the inside of a silo.—S. O., Bady, Okla.

The round silo in which the height is at least twice the diameter, is the desirable form of silo to construct. The square silos are apt to bulge on the sides due to the pressure of the silage, and the corners do not settle properly which results in poor silage. A silo 30 feet wide and 50 feet long would have 1,500 feet of surface area. This area is so great that it would be necessary to feed daily some 300 head of cattle in order to remove a layer of silage from the whole surface daily. It is necessary to have great depth to the silage as a matter of greater economy of storage and because it supplies a daily ration for a reasonably large number of cattle for a much longer period than the shallow silo. The enclosed circular entitled "Silage and Silo Construction" will give you briefly the most important facts in regard to the silo.

G. C. Wheeler.

**Helpful, As It Should Be.**

Mr. Editor—I think Farmers Mail and Breeze is a splendid farm journal. I enjoy reading the helpful hints it contains and they surely are a great help to the farmer and stockman.

Grover C. Maxton.  
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After starting to shed their hair in spring cows are very sensitive to sudden cold snaps. That is when stabling pays at night.

The average cow ought to have four to six weeks' rest each year. A good time to dry them off is just as they begin to make an udder.

Nothing is so salable in the stock line just now as a good dairy cow. The raising of purebred milk cows as an industry should receive more attention.

One reason why it is well to let the new calf run with the mother a day or two is because it is better able to take the swelling from the udder than the hand milker is.

## Best Feeds for Pushing Calves.

Mr. Editor—Last spring I tried two or three different ways of feeding calves and found the following made the best growth: Each calf had 2 quarts of oats per day in two feeds with 1/4 pound of cottonseed cake in two feeds also. In addition they had as much nice, bright prairie hay as they would eat. These were bucket calves and weighed 600 pounds at 5 months old.

Longford, Kan. John M. Guy.

## Insuring Plenty of Cow Feed.

Canadian field peas and oats sown together make a good feed for cows when the grass is short. This crop may be fed as hay or silage or used for pasture. The ground is prepared as for sowing oats. Plow the ground as early in the spring as it can be worked, and harrow shortly after plowing to pulverize soil and prevent evaporation of the soil moisture. The peas and oats are sown together in the same drill, the peas at the rate of 1 bushel to the acre and oats 1 1/2 bushels to the acre. Plant as soon as possible after preparing the seedbed.

## Why Fall Freshening Pays.

Mr. Editor—I am farming extensively, and do most of my own work. Under these conditions I think the best time of year to have cows freshen is in October or November. I put out a good deal of wheat and the cows are dry at the time I am busiest. By having the cows come fresh in the fall I can give them better care, flies are gone, and the calves get a good start before cold weather. One can keep the cream sweet more easily in fall and winter than during warm weather, and last but not least, cream is higher during the winter months.

Offerle, Kan. M. H. Miller.

## History of a Mail and Breeze Calf.

[Prize Letter.]

Mr. Editor—Some time ago we invested in a fine Jersey cow 4 years old that had a heifer calf by her side. I took the calf away at once and fed it the mother's milk, fresh. Then I read every issue of Farmers Mail and Breeze I had on hand in search of information on calf raising and determined to raise the calf accordingly. One of your correspondents said it was a waste of butter

fat to feed the whole milk, which suited me as I wanted the cream myself. I then fed skim milk with a little oilmeal added, increasing the amount of meal gradually. The next Mail and Breeze said it would be better to feed the oilmeal dry because this would necessitate a flow of saliva in chewing, therefore causing the meal to digest better. That sounded reasonable so the calf got the meal dry and it ate it readily. We keep alfalfa hay before it all the time and are now feeding a handful of bran with 2 handfuls of oilmeal three times a day. This mixture is slightly salted. The stall is kept clean, dry and well bedded. You ought to see that calf grow. It is getting bigger every day and is a credit to the Mail and Breeze dairy department.

Perry, Okla. F. A. Richardson.

## When it Pays Better to Sell Cream.

[Prize Letter.]

Mr. Editor—We dispose of our dairy products in two ways—selling cream and selling butter. At present we are selling cream because we found by a test that there was more money in it. We divided a batch of cream in two equal parts, made butter of one part and sold the other at regular prices for cream. What we found out was that when cream was worth more than 4 cents per pound of butter fat, over the price per pound of butter, it paid best to sell the cream; but when butter fat was below the 4-cent margin the most money was in butter. Butter fat is now 8 cents above butter and in some places the difference is greater than that, so the old man says sell the cream. We consider that the amount of buttermilk offsets the work of churning.

R. 2, Vesper, Kan. J. W. Wilson.

## Going to Build a Cement Silo?

Interest in concrete silos all over Kansas was never so great as this spring. A great many farmers are planning to build and quite a number are looking to the Agricultural college for help in putting up either a solid wall silo or one of the cement, metal-lath type. The college will have men in the field again for this work but it is doubtful whether all who will apply can be accommodated. Western counties will be favored by the college so far as possible since the eastern counties have received the bulk of college help heretofore. Circuits for these silo builders are being arranged now and anyone wanting their help will do well to write to the college extension department at Manhattan at once, giving the size and type of silo he wants to build. Cement silos should be put up before hot weather to avoid danger of checking.

## With Good Cows and a Separator.

Mr. Editor—In August, 1909, after much persuasion, I consented to my husband buying a separator. At that time we had three cows in milk and two more coming fresh in a few months, and were hardly making enough butter for the family. The first seven days after we used the separator we made 6 pounds of butter and sold \$1.80 worth of cream besides. Then I was convinced. The next month I made 24 pounds of butter and sold \$12.90 worth of cream, this amount of butter alone being almost as much as we used to get in two months by the old way of skimming.

During this winter we have milked four cows and our cream and butter money has averaged \$23 per month, besides what was used for the table. We kept the cows well housed and they had plenty of alfalfa and cowpea hay. Their grain feed was a gallon of shorts and corn chop and a pint of cottonseed meal per cow twice a day.

Hartford, Kan. Mrs. C. B. Corbin.

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## What Farmers Are Thinking

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### A "Show Down" for Parcels Post.

Mr. Editor—You do not hear much from the farming community because of their inability to organize for mutual benefit and protection. The large business concerns of the country by organization, strategy and bribery can and do defeat bills of the utmost importance to the welfare of the farmer. I have in mind the domestic parcels post which farmers generally consider of more importance than even rural delivery or the postal savings bank. This measure has been defeated so often in congress that farmers are more than disgusted. The feeling has become so intense that we are on the verge of a political revolution which will sweep every senator and congressman from his job who fails to do his whole duty. Just why the retail merchant should continue to play in the hands of the express companies is a mystery. The farmer does practically all of his mail order business by freight. The retail merchant uses the express companies frequently but sells the goods with express charges added, and the consumer, in most cases a farmer, pays the bill. If the retail merchant is to be retained in the scheme of distribution he must cease his opposition to parcels post. I earnestly urge every farmer and merchant who reads this to join me in writing a letter to our two senators and our district congressman at once. This is our only effective way to offset the mischievous work of the professional lobbyist and corruptionist. Yours for immediate action.

A. J. Rice.  
Hill City, Kan.

### The Farmer Needs Representation.

Mr. Editor—I consider the greatest need of farmers to be organization and representation in legislatures and congress. Our representatives belong to and work for the "interests" and devote their time largely to passing laws of benefit only to their class. But laws for the benefit of farmers have hard sledding, as for instance a parcels post. The people of Rome lost their liberties 50 years before they knew it. The people of this country do not yet realize that the money power is in complete control of this country. It is said that one, J. P. Morgan, absolutely controls the credit of the United States by reason of a little "joker" slipped through congress a few years ago, requiring the gold to be deposited in his banks instead of the United States treasury.

J. B. Thompson.  
Plattsburg, Mo.

### Do Business the Modern Way.

Mr. Editor—Farmers in every community need a more intimate relation or co-operation with each other in selling their products. They should agree upon a fixed price and then live up to it faithfully. It is really a foolish piece of business for a man or set of men to take all risk or chance in producing something and after accidentally tiding it through take it to the prospective buyer and have him set a price on it. The farmer holds up the commercial world and if he ever expects to make a living, not a mere existence, he must certainly change his mode of handling his products. He must organize and then the drift to the city will cease and a reaction set in.

J. H. Holbert.  
R. 1, Nowata, Okla.

### How Taxes Might Be Lessened.

Mr. Editor—James J. Hill has said, "Land without people is a wilderness and people without land are a mob." For the "wilderness" part of it we have only to refer back to 1492 when Columbus discovered America and the "mob" is in evidence March 1 of every year when we see over half our farmers changing places as renters. Our system of taxation is responsible for this condition for rent and interest are only other names for taxes.

The principles of taxation should be taught in our schools instead of so much

Latin, algebra and football. The taxpayers are now spending \$145 per student per year at the state university while on each of our children we spend \$14 per year in the rural schools.

As a result of the tariff tax this government has created corporations bigger than the government itself and as capital cannot be taxed the burden must finally be borne by the producer. I would exempt all mortgages, also all bankers, merchants and railroads from taxation, for this would make interest rates lower, merchandise cheaper and transportation rates would eventually come down. The expense of assessing these forms of capital would then also be done away with.

We only need one house of our present national government—the house of representatives—and with about one third of its present membership. The same is true of our state government and with both the national and state senates abolished we could use the money thus saved in building better roads.

J. Wesley Taylor.

Maple Hill, Kan.

### "Accumulators" Get the Lion's Share.

Mr. Editor—The farmer receives about 40 per cent of what he makes and the "business" of the country gets the 60 per cent. The farmer makes \$100 and business accumulates \$60 of it. There is a difference between accumulating money and making it. The middleman does not make a dollar but accumulates what some other man made. This applies to all professional men, doctors, preachers, lawyers, teachers, jobbers and a dozen other classes. Just now it seems as though the man who is doing the accumulating is getting the best of it. There is one law that farmers want to a man, and that is the establishment of a parcels post.

J. E. Wingard.

R. 1, Independence, Kan.

### Why Not Help Out Real Business?

Mr. Editor—For centuries farmers have been compelled to ask buyers what they would pay for their produce while on the other hand the farmer is forced to pay what the other fellow asks for all he needs. Why do not our lawmakers try to do something for the business that is the backbone of the nation? I know there are people who say you cannot put money into the farmers' pockets or help their condition by legislation, but it is a poor rule that won't work both ways and this central bank scheme now being agitated is one of the finest ever devised to legislate money out of the producers' pockets.

H. D. Compton.

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**Brooder Lamp Explosions.**

The lamp in my brooder blew up recently after I had filled it with oil in the morning, trimmed the wick and turned the flame to the proper height. Can you tell me what caused it and what can be done to prevent such accidents?—H. A. R., Cashlon, Okla.

In most cases the blowing up of the brooder lamp is due to the chamber in which it is placed being closed up too tight. The oxygen is soon consumed. This causes improper combustion in the flame which forms a lot of soot that settles all over the lamp, this soot finally catches fire and an explosion usually follows. This is our best guess on the information you have given us.

**Himalaya Berries.**

Can you give us any information about the Himalaya berry?—M. S. W., Madison, Kan.

This berry is very much like the blackberry or dewberry. It is a stronger grower, single branches often making from 15 to 20 feet of growth in a single season and growing right up to cold weather. It winter-kills badly and during a severe winter like this one the unprotected canes usually kill back to the ground. The berries are decidedly tart unless dead ripe and are not considered as palatable as the better varieties of blackberries. Experiments with this fruit in Nebraska, Iowa and New York have proven disappointing. We have not heard of its being tried in Kansas.

**Inspection of Stallions.**

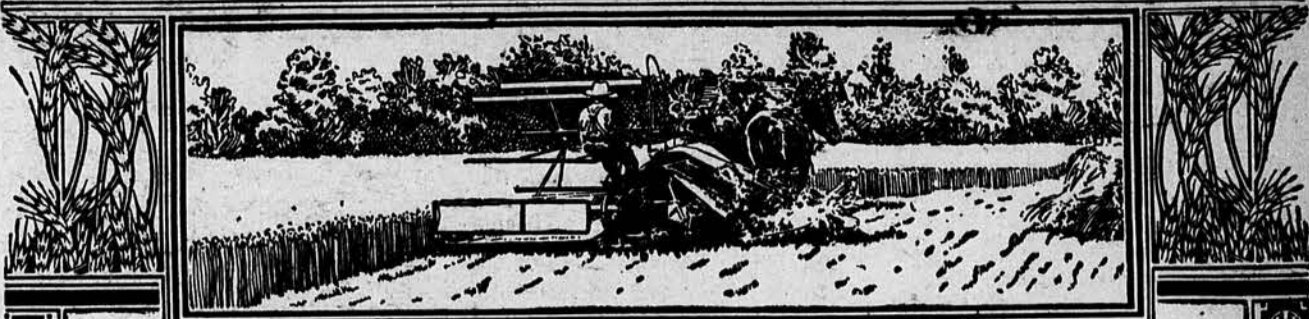
By whom must a stallion be inspected before the owner is allowed to stand him for service? What is the expense generally?—F. H. B., Marion, Kan.

Stallions must be inspected for soundness by inspectors authorized for the district in which the stallion is located. In your district the authorized inspectors are Dr. R. B. Doty of Peabody and Dr. M. D. Loy of Florence. The expenses for the examination are \$2 for making the inspection and such other amount as may be agreed upon between the stallion owner and inspector to cover expenses of trip. This arrangement is based on the opinion of the attorney general and also the decision of the courts of Kansas. The inspection is required in order to furnish the facts concerning the horse's soundness to the state livestock registry board which will then issue a license to the owner permitting him to stand the horse for public service. The fee for issuing this license is also \$2. Any other information may be had by addressing the Secretary of the State Livestock Registry Board, Manhattan, Kan.

**Treating Corn for Smut.**

Is there any way that seed corn may be treated so as to prevent the smut from getting a start?—P. F., Lewis, Kan.

There is no use treating corn for smut, for the reason that smut of corn may attack the growing plant at any time in the growing season. Ordinarily the smut spores are scattered over the surface of the soil and send their germ tubes into the growing corn when it comes up. The treatment of the grain would only be effective so far as killing any spores that might happen to stick to the outside of the corn kernels is concerned. Now this is a very small amount in comparison to the amount of smut spores which might be scattered over a field, or that may blow in from neighboring cornfields, so that you would not accomplish anything to speak of by treating the seed. The only way of keeping down the smut of corn, is to go through your field and cut out all of the smutted stalks wherever you find them, before the smut has ripened and begun to blow away. If you have a field in which badly smutted corn grew last year, you would better rotate to another field this season. By doing so and planting your corn field to another crop, you will give the smut spores which are already scattered over the ground, a



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**Trimming Pine Trees.**

I should like to know what season of the year is best for trimming pine trees.—A. G., Wakefield, Kan.

There is no special time when this work should be done except that it is usually most desirable to prune during the dormant season, which is any time between December 1 and April 1. If the wounds inflicted by the pruning are large, they should be painted with an application of white lead or tar to prevent fungus from entering.

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**Cure For Halter Jerking.**

Is there any remedy for the habit a 2-year-old colt has of jerking the halter rope out of the hand while leading?—J. E. S., Phillipsburg, Kan.

About the only way to break the colt of this habit is to work it until it gets tired before leading, then when it tries the trick, arrange so you can get perfect control and show it who is the master.

**Sudden Death of Fat Hog.**

I had a hog that died in 48 hours after being sick. It was very fat and seemed to be weak in the hips and back. What was the cause?—W. H. K., Alta Vista, Kan.

In all probability the trouble was caused from indigestion or some disease. Hogs affected with tuberculosis frequently act in this way. Worms also sometimes cause trouble of this kind. Which one of these causes is responsible is a question that can be answered only by a post mortem.

**Worm Remedy For Colts.**

Will you please tell us what will drive out worms in colts and horses?—A. W., Colby, Kan.

Feeding a small teaspoonful of powdered sulphate of iron once a day or a teaspoonful of equal parts of wood ashes, sulphur and salt once per day or giving them about 1 ounce of spirits of turpentine in 1/2 pint of linseed oil every other day for three doses should help some. Any of the above should help the colts, but which would be the best would all depend upon the kind of worms.

**Treatment For Sniffing Hog.**

I have a pig that started to sniffing about Christmas and although we have tried various remedies it is no better. It chokes when trying to eat and now can only drink. This morning it seemed to have a fit and fell over on its back. What can be done for it?—J. S. S., Topeka, Kan.

In all probability there is a foreign growth which may be in the form of an abscess, which is gradually closing up the passages. I see nothing to do except to have a thorough examination made by a man who understands the anatomy of hogs and follow with a surgical operation.

**Swelling on Ankle.**

I have a 9-year-old mare that I bought from a man who said she had kicked through a board in the barn about a year ago. Her ankle is swollen to about twice its normal size and is hard as a rock. The large tendon is slightly swelled and the joint next the foot is loose. She walks and stands on the front part of the toe and cannot put her foot flat on the floor. She is a driving mare and weighs about 900 pounds. What can I do for her?—T. F. E., Leroy, Kan.

In all probability there is too much organized connective tissue present, which is causing this enlargement, and if this is the case, I doubt whether you can do anything for her. The circulation is probably weak. In an animal of this age, it would hardly pay to have her tendon operated upon. About the only thing that would help would be to keep these parts and the hoof as soft as possible.

**Premature Foaling.**

I have a mare that weighs 1,150 pounds and is 15 years old. She was bred to a horse last spring and lost her colt just two months ahead of time. Have been feeding her hay, corn, and Kafir but the Kafir was not frozen. Did not work or drive her last summer as she was raising a colt at that time. What was the reason for her throwing her colt and is there any danger in breeding her again next spring?—H. E. S., Osage City, Kan.

It is impossible to give any reason for this trouble. It might have been accidental, caused from a sprain, a kick, indigestion or the result of exposure to the wet or cold. Drinking ice water will also cause this trouble at times and again it might be the diseased condition of the animal. If the mare is perfectly healthy and has no unnatural discharge from the organs, we can see no reason why this should happen again

next year. Would suggest that after she is safely in foal for seven months you feed her about 10 drops of pure carbolic acid diluted with a little water and mixed with her feed once a day for about 10 days. Repeat this at the end of every three weeks until she drops her colt.

**Probably Indigestion.**

I have a 5-year-old horse weighing about 1,000 pounds that is apparently all right except when trotting. After going a couple of miles he throws his head around to one side then the other and gets wet with sweat all over. After that it seems impossible for him to go faster than a slow walk. He has been affected this way for about 18 months. What can be done for him?—W. A., Anness, Kan.

With the limited information no definite diagnosis can be made. We might suspect indigestion or might suspect some foreign growth or injury. If you wish to experiment with him, you might give him 1 tablespoonful of fluid extract of echinacea once a day for about two weeks, but if he is a valuable animal would suggest that you consult a veterinarian.

**Feeding Frosted Kafir.**

I cut and shocked some fodder after it was frosted and it has been in the shock over two months. It was not quite mature when frosted. Is it safe to feed now? I also have some Kafir stalks that are still uncut and intended to pasture them. Would it be safer to cut and burn them rather than turn in the cattle?—H. G., Mont Ida, Kan.

Poisoning with cane and Kafir is something that is not thoroughly understood. We usually consider that after it is cut and cured it is fairly safe to feed, also after it has been well frosted, whether standing or cut, it is usually considered safe to feed. If one has considerable stalks it would hardly be advisable to burn them as feed is quite scarce this year. I would suggest that you feed one or two head with small amounts at first and watch the results.

**Treatment For Skin Disease.**

We have two mares that have some kind of disease every spring. Little swellings appear on shoulders and withers and the hair comes off in patches about the size of a quarter until all the hair is off these parts. It does not affect them on any other part of the body. Last spring the swellings on one of the mares became as large as your fist in some cases. What is this and what can be done?—F. J. Z., Phillipsburg, Kan.

The trouble is a kind of skin disease which is sometimes hard to cure, especially during the hot weather. Would sponge the animals thoroughly with a pretty strong solution of soda and water when this comes on and at the same time would give a heaping tablespoonful of powdered sulphate of soda in the feed once a day for about 10 days and then give each 1 ounce of Fowler's solution of arsenic once a day for about 10 days. If the trouble keeps up would repeat in the same way.

**Ailing Mule.**

I have a 4-year-old unbroken mule that ran in pasture last summer until harvest. One day I noticed he had a wobbly gait and it appeared to be due to some trouble in his hips or hind legs. I rubbed on some liniment but it did not appear to help him. He is well and hearty but still has that wobbly gait, although almost unnoticeable at times.—J. E. B., Conway Springs, Kan.

Either a case of parasites or nerve trouble. Would give him 1 ounce of spirits of turpentine in 1/2 pint of linseed oil once a day for about three days unless it acts too strongly upon the kidneys. Would repeat this in about 10 days and if there is no improvement would give him a teaspoonful of the following in a little grain once per day; 1/2 ounce of powdered nux vomica, 1 ounce powdered sulphate of iron, 1 ounce of powdered licorice root, 1/2 pound of oil cake meal. Mix thoroughly.

**Treatment For Coughing Cow.**

I have a cow that has been coughing for about three months. She coughs more in the morning after eating her bran and oil-cake than at any other time. What is your opinion as to the trouble? If necessary to have her examined, who will get to do the work? She will be fresh in a few days.—P. R. W., Fisher, Kan.

A cough of this kind may be caused from a cold or some other irritation. The animal may now be affected with a chronic inflammation of the throat, lungs or bronchial tubes or this may be caused by tuberculosis. Giving her a heaping teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts of nitrate of potash and powdered ginger once or twice a day in her feed, ought to help her cough a little if it is caused from a cold. Of course it is unnecessary to state that she should be kept from weather exposure and should not be fed dusty hay.

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The second brood of eggs hatches about seven to eight weeks after the first. So about the middle of July to the first week in August, a very thorough application of a fine spray should again be made for the purpose of lightly covering the entire surface of fruit and foliage. The three applications mentioned should be sufficient for the control of this insect in ordinary years. Under very favorable conditions two, or even one application may be sufficient for good results. Arsenate of lead is probably the best poison to use, all things considered. Use not less than 2½ pounds nor more than 4 pounds to each 100 gallons of water.

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Mr. Editor—Many growers of orchards are of the opinion that after buds have swollen in the spring and the trees have started to grow it is too late to prune. This is not correct. There are good theoretical reasons why it is better to prune while the trees are wholly dormant but in practice, the injury from pruning after the trees have begun to grow is little if any. Frequently owing to an oversight the pruning of some tree or shrub is neglected until the leaves have started out. Do not let it go on this account. Go ahead and prune just the same as though it were the regular pruning time and it is doubtful if you will ever notice the difference in the vigor of the future growth.

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Feed getting very scarce and some people are selling off their stock.—E. F. Opperman.

Coffey County—Wheat, rye and alfalfa are greening up. Not much of an oat acreage will be put out this spring. Stock has stood the winter in first class shape. Cattle \$4 to \$4.25, hogs \$6.20, seed potatoes \$1.75 to \$2, wheat 95 cents, corn 65, butter 18 to 25, eggs 16.—Arthur Teeple.

Anderson County—Ground is covered with sleet and snow (March 24) which will set spring work back again. I think there is a 90 per cent prospect for wheat. Early fall sown alfalfa all right but late sowings were damaged by freezing. Rough feed very scarce and cattle getting thin. Hogs \$6.25.—G. W. Kiblinger.

Brown County—No farm work can be done for some time as the ground is too wet. This has been the hardest winter in years and feed is very scarce. Wheat believed to have been damaged but little. Hay \$18 to \$20, potatoes \$1.50, corn 64 cents, wheat \$4, oats 50, butter 25, cream 26, eggs 15.—A. C. Dannenberg.

Cheyenne County—Weather has been very hard on stock lately. Farmers anxious to get into the fields. Large acreage of spring wheat will be sown. Cheyenne county will have about the largest acreage in wheat in her history. Hay \$18, potatoes \$1.60, corn 70 cents, butter 18, cream 25, eggs 18.—Mrs J. S. DeLong.

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Cherokee County—Very little plowing done yet and not many have sowed oats. The winter was severe and feed is scarce and high. Some improvements being made. Horses and mules high. Corn 75 cents, oats 60, eggs 15.—L. J. York.

Grant County—More snow March 22 and 23. Quite a lot of oats sown last week. Wheat looking well but some late sowings were damaged by frost. What alfalfa is alive is very slow starting. Grain and feed scarce and high.—A. C. Craighead.

Grady County—After several days of warm weather last week had some cold days with rain and sleet. Some oats up and sowing still going on. Wheat and alfalfa are beginning to show quite a growth. Corn 80 cents, butter 25, eggs 20.—Sam C. Hefner.

Major County—Weather appears to have settled and it looks like spring here. Late and poorly sown wheat was damaged somewhat. A good crop of Kafir will be put out. We need to put out less cotton and broom-sorn and more Kafir, cowpeas, and peanuts. Potatoes being planted.—W. H. Rucker.

Pushmataha County—Plenty of rain and to spare. Fields are too wet to work and wood hauling to market is in order. Potatoes about all planted. Oats are coming up. Large acreage of Spanish peanuts will be planted here. Stock is thin on account of feed being scarce.—K. D. Olin.

April Not Too Late for Oats

BY A. M. TEN EYCK.

Supt. of Hays Branch Experiment Station of Kansas Agricultural College.

Writing from Trego county, a reader of Farmers Mail and Breeze, says: "Quite a number of our farmers want to sow oats this spring and would like your opinion as to time of sowing, especially as to how late they can sow and mature a crop on account of weather this year."

Oats should be sown as early in the spring as the soil can be put in favorable seedbed condition. The date of seeding, however, will depend on the season. With a late spring, like the present one, seeding must necessarily be at a rather late date, but not necessarily late according to the season. I should consider sowing during the first half of April this year, as early, in relation to the season as sowing in the last half of March, in the average season.

This looks like a good oats year since the soil is well filled with moisture, but I would not sow oats too late. Barley will stand a little later seeding than oats. However, spring grains are not the surest western crops and I am advising to plant more largely of cane, Kafir and Dwarf milo. I am mailing a circular letter on oats culture. A. M. TenEyck.

The prevailing opinion that the backwardness of the season will result in a smaller acreage of oats this spring than for many years, has induced the John Deere Plow company to write its customers in this territory urging the maintenance of the usual acreage of oats, on the ground that it would be a great mistake to let what is otherwise so promising a season for oats go by default, because it would bring oat-sowing so near

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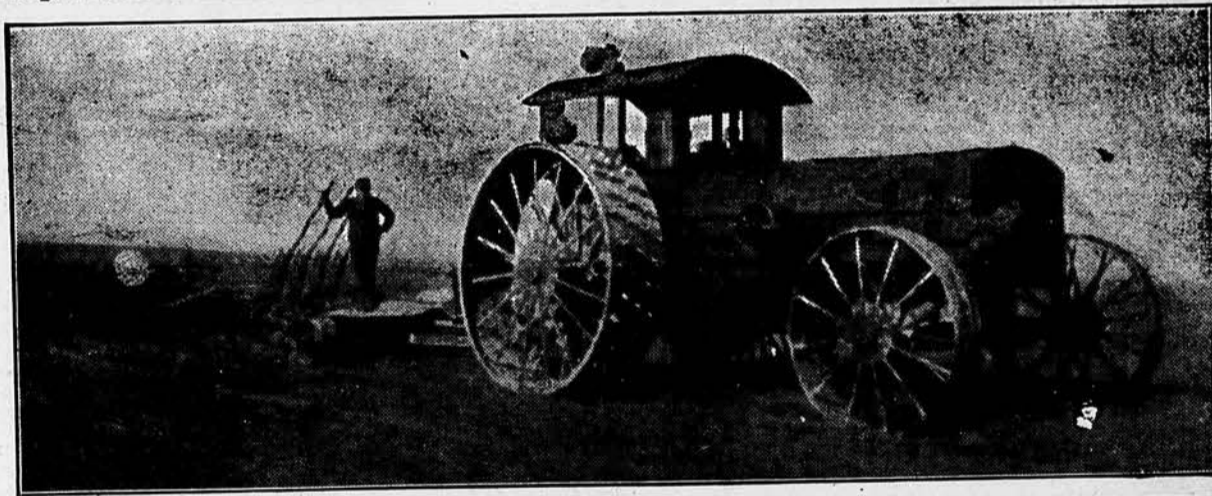
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## The WOMEN FOLKS

Conducted by  Mabel E. Graves

We want this department to be of practical use to the women who read *Farmers Mail and Breeze*. If you have any favorite recipe, any helpful hint, whether it concerns the family, the kitchen, the children, the house, or if you have anything to say which would be of interest to another woman, send it to the Home Department editor. Prizes for the three best suggestions received each week will be, respectively, a set of triple-plated teaspoons in the beautiful Narcissus design, a year's subscription to the Household magazine, and a year's subscription to the Poultry Culture magazine.

Do you know, it seems a wonderful thing to me, the overwhelming majority of good men and women there are as compared with the bad. Isn't it an evidence of the inherent goodness in mankind, when you consider the lack of training the average child receives, particularly on the subject of the fundamental laws of its being? We may deplore lawlessness and wickedness, but I believe the solution of the greatest part of it lies in the hands of the fathers and mothers of the children at home.

Think of the teaching given the average child. By the time it is 6 years old, and often before, the active growing little mind begins to wonder and question. Mother will not tell, father will not tell, but playmates will tell, usually a good deal more than they know; and it isn't long before the pure child mind is filled with a mass of filth that would make us grown-ups shudder if we only knew. Perhaps when the boy or girl is 13 or 14 years old father or mother decides something should be said, only to find it is years too late, and the child's mind stained beyond human power to cleanse.

When the child begins to ask questions is the mother's opportunity. If the first questions—simple ones they will be—answered truthfully the child will feel he has some one he can depend on. When schoolmates begin an unclean story your child can say, "That isn't so; my mother told me;" and instead of wondering and speculating, as all of us do over a secret we want very much to know, he will think no more about it. And when the next question comes up he will go to you, because you have his confidence.

Don't take it for granted the child knows some things by instinct. It doesn't. It will listen and speculate and often come to a conclusion that is somewhere near the truth, but it has a right to first-hand knowledge. The fact that so few children receive this information and yet so few go wrong is, as I said at beginning, an illustration of the fact that most of us are by nature good. And those who fail are more often sinned against than sinning. They haven't received the right kind of training, that's all.

A daughter brings sorrow untold to a mother's heart. Perhaps it is because she is weak, and has never been given the training that would help her to be strong. But more often it is ignorance of what is right and what is wrong, what is safe and what is unsafe. That so few girls fall is due more to the goodness of the men they meet than to themselves. Girls even 15 and 16 years old are often so ignorant of the laws of their being that they are perfectly defenseless against evil if it comes. You mothers may not think this possible, but it is so.

What is true of the girls I'm sure is equally true of the boys. Can you imagine a boy who has been told by father or mother the beautiful truths of his being and the sacredness of life, cracking vile jokes and desecrating the purity of some innocent girl? I can't. And vileness or purity of thought on one subject has its influence on everything else.

The mother who says, "Oh, I just can't talk to my daughter," is sinning against

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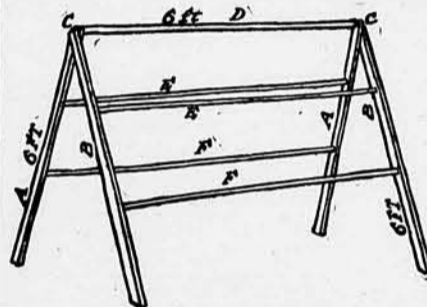
Carmel L. Williams, Topeka, Kan.

her daughter. The father who says, "Oh, let him alone. He'll find out for himself," is failing in one of the most sacred duties of fatherhood. Teach them the truth, gradually, as they are ready for it, beautifully and reverently, as it is in God's sight, and the men and women of tomorrow will be better than those of today.

### A Handy Clothes Dryer.

[Prize Letter.]

I have found a good way to dry clothes during bad weather, when one cannot hang them out of doors. Take lumber  $\frac{5}{8}$  by 2 inches and 6 feet long for legs (A, A, B, B). At the top (C) bore a  $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch hole through all four legs, then



GOOD ON A RAINY DAY.

round off the top bar (D) to fit the hole. The bars (D, E, E, F, F) may be made either round or  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch square. All the bars except D are fastened in place by small nails to keep the top from spreading. This will hold a small family washing, and there is no danger of its falling over. It can be opened as wide as desired, and when not in use closed up and set away.

Goodland, Kan.

### A Prettier Farm Home.

[Prize Letter.]

What am I going to do to improve the surroundings of my home? First, I will clean away all rocks and rubbish to a distance of not less than 50 feet, taking it all north and dumping it behind an old stone fence. The yard has a woven wire fence on the east and south, open on the west. Two large cottonwood trees stand just west of the house but they do not shade the kitchen of an evening, and there is no shade on the south and east. So I am going to plant pole lima beans—some people call them butter beans. They are rapid growers, have thick foliage, are heavy bearers and good drouth resisters. I will put eave troughs on the south so the drip will not beat off the foliage. Then I will nail poles above the windows and door, set four posts in the ground 6 feet from the house and fasten other poles from the posts to the poles above the door and windows, then fasten wire netting over east, top and west for the vines to run on.

Monett, Kan.

Mrs. Shirk.

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How heartily a man laughs at your jokes, when he wants to sell you something.

### Sweet Peas All Summer Long

BY EBEN E. REXFORD.

Many persons fail with sweet peas because they do not understand their requirements. They like to have their roots deep in the soil, where they will be cool in hot weather, and on this account shallow planting almost always results in failure. They are also a plant that likes to get well to growing before warm weather sets in; hence the necessity of planting early in the season.

In order to secure a coolness for the roots it is advisable to cultivate sweet peas by the trench system. As soon as the ground is in working condition in the spring dig a trench about 6 inches deep and sow the seed thickly, not more than an inch apart. Cover with about an inch of soil, which should be tramped down firmly. When the young plants are 3 inches tall draw in about them a little soil, and continue to do this until the surface is level.

The vines must have good support. Brush or coarse-meshed wire netting is best. As soon as the plants begin to bloom, begin to cut from them. The more you cut the more you will have, for cutting prevents the production of seed, and the plants, in their efforts to perpetuate their kind, will continue to bloom until frost comes. If seed is allowed to ripen, you will have but few flowers during the latter part of the season. In cutting sweetpeas give the flowers as long stems as possible. Never crowd them in vase of bowl. Just bunch them loosely in the hand, and then drop them into whatever is to hold them, give it a shake, and lo, your flowers will have arranged themselves to perfection.

I always advise purchasing each color of seed by itself. And I would plant each color by itself. But if you are fond of a variety of colors, try the pure white, the pale pink, the delicate lavender and the soft yellow, and you will have the utmost harmony in the combination and enough contrast to bring out each color well. Confine your selection to these colors this season, and I venture the prediction that you will be so well pleased with the result that you never will use mixed seed again.

If the aphid attacks your plants early in the season, procure the tobacco extract sold by all seedmen under the name of Nicoticide and apply it promptly, and keep up its use until not an aphid is to be seen. If the red spider attacks them, as it will be likely to do if the season is hot and dry, fight it with clear water, applying with a sprayer liberally and often. Nicoticide should also be applied with a sprayer, throwing the liquid well up against the under side of the foliage.

### Do You Want to Vote?

The votes that are coming in show in how many different fields our Mail and Breeze women folks are interested. We have heard from women lawyers, women editors, wives of city officials and wives of county officials, wives of business men in town and wives and daughters of men on the farm. And the vote as far as it has been received is overwhelmingly in favor of equal suffrage. Perhaps that means that the majority of Kansas women want equal voting privileges with men, or it may only mean that those in favor of it are voting and those not in favor are simply keeping still. We want to hear from every woman who reads the Mail and Breeze. The blanks are being printed again, so that

YES  NO

Name  Address

if there are several in the family everyone may be supplied. This is an expression of opinion by the voting women of Kansas. Kansas women now vote in city and school elections. If you believe they should have equal voting privileges with men please put an X in the square marked "Yes." If you do not believe in women voting more than they do now put an X in the square marked "No." If you don't care particularly one way or the other put an X in the square left blank. Then fill in your name and address and mail to the Suffrage Editor, Mail and Breeze, Topeka, Kan.

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## What Women Think About Voting AND THE REASON WHY.

[The following letters are some of those which have been received while taking the ballot on the question of equal suffrage in Kansas.—Editor.]

I am not anxious to vote, but I am sure it is right for women to vote.—Mrs. D. B. Coonrod, R. 2, Arcadia, Kan.

I am for Teddy for president, Capper for governor.—Mrs. C. J. Harlin, R. 4, Tonganoxie, Kan.

Yes, I do want to vote, but I don't want ever to go on a jury, as my husband says I may have to do if I vote. I do think Kansas needs the woman's vote.—Mrs. Walter Butler, Glasco, Kan.

Not only do I want and hope to have equal suffrage with the men, but my husband, sons and sons-in-law also believe in it and will vote for it.—Mrs. Harriet E. Clow, Emporia, Kan.

I hope I can cast a vote for Arthur Capper for governor of Kansas.—Mrs. I. C. Smith, Piedmont, Kan.

I am a farmer's wife and a member of a ladies' reading club with a membership of nine. And I can truthfully say that every member of this club would exercise her right which Lincoln proclaimed as hers when he said, "Equal rights to all and special privileges to none."—Z. P., Wakarusa, Kan.

No, I do not believe in women voting. The women have all the rights they need, and some of us do not take care of our homes and children as it is. I have all faith in our men in Kansas. My husband can vote for me.—Eliza B. McDowell, Portis, Kan.

Would it not be a good plan to have the assessors find out whether our women folks want to vote or not? There are at least 80 per cent here who think it a burden to be compelled to vote. I will begin assessing Vesper township soon and will let you know how we stand here. Our women folks have the right to vote in school meetings. For a few years they honored us with their presence, but now they leave it all to us. A good mother can do more at home teaching her husband and sons to vote right.—Fred Schneider, Sylvan Grove, Kan.

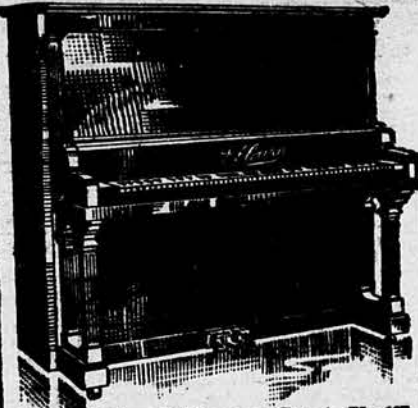
I am in favor of woman suffrage, especially where we are compelled to pay a big tax. The men expect women who have property to pay equal per cent of taxes with them; why not have equal privileges when it comes to voting? It surely isn't right for men who haven't enough money to make themselves comfortable to be allowed to vote while those of us women who are compelled to pay a tax are told we must "keep still."—Mollie Allmon, Preston, Kan.

We have been barred out from our rights long enough. I am going to do everything I can to help suffrage along. But we do not want to do like the English women, who smash windows, destroy property and chain themselves to trees just to aggravate the police. The men set that example of destroying property when they couldn't get what they wanted, but we don't have to follow their example.—Mrs. Annie Harris, Kinsley, Kan.

It has been said that when God saw fit to create a helpmate for Adam he did not take her from his head to rule over him, nor yet from his feet to be beneath him, but from his side that she might be his equal. And I believe she is his equal in all respects. We can and will attend to our domestic duties just the same if women are permitted to vote. I do not like to be classed with criminals, idiots, etc. My creed is justice to all.—Mrs. R. C. Richardson, Kingman, Kan.

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MARKET PROBABILITIES

Stock Market Still At Mercy of the Weather and Short Supplies Have Boomed Prices-General Scramble For Hogs Has Brought Market Almost to \$8-Marketing Believed to Be Down to Fall Farrowed Pigs-All Grain Up

[Written Specially for the Farmers Mail and Breeze.]

Nothing is able to break away from the weather, much less a commodity and livelihood that from all times has been a sort of weather product, and dependent on conditions that seem to change with the moon, the sun and the wind. Such is livestock and its movement, and weather for the past three months has been so uncertain and severe that the livestock industry will refer to it as the record. The West has learned the severe lesson of providing feed in greater quantities, the corn belt has experienced the losing game of feeding against weather odds, and the railroad man has been driven to distraction trying to operate trains on something near schedule time. The heavy snow that fell in the past two days proved another barrier to a quick return to normal traffic, and it is a question now of getting stock to shipping points as well as getting them moved later. The ground is soft under the snow, and hauling or driving is almost impossible. The supply of stock that arrived today was the result of unusual shipping effort on the part of the railroad as well as countrymen. Prices are holding up to the high level of the year and medium weight steers are the highest recorded in the past three months. The general market, however, carries an air of nervousness and it would be able to start a downward trend if receipts showed a liberal tendency. Traders say that such a condition will not exist. Chicago receipts are running about the same as a year ago, and five markets show about a 100,000 decrease. Chicago is due to take a big jump, but it is doubtful whether any material decrease will show there before April. If cattle are as scarce in the country as reports indicate April prices will rule higher. Next month tidy light weight steers will be attractive to buyers, but they will be scarce, as few were on feed and in most cases those held were carried through the winter on the economy basis.

Butcher Cattle Demand Broadens.

Killers are after cows and heifers. Nearly all the she stuff coming is of the short fed variety, and while killers would prefer something better scarcity makes the plain kind sell in the short order route. It has been years since killers were willing to take canners for cutters, and cutters for butcher cows. The market however, shows no extreme high level, as quality has been lacking. Bulls are also high, and veal calves are selling relatively better at Missouri river markets than at Eastern points.

Stocker Trade Opened and Closed.

Early last week with two days of temperatures above freezing, and some sunshine, trading in thin cattle began to boom. Wednesday it closed up like a clam and has been in its shell since. It will take some show of spring now to develop a buying proclivity among stockmen, and at the same time it will take considerable warmth to bring out enough grass to provide feed for the class of cattle now ready to change hands. When things do open up prices will be high.

Scrambling for Hogs.

With a moderate reduction in receipts of hogs last week compared with the preceding week the market at times became unsettled and the staid buyer found himself in a wild rush to get the offerings. On two days last week the market rose 40 to 50 cents, and the net advance last week was 55 to 60 cents. St. Louis sold hogs up to \$7.95, and Chicago recorded \$7.75. Other Western markets reached \$7.60. It is hard to tell whether this week will add a further net advance to last week's gain or not, but today prices were quoted some easier. The average weight is holding at the low level of the year, and while the entire shortage is attributed to the condition of country, the decreased weight shows that marketing is down to fall farrowed pigs, and there is practically no feed available for making weight. Omaha is receiving heavy supplies, and Chicago is managing to keep up with a year ago, but other markets are reducing the lead that showed up in the first two months of this year.

Record Prices for Sheep.

New high record prices for the year were recorded at all of the Western

markets for sheep last week. Lambs bumped the \$8 level in Chicago, the first time since 1910, and other markets showed tops of \$7.60 to \$7.85. Moderate receipts caused the advance and part of the time demand seemed on a fairly broad basis. At the advance the market seems rather nervous, and the return to normal supplies will turn prices down again. Less than 30 per cent of the Colorado crop has been marketed, and there are a good many bunches scattered through the corn belt. Some sheep are moving to the big feeding points near central markets and are being sheared, but as soon as shipping conditions are more normal there will be a direct and heavy movement from feed lots. Wool prices continue to hold up well. Shearing in the Southwest is well under way, and will move northward as the weather permits.

The Movement of Livestock.

The following table shows receipts of cattle, hogs and sheep at the five western markets for last week, the previous week and a year ago:

Table showing livestock receipts at five western markets (Kansas City, Chicago, Omaha, St. Louis, St. Joseph) for Cattle, Hogs, and Sheep, comparing last week, previous week, and a year ago.

The following table shows receipts of cattle, hogs and sheep at the five western markets, Monday, March 25:

Table showing livestock receipts at five western markets for Monday, March 25, for Cattle, Hogs, and Sheep.

The following table shows a comparison in prices on best offerings of livestock at Kansas City and Chicago for this date and one year ago:

Table comparing livestock prices at Kansas City and Chicago for 1912 and 1911 for Cattle, Hogs, and Sheep.

Active Trade in Horses.

In the past week the general demand for horses throughout the country was better than at any previous time this year. The season now is so far advanced that work of all kinds cannot be delayed much longer, and horses are moving to the big holders for final distribution. Farm demand is more backward than for chunks and drafters. Mules are rather scarce. Prices for all classes continue about net unchanged.

Grain and Hay Higher.

Prices for all grain were advanced from 2 to 4 cents last week, and corn is selling at the highest level of the year. Receipts have been unusually light and at times have fallen short of urgent requirements. Alfalfa, prairie and clover hay were advanced \$1 to \$2.50 a ton and alfalfa sold up to \$23, the highest price ever recorded on the Kansas City market. Receipts are beginning to diminish, and prices will go much higher if spring is delayed much longer.

The following prices prevail for grain in Kansas City and St. Louis:

Table showing grain prices in Kansas City and St. Louis for Wheat, Corn, and Oats in 1912 and 1911.

The following comparison shows prices on best grades of wheat, corn and oats at Kansas City and Chicago for this date and one year ago:

Table comparing grain prices at Kansas City and Chicago for 1912 and 1911 for Wheat, Corn, and Oats.

Seeds and Broomcorn.

Sorghum, Amber \$1.45@1.65 per cwt.; sumac \$1.30@2.10; broomcorn, dwarf, \$1.40 @1.50; standard \$1.30@1.45; cowpeas, New Era, \$1.90@2.10; Whipoorwill, \$2.10@2.25; clover seed \$12.00@20.00; timothy \$10.00 15.00; alfalfa \$10.00@14.00; flaxseed \$1.90; seed corn, bulk 90c@1.25 a bushel; Kafir No. 3 white \$1.25@1.30.

Carlot Grain Receipts.

The following table shows the receipts of grain for the week at the three principal grain markets, together with the receipts for the corresponding week one year ago and those of last week:

Table showing carlot grain receipts for Wheat, Corn, and Oats in Kansas City, Chicago, and St. Louis for the current week, last week, and one year ago.

Quotations on Hay.

The following quotations are for hay on the Kansas City market:

Table showing hay quotations on the Kansas City market for various types of hay like Prairie, Timothy, and Alfalfa.

Livestock in Kansas City.

The movement of cattle last week after expanding some was checked up by the heavy snow of Saturday and the market is still in a firm position. Prices are 15 to 20 cents higher than a week ago, and there is little prospect for an increased supply of fat cattle until grassers begin to move. Good to choice steers are quoted at \$7.60 to \$8.25, and the medium to fair kinds at \$6 to \$7.40. Cows sold up to \$6.25, heifers \$7, and steers and heifers mixed up to \$7.25. Some steers on the quarantine side brought \$7. Feeders sold up to \$6.80, and stockers up to \$6.40.

There has been a material advance in the prices of hogs, and the trading has been active at the advance. Killers are about the only buyers but receipts have been short of actual requirement. The top price today was \$7.55 and the bulk sold at \$7.30 to \$7.50.

The following table shows the range of prices for hogs in Kansas City on days named for the past two weeks:

Table showing the range of prices for hogs in Kansas City from Tuesday to Monday for the past two weeks.

Lambs reached new high levels for the year last week, and the trading started off fairly favorable for the week. Choice lambs are quoted at \$7.25 to \$7.75, yearlings \$5.75 to \$6.75, wethers \$5.25 to \$6, and ewes \$4.50 to \$5.75. Clipped lambs are selling at \$5.25 to \$6.25.

The following table shows receipts of cattle, hogs and sheep in Kansas City thus far this year and same period in 1911:

Table comparing livestock receipts in Kansas City for 1912 and 1911 for Cattle, Calves, Hogs, Sheep, and Cars.

Live Stock in St. Louis.

Though nothing choice has been offered to test values, the market has shown a stronger tendency on the medium to fair kinds. The highest price paid last week was \$7.75, and 10 days ago the same kind would have been slow at \$7.50. Prime steers would bring \$8.50 or better, and choice kinds \$7.80 up. Cows are quoted at \$3 to \$6.40, heifers \$5 to \$7.25 and calves \$5 to \$7.50. Receipts of all classes of cattle continue light and buyers have not been able to keep ahead of their orders.

In the upward movement of prices of hogs that has been in progress for some time past St. Louis has been the leader, and fell only 5 cents short of reaching the 8-cent level. The top price today was \$7.75 and the bulk of the hogs sold at \$7.40 to \$7.65.

Sheep have shown about as much advance as hogs, but only lambs sold up to the 8-cent level. This was a new high record for the year. The top price two weeks ago was \$7.10. Choice lambs are quoted at \$7.50 to \$8, yearlings \$6 to \$7, wethers \$5 to \$6, and ewes \$4.75 to \$5.55.

The following table shows receipts of livestock in St. Louis thus far this year compared with the same period in 1911:

Table comparing livestock receipts in St. Louis for 1912 and 1911 for Cattle, Hogs, Sheep, and Cars.

Livestock in St. Joseph.

Very moderate receipts of cattle are moving to this market, and the snows of

the past two days have practically paralyzed the market. Last week the market closed in a much stronger position than at the opening. Good to choice steers are quoted at \$7.25 to \$8, fair to good \$6.25 to \$7.20, and the common kinds as low as \$5. Cows are scarce and higher, selling at \$3.25 to \$6, and heifers \$4.50 to \$7. Veal calves are quoted at \$4 to \$8.25, stockers \$5 to \$8, and feeders \$5.50 to \$6.50. The same conditions that caused a boom in the prices of hogs at other markets lifted prices here to a new high level for the year. The advance last week was 50 to 60 cents and prices now are higher than a year ago. The top price today was \$7.55 and bulk \$7.40 to \$7.50. Sheep have fared as well as hogs and prices are up 40 to 60 cents compared with a week ago. Choice sheep have shown the greatest advance. The best lambs today are quoted at \$7 to \$7.65. (Continued on Page 39.)

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# Half the Corn Won't Grow

Co-operative Testing Suggested by the College

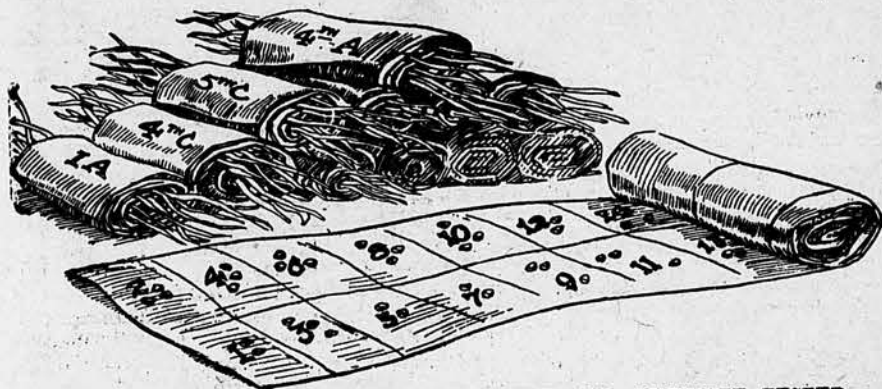
The Agricultural college believes that the seed corn situation in Kansas is critical. This agrees with the information which has come to Farmers Mail and Breeze from time to time since the first of the year. The agronomy department of the college has formulated a plan which, if carried out now, before planting time, should prevent a poor corn crop this year. A co-operative germinator in every town is the suggestion. The idea is to have some individual or local organization in every town take the responsibility for obtaining a germinator and conducting a general germination test for all the farmers of the community.

"Although we have been, for the last two months, urging farmers to make germination tests, comparatively little has been done," writes W. M. Jardine, professor of agronomy. "In some parts of the state more than one-half of the corn saved for seed will not grow. This

No. 1. Take 6 kernels from ear No. 2 and place in square No. 2, and so on.

When the cloth has been filled, begin at either end and roll the cloth up. If the cloth is well moistened the kernels will not push out of place. When the cloth has been rolled, tie a string around each end rather loosely, or better still, use a rubber band. Number this roll No. 1. Then proceed with roll No. 2 in the same way. From 30 to 50 ears can be tested in each roll, depending upon the length.

After the rolls have been filled they are placed in a bucket or tub of water where they may remain from 2 to 18 hours, depending upon the preference of the operator. At the end of this time pour off the water and turn the bucket or tub upside down over the rolls, or use a common dry goods box for this purpose. A couple of small pieces of wood should be laid under the rolls and one edge of the pail should be lifted from 1/2 to



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Whoever undertakes to conduct the test should buy a germinator or make one, and begin to collect seed samples at once. Directions for making such a germinator were given by Prof. Jardine in Farmers Mail and Breeze of February 10, and are to be found in most literature on corn raising.

A cheap, convenient and accurate homemade tester for a farmer's use is known as the "rag doll" tester. Anyone can make one in a few moments and the Iowa station reports it has given an accurate test in that state, as indicated by field results. One advantage is that all parts of the kernel, roots, shoots, etc., may be readily seen. Tear a few yards of sheeting of good quality into strips 8 inches wide and from 3 to 5 feet long. Hem the edges, if the strips are to be used a number of times, to prevent the ravelings disarranging the kernels in unrolling.

Down the middle of each cloth strip, lengthwise, draw a line with a heavy pencil. Then draw cross lines at right angles to the first to divide the strip into squares about 3 inches wide, as shown in the accompanying illustration. Number the squares, as shown in the illustration, also.

Wet one of the strips thoroughly and stretch it out in front of the ears to be tested. Take 6 kernels from ear No. 1 kernel from near the butt, the middle and the tip, then turn the ear over and take 3 kernels in the same way from the other side. Place these in square

1 inch in order to give ventilation. At the end of 5 days the kernels should be ready to read.

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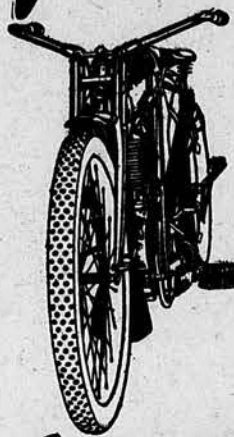
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One of the best Shorthorn buying propositions of the year is offered breeders and farmers in the Adelaide B. Fraser sale to be held at the fine stock pavilion at the Kansas City stockyards, Thursday, April 11. This is the second annual sale from the Lawndale Stock Farm herd and it is a selected offering of tops. The cattle are all through the tuberculin test and are ready to go anywhere. The offering numbers 48 head, 47 females and one bull. The females are all bred to the two bulls, Scotch Goods and Silk Goods, and the herd bull, Scotch Goods, will sell. He is a superior individual and should go to head a top herd. The cattle have come through the winter in fine condition and will bring calves this spring and summer. The Fraser herd has made a reputation for practical money making Shorthorns—the kind that have stood the test. Individual merit and breeding worth were the first considerations in the building of this herd. Regardless of fads or fancies this herd has been producing the right type. An unusually large number of calves will sell with their mothers. The herd is strong in milking qualities. The cattle are all of good ages—all but two are less than 4 years old. It is a sale of tops, the cream of the herd and not culls. It is a much better offering than was sold from this herd last fall and which gave such satisfaction. The cattle are offered at a time when buyers stand to profit most from the money invested. No better opportunity is offered than in this sale and now is the time to buy. Get the catalog and arrange to attend this sale. The cattle will please and they are sold on the best of terms. Write today, per advertisement elsewhere in this issue. Kindly mention this paper when making inquiry.

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Are School Teachers Ignorant?

Editor Mail and Breeze—In your issue of December 2, you head an editorial, "Are Kansas Teachers Ignorant?" and go on to say that you will have to be "shown" before you will believe that the condition, as given in the clipping you publish, exists. Emerson said, "Wise men change their minds; fools never," and it is lucky that he did not live in the present generation, else he might have been tempted to say, "A teacher never changes his mind; because he hasn't any," which would have been unjust judgment on hundreds of instructors. I have before me a motley collection of letters and papers and one of these is a tiny slip on which are characters rivaling ancient hieroglyphics and among which when translated, or deciphered, as you please, is "Wheight." Marvelous! Just think of the wonderful ingenuity that controlled the master mind which produced such a word. But what is it anyway? From the context of the page we decide that in plain American it would be "weight." And the background you see the high school standing, pointing out the originator as one of her brightest sons. Again we choose a letter and read, "The roads are becoming somewhat descent." Divide into syllables, Mr. Editor, and note the odor that is wafted to your nostrils. And again, we select a brief business communication; typewritten. It catches our eye and we find the sentence, "We hope they have reached you e'er this" with the apostrophe inserted in ink. Translated according to standard rules of punctuation we are held enraptured with the sense (?) of the sentence. Try it, and enjoy the pleasing sensation. And this last is from a prominent school man of Topeka, the others, without exception being the work of experienced teachers who have enjoyed the privileges of the high school. With all this array of knowledge we feel that the brother teacher who said publicly, "I'd rather have a few more scholars, 'n' not 'n' amiss." Then we pick a letter from another one who has been a home student and who has a high grade of certificate secured through that means—and effortless we turn it over and over, and rejoice that there are young people in Kansas who have the stamina to overcome the "difficulties" of the hill of "no opportunity" and to get the fundamentals which their educated co-workers did not consider worthy of notice. Now, Mr. Editor, take advantage of excursion rates and visit the common schools of "the glorious state of Kansas" and a trip to our much berated eastern neighbor will be all unnecessary. JUST A. PLUG.

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**Mule-Foot Hogs and Cholera**

BY T. R. WRIGHT, Kansas Agricultural College.

A reader of Farmers Mail and Breeze wishes to know if the mule-footed hog is cholera proof. Mule-footed hogs are widely distributed over the United States. The claim that mule-footed hogs are immune from cholera is often made by breeders of this class of hogs. The Indiana Experiment station, some years ago, conducted an experiment in which mule-footed hogs were compared with split-footed hogs as to their susceptibility to cholera. This trial is reported in Bulletin No. 140 of that station. The conclusion drawn from that bulletin is as follows:

Four purebred mule-foot hogs and four hogs of mixed breeding, averaging about 40 pounds in weight, were used in making the test. The hogs were exposed in the natural way, by turning them into an infected pen in which hogs having acute cholera had died. All of the mule-foot hogs contracted the disease, three developing the acute, and one the chronic form. Three became fatally ill and the fourth recovered after several weeks. Three of the hogs of mixed breeding sickened and died or were killed, and the fourth showed no symptoms of disease.

The mule-footed hog is not very widely distributed in this state. Some breeders claim that they have resisted cholera when they were exposed to infection and other breeders say that they were the first to take the disease. I am informed by the bureau of animal industry, at Washington, D. C., that the department has not tested the immunity of this breed of hogs. In short, I can see no reason why the solid hoof should give immunity from hog cholera. **Manhattan, Kan.**

**Good Silage Safe For Sheep**

PROF. SMITH'S OPINION.

In our recent silo issue there appeared an account of Robert Blastock's experience in feeding silage to sheep and Prof. Wheeler's reply. Mr. Blastock lost 10 ewes and 20 lambs during his first year of silage feeding. The symptoms in all cases were the same. The sick animals moved about in a circle and appeared to be affected in the head, much the same as though they had "gid" or "grub in the head." The question was referred to Prof. H. R. Smith, head of the animal husbandry department of Minnesota Agricultural college, at the same time it was submitted to Prof. Wheeler and the following is Prof. Smith's reply:

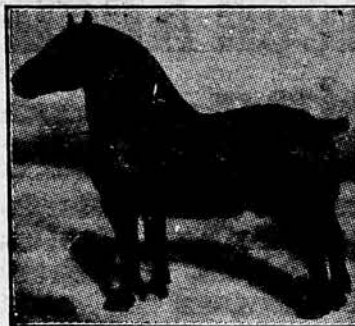
The difficulty may be safely attributed to the feeding of silage which in all probability was slightly molded. The fact that the sheep moved in a circle is almost certain proof that this was the trouble as a large number of sheep breeders have reported the same thing in connection with the feeding of bad silage. If corn silage is free from mold there is practically no danger of this kind. I am wondering if your silo was filled after the corn became over-ripe so that it would not pack. A great deal of care has to be used in feeding silage to sheep as the presence of mold is dangerous. A good quality of silage, however, is a most excellent feed for sheep.

**Recent Farm Bulletins**

Any of the bulletins named may be obtained free by writing to the experiment stations at the addresses given. Government bulletins also are free and may be had by writing to the Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, D. C. In writing for the bulletins of another state than the one in which you live, it is customary to enclose a 2-cent stamp.

- The Maintenance Ration of Cattle (No. 111), by Henry P. Armsby, Pennsylvania State College, State College, Pa.
- Tuberculosis (No. 473).—U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.
- The Control of Insects and Diseases Affecting Horticultural Crops (No. 110).—Pennsylvania State College, State College, Pa.
- How to Use the Babcock Test (No. 27), by J. L. Sammis.—Illinois Experiment Station, Urbana, Ill.
- Frames in Truck Growing (No. 460), by W. R. Beattie, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.
- Growing Hogs in Nebraska (No. 121), by T. P. Snyder.—Nebraska Experiment Station, Lincoln, Neb.
- Fruit Bud Formation (No. 153), by E. S. Pickett.—New Hampshire Experiment Station, Durham, N. H.
- Winter Emmer (No. 466), by M. A. Carleton.—U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.
- Trussing and Boning Chicken for Fancy Trade (No. 125), by W. A. Lippincott.—Iowa Experiment Station, Ames, Ia.
- The Study of Farm Equipment in Ohio (No. 212), by L. W. Ellis.—U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.
- A Method of Budding the Walnut (No. 16), by E. J. Kraus.—Oregon Experiment Station, Corvallis, Ore.
- Preliminary Frost Fighting Studies in the Rogue River Valley (No. 110), by C. I. Lewis and F. R. Brown.—Oregon Experiment Station, Corvallis, Ore.
- Ice Houses For the Farm (No. 475).—U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

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Your name and address. In the big fire here March the 10th, my office was burned and all records and correspondence destroyed. I have reopened a new office and wish to co-operate with you in the sale and exchange of Real Estate. Please write me full particulars today in regard to your property. I have choice propositions, on good terms, near the Dodge City & Cimarron Valley Railroad, now building southwest from Dodge City; also have 480 acres 9 miles southwest of Dodge City, all good dark loam land, 210 acres of sod wheat, one-third delivered in Dodge City, goes to the buyer, 6 room house, barn for 16 horses, large granary, all buildings new, on telephone and R. F. D., 1/2 mile to school. This is one of our best farms and will sell for \$35.00 per acre on good terms, or will consider a good trade.  
**L. L. Taylor & Co., Dodge City, Ks.**

**Market Probabilities**

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bearings \$5.50 to \$6.50, wethers \$5.25 to \$6.25, and ewes \$5 to \$6.00.

The following table shows receipts of livestock in St. Joseph thus far this year compared with the same period in 1911:

	1911	1912	Inc.	Dec.
Cattle	114,791	112,943	1,849	.....
Hogs	566,183	403,283	162,899	.....
Sheep	187,522	158,994	28,528	.....
H. & M.	13,704	14,841	.....	1,127

**Butter, Eggs and Poultry.**

Elgin, March 25.—Butter this week is firm at 25 cents.

Kansas City, March 25.—Prices this week produce are:

Eggs—First, new white wood cases included, 20 1/2 a doz.

Butter—Creamery, extras, 25c a lb. firsts, 24c; seconds, 23c; packing stock, 21 1/2 c.

Live Poultry—Spring chickens, 2 to 3 lbs., 24c a lb.; broilers, 25c; No. 1 hens, 12 1/2 c; No. 2 hens, 8c; roosters, 7 1/2 c; turkey hens and young gobblers, 14c; old toms, 12 1/2 c; calls, 7c; ducks, 14c; geese, 9c; pigeons, 60c a doz. Dressed poultry sells for about 1 1/2 to 2 1/2 c a lb. above live stock quotations.

**Produce Prices New and One Year Ago.**

(Quotations on Best Stock.)

	Butter	Eggs	Hens
Chicago	1912 1911	1912 1911	1912 1911
Kan. City	28 24	24 18	13 12

**Wearing Apparel for Women.**

On page 2 of this paper Jones, Post & Co. show a very attractive advertisement illustrating the latest spring styles in wearing apparel. This great wholesale house guarantees to save their customers from 10 per cent to 50 per cent on their purchases and if any article is not exactly as represented, and is not perfectly satisfactory they will return the money, and pay transportation charges both ways on receipt of goods. This offer is exceedingly liberal and worthy of a trial. All women are interested in clothing—good clothing at moderate, money-saving prices, and when a large firm like Jones, Post & Co. guarantees to save each housewife from 10 per cent to 50 per cent it seems too good to be true. However, we know them to be a reputable and honest house, and we recommend to our subscribers that each woman interested in wearing apparel and children's clothing write Jones, Post & Co., 1430 West 9th St., Kansas City, Mo., a postal card asking for their special women's catalog which they are glad to send free of all charge on request.

**The Silo Has Come to Stay**

BY G. W. CONN.

Dept. Farmers' Institutes, Kansas Agricultural College.

Mr. Editor—The silo isn't new in the world. In truth it is quite old. But it is comparatively new to the farmers of Kansas. The silo is becoming very popular and its popularity is not local. It is found now in Kansas from Kansas

City to Coolidge. The farmers of extreme western Kansas see in the silo a refuge in the time of drouth. The farmer in western Kansas today who has a silo filled with Kafir is to be congratulated. The full silo with a few dairy cows, pigs and chickens is agriculture's best accident insurance. It means a living for the family and a steady income to meet interest payments. Silos seem to increase in number in

high the pasture has practically disappeared.

So, the silo has come to stay. It is an economical building. It saves space, time, money and worry. Well preserved silage makes good, cheap milk, pork, beef, mutton and eggs. The hen is one of the saving graces of farm life and she likes silage and expresses her appreciation in more eggs for the market basket. In limited quantities it is an excellent

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I have just consummated a most remarkable purchase whereby I secured at a ridiculously low figure 5,000 sets of beautiful Silver Narcissus Spoons made by the famous Oxford Silver Plate Company. Each spoon is extra heavy, full standard length, extra deep bowl and with beautifully embossed and engraved handles. I am going to give a set of these handsome spoons absolutely free, postage paid, to all who send just \$1.00 to pay for a year's subscription to my big farm weekly, The Farmers Mail and Breeze. Send your subscription order at once and secure a set of these beautiful and serviceable spoons. State whether you are new or old subscriber. Time will be extended one year if you are already paid in advance. Address Arthur Capper, Publisher Mail and Breeze, Topeka, Kan.

Trial trip until July 1, 1912 for 10 cents, Mail and Breeze, Topeka, Kan.

How can a man help feeling restless when even his bills are unsettled?

The Supplementary Poultry Number of Farmers Mail and Breeze—the second poultry number of the year—appears next week.

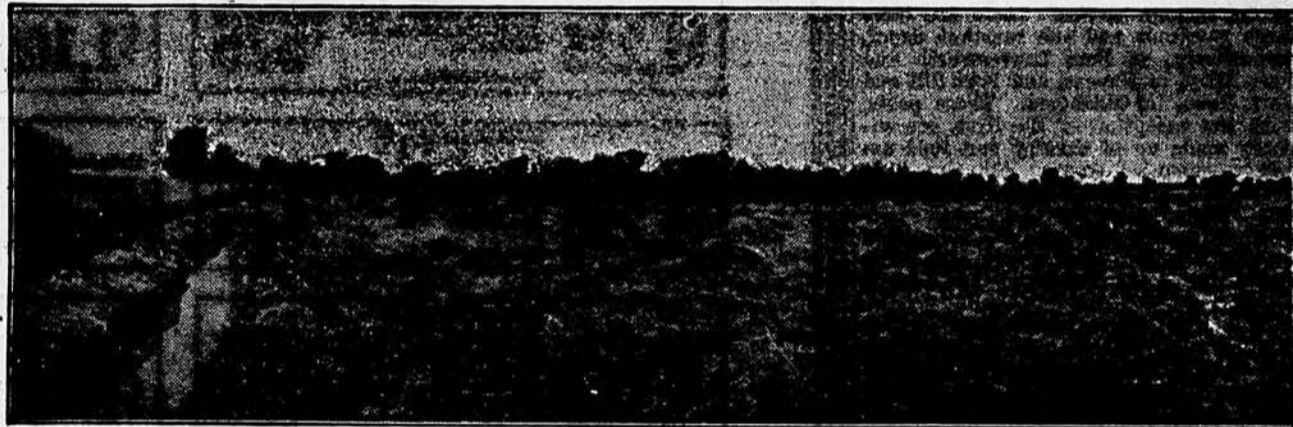
direct proportion with the increase in the price of land. There is a reason for this. Three acres of pasture are about the average in farming communities for one dairy cow. But 3 acres of land in an average year in eastern and central Kansas will return about 30 tons of corn silage. This is silage enough for 5 or 6 dairy cows for a year. The advantage of the silo in this case is apparent. In some older dairy countries when the price of land has become very

feed and tonic for horses. But a good dairy cow with 6 tons of silage and 2 tons of alfalfa in front of her for her year's menu is the greatest promise of permanent prosperity for most of the farmers of Kansas. Then, too, several hundred beef cattle feeders have proved the value of silage for putting on beef. A feeder in Dickinson county reports a gain of 4 pounds a day for 37 days on 100 steers with a ration of 20 pounds chop, 20 pounds silage, 5 pounds alfalfa.

**You Can Make Money Raising Apples at HIGHVIEW PARK**

COLORADO is the best apple state in the country. It grows the best apples and it grows them most profitably. Finished apple orchards in Colorado sell from \$1,000 to \$4,000 per acre. But there are great advantages in raising apples in the Denver District. You are near a great market. You have shipping and storage facilities. You can always get help quickly. The culled apples can always be sold in Denver for canning, for vinegar and for other purposes. This cannot be done from orchards far removed from a central market.

And Denver District apples are good apples. They took first prize at the Colorado State Fair in competition with the best the state could produce, and that means the best in the country. Orchards in the Denver District produced over \$500 per acre last year.



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**NEBRASKA.**

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New radishes and peas,  
Six kinds of lettuce, eight of corn—  
I want to try all these;  
Cucumbers slim, cucumbers fat,  
And limas short and tall,  
And melons, cabbage, beets and greens—  
I want to try them all.

Tomatoes, ten varieties,  
And onions white and red,  
Asparagus and celery—  
I want of each a bed,  
And turnips early, turnips late,  
Potatoes by the score,  
And squashes, my! Don't say a word,  
A dozen kinds or more.

I herewith thank the seedman kind  
For sending me his book.  
When all these things are coming on,  
How pretty they will look!  
And when the frost has left the ground,  
Amidst the robin's song,  
I'm going to plant my total plot—  
Twelve feet by twenty long!  
—Joe Cone.

**An Army Question Affecting Us**

**THE HAY AMENDMENT.**

The farmers of Kansas, Missouri and Oklahoma, as well as the people of the United States as a whole, may well be interested in the Hay amendment to the army appropriation bill. This bill already has passed the house. It cuts off five of the 15 regiments of cavalry, reducing the most effective and useful branch of Uncle Sam's small army by a third of its total strength.

Without cavalry an army of foot soldiers is as helpless as a blind man in a fight. It is the cavalry that keeps it informed of the enemy's movements. In case of an invasion cavalry would be needed to harass and delay the invaders while our volunteers were mobilizing. During the recent trouble with Mexico we did not have enough cavalry to police the little Mexican border. Even Mexico has more mounted men than we have. While it is true we are a peace-loving people, we know war has not as yet gone out of fashion among nations.

However, there are other reasons why the states of Missouri, Kansas and Oklahoma have a vital interest in the up-keep of the cavalry service. There are three large garrisons and one remount depot, respectively, at Fort Leavenworth and Fort Riley, in Kansas, and Fort Sill and Fort Reno, in Oklahoma. These posts, with the exception of the first, are entirely made up of cavalry and field artillery—mounted troops. So, also, is a portion of the Fort Leavenworth garrison. The supplies for these posts particularly grain and hay, are purchased in this vicinity. And nearly all of the horses for the entire army are bought in Missouri.

It is well known to military experts that it takes fully a year to train the raw recruit into a fairly good cavalry soldier. To make him an expert takes two years or more. He has to be taught how to ride and train his horse, how to shoot well with his rifle and revolver, and how to handle a saber expertly. In addition to this, he should be trained in the ordinary duties of a cavalryman, in scouting, patrolling, reconnoitering, etc.

Day by day we are getting to be less and less a nation of riders. The cowboy is practically a thing of the past and horsemen, such as our country boys were 20 or more years ago, are much fewer. The farmer's boy now goes to town in an automobile or buggy.

Furthermore, owing to this lack of riders, the breeding of horses suitable for cavalry is almost a thing of the past and in case of war it would be almost impossible to supply our needs. Missouri horsemen in appreciation of this fact recently organized an Army Remount association to take up this branch of the industry. Should the Hay amendment pass both branches of congress, it would take years to undo the mischief of its mistaken policy if nothing worse resulted.

**As to Rolling Potatoes.**

Mr. Editor—In some potato regions it is the practice of growers to run a plank or roller over the fields directly after planting. It is the idea that the pressure will imbed the seed piece in the moist earth below and so secure a quicker start and a better stand. The fields are usually very dry and lumpy on top at this time and there is great doubt if the plank ever does much good. The

roller undoubtedly has some effect, but more often than not, the soil is compacted and smoothed by the roller or the plank so that when heavy rains come a serious mechanical injury is done to the

condition of the ground. Many growers, even in districts where the practice is common, do not think it wise to plank or roll. It seems to me very doubtful if it is wise to use the extra time and

work. I would be glad to have friends of the practice write in its defense.  
C. L. Fitch.  
Colorado Experiment Station, Fort Collins.

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