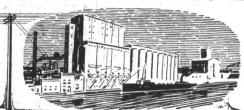
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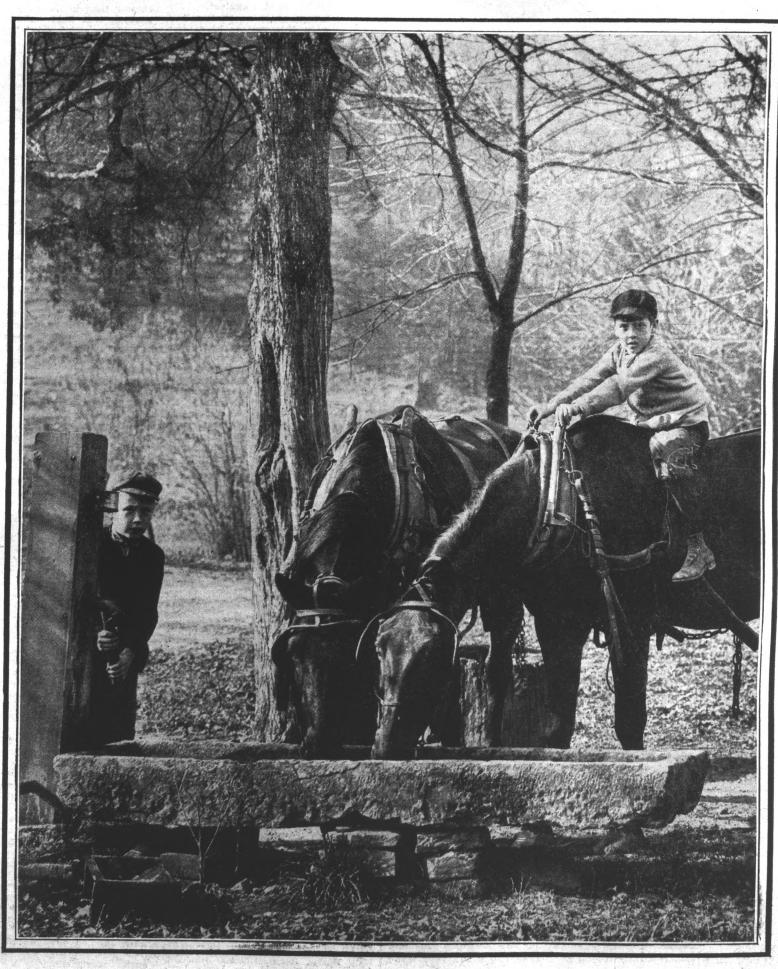
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VERY farmer in Michigan livin g north of Lansing knows that during ordinary winters the

snow prevents the use of his Ford during the months of December, January, February and March. He also knows that in the cities and in the southern counties cars are usually run for the full twelve months of the year. He also knows that for the privilege of using his car on the roads for eight or nine months he is paying the same license fee as is his more fortunately situated fellow citizen who uses his car on the roads for the full twelve months and he has been wondering why he is thus being discriminated against. asks no favors, seeks no charity, but feels that in this matter he is not getting a square deal. Lanky Sandy MacDonald of Houghton, in which territory the injustice is most noticeable, because in the upper peninsula frequently cars can be run in country districts but seven months in the year, introduced in the house, a bill providing that after April first, each year, licenses may be taken out for three-fourths of the yearly rate, and has been with real Scotch persistency pushing for it passage. This proposition has been advanced before but has been strenuously opposed by the State Highway Commissioner, who while admitting its justness has op-posed it on the ground that "the State needs the money" and when Sandy's bill was introduced and he began to talk to members for it, the active members of the "Thumbs Up" club and of the "Me Toos" began to explain with aggressive manifestations of owlish wisdom that while the principle was alright, that it would be very unwise at this time because the state needs the money.

But really does the state need the money so badly that it cannot afford to play fair with all classes of its citizens? We have a federal appropriation of 23 millions for Michigan. We shall provide for the sale of 10 millions of road bonds; we shall have 6 1-2 millions from auto and truck licenses (which may be very materially increased by pending legislation) and we have a half mill state road tax amounting to 2 1-2 millions beside all the county, township and covert road tax aggregating between 45 and 50 million dollars available for the year 1921 and in the face of these facts the "Wise Men of the East" in the ripeness of their experience and the profoundity of their wisdom solemnly announce that to take off \$2.56 from the Fords and a like proportion from the can't affords of up-state citizens blockaded by snow three to five months of the year, (less than one-third of the auto owners of the state) would seriously cripple the finances of the department resulting in its partial, if not permanent demoralization and probably result in the final destruction of the universe.

Well, Sandy finally got his bill out of the house committee and steered it through to final passage where it failed by two votes. Sandy had it reconsidered, laid on the table and it will be taken up again in a few days and it is to be hoped with better results. This is a matter of some importance to two-thirds or more of the farmers of the state the justice of which no one denies Will not some one call the attention of our Farm Bureau friends to it? And Mr. Reader, you might write a letter Representative about it. your (The county clerk will give you his name.) Tell him you are for Lanky Sandy MacDonald's auto license bill and he will know what you mean.

The vote on its passage in the

house was as follows:

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sen, Rauchholz, Read Town, Vine, Warner, —26. -26.
(EDITOR'S NOTE)—Senator Haker introduced a sundry bill in the Senate where, after one of the real battles of the session it was passed by 23 to 8, and that it is now in the House committee, where it is being sat upon by Chalmaa Chas. Evans, who thinks and says that 'the state needs the money."

THE INCOME TAX

THE PROPOSED Income Tax res l olution has up to date failed to pass the house and should it get by there, is apparently in for a stormy time in the senate. A public hearing was held before the house committee which was largely attended by representatives of mining, manufacturing and other interests which might be more or less affected, if such a tax were imposed, two or three representatives of farm organizations, and a number of the tax commission and a considerable number of individuals interested from a personal standpoint either for against the proposition.

The arguments pro and con held the very close attention of present and all manifested deep interest in the subject. The repre-sentatives of farm organizations made the tactical blunder of advo-cating the measure as one which in its operation would work to relieve the farmers of part of his tax burden and place it on the other interests represented thereby opening the door to the charge that class advantage was sought by the adherents of the proposed amendment, which was quickly seized upon by its opponents whose talented, resourceful and high salaried representatives rang all the charges on this charge, painting realistic word pictures of misguided masses striving blindly to undermine the state's industrial fabric, succeeding in which, it must follow that they like Samson, must perish in the resulting crash. In the forefront of these beautiful pictures were portrayed the working man and his family, the widows and orphans and the aged and infirm all destined to become the victims of this unreasoning agrarian horde seeking class exemption from the burdens of government. So realistic were the pictures. so convincing the argument, so malevolent the purpose that from the detached, impressionable spectator involuntarily came the expression, "Perish the thought."

But the hearing did not close at this point. Along comes Orlando F. Barnes, president of the commission and took up the cudgels for the amendment and as he proceeded with the discussion it became apparent that he knew what he was talking about and that his viewpoint was not anti this or anti that but simply pro public. He discussed the method of its application, cited the experience of New York, Wisconsin and other states levying such a tax, and finally made the clinching argument that within the industrial area of the state was being held today three thousand millions; three billions (\$3,000,000,000) dollars in the form of intangible property consisting of tax exempt bonds and securities and other securities stealthily secreted which is now almost if not entirely escaping taxation for state purposes, and that the income tax presents the only means by which it may be reached. It is manifest that those law exempted cannot be placed on the supervisors roll and that the others may conveniently be forgotten or denied in the excitement attendant upon the local assessor's visit. While the principal of such investments may be exempt from taxation in pursuance of a sound public policy, it is obvious that the income from such investments is a legitimate source of public revenue. That the imposition of such a tax would bring

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April 16 Closing Date for Beet Contracts

Beet Growers' Ass'n Makes Final Round-up in Campaign for Acreage Contracts

A PRIL 16 is the last day for Michigan on which Michigan sugar beet growers may sign the contract drawn up by the Michigan Sugar Beet Growers' Association in behalf of the 12,000 growers of the state, says the association in announcing the close of its campaign on that date. The 113 locals are reported by C. E. Ackerman of Durand, general manager of the association, to signing the association contract in preference to all others, but the acreage is generally lower than that of other years.

Conservatism is quite general among beet growers, continues Mr. Ackerman, stating that locals are reporting 200 to 1,000 acres as their totals, which is much lower than the total for 1920. Many growers declare that they will not grow beets this year, and others are taking the conservative course indicated by the foregoing figures.

The contract drawn up by the sugar beet association is based upon the Utah-Idaho farm bureau sugar beet growers' agreement with their manufacturers, which will add \$2,000,000 to the crop return of the growers in those states. The contract provides for \$6.45 a ton for beets on the basis of five cent sugar, wholesale, and adds \$1.29 to the price per ton of beets for each one cent increase in the wholesale price of sugar. The contract makes the association the sole representative of the grower before the manufacturer.

The normal acreage of sugar beets in Michigan is 175,000 acres, says the farm bureau, which provides about 1,000,000 tons of beets for the 17 sugar factories of the state. The

Sign the Association Contract

HE BEET growers of nearly every western state have succeeded in convincing the manufacturers that they ought to have something to say about their contract, and as a result of conferences between the two, contracts have been adopted for the 1921 season. But because the Michigan manufacturers have a pre-conceived, and fairly well-founded notion, that Michigan beet growers will not stick together they are marking time expecting that at the final moment there will be a rush for contracts as there was last year. Why farmers are so blind that they cannot see this is beyond conception. The campaign conducted by the Beet Growers' Association and the Farm Bureau to secure signers to the Association contract has proceeded favorably and is expected to culminate April 16th. All those who have not signed the contract are urged to do so by that date so that negotiations may be immediately undertaken with the manufacturers.—Editor.

normal value of the crop is about \$11,000,000. The following announcement was sent out last week by Manager C. E. Ackerman:

To all Sugar-Beet and Farm Bureau Locals:

"On account of the season for planting crops drawing near we have decided to make April 16th the time limit for gathering our sugar beet contracts. According to reports sent in to date locals have signed on our contracts from 150 to 1,000 acres each. Many report growers are slow in signing up although they say they want to raise beets, but will not on the contracts now being solicited by the manufacturers. It will be seen that these are the men that are blocking the game. We will not be able to do much in our

campaign of signing up our acreage on our contracts if the growers hold off in signing them. The manufacturers well know that the man that is not decided in the contract he wants and will grow on, will as a last resort tumble to them when the time comes to plant beets. Call your growers together and make it plain to them that if the grower expects to get a contract as good as ours he will have to sign it so we can negotiate it, otherwise the manufacturers will beat us again and do it hard this time. There is nothing binding about these contracts until they are accepted by the manufacturers and in turn by the grower, the same as any other beet contract which they may sign.

"We want to get enough acres signed up so that we can go to all the seventeen manufacturers in the state and offer them all the acres they will require to run their plants for the season of 1921. Of course we will take care of any one or several of the manufacturers that will accept our contracts.

"Make a special effort to get all the growers that expect to sign our contracts to do so within the next week and see that they all are sent to us at our office at Durand, Michigan.

"There will be no "strike" called this year. Each and every grower will decide himself what contract he wants to grow on this year. We will negotiate any and all contracts turned over to us. Under this plan every grower can if he will join our Association as his individual rights are in no way hampered and this Association can get the grower what he wants if it can be had by organization, and we will not be acting alone and at a disadvantage on that account.

"Please see that all our contracts are sent to us by April 16th, or as soon thereafter as possible. Also let us be able to guarantee the manufacturers 175,000 acres which will run their factories. Let's all pull together for the next two weeks and then LET US STICK TOGETHER."—Michigan Sugar Beet Growers' Association, By C. E. Ackerman, Manager.

Milk Prices for Detroit Area Continue Far Below Average

THE BUREAU of Markets report on the fluid milk market for the month of March reveals the fact that out of 94 cities reporting only 14 showed as low a price paid to the farmers as is paid in the Detroit area. These include four cities in Wisconsin, the premier dairy state of the union. During the month of March the Detroit distributors paid farmers \$2.51 per cwt., for 3.5 milk. During the same period New England farmers supplying the cities of Boston, Springfield, Hartford and New Haven received from \$3.72 to \$4.22 for 3.5 milk, and farmers supplying such western cities as San Francisco, Los Angeles, Duluth, St. Paul, Seattle, Portland, Ore., received at the lowest \$2.80 and at the highest \$3.50.

Grand Rapids, (Mich.) producers received \$2.58 and Battle Creek producers, \$3.35. The latter price did not, however, apply to surplus milk. The retail prices in Detroit, Grand Rapids and Battle Creek were identical for the month, viz., 13 cents per quart.

Retail Prices Vary

Comparison of buying and selling prices in the various cities shows wide differences. The Detroit selling price for the month was 125 per cent higher than the purchasing price; Fort Wayne's, 108 pet.; Duluth, 122 pet.; Rochester, N. Y., 110 pet.; Cincinnati, 89 pet.; Chicago, 126 pet.; Pittsburg, 100 pet. With the exception of a few cities in the extreme southern states where people are in the habit of paying high prices for milk, few cities report as high a spread between the price paid to the farmer and the price charged the consumer as exists in Detroit. In the city of Milwaukee the retail price of milk for March

was 10 cents. The price to the farmer was \$2.30 per cwt., or 5 cents per quart. Compare

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CANNED MEATS
Buy it by the Carload-Freight prepaid.

The above advertisement was recently published in a large number of grocery trade papers, and other advertisements of the same nature have appeared in daily papers. It is evident that the government still has an enormous quantity of food products on hand which it is making desperate efforts to sell,—at a tremendous loss. Note the ridiculously low prices at which these goods are offered,—to the jobbing and retail trade,—but NOT to the consumer.

this with the Detroit price which was about 5.4 cents to the farmer and 14 cents to the consumer.

The average price to the producer during the month of March in all states excluding the far southern states where milk prices are very high, was \$3 per cwt., and the average retail price was 13.7 cents.

Just how soon the dairy industry will recover from its present stagnancy no one will presume to say. The surplus question which has bothered most dairy sections for some months past promises to become more acute during the next two or three months. This means still lower prices on all kinds of dairy products.

Much has been said of the menace to the domestic dairy industry by the importation of dairy products from the Netherlands. It is true that Dutch exports of butter to this country have been largely increased, but the adoption of the emergency tariff bill will likely help to reduce these. A much greater danger to the dairy industry, in our judgment, is the increasing consumption of butter substitutes which cannot be excluded from the family table by a tariff wall or other legislative means and must be combatted by education and boycott. Unless more effective steps are taken to discourage the use of grease and nut "butters," they will continue to crowd legitimate dairy butter off the market. It does not seem as if the dairy organizations are doing anywhere near what they could to cope with the difficulties facing the industry, at this time.

Behind the Scenes Where They Make the Movies

How the "Make Believe" of the Movie Stage is Transformed Into the "Real Thing" on the Screen

A SHORT PERIOD of only fifteen years ago, and the motion picture industry was not! Not one of our American cities at that time owned a moving picture theatre! Today, every neighborhood maintains and supports at least one movie and some of them support three and four of these incandescent palaces within a radius of a few city blocks!

In the year 1908 the motion picture industry was but an "idea" born in the minds of a few, whose sanguine faith in the kodak equalled the rapid strides with which this industry or profession (call it what you may) has startlingly entertained the entire world!

In 1909 this idea began to unfold and gradually shape itself into an actuality, an industry, profession, art, (again you may eall it what you will,) until today this industry or profession ranks in American productiveness next to that of the automobile.

Fabulous fortunes have been created by the motion picture industry, and, fabulous fortunes have been lost!

If it is true that the world needs to be entertained, and from the vast sums thus expended this must be true, certainly the automobile and the motion picture industries are allied industries in this regard! That is

to say, in the matter of ways and means attained for the world's entertainment.

A marvelous tale is that of the motion picture industry! As marvelous as that of the automobile.

In the beginning, for there is always a "beginning" no matter how great the end, the success of the motion picture industry depended absolutely upon the ability to get, not actors, neither stories nor "location," for these were there for the asking, but the entire motion picture industry in the beginning, depended upon the ability to get a camera; A camera that could be turned with a crank!

There were numerous cameras upon the market, but a camera that could be turned with a crank was a necessary and a fundamental requirement for the motion picture business! The Eastman

Kodak Company believed that they held the patent right upon the idea of a motion picture camera! Before a motion picture company, therefore, could be organized or considered even, a camera had to be obtained! By the very fact of its success, a camera was obtained, and retained, although very often, in the beginning, by so-called "dark" methods! There was a blanket warrant of seizure out for every motion picture camera that was found; for the Eastman Kodak Company at that time were endeavoring to force their rights to a motion picture camera.

A camera expert would make a camera, and a company about to organize would hear of it. The man with the camera was taken into the company at once, for no other reason perhaps, than that he could and would make a camera that could be turned with a crank, for as has been inferred, upon such a camera depended the entire future of the motion picture company. Whole fortunes turned upon the ability to secure such a camera!

There was, of course, always the jeopardy of a lawsuit and the confiscation of the precious instrument by the authorities of the law! Until the camera matter therefore, was settled, cameras in the early days of the beginning of this immense industry, were always concealed!

Back in 1909, before the camera question was settled, when a company went out upon what is called in moving picture parlance "location," scouts were detailed around the site of the location of the work of taking pictures, so that when an officer of the law came

By EMMA MATT RUSH

within "seizing" distance of the precious instrument, the signal for retreat was given and the camera concealed!

At least one famous director, whose name today is a household word, in the early days, was known to carry his camera to location hidden within the depths of an old clothes basket filled with vegetables! Cabbages, lettuce and cauliflower concealed his precious camera, and only upon reaching location, and his faithful scouts scattered far and near to sound the alarm of an approaching officer of the law, was the camera uncovered! At the end of the day's work, the instrument was again concealed beneath its garden truck guardsmen.

California was brought into the limelight as a motion picture center because of the fact that in the early days all scenes had to be taken by sunlight and motion picture statistics show that California enjoys about 340 "shooting" days per year!

Michigan sportsmen, do not misinterpret the phrase "shooting days!" Every day is a "shooting day" in the motion picture game.

A picture in the early days of the industry

A View of One of the Open Air Canvas Top Stages in Hollywood

could only be "shot," or taken, in the sunlight, hence the popularity of California as a center of motion picture activities.

Eastern studios in the early days, had of course, to be open-air studios, and as there were not as many open or sunlighted days in the East as experienced in California's unique climate, the work in the East consequently suffered.

In time, however, and with the evolution of the modern lighting system of the motion picture studios, the difficulty of cloudy days has not only been overcome, but entirely eliminated, and it is now possible to work all night long if necessary.

This modern lighting system has made possible the large motion picture studios now located in the East. Many of the modern motion picture stages erected upon the West coast, for that matter, are constructed entirely within concrete enclosures and in total darkness, artificial light being resorted to. For, even in California, where there are 340 working or sun-lighted days, there still remain 25 days at least during which time actors and stage hands are receiving tremendous salaries, and the work necessarily suspended because of a short rainy season, or high winds from the ocean!

Thus the modern artificial lighting system of the motion picture industry, is now recognized as being more reliable even than the solar system! Of course there still remain certain scenes that must absolutely be taken in the sunlight and out of doors, in order to

get the effect of "realism" so necessary in a picture.

Upon the modern stage of the motion picture studios however, and within the total darkness of these concrete enclosures, the task of constructing mountains and tunnels, coal mines and shafts, and subterranean passages, is successfully carried on by the motion picture carpenter and platic artist! Lumber, cement and paint, within these indoor stages, in the hands of these skilled workmen and artists, do the work of nature, and the modern lighting system, for the correct lighting effects of the scenes, does the rest! That is to say, an atmosphere of storm, rain, thunder, lightning and sunlight, is accomplished by artificial light and water, as the occasion may require! And then the camera!

At the immense indoor studios of the fifteen acre "lot" of the Fox Film Corporation in Hollywood, we saw the carpenters making one of the famous tunnels of the Alps. Friendly pine trees cut down in the forests of the Sierra Madre mountains not far distant, were carried thither, and these completed the effect of "realism" of the entire scene.

Again, we saw the men constructing a coal mine out of lumber and cement, and a tank of

water placed upon a high derrick within the concrete enclosed stage, was to supply the water for the deluge as the mine caved in as the story progressed. Coal and coal dust were carried in from a nearby smelter, and the entire "set" had every vestige of realism.

REALISM! That is the thing they are all after, these motion picture producers. For every picture must be absolutely true to the life it depicts.

Previous to the development of the lighting system, above referred to, when the work of "shooting" a picture had necessarily to be done in the sunlight of nature, canvas-top, open-air stages were used. Then came an evolution in the stage system of the movies and the glass enclosed stage, with walls and ceiling of solid glass, came in vogue. Next in the evolution of the motion picture stage, and with the evolution of the sys-

tem of artificial light, came the concrete-enclosed structures already referred to.

Just a word as to length of reels, or pictures. And this may be regarded as the commercial end of the business, for after the sets have been erected, the actors and directors salaries agreed upon, the actual length of a picture decides its cost!

The length of one finished reel, that is to say, finished as the public views it, usually averages 1,000 feet of film. The average usual program picture that is not a special ordinarily runs from 4,500 to 5,000 feet of film. Specials, as a rule, run longer, say somewhere between 5,000 and 10,000 feet! We are speaking now of the finished picture as it is placed upon the silver sheet, but let it be remembered, in order to get this length of finished product, it is sometimes necessary to take or 'shoot' upon an average of from 350,000 to 500,000 feet of film pictures. This is cut down, assorted, assembled, some of it eliminated and discarded, often many scenes must be taken all over again, and these are again cut down, assorted and reassembled before the program picture is ready for the public!

The latest Fox special, "The Connecticut Yankee," recently released, runs less than 8,000 feet. But, in order to get these 8,000 feet of finished picture, it was necessary to "shoot" somewhere in the neighborhood of 300,000 feet of scenes and films in the raw!

When it is considered that each scene is shot from two to three times, some idea may be gleaned as to the (Continued on page 17)

Low Prices Demand Great Efficiency on Farms

Cost of Production Must be Cheapened if Farmer is to Survive Present Low Price Levels

HE GENERAL thought in the minds of I most farmers when they talk of organization seems to be of marketing. When farmers are organized properly they expect to secure higher prices, based perhaps on the cost of production, as the dairy and milk producers' organizations are striving to do.

That is true enough, and rightly so, but there is another side to the proposition that is not always so readily appreciated. When the farmers, thru organized effort, have the consumer where he must pay them a profitable price for their produce, Mr. Consumer will have a perfect right to come back with a demand that the farmers must produce their products as efficiently and cheaply as possible if he is to pay for their cost plus a profit.

The consumer may say to the dairyman: "Are you using a purebred sire that will grade up your herd with better cows that can produce my milk more cheaply? Are all your cows profitable producers or am I paying you to keep some 'boarders?' Am I to pay the profits of the small dairymen whose expense schedule will show double the housing and larger labor cost per cow compared with herds?"

To the crop producer the consumer may rightly say:

"Is your farm large enough to use your machinery, horses, and labor most efficiently? Can you show me just what it cost you to raise

those potatoes or apples per bushel?"

These are some of the matters to which farmers' organizations should give attention. No dairyman should talk much about milk prices who is not keeping careful track of his herd, either by his own reckoning or, better yet, thru the services of a cow test association. No farmer should talk about organizing to maintain prices who is not willing to organize

By E. L. IGELOW

Watch Your Costs

HEN COMPETITION or business depression forces down his prices the shrewd manufacturer scans his cost sheets to see if he can reduce his costs of production. If he can he remains in business. If he can't, he fails. Declining prices on farm products will bring many farmers to the verge of bankruptcy—unless they can cut their production costs. Some of them will not be able to see how this can be done, but it is a subject worthy of careful study. Greater efficiency, lower farm wages, increased yield per acre and rigid economy in production, added to increased efficiency and economy in marketing, will do the bus-Mr. Bigelow gives us some valuable thoughts on the subject in the accompanying article.—Editor.

for more economical and efficient production. Few farmers are fitted by training or inclination individually to pursue the modern methods of cost accounting and profit reckoning in all branches of their diversified business.

The simplest way out of the difficulty is to organize and secure the services of one who has been trained to aid them in those partic-

Richard A. Pattee, the redoubtable leader of the New England Milk Producers' Ass'n, had stated from the platform that one of the greatest obstacles he and his associates have to contend with in fixing prices with the Boston milk distributors is the lack of data by which they can prove the costs of production. It is to the farmers' interest to find out those things by getting together and securing the services of men who are trained to find out.

Has your county a farm bureau and a

county agent? If it is a dairy center, are there cow test associations to cover most of the herds? Are there bull associations whereby the smaller farmers can secure the services of a better bull than they could afford to own alone? Is there a purebred livestock association to further the interest in better cattle?

Our government experts are forced to admit that the average farmer the country over makes but a dollar a day. Careful investigations of hundreds of farms in New York point to the fact that the farmer operating less than 100 acres stands a slim chance of making more than hired man's wages, while the census figures show that more than half the farms of the country fall within that class.

Federal investigation of 185 farms in Ohio, Wisconsin and Indiana covering a period of seven years, show that on those farms few farmers made large profits, a considerable number made a bare living, and most of them received a labor income of less than \$500 a year. Surveys in New Hampshire, Vermont and New York have shown that probably the majority of dairymen operate their farms at

Now, while this may read rather discouragingly, remember every cloud has its silver lining. In this case the lining is found in the fact that in every group surveyed the country over there will be found a few farmers who are making a good profit which leads the investigators to the conclusion that for the right man with the right methods there is opportunity for a good living with a good profit on the farms of our good old U.S.A.

For the majority of our farmers this means get together in organization for economical and efficient production. Every dollar put into it will come back thickly padded with interest. Try it and see.

Happy is He Who Wants Much Compared to Him Who Wants Nothing

HAVE been reading the story of Cecil Rhodes. His life was full of adventure; it makes excellent reading.

But the passage that interested me most

Riding to the Matoppos one day at the usual four miles an hour, Rhodes had not said a word for two hours, when he suddenly remarked: "Well, le Sueur, there is one thing I hope for you, and that is that while still a young man you may never have everything

"Take myself, for instance: I am not an old man and yet there is nothing I want. I have heen Prime Minister of the Cape, there is De Beers (the diamond mines that Rhodes controlled) and the railways, and there is a big country called after me, and I have more money than I can spend. You might ask, 'Would you not like to be Prime Minister again?' Well, I answer you very fairly—I should take it if it were offered to me, but I certainly don't crave for it."

At twenty-five he was so rich that he did not want for any of the things that money can buy; at thirty-five he did not want anything at all; at forty-nine he died.

I hope I may never be guilty of writing anything intended to make poor people contented with their lot.

I would rather be known as one who sought to inspire his readers with a divine discon-

To make men and women discontented with bad health, and to show them how, by hard work, they can have better health.

To make them discontented with their intelligence and to stimulate them to continued study.

To urge them on to better jobs, better homes and more money in the bank.

But it does no harm, in our striving after these worth-while things, to pause once in a while and count your blessings.

Prominent among my blessings I count the

joys of anticipation—the delights of erecting castles in Spain.

"There would be few enterprises of great labor or hazard undertaken," says Dr. John-

"Musings of a Plain Farmer"

HIS IS the farmor, all tattered and torn, who milked the cow with the crumpled horn, and who writes the "Musings of a Plain Farmer" which ap-pears every week in the Business Farmer. Of course, he doesn't look very tattered or torn but you must remember that he was having his picture taken. He doesn't



wear these clothes when he takes care of the stock or sorts the potatoes or when, his wife feeds the calf. He's quite modest,
—being nothing but a "plain farmer," as his picture shows, but he has finally consented to let us reveal his identity. His name is Arthur P. Ballard. His farm is near Ubly, Huron County. He is 38 years old, was born at Davisburg where his parents still live. Farmers always of genuine American stock. He says that he has many "ups and downs," but "manages to keep a firm belief in God, the Constitution of the United States, Republican party, and organization among farmers." He reads the M. B. F., "and likes it," also the Detroit Journal, the Michigan Farmer, County Gentleman, the Bible "a little, and Shakespeare and Burns a lot." A little Scotch, eh?

M. B. F. folks tell us they like Mr. Ballard's "musings," because he talks about the little homely tasks that every farmer has to do, and expresses many of the thoughts which nearly every farmer thinks. Again, we say, blessed be the power to think while we are performing the routine duties of life. Otherwise, work would be nothing but drudgery and life a weary existence at best.-Editor.

son, "if we did not have the power of magnifying the advantages which we pursuade ourselves to expect from them.'

Blessed gift of the gods! How largely are they to be pitied who have it not.

Aladdin did not have it. Nero did not have it. Anything he wanted he could have at the instant when he wanted it. And, far from finding joy in life, he found insanity and the detestation of mankind.

If you would discover the really happy man of history, look for those who have striven forward from one achievement to another, drawn by the power of their own anticipa-

They have made every day yield a double pleasure—the joy of the present and the different but no less satisfying joys provided by a wise imagination.

I believe in day-dreams. I am strong for Castles in Spain. I have a whole group of them myself, and am constantly building improvements and making alterations.

For twenty years I have not known what it was to be out of debt. Debt has been greatest incentive in my life, because it has spurred me on to increased endeavor not to disappoint the friends who have trusted me and the men who have believed in me.

I trust that before I am ready to stop I have considerably more money now have.

But I trust also that I may never have too much money. I should not, for instance, like to have as much as Mr. Rockefeller.

Indeed, I feel an almost snobbish sense of superiority when I think of Mr. Rockefeller. and Cecil Rhodes and Croesus and all others of that ilk.

For I have everything they have—a roof over my head, two meals a day, work that I like and the love of good friends.

And I have something else they do not have and can not know.

I have wants.—Michigan Tradesman.

Consumer Fails to Get Benefit of Falling Prices

Official Figures Show Farm Products Back to Pre-War Level but Food Prices Still High

STATISTICS gathered by the Department of Labor show that the consumer has received very little benefit from the drastic declines in farm products during the past several months. In December, 1920, preliminary figures showed the prices of farm products had returned to within 44 per cent of the prewar level. Final figures would doubtless show that the decline was even greater. In the same month retail food prices were still 72 per cent above pre-war level. Figures for February are even more startling. By the last of this month prices of farm products were on an even keel with pre-war prices, but food prices were still in the neighborhood of 60 per cent above. The accompanying table shows what the farmer received for his products and the consumer paid for his food in the month of December, 1920. A comparison of prices today would show an even greater spread.

During the year 1920 farm products, with one or two inconsequential exceptions, steadily declined in prices, but during the same period only twenty-eight articles of food out of forty-one declined in price, while the other thirteen showed an increase. The average decrease during the year to the consumer was only ten per cent on the following articles of food: Sirloin steak, round steak, rib roast, chuck roast, plate beef, pork chops, bacon,

ham, lard, hens, flou r, corn meal, eggs, butter, milk, potatoes, bread, sugar, cheese, rice, coffee and tea.

Food Increases Least in Price

Figures secured by the Department of Labor on the comparative increases in the

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| Commodity | 15 1919 | Dec. 15 1920 | 15 1919 | Dec. 15 | Per Cent Decrease er, Dec. 1 pared with | Increase orease (- |
| | Cts. | Cts. | Cts. | Cts. | | |
| BEANS (pound) | 6.5 | 8.25 | 12.2 | 9.4 | -50 | 23 |
| POTATOES (Bushel) | 150 | 75 | 258 | 192 | -50 | -26 |
| EGGS (Dozen) | 77 | 74 | 90.1 | 92.4 | - 4 | 3* |
| BUTTER (pound) | 66 | 43 | 78 | 62 | -35 | -21 |
| HENS (pound) | 25 | 25 | 39.1 | 40.2 | 0 | 3* |
| CATTLE (lb., live wt.) Sirloin steak, Round steak, Rib roast, lb. | 9,8 | 7 | 39.1 35.9 30.3 | 43.5 35.7 30.1 | 20 | |
| HOGS (lb., live wt.) Pork chops, lb. Bacon, lb. Ham, lb. | 10 | 6 | 38.1 50.3 49.9 | 33 47.4 49.9 | -30 | —13 — 6 |
| WHEAT (bushel) Flour, lb. Bread, lb. | 225 | 180 | 7.7 10.2 | 6.6 | -20 | —16 6* |
| (bushel) Corn meal, lb. | 140 | 60 | 6.6 | 5.5 | 56.5 | 17 |
| OATS (bushel) Rolled oats, lb. | 70 | 45 | 9.2 | | -36 | 18* |

prices of certain commodities also show that food prices advanced the least of all. The percentage of increase in food prices from December, 1914, to December, 1920, in the city of Detroit, was only 75.6. During the same period of time clothing advanced 176.1 per cent; rent, 108.1 per cent. Fuel and light, 104.5 per cent; furniture and furnishings, 184 per cent; and miscellaneous items, 144 per cent. In other cities the percentages varied but little. These facts should silence those who have claimed that the farmer is responsible for the "high cost of living."

The normal spread between what the farmer receives and the consumer pays is large enough as it is, but when this spread is increased by about sixty per cent, the injustice of the situation becomes greatly magnified. At the present time a proper system of distribution could be made to yield the farmer at least thirty per cent more for his products and cost the consumer at least thirty per cent less. But in the absence of such a system the consumer continues to complain of the high cost of living and the farmer trembles dangerously close to bankruptcy as a result of unprofitable prices. Farm products are still going down, and where the end will be nobody knows. It is likely that retail food prices will also slump further, but they'll have to speed up considerably if they ever ov-

ertake the prices on farm stuff. And we predict that should farm products stiffen retail food prioes would instantly follow suit and remain fixed at an artificially level. That is usually what happens during a season of fluctuating prices.



ITS A STEEP BOAD FROM FARM TO CITY TABLE

MEAT MARKET

-Stinson in the Dayton News.

American Meat Exports Decline Fifty-One Per Cent. During 1920

Production Drops in All Classes but Veal and Consumption Shows Falling Off

HERE WAS less meat produced, less ex-■ ported, and less consumed in the United States last year (1920), than in either of the two previous years, although the consumption in 1919 and 1920 varied but little, the great change being in the exports. These and other facts were brought out in a series of tables recently compiled by the Bureau of Animal Industry, showing the annual status of the meat situation for the calendar years 1907 to 1920, inclusive. The data for each year include: (1) The total slaughter which is divided into federally inspected and nonfederally inspected, (2) The exports and imports, and (3) the consumption, total and per capita, of each kind of meat and of all meats combined. The same information is given for lard separately from pork. Some of the salient points indicated by the tables are as follows:

Beef Declines Since War

Beef growers made their supreme war effort in 1918 and during that year sent to market 15,750,400 animals which yielded slightly over $7\frac{1}{2}$ billion pounds of dressed beef. This number has never been approached before or since. In two years the cattle slaughterings have fallen to 12,176,400 with an accompanying decline of $1\frac{1}{2}$ billion pounds in beef production.

The exports of beef products fell from 728,000,000 pounds in 1918 to 164,000,000 pounds in 1920. This was to be expected, as the United States for several years before the world war was not a beef-exporting country. South America and Australia are now the

great sources of cheap beef and mutton and naturally will dominate the export trade in these commodities.

Ten years ago the consumption of beef per head of the population in the United States is shown to have been 78 pounds, last year it was not quite 56 1-2 pounds; beef consumption in the American household has undergone a great change during this time, especially in reducing waste, and doubtless a considerable part of the difference between these amounts formerly found its way into the garbage can.

Veal Gains In Favor

Perhaps the most outstanding feature of the domestic meat situation in recent years has been the increase in the production and consumption of veal. The demand for calf products has caused a steady increase each year for the last six years, and calves marketed in 1920 more than doubled the number in 1914 and 1915. True, the consumption of veal in 1920 was little more than one-seventh that of beef and one-ninth that of pork, yet the fact remains that it is the only class of domestic meat that has made a consistent annual gain in recent years.

New Zealand Lamb a Factor

The table showing sheep and lamb slaughter is marked by considerable irregularity. The slaughter was greatest from 1911 to 1914, after which it declined for three years, then increased for two years, and in 1920 again declined

Exports and imports of mutton and lamb

have been almost negligible until last year, when New Zealand frozen lamb carcasses were imported in large quantities, making an epoch in the trade. The total weight imported during the year was 101,000,000 pounds, nearly one-fifth of the total domestic production of both mutton and lamb. It is not to be assumed, however, that this is the beginning of a permanent trade of such magnitude. The importations, in a sense, were merely an incident due to the war.

The New Zealand product, as well as that from other sources, normally is absorbed by the English market, but the unusual conditions following the war caused the British last year to be overstocked, and the meat found an outlet in this country. This quantity of lamb, it may be remarked, is of somewhat less significance on the other side than it is here, since according to figures previously published, the average Briton consumes relatively about seven times as much mutton and lamb as the average American, while the average for France is nearly four times as much.

Consumption of lamb and mutton in the United States is only about six pounds per person per annum and is very small compared to beef and pork. It is smaller even than veal, of which about eight pounds per person is con-

Pork Exports Slump

Pork production in 1920 fell considerably below the high record made in 1919 when marketings were unusually large, owing to the high prices prevailing (Continued on page 19)



rmers Service Bureau



TREES AND BUSHES

When is the best time to prune trees? Also, when should blackberry bushes be transplanted? How does one go about it to graft a red rambler rose bush?—Mrs. M. L., Williamston, Mich.

Early spring, just before the sap starts to flow is the best time to prune trees although they may be pruned at any time during their dormant period in the winter and early spring.

Blackberry bushes should be transplanted in early spring as soon as the soil dries out sufficiently to handle. In transplanting these bushes, preserve as large a proportion of root system as possible and in the case of transferring them from a spot in the garden to another, it is well to move them with as large a bunch of soil about the roots as can be retained, thus disturbing the root system as little as possible. Roots of all plants should be kept moist and free from exposure to the sun or wind during the operation of transplanting.

Plant the bushes at the same depth as they stood before, firmly packing good top soil around the roots and leaving a little loose soil on the surface. Do not place manure under the roots or immediately in contact with them.

In regard to the grafting of a red ramble rose bush, where the top had died and the stock below the graft had survived. I would say that this may be done in early spring by selecting a shoot about the thickness of a lead pencil, making a longitudinal slit just through the bark about one inch long and across the top of this make a horizontal cut through the bark about one-half inch long thus forming an incision like a capital letter "T." From a Ramble From a Rambler rose bush, cut a bud with a strip of bark extending about one-half inch above the base of the bud and the same distance below. This piece of bark at the base of the bud should be about 1-4 inch wide and if any wood is removed in cutting the bark, it may be readily slipped out before inserting it in the stock. Slip this bark into the incision on the stock with the bud penetrating thru the longitudinal cut, and the inner bark of the bud coming in contact with the wood of the stock. After firmly pressing the bark on the bud against the wood of the stock, the with soft string or rather to hold it firmly for 10 days or two weeks when it will have set and the string can be loosened to prevent girdling. This budding should be done before growth begins. The other shoots of the stock must be cut away and after the bud starts to grow, the stock which is above the bud can be pruned off.—C. P. Halligan, Head Dept. of Horticulture, M. A. C.

CLOSING NATURAL WATERWAY

I purchased a piece of land some time ago. The Grand Trunk R. R. had the old water course shut off from its natural course. When there was only ene track there was a cutvert under it and an open ditch on the other side, which is on another man's property. The R. R. put in a water pipe in place of the culvert when they laid another track, but the ditch on the other side is filled up so the water can't run off my place. Whose place is it to clean the ditch, his or mine? Have I a right to clean it?—G. H. S., Penfield, Michigan. Have I a right t Penfield, Michigan.

If it is a public ditch you may file a petition for cleaning out but if it is just a natural water course neither you or any one else would have a right to go upon his premises to clean out the ditch. You could not compel him to clean it out for your benefit. He could give you permission to clean it out .- W. E. Brown, legal editor.

FISHERS' AND HUNTERS' RIGHTS

What legal rights has fishermen and hunters along the banks of a river run-ning through a farm, and what is their limitations?—Reader, Alma, Mich.

In a case decided by the supreme court some years ago they said: "The plaintiff claims the exclusive right of

hunting within the territory covered by his patent from the state. He founds his right upon his proprietary interests in the soil under the wa-He does not deny so long as ter. the premises remain in their present condition that the public have a right of navigation over his land, but he claims such right is a mere easement and extends simply to a right of passage over his lands in such vessels as are capable of navigating the water over the same. He insists upon the exclusive right to hunt and to capture all wild game while on his own premises, and that this right of capture is as much a right of property as the right to make any other use of his own premises." The supreme court in that case said: "As owner of the fee of the soil under the water I think he is entitled to such exclusive right."

One would be a trespasser if he stepped upon the banks of the river for hunting or fishing. It was held in another case that one who enters a private lake or pond, not navigable, in that instance about 100 acres, would be a trespasser even though he entered from a highway without stepping upon any solid land. Sec. 7694, C. L. 1915, provides: "That in any of the navigable or meandering waters of this state where fish have been or hereafter may be propagated planted or spread at the expense of the people of this state or of the United States, the people shall have the right to catch fish with hook and line during such seasons and in such waters as are not otherwise pro-hibted by the laws of this state." The next section is with reference to actions at law for actual damages done. -W. E. Brown, legal editor.

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P. M. SERVICE

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Could you inform anyone where er who to write to to see what could be done toward making the P. M. keep a fire or light at its station at this point on Sunday night? The population of this town is between six and seven hundred and every Sunday night there is a large crowd leaves this station and a number of people from the country especially, school children going back to school, and there is never any fire and very seldom any light, and no ticket office open. What can be done about it?—H. C. B., Merrill, Mich.

The Public Utilities Commission

The Public Utilities Commission has authority to compel public utilities to provide certain conveniences for its patrons, and this matter was accordingly referred to this Commission. After a correspondence extending over about six weeks the Commission advises us as follows:

Again referring to the matter of the heating and lighting of the Pere Marquette station at Merrill.

We have received a communication from the President and General Manager of this company in regard to the matter and he advised that upon investigation it develops that they maintain an operator at this station until 10 p. m. each night with the exception of Sunday. And that it has been their practice for a year or more to close this station on Sunday, but the waiting room is left open and is provided with a kerosene lamp which is always in shape to be lighted.

There is also sufficient fuel in the stove so that a fire can be made whenever required. He further advises that there are but very few passengers that board either train No. 35 due at Merrill at 5:03 p. m. or No. 36 due at 9:33 p. m.

If the conditions are as outlined in

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If the conditions are as outlined in this letter it would seem as though the arrangements should be entirely satisfactory. Very truly yours.—Michigan Public Utilities Commission, by James Bice Chief Inspecting Engineer.

While this arrangement may be "entirely satisfactory" to the Public Utilities Commission and the P. M. officials who never have to wait in the cold at Merrill for a train, it is likely not satisfactory to those who It is the opinion of the editor that the P. M. should arrange with its agent to provide heat and light at this point, especially during the winter and we would suggest that a petition signed by the Merrill patrons of the road addressed to the Public Utilities Commission and the P. M., might secure them better conveniences.-Editor.

BEWARE THE TRAVELING "SPECIALIST"

In former years the country diswere infested with "specialists" who guaranteed to cure every ailment to which the human body is subject. In the majority of cases these fellows were fakers, pure and simple, and have gradually been driven out of business. A few still survive, however, and by catchy advertising and "guaranteed" cures, still succeed in catching a lot of people. Among these specialists may be listed the "eye specialist." Possibly a few,—a very few,—of these men know their business, but it is probable that most of them do not. We do not know to which class Dr.

L. O. Gibson of Larium, Houghton county belongs. We do know, however, that Dr. Gibson doesn't always live up to his "guarantee." For instance, he fitted a subscriber at Atlanta with a pair of glasses last fall, and guaranteed them to give satisfaction. They didn't and the subscriber complained, first to the doctor and then to us, but without any satisfaction. Those who would tempt fate by submitting their precious eyes to a traveling "specialist" should at least be sure that his guarantee is any good.—Editor.

WEXICO TIRE CO. SETTLES

The Collection Box receives more complains against fly-by-night tire companies than any other concern. Scores of these firms have sprung into existence in recent years and have caught a lot of victims by advertising retreaded and second hand tires to run five thousand miles or These tires are sold at a ridiculously low price, and the pur-chaser usually finds after accepting and paying for the tires that they are almost worthless, many of them blowing out after being driven less than five hundred miles. Among the tire concerns against whom we have received complaints might be mentioned the Wexico Tire Company of 2653 Washington Blvd., Chicago; the Economy Auto Tire Co., of St. Paul, Minn.; the Rubber Center Tire Co., 1206 West 15th street, Chicago; Reliable Tire & Rubber Co., 3453 Mich-The Wexico igan Ave., Chicago. company sold a tire to one of our Whittemore subscribers, but sent the wrong size. The tire was returned to them but they failed to substitute another one, claiming that the returned tire was not received. After endless correspondence and delay the subscriber sent the account to the Collection Box which soon discovered that the tire had been received a full six months before, and which succeeded in securing a settlement for our subscriber only after threatening the Wexico with prosecution. company

A Dryden subscriber sent a check for \$28.50 to the Rubber Center Tire The company Co., for two tires. shipped the tires C. O. D. Our subscriber returned them and asked for his money back. The company refused to return the money on the grounds that they had not received the returned tires. After some correspondence the Collection Box succeeded in convincing the company that they were entirely at fault in shipping the tires C. O. D., when our subscriber had already paid for them and that the burden of adjustment was upon their shoulders. Eight months after our subscriber had purchased the tires and two months after the amount was placed in the hands of the Collection Box, we received a check in full for the amount due our subscriber -- Editor.

SELLING PRODUCE ON DETROIT MARKETS

MARKETS

For several years I have been selling my butter and eggs on the Eastern market at Detroit but recently the officers stopped me and told me I would have to procure a license if I wished to place my produce on sale in that market. Can they force me to take out a license? Last winter I butchered lambs and what we did not consume I cut up and sold on this market in from 3 to 8 pound parcels and now these officers tell me I cannot sell meat in that way but may dispose of it in "halves" or "quarters." Is there a law in Michigan regarding the above?—J. D., Rochester.

Any bona fide producer of farm produce is welcome to sell products of his own production, with the exception of fresh cut meats, on the public markets of Detroit. However, he can sell hogs, veal, etc., by the carcass or "halves" but the officials will not allow the sale of meat cut in small chunks. Bona fide producers are not required to purchase a license but in order to prove a man to be a producer it is necessay that he fill out an information sheet furnished by Municipal Bureau of Markets, Detroit. If this sheet is filled out satisfactorily, they furnish him with a metal sign 10 inches by 12 inches bearing his name and address and the word "producer" in spicuous letters. The charge in conthis sign to all except those producers who rent market stalls by the year is \$1.00 which just covers the cost of the sign. To annual stall renters who pay their yearly rental in advance one sign is furnished free. The rules of the market are such that the farmer must bring the sign with him when he comes in to sell and must display same in his stall on The bureau of marksts the market. The bureau of marksts wishes only farmers to sell on the public markets of Detroit and are taking these steps to protect bona fide producers and keep dealers and country buyers posing as farmers from obtaining the privileges of the farmers' market .- Associate Editor.

WATCH LOST IN MAIL

Watch lost in Mail.

We returned a watch to Montgomery, Ward & Co. last August and it went astray so we put in a claim for \$50, the value of watch, with our mail man as it was insured but our mail man as it was insured but our turn. We feel we have waited a long time and we want to know if this is the way they pay claims or is he putting us off. If one has to go to court to defend their rights who has to pay their lawver in case they win the suit?—Subscriber, Pigeon, Mich.

I do not know the regulations of the post office department in regard to payment of insurance. I have no doubt the postmaster will explain it fully to you. Each party in a law-suit pays his own lawyer. There may be a small amount taxed as costs for attorney fee to the winner.-W. E. Brown, legal editor.

WINTERFIELD LIGHT & POWER COMPANY

I would like some information regarding the Winterfield Light & Power Co., of Clare county. They are offering stock guaranteeing 7 per cent interest and I wish to know if it is a safe investment.—S. C., Marion, Michigan.

The Michigan Public Utilities Commission cannot of course, guarantee the success of the proposed electric light and power company.

Whether the company will succeed depends in great part upon its management. The Commission spent a great deal of time in investigating and considering this matter and finally concluded that there was a possible success considering success-Iul management

The Fargo Engineering Company, consulting engineers of Jackson Michigan, reported on this project and I advise you to get from the Winterfield Light & Power Company a copy of that report and make a study of it so that you will know for yourself what the probable prospects That report stated that it appeared quite probable that a continuous 24-hour power of 214 kw. would be available, which would be a minimum daily output of about 5.000 kw.

There is no question about the (Continued on page 10)

TRADE AND MARKET REVIEW

HERE HAS been some improvement in the general industrial and business outlook during the past week; authorities differ, however, concerning the real significance of some of the signs that seem to indicate the advent of much better times in the not distant future. A substantial revival is in progress in connection with the automobile and textile manufacturing lines and quite general resumption of building operations is reported in connection with the construction of workingmen's homes. Demand, in connection with the wholesale lumber trade, is said to be far from active but dealers are looking forward to early spring business to afford an opportunity which has been denied them for a long time past. The steel and pig iron industry is somewhat improved, orders for manufactured products in which both of these materials are used, having led to the placing of fair-sized commitments; there is still a marked absence of visible preparations for the construction of large business buildings for which American cities have been famous past 20 during the years

The wholesale reduction of wages goes merrily on, based upon the marked downward trend of living costs and the extremely conservative views held by the buyers of all manufactured products. The outlook for the railroads is said to be somewhat improved by recent encouraging reports of both freight and passenger earnings; it is universally conceded, however, that railway managers have in contemplation drastic wage reductions and many sweeping economies, in connection with both administration and operation, which will make it possible to get along without hundreds of men who are with them at the present time.

The most discouraging phase of the manufacturing and general commercial situation, is the tremendous shrinkage of our current foreign trade, resulting, directly, from the reparations dispute with Germany, the British labor troubles and the inability on the part of Europeans, to buy our products, because of scarcity of money and adverse exchange rate. The decrease in the exportation of farm products, during the month of February, when compared with the showing of the previous month, showed a shrinkage of \$58,000,000; in connection with manufactured goods, the loss exceeded \$100,000,-In agricultural communities, trade is reported to be very dull, the moving cause being the extremely low prices at which all farm products are selling.

While drugs and medicines were about the last to feel the sharp price declines, incident to readjustment. these articles have been "getting the axe" lately in no uncertain Manufacturers and jobbers claim that the bottom has been reached in the wholesale drug market but they also disclose the fact that the big buyers are holding off and demanding still lower prices before making purchases

On the New York stock exchange a chronic weakness has developed and many of the big leaders have been selling their long holdings for the purpose of securing money to do other business with. The motors, after advancing unevenly, are again tending toward lower levels. Call money is plentiful and rates, with a very few exceptions, have ruled around 6 1-2 per cent. The banks of the country are working to a better financial condition every day; savings deposits are increasing and weekly balances show healthy trade conditions. If the points of difference, between the Allies and the German government, could be set-tled upon some sort of a workable basis, foreign financial skies would soon clear, export clearances would increase rapidly and the predictions for a business revival this summer. which have been so frequently made would be realized.

Edited by H. H. MACK

GENERAL MARKET SUMMARY

DETROIT—Wheat easy with decreasing receipts. and oats inactive. Beans and potatoes dull and easy.

CHICAGO—Good crop weather depresses wheat. Oats and corn follow trend of wheat. Beans inactive. Hay lower.

(Note: The above summarized information was received AFTER the balance of the market page is set in type. It contains test minute information up to within one-half hour of joing to press —Editor.

Past, Present and Future of Grain Markets

AST WEEK I read the "confes-sion" of a man who four months ago publicly predicted that \$2.40 wheat was in sight, and who less than thirty days ago still insisted that the farmer would receive \$2 for wheat before another crop. This man has been forecasting the trend of markets for several years, and with remarkable success. He has based his predictions upon an experience extending over many years and as complete a knowledge of foreign and domestic crop, market and financial conditions as it is possible for anyone to have. He discovered by a little investigation that when the commodity index for food prices held its own or turned upward, cereal prices always followed and for several years he has followed this rule which has always proven correct until four or five months ago. Up to this period his ability to correctly interpret the future of markets was uncanny. Then he began to go wrong,

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just as everybody else who attempted to look into the future markets went wrong, because everything that influences a market went wrong.

Last week this man publicly confessed his failure to correctly predict the trend of the grain markets. He asked for no mercy from those who had wisely or unwisely followed his advice. He simply stated the fact that recent events had proven his opinions wrong, and offered no alibi except to say, "There is no precedent in economic history for such declines as we have witnessed. They are beyond precedent and beyond reason in some regards."

This man was not the only one in the United States who guessed wrongly on the grain markets. He has lots of company. The statistical position of wheat has consistently pointed to higher levels ever since last fall. Export business has been good, but not so good as expected. Indeed, virtually every influence which in normal times acts as a stimulant on the market has been in evidence these last few months, but despite their presence grain prices have steadily declined. No one attempts to offer a positive explanation for this anomalous situation because it can't be done. All they can do is dumbly accept the facts that supply and demand and the other factors which make a market have

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been displaced to new and greater influences which have demoralized the markets.

As our readers know THE BUS-INESS FARMER, in common with nearly all the farm papers of the country, has believed that the downward trend in grain prices which set in early last fall would eventually be checked before the new crop and return to very nearly if not quite their former level. We have spared no expense or effort to secure every available scrap of information pertaining to the markets. . The opinions that have been expressed in these columns have been arrived at after the most careful weighing of this information and the opinion of men who have established reputations for themselves because of their ability to forecast the markets.

As a result of the opinion expressed in this and other farm papers and of the discussions that have taken place at farm meetings, farmers all over the United States have been very conservative in their sales of

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This has had an enormous effect of a most beneficial nature. Had the farmers rushed their crops to markets last fall or during the early winter as was their custom it would have dealt the grain market a blow from which it could not have recovered for the present season at

least. In view of the fact that prices have steadily, though slowly, declined the last few months despite the paucity of supplies, what must have happened had the farmers filled the elevators to overflowing early in the marketing season. course, it may be argued that those who sold last fall are the gainers, and farmers who have held may feel inclined to blame themselves or someone else for not selling sooner, but the fact should not be overlook ed that the grain market is in a very much better condition today than # would have been because a large percentage of farmers-refused to sell en a declining market. In the light of what has happened since the first of last September it would not have required more than a week of heavy grain marketing at any period since then to have smashed the market completely and put it in a weak and nervous condition for the receipt of the new crop. No matter how you look at the matter the average farmer and the grain industry in general is in a much better condition today because a large percentage of farmers held their grain for better prices.

Some criticism will undoubtedly be directed at those who have urged farmers to hold their products. Yet, the fair-minded farmer who followed this advice will recognize that it was honestly given for an honest purpose, and that no one feels worse over the failure of these predictions than those who made them. He will recognize that after all these were only opinions, and that opinion cannot make a market. He will also recognize the very unusual nature of the times which has upset all calcu-

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lations of a business nature. Finally, he will realize that over an extended period of time opinions based upon a thorough and impartial study of the markets by those qualified study them will bring to the farmer profits infinitely greater than the losses sustained this year.—Editor.

Wheat Trends Lower

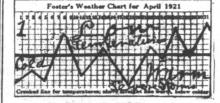
At no time in three years has the future of the wheat market appeared more discouraging than at the present time. The last week has seen new low levels established on the crop and those who have been predicting higher prices have finally surrendered to the inevitable and confess that the end is not yet in sight. The future market indicates that prices on the new crop will open somewhere around a dollar, unless unusual crop damage develops in the meantime. The condition of wheat is excellent. Reports of damage by cold weather, drought and bugs have all been proven groundless, and barring the unforeseen the abandoned acreage will be the smallest in years. Adoption of the emergency tariff law may have a temporary psychological effect upon the market, but it will probably not be lasting.

At present terminal markets are all but barren of supplies and formore noveigt

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sell wheat in larger quantities prices may show an upward tendency, within another fortnight. But in view of the fact that only three months elapse before another crop will be on the market and supplies in farmers' hands appear ample for all needs, it is not believed that an improvement can be long sustained.

THE WEATHER FOR THE WEEK As Forecasted by W. T. Foster for The Michigan Business Farmer



WASHINGTON, D. C., April 9, 1921,—During early part of week centering on April 14 a low will come out of the Alaskan northwest, entering western Canada. In its trend southward and circle eastward it will cross meridian 90 near April 14. Its central path will lie south of and circling around the Great Lakes; twill reach the Atlantic about April 16 or 17. Its boss, the high, pushing the low ahead of it, will follow as usual and a warm wave will spread out to southeast of the low, while a

cool wave will come in northwest of the high. It is very difficult to get readers to understand that the storms do not move with the wind. The wind moves in a circle around the storm except far away from, between the storm and the great body of water where the moisture is being evaporated; there the wind blows toward the storm.

Temperatures of this storm will be about the usual average, its rains less than usual, the precipitation will indicate a change from the past five months, but the complete change, with better crop weather in two-thirds of the country east of Rockies, will come with the unusually severe storms of the week centering April 22. These storms will be from the same causes and of the same character as those near March 25.

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Despite the fact that all say prices of corn and oats are too low, these two grains, with one and two cent declines have traveled downward with wheat and there is nothing at present to encourage higher prices in the immediate future.

Extensive liquidation has been going on in corn. Holders of large stocks as well as small dealers have been unloading their supplies upon a well supplied market. The inactiveness of the market and a falling off of export buying has caused this heavy selling. If farmers continue to hold their corn as they have done during the past few weeks it may cause the market to react to higher prices but the result is hard to predict owing to the contrary action of this year's market.

With the exception that activity is increasing in the oat market what has been said above about corn would do for oats. The increase of new business does not revive the market and prices continue to travel down the scale. Farmers are timid about offering this grain at present prices but what the outcome will be remains to be seen.

Rye has held its own fairly well in the face of the downward trend of other grains. It fell in line for some time but a few weeks ago steadied up and has fluctuated around a certain figure with small losses or gains.

Large receipts are lowering prices in the potato market which is quqiet and easy. Farmers unloading gall their surplus and consumers buying from hand to mouth are both working the market lower.

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LIVE STOCK MARKETS

Taken as a whole, live stock receipts for March were unusually large but arrivals, of live hogs, were the smallest since last October. The month's cattle receipts, at Chicago, were 228,681, the second largest, for the third month in the year, since 1909. Calf receipts were 85,-970 the largest for any month since 1919 and a new record for the month of March. Hog receipts, 608,011, were the smallest showing for March since 1914; during the month of March, 1918, Chicago got 975,169 hogs. Receipts of sheep and lambs were unusually heavy, the total at 429,637 being nearly double the showing for last March and the secend largest that ever came to hand in that month.

Early in March, prices ranged at the year's highest range but the close was practically on the bottom for the month; the imminence of a packinghouse strike, the absence from the market of independent packers, who had been in the market all winter and the close of the Lenten season were among the weakening influences that made for declining prices toward the close of the month. Cattle and hogs averaged the highest for any month in the year, so far. The average price

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beef cattle, \$9.05 was 85 cents per cwt., above the February average which was the lowest for any month since 1915. The month's average price for hogs, \$9.90 was 55 cents per cwt. above February; lambs overaged 45 cents per cwt. higher at

Fresh eggs at low prices, lamb, veal and dressed hogs on the bargain counter and the public asking for a holiday dinner of chicken made plenty of trouble for the venders of dressed beef in all parts of the country last week. On Monday, of last week, steers sold 25 to 50 cents lower than the close of the week before: part of this loss was regained as the week advanced so that the average showing for the week, in connection with light steer cattle, was about steady with the week before. Heavy steers were exceptionally weak and hard to sell, during the early part of the week but, later, orders for 1,000 steers for export purposes gave more life to the trade and hardened prices, somewhat.

The top for yearlings, in Chicago last week, was \$10 and for mature \$10.10. Butchers cattle steers. lost 25 to 50 cents in Chi-cago; last week canners and and bulls closed 25 cents lower than the week before. Good stocker cattle were steady; others 25 cents lower for the week. Veal calves lost \$1 per cwt. from the average of the week before.

Sheep and lambs had a bad time of it, last week, the latter showing a tired break of from 50 to 75 cents per cwt. for the seven days. many heavy lambs and too many shipments, direct to the packers, was the underlying cause of the decline.

With the single exception of Thursday, the hog market showed a steady decline all last week, finishing, unevenly, 50 to 95 cents below the range of the week before. On change, the corn and provision pits showed a steady decline in prices all the week, the latter registering several new low records and the speculative provision futures following the hog maker down to new low levels. Owing to the absence of outside packer buyers, the Big 5 were able to pound down prices on York weights, greatly diminishing the "spread" between these and the heavy kinds which has been one of the notable features of the trade since the middle of February.

Like all other markets, Detroit had a dull trade in cattle, last week, but a light run on Monday and a better demand put up prices from 25 to 50 cents per cwt. on all but canner cows and bulls which were steady. Calves were fairly active on Monday with an eleven dellar top. Lambs were dull at \$9 to \$9.50.

Detroit hog prices have compared favorably with those paid at other points during the past week and on Monday of this week, mixed hogs brought \$10.25 and pigs \$10.75.

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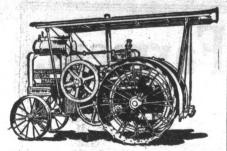
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(Continued from page 7) feasibility of transmitting current at the distance of thirty miles although there will, of course, be some loss in transmission. The report of the Fargo Engineering Company was quite complete and we strongly recommend that you get a copy of that report from the power company and make a study of it.

It is our understanding that the bonds are depended upon to in a great degree constructing the water power facilities. A considerable amount of flowage, land, etc., has been transferred to the corporation which was organized with the capital stock of \$75,000. We do not We do not know how much stock has been sold. The Commission allowed the incorporators common capital stock of \$20,000 par, because of the water power site and all the land transfer-red to the corporation, but only per-mitted \$1,000 of it to be issued to them at this time, the Commission specifying that the other \$19,000 par should not be issued at all until the electric light and power plant was constructed and in operation and upon a paying basis and upon the further order of the Commission.

The corporation was authorized to sell the remaining \$55,000 of common capital stock at not less than par, all of the money to be used for capital purposes of the corporation.

The Commission also, as you know authorized a bond issue. Now the whole thing is largely a question of management. The engineers who examined this proposition were of the opinion that the proposition was a practicable one, and in short that it was a better one than a number of other power propositions somewhat similar to it. It was our understanding that the plant would eventually serve Evart, Marion, Harrison, Mc-Bain and Lake City.

The Commission does not care to express any opinion about the probable failure or success of the plant, but again suggests that you get the report of the engineering company and study it for yourself. Our files are open to you if you would care to come down to our department and go over the whole proposition. We do not see how this matter can be made a "wildcat scheme."

No promotion stock was allowed unless you can call \$20,000 allowance to Kinney for his lands and power sites promotion stock, and we did not thus consider it. And \$19,-000 of that \$20,000 can not be used, unless the plant pays out, therefore Kinney can only have \$1,000 of stock unless he pays dollar for dol-lar for other stock to the corpora-tion. The Commission attempted to safeguard the project in every possible way, but, of course, it can not be responsible for the management that the project may have.—Micligan Public Utilities Commission.

DOG LAW

I wish to know of the authorities of the law have the right to enforce the dog law in the country and let the city dog owners go dog tax free? That is just what has been done the year just passed in Alpena county.—E. J. A., La-chine. Mich.

There is no difference in the dog law for the city or country and the liability of the sheriff and other officers is the same. The owner's liability for non-payment of the tax is the same.-W. E. Brown, legal editor.

ONION MAGGOT

Will you please print a receipt for killing the bug that lays the egg of the onion worm?—J H. R., Jeddo, Mich.

There are three common root-maggots making trouble at present in Michigan. One of these works on onion, one on cabbage, cauliflower, rape, mustard and, in fact, all of the members of the mustard family; while the third is a general feeder and may be found on many garden plants, although its favorite is seed

corn in the hill, and beans. latter species is the one commonly known in Michigan as the bean maggot. The adults of these maggots are flies closely resembling houseflies, only, much smaller, and it happens that the adult flies of the onion-maggot love sweets just as dearly as do other flies. Moreover, it is possible to attract and poison the flies of the onion maggot before they lay the eggs which normally hatch into the maggots that make all the trouble.

To do this, use about twenty small basins to the acre. Distribute them over the onion field to be protected, placing them on the ground, keep these pans supplied with a little poisoned syrup from the time that the plants appear above ground until the danger is past. The pans should be covered over with wire screen of a mesh just small enough to prevent bees from getting in but coarse enough to accommodate these small flies. A 1-4 inch mesh wire screen does rather nicely. This screen will also make it impossible for poultry and wild birds to drink the syrup.

The poisoned syrup is made by dissolving 1-4 of an ounce of codium arsenite or sodium arsenate in a gallon of water and adding half a pint of New Orleans molasses. The addition of a slice of onion makes the syrup more attractive to the flies and the addition of a tiny bit of purple analin or one of the common Diamond Dyes will serve as a warning color and discourage anyone from meddling.

If one cannot get the arsenite or arsenate of sodium one can make it at home as follows: Boil in an old kettle which must never be used afterwards for any other purpose, 1-2 pound of commercial white arsenic and 2 pounds of sal soda (washing soda) in 1-2 gallon of boiling water. (This is the same as Kedzie mixture stock solution without the lime.) Two tablespoonfuls of this arsenite of soda solution are sufficient for one gallon of the preparation. In order to make the poisoned syrup for onion maggots, add two tablespoonfuls of this solution to one gallon of water and a pint of molasses.—R. H. Pettit, Prof. of Entomology, M. A. C.

LETTING BULL RUN AT LARGE

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I have a registered bull which I de
not allow to run in the pasture. My
cows are not registered and are pastured in a field adjoining my neighbor's
pasture. He has a scrub bull which he
lets run with his cows. His part of the
line fence isn't as good as mine and he
won't make it as good. Every summer
I am bothered by his bull coming into
my pasture. When I told him to keep
his bull away he laughed at me and said
I would get just as good calves from his
bull as my registered one. What can I
do ? I am trying to build my herd up
and he thinks his scrubs are good
enough.—J. J., Muskegon County, Mich.

A has a registered bull he has paid a

A has a registered bull he has paid a big price for. B has a grade bull and lets him run at large in field adjoining A's premises with a very poor line fence belonging to B. A gets up in morning finds B's grade bull in barn yard with A's registered cow that is in heat. Has A any right to damages or what come-back has A? Has B any right to let bull run out at all?—A., Webberville, Mich.

If the neighbor's portion of the line fence is not what is defined as a legal fence, or, if his animals are unruly and break through a lawful fence, he is liable for all the damage done including the damage to your stock from inferior breeding. You may collect damages by suit at law or you may impound his trespassing animals and hold them until he pays the damage and expenses of keeping unless he has the damage determined by appraisers appointed as provided in the law. Upon impounding the animals you must serve notice of the impounding upon him within 24 hours unless he waives the notice by appearing and demanding the animals or having them appraised for the damage.-W. E. Brown, legal editor.

PHONE CONNECTION

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About fifteen years ago a number of farmers about here formed an independent telephone company. Three years ago I got married and left a home where we had one of the phones. I now own a piece of land where one of their lines run past my home. Ever since I moved here I've tried to get the phone put in (one of the independent phones) but it seems as if they put off having a meeting to decide whether I could get a phone or not. Even tried to get another phone from another company but they can't build a line where there is an independent phone. Last September I had a chance to buy a share of the phone company stock which runs by our house, from a party who moved away for \$15. Seeing that it had been done by other parties on the line I brought the phone home and connected it up myself. Jan. 19, 1921 this company had a meeting and decided I had to pay \$36 to the company in order to keep on the line. What I want to ask you is this a square deal? Can they force me to pay it? With the \$15 I paid for the share, \$35 more to the company and \$5 switch fees and \$4 assessment on the line per member, makes it an expensive deal; more than I can afford to pay.—L. E. H., Pigeon, Mich.

Your rights to service on the line may be compelled by the Utilities Commission, at Lansing, but price you are to pay will depend upon the by-laws. Ordinarily I would exect that you having bought a membership in the company you would be required to pay only the connecting fee and your service would then be the same as the others. I think if you state the full facts to the Michigan Utilities Commission, Lansing, Mich., they will see that your rights are protected as to services and fees .- W. E. Brown, legal edit-

CROP FOR HAY

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I have eight acres of sandy and gravel loam that I would like to grow some crop on that would make hay of some sort, also improve the land. What do you think of oats and soybeans sown broadcast? Could alfalfa be seeded with the beans and oats? I have also four acres of the same kind of soil that I would like to sow for pasture. Could you tell me what will produce the most feed? Can Sudan Grass be grown in this locality (Barry County) with success, using it for hay or pasture?—F. B., Cloverdale, Mich.

Would not recommend the mixture of oats and soybeans for hay due to the fact that the oats will be mature from a month to six weeks earlier than the soybeans. On the Experiment Station field here at East Lansing we have secured very good results by sowing a mixture of two bushels of oats and twenty pounds of hairy vetch per acre. This mixture should be sown as early in the spring as the seed bed can be prepared. Another good mixture consists of a bushel of oats and a bushel of Canada field peas, sown at the rate of two and one-fourth bushels per acre.

Rape is one of the best emergency pastures. If possible, make two or three sowings ten days apart and graze alternately. When grazed judiciously, pasture will be furnished until late fall. Dwarf Essex rape should be sown at the rate of from four to six pounds per acre. Japanese rape is inferior to Dwarf Essex.—C. R. Megee, Ass't. Prof. of Farm Crops, M. A. C.

DIVIDING CATTLE

Am working a farm on shares and have raised 13 heifers since I have lived here. As I am going to leave in the spring they will have to be divided and what I want to know is this: There are 13 cows, 6 sisters and an odd one, 2 seven year olds; 4 six year olds; 4 five year olds; 1 one year old and 2 three year olds. If the first party takes one of the seven year olds can I take the sister to her and then I take the other seven year old and the first party take sister to this one and so on until they art all divided?—F. J. G., Jackson county, Mich.

Unless your lease points out the manner of dividing the stock you will have to agree upon a method or agree upon some disinterested person to divide the stock. It is usually done by agreement or by arbitrators. If you can not agree upon any method you will probably have to ask aid of the court. You will need to consult an attorney.-W. E. Brown, legal editor.

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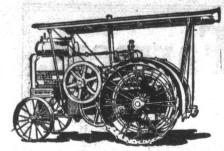
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(Continued from page 7) feasibility of transmitting current at the distance of thirty miles although there will, of course, be some loss in transmission. The report of the Fargo Engineering Company was quite complete and we strongly recommend that you get a copy of that report from the power company and make a study of it.

It is our understanding that the bonds are depended upon to in a great degree constructing the water power facilities. A considerable amount of flowage, land, etc., has been transferred to the corporation power facilities. which was organized with the capital stock of \$75,000. We do not know how much stock has been sold. The Commission allowed the incorporators common capital stock of \$20,000 par, because of the water power site and all the land transferred to the corporation, but only permitted \$1,000 of it to be issued to them at this time, the Commission specifying that the other \$19,000 par should not be issued at all until the electric light and power plant was constructed and in operation and upon a paying basis and upon the further order of the Commission.

The corporation was authorized to sell the remaining \$55,000 of common capital stock at not less than par, all of the money to be used for capital purposes of the corporation.

The Commission also, as you know authorized a bond issue. Now the whole thing is largely a question of management. The engineers who examined this proposition were of the opinion that the proposition was a practicable one, and in short that was a better one than a number of other power propositions somewhat similar to it. It was our understanding that the plant would eventually serve Evart, Marion, Harrison, Mc-Bain and Lake City.

The Commission does not care to express any opinion about the probable failure or success of the plant, but again suggests that you get the report of the engineering company and study it for yourself. Our files are open to you if you would care to come down to our department and go over the whole proposition. We do not see how this matter can be made a "wildcat scheme."

No promotion stock was allowed unless you can call \$20,000 allowance to Kinney for his lands and power sites promotion stock, and we did not thus consider it. And \$19,-000 of that \$20,000 can not be used, unless the plant pays out, therefore Kinney can only have \$1,000 of stock unless he pays dollar for dollar for other stock to the corporation. The Commission attempted to safeguard the project in every possible way, but, of course, it can not be responsible for the management that the project may have.—Michigan Public Utilities Commission.

DOG LAW

I wish to know of the authorities of the law have the right to enforce the dog law in the country and let the city dog owners go dog tax free? That is just what has been done the year just passed in Alpena county.—E. J. A., Lachine, Mich.

There is no difference in the dog law for the city or country and the liability of the sheriff and other ofis the same. The owner's liability for non-payment of the tax is the same.-W. E. Brown, legal editor.

ONION MAGGOT

Will you please print a receipt for killing the bug that lays the egg of the onion worm?—J H. R., Jeddo, Mich.

There are three common root-maggots making trouble at present in Michigan. One of these works on onion, one on cabbage, cauliflower, rape, mustard and, in fact, all of the members of the mustard family; while the third is a general feeder and may be found on many garden plants, although its favorite is seed corn in the hill, and beans. This latter species is the one commonly known in Michigan as the bean mag-The adults of these maggots are flies closely resembling houseflies, only, much smaller, and it happens that the adult flies of the onion-maggot love sweets just as dearly as do other flies. Moreover, it is possible to attract and poison the flies of the onion maggot before they lay the eggs which normally hatch into the maggots that make all the trouble.

To de this, use about twenty small basins to the acre. Distribute them over the onion field to be protected, placing them on the ground, keep these pans supplied with a lit-tle poisoned syrup from the time that the plants appear above ground until the danger is past. The pans should be covered over with wire screen of a mesh just small enough to prevent bees from getting in but coarse enough to accommodate these small flies. A 1-4 inch mesh wire screen does rather nicely. screen will also make it impossible for poultry and wild birds to drink the syrup.

The poisoned syrup is made by dissolving 1-4 of an ounce of codium arsenite or sodium arsenate in a gallon of water and adding half a pint of New Orleans molasses. The addition of a slice of onion makes the syrup more attractive to the flies and the addition of a tiny bit of purple analin or one of the common Diamond Dyes will serve as a warning color and discourage anyone from meddling.

If one cannot get the arsenite or arsenate of sodium one can make it at home as follows: Boil in an old kettle which must never be used afterwards for any other purpose, 1-2 pound of commercial white arsenic and 2 pounds of sal soda (washing soda) in 1-2 gallon of boiling water. (This is the same as Kedzie mixture stock solution without the lime.)
Two tablespoonfuls of this arsenite of soda solution are sufficient for one gallon of the preparation. In order to make the poisoned syrup for onion maggots, add two tablespoonfuls of this solution to one gallon of water and a pint of molasses.—R. H. Pettit, Prof. of Entomology, M. A. C.

LETTING BULL RUN AT LARGE

I have a registered bull which I de not allow to run in the pasture. My cows are not registered and are pastured in a field adjoining my neighbor's pasture. He has a scrub bull which he lets run with his cows. His part of the line fence isn't as good as mine and he won't make it as good. Every summer I am bothered by his bull coming into my pasture. When I told him to keep his bull away he laughed at me and said I would get just as good calves from his bull as my registered one. What can I do? I am trying to build my herd up and he thinks his scrubs are good enough.—J. J., Muskegon County, Mich.

A has a registered bull he has paid a big price for. B has a grade bull and lets him run at large in field adjoining A's premises with a very poor line fence belonging to B. A gets up in morning finds B's grade bull in barn yard with A's registered cow that is in heat. Has A any right to damages or what come-back has A? Has B any right to let bull run out at all?—A., Webberville, Mich.

If the neighbor's portion of the line fence is not what is defined as a legal fence, or, if his animals are unruly and break through a lawful fence, he is liable for all the damage done including the damage to your stock from inferior breeding. You may collect damages by suit at law or you may impound his trespassing animals and hold them until he pays the damage and expenses of keeping unless he has the damage determined by appraisers appointed as provided in the law. Upon impounding the animals you must serve notice of the impounding upon him within 24 hours unless he waives the notice by appearing and demanding the animals or having them appraised for the damage.-W. E. Brown, legal editor.

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About fifteen years ago a number of farmers about here formed an independent telephone company. Three years ago I got married and left a home where we had one of the phones. I now own a piece of land where one of their lines run past my home. Ever since I moved here I've tried to get the phone put in (one of the independent phones) but it seems as if they put off having a meeting to decide whether I could get a phone or not. Even tried to get another phone from another company but they can't build a line where there is an independent phone. Last September I had a chance to buy a share of the phone company stock which runs by our house, from a party whe moved away for \$15. Seeing that it had been done by other parties on the line I brought the phone home and connected it up myself. Jan. 19, 1921 this company had a meeting and decided I had to pay \$36 to the company in order to keep on the line. What I want to ask you is this a square deal? Can they force me to pay it? With the \$15 I paid for the share, \$35 more to the company and \$5 switch fees and \$4 assessment on the line per member, makes it an expensive deal; more than I can afford to pay.—L. E. H., Pigeon, Mich.

Your rights to service on the line may be compelled by the Utilities Commission, at Lansing, but price you are to pay will depend upon the by-laws. Ordinarily I would expect that you having bought a membership in the company you would be required to pay only the connecting fee and your service would then be the same as the others. I think if you state the full facts to the Michigan Utilities Commission, Lansing, Mich., they will see that your rights are protected as to services and fees .- W. E. Brown, legal edit-

CROP FOR HAY

I have eight acres of sandy and gravel loam that I would like to grow some crop on that would make hay of some sort, also improve the land. What do you think of oats and soybeans sown breadcast? Could alfalfa be seeded with the beans and oats? I have also four acres of the same kind of soil that I would like to sow for pasture. Could you tell me what will produce the most feed? Can Sudan Grass be grown in this locality (Barry County) with success, using it for hay or pasture?—F.

Would not recommend the mixture of oats and soybeans for hay due to the fact that the oats will be mature from a month to six weeks earlier than the soybeans. On the Experiment Station field here at East Lansing we have secured very good results by sowing a mixture of two bushels of oats and twenty pounds of hairy vetch per acre. This mixture should be sown as early in the spring as the seed bed can be prepared. Another good mixture consists of a bushel of oats and a bushel of Canada field peas, sown at the rate of two and one-fourth bushels per acre.

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DIVIDING CATTLE

Am working a farm on shares and have raised 13 heifers since I have lived here. As I am going to leave in the spring they will have to be divided and what I want to know is this: There are 13 cows, 6 sisters and an odd one, 2 seven year olds; 4 six year olds; 4 for year olds; 1 one year old and 2 three year olds. If the first party takes one of the seven year olds can I take the sister to her and then I take the other seven year old and the first party take sister to this one and so on until they art all divided?—F. J. G., Jackson county, Mich.

Unless your lease points out the manner of dividing the stock you will have to agree upon a method or agree upon some disinterested person to divide the stock. It is usually done by agreement or by arbitrators. If you can not agree upon any method you will probably have to ask aid of the court. You will need to consult an attorney.—W. E. Brown, legal editor.

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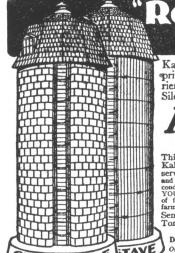
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Who Got the Plunder?

S IX BILLION dollars, we are told, is the sum which the farmers of the Tribe sum which the farmers of the United States have lost as a result of the decline in the prices of their products to one half and less of their 1920 peak. Idle curiosity, if nothing more, is likely to move the unfortunate farmer to speculating on who got the benefit of his misfortune. A recent report by the Department of Labor throws a little light upon the subject. This report shows that the average decline in retail food prices between February, 1920, and February, 1921, was 21 per cent. In other words out of every dollar taken from the farmer the consumer got 21 cents. Who got the rest?

When a gang of robbers hold up a bank the press sets up a howl and the agents of justice are put upon their trail. When capitalists loot the railroads leaving them upon the verge of insolvency and imperiling transportation, Congress rushes to the rescue and hands over a billion dollars of the public funds to restore the roads and make them ripe for a second But when the packers, the grain speculators and the financial powers that be, through propaganda, manipulation, conspiracy. the withholding of credit, etc., rob the farmers in a single year of six billion dollars, every newspaper in the land from the Podunk Post to the Wall Street Journal prints columns of editorials excusing the crime as necessary "deflation" and urging the farmer to be sweet and patient, and take his medicine like a little man. But the looters are left free, unscathed and uncriticized, to enjoy their plunder, with the exception of a paltry billion which they pass on to the consumer to quiet public inquiry.

There would probably be less cause for the farmer to complain over this situation had the consumer secured early and complete benefits from the "deflation" in farm products. This would have cut the cost of living and made labor satisfied to accept a reduction in wages which in turn would have cheapened the cost of the things the farmer buys. But when the Department of Labor reveals that four months after the farmers' prices have reached prewar level, and in some instances below, the consumer is still paying nearly sixty per cent above the pre-war level, anyone but a muttonhead will concede that both farmer and consumer have just cause for complaint. Nor are they the only ones to suffer.

Industrial depression neither preceded nor accompanied the crash in farm prices. the contrary, it followed several months in The the wake, and the reasons are clear. farmer had been a spender during the threeyear period when he received the highest prices in history for his products. But upon the instant these prices began to decline he

curtailed his expenditures sharply. What happened? The local dealer could not move his goods; he cut his purchases from the wholesaler; the latter followed suit; and in due course of time the manufacturer began to note a falling off in orders which he tried desperately to stem but without avail. So he cut his purchases of raw material, closed his factory, and deprived his workmen of their jobs. 'And since all industry is more or less correlated and dependent upon its different units, industrial depression and nation-wide unemployment were shortly the order of the day. And all because the "invisible powers" had decreed that the prices of farm products should come down.

Congress has shown no disposition to investigate this Great Crime against the American farmer, and restore if possible his plundered It has instead spent the greater markets. portion of its time the last few months tinkering with an emergency tariff bill as a sop to the suffering farmers. But an emergency tariff cannot heal the wounds of agriculture nor restore to the farmer his rightful billions. It may help in some small measure, but if the gangsters who rule the markets on farm products can set aside the natural laws of supply and demand and plunder the farmers of six billion dollars, they ought to be elever enough to divert the financial benefits of the tariff law into their own pockets. gress wants to perform a real service for the farmer and indirectly the consumer as well, it should without further delay undertake a searching investigation into the causes for the demoralization of the farmer's markets, and the reasons why the consuemr has received so little benefit from falling prices on farm products. It is an inescapable fact that somewhere along the circuitous route between farmer and consumer five billion dollars in cold cash has mysteriously disappeared. would seem a proper function of Congress to ascertain the identity of the thieves, and their methods of operation, to punish them and destroy their power, and to provide some legal gyroscope that will steady and stabilize the markets on farm products. Until this is done the nation can never feel safe from a repetition of the cataclysm of 1920.

Going the Woolen Manufacturer One Better TT IS TOLD in all seriousness that the pres-

I ent condition of the wool market is due to a devilish conspiracy on the part of the woolen manufacturers to teach the farmers a lesson for daring to pool their wool for decent prices. Meebe so, mebbe so, but we doubt it. The same thing happened to wool that has happened to all other farm products, only a little sooner. It was simply a case of overproduction, not only in the United States, but Canada, New Zealand, Australia and other countries outside of the war zone. While there is no doubt but that the closing of the woolen mills had a bearish effect upon the market, it is extremely unlikely that such was the sole reason for the closing. A more plausible explanation is the consumers' "strike," which simply ruined the clothing business for a time and resulted in wholesale cancellations at the mills. Even so, if the manufacturers did hope by such tactics to discourage farmers from pooling their wool, they are being given a taste of their own medicine.

By manufacturing its wool into blankets and suitings the Farm Bureau is taking a step which will be denounced by many as radical and revolutionary, but which in reality is forced by necessity and vindicated by many economies. Heretofore farmers have sold their wool to a local dealer who shipped it to an eastern dealer who sold it to the mill which made it up into suitings which were sold to the wholesaler or manufacturer who in turn sold it in the bolt or garment to the retailer who sold it back to the farmer with a half dozen freight charges, a half dozen handling or manufacturing charges and a half dozen profits tacked on to the price. Under the farm bureau plan, the farmer ships his wool to his own organization which has it made up in a Michigan mill into material for direct sale back to the farmer, to the clothing manufacturer, or the public at large. Simple and sensible, is it not?

From Lake to Ocean

REAT ENTHUSIASM marked the close of recent hearings in Detroit on the proposed Lake-to-Ocean waterway development, and it is predicted that as a result of the facts submitted the Commission will recommend to the United States and Canadian governments that the project be undertaken as soon as he financial condition of the two countries will permit. Were the St. Lawrence river now open to ocean-going vessels, it would mean millions of dollars in the pockets of Michigan farmers. Freight rates to eastern points of consumption where the most of this state's crops go to are well nigh prohibitive, and in some cases entirely so. Lemons are being burned in California, corn fed to the furnace in Iowa, lettuce fields destroyed in Florida, and potatoes left to rot in Michigan because it costs more than the stuff is worth to ship it to points of consumption. An open waterway from Chicago to New York City or European points, with its cheap rates would have largely prevented a situation of this kind so far as Michigan and states farther west are concerned. The railroads can never carry as cheaply as boats, and the difference in the rate when applied to the enormous crops and manufactories of the middle west would represent many millions annually. When boats from Europe can dock at lake ports and take on cargoes of farm products it will be a big day for American agriculture.

The Rain Maker

NO DOUBT the scientist who first proved that the earth was flat was acclaimed a very wise man, and he who first dared to suggest that it was round hailed as a fool or a The inventions and scientific discoveries of each generation show how little the previous generation really knew. We of this generation pride ourselves on being allwise, or nearly so. So did the generation before us. We have conquered the air, captured the waves of light and sound and set them to work for us, and penetrated the depths of the sea. We have explored the bowels of the earth and revealed the glories of the heavens. The unattainable has been attained; the insurmountable has been surmounted. What is there left in the realm of reason for us to do? So thought our fathers and their fathers and every generation preceeding. And yet Thom-Edison is working on a machine with which he hopes to talk with the dead. Impossible? So said our forefathers of the railroad, the steamboat, the binder. So said the present generation of the submarine, the aeroplane and the wireless. A man has recently entered into a contract with some western farmers to artificially produce rain when needed. Hear the skeptics scoff. The U.S. Weather Bureau says it can't be done. Science says it can't be done. I don't say it can be done, and yet,stranger things than that have happened.

The Meat Situation

HE U. S. Bureau of Animal Industry A has recently issued some most significant figures upon the meat situation in 1920 which every farmer may well take the time to digest. The report gives some idea of the tremendous development that must have taken place in the live stock industry during the war years to have provided the enormous exports which the report says were shipped from our shores in that period. But 1919 saw the crest of the export movement and since that time it has rapidly declined. In 1919, 1,700,000,000 lbs. of bacon and hams were exported. Last year these exports had declined one-half and they are still dropping. A similar situation exists with respect to other meat products. It will take some time for the live stock farmer to adjust his business to the new order of things, and he cannot do it without considerable loss. But it must be done and the sooner the situation is recognized and steps taken to cope with it, the sooner the industry will recover its balance.



Vhat the Neighbors Say



THOSE BUNG HOLES AGAIN

WE ARE heartily in accord with Brother F. J. Stafford of Van Buren Co., in his idea that taxation should be kept within bounds, but not with all his methods of accomplishing that much desired end. He starts first with the township and seems especially exercised over the amount paid for collection of taxes.

Now, I believe that every fairminded man and woman will agree with me that the "laborer is worthy of his hire." I have passed the three score milestone on life's highway, have been in a position during all these years to know something of the duties and compensations every officer in a township, from the eld time pathmaster to the superviser, and I am free to confess that I never yet knew one of these "taxeaters and fee-gatherers" to become mmensely wealthy from the magent (?) salaries they drew. The bax-payers of Van Buren Co. certainby should have the sympathy of the whole state if they are so sorely beset by such a horde of "petty poli-ticians and grafters." As to the commission form of government for counties, this to my mind would only be jumping from the frying pan into the fire. We, in Ingham county have had a taste of just that kind of medthrough the State Tax Commission the past year, and we have had a plenty, I thank you.

Does any man think that city men er men from a far corner of county can come into his township, assess the property there and do the township as equitably and cheaply as other necessary business of the merable fair-minded men who live that township—whose interests are there and who know the property, the people and their needs? And does he imagine for a single moment these strangers who are coming nto our towns to take the places of these tax-eaters, fee gatherers and health or just for sport, without money and without price. No!

The County Commission form of government means good fat salaries and, consequently higher taxes, with less efficient work. I am afraid that my Brother F. J., has walked past wood pile with his eyes closed and never caught even a glimpse of hiding the colored gentleman in hiding there. But, bless you, brother, I can see him plain as day, if I am only a woman."—Mrs. A. E. H., Ingham County.

"'Only a woman." Why do you say that? Sex has nothing to do with one's right or ability to discuss public questions. You have evidently given this matter some thought, and certainly knew how to express yourself. You have hit upon some of the fundamental weaknesses of commission government for cities is a great success, but it is entirely possible that because of the wider jurisdiction and the tax assessing duties of the supervisor, it cannot be satisfactorily employed in the county. Perhaps we could discuss this question more intelligently if we knew precisely how the plan was to be worked out, but up to the present time we have been unable to secure this information.—Editor.

BACK TEW THE FARM WHEN YER AIN'T NEADED

ALL SIR, when we gits to readin' the papers and see the hundreds of thousans of men out of jobs and looks like that it will be some time yit before they will be employed we oftime wonder if them young fellers ever think 'bout how maw and farm to git rich. It would seem up here in this county that they's lots of them back to put their legs under the table ag'in. This here panic gits em and jest how long it will keep up is more than our big men kin tell us as they have tried most every thing they ken think of to make times better.

Don't believe the home folks'll need the young men and women this summer as they got along without em last summer-looks like they ken do it ag'in but the truble is they didn't bring any money home to pay their board while visitin' the folks.

Seems that the folks hed ought to have sometin' to help git money. These young folks claim to heve been makin' from five to ten dollars a day but when pa asked the boy to show him the t'other side of the ledger the boy most fainted because it balanced the 'rong way.

I don't like to see eny peeple out of jobs but do think thet this past panicky time will be a Godsend to people to go ezy. Hoping thet matters heve bin fixed up by the time yer git this peace, remain-Arenac County Farmer.

NCLOSED find check for \$1.00 for the M. B. F. The of this community have turned down the contracts of the sugar manufacturers. We can't make anything at \$6 per ton on 5 cent sugar. I will give you the expense for one acre of ground:

The best fertilizer runs at \$28 to \$43 per ton, 125 pounds to the acre at \$43 is near\$2.70 Seed to 15 at 253.75

The best beet ground average 11 tons to the acre, that is clean beets, 11 tons at \$6 is\$66.00 Expenses\$32.55

Balance\$33.45 Next comes the labor of taking care of the crops, hauling, etc. Where is there any profit? I payed \$1.50 per ton to get some hauled this last

fall. The farmers say they will put ground to beans and grain.-Louis Bell, Isabella County.

You have left out some important items of cost, Friend Bell. Moreover, your yield is based on the best beet land. In determining a fair price the average yield of between seven and eight tons should be considered, else you cause a lot of growers to operate at a loss or deprive the manufacturers of a large tonnage which they need for a full run.—Editor.

NOT ALL W. C. T. U. MEMBERS AG'IN POLICE

NOTICE in the M. B. F. of Feb. 26th what one of the neighbors say concerning the state constab-ulary, "We are W. C. T. U. members and workers and contributors to the anti-saloon league and loyal to the highest ideals of America but this manner of law should be obnoxious to every patriotic lover of justice and right."

I am at a loss to know who is included in that "we." Certainly not every member of the W. C. T. U.

When one assumes to speak for a membership of more than 15,000 one should be careful to know the mind Certainly the statement of D. E. Williams does not represent the sentiment of the state organization. The writer should have read the article on the state police in the January issue of the Michigan Union, the state organ of the W. C. T. U. before attempting to express an opinion that includes more than himself (or herself.) I enclose a copy of the article referred to which the editor is at liberty to print if he chooses.

Every individual has a right to his or her opinion but should be careful how others are involved whose opinions differ .- Mrs. Alice Maxson, Gratiot County.

opinions differ.—Mrs. Alice Maxson, Gratiot County.

I do not think that our correspondent intended to include more than himself and family among the members of the W. C. T. U. who are opposed to the state constabularly. The state police are clever propagandists. Through their press agents, deluded ministers and religious publications, they are attempting to show that the work they are doing is of tremendous importance to the state. But when their record is analyzed and placed along side the record of the eighty-three sheriffs of Michigan it fades into insignificance. For instance, in the article to which Mrs. Maxson refers as well as other articles with which the propagandists have flooded the state, the claim is made that from January 1918 to September 1920, a period of two years and nine months, the state police made total arrests of 3,360. This means that each trooper arrested not over eight persons a year. During the year ending June, 1920, the sheriffs and their deputies arrested over 24,000 persons or a total of 60 arrests to the credit of each sheriff. It is also stated that during this period 923,000 gallons of liquor were confiscated, 212 stills destroyed and \$823,000.00 collected in fines. In a debate which I had with Senator Scully on the floor of the State Grange at Grand Rapids last December, upon this snbject, Mr. Scully stated the state police were self supporting because of the fact that it had been instrumental in collecting fines of this amount. After the debate was over I said to Senator Scully, "You know as well as I do that a large part, if not all, of these stills would have been confiscated and these fines collected by the civil officers had the state police have been enforcing laws which except for them would not have been enforced. In the vast majority of cases they are merely doing the work which the civil officers formerly did and which they would continue to do if the state police did not step in and usurp their duties.—Editor.

VOTE ON STATE POLICE

M VERY much pleased with your A editorials and we look for the FARMER every week. We approve your stand on the beet question and on the state police only you have not said half enough against their retention. It is not the farmers who are keeping them in office. Why do we have to support two sets of officers. Do away with the state police by all means. We do not need Give them more publicity. Show them up in their true light. Send them on to the farms and have them help till the soil as laborers Why not let the people are few. have a vote as to their retention, then they would soon go out of bus-There is not one farmer in iness. this section who can see that they are needed. And our state bankrupt after such terrible taxes this year,
—too many hired men.—Jas. S. Isles, Ingham County.

Yes, I have no doubt but that the poople of Michigan would vote decisively against the State Police if given the chance. It is really only a small group of selfish interests whe are lobbying for their retention. The same interests are also at work trying te foist a state police on Illinois where the same arguments that the "farmers need 'em' are being employed. Recently an Illinois farmer pretested to the Prairie Farmer that the farmers of his section did not want a State Police, and the editor replied that the majority of the farmers left the same way judging from the results of straw vote which his paper recently conducted. But then some times you know the people don't have their way and they certainly won't if the legislature keeps the state police.—Ed-ltor.

Musings of a Plain Farmer

T HAS been raining for several days. This sticky clay is becoming stickier. Our barn yard is a fright. My right foot disengaged itself from my boot this morning while detouring a playful yearling.

I like not this weather. It keeps me indoors too much. I become full of pent up energy and pace the floor like a caged tiger, much to the disgust of my faithful wife.

She is meditating now. If I read her thoughts correctly she is about to assign me some duties. Oh! The blow has fallen. The potatoes are beginning to rot and they should be sorted over.

To the basement I go and start a

very disagreeable task. After two hours diligent search I have failed to find a rotten potato!

She has double-crossed me. Hear her humming a song upstairs.

This spy apple has a fine flavor. Now for a smoke. Pil stall until chore time. Perhaps the sky will be clear tomorrow. A word to farm wor men. When your husband is in the way send him looking for something where it isn't.—Arthur P. Ballard, Ubly, Mich.

DEFENDS CRANDALL'S POSITION

AY I HAVE the opportunity of expressing my views on the Crandall and Leonard hog deal. As Mr. Russell says you have to have two sides to a question to have a clear understanding of it, here we have only one side and must guess at the other. From what I glean from Mrs. Boshert's article and your editorial I can not agree with you, Mrs. Leonard or Mr. Russell.

As I get this, the last sow was shipped on May 6th and was to farrow within 30 days. Mrs. L accepted and kept the hog over 60 days before making a complaint (Jong enough for the sow to have farrowed, lost her pigs and all signs of farrowing disappeared) then asks for her money back.

If I bought a sow due to farrow in 30 days, if she did not show it entirely to my satisfaction I would write and tell him so at once. In about 20 days I would let him know again. One or two days before her time was up I would write him

again. This would place me in a position where he could not question my word when I told him she had not farrowed.

True, we must admit we have honest breeders. We also have dishonest buyers. The honest breeder does not want to be worked by a dishonest buyer so the buyer should protect his honor by making his complaint early making it mild and as his convictions materialize make it stronger. At the present I am a buyer, having bought nine O. I. C.'s the past two years of different breeders. I have had two occasions for complaint and got them each adjusted satisfactorily.

When I get a herd that meets my ideas I expect to be a shipper, and I want my patrons to let me know if they ever get an animal that don't suit, but I want them to do it right soon after receiving the stock for I would be skeptical if they waited a month or so and then began telling me its faults.

One thing more to protect the buyer and breed honest breeders. If I wrote a breeder two or at the most three letters of complaint and got no reply my next letter would teil him the date that I would return the stock, putting the date far enough ahead so that he could get a letter to me if he wished. Hoping that you will give me the space this requires and wishing success to the ONLY real farm paper.—Ralph Dye, Emmet County.

Why shouldn't we give you space for your letter? This is an open forum for all the folks who read the M. B. F., and that includes those who don't agree with us as well as those who do. In fact, we are glad to have your views on this subject, as we desire to de neither Mr. Crandall or Mrs. Leonard an injustice, and discussion will bring out arguments in defense of both. Our own opinion has not changed, however. You are an experienced hog man, What you might have done in this case and what others less experienced might have done have nothing to do with the merits of Mrs. L's claim. She bought a hog that was GUARANTEED to farrow. That fact was expressly stated in the agreement. She might not have noticed the conditions of sale printed in small type in Mr. Crandall's catalogue, and since this was not called specifically to her attention, she is not to be blamed for the oversight. How could anyone who went to the expense of keeping a hog that was guaranteed to farrow, beyond the date in which it was expected to show signs of farrowing, without notifying the seller, be accused of dishonesty? After all is said and done, I repeat that Mr. Crandall has Mrs. L's money and she has a barreen sow, all because of a technicality, which in the name of honesty and justice I claim should be waived.—Editor.

STANDS UP FOR FARMERS

Please renew my subscription for three years. Am not a farmer at present but I do think the M. B. F. has all the farm papers I read "Skinned" and beaten by a thousand miles in every respect, especially in real Back Bone when it comes to standing for the rights of the farmers of Michigan. Well, keep it up .- S. Covert, Battle Creek, Michigan.



"Oh, hour of all hours, Blest hour of our dinner."

THE PLACE where we all get together three times a day for physical refreshment, for mental rest, for a bit of kindly gossip and for family confidences, deserves a good deal of care and thought as to its arrangement.

When I am in the cities and see the hundreds and hundreds of people eating solitary meals from a chair arm, or rushing hither and thither with trays full of edibles, hunting up a table, a glass of water napkin, a spoon and the mustard. I think how lonely and unsatisfactory it is, compared to the cozy, cheerful home table, with the home made viands prepared by herself or older sister, with father coming in and the children gathered round. It makes one extremely sorry for the men and women, the boys and girls, who from two to three times a day have to hunt around for something that looks or tastes or smells like home cooking. and never is. Well, this is a long preamble to the point of my story. which is just

Setting the Table

For the benefit of young housekeepers I thought a few suggestions might be in order. The dining-room table should be placed in the center of the room and under a hanging light, so that there shall glare of light in the eyes of those around the table.

If you have a new table or old one nicely polished, cover it first with an oil cloth then with a silence cloth, on which the table cloth is The oil-cloth protects your table against the occasional glass of water that loses its equilibrium. Table mats or doilies look pretty and save your linen, also much time in ironing, but are not practical when many hot dishes are used. A table well laid with good, attractively prepared, is a simple joy that we may all have. The eye must be pleased as well as the palate. A more order-ly table is possible if some kind of center piece is used, a low bowl of flowers, a small growing plant or an attractive basket of fruit. should always be low so that you do not have to peep at your vis-a-vis through shrubbery, as it were.

In laying the silver the knife should be laid at the right, with the sharp edge turned in, the spoons at the right of the knife, bowls down. The glass of water at the tip of the knife. At the left place the fork or forks, then parallel with the fork the napkin, with the bread and but-ter plate or butter chip just above the fork. Butter spreaders, if used, should be placed on the bread and butter plate, with the pat of butter. A salad if served with the meat course, is placed above the spoons At a formal meal when passing food always hold the food at the left of the person seated, so that he may use his right hand to help himself.

Children should be taught to fold their napkins only after mother has folded hers, then when invited out they will not make the mistake of folding the napkin before the hostess does. And what is prettier than to see the little children stand at the table until the older people are seat-It is just a little courtesy that shows good breeding.

From the humble homes of the common people come the men and women who hold high places in this country, where brains and honesty count most of all. You little know what society your child may be thrown in during his life, so not only, that he or she may not be embarrassed later in life by some awkward lapse of good manners, but also that they may be a credit and a joy to you, train the kiddies in the little courtesies of life, which are a Edited by MRS. GRACE NELLIS JENNEY

mighty fine lubricant, and help to make the machinery of every day existence run smoothly and easily.

POLITICAL POINTERS

AY IN BLUE and buff, the chosen colors of the National League of Women Voters, Cleveland, Ohio, will welcome the League when their second annual convention opens April 11. And this color scheme will be repeated in all the decorations at the hotels, on the bidges, and fluttering from automobiles during the week's stay of the

Hears Mrs. Maud W. Park

"Wemen are working for a broad constructive program that is based on the conservation of health and life," said Mrs. Maud Wood Park, chairman of the National League of Women Voters, before the members stead of 'playing the game'." It adds, "no office in the entire state is so small that a bad office holder cannot make it a vehicle of great misdoing or that a good public servant cannot use it to promote the interests of the commonwealth.

"A particular appeal to women voters is a feature of some of the announcements of the candidates. The League of Women Voters has, through its intention announced in some counties to place candidates on record, demonstrated the desire of women to cast their ballots with intelligence and understanding." meet this demand the parties have been counseled by their leaders to nominate only men of "worth, character and ability."

"'There's a reason,' which gained its reputation on a trademark, should be borrowed by politics from business," adds the Herald. "Every voter should be convinced that there WHY WORRY?

OURTNEY (in Pyle's "Personal Hygiene") says, "The brain is an organ which, under proper training, is capable of performing an immense amount of work, provided only that the work is of a varied character and does not produce a corresponding amount of mental disquietude. The importance of the emotions, especially the depressing emotions, such as grief, anxiety, and worry, as factors in the brain exhaustion, cannot easily be over-estimated."

George L. Walton, M. D., has written an invaluable book on "Why Worry?" which succinctly and entertainingly sets forth the deleterious effects of this common malady. He quotes a remark of one of his colleagues, who speaks of "the art of living with yourself as you are," as an expression well worth putting into practice.

Wallace Irwin has described an addict of the worry habit in the lines

"'Suppose that this here vessel," says the skipper with a groan, Should lose 'er bearin's, run away

and bump upon a stone;

Suppose she'd shiver and go down when save ourselves we couldn't.

The mate replies, 'Oh, blow me

eyes!

Suppose agin she shouldn't.' " The nursery poet writes:

"The worry cow would have lived till now

If she'd only saved her breath. She feared the hay wouldn't last

So choked herself to death." Worry takes a variety of forms. One of the most common is the tendency to dwell upon the past, and painfully to retrace each step leading to a wrong decision. Mercier says the greatest intellectual gift is the ability to forget. But one thot can not be driven out only by substituting another in its place. Nature abhors a vacuum. The mock worry of a game is a good antidote for the real worry of life, unless the individual makes worry out of the play by taing it as hard work.-Food and

Drug Monthly. Right here one may remember the old quotation, "Man needs an avocation as well as a vocation." Children furnish their own, they live so largely in their play. Older people need a fad, a hobby, if you will, to keep life from being dull and to break the routine of work. There is music the best loved of all the arts. More appealing to some is the study of bird lore or, woodcraft: When we speak of reading, perhaps history should come first, it helps our logic and develops our powers of seeing life's true values. Agnes Repplier says in her little book of es-"All that we know of man's unending efforts to adjust and readjust himself to the world about him we learn from history and the tale is an enlightening one."

And then there is politics, always a lively issue and all the better for the attention of intelligent people who are not interested from an individual financial standpoint.

A FEW RECIPES CONTRIBUTED BY MRS. C. E. D. Real Plum Pudding

1 cupful of plams in a basin, 1-2 cup of sugar on the plums; fresh or canned fruit will do. Now take one heaping teaspoon of sour cream and a good half cup of buttermilk. 1-2 teaspoon soda dissolved in a tablespoon of boiling water, a pinch salt, a small teaspoon of baking powder put in the flour, enough flour to make a nice drop biscuit batter. Now drop this in little biscuits over the fruit, they will run together and cover the frut by the time they are baked, it takes about 1-2 hour to bake. Then make a

Spring Fever

By Paul Lawrence Dunbar

RASS commence a-comin' Thoo de thawin' groun' Evah bird date whistles Keepin' noise erround: Cain't sleep in de mornin' Case befo' it's light Blue bird an' de robin Done begun to fight.

Bluebird sass de robin. Robin sass him back, Den de bluebird scol' him, 'Till his face is black Wouldn't min' de quoilin' All de mornin' long, 'Cept it wakes me early, Cause hit's done in song.

An'body workin' Wants to sleep ex'ry late Ez de folks'll 'low him An' I wish to state

(Cose dis ain't to scattah, But twist' me an' you), I could stan' de bedclothes, Kin' o' latah, too.

'Tain't my natchul feelin' Dis hyeah mopin' spell, I stan's early risin' Mos'ly mighty well; But de very minute I feel Ap'il's heat, Bless yo' soul, de bedclothes Nevah seemed so sweet

Mistah, he's a-scolin' Cause the han's is slow, All de hosses balkin' Jes' cain't mek 'em go. Don' know whut's de mattah, Hit's a funny t'ing, Les'n hit's de fevah, Dat you gits in spring.

of the Michigan Legislature, who spoke on the evening of March 16th to the Senate at their invitation and later, responding to a similar request from the Speaker of the House, explained the League's program to the House members.

"Women's instinctive training fitting her to be the mother of the race has given her special qualities to appreciate and understand certain problems confronting the state and nation relating to the welfare of her sex and childhood," said Mrs. Park. "Her influence, felt in legislative bodies, will always be of a sober, substantial character."

Mrs. Park outlined the particular measures which the State League of Women Voters is supporting, telling the legislature why they are asking their enactment.

Michigan's is the third state legislature before which Mrs. Park has been invited to speak. South Carolina's legislature, the first before which she was invited to speak, reconsidered its action on the Age of Consent bill, previously reported unfavorably, and passed it. Mrs. Jark also spoke before the Delaware legislature, and the Michigan legislature is the third.

The Lexington (Ky.) Herald, in a recent editorial, advises "the voters who reap the harvest of good government or stand the losses of misrule" to "keep their eyes open," and predicts that "particular interest will be paid to the platforms of the candidates who announce for office, as well as their character, their past political records, if any, and their willingness to serve the public inis a reason for so doing before he pledges his ballots this year.'

And, it might be added, "There's the reason" for the League of Wo-men Voters. If, in the year of its existence, its activities have made party leaders counsel the nomination of men of "worth, character and ability," it has been a work worth while. It is proof of the reason for

Organizes Citizenship Classes

Seattle League of Women Voters of Seattle, Washington has organized a class in American citizenship which meets in one of the city's big auditoriums from 10:30 to noon each Thursday, under the auspices of the Seattle Minute Women, which is a part of the League.

The first hour will be devoted to uestions and answers, and the last half hour a prominent speaker will address the class on subjects vital to the government of the United States.

The League's purpose in organizing these classes is not only to reach the foreign element but to give a better understanding and realization of her responsibilities in the government of her own country to the American-born woman. The classes are open to all women and there is no charge.

And now comes the Men's Voters' League, modeled after the League of Women Voters, according to plans of St. Louis (Mo.) men who see the need for "clean politics."

Evidently the League of Women Voters has "started something" which even men see the need of!

New York Patterns



No. 6462—Ladies' Dress. Cut in 6 sizes: 34, 36, 38, 40, 42 and 44 inches bust measure. A 38 inch size will require 6 1-2 yards of 44 inch material. The width of the skirt at lower edge is 1 7-8 yards.

No. 3454—Girls' Dress. Cut in four sizes: 4, 6, 8 and 10 years. An 8 year size will require 3 1-2 yards of 36 inch material.

No. 3456.—Ladies' Work Dress or Apron. Cut in 4 sizes: Small, 32-34; medium, 36-38; large, 40-42 and extra large, 44-46 inches bust measure. A 38 inch size will require 4 1-4 yards of 36 inch material.

No. 3446.—Ladies' Corset Cover. Cut

36 inch material.

No. 3446.—Ladies' Corset Cover. Cut
in 3 sizes: Small, 32-34; medium, 3638; large, 40-42 inches bust measure.

A medium size will require 1 1-4 yards
of 36 inch material.

No. 3147-3447.—A Pretty Gown. Waist
3147 cut in 6 sizes: 34, 36, 38, 40, 42
and 44 inches bust measure. Skirt 3447
cut in 6 sizes: 24, 26, 28, 30, 32 and 34
inches waist measure. The width at its
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dress for a medium size will require 3 5-8
yards of figured and 4 1-2 yards of plain
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patterns.
No. 3464.—Girls' Dress. Cut in four sizes: 8, 10, 12 and 14 years. A ten year size requires 4 yards of 30 inch ma-

terial.

No. 3133.—Ladies' House Dress. Cut in 7 sizes: 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 44 and 46 inches bust measure. A medium size will require 5 3-4 yards of 36 inch material. The width of the dress at its lower edge is about 1 7-8 yards.

No. 3487.—Child's Dress. Cut in 4 sizes: 1, 2, 4 and 6 years. A 4 year size will require 2 5-8 yards of 36 inch material.

Michigan Business Farmer, Mt. Clemens Mich., Pattern Department. Pattern No.Size

sauce of some sugar and cream or milk to eat on it. Or can take some fruit juice to eat on it. Now, one can take any kind of fruit, strawberries, red raspberries, cherries or apple and it makes a desert as nice to eat as short cake and one can eat One can whipped cream on it. make the crust with sweet milk or water and baking powder and a little shortening if they do not have the cream and milk.

A Cake for High Days and Holidays

2-3 cup sugar, 2 eggs, a pinch of salt, 1 tablespoon of sour cream or butter, 2-3 cup of sweet milk or buttermilk, enough flour to make a soft smooth batter, 1 teaspoon baking powder put in flour. Bake in 3 jelly tins.

Nut Filling

1 cup of black walnut meats broke fine, 1 cup of sugar, 1 cup of sweet milk. Cook until thick, spread between layers.

Frosting

1-2 cup of pulverized sugar, tablespoon of corn starch. Wet this with a little sweet milk, spread on cake; it will dry in a few minutes.

A Good Chocolate Icing

1 cup of powdered sugar, 3 tablespoons cocoa, 3 tablespoons cold coffee. Mix well together and add melted butter size of walnut. Put on cold cake.

A Delicious Cream Cake

2-3 cup of sugar, 2 eggs, a pinch of salt, 1 tablespoon of sour cream or butter, 2-3 cup of sweet milk or buttermilk, enough flour to make a soft, smooth batter, one heaping teaspoon of baking powder; put in the flour and beat all together and bake in 3 jelly tins; 2-3 cup of thick sweet cream, keep it cold and beat with an egg beater until thick, 2 tablespoons sugar, 1-2 teaspoon ground cinnamon and stir good; spread between the layers and on top when cake is cold. Dip knife in warm water when you cut the cake.

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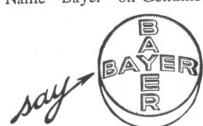
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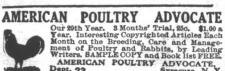


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EAR CHILDREN: I received three Easter post cards from as many of my nieces the past week. I appreciate them very much and wish to thank the senders for their remembrance. We have been so busy here at the office that we have been unable to decide who won the prize in contest on New Year resolutions. I think we will be able to decide before the next issue. We know you are all anxious to know the name of the lucky one and we will do the best we can to make the announcement next week. I have several interesting stories I would like to publish if we could spare the space. There is one in particular about why some birds fly south each fall and why others stay with us that I will print this week at the end of the letters by our boys and girls if the editor will allow me to take

up the space. I believe he will because the story will be of interest to your papas and mammas also. If you do not understand it all have your mammas or papas, big brothers or sisters read it to you and explain its meaning. This story will help you to understand our feathered neighbors better.—UNCLE NED.

OUR BOYS AND GIRLS

Dear Uncle Ned:—I am nine years eld and in the fourth grade at school. Yesterday it was thawing and today it is freezing. I read The Children's Hour and like it very much.—Doris Clark, Ellsworth, Michigan.

Dear Uncle Ned:—Another girl who wants to join your circle, may I? I am fifteen years old and in the 7th and 8th grades at school. I am giad that the Doo Dads are in again. I wish some of the girls would write to me. I would answer their letters gladly.—Bessie Setter, Route 1, Melvin, Michigan.

Dear Uncie Ned:—May I join yeur merry circle? Please don't say no. I am 13 years eld and have light brown hair and blue eyes. I am in the \$th grade at school. I live on a 65 acre farm. I have 3 sisters and no brothers. I wish some of the girls and boys weuld write to me—Marion Nichols, Perry, Michigan, R-3, Box \$3..

Dear Uncle Ned:—I saw Edna Baughans letter in the M. B. F. and I thought I would write. I am twelve years eld and in the sixth grade. has been snowing. I went to an oyster supper last week and had a fine time. I got a boob-

ie prize, a little ball but I have lost it. We take your paper and think it fine. I will close with some riddles. What is the difference between a hill and a pill? One is hard to get up and the other is hard to get dewn. There is a letter in Amsterdam, in Reme it doth appear, twice in every moment and not once in seven year. M.— Theima Ingersell, Breckenridge, Mich., R. F. D. 2

Dear Uncie Ned May I join your circle? I am a girl twelve years eld and am in the seventh grade. I like to read the letters in the M. E. F. I wrote to one of the girls and hope she will write back. I take music lessons and like te play very well. We had a recital Friday night.—Margaret Dernberger, Leenard, Michigan, R. F. D.

Dear Uncle Ned:—I read the Children's Hour and I thought I would like to write, I am 12 years old and in the seventh grade. I live on a farm of 80 acres. I have four brethers and four sisters. I would like to hear from some of the boys and girls of this page. I will be glad to answer their letters if they will write—Velma Wiltshire, Elwell, Michigan.

Dear Uncle Ned: —I am a girl 12 years old and am in the 5th grade. I like to go to school very well. I live on a farm. We have an orchard also. For pets we have a deg whose name is Hector. I have been longing for the Doo Dads to come and at last they came. I have four brothers but no sisters. From your niece — Agnes Rasmussen, Marlette, Michigan, R-5.

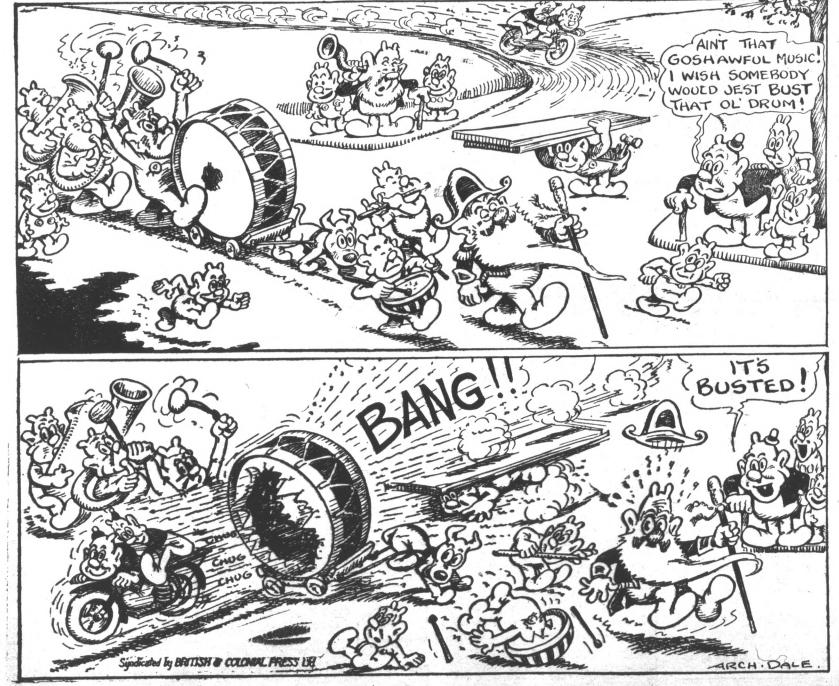
Dear Uncle Ned:—I am a boy twelve years eld and in the 7th grade at school. For pets I have 2 cats and 3 bantams. I had an ewl but it got away. I wish

some of the boys and girls would write to me, I would surely answer them. I will chose with a few riddles. Out in the pasture there's an old red bull; he always eats and never gets full. Answer: threshing machine. Why is a camel's neck so long? Answer: because his head is so far from his body, Round as a dish and flat as a button and has a tall. Answer: frying pan—Hille Tobias, Berrien Springs, Mich.

Dear Uncle Ned:—I am a girl thirteen years old and in the 8th grade at a graded school. I have three sisters. We rent one of our farms and live on the other one. My birthday is on New Years day. I am going to help raise chickens this summer. I enjoy rading the Doo Dads. I help my mother with her work. I read the letters which the boys and girls write and find they are very interesting.—Dorothy McNett, Otsego, Michigan, R-3.

Dear Uncle Ned:—I am a girl ten years old and in the 4th grade at school. I am glad that the Doo Dads are back again. For pets I have a bunny, an old hen and a cat named Jessie. We have 4 rabbits, 4 cows, 7 calves, 2 horses and about 100 chickens. I will close with a rieddle. Up on the hill there is a mill, beside the mill there is a walk, beside the walk there is a key. Answer—Milwaukee.—Rosa Mildred Fish, Caseville, Michigan, R-2.

Dear Uncle Ned:—I thought I would write a letter to the M B, F. I am a boy ten years old and in the third grade. I like to go to school every day. I have five brothers and five sisters. Am I not a lucky boy? My father owns a farm of one hundred and forty-six acres. Part of it is about a mile from where I live. He uses that mostly for pasture. We



THERE IS a grand new brass band in Dooville today. Doe Sawbanes is leader and a very grand one he makes dressed in a fine gold and blue uniform and wearing a tall hat. Old Grouch did not like so much cheerful noise and wished that the drum would be broken. Poly and Roly had a new

Doc Sawbones' New Brass Band

motorcycle and were trying it out for the first time. Roly was at the steering wheel but did not seem to know how to control the machine. Flannelfeet the Cop should have been around to stop them exceeding the speed limit. The twins came around the bend of the road at such high speed that they could not help but run into the band procession. They never saw the band until "plump! clump!! bang!!" they were right through the great big drum. And still their cycle chugged right along as if it were used to doing stunts like that. The only one who seems pleased is Old Man Grouch.

have twenty head of cattle that in the summer we have to drive over there every day. I have a Shetland pony that I ride when I take them over. My father and us boys have bought a registered pet pig. Her name is St. Marys Golden Girl and if we succeed you may hear from me again. I hope some of the boys or girls will write to me.—Paul Jones, Battle Creek, Michigan, R. F. D. 1, Box 47.

Dear Uncle Ned:—Y have one sister and two brothers. My sister's name is onolee and my brothers' names are Hoyt and Dwight. We live on a 120 acre farm. In the spring we make maple syrup in the woods. In summer I take music lessons on our piano. I like them very well. I am 10 years old and in the 5th grade at school. I walk 1 1-2 miles to school. For pets I have one old cat and two kittens, named Tiger and Nigger. We have 4 horses, 16 cows, 1 calf and about 160 Rhode Island Red chickens. We have 5 old hogs and 17 young pigs. It has been snowing today. The snow is about a foot deep. I like to read The Children's Hour.—Donnaloe Shoneour, Pittsford, Michigan.

Dear Uncle Ned:—Our papa takes the M. B. F. and we all like it fine. We like to read the letters of the boys and girls and as we have never written thought we would write We are twin zirls, 10 years old. Our names are Veda and Velma. We are in the fourth grade at school and live about 1-2 mile from our school. We live on an 30 acre farm. We have two sisters and one brother. For pets we have one pig and a cat. The cat's name is Stubbs. We call him that because when our little brother was 2 years old he put him in the chicken feed grinder and ground the end off his all.—Veda and Velma Henderson, Dewitt, Michigan. Witt, Michigan.

WHAT CAUSES bird migration?
Why do some of our fraction? Why do some of our feathered flock each season journey the South and others stay with us?

There has been two theories advanced for this, the more commonly accepted one is that years ago this continent swarmed with non-migratory bird life and in particular such sections as our own state the inherent love of home in our birds caused them to become permanent inhabitants of our woods, waters and fields, but with the advance of the Arctic ice during the glacial period the severe weather, together with the lack of food and nourishment with which to sustain bird life caused the majority of our feathered friend to seek a warmer climate and where food was more abundant. As the ice approached very gradually, now and then receding, these enforced migrations—a short distance at first and for a brief time-increased both in distance and time until migration became a part of bird life.

The opposite theory is that the birds' real home was in the South and owing to over production and over crowding, on the receding of the ice during our glacial period, the birds sought less competitive and less thickly populated breeding and feeding grounds and would upon the approach of warmer seasons migrate north, but always during the fall and winter returned to their southern home. You may accept whichever theory seems most plausible, but there is no question that the breeding ground of our average migratory bird is in the north and the breeding period in the late spring or early summer. The various species of our wild geese and ducks find their nesting grounds in the vicinity of James Bay, while our migratory songsters, both seed eating and insectivorous, rear their families in our midst; and it is a well accepted theory, inasmuch as there is no appreciable change in the southern climate at any season of the year, that the birds come north not so much on account of climatic changes as for the impelling instinct that warns them of the approach of their breeding season.

Birds migrate both during the day and night and it is often said that a number of the species in their migratory flight in both directions obtain a flying height of a mile OT more. As a rule the thrushes, warblers, oriole, tanagers and shore birds do most of their migrating at night, while duck, geese, swallows, hawks robins and others are day migrants.

When one stops to consider that the smallest of our migratory birds, the Ruby Throated Humming Bird, weighing but a few ounces, will during its spring and fall migration make a sustained, continuous flight of 1,500 to 2,000 miles, it makes one wonder how such a tiny creature, combating the elements, could possibly cover this distance. Think of what this means. A few ounces of feathers and flesh braving the wind, air currents, storm and darkness, in its desire to reach its breeding or feeding grounds.

The migration of birds is interesting; to some it means but the approach of winter or spring, to others it is a demonstration of the reasoning powers with which the Creator endowed all of our birds and beasts.—Albert Stoll, Jr., in the Detroit News.

BEHIND THE SCENES WHERE THEY MAKE THE MOVIES

(Continued from page 4)

the work and the expense involved where program pictures run from 500 to 700 scenes, one following the other in such rapid procession before the eye that the vision barely grasps one scene before another un-Shooting each scene many times may appear to be an extravagant and expensive habit, but it has been found to be a safe one for reasons too obvious to relate.

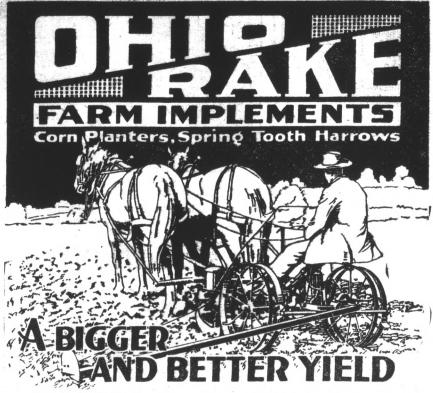
"Better be safe than sorry," appears to be the motion picture slogan when pictures are being taken.

The material is developed at once, and finishd in what is called the projection room. The day after a scene is "shot" or taken, the director, the star and the production manager are able to see just what has been accomplished.

It required six months to produce the "Queen of Sheba" another recent Fox release. Sets or scenes 200 feet high had to be erected out of doors before the work in hand could be even considered. The tower, with its circular outer driveway, where the famous chariot race takes place actually towered two hundred feet high. The dungeon and the old well were all out of door sets, the work of carpenters and plastic art-

A curious combination of art, profession, commerce, industry, labor, technique and a keen knowledge that must be at once historically and ethologically true, a knowledge of lands and of peoples, enters into the mo-tion picture industry, for it is not only necessary that the directors of motion picture productions be well versed in the life ethics of the people of all lands, but this knowledge must be a true knowledge, in order that the realism of the production may not disappoint nor offend the fund of world lore hidden away in the minds of the moving picture For the latter is a severe critic and a true one!

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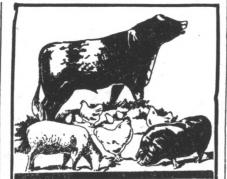
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How to Make Self-Feeder for Hogs

By W. E. J. EDWARDS
Animal Hisbandry Section, M. A. C.

Through your paper can you give plan from which I can build a good self-feeder for hogs?—E. C. C., Reading, Mich.

THE USE of the self-feeder for pork production is gaining rapidly in popularity and is displacing trough feeding on many farms. By its use the average farmer will obtain as good if not better results than by trough feeding, and at much less expense of time and labor. self-feeder is simply a device means of which a supply of grain or other feed is kept constantly available, a fresh supply flowing down into the trough from the hopper above as it is eaten, the hopper be-ing large enough to hold sufficient feed so that it will not need refilling oftener than once or twice each week. There are a number of types of feeders in use. The accompanying illustration shows the dimensions of a feeder which has proven quite satisfactory at the College.

There are many reasons why the self-feeder is to be recommended. It is well known that pork can be produced much cheaper where pasture crops are used than in a dry lot or pen. In many cases there is no pasture close enough to the buildings for trough feeding, so the hogs are kept closely confined where the most economical gains cannot be expected. By the use of the self-feeder distant pastures are made available, thereby enabling cheaper gains to be made. Much less time is required to feed hogs by a self-feeder than the trough method. While the feeder should receive some attention every day or two, to see that it is properly adjusted and that the different feeds are available, still this requires much less time than that necessary to carry or haul feed twice each day. With the high cost of labor this is an important item.

Self-feeding is full feeding, a larger amount of grain being eaten than in trough feeding. For this reason it is better for growing and fattening animals intended for the slaughter. Hogs intended for breeding purposes are liable to become too fat, especially after they have reached a weight of say 125 to 150 pounds, unless precautions are tak-en to withhold the more fattening feeds. Self-feeding produces more rapid gains than trough feeding, finishing the hogs earlier in the season when the selling price is usually considerably higher than later when there is a larger run on the market. The real proof of successful hog

feeding is the rapidity and cheapness of gains. Tests conducted at a number of experiment stations have shown that the gains made by selffed pigs, either on pasture or in the pen compare very favorably with, and often exceed those made by the same amount of grain fed in the trough. At the Michigan Experiment Station one lot of nine pigs fed by a self-feeder gained 100 pound on 259 pounds of concentrates. Another lot of the same number trough fed gained 100 pounds on 280 pounds of the same feeds, a very favorable showing for the former method. Both lots were on rape pasture. Such cheap gains could not have been made without good pasture.

Satisfactory results cannot be expected unless suitable feeds are provided. Growth producing feeds such as middlings, tankage or oats must be supplied as well as the fattening feeds, such as corn or barley. A balanced ration of these may be put in one compartment, but it has proven good practice to have a separate compartment for each feed. In this way the hogs will balance their own rations. Whole or ground grain may be used, the opening being regulated to suit the different feeds. The flow of feed is affected somewhat by weather conditions and as some may be rooted out of the trough at times the self-feeder should be set on a platform so that this feed may be picked up by the hogs later. It is also advisable to build the cover so that as much rain is kept out of the trough as possible.

It must not be thought that the self-feeder is a "panacea" for all hog feeding troubles. For cheap gains, pasture, shade and plenty of fresh water should be provided, and a bunch of hogs that is worth feeding is worth looking at at regular intervals to see that they are doing well and that the self-feeder is supplying the different feeds as needed.

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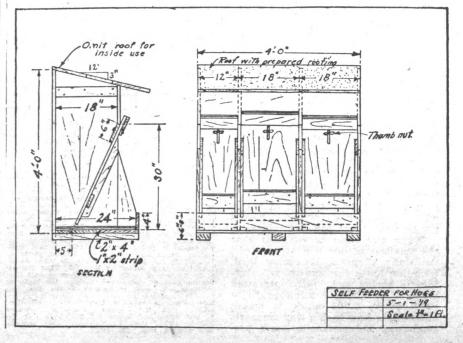
Selling is becoming as important as producing. Markets are studied more carefully. Better books are kept. Throughout the whole industry of farming there are countless examples of the progress of agriculture as a commercial project. is a far cry from the ancient days.

Frontiers have vanished. Pioneering is past. The advent of better transportation by rail and highway, ends isolation.

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CENT DURING 1920

(Continued from page 6) during a part of that year, including the highest ever paid for live hogs. Nevertheless, the consump-tion of pork was slightly greater in 1920 because of the heavy decrease in exports. The exports of bacon and hams fell off more than one-half the totals for these two items round figures being 1,787,000,000 pounds sent abroad in 1919 and 822,-000,000 in 1920. The exports of lard, however, almost held their own, decreasing only 20 per cent. This was because Germany, our secondbest customer for this commodity, was again in the market for quantity and took 128,000,000 pounds, which was within less than 1,000,000 pounds of the total taken by the United Kingdom, always the chief consumer.

All Meats Combined Show Decrease The highest recorded production of all meats combined occurred in 1918, when slightly over 18 billion pounds (excluding lard) was pre-pared for home consumption and export. In the two succeeding years the production declined at the rate of 1 billion pounds a year. Owing to decreased exports the consumption in 1919 and 1920 was nearly stationary.

LIFTING THE LID AT LANSING

(Continued from page 2) under contribution along with the other forms of property this three billions of intangible and producing in all probability from six million to ten million of revenue annually and to that extent reducing the against tangible property to the benefit of not the farmer alone, but to exactly the same extent the manufacturer, the mine owner, the merchant and all others paying taxes on real or personal property. When Mr. Barnes had finished the widows and orphans had faded from the prospections and the "shining lights" of "large interests" were very perceptibly dimmed. The proposed amendment was reported out by the house committee and when it came to a vote received 64 of the 67 votes necessary to pass. It was then reconsidered and laid on the table from which it will probably be taken and passed before this reaches the M. B. F. readers. Next comes the battle in the senate which contains a larger percentage of lawyers and bankers that the house. Write your senator about it. If you don't know who is your senator, find out and write him. Great credit is due Rep. Mosier of Allegan on account of the effective work he has done and the masterly leadership he has shown in the fight. Mr. Mosier is a real Sir Plunkard sort of farmer for which he is making no apologies.

The house vote on the amendment

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WOULD STRENGTHEN TUBER-**CULOSIS LAW**

(State Farm Bureau Service) REALIZATION of the increasing menace of tuberculosis to the cattle industry in Michigan has prompted Rep. Edward G. Read of Richland, chairman of the committee on Agriculture in the house, to introduce a bill considerably strengthening the present state law for the control of bovine tuberculosis.

While some of the provisions of the bill may be regarded as extreme, it is the opinion of the State Livestock Sanitary Commission that such drastic action is necessary for the control and stamping out of this disease which seems to be on the increase in Michigan and has resulted

MEAT EXPORTS DECIME 51 PMR in great loss to cattle men, especially the breeders of dairy and pure bred cattle.

The proposed amendments to the present law are in part as follows: 'It shall be unlawful to offer any cattle at public sale for breeding or dairy purposes except when the cattle have been subjected to the tuberculin test not more than 60 days prior to the date of such sale by a veterinarian approved by the state or federal government and found to be free from any contagious or infectious disease."

"It shall be unlawful to offer any cattle at any public fair in this state for exhibition purposes except when a certificate of health, including the tuberculin test, for each head of cattle to be exhibited, issued not more than 90 days prior to the first day of said fair, signed by a graduate vet-erinarian licensed to practice under the laws of the state in which he resides and who is approved by the state or federal government, showing such cattle to be free from any contagious or infectious disease shall be attached to the entry blank and filed with the secretary of the fair.

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MACK'S NOTES

It is quite universally conceded that the supply of finished hogs in the northern part of the country is running very low at this time but the bears in the hog and commodity markets have been predicting a big late hog movement from southern states; offsetting the above, comes the information that the big packers have been obliged to close their southern plants because of the lack of animals for killing purposes.

Texas cattle growers are sending cattle in large numbers to northern pastures. The railroads that transport cattle from the southwest to the Canadian northwest have announced a special rate schedule for these cattle during the next 90 days; in the opinion of the writer, the ruling cited above is the beginning of a program which will mean lowered freight rates for live stock in general and all farm products.

The opinion seems to be quite universal, that the recent bear program in the Chicago live stock market, and in the provision pit of the Board of Trade, was engineered by the big packers for the moral effect it would have on the wage dispute pending at Washington, D. C. The supposition is that labor will be easier to deal with if convinced that food products are to remain low, indefinitely; now that the wage question has been adjusted, bullish tactics will be adopted in order to help in the merchandising of the big stock of lard and cured meats in packing house cellars. . . .

H. H. Halladay, live stock commissioner in charge of the work which has for its ultimate purpose the stamping out of bovine tubercu-losis, has purchased an educational film illustrating the process by which bovine disease can be communicated to human beings; this film will be sent all over the state to help in creating sentiment favoring the work of the department.

Scrub bulls in the devastated regions of France are to be replaced with 1,000 purebred Holstein-Friesians, according to Dudley E. Waters, president of the Michigan Holstein Breeders' Association. Mr. Waters, who recently returned from Europe, says that there are in the war-swept sections approximately 112,000 cows and heifers. Several state associations are co-operating to supply the registered bulls required.

Armour & Co., have just com-pleted at Sao Paulo, Brazil, a duplicate of their plant at South St. Paul, Minn. As reported by Allen Walker, manager of the International Trade Department of the Guaranty Trust Co., of New York, the plant covers 25 acres with an outlying property of 5,500 acres and has a capacity of 2,000 cattle and 6,000 hogs a day.

Basing his statement on the number of breeders who record females, Frank D. Tomson, editor of The Shorthorn in America estimates that the number of breeders of registered Shorthorns has increased 50 per cent in the last three years. The majority of these breeders are farmers or owners of small ranches.

At the recent meeting of the board of directors of the American Jersey Cattle Club resolutions were passed endorsing the 305-day test as "the normal test of a Jersey cow;" declaring strongly in favor strict enforcement of all state and federal laws and regulations for the protection of pure-bred dairy cattle from tuberculosis; recommending that all cattle from outside the state be tuberculin tested before being distributed over the state; agreeing that the club would pay no premiums at any show which does not enforce the rule requiring a certificate of health from all entrants; and recommending that the club offer no premiums at shows which receive on the showgrounds cattle other than from accredited herds.

Veterinary Dep't Dr. W. Austin Ewalt, editor

BONE SPAVIN

What will cure the lameness in a bone spavin? I have a horse that does not limp when working him on the farm, but when I drive him on the mall route, 27 miles, the next morning he is so lame he can't hardly step on that foot.—R. G., White Cloud, Mich.

In the treatment of spavin, in all cases the animal should be given a long rest; remove the shoes, it is better to place the animal in a loose box having a soft floor than on pasture: by doing this the animal is not able to move about a great deal, and the joint is thereby kept quiet. Clip the hair close and apply the following blister: Red Iodide of mercury, two drams; eight drams of lard, mix thoroughly together for at least ten minutes and apply about one half of the entire amount rubbing well in for fifteen minutes, covering the whole inner surface of the joint, apply again in twenty-four hours without rubbing and after four days apply lard daily until hair starts. Repeat the above treatment in four week's time and allow the animal to remain in the loose box for at least two months. Should this fail to accomplish the desired results, linefiring is the last and only resort.

AZOTURIA

My father had a horse about nine years old that got paralyzed in the hips. He got a veterinarian for it and the first day afterward the horse seemed all right. It got up alright but then the doctor came over again and he gave some different medicine and the horse died within twenty-four hours afterwards. My father claims this second medicine did the job. Would you kindly let me know where I could send this medicine to have it analyzed?—W. K., Covington, Mich.

Your horse no doubt had Azoturia. A disease that is very unsatisfactory to treat. In a great many cases the animal will get up during the first twenty-four hours, only to go down again never to get up. No qualified veterinarian will give an animal sufficiently strong medicine to cause death. Should you wish to have the medicine analyzed, I would suggest you take the matter up with the Veterinary Department at the M. A. C.

BRAIN TROUBLE

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I have a 3-4 Jersey, 1-4 Durham cow coming 6 years old in April, had 4th calf, 23 December, 1920. A few weeks after dropping first calf she had fits or spells of some kind. She would seem to get weak all at once and stagger a little and either lay down or fall down where she would stay for a while, sometimes 1-2 hour and sometimes longer. If in pasture she would hold her muzzle on the ground; if in barn would rest it on top of manger, then would gradually raise it and turn head always to left side and remain in that position for an hour or more when she would seem to recover herself and immediately go to feeding again as usual. The first two years she had this trouble it came but a few times, but they are coming more frequently and are more severe and last longer. She is normal every other way and gives a good flow of very rich milk, is regular in her seasons and a good feeder but I am anxious about her.—N. B. Cheboygan Co., Michigan.

This is an obscure case of brain trouble and I doubt very much if any treatment will do much good; if the following treatment does not relieve the condition I would strongly advise you to sell her for what she will bring. Potassium iodid, two ounces, add sufficient amount of Fowler's solution of Arsenic to make a pint and give one tablespoonful in a little water three times a day.

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I have some pigs that pass worms that are 10 or 12 inches long. What can I give them to rid them of the worms?—E. J., Rodney, Mich.

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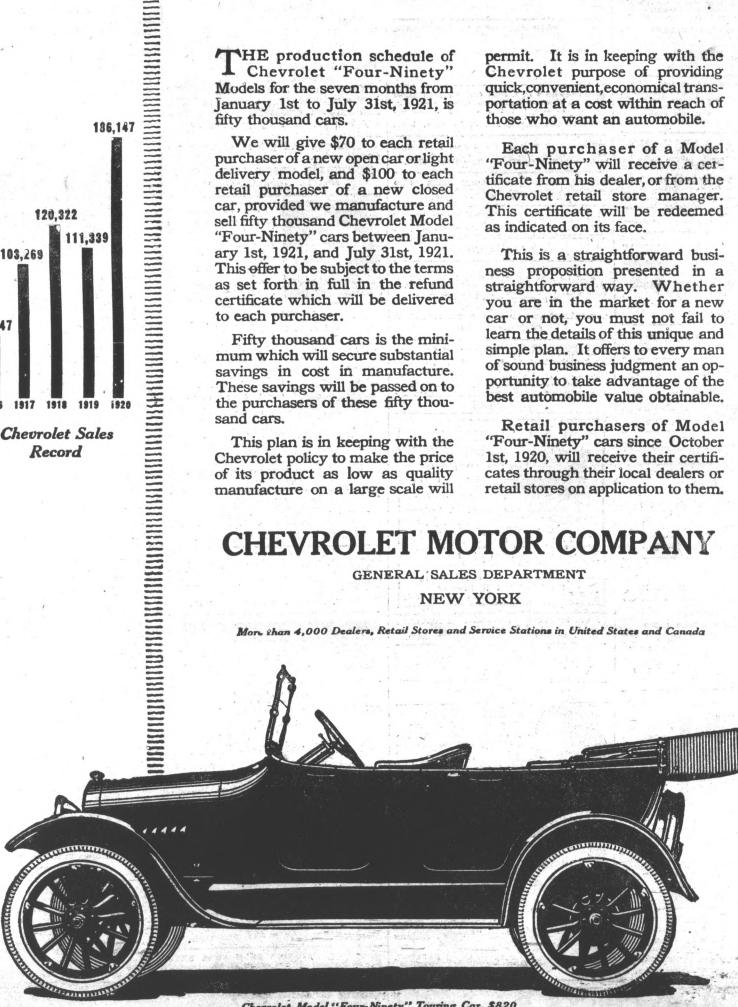
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