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Potato Blight---"No-Top" Potatoes



Early Blight.

than under normal conditions. Then, too, some growers hope that prices next year will be as good as last, and they do not want the blight to reduce the yield.

The injury done as the result of late blight depends largely, each season, upon the weather conditions through the months of July, August and September. If the first part of this period is cool and rains are frequent as has been the case this season, conditions are favorable for the blight to start development. In 1915 the first evidence of blight which the writer saw was about the middle of August. It may appear somewhat earlier this season. However, none has been seen to date, July 10. If the blight gets a start by the middle of August and cool wet weather continues through the latter part of August and through September an epidemic of blight is certain. If the period just mentioned should be hot and dry, very little damage will result from the blight.

Some growers do not think the blight will affect their potato crop because they believe it never has. This is not a safe policy. No section of Michigan is immune to the blight on potatoes. There are certain local varieties which are resistant to late blight. They have not, however, proven of much commercial value. The writer believes that the only safe policy to follow this season is for every grower who posibly can arrange to do so to use Bordeaux with the poison which is applied to kill the potato bugs. If it does not become necessary to spray to control the potato bugs, make an application of Bordeaux when the potato plants are five or six inches high. Continue the applications of Bordeaux as long as weather conditions favor the development of late blight. Bordeaux should as a rule be applied every ten days or two weeks, the period between

By C. W. WAID State Potato Specialist

toes. Blight is most likely to occur on late planted potatoes. and develop in a field where the vine growth is very heavy and thus the cir-

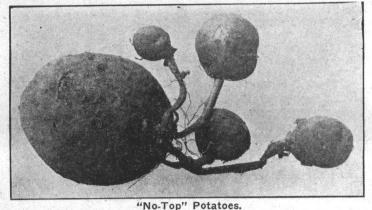
duced to a minimum. How to Identify Late Blight.

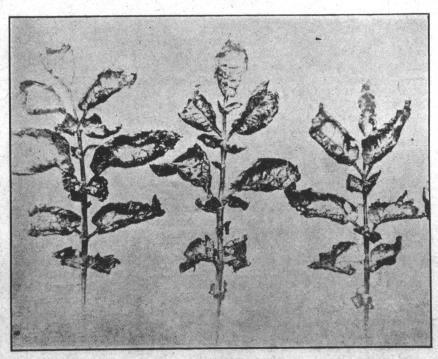
Tip burn, as the name indicates, starts as a rule at the tip of the leaves. The

applications depending on the weather this condition it may be overcome. It and rapidity of the growth of the pota- is found more commonly on early than Early Blight.

This is a true fungous disease which culation of air among the vines is re- attacks the leaves in small spots well distributed over the leaf surface as shown in the illustration. This dis-Many growers mistake other leaf ease may start to develop early in the troubles for late blight. The illustra- season but is usually found also late in tion shows the leaves badly damaged the season. It develops solwly and inby tip burn. This is not a true disease jures only the foliage. As a rule n but a collapsing of the cell walls of the does not seriously damage a crop. The plant tissues. It is thought to be due same suggestion which was given to to weather conditions unfavorable to overcome tip burn will be found satisthe normal development of the plants. factory in the control of early blight. Late Blight.

This is a true fungous disease. It affected area wilts, turns brown and is very unlike the other leaf troubles dries up. If conditions are favorable previously mentioned. This disease UCH more interest than usual for its continued development the mar- develops in spots of various sizes and appearance is most conspicuous on is being taken in the question gins of the leaves will also become af- attacks the leaves most anywhere. It moist mornings or during damp weathof late blight on potatoes. This fected as shown in the illustration. develops in spots of various sizes and er. The disease works on the leaves, is in part due to the fact that the The use of Bordeaux will lessen this shapes. It is very rapid in its devel- stems and tubers. The effect on the growing of potatoes this season has trouble to some extent. By selecting opment. The affected spots are downy tubers is to cause them to decay. The necessitated a much larger investment seed from hills which are resistant to on the under side of the leaves. This rotted tubers give off an offensive





Tip Burn.



Late Blight.

odor. This same odor may be detected coming from the diseased tops after the fungus has developed considerably. By keeping the foliage covered with a film of Bordeaux this disease may be controlled.

"No-Top" Potatoes.

A large number of letters have been received at this office this season, the writers of which were seeking information as to the reason for a rather unusual potato trouble. In each case a part of the potatoes which were planted apparently failed to grow. Upon investigation the seed was found to be sound but had failed to develop any normal sprouts. Instead of the normal development a number of potatoes had started to grow near the seed. The illustration shows a typical "no-top" hill . of potatoes.

Most of the complaints to date have been received from southwestern Michigan. One grower has disked up ten acres of potatoes because of this trouble. More cases of early than of late varieties, showing evidence of this condition, have been reported. The trouble does not, however, seem to be confined to any particular variety nor community.

The writer is of the opinion that this condition is closely associated with last season's severe drouth and hot weather.

In many sections of the state the early potatoes of the 1916 crop which were not dug but left in the ground until the rains came following the drouth started the development of sprouts or tuber-like formations. The writer has a photograph taken of three tubers of last season's crop, two of which have developed sprouts and one developed an abnormal shaped tuber. This secondary tuber is unlike the prong-like development which frequently occurs after a drouth, which (Continued on page 39).

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CURRENT COMMENT.

It is a matter for

The Wheat Crop. congratulation that weather conditions

have been such as to make present prospects for the wheat crop in this state much better than was deemed possible a month or six weeks ago. Reports indicate sufficient available farm The sooner the seed wheat is selected the speculator in food stuffs, for whom labor to harvest the crop in good condition if reasonably favorable weather conditions prevail.

While it is a matter for congratulation that Michigan will come so near more certain will the wheat grower be furnishing her normal supply of bread- of having it in hand when sowing time making material this season when it is comes. This last item is of special imso badly needed, and that her production of other food stuffs as indicated issue will be considerably above nor-unusual traffic burden to which the tion of the first R. F. D. historical try to capacity. The plans include the mal, it is not too early for the farmers railroads of the country will be sub-monument in the United States, completion of the 1,500,000 tons of mal, it is not too early for the farmers railroads of the country will be sub-monument in the United States. of the state to be laying plans for the jected in the mobilization of troops Wrought into the construction of this shipping under construction in the parties which has been next year, since the shortage of bread few months. The slogan in every commaterials is reasonably certain to be munity and on grant from about the solution of the parties of the parties of the shortage of th materials is reasonably certain to be munity and on every farm should be field stone from each of the three or still more pronounced before next "Prepare now for next year's wheat four hundred farms served by the rural for extra early delivery. year's harvest is available than is the crop." case at the present time.

toward a better seed propaganda in in line with desirable progress in the war in the matter of food control, con- first started the experiment of deliverimprovement of this staple cereal gress has apparently found it difficult ing mail to the farmers' homes, and number injured when a cyclone struck crop; it is, however, but one step to to quickly reconcile the views of its the Climax post office was one of the wheat yields may be increased to the an experience in food distribution in designated for a trial of the plan under iness in the United States during the of the wheat growers. .

by Director Thorne or some of his co-plishing the desirable result of aiding torical monument to commemorate the before the state supreme court. A de-workers in these experiments. Wheat the people of this country in the best same. These plans were later matur-is a cereal crop so admirably adapted solution of this new and important ed and have been developed as above funds enabled him to escape areas.

produced on this normal acreage.

which in their judgment are calculated in an increased food supply.

portunity for a careful selection and ter the present emergency has passed. preparation of the seed. The sooner, portance this year, as explained in a recent comment, owing to the congest-

Considerable effort is being made Food Control. ject lessons which have delivery routes were established. been afforded by other

of observing the working of the meth- for the purpose by congress. In fertilizer demonstration meet- ods adopted by European countries as After the ground had been gone over numbers of foreigners for mining work, ings recently held in Ohio, the marked has Mr. Hoover, who will be the coun- by department inspectors and two Last Friday night rioting occurred in unber of foreigners were

percentage of Michigan farms, that a ions of men of wide experience in any people of the community. normal acreage of wheat will continue of these different capacities in relato be grown in Michigan, even without tion to the food supply become of more riers' Association and the Calhoun the stimulation of special market con- than passing interest; particularly as County Association will be present, as ditions. It is certainly important to such expression of thought may affect will also representatives of the Grange the farmers who will grow this wheat, producers of food or of raw materials and other farmers' organizations of and it is doubly important to the state entering into the manufacture of food the state and county. Various notables and county in this period of emer- stuffs, such opinion is of interest to from the governor down have been ingency that the best possible yields be the farmers of Michigan and the vited to attend this fitting celebration, country.

much larger acreage of wheat than is ions recently expressed by Mr. J. Og- farm life. normally grown, and it is probable that den Armour in an article published in an attractive price for this year's crop a leading periodical, in which his plan will stimulate an increased acreage for the most efficient farm campaign is this fall. In discussing their plans for summed up in four words, i. e., "divernext year's wheat crop, many farmers sify, fertilize, motorize, specialize." In are apparently waiting upon the ac- this connection diversification is not tion of the government in the matter given its usual meaning, but is held of food control measures, as they re-desirable in a degree wholly supple-late to this staple cereal. In this work mentary to specialization, while intel-of food conservation and control, those ligent fertilization and the use of mo-come badly disorganized. The last vil-lage taken was Novica. The Russians must of necessity adopt measures tical are held to be important factors are now in possession of the former

it may be expected that the govern- of food distribution in a business way, mental policy in the matter of mini- is the advocacy of the fixing of minimum price fixing-if such a policy is mum prices for staple products by the deemed expedient—will of necessity be government at a point sufficiently high until their net gain amounted to 300 one which will tend to stimulate rath-er than discourage the production of production of such staples and the fur-ized German trenches in the Camsuch important staple crops as wheat. ther advocacy of a degree of govern- paigne sector near Teton. With this practical assurance it is ment supervision of distribution which obviously the duty of Michigan farm- will prevent the exaction of usurious

matured plans are far more important such a source promises much for the was forced by the reichstag announce as related to next year's wheat crop success of government food control ing that it would not pass the war than is the case in the ordinary sea- measures. It is, however, but another budget that was being asked by the than is the case in the ordinary sea- measures. It is, nowever, but another government, until the government re-son. Early and definite plans will evidence of the characteristic Ameri- government, until the government re-affirmed to the country its purpose in make satisfactory preparation for next can crystallization of thought along continuing the war. year's crop more feasible than will right lines. Team work between all year's crop more feasible than will right lines. Team work between all The Chinese situation is more favor-procrastination or delay. The earlier classes primarily interested in this na-able for the republicans. The rule of the seed bed is prepared the more cer-tain will favorable moisture and soil serve the public interest with justice of the republican troops enabled the re-establishment of a republic again tain will favorable moisture and soil serve the public income, save alone last week. conditions be present at seeding time. to all and hardship to none, save alone last week. The British battleship Wanguard, of

On Thursday, July 26, the needed fertilizer is ordered, the A Historical the city of Battle Creek Celebration. and the village of Cli- May, 1916. max, in Calhoun county,

will celebrate the twentieth anniversary of the establishment of rural mail delivery in the United States. This nounces that every effort will be made by the estimates published in the last ed condition of railroad traffic, and the celebration will embrace the dedicaroutes of the Climax post office where

Twenty years ago last December the this state. This is commendable and countries engaged in the European United States post office department aeroplanes. ward increased wheat production in members on this subject in the enact- very first points selected for the trial Michigan, and should go hand in hand ment of an adequate food control At the suggestion of Mr. J. H. Brown, with a propaganda for better prepara- measure. Apparently the country is of Climax, then associate editor of the tion of the soil and better fertilization fortunate in having available the ser- Michigan Farmer, the late Senator benefit of the country and to the profit Belgium, and so wide an opportunity the first appropriation of \$40,000 made remainder of the war.

increase in the yields secured by in- try's chief food administrator under routes had been laid out, and carriers telligent fertilization constitute an ob- the food control measure which will be appointed a detailed map of the terri-ject lesson which should be heeded by enacted by congress. The wheat growers of this state. In the state of the territhe wheat growers of this state. In In approaching this Herculean task prepared by Mr. Brown and published light during the past week of the ir this connection, much could be accom- of food [control and observation on the first name of the Michigan regularities in the Wayne county this connection, much could be accom- of food [control and observation, on the first page of the Michigan this connection, much could be accome of food [control and observation, on the first page of the Michigan treasurer's office. The prosecutor has plished if a round-up wheat meeting Mr. Hoover has at the outset signified Farmer. This may is said to be still asked for a grand jury to examine into gan point in the near future, at which izing the most advanced opinion and office department at Washington. About but his first request has here denied the results made apparent by the Ohio thought of maduzers manufactures manufactures at washington. the results made apparent by the Ohio thought of producers, manufacturers a year ago Mr. Brown conceived the already been called by the recorder's a demonstration could be interpreted for and distributors of foods and food ma- idea of observing the anniversary of court and that the question of jurisdic the benefit of Michigan wheat growers terials as the best means of accom- this event and of the erection of a his before the state supreme court. A de-

to the rotation practiced upon a large problem. In this connection, the opin- noted through the co-operation of the

Delegates from the State Letter Carwhich marks the anniversary of the Michigan is capable of producing a Of such wide interest are the opin-beginning of a new era in American

HAPPENINGS OF THE WEEK. Foreign.

The European War.—Aside from the political crisis in Germany the chief interest of the week is in the drive of the Russian troops in Galacia. They headquarters of the Teutonic armies in this district and are moving syste which in their judgment are calculated in an increased food supply. to accomplish the greatest good to the But by far the most pertinent of the matically toward Lemberg, the appar-greatest number of people whom they thoughts expressed by this writer, who ent object of the drive. In the west represent in their work. In any event, is so largely interested in the problem ern theatre strong German attacks were made west of Cerny on the Aisne front in which they succeeded in penetrating to the supporting lines but were forced back by counter attacks

The political upheaval in Germany has resulted in the resignation of the imperial chancellor, Theobald von ers to prepare to grow as large an food prices from the consumer. acreage of wheat next year as is con-sistent with the general scheme of of the farmers' problem in relation to farming followed in each case. Early an increased food supply coming from matured plans are far more important such a complete recognition for the is believed that the whole cabinet has resigned. It appears that the scheme of the farmers problem in relation to acreage of wheat next year as is con-sistent with the general scheme of the farmers' problem in relation to farming followed in each case. Early an increased food supply coming from

The sooner the seed wheat is selected the speculator in lood stans, for whom and secured, the better will be the op-portunity for a careful selection and ter the present emergency has passed. and sunk immediately with 773 men. This is the first big battleship the English have lost since the Jutland battle with the Germans in the North Sea in

National.

The entire shipbuilding program of to work the various yards of the coun 2,500,000 tons. Bonuses will be given

routes of the Climax post office where The lower house of congress has Notwithstanding the ob-iect lessons which have delivery routes were established. The lower house of congress has vides \$640,000,000 for this department of the military service and includes program for the construction of 22,000

Several persons were killed and a Friday night. An interurban car was blown from the tracks near Homer and sixty persons were injured.

By proclamation President Wilson has stopped leaks of marine informa-tion in forbidding German marine in-

American miners at Flat River, Mo., are resenting the importating of large

county The prosecutor has

Drainage and the Food Supply By JAMES N. McBRIDE

twenty-five per cent, by lack of present conditions.

adequate drainage. Unoccupied land involves no large, if any, outlay, while seed and labor are applied unprofitably on land subject to wet weather losses. tions in some portions of the state that As a rule, these wet areas are exceed- are beyond individual control. Michiingly fertile in plant food, and are so gan should eventually provide a state near the profit point that an occasional drainage engineer, with powers over favorable season lures to their con- drainage similar to that accorded to tinued cultivation without drainage. the state highway commissioner over An accounting of gains and losses the public highways. There is need of would probably leave the balance on drainage systems where there is now the side of actual loss.

Make Drainage a Community Enterprise.

drainage that heretofore did not exist and agriculture are inseparably conat least so strongly. The first is the nected with adequate drainage. added price of farm products. A second is that the financing can be done under the rural credits act as a private matter, or, if a large drainage proposition, either the rural credits act or a bond issue under the constitutional amendment finally secured by the persistent effort of Representative Croll, of Gladwin county. Agricultural organ-to top-dress the wheat with marl? If izations might well ask their prosecut-ing attorneys to address their meet-be all right to spread with a shovel? ing attorneys to address their meetings on the legal phases of financing and initiation of drainage procedure. There is still left a work for the local initiative to do in getting the actual amendment for the purpose of correctwork started.

priced that it is of little avail as a whole. A power tile ditching machine aditional cost for extra equipment if desired. The operator of such an outpayment for a machine, for as a rule the man who desires to do this work is not financially strong. Local farmers who desire work done can guaranthe manufacturer at the start and be machine may rest in such an association until paid for in part or wholly.

A Practical Co-operative Plan. Another plan is for actual ownership ized under the act of 1903, to buy outes to finance such an undertaking with eral notes to be used with the co-operalocal bank. This is merely loaning age are made out of the actual draina time the completed work pays off chine is owned by the co-operative association. Tile are bought for cash visability of a liberal application. and then paid for individually for the amount bought. This allows the farmat a much less rate than he can by not paying cash.

Make Agriculture a Business.

Banks are coming to regard these cooperative company notes, secured by individual hypothecated notes, with collateral notes make a personal re- in the illustration. sponsibility that is beyond question. Further study may show that this The quasi public services that banks trouble is due to some diseased conculture is a constantly increasing fac- connect it with last season's drouth. iness institution until it learns to use to another season's crop cannot be the institutions of business.

will, with the high cost of seed, labor other source for next season's crop.

HE effort to increase the food and fertilizer, write an insurance on supply is nullified, to probably many places which are uncertain under

> The State Should Foster Land Drainage.

There are pressing drainage quesno system. A competent engineer could well judge of extravagant outlays and save the cost of administration There are several good reasons for many times over. The food question JAS. N. MCBRIDE. Ingham Co.

FARM NOTES.

Top-dressing Wheat with Marl. I have eighteen acres of oats. I in-tend to sow wheat after oats. The field is somewhat run. I have plenty of marl near the river. Would it pay me Soil isn't heavy nor light.

Ionia Co. J. B. S. The principal purpose of applying marl or lime to the land is as a soil ing soil acidity. This is a very com-Hand labor is so scarce and high mon condition with Michigan soils, especially those of a more open type which have been farmed for years. The costs from \$1,500 to \$2,000, with some need of lime is generally indicated by difficulty in getting good stands of clover. On very many soils the addition fit may need financing for the initial of lime is an absolute essential to the growing of good crops of clover. In all such cases there is no doubt about the profit which would result from the application of a liberal quantity of tee the first payment and pay this to marl. For best results this should be applied when the land is being fitted repaid by work done. The title of the for the wheat and well mixed with the soil by the process of preparation, but considerable benefit would also result from using it as a top-dressing, although the benefit in this case would by a co-operative organization organ- not be so noticeable the first year. The marl can be spread with a shovel or right a drainage outfit and also tile in in any way which is most convenient carload lots. One organization propos- and in any amount desired. As it is well saturated with water it would rea \$5 membership fee and sign collat- quire several loads per acre to be the equivalent of a ton of ground limetive body's note to buy an outfit, the stone, which is generally considered actual money being advanced by the as the minimum application to soils which require amnedment for acidity. their credit and the payments for drain- A larger application would also be required on account of the greater diffiage done, the members paying for culty of even distribution as compared their drain work at a fixed cost. After with a dry product, but there is no danger of soil injury by heavy applicathe whole indebtedness and the ma- tions and the effect of the treatment will be more permanent, hence the ad-

Marl deposits are common in many sections of Michigan, and wherever it er to have the advantage of his credit is easily available the farmers of the and he pays the bank for the service community would find it profitable to use it liberally.

POTATO BLIGHT-"NO-TOP" POTA-TOES.

(Continued from first page). creat favor. From a bank's standpoint has occurred during the period of tuthe credit could not be better, for the ber formation, has been broken. It is property is in existence and sold. The more like the tuber formation shown

can and are willing to render to agri- dition but evidence to date seems to tor. Agriculture can not become a bus- Whether or not it will be transmitted stated at this time. It will be a good The wheat crop of Michigan for the plan, however, as a precautionary crop of 1918 can be largely increased measure for those who have seed by tile drainage. The month of August showing a tendency to develop tubers is /a good month for machine work and without tops to secure seed from some



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produced-a conspicuous blighting of tion seems to warrant the belief that control is the second and third going the foliage which makes a tree look as the aphid is especially important in over of the trees in order to get rid of if scorched here and there by fire. The transferring the blight germs. blighting results from a sudden death of the tissues, and the blighted leaves only in its effect on cambium activity in the meantime. The reason for the turn brown (or blacken in the case of but because it favors the aphids. pear) clinging tightly to the branch. The tip of blighted branches usually blight depends upon our recognition of covery of any new developments. The curl, forming a hook-like tip.

Other characteristic signs occur and these are designated by appropriate names, each of which must be understood as merely subdivisions under the general term fire blight, and not the name of a distinct disease. For example, growers speak of blossom blight when the attack of the disease comes at blossoming time and the blossoms blight and droop here and there on the tree. Similarly twig blight is used to describe the phase of the disease in which the smaller twigs wither and die as has been described. This form of the disease soon becomes a limb canker due to the progress of the disease from the twig to the larger branch. If the twig first attacked happens to be a water sprout then the blight quickly enters the trunk or main branch and the serious condition known as "body blight" results.

Affected cambium becomes brown or trees that have been pushed. discolored-not clear, watery-white as in healthy stems.

Recent investigations have shown that many other insects besides the bees are important in the spread of blight, and probably more so than the



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a disease affecting members of crickets wounding diseased limbs and be removed. The trees when left must the rose family, the pear, apple, moun- then working in healthy ones inoculate be free from all blighted parts. It is tain ash, plum, thornapple, and other the twigs as surely as the scientist in the common practice for growers to do wild pomaceous fruits. Of the great the first experiments. Aphids, occur- this severe cutting out of the blight, mass of names proposed the name fire ring in hundreds on blighted twigs, fly but they usually do not remove all blight is most comprehensive and most to healthy twigs and inaugurate the traces of the disease. accurately describes the general signs disease afresh. In Michigan observa-

its germ nature. We proceed in two orchard must be gone over and over so



One characteristic is common to all rect means we can check the amount these stages of attack and this consti- of blight by checking cambium activ- not give a half hour's time. tutes the surest means of telling the ity. Trees in sod, trees that are not disease in the field. The fire blight pushed by cultivation, or heavy nitro- med out regularly, severe losses occur. germs work first on the cambium or genous fertilizers to make abundant growing tissue of the shoot or limb. growth are not blighted so badly as ing that is allowed to progress until

the control of aphids. The nicotine ble and the involvement is not too sprays are being used more and more complete, the blighted wood can be by fruit growers. Aphids, aside from gouged or cut out. their relation to fire blight make unsightly, worthless twigs and some cept small twigs) should be disinfectkinds injure the fruit.

fire blight consists in direct eradica- the disinfectant may injure the tools. tion of blighted parts. This is readily In cutting out blight the disinfectant should be tried with all, with the pos- a glass jar or wooden pail, can be sible exception of the full grown, ma- swabbed on the cuts. This should be ture trees. Old trees frequently show done the last thing before leaving the an enormous amount of twig blight and tree. but very little limb canker. Such cases can not be handled in the usual way blighted twigs, and branches should be and are ordinarily but small sources thrown into a basket or box and be of damage.

-be it in blossoms or twigs-the a source of danger. blighted parts should be broken out in the case of blossoms, and cut out in CULTIVATION OF THE LATE POthe case of twigs. Many orchardists fail to see the value of breaking out blighted blossoms, but when it is rerecommendation is apparent..

must be gone over to remove all cases go through with a double cultivator of twig blight. Every blighted twig with wings off of single cultivator with must be taken. If left they are not nanges set and cover potat only a source of danger, but later, due a half to two inches with loose dirt. to the progress of the germ down the This will cover and kill the weeds and twig, may become a limb canker.

blighted parts removed. If the work- son when plants are large. Do not hill is done thoroughly so that no blight high except when you are in need of remains in a tree, the inspections can drainage on low wet soils. A broad be made quickly and throughly.

week or two the orchard must be gone over to cut out all twig blight, if loss the season until potato vines cover the is to be avoided.

But usually the grower does not crop.

realize the seriousness of the situation until the orchard is badly hit. He must then go over the trees and cut out the First blight, called also, pear blight, bees. Various wood borers working in to remove all wood likely to harbor twig blight, apple blight, etc., is blighted limbs carry the serves. Tree the blight, cutting back severely in order

> The absolute essential in fire blight any blight which, hidden at the time Wet weather becomes important not of the first cutting, and has developed careful removal of all traces of blight The prevention of loss from fire at the first cut was to allow ready disways to control the disease. By indi- long as blight develops.

The grower usually gives up a badly blighted orchard. He allows trees that have cost him much money and he allows the land which he has turned into orchard for several years, to become a total loss because he overestimates the job. With the proper tools, with trees not overly large, the matter of cutting out blight is seldom a matter of more than ten minutes, or at the most, a half hour. If the job is done completely, the second cutting a week or two later can be done in two or three minutes. Figuring a man's time at thirty cents an hour, it usually will not cost more than ten or fifteen cents to save a tree worth from \$10 to \$40. If the matter concerned a milch cow, the farmer would not hesitate to call a veterinarian and pay a goodsized bill to save the animal. To save a tree, worth almost as much, he will

Where water sprouts are not trim-In such cases of body blight or blightthe main limbs are involved, little can We can further fight fire blight by be done. If the tree is worth the trou-

All large cuts (this is everything exed. The old advice to disinfect the But the chief means of fighting the tools between each cut is unhandy and accomplished with young trees and (1-1000 corrosive sublimate) carried in

All chips from blighted portions, carried from the orchard. If left on When blight is found in an orchard the ground the larger pieces are still

TATOES.

From seven to ten days after plantmembered that each blighted blossom ing, the potato field should be harrowis likely to become a blighted twig, and ed with a spike-toothed drag with the that it is a simple matter to knock off rows and followed in another week by the blighted spur and stop the trouble cross dragging. This will keep the at once by about five minutes work on weeds down and the soil well mulched a small tree, the significance of this and in good condition. If you wish to hill your potatoes just as they are Following blossom time the orchard coming up, so you can follow the row, the potatoes will come right along. But the work does not stop with one Deep close cultivating should be done going over of the orchard. Each week early when plants are small so as to the trees must be gone over and the avoid root pruning later on in the seaflat hill made early in the season, if And so throughout the season, every hilling is at all necessary, is the best. Frequent shallow cultivations during ground will insure you the maximum J. W. WESTON.

Increasing Herd Efficiency

County Co-operative Cow-testing may be mentioned: Association was finished on June 16, on which day a meeting of all the throughout the winter season. members was held in the rooms of the county farm bureau.

Of the twenty-six herds in the assofull year's test. The number of cows dry season, and thus maintains the in the association increased from 336 milk flow. in the first month to 395 in the twelfth. On the basis of the nineteen herds even when made from large coarse mortality is a veritable achievement of ing value is wasted. the year's work of the testing associayear's record. The standard we set for spring crops. minimum production for profit is 250

duction is that of Pattison Bros. Their it in the silo, as compared with huskgrade Guernseys averaged 333.48 ing. pounds of butter-fat for the year. The herd of McMurray & Gibbs topped the association in milk production with 8,224.8 pounds.

The individual honors were carried off by Nina, a grade Holstein, both in milk and butter-fat production. Such is her yearly record:

 Milk, lbs.
 14,934.00

 Butter-fat, lbs.
 506.2

 Value of product.
 \$225.34

 Cost of food
 90.75
 Cost of feed..... Profit \$125.59

Pattison Bros., was second with 450.2 or reduce the number of acres requirpounds; Olan, grade Guernsey, owned ed to maintain the stock already on by J. R. Comings, was third with 446.5 hand, is the key to successful farming, pounds.

To show the relative profitability of en at random from the association will be erected this summer. herd-book:

Good Cows. 1,622.6 Cows. 4,182.10 Butter-fat, lbs..... \$626.4 980.26 Profit

seven inferior cows to make as much left. money above cost of feed as ten good cows. However, the difference should be far greater, for we must consider the extra labor, investment, barn-room, CURED ALFALFA HAY FOR COWS. and many other expenses that go with a large number of cows.

the year was very satisfactory. For compared with green alfalfa fed as a 244 cows:

Milk, lbs. Profit ...

The excellence of the results of the an institution of the Kalamazoo coun- beet pulp, corn meal, gluten, distillers' nence of the cow-testing association as ty dairymen. The association is al- grains, cottonseed meal, and bran. The ready launched upon its second year total average weight of the cows on

Kalamazoo Co.

has been planted, should be sufficient alfalfa hay ration as compared with a reason this season for the erection of feed cost of \$132.07 and a profit over feed cost of \$125.99 on the soiling crop a silo on every farm not already hava silo on every farm not already having one, and the addition of another silo on farms having only one. The advantages of the silo over the ordi-nary method of shocking and husking advantages of a soling crop to produce 1.9 pounds of milk.

HE first year of the Kalamazoo the corn crop are numerous. A few

1. Silage furnishes succulent feed 2. It reduces the area required for

pasturage. 3. It provides the cheapest possible ciation at present, nineteen finished a means of supplementing pasture in a

4. Silage is eaten without any waste, mentioned only 244 cows are included stalks. Only sixty-three per cent of in the yearly averages. It was the aim the total digestible nutrients of the of the association to get rid of the un- corn crop is found in the grain. The profitable cows as soon as their value other thirty-seven per cent is in the was discovered. The association herd stalks, and all of it is lost on many book discloses the fact that 120 cows farms, and on others; even under the were sold out of twenty-five herds, or best methods of handling stalks, from about thirty-three per cent. This high twenty to forty per cent of their feed-

5. The crop is disposed of early in tion. Moreover, many more of the cows the fall, which permits putting the land will be sold as a result of the full into wheat, or at least plowing for the

6. The value of an immature corn pounds of butter-fat per cow per year. crop, or one frosted before ripening The highest herd in butter-fat pro- may be practically doubled by placing

> 7. The crop may be stored in a much smaller space than it could be as dry fodder.

> 8. The labor required to feed the crop is reduced where it is stored as silage.

9. The live stock carrying capacity of a farm can be materially increased by the use of a silo. A given area of corn, in sections where corn is successfully grown, when placed in the silo will furnish feed for a larger number of stock than will any other crop that can be produced on the same area. Jumbo, grade Guernsey, owned by To keep more live stock on each acre, and the more extensive use of the silo will provide the opportunity. On an good and inferior cows a comparison eighty-acre farm the writer has one is made of the ten best cows in the 14x35-foot silo and his faith in the silo association with ten inferior cows tak- is such that another silo 12x36 feet

The conservation of all food for man Inferior and beast is the duty of every farmer. Careful husbandry of all the crop is not only a patriotic obligation, but is also necessary if the increased operat-171.76 ing and labor expenses on the farm It would, in other words, take fifty- are to be met and a reasonable profit

> A silo will increase your profits. Mich. Ag. Col. PROF. G. A. BROWN.

In an experiment to determine the The average for the association for feeding value of cured alfalfa hay as soiling crop for cows producing milk, and to ascertain the physical effect of green alfalfa fed as a soiling crop with silage as compared with alfalfa hay, two lots of cows were fed by the New Jersey Station by the reversal method first year's work assured the perma- during two periods of forty days each. Both lots received in addition silage, ready launched upon its second year with nearly all of the old members working with renewed zeal and energy for progressive business dairying in Michigan. Kalamazoo Co. J. M. MAZE. pounds per head when alfalfa was fed, SILOS MORE NECESSARY THAN EVER THIS SEASON. The prospects for a rather poor hay crop, and the late date at which corn has been planted, should be sufficient ration. For every pound of alfalfa hay



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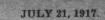
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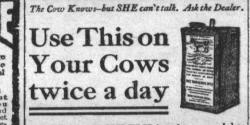
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Extending Hog Production By N. A. CLAPP

THE United States of America the present and future generations of the world. The fertile valleys, of tyranny and despotism. hilltops and mountain slopes consti- An effort is being made to revive an tute vast areas of tillable land that interest in pig raising and feeding in invite enterprising grain growers to all parts of our great country. Almost make their habitations where the unconsciously we have let the number grasses grow in almost unbounded of hogs on the farms sag considerably profusion, and the land can be but below the number we call a normal tickled with the plow, grain seed sown one. Formerly we had sixty-eight miland in due time there will be rejoic- lion of hogs on the farms, but today, ing, for there will be a golden harvest exclusive of the small pigs, we can not awaiting the husbandman who may show much, if any, more than one-half garner it for food for family use and that number. Breeding stock has been to feed to his domestic animals.

called the live stock emporium of the that direction, and help save us from world, a country where domestic ani- a pork meat famine. mals of all kinds are kept in great numbers and all the world, so to We have looked upon oats as only fit speak, can look to us for almost any to feed the horses. We have in recent number that may be required to meet years, learned that oats are excellent the immediate needs. In no other kind feed for the dairy cows. Now we of stock has the idea been more pro- should learn that oats are excellent nounced than in swine production, and feed for pigs. For either cows or pigs yet during the last six months prices they should be ground before being for hogs and pork meats have been so fed. Oats mixed with peas, equal high that the numbers of hogs sold parts, and ground, make nearly an have brought us to the point where it ideal ration for not only growing pigs, is necessary to change our views, in but a ration on which we can prepare some ways, in regard to the absolutely them for market. In my own experinecessary feeds and encourage a more ence and practice I have raised a good liberal breeding and feeding of pigs in deal of barley which is an excellent those portions of the country which feed for pigs in either summer or winare outside of the so-called corn belt. ter. A combination of one-half oats On account of the great demands and barley, equal parts, ground tofrom other countries for the one pork gether, makes an excellent feed for product, lard, we have become imbued both growing and fattening pigs. In with the idea that to make marketable some cases the barley and oat feed has hogs we must have corn, and that been the main reliance for fitting pigs hogs, in order to meet the demands of for showing at the fairs. the world markets, must be raised in Any of the feeds mentioned can be the corn belt. When we consider the fed with profit in conjunction with matter in the light of modern condi- wheat middlings. We have been too tions, and more modern demands, it much given to feeding one feed alone seems strange that we have clung to and middlings have been the main rethe one idea so long.

little less than one-half of the hogs ter results than any one of those feeds that go into the markets of the world. used alone. In all other countries outside of our own, hogs are bred, kept, fed, and pre- ble to fit for market the hogs on hand pared for market on other feeds than before this year's corn crop is availcorn. .We do not hear complaints that able for that purpose. The peas, oats, the quality of the pork produced in barley and middlings feeds can be England or Canada is inferior to that utilized, the pigs put in market condiwhich is produced in our own country, tion early in the season, and probably and yet the most of the hogs in those a better price may be secured than countries never saw or ate any corn. can be when the winter rush comes. In In Germany alone, the hog supply, by most of the years during the last half instruction from the government, was century, the summer and early fall increased from thirteen million head markets were better than during the to seventeen million head during the late fall and early winter. last year.

at Washington, D. C., seems to desire for hogs of medium weight. Anything to impress upon the minds of the farm- that can be made into bacon and light ers of this country, is the fact that hams can be cured, transported and hogs can be raised and fitted for mar- used to good advantage before the ket on other feeds than corn and a heavy hogs can be utilized. It is bagood profit from the same realized. con and light hams that are needed for If "Continental Europe" can produce immediate use in all parts of the pork on such grains as are raised in world. those countries, it is reasonable to be- Here in Michigan there are large lieve that the same can be done here quantities of peas, barley and oats in this country.

the Corn Belt. ing, for profit and patriotic reasons, to preciated at their full value it is posroduce all the pork we can to supply sible for those portions of the state to the necessities of our home popula- do their share in helping to keep up a tion and at the same time help to feed supply of hogs for the markets of the the armies of our allies in Europe. We world. A still farther consideration need not restrict our efforts in that should not be overlooked. In those direction to that portion of the country portions of the country, remote from known as the corn belt, or where corn the traffic centers, there is less liabilis produced in considerable quantities. ity to meet losses from disease. There are vast areas of country where Let us work for a revival of interest other crops than corn are produced, in pig growing and pork production in where it is practicable to breed, raise Michigan. Let each and every farmer and feed large numbers of pigs, and take a hand in the game and by raisby so doing, each and every part of the ing a variety of feeds make it possible country can be doing something in to produce more and better pigs, and that direction-doing its "bit" toward not only aid in feeding the armies in helping fight the battles in this world the field, but add to the wealth and

has been considered the granary from an enslavement to the iron hand

sacrificed on account of high prices for The United States has also been corn. It is advisable to call a halt in

What Shall we Feed?

liance. A combination of all the feeds, Corn Not the Only Good Hog Feed. middlings, oats, barley and peas, make We produce in the United States a a much better feed and will give bet-

The present year it may be desira-

Another fact should be kept in mind: What the Department of Agriculture The demand, at the present time, is

raised; especially is this true in the Hog Production is Practicable Outside northern portions of the state where it is impracticable to raise corn in Here in our own country we are try- large quantities. If those feeds are ap-

war for human liberty and help to free general welfare of the country.



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HE Grand Canyon is one of the things almost impossible to describe. Imagine a huge gash in the earth's surface over 200 miles in total length, nearly two miles deep and period covered them, into fantastic close at hand.

The Grand Canyon By ELLA E. ROCKWOOD

brown and ochre, all carved, appar- ness of the desert atmosphere which had set out by boat far up the river, can easily be made in a day. ently by water, which in some former makes distant objects appear quite accompanied by a party of friends, Standing on the rim we watched a

yon is filled up with mountain peaks as described, there are places where considerable comparatively level land is found. Through one of these runs Bright Angel Trail. Parties go down thirteen miles wide from rim to rim, meets the visitor's eye can be obtain- white man to explore the canyon. He "Jacob's Ladder" to reach it, the desits walls so nearly perpendicular in ed. Told that the opposite rim is thir- made the descent to the river, a most cent on mule back being full of thrills. many places that a plummet could be teen miles distant, the tourist can perilous undertaking at this point, in The trail, once the bottom is reached, dropped the entire distance. Fill the scarcely believe the statement, though 1849, if I remember the date correctly. runs several miles on the level then floor or bottom of the chasm with huge he has probably been at least partially Determined on an exploration of this abruptly descends via "Devil's Slide" mountain peaks of vivid red and green, prepared for it, by the surprising clear- at that time inaccessible region, he to the brink of the river. This trip

willing, like himself, to make the at- trail party cheeping slowly along two shapes, spires, battlements, towers At Maricopa Point which juts out tempt. He succeeded in escaping miles below. The animals and riders and castles in grand array, with the into the canyon with a sheer drop from with his life, but two of the party, af- appeared about like ants in size. Midmysterious Colorado River commonly the edge, of nearly two miles, there ter the boat had capsized, left the oth- way on the route could be seen a small credited with having done the work, has recently been erected a granite ers and attempted to make their way patch of vivid green and a speck of winding like a brown thread far below, monument bearing a bronze tablet to back over the desert. Both were lost. white. The former we were told was and some faint idea of the sight that the memory of Major Powell, the first While nearly all the bed of the can- a clump of cottonwood trees and the

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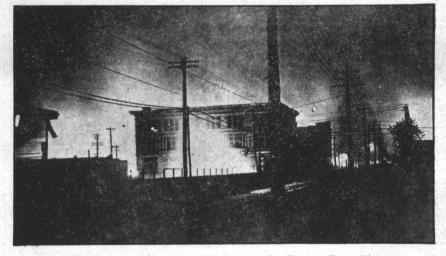
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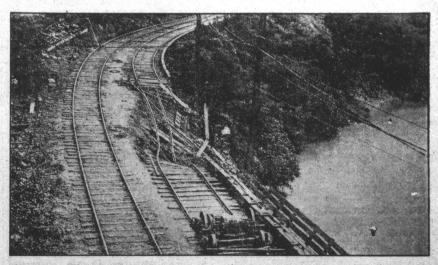
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Chief across to Germany." There was a moment's silence. JULY 21, 1917.

latter a tent at a spot called Indian mostly downward, where the river Garden. A cultivated farm of forty runs over the Hermit Rapids. It lookacres surrounds the trees and the tent ed white, and we heard the sound, ever but could not be distinguished at that so faintly, at that distance. The oppodistance. There flowers bloom all win- site rim at that point was 1,300 feet ter, while at the rim the thermometer higher than where we were standing. frequently marks twenty-two degrees Yet its topmost layer of rocky soil apbelow zero at an altitude of over 7000 peared little if any above us. It is heavily wooded so our guide informed Our party took a rim drive to Pima us, and abounds with big game, deer, Point, the round trip occupying about mountain sheep, lion, and wild cat.

As the afternoon began to wane and is magnificent. Occasionally a glimpse the sun swung toward the west, silence of the river is obtained but as a rule fell upon our party as we watched the it is out of sight between obscuring changing shadows play upon the rocks. cliffs. At one place we descended from All day, for that matter, they shift and the surrey and paused to take in the change almost continually. The beauglorious sight. Someone remarked up tiful purple haze peculiar to mountainon the stillness and then we noticed ous regions filled the space from rim that there was not a sound to be to rim. Rosy now were the granite heard. A stout railing enabled us to peaks, darker on the shady side. Gradgo quite near the edge without being ually the sunlight faded, deeper grew too venturesome, and as we stood the grays and purples. The sun there, awestricken and silent at a spec- slowly disappeared, leaving a golden tacle so sublime, a faint rippling fell glow. Then the short twilight settled upon the ear, a sound as of falling wa- into night, the stars began to twinkle ter. Our guide pointed out a spot said one by one, and darkness hid the canto be two and one-half miles distant, yon from sight.

Contraband" RANDALL PARRISH

My eyes distinguished no figures, but suddenly a blaze of lightning seem- learned this from the ship's papers?" ed to rip the sky asunder, and, in the swift, ghastly glare, I perceived two man himself is on board." human figures against the starboard rail, safe from observation beneath a then laughed. boat swung in davits. The man diflame, was Liverpool Red. Then all do you?" was silence and darkness again, the ship plunging against the storm, the Very well, there was no better time pled for life by the cowardly bulletthan now to start my task. Yet I had separating. I could not positively determine the movement in the intense money?" darkness, but I felt assured that one of the two men had moved forward, men also. In the first place, I might crouching along the rail, leaving the second man standing alone. Unques- who owns this ship. Of course you tionably the one thus left would be McCann.

I waited motionless until the fellow stealing away was well beyond earshot and then advanced straight across the others have that Fergus McCann is pitching deck. The fellow, taken quite by surprise, stared at my indistinct figure, unable to determine my identity to Mr. Robert Hollis, of Chicago." until I spoke.

seem to prefer associating with the considerably. crew, rather than with your own class

aft. What is the game?" my own class on board," he answered small boat in mid-Atlantic, where you sneeringly.

to know who owns this vessel and the your number already." cargo?"

"Who owns them!" with a coarse laugh. "What difference does that say any more about it tonight. Tomormake?"

It depends entirely on whether or not you have any decent manhood left shoulders picturing contempt, and a in you," I said coldly, "and frankly I studied insolence which set my blood do not believe you have. However, the boiling. With the grip of one hand I truth can do no harm, and we'll un- flung him back against the rail, and derstand each other better. This ship held him there. and cargo are owned by Philip Bascom of Philadelphia."

mean it?"

his fortune is invested in this one en-learned that there were men forward terprise; that is why I consented to ripe for any dirty work if they could assume command, and sail the Indian only be paid well for it. That is your

"Bascom," he repeated at last. "You "I learned it from his own lips-the

He breathed heavily from surprise;

"Lord, this is some news, Hollis," he rectly facing me, his countenance il- managed to ejaculate, "but surely you lumined for a single instant by the hardly expect me to be sympathetic,

"No, I hardly expect it," unable to disguise my intense disgust at his tone. deck swept by wind and rain. The "I'd hardly expect you to exhibit ordivery postures of the two men, the po- nary decency under any circumstances sition chosen amidships, and in the but I thought I would give you a shadow, led me to identify Liverpool's chance. However, Philip Bascom is companion and guess their purpose. here, ruined by your persecution, crip-"Now, look here, Hollis," he broke scarcely taken a step forward when I in, "if you think I am going to stand became aware that their secret confer- for your bullying any longer you're ence was over, and that the two were mistaken. It's my turn to talk."

"Yours! What will you talk with-

"Perhaps," he sneered, "and with as well tell you, I don't give a darn gave me a jolt by saying that this man Bascom was on board, but, after all, that's nothing to me. We had our fight, and he learned the same lesson perfectly able to take care of himself. Now I'm ready to teach the same thing

I listened to him quietly, and my si-"Well, McCann," I said shortly, "you lence seemed to bolster up his courage

"Those are the facts," he went on, as I made no reply, his tone assuming "I was not aware there were any of a more marked bluster. "This is no can bully me because of your physical "Perhaps you have not yet discover- strength. You made a mistake, Holed who are on board. Do you chance lis, playing me for a fool. I've got

"You are quite sure of that?"

"You bet I am, but I'm not going to row I'll talk with you again."

He turned away, the

"No, we'll discuss it right now," I om of Philadelphia." said sternly, "but I'll do the talking in "Bascom! Great Scott! You don't your place. You haven't anything to tell me. I know what your plans are "But I do; and more than that, all already. When you came aboard you long suit-money. The trouble with you, McCann, is that you have been

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brought up to believe that money will of a star, or two. The sea, however, p buy you anything. You get along very remained heavy, but with a steadier nicely on that theory in New York roll to the great combers. No moveprobably, but this is not New York. ment attracted my eyes on the main Just face the difference. You are not deck, and I climbed the ladder, joining at present Mr. Fergus McCann, stock Olson at the port-rail. Two men were broker and multi-millionaire; you are at the wheel, which bucked sufficiently a mere passenger, picked up at sea by to keep them busy. I could not disthe freighter Indian Chief. That is tinguish their faces in the gloom, but your exact status. On the other hand, paused to glance at the compass. I am no longer Robert Hollis, of Chi-I am Captain Hollis, in command of closer." this vessel, responsible for its safety. I know what you are attempting to ac- sir," answered a voice I recognized as complish, and I know your purpose. Simms', "unless we raise a bit more You have found a few ruffians forward, jib, and the mate thought it best not who will take your dirty money. To to risk the canvas." gain control of the others you have played up the war scare. You think the best you can." now that the time has come when you can act-is that so?"

free of my grip, and I let go of him in stood, in somewhat better frame of utter contempt.

"You would find out," he snarled angrily, "if I called for help."

help, for if you even open your lips thought it best not to shake out anothfor that purpose, you are going to die er reef in the jim." right where you stand. Take that seriously, McCann. You are endeavoring to buck these seas, sir," he replied, to incite mutiny on board, and under "and as you had no observation. I hardthe law of the sea, I can kill you for it. ly thought a point or two would make Now, I confess my feeling toward you much difference." is not a tender one, but there is going to be no bloodshed if I can avoid it. sulted on such matters hereafter. You Where have you bunked ?"

"Amidship."

"Petty officers quarters. Well, I pre- our distance from the men at the fer having you aft. There is a vacant wheel. stateroom below. Walk ahead of me to the cabin, and go down the steps." he admitted slowly. "The watch for-

'You'll pay for this in the morning." my man. Trust me to take care of real need. It's Liverpool's turn on your friends forward when the time deck, Mr. Hollis, an' he an' I never was comes. This is not my first voyage. no friends. If I was to give an order, Move on."

sion on my face because of the dark- a row, sir." ness, but the tone of my voice, the sharp grip of my fingers on his shoul- interest you to know that I have just der, must have told him I was in no cut Liverpool's claws-his friend Mcmood for further discussion. Sullenly Cann is below, safely locked up." he left the rail, and crossed the deck to the companion, with me trailing a curred on the main deck just now? He step behind. I was aware that Olson was very quiet about it, sir." was leaning out over the poop-rail watching our dim figures, wondering McCann's trade. He prefers to pay no doubt what was occurring below. I did not venture to glance upward, or remove my eyes from the prisoner.

"Below there," the mate called down, gruffly, "what's going on?"

ed, speaking quietly. "TI explain lat- millionaire?" er. Open the door, McCann, and go straight down."

He must have realized the utter futility of resistance, for he never even Hollis, but just a yachtsman?" turned his head, marching before me down the stairs, and across the desert- yarn forward?" ed cabin. I threw open the door next to Bascom's stateroom, switched on the story at the wheel." the light, and glanced within, keeping my grasp hard on McCann's arm. The and then see to it that the word gets place was bare enough, a single bunk, to the crew. I was a member of a with ample covering, and a wooden yachting party when we suffered shipstool.

"Go on in," I said shortly. coward's hatred.

"You cur! if you wasn't armed-" gust, flinging him forward, and he fell the Old Atlas Line. I know the sea, sprawling on the deck, overturning the and its way from forecastle to afterstool. The next instant I had closed cabin, and any time those lads forward the door, and locked it, dropping the there want to take my measure the key into my jacket pocket. There had chance is wide open. You understand?" been little noise, scarcely enough to arouse the sleepers below, and it was more respect in the tone. with a feeling of relief that I returned to the open deck. This easy capture night?" of McCann would greatly simplify matsolidify our forces for the defense of ugly." the ship.

showing only fitfully along the horizon. vantage. I'll return to the main deck, There were rifts in the clouds over- Mr. Olson, and leave you in charge head, and I could perceive the glimmer here."

"You are off a couple of points, my cago, an idler and one of your own set; lads," I said. "Can't you hold her any

"Not the way the sea is running,

"Right, no doubt, but hold her down

"Ave, aye, sir."

The response was cheerful enough, He wriggled in an effort to break and I crossed the deck to where Olson mind.

"You are not exactly holding to the course, Mr. Olson," I said, but not un-"But you are not going to call for kindly, "and Simms tells me that you

"It would only strain the old hooker

"Nor does it; but I prefer to be conmust have had some other reason?"

He glanced about to make sure of

"Well, in a way I suppose I did, sir," ward is sullen, an' I had no desire to "Do not worry about the morning, stir them up unless there was some and then had to go forward to make He could not have seen the expres- 'em take hold, it might start up quite

"Quite a sensible decision. It may

"Exactly, sir. That was what oc-

"Yes; fighting doesn't seem to be others to do that for him. But the fellow is no less dangerous on that account, Mr. Olson."

"I know that kind, sir," and the second mate hesitated. "Is it true what I "It is all right, Mr. Olson," I answer- hear that this one is a real New York

> "He's rich enough, if that is what you mean."

> "And you are not a real sailor, Mr.

"Has McCann been circulating that

"He has, sir. Simms just told me

"Well, then, listen to me, Mr. Olson, wreck, but I'm no yachtsman. I left the sea some years since, having come His eyes met mine, black with a into some money, but before that I was a deep-water sailor, all right. I've served before the mast, Mr. Olson, and I swung him about in sudden dis- won every grade up to a captaincy in "I do, sir," and I thought there was

"Good; there will be no trouble to-

"I think not, sir, but by morning they ters. Now, at least, we had time in will begin to wonder what has become which to prepare for emergencies, and of this man McCann, and may grow

"We can handle them by daylight. It The rain had ceased, the lightning is darkness, which gives them an ad-(Continued next week).



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DON'T know what's the matter ly at the bottom of the trouble, as it is ous voice behind me on the inter- great world war.

urban car. "I never can get a thing done the way I want it. Everybody own shortcomings. What is a vice in lies and is dishonest. I have to watch the other chap is only a perfectly natthe grocer like a cat watches a mouse ural instinct in us. As young Martin or he cheats me, and the hired man is Chuzzlewit put it, "Grandfather is so always sneaking things home to his confounded stubborn, but I only dismother. I never saw such folks. Ev- play a proper firmness of spirit." erything is wrong."

asked a tired voice, none too politely. rights when we do it. When husband Its owner had evidently heard the same wants to go holidaying without us, he tirade before. "I've noticed that when is neglecting his home, but when we a body thinks everybody else is wrong take a vacation without him we need there's always a lot of cleaning up to the change. And so with friend husbe done around home." And a raw- band. The money we spend for candy boned man arose and stalked into the and sodas or trifles for the house, smoker, thus effectually closing the which to his eye lack utility, is all nonconversation.

the woman who found everything good fellow" is perfectly legitimate bewrong, but I didn't dare. I know cause he earned it and a man has to though that the corners of her mouth have some diversion. were drawn down, and her face was lined with fine creases and that she everybody made it a rule to look for eyed everyone about her with suspi- flaws at home first. Of course, not evcion. There are others like her of both eryone will, but a few of us could make sexes, people who have looked for the a start, and that would help mightily. bad so consistently that they now can It would remove a great deal of troufind no good. Fortunately, there are ble at once and then our example not many of them or we'd all be cut- would influence others to follow in our ting throats. But the man's little ad- footsteps. monition is good for us if even we haven't gone to extremes.

An unusually successful man was once asked how he managed to get along with so little friction.

"I always look first for the fault in myself," he replied. "Half of the time, of Arizona, I found many places where yes, three-fourths of the time, I find it was impossible to secure ice. The it right at home. The other fourth I people there, however, used a water don't bother about because I'm so busy straightening out my own mistakes."

ment at home would do well to try this made, many northern farmers, who man's method. It has been my experi- live too far out for the ice man, would ence with American fathers and moth- find it a great convenience through the ers that their sin lies on the side of too hot summer months. It is made in the much leniency, and yet lately I have following manner: The size or shape heard quite a little of father's "domi- may be varied, but care must be taken neering" and mother's "fussiness." I to give all parts a free circulation suppose father thinks that so long as of air. he pays the bills he has some right to say how the money shall be spent and feet square and three feet high. Make how much of it, yet this does not seem a skeleton door for the front, put a to occur to the boys who want to burn solid top and bottom on of wood or up the gas, and the girls who sigh for zinc, put two slat or perforated more and daintier clothes. And moth- shelves inside, cover the sides and er, who has to bear all the blame when door with burlap, fasten it on the joy rides terminate disastrously, could north side of the house where it will hardly be expected to sit down with- be in the shade and the wind will out a murmur when things do not look strike it. Place three or four thickjust right to her. The children who nesses of burlap on top and on this set States Department of Labor is send- then take two sifters of white bread are heady with a little new liberty, a large can of water, make a hole in ing out bulletins on the care of chil- flour and put in bread pan, in winter resent any interference and blame fath- the can large enough to let enough dren which contain a great deal of val- warm flour, make a hole in center of er and mother for "spoiling" their hap- water drip to keep the burlap wet, or uable information for mothers. These flour and pour in the light yeast, to and look for the fault at home they attached to regulate the would find it in at least fifty cases out water. of every one hundred.

The same way with husbands and wives. For some reason, let's blame it on the war, there seems to be a lot of domestic unhappiness just now. In made this summer than formerly, ow- answers to many questions which put it in some other pan, add six tablea good many homes things are at sixes ing to the price of sugar, but a certain mothers are anxious to have answered. spoonfuls of sugar, or four tablespoons and sevens and team work is an un- amount is bound to be made. Not only A few titles, taken at random, are of molasses if you like it dark, and graknown quantity. Each side blames the because the family wants it, but be- "The Care of the Growing Child's ham flour to knead a hard loaf. Knead other, where to unprejudiced outsiders cause jelly is a good food and it is Teeth," "What is your Child Learn- well and set to rise. When light mold it looks like a fifty-fifty proposition. If more truly economical to conserve the ing?" "Feeding the Child of Four," in loaves and set to rise and when instead of looking for the mote in the fruits which may be kept this way "Clothes for the Growing Child," "Food light again bake the same as white other's eye, each would pluck out the than to allow them to go to waste be- for Young Children." Fractically ev- bread. My graham bread is always beam in his own the atmosphere would cause sugar costs money. clear up decidedly. Selfishness is real- Some fruits will not jelly at all, treated in the series.

with everybody." It was a querul- at the bottom of all trouble, even the

We are all unwilling to admit our

What is selfishness in our husband "Did you ever try blaming yourself?" or children is only insisting on our sense and extravagance. But the mon-I wanted to turn around and look at ey he spends for tobacco and "being a

All the friction could be removed if

DEBORAH.

REFRIGERATOR WITHOUT ICE.

BY MARY RAE.

In traveling through the hot regions cooler, usually home-made, which was very successful even in that climate, Children who complain of hard treat- and as it is very easily and cheaply

Make a skeleton frame two by two If they would sit down instead a keg may be used and a small faucet may be obtained free by writing the which has been added one teaspoonful

MAKING JELLY.

as they should and we feel our time, tabor, fruit and sugar are wasted. Use care in selecting your fruit, do not use that which is over-ripe or dead ripe, linoleum? Also when to gather dande-and then test it for its jellying quali-line root for medicine?—Mrs. R. V. E. ties. To do this pour a teaspoonful of the juice, after it has been cooked and cooled, into a cup with an equal part of turpentine. This rubbed over amount of ninety-five per cent grain alcohol. If a jelly-like substance forms in the bottom the juice will make jel- the varnish so that it can be easily ly. If it forms in a solid lump, use equal amounts of juice and sugar. If it is not in one lump use less sugar.

small fruits the less water used the ly dried before storing. If they are better. Simply add enough to prevent not washed at digging time they need burning, heat through, crush the fruit not be washed at all. and cook up well. Strain through a double cheesecloth bag or through of drying beef: Brown salt until the flannel. If you wish a clear jelly, do color of coffee, and while the salt is not squeeze the bag. In these days of still hot, roll each piece of beef in it. thrift it is well to extract the fruit two Then pack in a crock and let remain or three times. After letting all drip for five days, after which it should be that will, boil up again, and extract the taken out, washed well and hung up juice. Often jelly can be made after to dry. For pickling beef, the followre-cooking three and four times, but of ing is a good method: Nine ounces course the quality is not so good.

boil before adding the sugar. The sug- lasses. Add water enough to cover ar should be heated in the oven and the meat. This brine should be scaldpoured gradually into the juice as soon ed and skimmed and then let cool beas boiling begins. Remove as soon as fore pouring over the meat. the liquid jellies. Rapid boiling gives a clearer jelly. It is not necessary to sour milk, one rounded teaspoonful of skim while boiling. Instead, better re- soda, half teaspoonful of salt, small sults are obtained if you do not skim half cupful of granulated sugar or less the jelly until it has been poured into if desired, three tablespoonfuls shortthe sterilized glasses. When the juice ening, graham flour to make a smoothpours off the spoon in flakes or in a ly stiff batter. Bake in a loaf pan or sheet, instead of like syrup, it has in gem pans. This will rise like a cooked long enough.

the same jelly test to tell when it has cooked long enough. If you let the E.S. marmalade cool before pouring into glasses the fruit will not rise to top. The Department of Agriculture anticipates a serious shortage of jars for

canning and urges all housewives to save all their bottles for jellies and preserves, which do not need to be Simply pour into the widesealed. mouthed bottles and cover with parrafin. Then cork, or if you have no corks tie a piece of muslin over the mouth.

The department also advises drying sweet corn, snap and string beans, shelled beans and peas, and most other fruits, except strawberries and grapes.

CHILD WELFARE BULLETIN.

supply of Children's Bureau, Washington, D. C., of soda. Add lukewarm water enough and asking for them. As they can not to make four loaves or more if wished, be printed at length in this department and stir and beat into a light sponge. owing to lack of space, the editor sug- Then set in a warm place to rise. gests that interested mothers write When light, if all is not wanted for Probably less jelly and jam will be and ask for them. They contain the graham, take out what you want and ery phase of the care of children is good when made in this way .-- Mrs.

A very good varnish remover is made of two parts of ammonia to one the linoleum or wood from which the varnish is to be removed will soften scraped off. The best time to dig dandelion roots for medicinal use is in the fall. The roots should be washed im-In making jelly from currants and mediately after digging and thorough-

The following is a very good method of salt, four ounces of saltpeter, two After extracting the juice bring to a ounces of saleratus, two quarts of mo-

Graham "War" Bread.-Two cups of cake in a moderate oven and be really In making orange marmalade use light and keep moist in a covered receptacle for at least three days .-- G.

Household Editor:-I am a reader of the Michigan Farmer and greatly enjoy the Household Department. I think it could be made more interesting and helpful if farm wives would help it along, so I am going to send Mrs. Wm. J. M. my recipe for making graham bread, which I think, if she follows directions, will help her. Take one good tablespoon of bread flour, one tablespoon of salt, two tablespoons of granulated sugar, and water enough to wet (perhaps a quarter of a cup). Then add three good-sized potatoes, mashed fine, and pour about one quart of potato water over the flour, salt and sugar while boiling hot. Then add the mashed potato and stir until the potatoes are dissolved. When lukewarm add a yeast cake. Set in a The Children's Bureau of the United warm place to rise until next morning, G. E. B.

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THE MICHIGAN FARMER

Woman's Aid to Preparedness MAIN-ELECTRIC-LIGHT

Plan of Work of Department of Food Production and Marketing, Woman's Committe (Michigan Division), Council of National Defense.

F the fifteen departments of work National Defense, none is more import- "the weather," and it is expected that ant than that of the Committee on all who wear them will "show their Food Production and Marketing, Mrs. colors," both as gardeners and patri-Dora H. Stockman, State Lecturer of ots right up to the end of the harvestthe Grange, is chief of the depart- ing and canning season. ment; Mrs. Cornelia Steketee Hulst, The actual canning and drying of of Grand Rapids, Chairman of the Gar- foods is to be under another departden Committee of the Michigan State ment, that of Household Thrift and Teachers' Association, is Chairman of Food Conservation, of which Miss Pauthe sub-section on Gardens. Other lina E. Raven of the Extension Divimembers of the general committee are sion, Michigan Agricultural College, is Mrs. J. S. Brown, of Howell, State Sec- chief. Mrs. Stockman and Miss Raven retary of Farmers' Clubs; Miss Jennie will work in closest co-operation Buell, of Ann Arbor, Secretary of the throughout the state. State Grange; Mrs. Emily Warner The Food Production and Marketing Green, of Dowagiac, head of the Home Committee points out the fact that Economics Department of the Grange; much available land, not only in cities Mrs. Fred Marvin, of Detroit, Director and villages, but in the open country, of Ladies' Work, the State Gleaners; is still not under cultivation; and that Mrs. Francis King, of Alma, President a good many persons having labor to of the Woman's National Farm and offer, are lacking land or the necessary Garden Association; Miss Mary Gros- capital to buy seed, etc. The commitvenor, Supervisor of School Gardens, tee is therefore seeking, by conference Detroit; Mrs. Cora, Anderson, of with the Governor's Agricultural Pre-L'Anse; Mrs. Lena Mantner, of Sagi- paredness Board, with the agricultural naw; with, ex-officio, Mrs. Caroline agents of the several counties, and Bartlett Crane, of Kalamazoo, General with men who control money, to help Chairman of the Woman's Committee bring together capital, land, and labor, for Michigan.

A recent meeting of this committee far for planting. was held in Grand Rapids, when the Plans for the registration of women work was outlined. The first princi- for emergency service in the lighter ple laid down is that every woman forms of farm labor are now awaited who possibly can do so should provide from the Chairman of the Central for the needs of her own family by Woman's Committee, Council of Naraising a sufficient supply of the kinds tional Defense, Dr. Anna Howard of foods that can be preserved, canned, Shaw, at Washington. In the various dried, or stored in the natural state parts of the state the women are now for use throughout the coming year. engaged in automobile transportation This is held to be necessary:

commandeering canned goods for our soldiers, and for the allies, and the in various parts of the state in securprospect is for a continued heavy ex- ing potato seed at cost. Pledges were portation, hence it is unlikely that we taken not to eat potatoes until the seed will be able to purchase canned goods scarcity was past. In Kalamazoo counthis next winter.

supply that helps to win the war.

Every woman is urged not only to put up her own family supplies, but to sell surplus supplies, either fresh or organized by the General State Compreserved, to neighbors less fortunate- mittee, Council of National Defense, ly situated, or to neighboring grocers. local committees on Food Production No food should go to waste-even pro- and Marketing are appointed. This ducts so ripe that they cannot be sent work is being organized not for this to market in the ordinary way should year alone, but for the period of the be saved by drying or canning, and to war, and as long thereafter as requestmake this possible public canning ap- ed by Secretary of War Baker and the paratus will be available at centers in other members of the Council of Nacities and towns.

The committee asks the co-operation of all city women in being ready to ers wear overalls or any kind of unibuy fruits and vegetables of the farm- form? Probably not. This, at least, ers in quantity in their season, to can, will be left to individual choice. The dry, preserve and store; thus saving committee only asks that women work waste and cost of temporary storage in any way they can to increase staple to both producer and consumer. This, foods and to conserve and use all food it is believed, will save nearly a twen- in the way best calculated to help "us ty-five per cent waste of products.

The farm production suggests that women's organizations in the country, (a) encourage boys' and girls' club trol, self-direction, these constitute an work; (b) adopt the slogan of "double educated will.—J. F. Clarke. the poultry production of Michigan Education will not make people hap-this year;" (c) encourage the bee in- py unless it is directed into useful outlet for all the butter we can make, dustry, and the saving of all breeding channels.—Lord. with one of the best stock on the farm.

The garden section recommends that groups of women in the cities visit children's gardens and encourage them to take the best possible care of them; also that women assist the children in marketing surplus products.

And to help the boys and girls and all amateur gardeners to persevere, the garden section of the department proposes to have some natty little buttons in the flag colors, with the motto, "See it Through."

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before the season has progressed too

of labor requisitioned by the county 1. Because the government is now farm agents and employment bureaus. A good deal has already been done ty and nearby counties thirteen hun-2. Because, in any event, if we pro- dred bushels of potatoes at from \$2.40 vide for the needs of our own families, to \$3.00 a bushel were bought and sold that takes us out of the market, and by the woman's committee, each buyer we thus voluntarily increase the food pledging himself, as a patriotic duty, to plant and faithfully cultivate every potato.

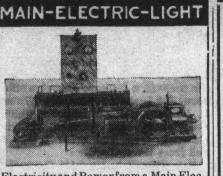
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from the city where we live to the orquicker results, the only expense be- paid for itself last year. This spring ing the wear and tear on the trailer, we set out over 200 apple and cherry besides we only require small loads in trees. They came in a large box, our fruit business. This would apply weighing over 800 pounds. We put to truck gardening as well, and the the box on the trailer, and although it trailer is unquestionably a great saver had been raining for a day, we had it in this particular.

with the trailer loaded in about an it for ourselves and neighbors. hour and a half. It would take a team trip with the same load.

grows any kind of fruits for market, a trailer. he can get them down quickly and in Alpena Co.

a. m. This rule is not rigid, however,

market afternoons as well.

chard and bring our fruit in. also market vegetables and grain in Last year we hauled to Alpena from considerable quantities to advantage much it cost him to accumulate the the orchard, a distance of twelve miles, by use of the trailer. In fact there are about 300 bushels of cherries. We use so many things a farmer can use a it, however, for all purposes, taking trailer for, I should regard it as an seed beans, seed potatoes, spraying indispensable auxiliary to the auto. If tional advantages the farmer should material, tools and other things to he attempts to carry the stuff in his have a system as well as the manufacauto, he soon has it all marred up and It is difficult to compare the cost of keeps it constantly soiled, so that it be fewer mortgages recorded and fewthe trailer with team hauling. A trip is undesirable as a vehicle to travel in. er foreclosures on and against farm There are not a half dozen trailers property.. chard with a team costs us from \$3.50 in this vicinity and yet there are hunto \$4.50. The use of the trailer gets dreds of autos. Our trailer practically

at the orchard in three-quarters of an We can go to the orchard and back hour. We carry all kinds of things in

There are no electric lines around more than a half day to make the same this vicinity, and it is the ideal place for trailers, but as a rule farmers ex-The great advantage to the farmer ceed their means in buying automoin having a trailer, if he owns an au- biles and feel that the trailer, which tomobile, is the time saved in going to is the most useful part, is an extra the city for little things. If his reaper burden they cannot bear. Their reaor other machinery breaks down, he soning is all faulty, and the time will can rush to town with the parts and soon come when every farmer who has bring them back in the trailer. If he an automobile will have some kind of

C. R. HENRY.

Market

ackson Reopens Its City Jackson opened a city market three with his or her basket. That would be years ago, which flourished for a time a difficult task. Supply and demand and then for various reasons went into regulate prices. Consumers will quicka sad decline. It was re-opened June ly discover whether it pays them to 15, under new rules and starts off in visit the market. Apparently the Jackgood shape. Jackson market gardeners son market will be largely wholesale have organized and have voted to sup- from the start, as the growers like to port the new market and discontinue clean up their loads quickly and get their peddling through the city. Under home. They are willing to let the pedthe new market rules wholesaling will dler peddle. be done from 5:00 to 8:00 a. m., with

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special attention paid to the city grocery trade, followed by sales at retail BUSINESS METHODS IN FARMING. to city consumers from 8:00 to 11:00

Farmers often complain that prices and growers may sell in large or small are always fixed for them-that when MICHIGAN FARMERS CO-OPERATE. quantities at any time. The market they go to buy a price is named which master is required to be on hand also they must pay, and when they go to from 1:00 to 4:00 p. m., so that some sell, a price is named which they must sociations of fruit growers from Benbusiness will probably be done at the accept. This is true, but is not the ton Harbor, Coloma, Millsburg, South fault partly the farmer's? The mer- Haven, Saugatuck, Bangor, Benton Market stalls are free to the growers chant insist upon a certain price or Center, Lansing and Hartford met at except that by payment of \$1.00 per no sale, because he knows just what Hartford, Van Buren county, and demonth in advance the grower may re- the article costs him, and under ordicided to federate their interests in seserve a particular stand. Growers nary conditions it would be foolish for curing a uniform pack of fruit and must have name and address on their him to sell at a loss. Further, he buys a thing, not because he happened to apple packing law, which is planned to The new market will be watched buy it the year before, but because raise the standard of Michigan fruit. with interest throughout the state, for there will be a demand for it at a price Peach grades and sizes were adopted other cities will open markets as soon for which he can afford to sell.

Back of him is the manufacturer dorse the plan of free stalls and the who knows what it costs to produce an plan of selling will also appeal to them article, hence sells to the merchant at as well as to the retail grocers. Wheth- a certain price or not at all.

er there will be much stuff left for the But the farmer, in most cases, does ultimate consumer when the grocers not know what his products cost him. in making the new state law a success. and hucksters get through, remains to This ignorance makes him helpless at the very start. He is not in position Company has been formed at Corunna, In addition to vegetables it is plan- to say, "pay me so much or no sale," ned to have on sale butter, eggs, for he has no grounds for such an as elevator and equipment of A. W. cheese, chickens, pork, etc., which will sertion. When he fixes the price he Green, taking possession July 1. Josadd greatly to public interest in the cannot fix it upon the cost of produce ph Rundell, for many years in charge market. Some system of advertising, tion, for he does not know what the of the Corunna mills, has been engagpreferably in the daily newspapers, to cost of production is. Then he has not ed as manager. A farmers' elevator keep city consumers posted as to mar- taken the pains to find out the cost of company is also being formed at ket offerings, is quite essential. The production. He has not taken the pains Laingsburg, while just across the counmarket supply must be as continuous to produce only those things for which ty line at Chesaning on the north and and certain as possible, for otherwise there is a demand at fairly profitable at Flushing on the east, there are

There must be stuff to buy, also peo- methods used by farmers put them in tions have been formed at Pennington ple to buy the stuff. Consumers at position to fix the prices on what they and Laingsburg. this market are still confronted with have to sell? If the farmer knew what the problem of getting their potatoes his products cost, and knew that they sociation has been formed at Delton, were what the people wanted, he would Barry county. One of the speakers at the recent be in position when he went to market opening of the Jackson market stated to say, "The price of my stuff is so county, have bought the Finley elethat prices should be regulated so as and so," not "What will you give me vator at that place, taking possession to make it worth while for the city for it?" Farmers, as a rule, are too lax September 1. consumer to visit the market mornings in their business methods, thinking

that after their yearly accounts are all settled up, the remaining cash on hand W E bought our trailer to carry small quantities, or large quantities, much it cost them to gain this surplus crates and baskets to our or according to his requirements. He can

The farmer should know just how surplus and often he would find that he had not made a single dollar of clear profit. In these days of educaturer and merchant, and there would

Shiawassee Co. D. H. M.

CO-OPERATIVE ROUTE MARKET-ING.

An extension of the method of collective marketing of small quantities of food supplies from a number of neighboring farms, now practiced in some sections of the country, might be a desirable step in food conservation and more economical and efficient marketing, according to specialists of the United States Department of Agriculture.

Routes for the collection of milk, cream, butter and eggs have been established co-operatively by farmers in various parts of the country and have been found to meet the special marketing needs of small farmers more fully than other arrangements. Under this plan a single farmer, or the various members of the marketing group in rotation, drives from farm to farm to collect the small quantities of supplies. and attends to the marketing of the aggregate produce collected. In this way the multiplication of trips to town is avoided and supplies which otherwise might be wasted find their way into the market.

Although route marketing usually is practiced for the disposal of dairy products and eggs, it has been used in some regions for disposing of vegetables, fruits, dressed poultry, and other products of small bulk, and in many cases might well be employed in other sections in a similar way.

Representatives of co-operative asstrict observance of the new Michigan as follows: B grade, 11/2 to 17% inches in diameter; A grade, 1% to 2¼ inches; AA grade, 2¼ inches up. Leslie Scott, of Bangor, newly appointed fruit inspector for Michigan, was present and asked the co-operation of growers The Farmers' Co-operative Elevator Shiawassee county, and has bought the farmers' elevators in operation. Co-Would not more careful business operative live stock shipping associa-

A co-operative live stock shipping as-Farmers of Hartford, Van Buren

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the consumer will be discouraged very prices.

or their heavy stuff home.

wagons. as they know how. Growers will enbe seen.

Poultry Query Department

Will you please tell me what is the matter with my hens and the cure for same? They take with looseness of the bowels, lose their appetite, get very thin, mope around for a few weeks and die. Lost about 12 in past two months from this complaint. Fed the mats and all the milk mostly Cholera. two months from this complaint. Fee them oats and all the milk, mostly thick, for the past month. Changed feed now to corn, only with very little improvement in their condition. Keep house fairly clean; its an old building. In permanganate. Have an idea its some contagious bow-el trouble akin to cholera. Droppings Droppings are A. B.

e yellow and green. Oakland Co.

You are probably right in your statedroppings, accompanied with diarrhea. scraps available for the chicks. The bird also separates itself from

the flock, the feathers become rufiled, the wings droop and the head drawn lose flesh and head color, finally die. toward the body. The bird also be- I have lost several of them and have the flock, the feathers become ruffled, toward the body. The bird also be-comes drowsy and sinks into deep sleep from which it is almost impossi-ble to arouse it. The crop is usually distended, and in some cases there is intense thirst. intense thirst.

There is no certain cure for this trouble. The birds showing these symptoms should be immediately sep- ease attacking your hens would indiarated from the others, and when they cate that very likely they have tuberdie the bodies should either be burned culosis, as lameness, loss of flesh and or buried very deep. The house should lack of color in the comb are indicabe thoroughly cleansed by removing tions of this disease. all droppings and litter, and then thoroughly sprayed with some good disin- mine accurately from exterior sympfectant.

might cause the trouble you are hav- one of the dead fowls or kill one of ing with your fowls, and that is cop- the sickest ones and examine the liver per poisoning. This usually causes and intestines. If you find these orbluish or green colored droppings and gans covered with whitish cheese-like diarrhea. However, this trouble is us- nodules, you may be sure that the disually fatal in a few hours. Large quan- ease is tuberculosis. tities of milk, white of egg and sugar water are recommended as remedial this disease, and authorities agree that measures.

Rheumatism.

Rheumatism.fight it is to destroy the entire flockMy hens get lame in one of theiradd start with new stock, after thelegs and on some of them seems to bea bunch where the foot joins the leg.The most of my hens are Black Minor-cas and they are the only ones thathave been lame. Have fed themthere and spring, on oatsand corn ground together, with poultrymedicine in it. They have been andare now laying well.F. A. B.The lameness of your hens is undand bet of color is the present.

doubtedly due to rheumatism, which is usually symptoms of this disease. caused by muscular and joint inflammation brought about by exposure to whether the disease is tuberculosis or cold or dampness. Where there are not, I would suggest that you consult several cases in a flock, it indicates a competent veterinarian before you that there is something wrong in the carry out the drastic measures suggesthousing conditions.

The treatment consists entirely of

scaly leg and bumble-foot, but if your drooping and soon die. Thinking it hens show no other symptoms of dis- might be indigestion I gave them a ease, you can feel quite sure that the weak drink of epsom salts in water Allegan Co. Mrs. C. H cause is rheumatism.

Catarrh.

Catarrh. Can you tell me what to do for my little chicks that have sore eyes and then go blind. They seem smart and well, only their eyes, and after they get blind they starve to death. Have had several hens die that were only sick one day. They get sick and dump around for a day and the next day they die. Their combs are red and they are healthy looking and are not overly fat. Have been feeding oats and Resure that the chicks wheat screenings and some corn; they have free range. J. B.

have catarrhal trouble. Weather such will clean up in a half hour. It would as we have been having is likely to also be advisable to make an investigaproduce this condition, and it is diffi- tion to see whether there is any poscult to keep things sanitary about the sible chance of their getting poison

coops dry and clean, and to use special rial which has resulted from spraying. care and not feed anything which has The mere fact that the cold affects the become spoiled. Mashes should be fed chicks very easily is an indication of so that the chickens will clean up all congestion which is most likely in the of one feeding within thirty minutes, digestive organs.

as any mash left over from one feed to

In addition to the grains you are feeding the hens, I would suggest that you feed in a hopper a dry mash consisting of eighty-five per cent of bran ment that the disease is the cholera, and fifteen per cent of beef scraps. It as one of the symptoms of this disease is also a good thing to have bran with is the yellow and green color of the about five per cent of commercial beef

Tuberculosis.

spring, and feeding corn and oats. Oceana Co. J. B. S.

The symptoms you give of the dis-

However, it is very difficult to detertoms when tuberculosis is present. I There is only one other thing which would therefore suggest that you open

There is no known treatment for the best and most economical way to fight it is to destroy the entire flock

The lameness of your hens is un- and lack of color in the comb are not

If you cannot satisfy yourself as to ed above.

Digestive Troubles.

The treatment consists entirely of preventive measures, which are keep-ing the hens in dry, warm and well ventilated houses, and allowing them to run on well drained ground. Lameness is also caused by such dis-eases as tuberculosis and aspergillosis, scaly leg and bumble-foot, but if your hers show no other symptoms of dis-mised by the state of the symptom source of th

Mrs. C. B. Undoubtedly your method of feeding

Be sure that the chicks are getting nothing but clean food, and in feeding Undoubtedly your chicks and hens mashes, give them no more than they coop during continued wet periods. while out on free runs. Very often The essential thing is to keep the chickens will pick up poisonous mate-



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CATTLE.

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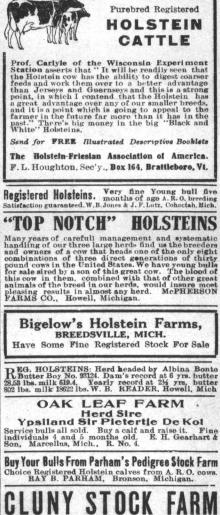
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(Additional Stock Ads. on Page 51).

Markets.

GRAINS AND SEEDS.

July 17, 1917. Wheat.—Owing to the general belief that the government is ultimately to take full charge of the wheat market traders are keeping away and the only transactions are those resulting from actual needs. Millers, however, are not finding any large outlet for flour and consequently the transactions in the wheat line run in small volume. While the crop is very late in matur-ing the cool weather is in its favor and the early estimates seem likely to be realized for winter wheat. The spring wheat is in much poorer condition than a month ago and the lateness of that crop makes possible damage from fall frosts. One year ago the price for fall frosts. One year ago the price for No. 2 red wheat on the local market was \$1.18 per bushel. Last week's

Detroit quotation	JUD WC		
and a start of the start of	No. 2	No. 1	
	Red.	White.	Sept.
Wednesday	.2.25	2.20	2.05
Thursday	.2.25	2.20	2.06
Friday	.2.25	2.20	2.06
Saturday	.2.28	2.23	2.07
Monday	.2.30	2.25	2.07
Tuesday	2.35	2.30	2.07
Chicago -Jul	v \$2.07	7: Sept.	\$1.93.

Chicago.—July \$2.07; Sept. \$1.35. Corn.—A fear is taking hold of many of the dealers and farmers over the corn belt that the frost will catch much of the crop before it has hard-ened and this feeling has strengthened the market and forced prices to new high levels. But the situation is modi-fied somewhat by continued rumors of peace possibilities among the warring fied somewhat by continued rumors of peace possibilities among the warring nations. But with cash grain well cleaned up and the outlook unpromis-ing, buyers feel quite easy in bidding the present high range of values. One year ago the price paid on the local market for No. 3 corn was 82c. Last week's Detroit quotations were: No 2 No 2

	110.0	140.0
	Mixed.	Yellow.
Wednesday	1.921/2	1.93
	1.95	1.96
Thursday		
Friday	1.96	1.97
Saturday	1.97	1.98
Monday	1.97	1.98
Tuesday	1.99	2.00
Tuesday	0. Doo (
Chicago.—Sept. \$1.6	0; Dec. (1.00 %8.

Chicago.—Sept. \$1.60°, Dec. \$1.50°, B. Oats.—Field advices give hopes of a bumper crop and the market is feel-ing easy because of this. However, the strength of corn is bolstering this deal and inspiring buyers to take hold in a moderate way. A year ago standard oats were quoted at 45½c. Last week's Detroit quotations ruled as follows: No. 3 Standard White

Cito.	ndard.	White.
Sta		
Wednesday	. 77	761/2
Thursday	771/2	77
Friday	801/2	80
Saturday	801/2	80
Monday	801/2	80
Tuesday		80
ChicagoJuly 681/4 c	; Sept.	54%c;
Dec. 56c.		

Rye .- There is nothing going on in this trade and the quotation of \$2.15 for cash No. 2 means little, as dealers are not disposed to pay sellers any-

are not disposed to pay sellers any-where near this figure. Beans.—Very little left in this trade, with local quotations practically nom-inal at \$8.25 for cash and \$6.60 for October deliveries. The Chicago trade is dull at former prices. Michigan pea beans, hand-picked \$8.75@9; red kid-neys \$6.65@6.75. Seeds.—Prime red clover \$11.40; October \$11.95; alsike \$11.30; timothy seed \$6.30.

seed \$6.30.

DAIRY AND POULTRY PRODUCTS.

Butter.—The butter trade is quiet with prices a fraction higher. Fresh creamery firsts were offered Monday at

per pound, the same as a week ago. Chicago.—Tradé is in moderate vol-

Chicago.—Trade is in m ume at slightly advanced qu Extra creameries 38c; extra firsts at 37½c; firsts 36@37c; seconds 34@ 35½c; packing stock 30½@31c. Eggs.—Fresh firsts sold at 34c and trading is about steady with a week

ago.

Chicago.-Receipts slightly larger, with good stock ruling steady and poor lots somewhat easier. Firsts 31½@ 33¼c; ordinary firsts 29@31c; at mark cases included 27@33c.

cases included 27(@33c. Poultry.—Steady for most grades. Best broilers 32@33c; Leghorns 26@ 27c; No. 1 hens 20@21c; small to me-dium 19@20c; ducks 22@23c; spring ducks 26@27c; geese 15@16c; turkeys 24@22c 24@25c. Dressed Calves.—Fancy 20@21c;

No. 2, 17@18c per lb.

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rasporties, req \$4; black \$4; huckle-berries \$5.50. Cheries.—\$3.50@4 per bushel. At Chicago the market is firm, with the Michigan stock at \$1.25@2 per 16-qt. case.

WOOL.

The uncertainty of the government action toward the wool trade has slow-ed up business. However, prices are as firm as ever. Wool from the fleece as firm as ever. Wool from the fleece states is selling in Boston as high as states is setting in boston as figh as 75c, while growers are being paid as much as 70c by local dealers. The con-census of opinion is that in the event of peace, prices would have a tempor-ary decline, but the general world shortage would undoubtedly bring back bigb yeales as soon as trading could high values as soon as trading could be readjusted to a peace basis.

GRAND RAPIDS.

Local mills are paying \$2.05 for No. 2 red wheat and \$2 for No. 1 white. Corn is quoted at \$1.95; oats 80@85c; rye and barley \$1.25@1.50. The egg market continues firm, with prices at 32@33c. Last of the strawberries are bringing \$2@2.50 per crate. Sour cherries are in good supply this week and the market starts around \$1 per half bushel. First home-grown potatoes are due this week.

DETROIT EASTERN MARKET.

Considering the season, offerings were large and buyers plentiful on the market Tuesday morning. Lettuce 15 @20 per bu; cabbage \$1; string beans \$3.50 per bushel; greenhouse tomatoes \$2.75@3 per 14-lb. basket; onions six to eight bunches for 25c; eggs 43@ 45c; ducks 70c each; broilers 25c per pound. Very little loose hay moving, with sales at \$20@22 per ton.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

Buffalo.

Buffalo. July 16, 1917. Receipts here today as follows. Cat-tle 175 cars; hogs 55 d. d.; sheep 5 d. d.; calves 1400 head. There were around 175 cars of cat-tle on the market today and what ship-ping steers were here sold 10@25c higher. There was a strong demand for the best grades of butcher cattle and they also showed an advance of 10@25c, but the light common grassy 10@25c, but the light common grassy grades were very slow and about steady. There was a good demand for the best bulls and they sold readily at the best bulls and they sold readily at strong prices. What few stockers and feeders were here sold about steady. We look for a fair run of cattle here next Monday and a good trade on the best fat grades but no more than steady on the medium and common kinds, and would advise being very careful in buying these grass cattle. Beceints of hors footed about 55

Receipts of hogs footed about 55 double decks, demand very light and unfortunately prices 10@15c lower, due practically to no outside demand, packers having a clear field. A few select-ed hogs sold at \$16, with the bulk around \$15.80@15.90; pigs and lights generally \$15; roughs \$13.75@14; stags' \$11.50@12.50. Quite a number of hogs arrived too late for market and with a fair supply in sight for Tuesday with a fair supply in sight for Tuesday prospects no better.

With a light run of lambs today our market opened up active and prices 75c lower than the close of last week. All sold and we look for steady prices the balance of the week, depending on

receipts. We quote: Lambs \$15.50@16; year-lings \$13@13.50; cull to common \$10@ 13; wethers 10@10.25; ewes 9@0.50; bucks 10@10.25; ewes 9@0.50; bucks 7@7.50; best calves 15.50@15.75; common and light 10@15; heavy 8.50@13; grassers 6@6.50.

Butter.—The butter trade is quiet rith prices a fraction higher. Fresh reamery firsts were offered Monday t 36%c. Elgin.—Price based on sales is 37½c er pound, the same as a week ago. Chicago.—Trade is in moderate vol-me at slightly advanced quotations. The week starts off today with a 13,34758,873 79,319 The week starts off today with a at large cattle supply for these times and 4@ while fat beeves are selling all right, with a good demand, others are slow and expected to go off at least a dime. There was a sale of a carload of prime Miscouri gtoorg which averaged 1450 There was a sale of a carload of prime Missouri steers which averaged 1450 Ibs. at \$14. Kansas City reported re-ceipts today of 30,000 cattle, an unus-ually large supply. The Chicago hog market today is firm for the small per-centage of choice lots, with a \$15.90 top, but most grades are about 5c low-er, with a poor demand for the many inferior offerings Hogs marketed last inferior offerings. Hogs marketed last week averaged in weight 232 lbs. Most of the lambs received here today failed to come on the open market, as the big packing firms received sixty cars direct from the south. Lambs were

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES. 25c or more lower, but the market was unchanged for sheep, the top price for prime lambs being \$15.50, paid by a city butcher. Cattle started of the started of the

city butcher. Cattle started off last week with prices largely 10@15c higher, and lat-er made additional gains. Fresh high records were made for prime heavy cattle and fancy little yearlings, the former bringing \$13.95@14, while a sale was made of prime yearling steers and heifers mixed, averaging \$93 lbs. at \$13.80. Beef steers sold largely at \$11.25@13.50, with a better class of prime beeves at \$13.55@14, good fat steers \$12.25@13.20. Yearlings on the grassy order had to go below \$10, but grassy order had to go below \$10, but desirable kinds found ready sales at \$12@13.80, choice bringing \$13 and ov-er. A good business was transacted in colver on the basis of \$13@15 for orer. A good business was transacted in calves on the basis of 13@15 for or-dinary to prime light vealers, with sales down to 6@11 for heavier lots. The stocker and feeder branch of the market was very dull at lower prices, stockers going at 6.50@9.25 and feed-ers at 88@9.50. Buying was mostly confined to good lots. Most stockers and feeders closed 25c lower than a week earlier. week earlier.

THIS IS THE LAST EDITION.

The first edition is sent to those who have not expressed a desire for the latest markets. The late market edi-tion will be sent on request at any time.

DETROIT LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Thursday's Market.

July 19 ,1917. Cattle.

Receipts 1655. Market steady and much more active than at the same time a week ago and the quality betnuch more active than at the same time a week ago and the quality better. Prices for anything but prime dryfed stuff were the same as at the close last week. Two loads of dryfed brought \$11.50. The close was fairly active, due probably to light receipts. We quote: Best heavy steers \$10@ 11.50; best handy weight butcher steers \$8.50@9.50; mixed steers and heifers \$8@9; handy light butchers \$7.50@8.25; butcher cows \$6.50@ 7.25; common cows \$5.75@6.25; canners \$5@5.50; best heavy bulls \$7.50@ 8.25; butcher cows \$6.50@ 7.25; common cows \$5.75@6.25; canners \$5@5.50; best heavy bulls \$7.50@ 8.25; butcher cows \$6.50@ 7.25; common cows \$5.75@6.25; canners \$5@5.50; best heavy bulls \$7.50@ 8; bologna bulls \$6.50@ 7.25; stock bulls \$6@ 6.25; feeders \$8@ 9; stockers \$6@ 8; milkers and springers \$50@ 90. McMullen, K. & J. sold Hyman 5 butchers av 580 at \$6; to Thompson 9 do av 902 at \$8.75; to Bray 1 cow wgh 980 at \$5.75; to Hoffend 8 steers av 700 at \$7, 1 do wgh 560 at \$6.25; to Goose 7 do av 543 at \$6.75; to Hammond, S. & Co. 1 bull wgh 1000 at \$7; to Good gold 8 steers av 790 at \$7.75; to Bresnahan 3 cows av 1200 at \$8.50, 3 do av 850 at \$5.75, 4 do av 1000 at \$6.75, 2 do av 710 at \$6.2 do av 1085 at \$7; to Thompson 5 steers av 1090 at \$10, 4 do av 900 at \$8.25; to Parker, W. & Co. 19 do av 905 at \$8.25; ns cows av 900 at \$8.25; to Brighton D. M. Co. 3 cows av 900 at \$7.25.

Veal Calves.

\$7.25.

Receipts 587. The veal calf trade was very dull and 50c lower than last week, common and heavy grades being nearly unsalable.

nearly unsalable. Best \$14@14.50; others \$7@12. Sandel, S., B. & G. sold Sullivan P. Co. 8 av 130 at \$13, 12 av 175 at \$13.50, 20 av 150 at \$14, 3 av 160 at \$13.50, 3 av 135 at \$14, 4 av 215, \$9; to Thomp-son 5 av 165 at \$14, 5 av 155 at \$14.25, 4 av 250 at \$12, 4 av 135 at \$13, 13 av 160 at \$14.50; to Mich. B. Co. 8 av 150 at \$13. at \$13

at \$13. Bishop, B. & H. sold Thompson 12 av 155 at \$14.50, 7 av 150 at \$14.50; to Mich. B. Co. 9 av 140 at \$14.50, 5 av 155 at \$14, 5 av 160 at \$14.50, 12 av 155 at \$14.50, 14 av 175 at \$14; to Parker, W. & Co. 20 av 145 at \$13. Sheep and Lambs. Becoints 470 There was only a hard.

Receipts 479. There was only a hand-ful of sheep and lambs, but it was hard work selling even these few and prices were 25@50c lower than last week.

Best lambs \$15@15.25; fair lambs \$13.50@14; light to common lambs \$12

\$13.50@14; light to common lambs \$12 @12.50; fair to good sheep \$8@8.50; culls and common \$5.50@6.50. Sandel, S., B. & G. sold Sullivan P. Co. 6 lambs av 85 at \$15, 3 do av 70 at \$12, 10 sheep av 109 at \$7.50, 13 lambs av 75 at \$15.25; to Thompson 11 do av 65 at \$15.25, 31 do av 73 at \$13.75. Hogs.

at \$13.75. Hors. Receipts 1314. The hog trade was 25c lower than on Tuesdav and few were sold; prices 50@60c lower than they were a week ago; a large num-ber went over unsold. Mixed \$14.75@ 15; pigs \$14.25@14.50.

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