

BREEDERS' DIRECTORY

SWINE. SWINE POINTERS. By Ed L. Oliver, Cooper, Texas. Add a little grain of sense with every feed given the pigs.

Those who are feeding whole wheat should bear in mind that it should be thoroughly soaked for twelve or twenty-four hours and scattered on a light floor, that they may eat slowly and thereby masticate the grain better.

How much flesh do your hogs gain from one bushel of corn? Weigh the hogs in the beginning, weigh all the corn you feed, then weigh each hog now and then.

No man can achieve success in any live stock industry unless he stays in, through good and through evil report. In all these industries there have been seasons of depression, and there have been hundreds of men who were eager to unload when prices were down, and just as eager to go in when prices were up, but none of them is successful.

A great many of us have a yearly crop of fall pigs, and while some find them profitable animals to feed, others through mismanagement lose money on them.

Some are successful with spring pigs but are a complete failure in handling those farrowed in the fall. This is a common error.

As different breeds of poultry require different treatment there is an evident disadvantage in handling more than one breed. Whether it is judicious to incur this disadvantage will depend upon the circumstances.

Particular care should be taken to avoid chapped tests through the winter. If this matter is neglected the cow suffers unnecessary pain during milking and becomes more difficult to milk.

While no one wants the dairy cow to be fat, it must be kept in good condition. It is expected to give satisfactory milk returns during the winter.

It is about as important, so far as good dairy work is concerned, to keep the stable in which the milk cows are housed well cleaned and bedded in clean straw or hay as it is to keep animals housed at all during the winter.

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