

CHOICE STEERS HIGHER

ALL BEEVES WITH WEIGHT AND QUALITY GOOD SELLERS THIS WEEK.

PLAIN GRASSERS ARE LOWER

Cows and Heifers Handed Off Just During Week—Bulls On—Stockers and Feeders Higher.

A mere handful of cattle made appearance at the yards today and there was not enough trading in the various divisions of the market to trace the trend of values.

In local trade circles the impression prevails that the next few weeks comparatively liberal marketing of grass cattle from the range country.

At the close of the current week there has been an irregular proposition, choice to prime corn fed classes working higher and plain grassers to a lower level.

Although the total supply of cattle here this week shows an enlargement of around 2,000 head over last week, desirable native steers have been offered in smaller volume than any previous week this summer.

An acute scarcity of choice cattle is reported at every market in the country and prices for that class have advanced to higher levels than ever known by veterans in the trade.

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HOGS SHOW STRENGTH

LIGHT WEEK-END RUN CLEARS ON STEADY TO 5c HIGHER BASIS.

TOP MARKED UP TO \$8.55

Bulk of Sales in Spread of \$8.20 to 8.45—Relatively Few Rough Packing Hogs Included in Day's Offering.

Hog trade for the closing day of the week was featured by light receipts, a good demand and a slight rise in prices.

The local supply was estimated at 3,400 head, while the five markets had a light week-end total of 17,400.

Trade showed reasonably active tone from the outset and prices ranged steady to 5c higher than the average market of Friday.

A top of \$8.55 was scored against \$8.50 yesterday. The quality was somewhat better, the proportion of common packer grades being relatively smaller.

The week has shown a falling off in the marketing of Friday. At the five leading markets the week's supply aggregated approximately 230,290 head, as compared with 245,300 last week, 259,500 a month ago, 230,290 a year ago, 222,200 two years ago, 17,100 three years ago and 231,100 four years ago.

At St. Joseph receipts for the week aggregated 27,900 head, as compared with 32,700 last week, 36,683 a month ago, 22,820 a year ago, 23,556 two years ago, 24,019 three years ago and 27,400 four years ago.

Prices ranged from \$8.15 to \$8.55, with the bulk selling at \$8.20 to \$8.45, a week ago at \$8.00 to \$8.25, a month ago at \$7.45 to \$7.90, a year ago at \$7.40 to \$7.40, two years ago at \$8.25 to \$8.75, three years ago at \$7.50 to \$7.70, and four years ago at \$6.40 to \$6.50.

Representative Hog Sales. No. 1, 185, 8 15; No. 2, 204, 209, 8 30; No. 3, 182, 130, 8 50; No. 4, 228, 169, 8 25; No. 5, 195, 8 50; No. 6, 71, 238, 8 25; No. 7, 129, 72, 210, 8 25; No. 8, 127, 8 45; No. 9, 14, 8 25; No. 10, 207, 8 45; No. 11, 207, 8 25; No. 12, 148, 8 45; No. 13, 215, 20, 8 25; No. 14, 189, 8 45; No. 15, 210, 8 25; No. 16, 207, 8 45; No. 17, 212, 8 25; No. 18, 203, 8 45; No. 19, 227, 40, 8 25; No. 20, 224, 8 40; No. 21, 190, 8 25; No. 22, 254, 8 35; No. 23, 272, 8 20; No. 24, 225, 8 40; No. 25, 77, 224, 8 25; No. 26, 190, 8 40; No. 27, 281, 100, 8 20; No. 28, 219, 8 35; No. 29, 155, 80, 8 20; No. 30, 219, 8 35; No. 31, 220, 8 20; No. 32, 213, 8 35; No. 33, 258, 80, 8 20; No. 34, 223, 40, 8 35; No. 35, 249, 8 20; No. 36, 159, 120, 8 30; No. 37, 273, 40, 8 20; No. 38, 183, 80, 8 30; No. 39, 200, 8 20; No. 40, 180, 130, 8 31; No. 41, 225, 8 15.

Odds, Ends and Wagon Hogs. 2, 400, 160, 8 45; 11, 222, 160, 7 90; 4, 312, 8 00; 6, 240, 7 90; 16, 151, 8 00; 1, 340, 7 90; 8, 331, 8 50; 8, 200, 8 20; 2, 330, 8 00; 4, 300, 50, 90; 2, 265, 8 00; 3, 255, 160, 7 90; 8, 203, 7 90; 3, 310, 7 90.

Packers' Hog Purchases. Swift & Co., 2,000; Morris & Co., 1,000; Hammond Packing Co., 415; Shippers, 200; Total, 3,315.

Range of Hog Prices. This Week Last Week. Monday, \$7.80 to \$8.25; Tuesday, \$7.85 to \$8.20; Wednesday, \$7.90 to \$8.25; Thursday, \$8.00 to \$8.25; Friday, \$8.00 to \$8.25; Saturday, \$8.15 to \$8.25.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS. The following Chicago board of trade quotations are standard for P. Gordon, 1095-1103 New Corby-Forsee Building, St. Joseph, Mo.

Options. Open High Low Close. WHEAT—Sept. 94 1/2, 94 3/4, 94 1/4, 94 1/2; Dec. 94 1/4, 94 1/2, 94 1/4, 94 1/2.

CORN—Sept. 71, 71 1/2, 70 3/4, 70 3/4; Dec. 65 1/2, 65 3/4, 65 1/4, 65 1/2.

OATS—Sept. 32 1/2, 32 3/4, 32, 32 1/2; Dec. 34 1/4, 34 3/4, 34 1/4, 34 1/2.

PORE—Sept. 18 1/2, 18 3/4, 18 1/4, 18 1/2; Dec. 18 1/2, 18 3/4, 18 1/4, 18 1/2.

LARD—Sept. 11 1/2, 11 1/4, 11 1/4, 11 1/2; Oct. 11 1/2, 11 1/4, 11 1/4, 11 1/2.

RIBS—Sept. 11 1/2, 11 1/4, 10 3/4, 10 3/4; Oct. 10 3/4, 10 3/4, 10 3/4, 10 3/4.

PIMBLEY PAINT AND GLASS CO. 213 South Sixth Street, St. Joseph, Mo.

RIVER WATER A FERTILIZER. Washington State Man Finds It Is Rich in Gypsum.

Husum, Wash., Aug. 17.—Hot weather increases the value to Kenneth Drake, a rancher, of irrigation water from the White Salmon river, which runs through his farm.

During extreme hot weather the water of this river turns to a milky color. This is the result of the melted snows on Mount Adams rushing down through great beds of gypsum.

The gypsum supplies a needed fertilizer to the soil and in breaking virgin soil and run along without regard to season preparing ground for cotton planting next year. The soil, after being first broken with steam plows, is worked again in the usual way before planting begins.

Surnames were introduced into England by the Normans.

SHEEP TRADE BARREN

LOCAL MARKET DREW BLANK IN THE MATTER OF FRESH SUPPLIES.

TRADE NOMINALLY STEADY

Lambs Closing With 5c Lower Compared With Week Ago—Sheep Show Decline of 25 to 10c.

The local market drew a blank as to fresh supplies today, and trade remained barren and nominally steady. Advice from nearby feeding stations are to the effect that a good many range shipments are on hand, which will be marketed at this point next week.

Indications point to a fairly liberal run Monday. There has been a substantial increase in sheep and lamb receipts, both at this point and at the principal western markets in general this week.

Locally aggregate marketings figure up to 15,100, as compared with 11,125 for the previous week and 15,100 for the same period a year ago.

At the five principal western markets today and comparisons: Chicago, 200, 6,000, 2,000; St. Joseph, 100, 5,400, 500; South Omaha, 100, 5,400, 500; St. Louis, 100, 5,400, 500; East St. Louis, 600, 2,500, 600.

Total, 1,200, 17,900, 3,300; Yesterday, 6,100, 27,000, 14,300; Week ago, 103, 17,700, 5,500; Sheep, 42, 40,800, 19,118; Hogs, 27,790, 26,433, 1,357.

Receipts by Cars. The following shows the number of cars of stock handled today by railroads centering at the local yards today: C. & O., west, 40; C. & O., east, 42; C. R. I. & G., 6; Great Western, 7; Missouri Pacific, 7; St. Louis & Grand Island, 2; A. T. & S. F., 2; Total, 53.

PICNIC PROGRAM OUT. Annual Outing of Swift Employees Labor Day.

An elaborate program of entertainment and sports has been prepared for those who attend the annual picnic of Swift's Employees Benefit Association, which will be held at the Wadena chautauque grounds on Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 2.

Good to choice western lambs are quotable at \$5.75 to \$7.00, fair to good western lambs, \$5.25 to \$6.75; western yearlings, \$4.50 to \$5.00; western ewes, \$4.00 to \$4.50; western wethers, \$3.50 to \$4.00; good to choice native lambs, \$5.50 to \$7.00; fair to good native wethers, \$3.50 to \$4.50; native ewes, \$3.00 to \$3.50; native wethers, \$2.50 to \$3.00.

CONCENTRATED STOCK FOODS. Quotations on Cottonseed, Linseed and Alfalfa Products.

Ko-Prez-Cake—Ton lots, \$28.50; car lots, \$27.50. Cottonseed meal—Carlots, per ton, \$31.40; ton lots, \$32.50.

Alfalfa meal—Carlot, choice, \$12.00; standard, \$11.50. Linseed meal—Carlots, per ton, \$33.00; ton lots, \$33.00; 1000 lb. lots, \$33.00; less quantities, \$1.90 per 100 lbs.

ST. JOSEPH CASH GRAIN MARKET. Wheat, 93 1/2 @ 1 00 1/2; No. 2 red, 93 @ 1 00; No. 3 red, 92 @ 99; No. 2 hard, 89 @ 90; No. 3 hard, 88 @ 89.

Corn, 79 @ 78 1/2; No. 2 white, 75 @ 75 1/2; No. 3 white, 74 @ 74 1/2; No. 2 mixed, 74 1/2 @ 75; No. 3 mixed, 74 1/2 @ 75; No. 3 yellow, 75 1/2 @ 76.

Oats, 35 1/2 @ 35; No. 2 white, 35 @ 35 1/2; No. 3 white, 34 1/2 @ 35 1/2; No. 3 oats, 33 1/2 @ 34; Shorts, 1 1/2 @ 1 20; Bran, 92 @ 95; Cows chop, 1 1/2 @ 1 45.

WEEK'S PORK PACKING. Special reports to the Cincinnati Price Current show the number of hogs packed since March 1 at undermentioned places, compared with last year.

March 1 to Aug. 14, 1912, 1911. Cincinnati, 2,463,000, 2,380,000; Kansas City, 1,190,000, 1,795,000; South Omaha, 1,210,000, 1,170,000; St. Louis, 855,000, 1,190,000; St. Joseph, 885,000, 900,000; Indianapolis, 502,000, 603,000; Milwaukee, 182,000, 238,000; Cudahy, 191,000, 254,000; Cincinnati, 275,000, 254,000; Ottumwa, Ia., 180,000, 247,000; Cedar Rapids, Ia., 201,000, 192,000; Sioux City, Ia., 570,000, 585,000; St. Paul, Minn., 325,000, 330,000; Cleveland, Ohio, 345,000, 350,000; Louisville, Ky., 67,000, 80,000; Wichita, Kan., 137,000, 255,000; Detroit, Mich., 243,000, 245,000; Above and all other, 11,630,000, 12,940,000.

For the week, 380,000, 370,000; Preceding week, 350,000, 390,000.

WEATHER FORECAST. For Missouri: Generally fair tonight and Sunday.

Kansas: Generally fair tonight and Sunday; cooler tonight in northeast portion.

Nebraska: Generally fair in west; showers in east portion tonight or Sunday; cooler tonight in east portion.

Iowa: Showers tonight or Saturday.

NEW USE FOR TRISTLES. Syracuse, Kan., Aug. 17.—The Russian thistle, heretofore considered a worthless weed, is being canned by the women of this county, who have found it edible and are putting it up like beans for use as a vegetable.

Subs: The Journal.

GOOD YEAR FOR WHEAT

FARMERS OF KANSAS TO CLEAR \$400,000,000 ON WHEAT CROP THIS YEAR.

COSTS \$6.50 PER ACRE

Dealers Are Estimating Aggregate Yield in Sunflower State at 85,000,000 Bushels, or Nineteen Bushels to the Acre.

Wichita, Kan., Aug. 17.—How would you like to be the Kansas farmer this year? Conservative wheat dealers are estimating Kansas yield at \$400,000,000 for a state average of about nineteen bushels per acre, which means a clear profit of \$40,000,000.

In spite of the advance of everything on the farm in the past decade, it costs the farmer about \$6.50 at the present price of wheat about seven and a half bushels of wheat per acre to produce and market.

Not only does the farmer get a profit of eleven and a half bushels per acre, or an approximate clearing of \$10, providing he owns his land, or if he rents, he is getting the best of the deal for rental, it leaves him a profit of \$5.

The above calculations are drawn from an estimate made by J. W. Craig of the Craig Grain Company, formerly the state agricultural agent for nearly \$1.25 per acre, but within the past few years a majority of the farmers are listing their land, which not only lessens the expense, but, according to the State Agricultural Department, gives better satisfaction.

Listing costs the farmer between 80 cents and \$1 per acre, and it is argued that the method which gives more surface of the soil exposure to the air will greatly increase the yield.

The harvesting after the plowing is a small item in the expense account, as some of the farmers in the western part of the state refrain from harvesting, stating that it allows the wind to blow the seed from off the soil, and in sections where harrowing is practiced it can be done at such a rapid rate that 20 cents per acre would easily cover the expense.

Excello Cattle Fattener has proven a great success. The cheapest and best feed that can be fed with corn. Increases the gain, shortens time of feeding.

Champion Feed saves corn. W. H. Scane, one of the largest live stock shippers who market at this point, sent in a car of hogs for today's trade, billed from Bedford, Ia.

For the best values in whiskeys, try Hilker's, 207 So. 6th St. S. N. Parrott, of Coffey, Mo., and L. H. Graff, of Roseland, Mo., were among those who had hogs on today's market.

Champion Molasses Feed shortens feeding period, increases gain, reduces cost per pound of gain, equally good with ensilage.

His Wife's Illness Forces Illinois Farmer to Barber Shop. Bloomington, Ill., Aug. 17.—W. O. Benson, a Jersey county farmer, is thought to be the husband of a barber, at least for Illinois. Here it is:

He has not had a hair cut by a barber for thirty-two years.

He has used the same razor without honing it for thirty-six years.

He has had his hair cut his hair for thirty-two years.

One of the largest picnics ever held in this city is in progress at Lake Country today, where the employes of the Santa Fe shops and general offices at Topeka are holding their annual outing.

The crowd numbers between 2,000 and 3,000 men, women and children, including the railroad employes and members of their families. Three big special trains brought in the army of picnickers this morning.

Several hundred members of the picnic crowd got off the trains at the South St. Joseph passenger station, where they were met by a party of guides and taken for a trip through the Swift packing plant.

A good program of athletic events and sports is being carried out at the lake. All of the concessions at the resort are free to the visitors.

The special trains will leave the Union passenger station for the return trip at 6:30, 8 and 8:30 o'clock this evening.

WELLER MARKETS TOP HOGS. Maitland, Mo., Grower Lands \$8.55 For Load of Lights Today.

Charles Weller, farmer, feeder and landowner of Maitland, Mo., was at market today with a load of choice light hogs, averaging 153 pounds, that sold at \$8.55. Mr. Weller is a warm friend of the St. Joseph market and contributes considerable stock to the receipts during the course of a year.

GETS \$8.50 FOR HOGS. Alex Williamson, of New Hampton, Mo., Topped Friday Trade.

Alex Williamson, who has been shipping regularly and extensively to this point during the past year, came in yesterday with a shipment of hogs of his own feeding that realized a price that sent him home more than ever an ardent supporter of the St. Joseph market.

His shipment was made up of 82 well-finished hogs on the light bacon order that sold at \$8.50, the top of the market. They averaged 150 pounds.

Mr. Kirk has been in Europe for the past three months buying horses for this importation which is due to arrive in St. Joseph about the middle of next month.

Mr. Kirk writes that he has secured a large number of horses of the best blood in the La Fercha district, many of them prize winners at the fairs and big horse shows held this season in France.

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Daddy's Bedtime Story - An Unexpected Trip to Ellland
Lie-a-Bed Makes

Whenever He Tried to Get Up He Was Pushed Down Again.
DADDY was fond of telling the children that early to bed should mean early to rise.
"Once upon a time," said daddy at story time, "there was a small boy who lived in a cottage at the foot of a tall mountain. Trees grow almost to the foot of the slopes, and people said that the elves still lived in the wild mountain forests."

WINS TWO FORTUNES.
Kansas Farmer Rises Again After Financial Reverse.

Hutchinson, Kan., Aug. 17.—Good, old-fashioned American pluck has been exemplified here in a most emphatic manner. To amass one fortune after another, and to lose it, and then to win it again, is the story of a man's accomplishments here at home.
He came to Reno county in 1878, the sum total of his belongings being a team and wagon, good health, and abundance of pluck. He traded the team and wagon for a quarter section claim in Roscoe, the southwest quarter section. Here he built a sod house and began farming.

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BERLIN BARS HORSE CABS.
While in most large cities of civilized countries the taxicab reigns practically supreme, Berlin is the first metropolis to pass a law prohibiting horse-drawn cabs from carrying fares within its jurisdiction. Such an ordinance was put in force recently and the few remaining cab drivers were given notice of the death of their trade.

AN ACUTE FEEDER SHORTAGE.
According to reliable authorities a shortage of stock cattle ranging from 55 to 60 per cent according to locality, exists. Abundant feed may remedy a beef shortage in a few months, but stock cattle deficiency is not as readily eliminated. This shortage is general. Figures showing market output are not needed to prove it. Go where you will, east, west, north or south, and the same treacherous counter and arid evidence is voluminous.

MUTTON VS. BEEF.
Exchange: So long as mutton is getting as cheap as it is the public has no occasion to complain of the high price of meat. Beef is high—very high—but there is no law compelling people to eat beef. Pork is quite a little cheaper than either, Congress proposes to put wool on a free basis so that within a short time the number of sheep in the country will certainly be very materially decreased and price of mutton will inevitably advance. If the public does not appreciate good mutton while it is so cheap perhaps the palatable and nutritious meat will find more favor a year or two hence when it is scarcer and much higher in price than now.

PROBE A SILO "EVIL."
Revenue officers, according to the Oklahoma City Live Stock News, are investigating a number of silos in the vicinity of Sapulpa to learn just how much "feral fluid" is in them. It seems a number of full-glood Indians have been found loaded to the guards along the roadside near large silos in that country. Farmers say since heavy rains their silos have undergone fermentation and that the Indians have been sucking the pisen from them. They use a drill to make the tap, and one silo, said its owner, provided enough sweater to get a dozen Indians stowed. We claim this condition forever puts to rest prohibition. Silos can't be barred and we must have ensilage, so where is the dry going to get in? We urge Texas pros to get busy, boost silos and when the pros get uneasy again, they'll be safe, during the "rainy season," anyway.

BOOM TO COLLAPSE—MAYBE.
Chicago Live Stock World: A strenuous effort to blow up the booming cattle market is scheduled for next week. Bombs have been planted and fuses laid for that purpose. It may end in a splutter, but buyers are confident that the tide is about to turn. There is much grass beef on the market horizon, and as it is of good quality the trade will be able to get along with the loss of the corn-fed article. The market is credited with being topheavy and at present prices beef accumulates readily in packing-town coolers. Kansas City and St. Louis are getting a lot of Texas stuff, and the last half of August will see plenty of Kansas, Colorado and Nebraska beef at Missouri river points. Under the incentive of attractive prices gathering west of the Missouri river for next week's market has been a generous scale. Beef is not going to be cheap, but the present lofty

"He laughed so loud that his grandmother said, 'Tis an ill thing to laugh at the fairies on a night like this.'
"Then Bennie went to bed he drew the covers up very close about his head, but it was not long until he was snoring.
"Then Bennie thought somebody caught up his bed. He felt it rising, up, up, through the roof of the house and out into the dark night. Then it went whirling over the tree tops until at last the bed was set down in fairy-land.

NEGRO UPLIFT IN SOUTH.
Black Men Now Cultivating 100,000,000 Acres of Land.
Hampton, Va., Aug. 17.—Yearly the leaders of the colored race in agriculture, education, sanitation and public welfare gather at Hampton Institute and in open conference, free from parliamentary machinery and partisan contentions, discuss the present day vital problems of the negro race in the light of knowledge and with open hearts and minds. Recently the sixteenth annual conference, lasting two days, was closed with a discussion of "Recreation and Amusement." Addresses were made by Mrs. George W. Cook of Washington, Mrs. Butler Wilson of Boston and W. T. B. Williams, field agent of Hampton Institute and connected with several important educational boards.

HEALTH IN SCHOOLS POOR.
Seventy-Five Per Cent of School Children in Need of Medical Attention.
Of the 89,000,000 school children in this country, not less than 75 per cent need attention today for physical defects which are prejudicial to health and which are partially or completely an hereditary factor in solving the rural life problem. He summed up the real needs of negro rural life as follows: Re-enforcement of the idea of keeping colored youth on the farm, of buying and improving land, of producing better crops and farm animals, of building better schoolhouses and of improving home life.

GLORY! A CURE FOR CORNS.
Missouri Farmer Never Wears Shoes or Stocking in Summer.
Worth, Mo., Aug. 17.—Press Asher of near Worth has not worn shoes nor socks in the summer time for many years. He is 75 years old, and since he was a young man he has advocated a custom, doing away with footwear in warm weather. Asher has not made many converts but has been steadfast in following his own teaching. He argues that there would be fewer corns and less foot trouble if others would follow his plan. He says he has not had a corn since he abandoned shoes.

SUGAR BEET CROPS ABROAD.
Germany and Russia Both Look for Big Yields This Year.
Washington, D. C., August 17.—Following facts and figures are sent by United States Consul General A. H. Thacker, Berlin, Germany: From information obtained from the various German beet sugar factories the following facts are given: The attainable best in growth, in development of biologic, intellectual, moral, social, and economic power. Public stocks stood in the very heart of London as late as 1826.

ON LONG MOTORCYCLE TRIP.
Two Hundred Kansans on 15-Day Ride.
Pratt, Kan., Aug. 17.—Chugging along through the short-grass country at the rate of 30 miles an hour 200 motor cycle enthusiasts are making a tour of Western Kansas and will also cross the line into Nebraska, Wyoming and Colorado during the 15 days. The tour was planned for men of this vicinity who wished to take a vacation after harvest but it proved so popular that several men and women from Eastern cities came on to ride with the Kansans.

QUITTS TOBACCO AT 91.
Aged Kansan Says Farewell to My Lady Nicotine.
Canton, Kan., Aug. 17.—For twenty-three long years Dr. J. A. Hedinger has been a devotee of the comfort and happiness in the care of My Lady Nicotine. But another has taken her place in his affections and his first love has been banished from his life. The use of tobacco has been sacrificed as a result of his desire to live to be 100 years old.

BIG MOVE OF FRISCO.
Bond Issue of \$10,000,000 to Develop Rio Grande Valley.
San Benito, Tex., Aug. 17.—With the announcement that the stockholders of the San Antonio and Rio Grande Valley Interurban railway company will hold a meeting on Oct. 2 to authorize the issuance of \$10,000,000 in bonds, the authorizing statement that the Frisco railroad interests, which are behind this project, have adopted plans for making it one of the most remarkable systems of railways in the United States.

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BUZZARD SCARES FARMERS.
Bell Ringing Overhead at Night Is Explained at Last.
Reading, Pa., Aug. 17.—For a month or two farmers in various sections of Berks county have been awakened at night by the sound of an old-fashioned cowbell, which appeared to be ringing overhead. It was uncanny, suggestive of "spooks," and kept many awake at night. Efforts to locate the strange sound proved fruitless. Usually in the morning some of the chickens were missing. But at last the mysterious ringing

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IN BASEBALL AS IN LIFE

Senator Gardner's Words of Hope Might Well Be Applied to Either of the Games.

Senator Obadiah Gardner, the man from Maine with the Mark Hanna features, gets more enjoyment out of a ball game than a chauffeur does out of scoring pedestrians.

One little chap had just muffed a pop fly that, if safely handled, would have retired the other side.

"Do you know," said the senator, "I can remember, as if it were only last week, a game I played in, at center field, when I was about your age, and how sore everybody got at me because I kept muffing balls, always at the worst possible time.

"And do you know," smiled the judge to the doctor, "that was what saved him. The storekeeper recovered and is in business to this very day. He still carries the bullets, one of them in his head. Now what would have happened to him, doctor, if they had probed for the bullets?"

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The business improved and prospered, as likewise did the amatory feelings between the widow and John, the latter fructifying in a proposal and acceptance of marriage.

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There recently appeared in Paris some diamonds having all the earmarks of the genuine article, and they were offered to a number of dealers at very attractive prices.

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WAS SAVED BY THE DOCTORS

Victim of Robbers Recovered Because the Physicians Didn't Probe for the Bullets.

The expert medical witness had just descended from the stand when a recess was announced in the criminal court and so he paused for a few moments to chat with Judge Ralph S. Latahau, who dearly delights in twitting the medicos.

"Whenever I see a doctor on the stand," related the judge, "I am forcibly reminded of an experience when I was an assistant prosecuting attorney many years ago.

"A storekeeper on East Ninth street was shot by robbers when he refused to open his cash drawer. Four bullets found him as their mark and when officers arrived on the scene he was lying on the floor, dead to all outward appearances.

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WHY WE DETEST PARASITES

Feeling of Instinctive Revulsion Is Justified, for They Are Carriers of Disease.

The feeling of instinctive revulsion against parasites of all kinds which characterizes humanity generally, and which is due to something much more than the mere pain or annoyance that their bites might inflict, become more interesting as further discoveries show the role of insects in the spread of disease.

Unfortunately this natural abhorrence has not been enough to protect man under conditions of poverty and uncleanness from harboring such parasites, and now those who understand how much more than a mere personal annoyance is in question from the existence of parasites must take up the problem to eradicate them.

The possibility of the bedbug conveying relapsing fever, typhoid and leprosy has been suggested and apparently there is no parasite of man that may not be a mode of disease conveyance. Flies, fleas, mosquitoes and bugs not only are all under suspicion, but most of them are also actually demonstrated as ordinary and frequent conveyers of diseases of various kinds.

Health authorities must now take up the problem of getting rid of insect parasites in order to stamp out disease. — From the Journal of the American Medical Association.

MILK INSPECTION IS NO FUN

Incident Showing How Hard It Is to Force Sanitary Rules on Dirty People.

The trials and tribulations of a milk inspector trying to force insanitary people to live according to sanitary rules are shown in the issue of the Healthologist, the official organ of the Milwaukee health department.

A Milwaukee milk inspector during a farm inspection, came upon a place hopelessly filthy, disorderly and run down. A motherly person with a big heart, but firm and weird convictions, listened to the young man's suggestions. Then looking over her spectacles pityingly, she said:

"Boy, my mother was ninety-seven years old when she died. She was dirtier than I am, and lived in a dirtier house and drank dirtier milk. If she could stand it I guess there ain't no reason why I and the city folks that get milk from this farm can't stand it too."

And not being able to answer that argument, the milk inspector left her kindly withal, but yet voicing his indignation over "them there new fangled ideas of cleanliness."

Definition of the Beau.

A beau is one who arranges his curled locks gracefully, who ever smells of balms and cinnamon, who hums the songs of the Nile and Cadiz, who throws his sleek arms into various attitudes, who idles away the whole day among the chairs of the ladies, who is ever whispering in some one's ear, who reads little billetdoux from this quarter and that, and writes them in return; who avoids ruffling his dress by contact with his neighbor's sleeve, who knows with whom everybody is in love; who flutters from feast to feast; who can recount exact-ly the pedigree of Hippinus. What do you tell me, is this a beau, Cotilus? Then a beau, Cotilus, is a very trifling thing.

Filling the House.

The theatrical man just in off the road was recounting to the New York manager his qualifications for a box office post.

"I don't see that you are any better than a dozen other men I can take my pick from," said the manager. "You say you can sell tickets. So can they. Nobody can sell tickets if people don't come to buy."

"No, they can't," said the man, "but I have the knack of seating people so an audience of 50 people will look like 400, and the house will never look empty."

"There's a good deal in that," said the manager, and he gave the man the job.

How He Treated Her.

A certain osteopath was treating a young woman who had very weak ankles and wrists. As she lived in a town quite a distance from his own city, he was forced to leave the city Saturday of each week and go to the town in which the young woman lived, give her the treatment Sunday, and return to the office Monday. A friend once asked the osteopath how he had arranged to give the young woman the treatment for her ankles and wrists when she lived at such a distance, and the osteopath replied: "Oh, I go out and treat her week ends."—Lippincott's Magazine.

Parliamentary Law.

No one man is responsible for parliamentary law. It was born of deliberative exigencies. Its rules, precedents and usages are contained neither in statutes nor court decisions and are only binding when a deliberative body chooses to make them so. Most of the rules now accepted had their origin in the English parliament. Changes have been made to meet the needs of our legislative bodies, even as changes were made in the English parliament—parliamentary law growing from the simple procedure of the Anglo Saxon town moot to the more complicated deliberative machinery of today.

TUNIS QUICKER THAN RENO

Divorce Is Granted in Less Than an Hour and Costs \$1.20 in African City.

The next time you happen to be in Tunis, don't fail to pay a visit to the divorce court. It is the most Haroun-al-Raschid institution this side of Samarkand. A great hall of justice, vaulted and floored with marble and strewn with eastern carpets, forms the setting, while husbands in turbans and lawyers and green robed, gray bearded judges complete a scene which might have been taken straight from the Arabian Nights.

The women, closely veiled and hooded, are herded like so many cattle within an iron grill, take no part in the proceedings which so intimately affect their futures, their interests being left in the hands of a voluble and gesticulative avocat. In each of the four sides of the great hall is an alcove, and in each alcove, seated cross legged on a many cushioned divan, is a green robed, gold turbaned cad. To him the husband stated his case, the wife, through her avocat, putting in her defense—if she has any. The judge considers the facts in silence, gravely stroking his long gray beard the while, and then delivers his decision—in nine cases out of ten, so I was told, in favor of the husband.

Should either person be dissatisfied with the finding he or she can take an appeal by the simple process of walking across the hall laying their case before one of the other judges, whose decision is final. A case, even if appealed, is generally disposed of well under an hour and at a total cost of \$1.20, which proves conclusively that the record for quick and easy divorces is not held by Reno.—Metropolitan Magazine.

IT HAPPENED IN PICADILLY

Anecdote of Lady Constance Stewart Richardson and the Awkward Young Man.

"Lady Constance Stewart Richardson, the beautiful young woman who danced over here some time ago, has offended Queen Mary," said a Washington diplomat's wife. "She actually told the queen to stand out of the light at a picture exhibition."

"Lady Constance, you know, is capable of anything. They are telling an anecdote about her at the Bath club. 'She was walking in Picadilly the other day—so the anecdote runs—and a young man attempted to pass her on the right, when she also turned that way. The young man then veered to the left, and Lady Constance did the same. And there they stood for a minute or more, overcome by that ridiculous something which makes two people, face to face on a wide sidewalk, dodge simultaneously this way and that without being able to pass each other by."

"Lady Constance, after nine or ten of these awkward movements, smiled demurely and said: 'Well, I'm sure, if you want to dance, I don't mind—but what's it to be, the turkey trot or the grizzly bear?'—Washington Star.

Wireless Works Better at Night.

That the long electric waves utilized in aerial telegraphy over great distances travel better during the hours of darkness than of sunlight, and that the natural electric waves occasioned by atmospheric electric discharges, known as "strays" or "X's" to wireless operators, are despatched more satisfactorily during the hours of the night than in the daytime is now a matter of common knowledge.

Tests made in London during the solar eclipse on April 17 last indicate that the darkness of this eclipse had the normal effect of facilitating the propagation of these waves over great distances, but that there are portions of time during the period of deepest darkness at the receiving station when propagation is notably impeded. Whether or not this last phenomenon is to be taken as a mere accident has not yet been clearly ascertained.—America.

Does Seem Odd.

"Napoleon was a remarkable man." "Yes; he was a remarkable man. But why should he wear seven suits of clothes at Waterloo?" "Seven suits?" "I have seen that many in various museums."

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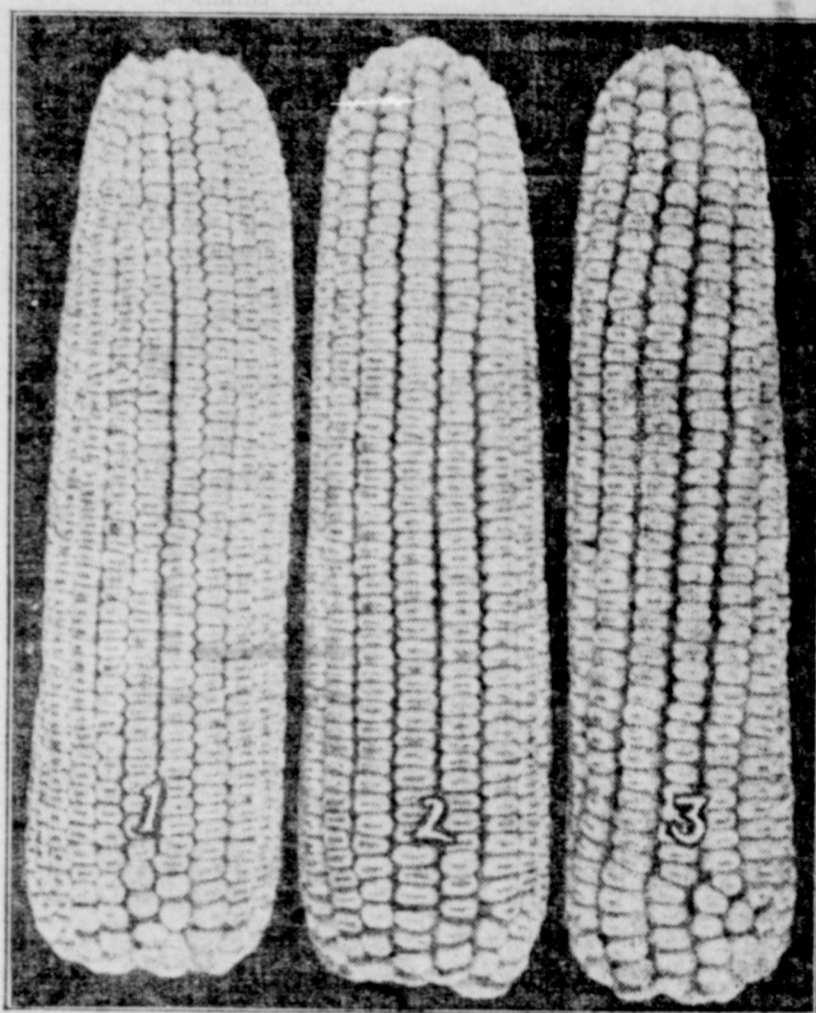
Selection of Good Seed Corn Crop Depends Upon Character of Seed

By Mr. C. B. Hutchison, Instructor in Agronomy, University of Missouri.

The corn crop depends a great deal upon the character of seed. Next year's crop will be largely affected by the seed that is gathered this fall. Mr. C. B. Hutchison of the Missouri College of Agriculture gives the following pointers which will help to make more corn profits: Seed corn should be selected in the fall, preferably from the field after it is well matured, and before any heavy frosts have occurred. One of the best methods is to go through the field with a basket or sack and select the best ears from the best stalks. An ear of corn may be a good one because it has had special advantages.

with little space between the rows of kernels. Wide furrows mean rounded instead of deep kernels, and this is not the type of the highest yielding corn for Missouri.

The cob should neither be very large nor very small. Cob bears the same relation to an ear of corn as does bone to an animal. It may be either too fine or too coarse. A large coarse cob indicates poor quality and poor selection. Such an ear usually dries out slowly and hence the vitality of the corn is often injured by freezing during the winter. An undersized cob either bears grains that stand out like the fans on a wheel of



Kernels should fit closely together. Wide furrows indicate poor shape of kernels. The No. 1 ear is much better than the others.

It may have been produced in a hill with only one stalk and have had more than its share of plant food. On the other hand, it may have grown in a hill with two or three stalks and made a good ear in spite of these conditions. Such an ear is a better one for seed, and when planted it will be more likely to produce good ears than one that has had special advantages.

Again, the ear may have been borne on a weak stalk, or one that has been blown down, or borne too high or too low on the stalk. The position of the ear may be erect so that the water from fall rains enters the husks readily, or it may be drooping and well protected from the weather.

If the seed is selected in the field, from the stalks, these points may be observed and the seed selected accordingly. But in the crib in spring none of these things can be noticed. An ear should be solid and compact

a windmill and hence are easily shattered, or it has pointed grains with narrow, contracted germs, the vitality of which is usually low.

In general, the deeper the kernels and the smaller the cob, the better the ear, but it is possible to have kernels so long and cobs so slim as to be faulty. This rarely happens, however, the most common fault being in getting cobs too large.

A good kernel of corn is wedge-shaped, but not pointed. Its length should be about one and one-half times its width at the widest part, and it should be of uniform thickness from one end to the other.

Seed corn should be kept in a dry place, with good ventilation and where the mice will not get it. If stored in barrels or in piles, corn will not properly dry out, and freezing weather will injure its vitality.

GOOD MILK, PERFECT FOOD

Unclean Milk is Perfect Medium for Growth of Score of Varieties of Bacteria.

Milk is often spoken of as a perfect food because it is so well fitted for digestion. This applies only to clean milk, properly cared for. Dirty milk is one of the worst foods, because it offers a perfect medium for the growth of a score of varieties of bacteria.

Some few who have not accepted the modern ideas of sanitation and cleanliness insist that milk is not dangerous because after 40 or 50 years of drinking it in all conditions they are still healthy. A person with a rugged constitution is able to withstand almost any ordinary bacteria. But the infants and invalids—the largest consumers—are not rugged. No one can overlook such figures as are given in the statistics of the United States, showing that more than 50 per cent of the infant deaths are caused by gastro-intestinal diseases. A large proportion of these are justly blamed on the milk supply.

What is impure milk, and who is to blame for it? It is simply good milk gone wrong on account of dirt or heat. Sometimes the dairyman is to blame, but not always, by any means.

A woman was buying milk from a high-class dairy, and because she lived close by she sent a pail over by her little son every evening. She complained that the milk did not keep well, often being soured or ill-flavored before morning.

The manager of the dairy knew that the milk was delivered in good condition, and examined the pail. It was made with crimped seams not filled with solder as milk pails should be.

The manager's friend, a bacteriologist, washed and scraped the cracks of the pail with sterilized water, and analyzing the water found a total of 587,500,000 bacteria, according to the method of estimating them. This

was a sufficient number to put 1,125,000 germs into every spoonful of milk that was put into the bucket. What spoiled the milk?

The manager suggested that the woman should use a granite-iron pail, or at least a tin one with soldered seams, and that she should scald it out every time. This applies only to clean milk, properly cared for. Dirty milk is one of the worst foods, because it offers a perfect medium for the growth of a score of varieties of bacteria.

Some farmers are their own worst enemies. They do things to their farms—to their soil and to their cattle that would be considered outrageous if done by someone else. They waste fertility, sometimes, shamefully, and feed cattle so that they can't make profits. But not many of that kind are left.

The greatest factor in the wheat crop of Missouri is the preparation of the seed bed. What can be expected of seed if the soil is cloddy, hard, or full of large air spaces on the under side?

The main thing is to get the land plowed early so that it can settle and connect with the moisture supply in the subsoil, and then work down to a fine surface on the top.

Wheat is a shallow rooted crop, and the region within reach of it should be in the best possible condition of tilth. In the spring there will be a difference. The College of Agriculture of the University of Missouri advocates plowing early after first disking and then working to a thoroughly mellow surface.

TASTING WINE FOR LIVING

Strange Callings Followed by Women Born With Delicate Palates Is Very Lucrative.

Of the list of strange callings followed by women that of wine tasting is one of the most curious and lucrative. As a matter of fact, Mlle. Collinere, whose services are in great demand in France, Germany and Italy as a wine taster, is said to make an income of about \$5,000 a year, many firms employing her for regular work and frequently for special duty.

Only half a dozen wine tasters have been known to history, the most renowned of these being the wife of a famous London wine merchant, Mme. Pommeroy, who died in Paris twelve years ago, and Signora Sousa, who has a great reputation in Spain on account of her judgment and knowledge of wine.

Wine tasters, it appears, are born, not made, and must possess the gift of a rare and delicate palate. To this, of course, must be added a knowledge of wines. Mlle. Collinere's taste is so fine and her knowledge of wines such that she can discern from the first taste of a wine just where the grapes grew from which it was made, whether they were raised in California or in the vineyards of France, Germany, or elsewhere. She can easily detect adulteration of any sort, or if there is a blend and of which wines, and can tell the age of a wine almost to a day. As a matter of fact, there are no secrets that a bottle of wine can withhold from this remarkable Frenchwoman once she has had a spoonful of it in her mouth.

She does not swallow the wine. In fact, she is a teetotaler, and if she were to drink wine would lose her subtle magic of taste. Furthermore, she is obliged to take the greatest care of her health. She must be well in order to do her work, for her sense loses its cunning when she gets out of health.—Tit-Bits.

BRUIN OBTAINS HIS SUPPER

Hunter Describes the Clever Work of a Hungry Bear in Catching a Salmon.

One year, the berries being destroyed, many bears visited the river for fish. I was walking up the river shore one evening about sunset watching for a deer. Rounding a bend I saw, perched upon a flat rock some few feet from the shore, a large black bear. I could not tell at first what he was doing. He was stooping down with one paw in the water waving it gently to and fro. I watched closely and saw, just beyond his reach, a large male salmon, so nearly dead that he could not swim. The bear was using his paw to create an eddy which would draw the fish within his grasp. Slowly the salmon drifted toward the rock.

It was amusing to watch how carefully the bear moved his paw so as not to frighten his prey. At last the fish came within reach, Bruin reached over, gave it a quick slap, seized it in his jaws and leaped ashore. The whole performance tickled me so that I let him go off, the salmon dangling in his mouth, without even taking a shot at him.—Charles Stuart Moody in the Outing Magazine.

Ambassador's Privileges.

An accredited ambassador is wholly free from the jurisdiction of the courts of law or of any other authority in the country to which he is sent. His house is as sacred as his person. It is regarded not as belonging to the country in which he is living, but as a part of the country which sent him. It could no more be entered by the police than a town could be occupied by the soldiery of another nation. This protection is extended to the inmates of the house. If a wrong is committed by some one in the employ of an embassy, in any capacity, the only means of redress is an appeal to the ambassador or to the government which sent him, and which will not, it is supposed, allow a wrong to be sheltered under the peculiar privileges granted its representative.

Thumbs In Social Customs.

Few persons realize how important a role the thumb has played in the social customs of the people. Erskine records that among certain classes of people in Scotland the final settlement of a bargain was always signified by the licking and joining of thumbs.

Selden says that kissing the thumb was a characteristic of servility. The clergy, the rich and the great, were in receipt of this honor from tradesmen. From remote times the practice of licking the thumb has been regarded as a solemn pledge or promise, existing, according to Tacitus and others, among the Goths, the Iberians and the Moors, and it may also be traced through successive periods down to the present time.

If the Truth Be Told.

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