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STEERS MAINLY STEADY

NOT MUCH VIM SHOWN IN TRADE BUT PRICES SHOW LITTLE VARIATION.

SLOW ON LIGHT GRASSERS

Better Tone Displayed in Cows and Heifers—Stock Cattle Move Sluggishly.

There was only a moderate supply of cattle here for the mid-week market and a somewhat better tone pervaded the trade. The first estimate called for 4,000 head but this was later reduced to 2,800. Of this number packers had about 900 head direct so that marketable receipts fell to a little under the 2,000 mark. Westerners formed fully half of this supply. The showing of native steers was comparatively small, with quality on the fair to good order. The competition was more spirited than on former days of the week, although reports from outside centers did not indicate any improvement in the general situation. Buyers seemed to have a place for all the native steers offered and a seasonable clearance of this class of cattle was made at about steady prices.

The five leading markets reported a total of 42,900 head in sight which compared with arrivals of 41,300 a week ago and 55,100 a year ago. Total marketing at the five pens for the first three days this week stand at 151,500 head, an increase of 23,000 over the same period of last week but a decrease of 37,000 compared with the same time a year ago.

Dressed Beef and Shipping Steers.

No.	Av. Price	No.	Av. Price
14...	112.75	21...	122.25
20yrs...	95.75	13...	111.50
20...	136.75	25...	141.00
2...	143.00	25...	124.00
20...	120.75	01...	124.00
18...	116.75	7...	125.75
20...	123.00	2...	96.75
41...	129.75	8...	82.75

COWS, BULLS AND MIXED.

The butcher market had a much better tone today than previous days of the week. The extent of the offerings was only moderate and the quality was only fair to good. Packers were in the market early and bought all desirable stock freely at strong prices. Canners and cutters were in demand and most sales looked a shade higher. Very little corn-fed stock was on offer. Choice mixed yearlings are still a rarity on this market, some of the right kind would sell to advantage here. Range cows and heifers were scarce. What few were on sale sold fully in line with other classes of the stuff. Bulls were not very numerous today and all kinds sold fully steady. Calf buyers had good orders today and a good bit of competition was aroused in the market, which had a tendency to make prices better and all grades were quoted strong to 25 cents higher.

HEIFERS.

No.	Av. Price	No.	Av. Price
7...	80.75	25...	71.60
5...	64.50	5...	69.40
5...	62.50	5...	74.40
1...	82.00	85...	63.60
9...	90.40	75...	80.40
1...	81.00	4...	72.00
1...	58.00	6...	58.50
5mx...	74.40	2...	79.40
4...	72.00	2...	76.50
1...	80.00	4...	55.00
1...	72.00	4...	83.00
1...	89.00	4...	53.60
5...	72.00	3...	57.00

COWS.

No.	Av. Price	No.	Av. Price
1...	142.00	25...	127.00
1...	103.00	5...	108.00
2...	123.00	4...	103.00
1...	112.00	4...	98.00
1...	107.00	4...	108.00
1...	107.00	2...	107.00
1...	109.00	4...	98.00
1...	123.00	4...	91.50
1...	113.00	4...	102.50
1...	129.00	4...	114.00
1...	109.00	4...	97.50
1...	109.00	4...	106.00
1...	98.00	4...	108.00
1...	105.00	4...	110.00
4...	107.00	4...	109.00
1...	111.00	4...	101.00
5...	104.00	4...	107.00
1...	109.00	4...	109.00
1...	106.00	4...	89.50
2...	114.50	4...	84.25
1...	106.00	4...	102.00
1...	100.00	4...	102.00
1...	95.00	4...	87.00
5...	105.75	4...	82.00
12...	104.75	3...	90.00
1...	107.00	3...	83.00
1...	115.00	3...	90.00
3...	82.50	3...	87.00
1...	117.00	3...	103.00

Bulls and Steers.

No.	Av. Price	No.	Av. Price
1...	161.00	4...	112.00
1...	144.00	4...	127.00
1...	182.00	4...	131.00
1...	106.00	4...	112.00
1...	107.00	4...	102.00

Real Cattle.

No.	Av. Price	No.	Av. Price
13...	184.75	1...	167.75
12...	158.75	2...	197.75
10...	178.75	7...	169.75
10...	169.75	7...	240.00
14...	175.75	1...	210.00
7...	157.75	14...	183.00
1...	120.75	4...	272.50
6...	140.75	6...	271.50
1...	170.75	4...	325.50
1...	120.75	5...	162.50
1...	160.75	4...	375.00
1...	140.75	7...	375.00
1...	180.75	3...	460.75
1...	140.75	7...	361.75
1...	120.75	5...	442.50
1...	110.75	7...	390.40
1...	170.75	7...	320.00
1...	160.75	7...	420.00

STOCKERS AND FEEDERS.

Unevenness characterized today's trade in this division, and while a good share of the day's business was reckoned at steady rates as compared with the previous session it was not altogether so, buyers showing a tendency to impose penalties on heavy near-beef steers and common quality stock of all weights and offerings under this classification were rather

HOGS SUBJECT TO CUT

BETTER GRADES OFF 5@10c. WITH HEAVY PACKERS FULLY A DIME LOWER.

WIDER SPREAD IN PRICES

Bulk of Sales Ranged From \$6.50@7.10 With Tops Selling at \$7.15—Quality Ran to Both Extremes.

It was another day in the hog trade where packers held the whip hand and prices came in for a pounding. Moderate receipts all around the circuit did not serve to offset the bearish attitude of the buying interest. Locally, the supply of 3,500 hogs fell 2,500 short of last Wednesday and at the five markets there was a falling off of over 10,000 compared with a week ago. Packers started out to buy supplies a dime lower than yesterday and did put up a good share of their purchases on a basis of that kind. There was the usual preference for desirable light and medium butcher hogs and these were quotable 5@10c lower. Heavy stuff was off fully a dime from the start and closed dull. The range of prices is gradually being widened. The bulk today was the lowest since the first week in August. Quality was only fair. A good many pigs were included in the supply and found outlet largely at \$4.75@5.50. Sickness prevails among the hogs in many localities tributary to this market and this is sending in a lot of pigs and young, immature shoats. Over 500 pigs were included in yesterday's receipts and there was a goodly showing of them here today.

Prices ranged from \$6.50@7.15, with the bulk selling at \$6.75@7.10. The bulk yesterday sold at \$6.85@7.20, a week ago at \$6.95@7.20, a month ago at \$7.20@7.50, a year ago at \$7.75@8.25, three years ago at \$8.50@9.00, and four years ago at \$9.50@10.00.

Heavy and Mixed—200 lbs. and upward.

No.	Av. Price	No.	Av. Price
77...	222.80	715...	224.00
78...	222.80	715...	224.00
79...	222.80	715...	224.00
80...	222.80	715...	224.00
81...	222.80	715...	224.00
82...	222.80	715...	224.00
83...	222.80	715...	224.00
84...	222.80	715...	224.00
85...	222.80	715...	224.00
86...	222.80	715...	224.00
87...	222.80	715...	224.00
88...	222.80	715...	224.00
89...	222.80	715...	224.00
90...	222.80	715...	224.00
91...	222.80	715...	224.00
92...	222.80	715...	224.00
93...	222.80	715...	224.00
94...	222.80	715...	224.00
95...	222.80	715...	224.00
96...	222.80	715...	224.00
97...	222.80	715...	224.00
98...	222.80	715...	224.00
99...	222.80	715...	224.00
100...	222.80	715...	224.00

Packers' Cattle Purchases.

Hammond Packing Co.	1,000
Swift & Co.	900
Morris & Co.	500
Total	2,400

LIVE STOCK RECEIPTS.

Today's Receipts.

Cattle	2,971
Hogs	84
Sheep	32
Total	3,087

Receipts from Jan. 1 to Date.

Cattle	340,432	1910	307,850	Inc.	17,418
Hogs	1,317,405	1,074,700			312,705
Sheep	491,447	365,324			136,123
Horses	29,881	16,965			13,776

Live Stock in Sight.

Chicago	17,000	20,000	35,000
Kansas City	11,000	10,000	16,000
South Omaha	6,500	5,500	37,000
South St. Joseph	3,500	5,000	8,000
East St. Louis	4,800	10,000	4,000

Totals.

4,300	41,500	100,900
Yesterday	37,700	125,300
Week ago	41,300	60,800
Month ago	31,800	40,100
Year ago	55,100	47,900

Receipts by Cars.

The following shows the number of cars of stock handled today by railroads centering at the local yards today:

C. B. & Q., west	68
C. B. & Q., east	17
C. R. I. C.	17
Great Western	10
Missouri Pacific	4
St. Joseph & Grand Island	4
A. T. & S. F.	37
Total	226

TAKES GARDEN ON TRIP.

Raffman Has Barony Colony and Members Increase During Voyage.

Frankfort, Ky., Sept. 13.—A floating garden on a flotilla of rafts commanded by Commodore Austin Palmer, a raffishman, arrived here from Miller's Creek, after a voyage of four months. Growing on the rafts are tomato vines laden with the choicest of fruits, butter beans, onions, cabbage, sweet potatoes, potatoes and other vegetables, and cackling among the plants are chickens, while a mother pig and eight little ones grunt and watch a cow with her young calf. Mrs. Palmer looks after the household duties while Palmer fishes as the raft floats less than a mile a day. Palmer's trip is for pleasure and business. He nailed a number of planks across the rafts and put a number of old skiffs on the planks, filled these with soil in which he planted his vegetables. He took the old family sow along with him, and while on the voyage she brought a litter of pigs. The cow felt that she ought not to be outdone and gave birth to a calf. All occupants of the raft appear healthy and prosperous, and Palmer says he has enjoyed all seasons during the voyage.

AMUSEMENTS.

At the Majestic—Best picture show in town with two first-class vaudeville acts.

WHEAT TRADE ACTIVE

SLIGHTLY STRONGER UNDER-TONE FEATURES BUSINESS IN LIVE MUTTON DIVISION.

SUPPLY CLEARED EARLY

Both Killer and Feeder Buyers Were Active in Quest of Material—Few Fat Sheep Included.

Buyers of sheep and lambs were unable to cheapen cost for live mutton at this point today, and for the most part a fairly liberal supply went to the scales at prices steady with the previous session. Receipts were estimated at 8,000 and about that many registered, consisting of 25 cars of range lambs, two decks of native lambs and five cars of wethers billed direct to packers. Buyers were disposed to exert pressure on lamb prices but advances from outside points did not warrant reductions and salesmen insisted on steady rates and succeeded without much trouble in convincing buyers that offerings were worth the money. Trade was reasonably active from the outset and despite the fact that considerable time was taken up during the morning in sorting the range lamb delegation the noon hour saw the bulk of the fat offerings in packers' hands. Native lambs went at \$5.00@5.10, with the best of the range at \$5.10@5.40. Outside of the five cars billed direct, comparatively few sheep were included in the run, what few bunches offered being cut-offs from lamb shipments. Trade with mature mutton was fully steady with yesterday. Ewes sold generally at \$4.00@5.20, with a few odd head of wethers at \$3.50.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

The following Chicago board of trade quotations are furnished by T. P. Gordon, 1905-1908 New Corby-Forsce Building, St. Joseph, Mo.

Options	Open	High	Low	Close	Change
WHEAT—Sept.	92	93 1/2	92	94 1/2	2 1/2
Dec.	90 1/2	91 1/2	90 1/2	92 1/2	2 1/2
CORN—Sept.	64 1/2	65 1/2	64 1/2	65 1/2	1 1/2
Dec.	64 1/2	65 1/2	64 1/2	65 1/2	1 1/2
OATS—Sept.	43 1/2	44 1/2	43 1/2	44 1/2	1 1/2
Dec.	43 1/2	44 1/2	43 1/2	44 1/2	1 1/2
POKE—Sept.	15.00	16.00	15.00	16.00	1.00
Jan.	15.00	16.00	15.00	16.00	1.00
LAIRD—Sept.	9.25	9.40	9.25	9.40	15
Jan.	9.25	9.40	9.25	9.40	15
RIBS—Sept.	8.70	8.82	8.70	8.82	12
Jan.	8.70	8.82	8.70	8.82	12

BEES STOP AUCTION SALE

Mischiefous Lads Interrupt Auction For Three Hours.

Leavenworth, Kan., Sept. 13.—Two mischievous boys, by upsetting a hive of bees at an auction at M. L. Bruen's farm in Alexandria Township, stampeded 15 teams and about fifty men and broke up the sale for nearly three hours. Several bargains were wrecked by the stampede, and it was more than an hour before the animals were rounded up. The damage was about \$200, and half a dozen farmers had badly swollen faces and hands. The sale had just resumed after dinner, when the boys, using a long pole, pushed over the hive. Several men pursued the boys, but they got safely away.

HON. J. P. LATTA DIES.

Nebraska Congressman's Death Follows An Operation.

Rochester, Minn., Sept. 13.—Congressman J. P. Latta of Nebraska, died at 7:20 p. m. Monday at St. Mary's hospital.

Congressman Latta was operated on here on Aug. 22 for gallstones and was believed to be recovering until Saturday, when he suffered a relapse. It is said his advanced age and the fact that his vitality has not been high for several years were the causes. A second operation would have been required to free him from the ailment from which he has suffered.

The congressman's wife and two sons were at the bedside when he died. Edward Latta was called here Saturday when the change for the worse took place.

Arrangements for the funeral have not yet been announced by the family.

FARMER SAVES FAST TRAIN

Bloomington, Ind., Sept. 11.—Michael Chitwood, a farmer living near Trevian, Brown county, flagged the Indianapolis Southern express train just in time to prevent it from running on the Chitwood trestle which was set on fire by a freight train. Chitwood who lives near the trestle, discovered the blaze, and with a lantern, ran down the track to flag the train, which was running twenty minutes late. While he was waiting to signal the express, members of his family notified the neighboring houses and soon twenty-five men were at the trestle with buckets and wet blankets and sacks fighting the blaze.

TO BUILD ROAD IN ONE DAY

Every Farmer and Merchant Will Spend October 12 at Work On It.

Chickasha, Okla., Sept. 13.—Oct. 12 was today set apart as the day that every farmer and merchant in this county will declare a "holiday" in his own business and get out and help build a state roadway along the route of Chisholm trail in this county. Forty-five miles of the road will be built on that day. One thousand men and two hundred and fifty teams will build it. Every farmer and merchant will either work himself or send a substitute.

DOG-KILLING SHEEP SAFE.

No Law to Reimburse Owner When Faithful Collie Succumbs.

Shelbyville, Ind., Sept. 13.—Charles Coe bought a sheep and when he took it home he turned it into a lot and his collie went up to it to inspect the stranger. In a few minutes the usual order of things was reversed and the sheep had killed the dog.

When dogs kill sheep there is a fund available to reimburse the owner. Coe tried to make the township officials believe this rule applied to his case and wanted to collect for the depredations of his dog-killing sheep.

INTEREST IN CARLTON EXHIBIT

Entries Under This Classification Are Larger Than Any Previous Show.

One of the most notable features of the coming Live Stock and Horse Show and one that is causing country-wide interest among breeders and stock feeders is the car-lot exhibit of cars and swine. Entries under this classification are larger than any previous show held up to date, with from now until the 24th of September to receive more entries. On Friday, Sept. 29, after the awards have been given out, the exhibits will be auctioned off to the highest bidder and some high prices are looked for in view of the shortage of good beef material in the country at present and to the fact that packers are hot on the trail of well fattened steers. Another feature of that day and one of interest to fancy stock breeders, will be the public auction of 60 head of pure-bred Herefords from the breeders' farm of that well-known firm, Gudgell & Simpson, which will be held at the show grounds. This sale will start promptly at 10 o'clock and continue until the herd is disposed of.

MUCH HOG SICKNESS

REPORTS INDICATE DISEASE IS WIDESPREAD IN TERRITORY TRIBUTARY TO ST. JOSEPH.

MANY PIGS COMING HERE

Over Two Thousand Shipped Out of One Kansas Locality Where Plague is Ravaging Porcine Herds.

Not for several years has there been as much complaint of sickness among swine in territory tributary to St. Joseph as there is at the present time. For several weeks past there has been an unreasonable run of little pigs and young shoats at this market. Their presence on the market bear testimony of the prevalence of disease in herds in the localities from which they came. Many of these pigs show symptoms of sickness when they reach the yards, while others, apparently healthy, have been exposed to the cholera and have been headed for market before the disease manifests itself in its most malignant form. There were over 500 pigs included in yesterday's moderate run. In weight they ran all the way from 56 lbs. to 120 lbs. and in price from \$4.50 to \$6.50 per cwt.

Bad at Morrill, Kansas.

One of the worst plague-ridden districts that has been reported is the country around Morrill, in Brown county, Kansas. John Myers, of the well-known shipping firm of Myers & Hoover, at that point, who was at the yards yesterday with a shipment of hogs, says that disease is ravaging hog herds in that locality at an alarming rate. "Farmers of my section have not been so badly scared in years," Mr. Myers asserted. "Many hogs have died and a lot of good raw material has been sacrificed via the market route since the disease made its appearance five or six weeks ago. Diligent efforts to stamp out and check the spread of the plague have been made, but so far without a great deal of success. I and my partner, Mr. Hoover, have bought up and shipped out over 2,000 head of pigs and young shoats since the disease broke out. We have been shipping three and four loads a week, and our shipments have been made up mostly of pigs and light weight stuff. One load we shipped contained 150 animals. Whenever a few hogs in a herd show symptoms of sickness the owner is advised to get his entire porcine holdings on the market and telephone lines have been kept busy with calls for us to come out and bid on hogs exposed to the disease."

It is the Champion Feed.

J. E. Hhea, of Clements, Kan., sent five cars of range cattle to this market today.

Madrox marketed six loads of range steers from Hazer, Kan.

There is a profit in feeding Exello Feeds.

Fred Ronig, a farmer and feeder of Minneapolis, Kan., was represented on today's market with two cars of cattle.

Best beds in the city, 50 cents per night. Transit House.

Stock & Casper, prominent shipper and regular patrons of this market, had seven cars of cattle on sale today.

Wm. Ferguson, a well-known Cowley county, Kansas, stockman, sent in three cars of cattle for today's market.

Feed your hogs U-n-e-d-A Hog Powder made by D. E. Johnson Co., Omaha, Neb.

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OUR UNDERGROUND WATERS.

Water is found in some amount in all formations below the earth's surface, from the loosest and most porous sands and gravels to the hardest slate and granite. The amount varies from the merest trace chemically combined in the molecules of the rocks to immense reservoirs which supply wells flowing hundreds of thousands of gallons a day. Some waters are so pure that a refined chemical analysis shows only minute traces of organic and mineral matter; others are so heavily charged with minerals or other impurities as to be unsuitable for use.

The slope of the surface at any

point is one factor determining the amount of water absorbed by the ground. The direction and amount of slope also determine the form of the water table—that is, of the upper limit of saturation. Except where the surface is flat the water table is generally not parallel with the surface; it is almost invariably farthest from the surface on the summits of hills and mountains and nearest to it in valleys and along the coast, reaching the surface in swamps and along rivers, lakes, and beaches. The surface of the water table is always in motion, its higher portions flowing toward the lowest outlets along rivers or the sea. This direction of flow explains why fresh water is usually found when a well is dug in a sandy beach.—From Water-Supply Paper 222, United States Geological Survey.

FARMERS AND PROSPERITY.

Whatever helps the farmer helps the whole country. You cannot get away from that. When the farmer has plenty of money and his employees are well paid, business is prosperous from one end of the country to the other; but when the farmer is living from hand to mouth, when there is not employment for labor on the farm, then there will speedily be big black trouble for business everywhere, says the Chicago Live Stock World. If the farmers were with one accord to stop purchasing everything that they do not absolutely need, we would have a panic from one end of the country to the other, from which we would recover in thirty days after the farmers began buying again according to their normal requirements.

SCIENTIFIC FARMING.

In 1905 a branch experimental farm was established at North Platte, Nebraska, by the State Agricultural College for the main purpose of thoroughly trying scientific soil culture, says the Red Cloud (Neb.) Chief. The

years of 1906, 1907 and 1908 show about the normal rainfall of eighteen inches each year. In 1908 the records of the state on wheat yields were broken by the harvest of fifty-four bushels of wheat per acre on this station; in 1907 the records were again broken by the production of sixty-two bushels of wheat per acre. 1909 was quite dry, and only forty-five and one-half bushels per acre were grown; 1910 was still more drouthy and thirty-seven and one-half bushels were grown. Do not these records stand out boldly for scientific soil-culture in good years as well as dry? Do they not mean something to you? The present, 1911, is the record-breaker for drouthy conditions, and yet this farm will turn a crop that when full conditions are explained will bear still stronger evidence in favor of scientific tillage. Don't be so unwise as to say, "O, this is only the result of a state experiment station, for what one man can do, so can another, if he knows how."

FARM DEVELOPS CHARACTER.

Farm work is worthy and develops character. When the farms of the Roman empire were tilled by slaves and great numbers of the farmers had moved to town, the nation was tottering to its fall. So long as the farmer keeps a level head, does his own thinking and his own voting, the country is safe; but when he begins to vote as the politicians tell him to, when he begins to sell his vote, then gangrene has set in in the country, and even the city can not long survive unless there is reformation. The safeguard of America is the great number of men who own and run their own farms.—Exchange.

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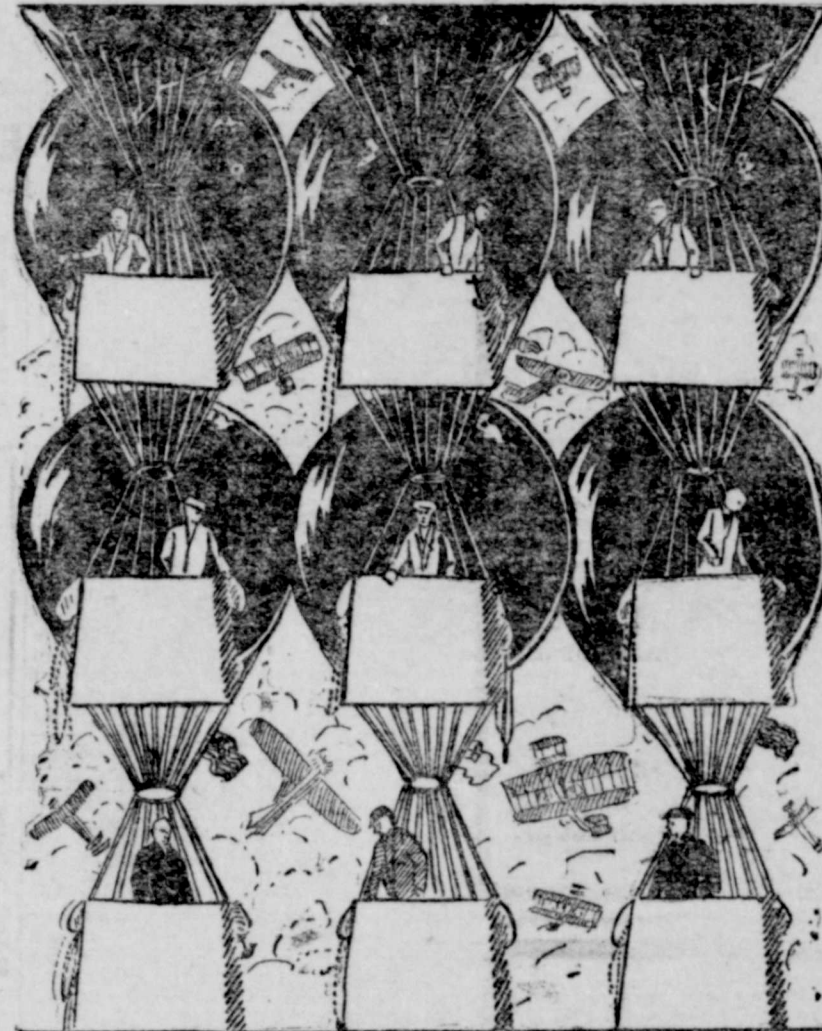
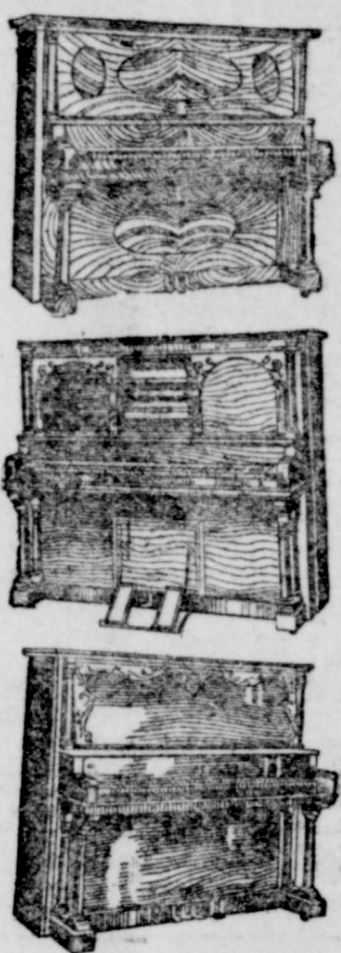
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We have just bought the Segerstrom Piano Manufacturing Co.'s St. Joseph store and to bring our name and pianos before the people of St. Joseph and surrounding country, we, and the manufacturers whom we represent, will give absolutely free several thousand dollars in valuable awards in one of the greatest publicity campaigns ever conducted by any piano concern. All the awards will be given for solving the

Great Aviation Meet

Can You Solve It?

SOME STYLES OF PIANOS TO SELECT FROM



Take any number from one to 19 inclusive. Do not use any number more than twice. Place number eleven in center balloon basket, one number in each of the balloon baskets so that when they are added perpendicularly or horizontally the total will make 26. For the correct answer we will give absolutely free the premium to be selected from the list of premiums given herewith. You will be notified by mail, and all premiums must be called for within ten days from closing of contest. It is not necessary to use this paper. Only one person in a family can enter. In the event of a tie, duplicate prizes will be awarded.

ADDITIONAL PREMIUMS FOR SUCCESSFUL CONTESTANTS

To all successful contestants who call at the store of our representative whose name is given below, or otherwise use their bonafide manufacturer's drafts as part payment on a new piano, we agree to give the choice of:

Gold Watch
(Guaranteed 20 years)

Mission Clock
100 Piece China Set
26 Piece Silver Set
Genuine Diamond Ring

FREE: To every person who solves the above puzzle, the Piano Manufacturers' Advertising Bureau of Chicago who control and are distributing the advertising appropriation allowed by the Piano Manufacturers, offer the choice of the following valuable prizes: **Safety Razor, Fountain Pen or Beautiful Art Picture—being a reproduction of the world's most celebrated masterpieces.** Also a **bona fide Manufacturer's Draft for \$150.00**, good only on any new piano selected at the store of the Piano Manufacturers' Advertising Bureau's representative, whose name appears below.

For every solution of the puzzle that is correct except for misplacement of but one figure award will be made of a bona fide manufacturer's draft for \$25.00, good only on a new piano, and a choice of the other prizes; in all cases where only two numbers are improperly placed in the solution, a manufacturer's draft for \$100.00 will be awarded and a choice of the other prizes; for every solution in which four numbers are improperly placed a manufacturer's draft of \$50.00 will be awarded and a choice of the other prizes; to every contestant who submits a solution in which any three numbers total twenty-seven, an award will be made of a manufacturer's draft for \$25.00, good only on a new piano.

For many years it has been a question where advertising money could be spent so that the greatest results would be received and how to place large advertising contracts for the year. This has not only been a problem that has confronted the piano dealers, but the manufacturers as well, and only of late years have our manufacturers found out how the best results could be obtained for the least amount of money expended. We have a special arrangement with the manufacturers to spend over \$9,000 in an advertising way to make our line of pianos better known and us better acquainted in three or four weeks than it would be possible in any other way in the same number of years.

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Kansas City, Mo., Sept. 12.—If the plan of the State Superintendent of Instruction from Kansas works out well the movement from the farm to the city will cease, at least in Kansas. E. T. Fairchild, the State Superintendent of Instruction at Topeka, says he has the remedy that will prevent farmers from leaving the farm. Kansas has had more than its share of trouble in this respect. Farmers who own farms, after making enough to insure their living in comfort, have been moving to town in order to have near neighbors and better social advantages, also to give their children better educational equipment than they could gain in the rural communities.

Secretary Fairchild's first move is to make a social center out of every school house in the state in order to increase the social interests of the rural community.

"There is no sense in those school houses standing idle every evening through the year," said Mr. Fairchild. "There is no reason why the school houses should not be open two or three, or even four nights a week. The school house should be the social center of the rural community, and we are going to try to make it so in Kansas. We believe the development of this social idea will lead toward the farmers and the farmers' sons and daughters on the farm."

It is this same idea that will take up much of the time of the National Conservation Congress to be held in Kansas City September 25 to 27. While President Taft's speech on the opening day will be in regard to the conservation of resources in Alaska, and it is expected that Gifford Pinchot and several others will treat of the same subject, the major question before the Congress will be the importance of the farm and farm community. Under this head there will be papers on "The Country Church," "The Rural School," "The Farmer's Wife," "The Community Club"—which many speakers hold should be in the farm school house—"The Farmers and Transportation," "The Farmer and Rural Free Delivery," "The Farmer and the Parcel Post."

Henry Wallace of Iowa, President of the Congress, says, "The report of the proceedings of this year's convention may well be termed 'A National Farmers Hand Book.' The Congress chose Kansas City as its meeting place looking upon it as the center of the agricultural section of America. From present indications more than half of the delegates will be farmers, horticulturists, and stock farmers. About 4,500 delegates have accepted their appointments and there will be room for 10,000 visitors in Convention Hall, where the Congress is to be held."

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Washington, D. C., Sept. 12.—The Bureau of Animal Industry of the United States Department of Agriculture has just purchased in Meade county, Kansas, four additional horses for use in the government breeding work that is being carried on in Vermont with the object of preserving and improving the Morgan breed. These animals are the seven-year-old Morgan mare Fanny P. (Vol. III, A. M. K.), two yearling fillies by Headlight Morgan (a son of Ethan Allen 2d), and a colt foal of Fanny P. by Headlight Morgan. One of the fillies is out of Fanny P., and the mare is again in foal to Headlight.

Fanny P. is by Julian Morgan, the sire of Roy Morgan, champion Morgan stallion at the principle state fairs of the Central West in 1910. Fanny P.'s dam was by Flying Morrill, and her second dam by a son of Billy Root. The pedigree of Headlight Morgan is well known to Morgan breeders. The horse was foaled in southwestern Kansas and has a well-deserved reputation in that vicinity as a sire. These horses are among the descendants of a large consignment of selected animals purchased in Vermont and Illinois in the early nineties by the Morgan Horse Company of Carpentersville, Ill., and sent to southwestern Kansas to take advantage of cheap pasture there. Unfortunately, however, and partly on account of the depression in the horse market several years ago, the venture was not a success, the company disbanding and the horses being scattered over a wide territory. Some of this stock still remains in Kansas and Oklahoma.

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