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## State Institute of Kansas Farmers

During the week ending January 1 the State Farmers' Institute convened at the Kansas State Agricultural College at Manhattan and held the most successful session of its history. Not only is this true with respect to the attendance, but also in the line interest displayed. There was no evidence that anyone came through idle curiosity; every one evinced a purpose to observe, study and learn, and the opportunity to do so was unequalled. On the College grounds were to be seen some of the championship show animals of the world; the prize winning corn exhibits of many shows were on display, and the well equipped laboratories were open to the use of students. Classes were offered the men in corn judging, stock judging, dairying and poultry management, while the women and girls were given work along the lines of domestic science and art. Actual practice and laboratory work was supplemented by lectures and demonstrations. These were given by the very best authorities to be secured—speakers from various state universities and the U. S. Department of Agriculture, beside members of the Kansas Experiment Station staff and College instructors.

Almost 700 persons were enrolled in classes during the week. The larger part of these were boys and girls who had been awarded the trip by their local institution at home, as a prize for exhibits of corn they had grown, or for samples of baking. Beside those in regular class work there were a large number who came to the conferences of the various agricultural interests that met at the College during the week.

These institutes, and the accompanying conventions of breeders and growers of farm products, are among those things that are causing the rapid growth of Kansas as an agricultural factor.

### Boy Corn Breeders

One of the most interesting features of the State Farmers' Institute held at the Kansas State Agricultural College was the Boys' Corn contest. This was arranged for by the the Kansas Corn Breeders' Association, which offered premiums to the value of over \$250 to the boys exhibiting the best ten ear samples of their own growing. Of the one hundred and sixty boys who responded, twenty-five carried away prizes of from \$2 to \$32.

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These awards were almost equally divided between the eastern and western sections of the state as separate classes were offered for each. Here are some of the prize winners:

- Best ten ears Eastern Kansas:  
Earl Willis, Manhattan. .... \$32  
F. A. Coffman, Manhattan. .... 25  
Homer Willits, Manhattan. .... 18  
Paul Gilman, Leavenworth. .... 12  
Lloyd Cochran, N. Topeka. .... 10  
Best ten ears Western Kansas:  
Orland Gauthier, Hill City. \$30  
Roy Kendall, Glade. .... 25  
Ernest Blackburn, Hill City. 18  
Jas. Resley, Bunker Hill. .... 12  
Elba Bränenburg, Russell. .... 10  
Best single ear:  
Earl Willis, Manhattan.

In addition to other premiums Earl Willis was awarded a handsome silver loving cup, worth \$100, for a sweepstakes prize for the best ten ears in any class, and won the custody of the Montgomery painting on his single ear entry; this \$50 painting will be given to the boy who is able to show the best ear for three successive years.

The boys have taken their corn back to the farm to plant, starting early in their preparations to produce the best exhibits of corn next year. Any boy between the ages of fifteen and twenty-one years who is interested in this contest should make efforts at once to procure the best of seed corn, and later win a prize in his county contest, which will make him eligible to enter the contest at Manhattan next winter.

### Look Forward

William Allen White in Emporia Gazette: You are a pretty girl, my dear; you will admit that, an unusually pretty girl. You are striking, you have a figure, and when you pass the hotel the men turn to look at you, and you have the front room lighted up four nights in the week. There is no doubt of your popularity—none at all, my dear; so you don't have to have to urge that as an excuse for the way you are going. And you know how you are going—so does everyone else in town. And it's too bad; you insist on accentuating the fact that you are a she-creature. Your dress, your gait, your general air and attitude is that of a female rather than that of a person, and when a man is around, if you could see the way you act you would blush; it isn't one man in particular—just any old pair of trousers. Good Lord, girl, stop flirting and get some sense. Take off that dress that outlines your figure until you look naked, and put on clothes like other women.

Don't say that those clothes make you look stylish; what they do is make you indecent. Don't devote so much time to the fact that you wear petticoats, and spend a little time considering yourself as a human being.

Of course, we know you are smart, my dear; you know a lot—a lot of things you have no business knowing and that shows also. If you knew what is written on your face you would be ashamed to go out doors; but it is all there—everyone of those vain things fill your silly head. And where your treasure is there your heart is. As one thinketh so he is, and you are so plainly in evidence that it is pitiful how you advertise yourself.

Of course it's fun; you are having a good time; it's all innocent fun and you know how to take care of yourself. They all do—these smart girls; and the good time gets closer to the edge; but stolen waters are sweet, and bread eaten in secret—but you don't care to have scripture quoted to you. Still it is true and it is the wisdom of the ages.

And you are someone's pride and joy; your father doesn't see what the other men see; your mother may see and fear and perhaps she is trying to make you see, too; but you think she is slow. You don't think she ever has a good time. You think she is too strict.

But no girl who was ever cut

up in a doctor's office and thrown into an old suit case or a trunk and tossed into the creek ever thought she would end that way. She always knew so much more than her mother, and always thought her mother too strict.

Of course it hasn't come to that yet. But it's along in that direction—just down at the turn of the road to the left. There is the bend in the river; there is where they will throw the suitcase; and yonder under the straw pile by the barn—there they will bury the head; perhaps your pretty head with all that light in the eyes; with all that red on your lips, with all that glow on those cheeks—your pretty head would not come out from that straw pile looking as it looks today.

It is not pleasant; still you are not pleasant to look at, my dear, for all these things are written upon you; and you're a pretty girl an exceptionally pretty girl my dear; but only.

Just don't. You understand. Just don't.

### Little Sunbeam.

She was sweet and soft and clinging and he always found her singing when he came home from his labors as the night was closing; she was languishing and slender, and her eyes were deep and tender, and he simply couldn't tell her that her coffee was a sin. Golden hair her head was crowning; she was fond of quoting Browning and she knew a hundred legends of the olden, golden time; and heart was full of yearning for the Rosicrucian learning, and he simply couldn't tell her that her beefsteak was a crime. She was posted on Pen-dennis and she knew the songs of Venice, and listened to her prattle with an effort to look pleased; and she liked the wit of Wellar—and he simply couldn't tell her that the eggs he had for breakfast had been laid by hens diseased. So she filled his home with beauty, and she did her wifely duty, and she did it as she understood it, and her conscience didn't hurt, when dyspepsia boldly sought him, and the sexton came and got him, and his tortured frame was buried 'neath a wagonload of dirt. O, those marriageable misses, thinking life all love and kisses, mist and moonshine, glint and glamor, stardust borrowed from the skies! Man's a gross and sordid lummix—men are largely made of stomach, and the songs of all

the sirens will not take the place of pies! Walt Mason, Copyright 1908.

### The New Food

Alfalfa meal is likely to soon be at the grocery stores just the same as flour or oat meal or Une Biscuits. The cooking school have discovered that alfalfa meal has more nutritive value than flour and that is not hard on the stomach. The results of the continued use of this kind of food are said to be rather remarkable. One woman fed her husband on alfalfa biscuits every day for three months. At the end of that time he was growing a mane like a horse and whinny with satisfaction whenever his wife would announce that dinner was ready. At the end of the third month he insisted on wearing a check rein and developed considerable speed as a natural pacer. He took the family horse out of the shafts, had himself hitched in place of the family driver and before he had gone a mile playfully kicked out the dash and ran away with the buggy.

His wife says alfalfa is alright as a stock food but that she wants no more for household purposes. —Merchants Journal.

A farmer who has a cow with the lump jaw says: "Consarn'er she haint nothing the matter with her. She's got the big head because butter's worth thirty cents a pound. That's all.—Ex.

Fresh beef at Baker's.

### The Mystery of Mysteries

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N. B.—Under the auspices of the Trego County High school. (See our next week's announcement.)

### A Poor Editor

Here is a good joke on an editor who went one evening to report a party at a home recently blessed with a new baby. He met his hostess at the door and after the usual salutation he asked after the baby's health. The lady was quite deaf and suffered from the la grippe, though he asked after her cold, and answered that although she usually had one every winter, this was the worst one she ever had; it kept her awake a great deal of nights, and at first confined her to the bed. Then noticing the newspaper man was getting nervous, she could tell by his look that he was going to have one too and asked him to come in and sit down.—Mt. Hope Clarion.

There is a man in our town, and he is wondrous wise, when he writeth to the editor he doth eth all his i's. And when the i's are dotted to prove that he's the cheese, he punctuates each paragraph and crosseth all his t's. Upon one side alone he writes, and never rolls the leaves; so from the stern blue pencil man a smile he oft receives. And when a question he doth ask (he's truly a wise guy), a two-cent stamp he never fails to inclose for the reply. Ex.

The comet that is to sweep the earth next May was just 56 million miles away last Monday—clip this out it may not appear again.—Ex.

Pickled pork at Baker's.

### Statement of the

## Wa-Keeney State Bank

of WA-KEENEY, KANSAS

At the Close of Business, Dec. 31, '09.

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts	\$161,845.36
Overdrafts	251.62
Bank Building	1,000.00
Expenses	.....
Cash and Sight Exchange	105,052.33
	\$268,149.31
LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock	\$25,000.00
Surplus and Profits	32,863.85
Deposits	210,285.41
	\$268,149.31

The above Statement is correct.

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