The Farm News Department

A Special Page Devoted to the Farming Interests of Crawford County, Wherein the News of the Farmer and Stock Raiser is Chronicled From Week to Week.

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MAKING THE FARM INVENTORY

Any time between now and March 1st is a good time to take a detained inventory of the farm business and start the keeping of receipts and expenses for the year. January 1st is better than any other time from the standpoint of the income tax. March 1st is "moving day" in Iowa and this date is probably to be preferred by renters for the taking of an inventory and starting their accounts.

In taking an inventory one should include the value of the farm, livestock, feed, machinery, cash on hand, and accounts receivable. Mortgages, notes and other accounts payable should also be listed. Such an inventory taken at the beginning and ending of the year, together with receipts and expenses during the year, makes the best kind of record from which to figure income tax.

In addition, such a record enables a farmer to figure his profits for the year and also helps in discovering the leaks in the farm business.

The "Farm Business Record" for keeping these accounts can be secured at the county agent's office.

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DOBLER'S BRED SOW SALE OF DUROC JERSEYS

We call attention to the sale of W. K. Dobler, to be held at the sale pavilion, in Vail, on Friday, February 6. This is a sale of purebred Durocs and one that you have been waiting for. If you are in the market for either Pathfinder or Orion breeding this is an opportunity that you cannot afford to miss. Dobler is raising Durocs of the better kind, and on the date above mentioned he will sell 35 head of sows and gilts, that are largely bred to that young giant boar, Pathfinder's Standard, one of the most outstanding sons of Great Pathfinder. He is said to be one of the tallest, longest spring boars in the state of Iowa. All of the offering is immune, and it is one that you will take pride in. A few of the sows are bred to Col. King Orion, and many of them are sired by him. There are also some by King the Col., others by Educator, Algo's Giant and Col. Redeemer. Ken Dobler lives on the Lincoln highway, just east of Vail, the first big silo you come to, and if you happen to drive that way, don't fail to stop and look the herd over. Ken will be glad to take the time and show you all the good points of the herd. On sale day he will serve a big dinner at noon, and the sale will start at one or as soon as possible thereafter. For this sale Mr. Dobler has secured the Messrs. Malone, Teaquist & McLaughlin as auctioneers. With these gentlemen on the block and in the ring, you will buy the hogs at your own price, and the sow or gilt will be yours when you bid her in. Look the ad up, and read it.

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CLAUDE McDONALD'S DUROC JERSEYS

Claude McDonald, of Dow City, was in this city on Saturday and favored this department with a call and arranged for the printing of a catalogue with his and the advertising of his sale of purebred Durocs, which will be held Saturday, February 7, and will take place on his farm 5 1-2 miles west of Dow City, 4 miles east of Dunlap. On the date mentioned Mr. McDonald will sell 34 head of purebred Duroc Jersey sows and gilts, consiting of seven tired sows, twenty-seven gilts. The offering is bred to the McDonald herd boars, Col. King Wonder, Mc's Wonder and Square Deal Wonder. In his advertisement Claude says he would like to sell these animals to his neighbors because they are raised in his neighborhood. Many farmers are predicting much higher prices in the spring, and instead of quitting the hog business, now is just the time to begin. There is a great shortage of brood sows, in fact 35 per cent shortage, and it will pay the man to get right and raise some good hogs for the future. And the better farmer and breeder will raise bigger and better ones. It therefore behooves him to get this kind of stock while the getting is good. The more you have of the better ones, the better you will be off. For this offering Mr. McDonald has secured the services of Malone Bros., as auctioneers, and Will Fishel will do the clerking. A good dinner will be served at noon, and the sale will commence at 1:30. The terms are cash or its equivalent. Don't forget the date, and be on hand. We have more to say of this herd of hogs in our next issue. Look up this week and read it. McDonald is a fare and square and any stock you buy at this sale you can depend upon.

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PRUTER & SONS OFFERING DUROC JERSEYS

The writer had the pleasure of viewing a Duroc Jersey herd owned by Pruter & Sons, at West Side on Saturday, and we were amply repaid for having made the visit. The Pruters, as many know, now live a quarter of a mile west of the town of West Side, where they have built up a wonderful home, and have it stocked not only with purebred Durocs of the very best, but also have some good cattle, fine horses and purebred chickens. They have a lovely home, and make it such that their two boys do not have to go out for entertainment, and the boys are interested, and taking right a hold of everything pertaining to the farm. The Pruter's will have a public sale of Durocs on Saturday, February 14, at the place where they have just completed a new hog house, and pavilion, and are arranging for the entire comfort of all who attend the sale. The offering they present will consist of 11 tried sows, 6 fall gilts and 19 spring gilts. The sows and gilts are bred to the herd boars, Pathfinder's Wonder 262773, Greater Sensation and Illuminator King 70987a, and the offering is guaranteed safe in pig. If any should prove otherwise the Pruter's will make it right if notified within thirty days. The first animal we were shown was Pathfinder's Wonder, and he's a wonder all right. He topped the sales of August Terpening, at Galesburg, Ill., last August, and he is one of a litter that won the Promotion Club, the futurity and the open class at Springfield, 1918. He also won first in the futurity, first in litter, first in produce of dam, second in get of sire, second young herd. He is extremely big type, high up and long, with plenty of bone, good action, splendid eyes and ears. A man possessed with some of his get ought to feel proud. This fine animal was sired by Great Pathfinder by Pathfinder, and dam Crimson Bess, by Grand Model. Greater Sensation by Great Orion Sensation by Great Sensation, dam Laura Sensation by Real Sensation, was farrowed March 5, 1919, and was purchased from Ken Dobler. He is a fine individual with plenty of bone, alert at all times, well on his feet. Perhap he is just a little thin, but remember he's been working. Illuminator King 70987a by L. E's. Valley King by L. E's., Valley Chief, dam Princess Lady by Pathfinder, is another great boar. Some of the gilts in the offering of February 14 are sired by this hog, several of the fall gilts are bred to him, and they will speak up for themselves. The Pruter's have a litter of five that they think a great deal of, and we believe they have a right to at that. They are of Great Pathfinder by Pathfinder, and dam by Mabel Lincoln by Lincoln King's Col. They are of September 2 farrow, and one, a boar weighed December 11, 119 pounds, and in just another month, or January 11th, weighed 168 pounds. They are nice long fellows of good color, and very active. The brood sows in the Pruter herd are of the very biggest kind, and great producers. In the offering we noticed such individuals as Miss Select, and Lady Select, two Giant Pathmakers, Munice Lady 5th, another Giant Pathmaker, Lady Iowa Pearl, another Pathmaker, Redeemers Miss, a Col. Redeemer by Redeemer, Kindy Cherry 2nd by Advance Col., Iowa Pearl 2nd, an Advance Col. Lady Pearl, 3rd, a great Pathmaker, and Miss Pathmaker, also a Pathmaker. There are some Model King 2nd, a brother of some Blackwood Orion, [illegible] King, John's Pathfinder, Illuminator King, Cherry Orion King 2nd, Cherry Orion King 3rd and Col. King Orion blood. Don't fail to atend the sale, you will not regret the time spent.

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TWO CHESTER WHITE BREEDERS QUITTING

Crawford county is to lose two good breeders of Chester White hogs, one is Fred Fitzsimmons, of Vail, and the other is John Holst Jr., of Denison. Mr. Fitzsimmons will hold a closing out sale on February tenth, and as he is quitting the farm has combined the regular farm sale with the sale of his Chester Whites. In the offering will be found 25 head of purebred sows bred to good boars and they will farrow in March and April. Then there are the herd boars, 5 shoats and 16 fall pigs. Mr. Fitzsimmons has some of the best Chester White blood in his herd and any one wishing this kind of breeding should attend the sale. Remember the sale will be held at the time of his farm sale, and will take place on the farm 2 1-2 miles southeast of Vail.

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Ira Dougherty, of Shenandoah, received $900 for a span of mules that he sold to go to the oil fields of Oklahoma. The team weighed 2,800 pounds. Mr. Dougherty recently paid $2,500 for three teams, buying them of W. P. Fishbaugh, president of the Security bank at Shenandoah.

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The record price paid for Poland China hogs in Marshall county was an average of $592 for forty-nine head of bred sows. The sale totaled $29,000, and the top price paid was $1,750. Prof. C. F. Curtiss, of the Iowa State college at Ames, bought this sow, and she was shipped to California. The hogs were the property of I. J. Conrad.

DUNLAP ITEMS

The Hunters quartet which appeared as one number of the lecture course on Thursday evening at the new school was well received and the boys acquitted themselves very creditably to a good sized audience was in attendance.

Mr. and Mrs. George Cullyan were called to Missouri Valley on Monday by the critical illness of Mr. Cullyan's sister, Mrs. Heffner. Word was received on Friday of the death of Mrs. Heffner.

Al Burlington was up from the Valley for a couple of days visit this week at the home of his mother, Mrs. Mary E. Burling.

Mr. Noyes, a commission man, was in town the past week.

Mesdames Barrett and Small were in Denison on Saturday returning Sunday morning.

John R. Wheeler left the fore part of the past week for his home in Denver, after a couple of weeks' visit at the home of his mother, Mrs. Wheeler was sick and unable to accompany him home.

A number from Denison were down on Friday to attend the triangular debate held at the new school at which the contestants from three towns participated, those being from Denison, Woodbine and Dunlap. Dunlap carried off the honors.

C. E. Moorhead has been quite ill the past week.

Donald Tinker came home the latter part of the week from the northern part of the state, and will remain a few days the guest of his parents.

A neighborhood surprise party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Phil Maden on Tuesday evening in honor of their son, Maurice, who has just been released from service in Siberia. Maurice was the last soldier to return to his home and his many friends are more than glad to welcome him. About twenty neighbors were in attendance and the evening passed very pleasantly, Maurice telling many interesting things concerning where he has spent the past couple of years. A lunch was served later in the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Pherguson have been visiting in Omaha some the past week.

Mrs. Rock, of Logan, was up Monday and spent the day the guest of Mrs. W. A. Davie.

Maurice Magden was in Denison Friday and Saturday returning Saturday afternoon.

A son of Dr. and Mrs. Gamble has been in town the past few days returning to Missouri Valley Saturday afternoon.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Thoren, of Lohrville, was brought here for burial on Friday and interment made in Pleasant Hill cemetery.

The Alter society of the Catholic church met on Friday at the school with Mrs. Al Stolz as chairman. A fine time was enjoyed by the members and friends gathered. A lunch of baked beans, sandwiches, pickles, doughnuts and coffee was served.

The boys of St. Joseph school are putting on a play Sunday evening, entitled "Reclaimed."

Mrs. John Smith has been enjoying a visit from her brother from Chicago.

Miss Florence Tierney has been in Carroll the past week visiting friends.

Miss Schlensig, who has been at the Bolte home for some time returned to her home in Moorehead this week.

Miss Brock was in Omaha one day this week.

The basket ball game on Tuesday evening with Logan resulted in our girls getting beaten in the preliminary game and the Logan boys were beaten by our boys by a score of two to one.

Mr. and Mrs. J. McCann, of Council Bluffs, have been up here visiting their sons.

Mr. and Mrs. Holeton were in Woodbin one day last week.

Miss Gertie Cullyan was a passenger to the Valley on Saturday afternoon.

Dr. G. L. Potter is the possessor of a new Dodge car purchased in Omaha last week. He and Mrs. Cullyan came down and driving the new car home.

L. K. Moore spent Sunday with his family in Omaha.

Mrs. Wetzel was in Omaha last week.

A reunion of the Nurse families was held at the home of Howard Nurse the old homestead last Sunday when the entire family was present for the first time in four years.

Another of the bridge whist dinners was given at the home of Mrs. Chauncy last week when she was assisted by Mesdames Irvin Pounds and Lee Edwards. The usual time was passed with cards after the eating of a delicious seven o'clock dinner.

Mrs. Roy Nurse visited in Council Bluffs last week with relatives.

Mrs. Georgia Liscomb entertained at cards one afternoon the past week in honor of the house guests of Mrs. Roht. Wettengel. The time was passed with cards after which the hostess served a delicious luncheon.

Geo. Cullyan was a passenger to Missouri Valley on Friday evening.

Miss McGuire was a passenger to Vest Saturday afternoon.

Miss Helena Prieger was sick and unable to preside as teacher in the primary room. The influenza of the week and last place was filled by Doris Tinker, one of the juniors.

Public Sale!

Having decided to quit farming and move to Denison I will sell at public auction 1 mile west and 4 miles south of Denison, 1 mile east and 2 1-2 miles north of Buck Grove, 4 miles east of Arion, the following property, on

Thursday, Feb. 5

Commencing at 10 o'clock a. m. sharp

11—head of horses—11

Bay team 8 and 10 years old, weight 3100; grey and bay team 4 and 5 years old, weight 2800; bay mare 4 years old, weight 1500; bay mare 10 years old, weight 1100; grey horse 8 years old, weight 1600; black horse 3 years old; bay mare 2 years old; 1 yearling; 1 old mare.

26 head of cattle 26

Five milch cows; 8 3 year old heifers; 3 stock cows; 7 heifer calves; bull calf 8 months old; 1 purebred Hereford bull 2 years old.

30 Hampshire Brood Sows

Will farrow during months of April. About 10 dozen Silver Laced Wyandotte chickens and 8 Silver Laced Wyandotte cockerels.

FARM MACHINERY, ETC.—John Deere binder; John Deere corn planter; John Deere riding plow; 2 John Deere disc cultivators; John Deere 4 section harrow; John Deere grass mower; John Deere grain elevator; John Deere 1 hole corn sheller; 11 ft. Hoosier seeder; Clover Leaf manure spreader; 2 John Deere wagons; 9 ft. Keystone disc; McCormick hay rake; McCormick corn binder; bob sled; No. 13 DeLaval cream separator, new; 6 horse gas engine; 2 1-2 horse kerosene engine; hay rack; hog oiler; 4 sets work harness; single harness; grindstone; kerosene barrel; 5 galvanized chicken coops; 2 steel hog troughs 8 ft. long; water tank; water trough; pump jack; Ford power attachment and other articles too numerous to mention.

USUAL TERMS — FREE LUNCH AT NOON

Chas. Jedele, Prop.

MALONE BROS. Auctioneers. — BANK OF DENISON, Clerk

Public Sale!

As I have rented my farm and intend to move to town, I will sell the following described property on my farm located in Goodrich township, 1 mile north and 1 mile west of Deloit, 8 miles north of Denison, 9 miles south of Schleswig, on

Friday, February 13

Commencing at 10 o'clock a. m. sharp

4 Head of Horses 4

One bay gelding 12 years old, weight 1300; 1 gray gelding 13 years old, weight 1300; 2 bay mares 10 years old, weight 1400.

60 Head of Cattle 60

Consisting of 10 extra good milch cows, 4 fresh, rest will be fresh soon; 15 two year old heifers; 12 yearling steers; 17 spring calves; 1 Hereford bull.

10 Bred Sows; 20 Dozen Chickens

MACHINERY and MILCELLANEOUS—McCormick binder; seeder; harrow; harrow cart; McCormick grass mower; 2 buck rakes and stacker; hay loader; cement mixer; International 6 inch grinder; 4 h. p. Fairbanks Morse gasoline engine; hay rake; disc cultivator; disc; Northwestern manure spreader; bob sled; corn planter with 120 rods of wire; stirring plow; 2 wagons, 1 as good as new; 2 hay racks; top buggy; spring wagon; corn sheller; 3 sets of harness; saddle; cream separator, size No. 18; 12 galvanized chicken coops; 190 gallon churn, and numerous other articles.

TERMS: All sums of $10 and under, cash; on sums over that amount a credit of one year's time will be given on approved notes bearing eight per cent interest. All property to be settled for before removal. Come to this sale.

FREE LUNCH SERVED AT NOON

Chas. F. Jensen, Prop.

MALONE BROS., Auctioneers. — DELOIT SAVINGS BANK, Clerk

Public Sale!

Having sold my farm and am moving to town I will sell at public auction on my place 4 1-2 miles north of Denison on the east side of the river and 2 1-2 miles southwest of Deloit, on

Thursday, February 12

Commencing at 10 o'clock, the following property:

4 head of horses 4

Bay team 11 and 12 years old, weight 2800; sorrel team 8 and 9 years old, weight 2400.

22 head of cattle 22

Eight milch cows, 1 fresh, 2 giving milk now, the others will be fresh soon; 5 heifers, 4 with calf at side; 1 heifer will be fresh soon; red Polled pedigreed bull; 4 small calves.

Twenty-seven Head of Good Brood Sows

All bred to Chester White registered boar; 10 dozen good young chickens.

HAY and GRAIN—18 tons good prairie hay in barn; 6 1-4 tons good clover and timothy hay mixed in barn; about 7 tons good oats stray in sack; 10 bushels Reid's Yellow Dent seed corn.

FARM MACHINERY, ETC.—Two wagons; top buggy; John Deere manure spreader, new; wagon and hay rack; bob sled; hay stacker and buck; 7 ft. Deering binder; 5 ft. Deering mower; 10 ft. Deering hay rake; Sattler corn planter with 120 rods of new wire; Hoosier seeder with grass seed attachment; Janesville disc cultivator; riding plow; two 16 inch walking stubble plows; 3 section harrow; pulverizer; 2 corn plows; hand corn sheller; hand corn slicer; fanning mill; grand stone; hog troughs; galvanized water tank; tank heater; 50 gal. galvanized oil tank; 4 h. p. Independent engine; 2 hole Appleton sheller.

MISCELLANEOUS—Dairy Queen No. 4 separator; 2 sets good work harness; some old harness; 3 sets fly nets and many other articles too numerous to mention.

USUAL TERMS — FREE LUNCH AT NOON

AUG. BRENSEL

ED DUNCAN, Auctioneer — BANK OF DENISON, Clerk

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