

BELGIAN FARMERS CAN'T WORK LANDS

Food Growing Scarcer and Meat Has Almost Disappeared, Says Letter from Brussels.

In a personal letter, just received by an Evansville, Indiana, man from a friend in Belgium, the present situation of the Belgians is fairly outlined, for the people of other provinces are certainly no better off than are those of Brabant, in which the Belgium capital is located. The letter says in part:

"I hear that a great many articles of food will soon be lacking. In the near future we will not have any kind of meat. Chickens practically exist no more and eggs are very scarce.

"Each province has to provide its own food. Our canteens today served more than three hundred dinners. We had among those who came ten people from Charleroi, who had walked twelve miles to come to the capital, where they hoped to get something to eat.

"What misery this war brings to us! No more industry; no more trade; everything has stopped. There are scarcely any horses left in the country; all have been requisitioned, all of our beautiful Belgian horses which are so well known and appreciated by America. Of these nearly none remain.

"Farmers are thus unable to work their lands. What are we going to do for food this coming winter?"

The Indiana State Committee of the Commission for Relief in Belgium, at 71 Broadway, New York, will send out copies of this letter in a new appeal to the people of the Hoosier State for a cargo food to load the proposed Indiana State ship, which it is expected will sail from New York about the first or middle of September.

The Missouri Hen at the State Fair.

The poultry show at the Missouri State Fair promises to be one of the largest and best held at Sedalia for many years. Uniform coops are furnished free, the premiums are large, and there are to be many educational features in connection with the poultry department which will make it attractive to both the farmer and the fancier. The State Poultry Experiment Station at Mountain Grove, will put on a miniature model ten-acre poultry farm, and will distribute bulletins showing just how the farm should be operated to make a living from poultry raising. There will also be a poultry lecture or demonstration each day from eleven to twelve o'clock.

The poultry department will be superintended by the State Poultry Board with a force of experienced poultrymen from the State Poultry Experiment Station, to handle the birds. The work will be done under the direction of T. E. Quisenberry, who is to superintend the poultry show at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition.

The State Poultry Board, through the State Poultry Experiment Station at Mountain Grove, offers \$2.00 additional cash special prizes on each first prize won, where there are three or more entries in the class. The same rules and regulations govern these specials as govern the regular prizes offered by the State Fair. These specials are intended to encourage a good exhibit from Missouri and are limited to Missouri breeders only. The regular prizes are: \$3.00, first; \$2.00, second; and \$1.00, third, on single entries. Pen prizes are: \$5.00, first; \$3.00, second; and \$2.00, third.

Judge T. W. Southard of Kansas City, will make the awards, which insure fair consideration

Measuring Spelling Ability.

Seven out of every 100 third-grade public-school children can not spell "has." This and other curious evidences of the special problems inherent in the teaching of spelling are brought out by Dr. Leonard P. Ayres, of the Russell Sage Foundation, in a study just published.

As a result of combining the four most extensive studies that have been made to identify the words commonly used in different sorts of English writing, Dr. Ayres has selected the 1,000 words that constitute 90 per cent of the language ordinarily used. This selection was made from various English authors, from four Sunday newspapers of Buffalo, N. Y., and from the business and family correspondence of over 2,000 adults. The objects of the study was to "develop a scale for measuring attainment in the spelling of common words on the part of school children."

Cooperating with the city superintendents in 84 cities of the United States, Dr. Ayres had the 1,000 commonest words tested by an aggregate of 1,400,000 spellings, secured from 70,000 public school children. The result, according to Dr. Ayres, made it possible to accurately measure spelling ability, and to compute the amount of improvement in spelling the same words from grade to grade.

By a scale arrangement, extending on a line from 0 to 100, "spelling ability is easily and scientifically determined. For example, nine words of most frequent use, viz., "the," "in," "so," "no," "now," "man," "ten," "bed," "top," revealed that second-grade pupils, on an average, spelled correctly 94 per cent of these words. At the other extreme of the scale the words "judgment," "recommend," and "allege" were found to be spelled correctly by just 50 per cent of eighth-grade pupils. Percentages above and below these would indicate variations from the normal in spelling.

Dr. Ayres finds that "intellectual abilities are distributed in much the same way among people as are physical traits. Just as there are few dwarfs, many people of medium height, and very few giants; so there are very few exceedingly poor spellers, many medium ones, and very few excellent ones. Few words do most of our work when we write. Fifty words constitute with their repetitions, one-half of the words written. The child who masters the 1,000 words on the scale given will make no spelling errors in nine-tenths of his writing."

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

Miss Kate Taegtuehring left Sunday morning for a visit in Stuttgart, Arkansas.

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Miss Josephine Anderson left Tuesday morning for an extended visit in Colorado.

for every bird. For entry blanks and for further information, write E. T. Major, Secretary, Sedalia, Mo., or to T. E. Quisenberry, Mountain Grove, Mo. The dates are September 25th to October 2nd, 1915. Entries close September 23rd.

PERSONALS

Miss Laura Davis returned Friday evening from a visit in Kansas City.

Mrs. E. N. Hopkins and son, John, returned Friday evening from a visit in Kansas City.

I. G. Neale and son, Irwin, arrived Saturday for a visit here with friends.

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Mrs. Ed Earl and Miss Elizabeth Catron returned Saturday morning to their home in Marshall, Mo.

Mrs. Reid Moreland of Kansas City arrived Friday evening for a visit here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. C. McFadin.

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Misses Margaret Miller of Arvon, Va., and Bettie M. Jordan of Lexington, Mississippi, who are returning to their home from the Panama Exposition, spent Friday night here with Rev. and Mrs. S. O. Hall.

O. I. Gates went to Kansas City Saturday morning for a several days' stay.

Miss Gladys Gaffin went to Clarksburg, Mo., Saturday morning for a visit.

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Mrs. B. R. Young and little son, Clayton, and sister, Mrs. Marvin Tritch, left Saturday for a visit in Kirksville and Paris, Mo.

Miss Lucretia Chambers went to Kansas City Saturday morning for a visit.

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Mrs. B. M. Kline went to Oak Grove Saturday morning for a visit.

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Miss Estelle Planchet went to Kansas City Sunday morning for a brief visit.

JOURNALISM GRADUATES IN NEWSPAPER WORK

Seventy-five of Eighty-seven Holding Degree from M. U. School of Journalism in Fourth Estate.

Of the eighty-seven students who have been graduated from the School of Journalism of the University of Missouri in seven classes, seventy-five are engaged in various phases of newspaper or closely related work. One is dead, two of the young women quit newspaper work to be married, one is a preacher, two are in the mercantile business, and one is a musician.

These graduates are working in nineteen different states and two foreign countries. About fifty of them are located in Missouri. Two of these graduates are from foreign countries. Hugh J. McKay of Earlton, Nova Scotia, and Hin Wong, of Canton, China. Mr. McKay is now editor of the Missouri Alumnus, and Mr. Wong is with a newspaper in China.

There was but one graduate in the first class—1908—Charles Arnold, now professor of journalism at the University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Four of the graduating class of 1915, are already owners or editors of newspapers in Missouri. One of this year's class is working on the editorial staff of the Tokio Advertiser, Tokio, Japan, another is on the staff of the Kansas City Star and others will take up reporting and advertising work.

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Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hicklin went to Kansas City Sunday morning for a visit.

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