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OUR EXPORT BUSINESS SHOULD GROW MATERIALLY

REFERRING to the importance of going after business in South America, an experienced exporter says:

"I believe now is the right time to go after business down there, because we can interest firms now that formerly would not havee given us a hearing. America manufacturers have never before had so good an opportunity to make first-class connections."

Trade is not to be grabbed out of hand. It must be built up with patient labor and money. Selling goods in Rio is much the same as selling them in Posey Center, Indiana. The house that the buyer knows, and knows favorably, is the one he will prefer. The war gives us an opportunity to get acquainted. The house that has the right goods at the right price and is willing to spend months making acquaintance will get business.

Brazil with her coffee and rubber, Argentine with her wheat and cattle, have things to sell for which there will be demand irrespective of war. Consequently they will be able to buy foreign goods. A year from now, if we are willing to do the necessary preliminary work, we should begin to reap tangible advantage from the opportunity made by the war.

REFERRING to the fight Senator Reed is making on President Wilson's appointments for federal offices in the western districts of Missouri, the N. Y. World editorially says: The senatorial courtesy which Senator Reed invoked always works one way. The President courteously yielded to Senator Reed's persistent solicitation for the appointment of his candidate for the postmastership of St. Louis, which was under heavy protest, but courtesy for the President or consideration for his judgment is not in the Reed-O'Gorman book of senatorial etiquette. Decency would interfere with that despotic control of patronage which is the chief end of the patronage-machine Senator. Democratic Senators who block the administration may rebuke the President on account of patronage may think there is political profit in the game, but we doubt it. It has yet to be demonstrated by the people to whom Senators are now answerable at the polls.

IT PAYS TO READ AND REASON

Of all things what do we stand mostly in need of? Is it money on long-time loans at low rates of interest? No. Is it cooperation, rural uplift or a community-social life? No. Is it county advisers who make regular rounds to tell us what to do? No.

Here it is A determination individually to read, think and reason for ourselves.

The men or agencies that can force this fact fast into the minds of farmers will be doing a work that will live long after the date when we can truthfully say: "This was the beginning of a new agricultural era that has brought light, prosperity, love and peace into the homes, stayed our tottering agricultural institutions, and quickened the pulse of manufacture and commerce."

Seek first to know the science of soils and plant life. All this is plainly written in language that can be easily understood by any of us if we will only read and reason. Hopkins, Henry, King and others have written books for you and me to read and study, even though our heads are gray. These facts reduced to a system safely in our possession will give us credit if we need funds, and all the needful will follow. Then we can rebuild the soils of the east and south and save from depletion our newer north and west.

It will be a happy day for our loved land when more thoughtful, reasoning brains direct the brawny arms of agriculture in America.

Hamblen Co., Tenn. O. Reams.

REFERRING to the patronage row in the Democratic Party at Washington, the New York World editorially says: That intrepid army of Senatorial patronage bosses, having beaten back the Presidential appointing power along the Eastern or O'Gorman front and "dug in," now appears in large force on the Western or Reed front engaged in what seems to be a turning movement designed to force a general retreat of the enemy. As a demonstration of Senatorial dignity and devotion, to great questions of public policy, it is all calculated to command the eager and admiring attention of the country.

THE increasing number of women taking courses in war nursing at the Young Women's Christian Association of New York holds out the hope that the country will be less "unprepared" in one branch of war when the great attack comes.

IT is something to live in a country where a man never needs a passport.

CONSUMPTION TAKES 350 PEOPLE DAILY

Over 350 people succumb to consumption every day in the United States.

Science proves that the germs only thrive when the system is weakened from colds or sickness, overwork, confining duties or when general weakness exists.

The best physicians point out that during changing seasons the blood should be made rich and pure and active by taking Scott's Emulsion after meals. The cod liver oil in Scott's Emulsion warms the body by enriching the blood; it peculiarly strengthens the lungs and throat, while it upbuilds the resistive forces of the body to avoid colds and prevent consumption.

If you work indoors, tire easily, feel languid or nervous, Scott's Emulsion is the most strengthening food-medicine known. It is totally free from alcohol or any stupefying drug. Avoid substitutes.

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SOME OF THE PRESIDENT'S ENEMIES.

REFERRING to the enemies of President Woodrow Wilson and his administration, the New York World editorially says:

Discussing Gov. Colquitt's attack upon the Wilson Administration, the Dallas News remarks that "of all the Governors this State has had in recent years, Gov. Colquitt has proved himself pre-eminently the unfittest." It adds:

> The affairs of Texas were never so grossly mismanaged as they have been during the four years of his Administration. It would hardly exaggerate to say that the elevation of Mr. Colquitt to the Governorship of this State has shaken the faith of thousands in the ability of the people to choose their servants wisely.

With such a record in office, Gov. Colquitt has exceptional qualifications as a critic of President Wilson. Most of the Democrats who are waging war against Mr. Wilson are of the Colquitt type.

All great Presidents have had enemies within their own party, but it is a singular fact that Mr. Wilson's Democratic enemies, however noisy they may be, are all second and third rate men. Many of them are sheer political accidents.

There is not a single Democrat hostile to the Wilson Administration who personally carries an ounce of weight in the national councils of the Democratic Party.

THE Fulton papers are crowded with big advertisements covering invoice and January clearing sales. The Fulton merchants are sure going after business in a persistent and intelligent way, and this line of endeavor is sure to meet with success. Nothing will kill a town quicker than for the merchants to take the position that it is dead. If home people think a town is dead we suppose outsiders will have no reason to disagree with them.

IN a speech at Indinapolis, Indiana, Jan. 8th, President Wilson said: "If any man or set of men should try to break up he solidity of the Democratic party, they would gain an unenviable position for themselves. This party must and will stand together. If a man won't play ball, he must get off the team."

LOUIS O'BRIEN, one of Audrain County's most substantial citizens, renewed his subscription to the Weekly Ledger this week for the thirty-first consecutive time. Mr. O'Brien appreciates the Ledger, and we surely appreciate Mr. O'Brien's cordial patronage.

GOVERNOR MAJOR in his message declares for strict economy on behalf of the Democratic Legislature which is now in session, and we believe the Democrats in both the House and Senate will co-operate with the Governor along this line. That's the way to make the Democratic Party strong with the people.

THE report of the Missouri State Board of Pardons and Paroles shows that of 500 prisoners released on probation in the last four years only eighteen have violated the terms of their parole. The fact speaks well both for the 'honor of thieves" and for the prison reform under which these examples of it have been put to the proof.

THE agreement by England and Germany to exchange prisoners incapacitated for further fighting is a humane and sensible procedure. As it was suggested to them by Pope Benedict, it is also a credit to the wisdom and humanity of the Pontiff of the Roman Church.

DR. F. M. SHOUSH, manager for Rev. A. E. Burch, announces that he will begin a protracted meeting in Mexico about February 7th, and is arranging to build a tabernacle if possible.

WE are glad to know that a movement is on foot to organize a National Guard company in Mexico. This is an important proposition and should be looked after by the Commercial Club.

THERE are still a few people in Mexico who have no use for a local paper except when they want to use it.

IF Kings were elected the brave and heroic Albert of Belgium would have the American vote for King of Europe.

AS no Frenchman has captured a German regiment single handed recently we hear the allies are losing ground.

THE Cincinnati man who lost his mind after drinking 100 glasses of beer might enlist the services of a submarine.

X-RAYING an elephant in search of a diamond ring isn't far removed from the task of looking for a needle in a haystack.

THERE are some people who claim to be great boosters that don't take any local papers or belong to the Commercial Club.

MEXICO City's apprehensions are doubtless due to the fear that Villa will be highly dissatisfied with what his predecessors have left.

IF you expect to help make Mexico grow, you should start the new year right by becoming a member of the Mexico Commercial Club.

IN short: Defense should exist for the Nation; not the Nation for defense.

INSTEAD of coming back, Turkey appears to be going back.

VOLUME of our great South American trade greatly increased since the war started.

Farm Loans

Plenty of money to loan on farms. Rates reasonable.

Two good insurance companies.

Will appreciate your business.

Dry & Sappington

YOUNGS CREEK.

Leslie Pierce is visiting relatives in Illinois during the holidays.— Mrs. G. T. Schieffer fell on the ice Thursday morning, breaking both bones in her right arm also bruising her right side.—Taylor Berry and family, J. L. Carpenter and family spent New Year's day with Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Leeper.—Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Pollard and little daughter, Miss Mildred, spent several days with Mrs. Pollard's mother, Mrs. Joella Crawford. —Miss Leona Mallinckrodt of St. Charles is visiting her cousin, Mrs. G. T. Schieffer.—Grace and Gladys Dowell entertained a number of their friends Friday night with a "42" Party.—Miss Minnis Berrey is visiting with her sister, Mrs. R. C. Ewing of Long Branch.—Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Ewing entertained Friday night with a "42" Party.—We are sorry to chronicle the death of our beloved friend and neighbor, Wm. T. Asbury, which occurred Dec. 31. We extend heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved ones.—Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Ketter and little daughters, spent Sunday with Mrs. Ketter's parents Mr. and Mrs. Milt Householder.—T. N. Berrey purchased a mixed bunch of yearling cattle at John Burgess' sale near Worcester paying $7.60 per hundred weight.—G. T. Schieffer delivered a load of hogs to Powell and Mundy at Molino Monday.—Otto Carpenter had a sick horse Saturday night. Dr. Snyder of Mexico was called and pronounced it a bad case of spasmodic colic.—H. C. Berrey while on his way to Mexico Saturday had a horse to fall in the ice breaking its back. It was necessary to kill the animal.—T. M. Dowell and Milt Householder filled their ice house the past week.

Excellent for Stomach Trouble. "Chamberlain's Tablets are just fine for stomach trouble," writes Mrs. G. C. Dunn, Arnold, Pa. "I was bothered with this complaint for some time and frequently had bilious attacks Chamberlain's Tablets afforded me great relief from the first, and since taking one bottle of them I feel like a different person." For sale by all dealers. Adv.

Missouri Legislature Organized.

James P. Boyd of Monroe City, Mo., has been elected Speaker of the House of Representatives at Jefferson City, and Carter M. Buford of Ellington, Mo., was elected President of the Senate. The clerks have all ben elected and the legislature is now ready to get down to work.

Cough Medicine for Children. Never give a child a cough medicine that contains opium in any form. When opium is given other and more serious diseases may follow. Long experience has demonstrated that there is no better or safer medicine for coughs, colds and croup in children than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It is equally valuable for adults. Try it. It contains no opium or other harmful drug. For sale by all dealers. Adv.

Miss Altha M Kehl, of Woodson, Ill., is with her brother, C. F. Kehl in this city and will study music at Hardin College.

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.

We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by his firm.

NATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE, Toledo, O.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75 cents per bottle. Sold by all Druggists.

Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

J. W. Dry is home from a business trip to Independence, Missouri

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Our old reliable fire insurance companies are time tried and fire tested.

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NINETEEN MILLION DOLLARS TO DEFEAT DRY FORCES?

Breweries Accused of Subscribing to Huge Fund to Be Used In Campaign Fights.

SOMETHING DOING IN TEXAS

Suits Filed Against Seven Texas Companies by Attorney General For Big Fine.

Austin, Tex., Jan. 11.—A brewery lobby in Congress and 19 million dollars received by the United States Brewers' Association in the last five years for anti-prohibion work were allegations made by Attorney General B. F. Looney in a suit filed in Hopkins County Court Saturday against the seven leading breweries in Texas.

He asked for maximum penalties of $21,749,700 and the forfeiture of heir charters because,heallaged, they paid the poll taxes of anti-prohibition voters and spent corporate funds influencing elections and liquor legislation in violation of their charters and franchises.

Busch Backed The Lobby.

One of the exhibits in the fourteen hundred typewritten pages embraced in the petition is a letter dated October 19, 1905, at Paris, France, from the late Adolphus Busch of St. Louis to Zane Cetti of Fort Worth, which said in part:

"We must pay over to the United States Brewers' Association whatever it may require to represent us properly before Congress, where we have most important bills to defend. We must defeat that Hepburn-Dolliver Bill, which is most dangerous and antagonistic to our industry and which makes prohibition possible."

Charge Buying of Votes.

In the last twelve years the seven breweries in the Texas Brewers' Association taxed themselves more than 1 million dollars for political activities, the petition stated. Regular dues amounted to $600,000 additional Buying negro votes was specificially alleged Correspondence on the subject of paying their poll taxes is submitted.

Billiousness and Constipation Cured. If you are ever troubled with biliousness or constipation you will be interested in the statement of R. F. Erwin, Peru, Ind. "A year ago last winter I had an attack of indigestion followed by biliousness and constipation Seeing Chamberlain's Tablets so highly recommended, I bought a bottle of them and they helped me right away." For sale by all dealers. Adv.

BEAUTIFUL WEDDING.

The wedding of Miss Margaret Johnson, of Kansas City, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. T. M. Johnson and a cousin of Mrs. P. E. Coil, of this city, was Thursday evening last and one of the largest weddings in Kansas City for many years. The bridegroom was John List Peppard. Five detectives were engaged to guard the handsome array of wedding gifts totalling in value over $7,500.

In speaking of the wedding the Kansas City Journal says:

"A beautiful wedding was celebrated at Woodlea last Thursday evening when Miss Margaret Johnston, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. M. Johnson, became the bride of Mr. John List Peppard. The Rev. Donald D. Munro of the Cavalry Baptist Church performed the ceremony at 8 o'clock. Mrs. J. Henry Johnson played the wedding march and Kelly's orchestra the programme of music for the dance that followed the reception. The ceremony was performed in the spacious hallway, which was converted into an English garden with pink roses, hedges, wicket gates, vine-wreaths, potted plants, and thickets of towering palms and ferns, the bride and bridegroom standing in a rose arbor for the plighting of their troth.

The bride wore an exquisitely dainty robe of white tulle over satin, short length, and her veil, hand-run, with a silver thread in brocade design,was caught up cap effect with an edge of lace, and she carried an old-fashioned formal bouquet of white gardenias and orange blossoms. The bride was attended by her sister, Mrs. John L. Johnston, as matron of honor. Her gown was a silver brocaded satin and she carried pink roses. The two bridemaids, Miss Margaret Johnston and Miss Anne Peppard, wore lovely gowns of pink satin and silver lace and carried bouquets of lillies-of-the-valley and pink roses. Mr. Joseph G. Peppard was his brother's best man. After the service a wedding supper, reception and dance followed. At the bride's table with her attendants were Miss Mary Oglebay and Mr. William Perry. Miss Gertrude McCleod and Mrs. Howard Stevens, both of St. Louis, Mo. In the receiving line with Mr. and Mrs. Johnston were the bridegroom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jos. G. Peppard. The bride and bridegroom left on an Eastern wedding tour and on their return will be at home at 211 West Fifty-second St., terrace."

Dangers of a Cold. Do you know that of all the minor ailments colds are by for the most dangerous? It is not the colds themselves that you need to fear, but the serious diseases that they so often lead to. For that reason every cold should be gotten rid of with the least possible delay. To accomplish this you will find Chamberlain's Cough Remedy of great help to you. It loosens a cold, relieves the lungs, aids expectoration and enables the system to throw off the cold. For sale by all dealers. Adv.

Suit for divorce has been filed with Circuit Clerk, E. F. Elliott, by Mrs. Willie Alice Farris. She claims her husband, William Farris, deserted her. She is a resident of the county.

FLORIDA LAND MAN GETS TWO YEARS

Dr. E. C. Chambers Must Also Pay Fine of $6,000—Some of the Plaintiffs Live Here.

FEDERAL COURT CASE RESULT

Mrs. W. B. Sappington One of Those Interested—Case Just Closed In Kansas City.

The Florida land cases, which have been on trial in the Federal court in Kansas City, resulted in Dr. E. C. Chambers getting two years in prison and a $6,000 fine; E. L. Russell getting a sentence of a year and a day in prison and $375 fine. F. W. Harper is pending sentence and the Rev. A. E. Gammage and C. H. Hubbard were granted new trials. Mrs. W. B. Sappington of this city was one of the many plaintiffs in the case.

The feeling about the Federal Building in Kansas City was one of satisfaction at the result of the cases. It is regarded as a victory for Mr. Wilson and C. P. Johnson, the postoffice inspector, who has spent three years in gathering the evidence.

The next chapter in the land cases will be in Washington, January 21. The Chambers Land Company has been cited to show cause at that time why a fraud order should not be issued preventing its use of the mails.

ATKINSON THROWS HIS HAT INTO THE RING

Jefferson City, Mo., Jan. 7.—John M. Atkinson, chairman of the Public Service Commission, has announced his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for Governor of Missouri.

His positive announcement was made to a friend who called upon him to ascertain his intentions in this connection.

Will Be In the Race.

"I am a candidate for Governor," Mr. Atkinson told him, "regardless of who or who may not enter the race. I have had the matter under consideration several months and have concluded to let my friends know that I am going to be in the race."

This is the first positive announcement made in the coming contest for gubernatorial honors.

Others To Announce Soon.

"It came sooner than expected, but was not unlooked for, as Mr. Atkinson for some time has been regarded as a prospective candidate.

There are several other prospective candidates, and it is expected that there will be similar announcemens within the next six weeks.

STARVING THOUSANDS SUFFERING IN MEXICO

Washington, Jan. 7.—Relief of destitute non-combatants in Northern Mexico has been undertaken by the American Red Cross.

Arrangements have been made by telegraph for the purchase of enough corn to relieve the immediate needs of several thousand families reported to be starving near Monterey and Wednesday S. P. Morris, acting national director left for the Southwest to make a personal appeal to commercial organizations for aid.

Mr. Morris will go first to St. Louis, Kansas City, Albuquerque, Clovis, El Paso, San Antonio and Laredo, and then make a trip for personal inspection of conditions in the neighborhood of Monterey, Matamoras and Chihuahua.

WIZARD EDISON SEES A TWO-YEAR WAR NOW

The fire which, about a month ago caused a loss amounting to several million dollars in the Edison plant in no way dampened the famous inventor's enthusiasm for the possibilities which the new year holds. The recent disaster in no way blackened the new dawn of a period of even more wonderful things than he ahs yet accomplished. The momentary check is for him simply the cue for still greater effort.

Regarding the present war Mr. Edison prophesies:

The European war will last at least one year and probably go two years or longer.

Germany cannot win because victory will rest with the side having the greatest resources and men. Germany will be worn down after a long conflict.

Artillery will be proved the greatest destructive agency of modern warfare. The submarine will be perfected and remain a powerful instrument, but the dreadnaught will not be eliminated, because some plan will be evolved to overcome torpedo attack.

Ammonia will be made out of air. The invention surmises Germans arae making high power explosives out of nitric acid made of ammonia manufactured right out of air.

Insurance Company Elects.

The Farmers' Mutual Ins. Company held their annual election of officers at Martinsburg Saturday. The following were elected officers for the ensuing year: Jos. H. Fenneweld, President; Adolph Fenneweld, Secretary; August Bertels, Hubert Fennewald, Martin Hoer and Jos. Duelbert, directors.

WANTED!

Beef hides, horse hides and furs. Highest cash price. SAM MORRIS Near Hitch Lot.

Just to show folks he still was hale and hearty at 100 years old, William H. Scott, a Civil war veteran at Dixon, sawed up half a cord of wood a day or so before his birthday.

Stock Notes

The State Board of Agriculture has introduced an entirely new feature into the work of the extension department. The board has employed Miss Margaret Rogers formerly of Mexico to travel with the extension lecturers, and illustratetheir talks with chalk and charcoal sketches.

Miss Rogers is on the program for Farmers' Week to give a chalk-talk, "Fun on the Farm." Miss Rogers became proficient in this work during leisure hours and then made a trip through Iowa and Missouri, giving chalk-talks at different high schools. While she was visiting here a few days ago, J. Kelly Wright, extension lecturer for the State Board of Agriculture, was impressed with her work and thought it could be utilized to advantage in connection with his lectures. His idea of employing Miss Rogers was readily accepted by the board.

Miss Rogers was graduated from William Woods College in Fulton two years ago. She is the daughter of J. W. Rogers, who lives north of Columbia.

Centralia, Mo., Jan. 7.—Farmers through this section are losing their horses from some strange disease. The horses seem to go mad, and run through fences or collide with anything in their path. This stage lasts from 30 minutes to an hour, and death follows. The farmers are unable to find the cause.

Lee Green of Centralia who was in the Stephens setion the first of the week, bought a mule from Reuben Shryrock, south of that town, for $180, and another from William Shryrock, of the same neighborhood, for $185.—Fulton Gazette.

Reuben Shryrock, a Stephens farmer who is generaly prominent in mule circles, has a few of the brutes on hand this winter. Besides these, he is putting flesh on the sides of 30 head of shoats that weigh around 100 pounds. The owner is holding them for a suitable market.—Fulton Gazette.

S. R. Craighead, of this county, shipped to St. Louis, Wednesday, of his own feeding 358 head of western ewes that weighed 103 lbs. and sold at $5.75.

Fowell Brothers, two miles east of Auxvasse, sent a car of 91 fat hogs to the St. Louis market Monday. Eighty-four head of the shipment were from the pens of the shippers, and seven head that weighed an average of 198 pounds were purchased from Boyd Gooldy, six miles west of Auxvasse, at a price within 60 cents of Tuesday's top.—Fulton Gazette.

A pro forma decree of incorporation for the Missouri Apicultural Society will be asked at this term of circuit court by Richard Irving Bruce, of Liberty, Mo., general counsel for the Society, says the Columbia Tribune.

J. W. Rouse, of Mexico, Mo., is the president of the society; A. B. Wolfe, of Parkville, is vice-president, and J. F. Diemer, of Liberty, is secretary.

The society is going to ask the state legislature to place a small tax on bees in Missouri and to appropriate $2,500 to the society to enable it to carry on a campaign to better bee keeping conditions in Missouri. There are 43,000 bee keepers in the state and one hundred and forty-two of them belong to the Missouri Apricultural Society.

The society plans to establish a lectureship at the College of Agriculture and have an apiary at the state farm, much the same as is done at Wisconsin University through the efforts of the Wisconsin society.

Audrain county will be well represented at the State Farmers' Week in Columbia which started Monday. McMillan High School arranged a stock judging team to enter the contets and hopes to win. Ralph and Jewell Bybee, sons of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Bybee, who won the corn raising contest Round-Up Week here have entered their corn and will be there during the meeting. They have entered their corn in three different classes.

Alvin Beamer, who won the stock judging contest here Round Up Week is also entered in the Farmer's Week contests. Dwight Carpenter, a well known young farmer is present. Grant Morthland, whose success in experimental farming in Audrain has attracted statewide notice, has some of his soy beans entered and will not miss the meeting.

Kelly Wilkerson and W. L. and Edgar Kent represents Audrain in the horticultural meeting. Cecil Weidler is also attending the meeting as will Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Winn. Owing to little Miss Mary Ella Pilcher being ill, she will not be entered in the Better Baby Contest at Columbia. It will be remembered she won the local contest Round Up week.

"Farmer" Rusk is of course present and take an active part in the programs. Quite a number of others will also probably attend.

William Lee, of Mexico, who buys horses and mules every stock sales day in Fulton for Lee Bros., bought seven mules and nine horses Monday, giving from $75 to $150 for the brutes, and getting them as follows: Edgar Brett, horse; Robert Connor, two horses; Claude Dunlap, horse; Warren Herron, horse; John W. Settles, two mules; R. H. Hendrix, horse; J. B. Houf, pair mules; J. G. Baker, mare; R. L. Smith, mule; Earl Smart, mule; L. L. Bartley, horse; Buford Baker, horse; Grant Maddox, mule; E. M. Davis, horse.—Fulton Gazette.

Portland, Ore., Jan. 1. — Wheat prices continued their record breaking upward trend on the Portland exchange this week. Five thousand bushels of February blue stem sold at $1.33 a bushel, an advance of 1 cent over previous sales. Five thousand bushels of March club changed hands at $1.32 1-2.

According to the records of dealers extending back twenty-five years the present market prices are the highest ever recorded, not only for Portland, but for the entire Northwest.

Macon County wants a Farm Advisor.

R. C. Creed, of Audrain county, Mo., was among the many shippers on the market this week. In speaking of conditions in his county Mr. Creed goes on to say:

"I don't look for much change in conditions in the country before we have a couple of good years. Feeds are scarce and high this season. From all indications we are going to have a fine crop of wheat. I have never seen it looking better and there is a large acreage. Cattle and hogs are mighty scarce this year.

"One of the biggest enterprises of Audrain county is mule raising and feeding. Although there are not as many on feed this year as usual, we have a good many and take it the year around we produce lots of mules. They are not as much trouble to feed or care for as cattle or hogs. A good many of the mules shipped here are raised right in that country. It is a great mule section. I hear feeders all talking about feeding a good many next season, if they have a good crop. There is plenty of money in the game. Experienced feeders seem to have little trouble in getting big prices for their finished product. I am going to feed a few if corn is good next season.

"It looks to me as though feeders and raisers were going to have to raise and feed more horses and mules in the next couple of years as the incessant drain on the country caused by the war is going to clean out the supply. There is going to be lots of money made in horses and mules in the next few years, or I will miss my guess. I, for one, am going to take the opportunity which is about to present itself as I think there will be a chance to make some money getting these war horses in shape for the market."—St. Louis Live Stock Reporter.

(By John F. Chase in Mo. Ruralist.)

Champions come and champions go, but Missouri has had one champion on the job for sixteen years Breeders rave about the beauty and productiveness of some celebrated show animal in the bovine world, but after making a marvelous record for a year or two she may never be heard of again. Superior in genuine worth and service is the humble "family cow," beloved by every small town dweller; especial favorite of mother and the children on the farm. And although she may not rank high in the register of merit, or have her name inscribed on the herd book of fame, often the possession of "Old Boss" has meant plenty instead of poverty. Gleaning sustenance from the grass of the roadside she returns it for the soil enrichment. The trickling milk becomes a golden stream that brings food and clothing, an education, perhaps a peep at the busy world. Even life itself is sometimes dependent upon this gentle friend of man. Much do we owe to the family cow. May her tribe increase as the years go by.

In the litle town of Martinsburg, Audrain county,contentedly munching her fragrant clover hay these wintry days, you can find the champion family cow. For more than sixteen years she has served the F. M. Walker family faithfully. This remarkable cow is now 18 years old and her first calf was born when she was but 2 years old. Every year since Mr. Walker found the first fawn-like replica gamboling around in his town lot pasture another sprightly youngser has come to gladden the mother of Old Boss A purebred Jersey herself her progeny shows all the attributes of good breeding. Many a fine family cow has gone forth from the Walker lots in Martinsburg. The sixteenth daughter looks like a worthy descendant of its illustrious mother.

In all the sixteen years since her firs calf was born Jersey has never been dry. It has been necessary to milk her every day. When she was 4 to 14 years old she gave from 3 1-2 to 4 gallons of milk a day the year around. The last four years she has averaged 2 1-2 to 3 gallons a day. So rich was the cream from this milk flow that the Walker family has alway been supplied with butter, and, in addition, furnished butter to one or to neighbors during most of the year. Just the average town cow feed has been given to Old Boss She has never been away from the six lots which comprise Mr. Walker's pasture Probably a low estimate for the total amount of milk given by the champion family cow in sixteen years would be 18,615 gallons. This milk would have a commercial and feeding value of at least 20 cents a gallon, which would equal $3,723.00. Good heifer calves would be worth at least $25 each but as the males would not be eligible to registry they would sell cheaper, so we will count the sixteen calves at $15 each. This adds $240, bringing the count up to $3,963 and making he gross earnings of Mr. Walker's 'right bower" almost $250 a year. As the Walker family did not have to hire pasture there is little doubt that the one cow has been worth more than $200 a year to them.

Some remarkable records were told about in the dairy number of the Missouri Ruralist last year. We expect to hear from many friends of "Old Boss" before the next dairy special is issued March 5. Perhaps there is a greater family cow in the United States than this Audrain county Jersey, but we'll have to be shown.

T. W. Carter and sons Ray and Roy, formerly of Mexico, now prominent commission men of St. Louis, bought a large amount of wheat just after war was declared, and we note from the St. Louis papers that the advance in this grain has made them a great many thousands of dollars. Wheat is now nearly $1.50 a bushel, and if the war lasts long enough will of course go to $2.00, maybe higher.

Among the seedless things that Luther Burbank has produced, the Trenton pumpkin is not. Mrs. T. J. Richards of that place won a prize for guessing that there were 717 seeds in a fine 722-seeded specimen of the "pie fruit."

Mr. Beeny at Sheldon buys corn, wheat and oats.

Irvin Watts, a prominent young Audrain farmer, delivered corn in Mexico Saturday. Mr. Watts had 55 acres last year that averaged about 20 bushel. He will plant 56 acres this year.

J. Mat. Dunn, three miles west of McCredie, shipped two cars of fat hogs to market from McCredie Wednesday.

John W. Settles, who lives northwest of Fulton, sold a pair of coming five-year-old horse mules to Lee Bros., of Mexico, getting $225 for the team.—Fulton Gazette.

Ennis Robinson, five miles west of McCredie, has a car load, 23 head, of god quality native steers almost ready for shiment. Mr. Robinson thinks they will weigh about 1,200 pounds average.

Edgar Brett, a hustling young horseman, of the Auxvasse community, sold a nine-year-old bay mare in Fulton Monday to Charles Green, of Centralia, for $140.

J. B. Houf, north of this place, received a check Monday for $300 for a pair of past five-year-old horse mules that he sold to Lee Bros., Mexico horsemen, ho are in Fulton the first Monday in each month.—Fulton Gazette.

Earl Smart, near Dixie, sold a small mule at stock sales Monday to Lee Bros., of Mexico.—Fulton Gazette.

Charging off $3,000 in uncollectable accounts convinced a Lexington blacksmith that in the future "cash must accompany the order."

The merchants of Versailles bought in one day last week a total of four thousand turkeys, for which they paid about $8,000, an average of $2 per head.

It was left for Missouri to show 'em and develop a seedless apple. U. J. Simmons of near King City, Mo., has 12 trees in his orchard which bears seedless apples. The apples are fine in color, size and shape, and of excellent flavor. The core is very small and there are no seeds.

I own a Chester white sow that farrowed three litters of pigs in 1914. She was bred on Oct. 6, 1913 and farrowed 10 pigs on Jan. 30, 1914. This litter all lived. She was bred again on April 9 and farrowed 12 pigs on Aug. 1. Of this litter 9 pigs were raised. She was bred on Aug. 29 and farrowed 13 pigs on Dec. 21. Of this litter she has 9 living. She was bred to a Berkshire boar. This makes a total of 35 pigs for the three litters and she raised 28.—Geo. F. Adler. Hancock Co., O.—Breeders Gazette.

Sam Morris received a shipment of furs from Maxville, Fla. It was from J. Speer, formerly of this city.

Centralia, Mo., January 11.—Farmers in this section have lost about 7000 hogs from cholera and pneumonia in the last two months. In some instances serum proved a success, but in most cases it failed. This loss is estimated at about $30,000.

Farmers are forced to ship their hogs to market before they are ready in fear that he swine will be affected later.

Roberts & Powell, south Audrain county stockmen, shipped two cars of hogs from Auxvasse Tuesday of this week. They were purchased as follows: John W. Moseley, thirty-six, 6,010 pounds, $425.20; George W. Kemp, four, 820 pounds, $58.80; Craig Moseley,fourteen,2,645 pounds, $185.15; Charles Y. Porter, three, 740 pounds, $49.75; William and Joseph Moore, twenty-one, 3,165 pounds, $220.85; J. E. (Book) Muir, thirty-four, 8,435 pounds, $611.55; Thomas Hite, six, 940 pounds, $65.80; Noble Hite, ten, 1,495 pounds, $104.65; Gilmor brothers, fifty, 9,465 pounds, $683.70; John W. Bailey, three, 725 pounds, $43.60.

Three Livingston county schoolgirls, against whom had been filed the unique charge of having "whipped the teacher," entered pleas of guilty when arraigned at Chillicothe and were fined $1 and costs each. The school marm was the complaining witness.

Someone at Rockport sent through the mails recenly, a ham weighing 11 pounds, to Pekin, China. The postage on the package was $1.42. It will reach Pekin within a few days of Christmas and is intended as a Chrismas present.

A Harrisonville man was one of four hundred living heirs who shared in the estate of an Ohio relative who left $8,000 for distribution by the courts.

Chas. Householder, one of the best sheep feeders in Audrain county, sold 140 head of western yearlings that averaged 81 pounds and brought $7.65 on the St. Louis market, Tuesday.

I am feeding Hereford calves that weigh 500 pounds. I make them good with silage, oilmeal, corn and cobmeal. I have no hay but can get wheat straw readily and alfalfa hay at $15 per ton. How much alfalfa hay, silage, corn and oilmeal should they have?—J. P. M., Blockton, Ia.

An excellent ration can be made from the feeds mentioned. The ration to be used will depend somewhat on how long the calves are to be fed. Assuming that the feeder wishes to finish them for baby beef, I suggest from 5 to 10 pounds of alfalfa hay per day as the calves advance in age and capacity, in addition to as much silage as they will clean up readily Use plenty of wheat straw for bedding. Nothing pays better in fattening cattle or caring for any kind of stock than a liberal supply of good bedding. Five or 6 pounds of corn and cobmeal and one pound of oilmeal per head daily would make a good grain ration at the outset. This will need to be increased as the calves develop. The oilmeal may, toward the latter end, be increased to 2 1-2 or 3 pounds per head daily.—C. F. Curtiss,Iowa State College.—Breeders Gazette.

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Miss Kate Biggs and little Miss Bello Buckner Biggs, of Fulton, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Buckner.

Notice Of Administrator's Sale

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of an order of the Probate Court of the County of Audrain, State of Missouri, made at the February Term, 1914, thereof, and on the 14th day of February, 1914, the undersigned North Missouri Trust Company, Administrator with will annexed, of the estate of Isaac N. Hobart, deceased, will on the 9th day of February, 1915, at the East front door of the Audrain County Court House, in the City of Mexico, in the County of Audrain and State of Missouri, during a session of the Probate Court of said County of Audrain, sell at public auction, all of the interest of said Isaac N. Hobart, deceased, in and to the following real estate, to wit:

The East (1-2) of the Northeast Quarter (1-4), and the Southwest Quarter (1-4) of the Northeast Quarter (1-4) of Section Thirty-one (31), Township Fifty-Three (53), Range Eleven (11) West of the Fifth Principal Meridian, in Audrain County, Missouri.

Terms of sale, for cash, subject to the approval of the Probate Court of Audrain County.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said Administrator, North Missouri Trust Company, has caused its name and corporate seal to be hereto affixed, this 4th day of January, 1915.

North Missouri Trust Company
By W. W. Pollock, Its President
Attest: J. C. Mundy, Secretary
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Notice of Trustee's Sale.

WHEREAS, H. P. Warden and Alberta Warden, his wife, by a certain deed of trust duly made, executed and acknowledged on February 9, 1913, and filed for record in the office of the Recorder of Deeds of Audrain County, Missouri, on February 11, 1913, and recorded in the deed of trust records of said county and state in book 39 at page 607, did convey to the undersigned, as trustee, the following west Quarter of Section Nine(9), the East Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section Eight (8), all in Township Fifty (50), Range Eight (8) West, in Audrain County, Missouri, in trust to secure the payment of a certain promissory note in said deed of trust described: and whereas said note is past due and unpaid, and default in the payment thereof has been made by the signers thereof;

NOW THEREFORE, at the request of the legal owner and holder of said note, I will sell at the East front door of the court house in Mexico, Missouri, the above described land on Friday, February 5th, 1915, between the hours of 9 o'clock in the forenoon and five o'clock in the afternoon of said day, for cash, to the highest bidder, at public vendue, for the purpose of paying said debt and costs of executing this trust.

Witness my hand this 23rd day of December, 1914.

44-4t Walter Higbee, Trustee

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that I will settlement of the estate of J. P. STRICKLYN, Deceased, will be made at the February term of the Probate Court of Audrain County, Missouri, to be held at Mexico, Missouri, on the second Mon