

MISSOURI HAS HIGH RANK AS LIVE STOCK STATE

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Jefferson City, Mo., Feb. 12, 1916.—The high rank of Missouri as a livestock state is shown by the receipts, 1915, of cattle and calves, hogs, sheep and horses and mules, at the stock yards of St. Louis, Kansas City and St. Joseph, announces a Bureau of Labor Statistics bulletin issued by Commissioner John T. Fitzpatrick, which was prepared by Supervisor of Statistics A. T. Edmonston. Four stock yards, two of which belong to St. Louis, and one each in Kansas City and St. Joseph, during the year in question handled 3,428,301 heads of cattle; 7,170,442 heads of hogs; 3,494,182 heads of sheep and 417,596 heads of horses and mules, a total of 14,510,521 heads of livestock.

Driven two abreast the livestock mentioned would form a line 1,100 miles long allowing 8 feet, which is merely providing breathing room for each team. To further illustrate the length of such a procession it took 260,007 average sized stock cars in 1915 to handle this monstrous turnout of cattle, hogs, sheep and horses and mules, which came from states as far west as the Rocky Mountains, as far south as the Gulf of Mexico, as far north as the Canadian border and as far east as Indiana and the eastern foot hills of Kentucky and Tennessee.

The aggregated value of this total collection of quadrupeds was approximately 428,200,000, enough money to build 28 dreadnaughts at \$15,000,000 each and give President a big boost in his campaign of preparedness. The two St. Louis stock yards are the National and Independent, which, in 1915, together, handled 1,023,332 heads of cattle; 2,941,870 heads of hogs; 801,567 heads of sheep and 274,189 heads of horses and mules, which was enough to fill 100,626 freight cars. The Kansas City stock yards handled 1,963,498 heads of cattle; 2,530,730 heads of hogs; 1,814,183 heads of sheep and 102,153 heads of horses and mules, which collection of livestock was enough to fill 114,617 cattle cars. St. Joseph received and handled 441,471 heads of cattle; 1,697,842 heads of hogs; 877,930 heads of sheep; 41,254 heads of horses and mules, it taking 44,794 cattle cars to handle these 1915 receipts.

HE GOT THEM MIXED

A Missouri farmer had ordered a fancy pig from a breeder. The pig was a mere mite of a pig, and the farmer sent it back.

"Dear sir," he wrote. "From the comparative size of the pig and the bill I am forced to the conclusion that you got them mixed. You should have sent the pig by mail and the bill by express."—Youth's Companion.

PEIRCE CITY NEWS

Mrs. John Parrish was visiting friends in Mont Tuesday morning. Mrs. C. C. Crouse has again taken charge of the steam laundry, and has moved back to Peirce City. S. E. Shipman shipped a thoroughbred O. I. C. hog to a party in Monett, Monday.

Ahardt Schoen, who has been in St. Louis the past month visiting his parents, returned home last week.

Mrs. Virginia Wright Hitt is rejoicing over a fine little ten pound girl that arrived at her home Saturday morning. She is the daughter of Mrs. John Wright. Mother and daughter are getting along fine.

Miss Anna Buchner went to Kansas City the last of last week to visit for a few days, and will be joined there by Mrs. R. T. Brite who has been visiting in Oklahoma City, and they will return home together.

Ira Wright, and several of his neighbors living northwest of Peirce City have been raising some money and are going to grade and gravel a piece of permanent road every year and it would not be long until every road in this part of the country would be in condition to travel at all times regardless of the weather.—Leader.

Dr. A. Jones reports A. T. Higgins' condition much better today. There is now hope of his recovery. He has been very ill with pneumonia.

STATE DEMOCRATIC SQUIBS

Democracy carries the flag.

Better a few millions for preparedness than several billions for tribute.

Wilson's welcome in the West shows that his party is with him, and that the people are with that party.

At last our favorable balance of trade has passed the billion dollar mark. Under a Democratic administration, too.

Just as we expected—that St. Louis city council has declined to pass a bill providing for auditing the city accounts.

A Ripley county farmer last week sold one acre of cotton for \$129.95. And this happened under a Democratic administration.

Be it remembered that the Republican members of the Missouri Legislature voted for those over-appropriations. "Let him that is without sin cast the first stone."

If this country is not prepared for defense, who is to blame? The Republicans had control of the country for forty years, and the only army they produced was an army officeholders and pensioners.

The only Missouri Congressman who voted "no" on the national goods roads bill was Meeker, the Republican member from the Tenth district. He didn't want Missouri to get her share of that \$25,000,000.

A movement is on foot to sell out the Progressive party in this state to the old Republican machine. The men who voted the Progressive ticket will not be consulted about it. But their consent, we presume, is unnecessary.

If the principles of civil liberty and self-government are worth fighting for, they are certainly worth voting for. Along with all this national preparedness we are also in favor of a good bit of Democratic preparedness.

With steers selling at \$8.50, No. 2 wheat at \$1.41, hogs at \$8.00, corn at 77 cents and cotton at 12.29 cents, Missouri farmers are not in a mood to complain of Democratic prosperity.

Democrats stand for principles rather than for men, and they stand for only those men in public life who are true to the principles of Democracy. But when a Republican politician selects a candidate he usually picks the man who has the most money behind him.

The imperative need of heroic measures for the defense of the country today but emphasizes the criminal neglect of the Republican party in failing to provide for the national defense during all the years of its supremacy. Taft's administration was busy defending the special interests, while the hellicose Roosevelt did nothing but talk.

Grant and William Vaughan, of Cassville, who have been visiting their sister, Mrs. Arminda Cordle, at Berlin, Ok., passed through Monett, Wednesday on their way home.

George Schaffnitt is unable to work on account of rheumatism.



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HOW THE GOVERNMENT IS MEETING THE MALARIA PROBLEM

Four per cent of the inhabitants of certain sections of the South have malaria. This estimate, based on the reporting of 204,881 cases during 1914, has led the United States Health Service to give increased attention to the malaria problem, according to the annual report of the Surgeon General. Of 13,526 blood specimens examined by Government officers during the year, 1,797 showed malaria infection. The infection rate among white persons was above eight per cent, and among colored persons twenty per cent. In two counties in the Yazoo Valley, 40 out of every 100 inhabitants presented evidence of the disease.

Striking as the above figures are they are no more remarkable than relating to the reduction in the incidence of the disease following surveys of the Public Health Service at 34 places in nearly every state of the South. In some instances from an incidence of fifteen per cent, in 1914, a reduction has been accomplished to less than four or five per cent, in 1915.

One of the important scientific discoveries made during the year was in regard to the continuance of the disease from season to season. Over 2000 Anopheline mosquitoes in malarious districts were dissected, during the early spring months, without finding a single infected insect, and not until May 1915, was the first parasite in the body of a mosquito discovered. The Public Health Service, therefore, concludes that mosquitoes in the latitude of the Southern States ordinarily do not carry the infection through the winter. This discovery indicates that protection from malaria may be secured by treating human carriers with quinine previous to the middle of May, thus preventing any infection from chronic sufferers reaching mosquitoes and being transmitted by them to other persons.

Although quinine remains the best means of treating malaria and is also of marked benefit in preventing infection, the eradication of the disease as a whole rests upon the destruction of the breeding places of Anopheline mosquitoes. The Public Health Service, therefore, is urging a definite campaign of draining standing water, the filling of low places, and the regrading and training of streams where malarial mosquitoes breed. The oiling of breeding places, and the stocking of streams with top-feeding minnows, are further recommended. The Service also gives advice regarding screening, and other preventive measures as a part of the educational campaigns conducted in sections of infected territory.

This study is typical of the scientific investigations which are being carried out by the Public Health Service, all of which have a direct bearing on eradicating the disease. The malaria work now includes the collection of morbidity data, malaria surveys, demonstration work, scientific field and laboratory studies, educational campaigns, and special studies of impounded water and drainage projects.

HOGS GET BEST PART OF WHEAT

It is a common idea that bran and shorts, or the outer coatings of the wheat removed in milling white flour, are fit only for hog food. The fact is, that M. Digby gets the very best part of the wheat for his parts contain the vital mineral elements needed to build up good blood and flesh. Few of us, however, would like to eat bran and shorts, and it isn't necessary for these vital minerals can be supplied in another way. Vitazone is the liquid essence of a rock stratum which nature, super-saturated with such valuable minerals as iron, magnesium, calcium, aluminum, chloride sodium, free sulphuric acid and silica. A teaspoonful in half a glass of water taken two or three times a day will stop indigestion and restore the stomach, liver, kidneys and bladder to normal action, purifying and enriching the blood. Try a free glass at a drug store.

Ora and Oscar Higgins, of Liberty and Mrs. Denver Banks, of Washburn, were called here by the serious illness of their father, A. T. Higgins, who has pneumonia.

CONGRESS OF INSECTS FAVORS PREPAREDNESS

Field and Orchard Pests Declare They Can Do \$15,000,000 Damage to Missouri Crops in Year's Campaign

In a bush and weed covered ravine, near an unsprayed, unpruned and neglected orchard, the Annual Field and Orchard Insect Congress of Missouri was held recently.

The following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Hessian Fly; vice president, San Jose Scale; secretary-treasurer, Chinch Bug. Other delegates were: Army Worm, Codling Moth, Curculio, Fruit Tree Borer and Bark Beetle. At the close of the meeting resolutions were adopted declaring that field and orchard insects in Missouri are capable of doing \$15,000,000 damage to Missouri crops this year. Each delegate promised to return to his own field and begin his work of cutting down the farmers' crop profits.

It was admitted by the committee on preparedness, headed by Hessian Fly, that if the farmers of the state who attended the recent annual Farmers' Week at the University of Missouri at Columbia made use of their knowledge of how to combat the pests, the insects could have little effect on the orchards and fields.

The committee recommended that destructive operations be carried on in places where farmers had become discouraged because their sprays, made of strong lime-sulphur and miscible oils, had been used with little or no effect. San Jose Scale, however, admitted that this tribe could accomplish nothing where farmers used sprays at their proper strength and did their work thoroughly.

Farmers who hold to the theory that "We have always had insects, they will always be here, there is no use trying to fight them; just depend upon the weather and the Lord," were especially commended by the insect convention. The bugs admit that, with the farmer who takes his work seriously and who is determined to win, their chances for destruction of crops is very small.

MORRIS WINS BY KNOCKOUT

Tulsa, Ok., Feb. 11.—Carl Morris of Sapulpa tonight knocked out Arthur Pelkey in the fifth round of a scheduled fifteen-round bout. Morris was the aggressor from the start and clearly out-classed his opponent.

Twice in the fifth round before the knockout Pelkey was floored by Morris.

MRS. R. A. MILLS, EASTERN STAR'S GRAND MATRON, DIES

Bradford, Pa., Feb. 10.—Mrs. Rata A. Mills, 57 years old, grand matron of the General Grand Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star, died unexpectedly at her home here yesterday. She returned recently from a trip to the Hawaiian Islands, where it is believed she contracted a fever which, with complications, resulted in her death.

Mrs. Mills was grand secretary of the Eastern Star of Pennsylvania for 15 years.

VERONA NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hultgren spent Saturday in Monett.

John A. Pachhofer returned from a ten days visit in Cooper county Friday. He reports a delightful visit.

Richard Martin T. Pope is the name of the young man who arrived at the home of Prof. Pope Sunday morning.

Mrs. Jacob Miller went to Peirce City Wednesday to visit her son Roy who has been low with typhoid but is recovering from the fever but other complications have set in and he is not so well. Mrs. Miller tells us that it is feared that an operation will be necessary before they can hope for his complete recovery.—Advocate.

LADIES! DARKEN YOUR GRAY HAIR

Look Years Younger! Use Grandmother's Recipe of Sage Tea and Sulphur and Nobody Will Know. The use of Sage and Sulphur for restoring faded, gray hair to its natural color dates back to grandmother's time. She used it to keep her hair beautifully dark, glossy and abundant. Whenever her hair fell out or took on that dull, faded or streaked appearance, this simple mixture was applied with wonderful effect.

MISS JACOBS ENTERTAINS IN ST. VALENTINE'S HONOR

Miss Anna Jacobs gave a valentine reception at the home of her aunt, Mrs. James Mansfield, Saturday evening. The decorations and lunch were carried out appropriate to St. Valentine's day.

The game of Rook was enjoyed a part of the evening. A guessing contest was most interesting. Leading questions were given, the answer to which was the name of Frisco stations. Eight of the party answered the questions correctly and the lot fell upon John T. Westbay, who received for a prize a ticket to Peirce City.

The guests were Misses Cleora Hale, Ruby Lane, Myrtle Basham, Ruth Hobbs, Viola McFadden, Mildred Callaway, Lucile Wagner, Fern Jones, Esther White, Ruth Bradford, Eunice Horine, Lena Combs, Dorothy Morrow, Mrs. John Boehm, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Wainright, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Beaty, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mansfield, Wesley Bradford, Herbert Such, Russell Cole, George Dwyer, Van Feist, Allan Harrison, George Miller, Ira Crawford, Milton and Franklin Combs, John T. Westbay. Out of town guests were Miss Della Mansfield, of Joplin; Miss Ethel Dussong, of St. Joseph, Ill.; and Oscar Moore, of Springfield.

"TACKY" PARTY

Miss Mellie McCracken entertained the telephone girls and friends at a "Tacky" party, Wednesday evening. The guests wore picturesque costumes which caused much merriment.

The McCracken residence was decorated in hearts and valentines appropriate to St. Valentine's season. They enjoyed music and games during the evening.

There were present Misses Flora Amos, Blanche Agan, Nellie and Mabel Loyd, Corrie Aulgur, Marie Wimsatt, Mabel Dummit, Wilma Armstrong, Mellie McCracken, Ethel Beaty, Minnie Richards, Goldie Redding, Gladys McCracken, Mrs. A. Hagler, Mr. and Mrs. Lenn Manley, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Roberts, Messrs. Bill Garrison, Harry Loyd, Andrew Terry and Bet Phillips.

MONDAY EVENING CLUB

The Monday Evening club was entertained by Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Callaway, Friday night. After enjoying the evening playing Rook a three course luncheon was served.

The guests were Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Sizer, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Gardner, Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Bruton, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Jenks, Mr. and Mrs. Solon Wright, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Chapell, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Cox, Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Russell, Miss Flossie Charles, Mrs. O. H. Hudson, Mrs. Alice Gerhart, Mrs. L. C. Musser, Mrs. H. H. Westbay, John T. Westbay and Sam Pittman.

ENTERTAINED THE LOYAL DAUGHTERS

Miss Jewel Ferguson entertained the Loyal Daughters Sunday school class at her home on Thursday evening. There were eighteen present and they enjoyed a good program and social hour. Miss Ferguson was assisted by Miss Buna Ruggles and Miss Margaret Baird.

ALOHA CHAPTER INITIATES STALLS AND INITIATES

Aloha Chapter Eastern Star met in regular session Wednesday evening. There was a good attendance and a great deal of business was transacted.

Mrs. A. Burkholz was initiated into the order. Officers installed were worthy patron, H. L. Carson; treasurer, Mrs. S. A. Mott; Ruth, Mrs. H. L. Carson and Electa, Mrs. Mart Randolph.

Following the business session there was social hour and refreshments.

BAMFORD-HENDERSON

Miss Mabel Henderson, of Monett, and Morris Bamford, of Oronogo, were married Monday afternoon at the office of Drs. Brown & Drake, Rev. L. A. Smith officiating. They left on the evening train for Webb City to make their home.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Henderson, who live southeast of Monett.

E. A. Rumbaugh, of Verona, visited relatives south of town, Thursday.

PHILATHEAS MEET

The Philathea class of the Baptist church held their monthly business meeting with Miss Edna Green, Friday afternoon. There was a large attendance of members and visitors.

The devotional service and Sunday school lesson was in charge of Mrs. C. V. Huffman, who made the subject very interesting. Mrs. A. E. Spratley gave a reading and Miss Helen May Rowden recited. Mrs. A. Jones sang a solo and Mrs. Roy Brown played a piano solo.

Miss Green was assisted in entertaining and serving by Miss Shirley Patterson.

The class decided to have a box supper at the church next Wednesday night.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON CLUB

The Friday Afternoon club was entertained by Mrs. George Edgar on Friday afternoon. The prizes were received by Mrs. Louis Tucker and Mrs. James Mansfield.

Club members attending were Mrs. John Walsh, Mrs. L. D. McKee, Mrs. J. D. Heyburn, Mrs. P. J. Heyburn, Mrs. Josie Heyburn, Mrs. T. J. Dwyer, Mrs. Paul-Ruskoski, Mrs. Louis Tucker, Mrs. Claud White, Mrs. Minnie Warren, Mrs. James Mansfield, Mrs. C. Wagner, Mrs. Thomas Markwell, Mrs. Fred Campbell, Mrs. W. D. Randall and Mrs. Lawrence Welsh.

CLUB PLAYS 500

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Knapp entertained the 500 club on Friday evening at their home on Fifth street. The usual game was played, Mrs. Harry Smedley winning the prize.

There were present Mr. and Mrs. A. Cole, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Durnil, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Maher, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. McKee, Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Osborn, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Shipley, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Smedley, Mr. and Mrs. Sig Solomon, Mr. and Mrs. John Walsh, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Crawford, Mrs. Kahr and Miss Merah Kahn.

QUEEN ESTHER CLUB

Miss Fern Jones was hostess to the Queen Esther Club at the home of Mrs. Leo Leckie, Friday evening. The rooms were beautifully decorated in valentines and hearts the prevailing color being red. The evening was spent in playing Rook and in music.

Those attending were Miss Cora Lester, Miss Margaret Edgar, Miss Hazel St. Louis, Miss Hazel Leckie, Miss Grace Whitlatch, Miss Ruth Bradford, Mrs. Laura Leckie, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Powers, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Leckie.

A delicious two course lunch was served.

ENTERTAINED SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

Miss Ruth Breese entertained the Sunday school class of which she is a member at her home on Friday evening at a valentine party. Valentines were used as decorations and favors. After the three course dinner was served different games were played until midnight. Mrs. W. R. Breese was assisted by Mrs. Ida Cols.

There were present Ruth Cole, Ruth Wilhelm, Helen Davis, Mary Furke, Gladys Solomon, George West, May Wrightman, Charlotte Bradford, Echo Drummet and Mr. Loontz.

MONETT GIRLS PLAY BASKET BALL

The girls of the Monett high school second team and the Central school team played a game at the opera house, Friday evening. The score was 19 to 13 in favor of the high school team. Central school has some very good young players.

NEEDLECRAFT CLUB

The Needlecraft club met with Mrs. C. Lewis, Thursday afternoon and enjoyed the time with their fancy work. There were present Mrs. Laura Leckie, Mrs. Jack Donlavy, Mrs. H. L. Carson, Mrs. G. W. Powers, Mrs. Leo Leckie and M. J. Hale.

ENTERTAINED AT DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Beaty entertained at dinner, Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. James Mansfield, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Mansfield, Miss Anna Jacobs and Miss Della Mansfield, of Joplin.