

\$13,000 REALIZED FROM THE STOCK AT HODGIN SALE

Cattle Prices Low Considering Quality—Market Flurries Affect Live Stock.

By WILLIAM R. SANBORN

If you were fortunate enough to have been present at the Ollie Hodgkin farm sale on Tuesday, you met up with a large and friendly gathering of "just folks," people from Ohio and Indiana, who looked and acted so much alike that it was impossible to tell a Hoosier from a Buckeye.

The Hodgkin sale was essentially a live stock offering. No odds and ends were sold from a wagon nor was the display of farm implements large. These consisted almost entirely of wheat drills that sold at from \$5 to \$37. Sam Clumt, Charles Freed and A. B. Barton secured the most of the cattle. The first pair of Jersey cows, a whiteface mother and calf, the next two pairs on offer went to Virgil Harter at \$90 and at \$62. At this point Rome Shurley became restless and bid in a pair of Jerseys at \$91 and a black cow and calf at \$87. Uncle Jim Harter got the last of the twin offerings for \$50.

Following the sale of the cows with calves came that of the "best Jerseys I have ever owned," according to Mr. Hodgkin. Mr. R. D. Tenford was the lucky buyer at \$103, after some spirited bidding. Everett Dardy of Eaton, paid \$78.50 for a six-year old Jersey, and also bought a much younger one at \$75.

A full blood, but unregistered, coming 2-year-old Shorthorn male was next introduced, followed by a 4-month-old registered Holstein male, and both of these caught the eye of John R. May at a cost of \$76.50 for the Shorthorn and an even \$50 for the little Holstein. This calf is as pretty as a picture and at a Holstein breeder's sale would have started at \$100 up.

Sold them in bunches. A bunch of ten Shorthorn heifers comprised the next entry and at this point Mr. Hodgkin announced that he had two well watered pastures and that buyers of feeders could leave them on good grass to fatten at \$1.50 per head per month, if desired.

The sale then proceeded and the ten were bid in by Albert Harter at \$60 per head. Mr. Harter also picked up the next lot, three Shorthorn grade cows at \$76 each. The next sale was that of eight heifers to Henry Bullerick at \$58. The heifers were followed by the purchase of a "12-year" Jersey milkster for \$89 by Charles Freed, and of a fine Holstein heifer at \$67, by J. V. King.

Many Hogs on Sale. Among the 265 head of hogs put up were 120 spring pigs weighing from 80 to 100 pounds, also a number of sows with pigs. The hogs were mostly Durocs, mixed with a few Big Type Poles, and while no outside prices were obtained, owing to recent fluctuations in the hog markets, taken as a whole the hog sale was considered quite satisfactory. As to that the same may be said of the prices paid for cattle, which would also have brought a little more money had the sale been held a few days earlier.

Among the hogs sold was a \$25-pound stag which was picked up for \$106 by Rome Shurley. J. R. Throckmorton was the first buyer in the hog ring, his young Duroc male costing him \$27. Harry Gilbert bid in six extra heavy Big Type Poland sows at \$70.25 each and considered the lot a bargain.

Curt Baumgardner paid \$78 for a Duroc sow and 7 pigs, while a neighbor got one and 8 little fellows at only \$62. It took some time to dispose of 265 head, though a number were sold in pen lots, and the bidding was spirited for the choice offerings.

Total Over \$13,000. About 250 bushels of corn in crib at the Henry Murray farm was sold to Charles Dagler at \$1.99 and \$2 in two lots.

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Would Fight High Living Cost with Increased Production

Citing Notable Historic Failures to Beat the Law of Supply and Demand by Governmental Decree, Andrew Jay Frame Points Out What He Declares to be the Only Sane Solution of the Present World Problem

Editor's Note.—Delving back into the troubled reigns of the Emperors Diocletian and Constantine, the author of the article "The World Problem" has unearthed a theory that "be it enacted" theories never made two blades of grass grow where only one grew before. Andrew Jay Frame cites the failure of these two Roman rulers to fight the "high cost of living" by royal decree. In the following article Mr. Frame sets forth his theory that increased production is the only real remedy for the situation which the world is facing today.

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The high cost of living seems to be the paramount issue throughout the world today. To our mind the real cause is sidetracked because the fallacious millennium builders are filling the air with "blessed balsams" that appeal to the masses to cure invidious diseases that it not checked will end only in eating out our vitals and in slowing up human progress everywhere.

In the United States the Government is constantly being importuned to "regulate" everything. So-called experts and commissions galore are appointed and millions of the taxpayer's money are appropriated to find the cause. With what results? To safety public fallacious clamor, such reports generally slander legitimate interests and, in fact, contribute to higher costs of living through indorsing shorter work hours, increased pay, encouragement of inefficiency, and ignoring the great underlying cause, to-wit: increased production. In other words, ignoring the immutable law of "supply and demand."

Common-sense thinkers know that capital and labor must go hand in hand or human progress halts. Profit-making is confined to the few. Government reports indicated a few years ago that out of some 317,000 corporations 40 per cent. paid no income tax, and the average profits of the whole on capitals employed were but 4.3 per cent. On the other hand no intelligent man can honestly deny that labor is better housed, better clothed and better fed in the United States than the world's history records. Therefore, let us reason together a little over our largely mental hysteria.

An old Latin proverb reads: "He who will not profit by the experience of the past gets knowledge when trouble overtakes him." Surely we are overtaken with troubles now mostly imaginary.

Some Historic Examples. The Bible says: "The poor ye have almost with you." The parable of the ten talents has not lost its force. The 3,000 proverbs of Solomon gave small encouragement to the slacker and the spendthrift. Listen: "He becometh poor that dealeth with a slack hand, but the hand of the diligent maketh rich. Seest thou a man diligent in business? He shall stand before Kings." &c.

Permit us to cite a few facts on Governmental attempts to regulate prices, &c.

From the pages of "The Common People of Ancient Rome," by Frank F. Mather, we quote briefly from Emperor Diocletian's remarkable and crude edicts:

"For if the raging avarice . . . which, without regard for mankind, increases and develops by leaps and bounds, inasmuch as there is only seen a man's desire without control to be heeded to the needs of the many . . . it seems good to us, who are the fathers of the people, that justice intervene to settle matters impartially. . . . Who is of so hardened a heart and so untouched by a feeling for humanity that he can be unaware . . . of the sale of wares which are exchanged in the market . . . an exorbitant tendency in prices has spread to such an extent that the unbridled desire of plundering is held in check neither by abundance nor by seasons of plenty."

Professor Abbott comments as follows: "If we did not know this was found on tablets sixteen centuries old, we might think we were reading a newspaper diatribe against cold storage plants or the beef trust."

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which the subjoined written summary specifies be held in observance throughout all our domain, that all may know that license to go above the same has been cut off. Our pleasure that if any man shall have boldly come into conflict with this formal statute, he shall put his life in peril."

Buyers and holders of commodities were also subject to the same penalties. A few extracts from Diocletian's list of maximum prices follow:

Wheat, per bushel	.....\$0.33.6
Rye, per bushel	.....45
Barley, per bushel	.....74.5
Oats, per bushel	.....22.5
Beef, per pound	.....04.9
Pork, per pound	.....07.3
Mutton, per pound	.....04.9
Fish, per pound	.....07.3
Butter, per pound	.....09.3
Cheese, per pound	.....07.3
Eggs, per dozen	.....05

Wages.
Unskilled, per day.....\$0.15
Carpenters and masons, per day.....30
Elementary teacher, per pupil, per month.....21.6
Higher grades, per pupil, per month.....32.6
College professor, per pupil, per month.....87
Lawyer, for presenting case 1.09
Lawyer, for finishing case 4.35

Law cases subtitled were not Jarndyce vs. Jarndyce.

Transportation by canal, twelve to fifteen times above our normal rates now.

What was the result? Briefly, "for the veriest trifles much blood was shed."

The scarcity grew much more, until after the death of many persons the law was repealed from mere necessity. Thus came to an end this early effort to reduce the "high cost of living."

Economic Law Supreme. Prof. Abbott says Emperor Julian made a similar attempt sixty years later, and he "like Diocletian, had to acknowledge his inability to cope with economic law."

It would seem that social unrest, balked out at maximum payrolls of \$30 to \$100 per day now against 30 cents per day in A. D. 301.

Hon. Andrew D. White, former President of Cornell University, former Minister to Germany and Russia, vividly portrays a lamentable failure of the "Law of the Maximum." In France in 1793, notwithstanding the guillotine was freely used to compel compliance with the edict. Mr. White says: "There are limitations to the powers of Government and of peoples that inhere in the constitution of things, and that neither despotisms nor democratical anarchy can overcome the laws of nature."

Permit us to add this testimony of T. R. Malthus from his "Essay on Population as It Affects the Future Improvement of Society," (1798): "Malthus declares 'The absolute impossibility of the law of the maximum' of the right to the land. The law of the right to the land is a day men earn now, was made 5 shillings. It might be imagined that they would then be able to live comfortably and have a piece of meat every day. But this would be a very false conclusion. The transfer of 3 shillings a week of the price of food would not increase the quantity of meat in the country. There is not at present enough for all to have a decent share. What would then be the consequence? The competition among the buyers in the market of meat would rapidly reduce the price from 6 or 7 pence to 3 shillings a pound."

Including abnormal demands for export abroad that condition clearly has resulted here and now with the result that the masses suffer most.

Again: Supposing that the same quantity of food is done as before, it may at first appear strange, but I believe it is true, that I cannot by means of money enable a poor man to live much better than he did before. If I turn up a piece of agricultural land, and give him the produce, I then benefit him, and all the members of society, &c.

May we not well ask all thoughtful men if these simple illustrations do not point out the true diagnosis of the high cost of living as against the ponderous piffle for shorter work hours that the powers that be are spreading broadcast throughout the land, breeding more and greater distress and discontent? Do not these simple illustrations prove that increased production is the only sane remedy?

Present Conditions. Permit us to brief conditions since the war began, to the end that the true causes for the high cost of living may be fairly understood.

Let us call pre-war prices normal in the United States in 1914. Since then the productive energies of 30,000,000 to 50,000,000 of men, also vast manufacturing plants have been turned into destructive instead of constructive employments. As some 10,000,000 strong men and 12,000,000 tons of shipping have been ruthlessly destroyed; as the remaining ships at command have been largely used in transporting armies, munitions, &c., across the seas; as war-torn Europe, that could not produce much before the war, has produced less food and other necessities than prevailed before 1914; as the Russian supplies, which formerly helped to feed Europe, were confiscated under Lenin and Trotsky, and that great source of supply practically cut off; as the neutral world from helping supply the war zone; as starving Europe cries aloud for food, &c., from the United States; as since the armistice was signed the demobilizing and change back to normal have tested the world's energies, therefore up to the present time little progress has actually been made to attain a reproduction approximating former conditions.

If so, is it not clear that abnormal demands for an underproduction of world food and other necessities has forced prices above normal the world over?

If farmers are forced to an eight-hour day, we fear the city man will be

compelled to hoe his own corn or as they will soon bring universal distress, and labor will be the chief sufferer. All history says so. No sane man can afford to be unjust to labor. Capital and labor are both necessary to human progress, and just in proportion as one suffers the other suffers also.

"Be it enacted" theories never made two blades of grass grow where one grew before. But labor does. Longer and not shorter hours a starving world must have. Increased production is the only true remedy for the high cost of living, and also the only true principle for added comforts in the world of progress.

Will we cease lamenting and boldly strive for facts by curing the disease through increased production? We see no other alchemy except by distaste, earnest work, and nature will do the rest. Or will we blindly destroy prosperity in a vicious circle of rising prices caused by continually advancing wages? Even labor leaders concede this.—The Times Annalist.

Spirits of War; Autocracy; Are Still Alive, Says Edward Ott

"The world war did not begin in 1914; it did not end in 1918. Instead, the spirit of war began when Cain slew Abel and it is not yet dead," said Edward Amherst Ott in a lecture on "Victory," Tuesday evening before a crowded net merely enumerate national crimes and cures. He takes great facts that the ordinary thinker had perhaps entirely overlooked and illuminates them in language which can not fail to carry its own message. It is a live speaker with a live message and his audience in the "big tent" Tuesday evening got that message.

"We may have just won a military victory in Europe, but an ultimate victory over many other evils is not yet ours. I do not know when this world will be safe for democracy, but when democracy will be perfected will depend a good deal upon our earnestness to finish what our boys started in France."

"War is not over—the Chicago riots proved that. The Civil war is not over. One or two men run the country in the name of Lincoln, of course, but even that binds east and west instead of binding the north and south. No war and crime is not over. You may wish the Kaiser, but that does not mean that you have a more democratic city to live in."

French Refuse Suffrage. "The very French women who did so much to help win the war have just been refused the right to vote or to have any share in the French government. You see they yet have only a military victory."

Not one American university, or library or publisher—not a single one—has ever taken the trouble to classify the words of democracy. They had plenty of them from other countries; none of them had ever attempted to specialize on American literature. So far, we have been searching have

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2:30—Lecture, Mrs. Grace Wilbur Trout.
3:35—Membership drive for the Women's Suffrage League.
4:00—Concert, Bostonia Sextette Club.
7:30—Reading, Miss Margaret J. Penick.
8:00—Grand Concert, Bostonia Sextette Club.

The headliner for Wednesday is the address of Robert J. Fenton, ex-criminal, who will lecture on "Crime As I Know It, Its Cause and Cure."

"The Soul of the City," was the title of the address by Dr. Frank J. Jaynes Wednesday afternoon. The DeMille Quartette, which gave the opening prelude Wednesday afternoon, will sing again at 7:30.

Russia Not Traitor To Allied Cause, Says St. John, Russian Traveller

Ernest E. St. John, who while serving with the Y. M. C. A. in Russia, was detailed with the Russian army for a long trip to the interior, and who described the sacrifices of the Russian peasant, was the speaker of the afternoon at the chautauqua Tuesday.

According to St. John the Russian peasant had nothing of the joy of patriotism to buy his spirit and kindle little to tempt them to continue their alliance. They did not know what good Constantinople would do them, and they didn't know yet.

Traveling conditions and the acute suffering of the Russian soldiers were described by St. John.

Castine, O. Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Miller and daughters, of Whittier, Calif., spent Thursday night with George Miller and family. . . . Mrs. Martha McGuff and daughter, Oualae, were in Richmond Monday afternoon. . . . George Reigle and family of Arcanum, were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Banta Sunday. . . . Miss Ethel Huston attended the home coming at Palestine Sunday. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Harry Nure, Mr. and Mrs. John Shaeffer and daughter, Mildred