

## FEEDS RISE, STOCK LOWER; FARMER IS PINCHED BETWEEN

By WILLIAM R. SANBORN

The eleven principal markets received 100,000 fewer hogs last week than in the same week last year, when 608,000 were marketed. Comparing the 10,680,000 hogs received this year to date, we find that receipts of hogs are almost 2,000,000 under those of the first four months in 1919, also 1,600,000 below the receipts for the same period in 1918.

Judging from the decrease in brood sows wintered in 1920 and the heavy losses of spring pigs reported in February, March and early April, over a great portion of the corn belt, the receipts of hogs will show a still further comparative decline between now and next May.

What effect this may have upon prices is a problem beyond present solution. It seems very certain that the interim export of meat will fall very much below those of the past two years. European food conditions should be bettered from month to month, including the home supply of meats. There will be more meat in the future for home consumption, admittedly.

But right here the price of corn and all feeding stuffs become large factors. "If the packing industry, if you please, persists in continually depressing the prices of hogs and cattle to a point of actual loss to feeders, there will shortly be much less meat grown," said a Wayne county feeder. "Farmers can not go on indefinitely producing at a serious loss, nor will they."

### Consumers Are Restless

On the street car Monday, some early marketers were discussing what they had paid for meats on Saturday. "It takes weeks to reduce prices a cent or two, on a big decline, and but hours to jump prices up twice as much as if there is a little rise at wholesale," was the way one lady expressed it, to which her sister gave assent.

This may not be an exactly fair presentation of the facts, but indicates the feeling among those who are trying to make ends meet on a too slender income for comfort.

### Grain Continually Advancing

All grain touched the lowest prices of the season on Feb. 9, since which time, regardless of all temporary setbacks, wheat has advanced 51 cents; May corn, 45%; May oats, 29; rye, 70; and barley, 50 cents per bushel. All grain options are correspondingly higher, for these advances do not represent a "May corner," nor is wheat traded in, except on a cash basis, on any of the exchanges. Cash corn sold in Chicago at \$1.59 on track at Chicago last Saturday with No. 2 white oats at \$1.13 1/2 in the sample market; rye at \$2.17 on track and barley at \$1.85 per bushel.

### Live Stock Prices

Hogs made a net gain of 50 cents per 100 at Indianapolis on Saturday, which made the week's advance an even dollar on the best grades, compared with Saturday, April 24. The best hogs brought \$16.50 on Saturday, against a top of \$17.25 April 6, and \$17.60 on April 19th.

April was one of the worst months in a long time for all stock shippers, and what is indicated by the above figures applies to all markets. The strikes and embargoes, shot at markets to pieces and made trading or shipping purely gambling operations. Farmers suffered very heavy losses, in the main, this applying to cattle as well as hogs.

### GOOD ROADS MOVEMENT SWINGING TO EXTREME?

A halt on uncontrolled spending of public money on high-priced roads is urged in a statement issued at farm federation headquarters in Indianapolis by John G. Brown, president of the Indiana State Federation of Farmers, and J. R. Riggs, formerly assistant secretary of agriculture.

The statement says that the good roads movement in the country is swinging to the extreme, in a time when road construction detracts material and labor from other more immediately necessary needs. Its authors seen in the Indiana road building program a prospective expenditure that will equal the cost of seven new courthouses for each county in the state, and warn against regarding federal aid as merely a gift.

### Some Colors Once Barred

(New York Evening Sun)

Good taste in colors is not universally accepted as a fixed code. Much depends upon the effect intended. The slogan "tell it in flowers" is not confined to funerals. Jazz has its place as well as the dirge.

Colors that screamed at our grandmothers attract little attention on the streets today—and some of that is favorable. Among women color schemes in clothing are items of unflagging interest in small talk and among artists of the brush and canvass such differences of opinion result in the formation of definite schools.

In the older and more conservative days there used to be a rhyme:

Red and yellow,  
Catch a fellow.

And no proper girl would wear such a combination.

One who remembered the old admonition was doubtful the other day about a particularly attractive dress combination in these colors and was asking advice.

"Nonsense," said her friend, "it is perfectly all right. Those are the colors of the Spanish flag."

"Yes, I know," was the old-fashioned reply, "but in 1898 my brothers shot at it."

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## The Farm and The Farmer

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"We are to take over the Lynn City Mill about May 15, capacity 75 barrels daily," said Earl Adamson, Saturday, "and the style of our firm will then be Lynn Mill and Elevator company." Adamson stated that many farmers sowed oats early, and that these were promising. Several farmers were not so lucky, however, and many of these were in their fields Saturday, though it was doubtful how such late planting would turn out. It is thought that an average acreage will be grown this year, and that some corn will be planted where wheat has been abandoned, and where too late to sow oats. Oats are bringing \$1 and corn \$1.60 per bushel at the Lynn elevator. "Some farmers are buying a few feeder hogs from neighbors, but there is no tendency to go to market and buy on a large scale. At present cost of feed stuffs there is no money in 15 cent hogs," said Mr. Adamson.

Nobody Planting Soys. There isn't demand for a bushel of soy beans around Economy, according to Wade Kennedy, of the local elevator. Some farmers are still putting in oats, he said, but he thought it too late to expect a crop worth while. A lot of corn still keeps dribbling in, a few hundred bushels being received last week, but very few oats are on offer. It is expected that farmers will put in shown improvement in past two weeks, and some fields may produce good crops.

A 60 Per Cent Wheat Crop. E. E. Elkenberry, of Camden, the general manager of the four Elkenberry elevators, recently reported to the government that 88 per cent of the growing wheat would be allowed to stand, and that this had shown such an improvement that it promises 70 per cent of an average crop. "This means," said Mr. Elkenberry, on Monday, "an harvest of 60 per cent of normal on all sown last fall, as it looks today. It is a fact, however, that wheat furnishes many surprises. Warm sun and showers sometimes work miracles."

Mr. Elkenberry states that there is

### WHITEWATER FARMERS WILL HEAR CO. AGENT MURPHY

At the meeting of farmers at White-water County Agent Murphy will outline his plans for work in Franklin township, including corn, pig and calf clubs for girls and boys, also as to the five-acre corn contest, in which some men are already enrolled. This special meeting is to take the place of the regular monthly meeting.

### OHLER IS STOCK AGENT

P. C. Ohler, a stockman represents at the Indianapolis yards the Indiana Federation of Farmers' associations as a live stock marketing agent, beginning Monday. Mr. Ohler was selected by the live stock committee of the federation.

all the corn possible. Wheat has more corn coming in now than is usual at this season. They are paying \$1.60 for corn in wagon load lots, and would pay more for round lots for prompt loading. As to oats, he said a lot of belated fields were sown on Saturday, but that he considered it too late to be sure of a good crop. He says, too, that the wheat south of Camden looks better than the fields farther north. The Camden district is noted for soy bean culture, nearly every farmer sowing some beans, notably for silage and hogging down. Seed is selling at from \$6 to \$10, early varieties at best prices.

In a recent speech at Liberty Professor Christie said: "I am in favor of the closest co-operation of the farmer, the merchant and the banker in our rural towns. You should believe in your banker, your elevator man, and your business men, and should mingle in a friendly way with the townspeople, the town being the social and educational center of your community. The farmer can not live without the town, nor can the town prosper without the farmer. Were Liberty to be burned tonight you would all take a hand in its rebuilding tomorrow."

The average of the five-acre corn contest crops in Union county last year was 53 bushels to the acre; average cost per acre \$24.57, or 41 cents per bushel. The contestants not only took pride in their five-acre plots but also in their entire corn acreage and output, which was relatively high.



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In the meanwhile Chicago shippers will send 10,000 hogs to various eastern markets, say Louisville, Cincinnati and Indianapolis, today, to be counted in their receipts again tomorrow.

A part of these hogs will reach Pittsburgh and Buffalo in due course, to figure in the receipts at these points, by which time some of them have been counted five times. This is going on all the time and applies to cattle as well as to hogs.

## Farm Federation

Arrangements have been made by officers of the Indiana Federation of Farmers' associations for the holding of the second largest conference of farmers of the year, to be held at the Claypool assembly room on Monday, May 17. The president of the 83 county farmers' associations of the state which are affiliated with the parent body, the secretaries, the county agents, the 19 district directors, Everett McClure, first vice-president, Maurice Douglas, second vice-president, E. E. Reynolds, treasurer, Lewis Taylor, general secretary, state agent,

izers, and as many members of the federation as can attend the session have been urged by President John C. Brown to be present. The conference is regarded as second only in importance to the annual state convention held in November.

The meeting this month will be for the purpose of getting together on state issues, exchange of ideas with the view of adopting uniform policies, and for airing any criticisms of the management of the federation's affairs by the present officers. The entire meeting is to be an open forum in which any member of the organization will have the opportunity of being heard.

B. F. Billiter, editor of the Farmer's Guide, published at Huntington, has been requested to appear before the conference by President Brown to bring proof of alleged insinuations made in his publication concerning officers of the organization and its management.

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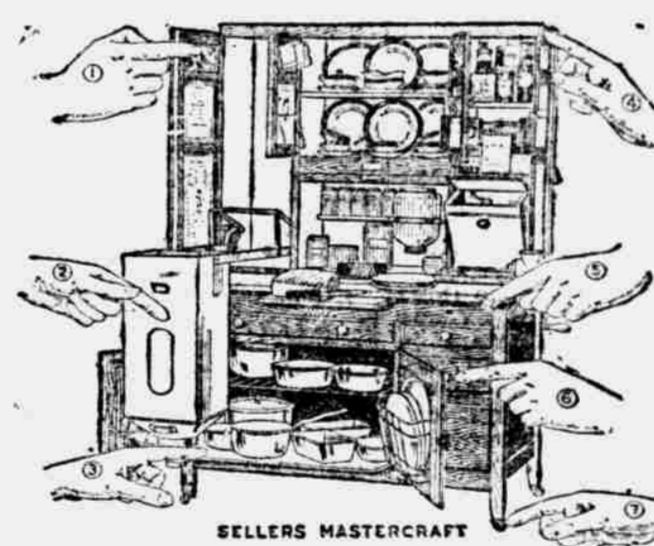
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