

MILK TO RISE TO 15 CENTS QT., BUYING BASIS IS BUTTERFAT

By WILLIAM R. SANBORN
Milk distributors are to buy milk from producers on a butter fat basis, beginning June 1, and Richmond consumers are to pay 15 cents per quart and 8 cents per pint, from that date.

This was the outcome of a meeting held at the court house on Wednesday night. Heretofore city dairymen have been buying milk, regardless of butter fat content, at a flat price per 100 pounds.

Farmers are now paid \$2.85 at the farm and \$3.25 per hundred delivered at the dairies. On the new basis it is estimated that the average price will be \$2.60 delivered, at the new summer schedule.

This arrangement does not suit the majority of the farmers. They say there is no profit at such a price; that they have been working to pay feed bills and are entitled to a fair living price. Most of the men at last night's meeting favor flat bulk rates.

Will Try It Sixty Days
It was finally agreed that the farmers would test out the new plan for 60 days, at the end of which they could better tell just what had happened to them.

Milk retailers asserted that the butter fat basis was the proper way to buy; that the farmer thus received the real value of his milk. Milk from different cows and farms varied in value, and on the butter fat schedule, each got what was coming to him, the price lowering or advancing 90 cents per 100 pounds of milk for each per cent of butter fat contained.

The meeting was in session from 8:30 to 11 o'clock and there were nearly 100 farmers and dairymen present.

Milk Producers to Organize
Toward the close of the meeting it was suggested that milk farmers should organize, get together and get acquainted, so that milk problems may be discussed in a broad way.

George Kemper was selected as president and C. D. Thomson, of Richmond, secretary. Mr. Thomson requests all who sell milk to send him name, post office and rural address, so that a list may be compiled of Wayne county milk farmers.

Decide to Hold Wool Of County; Buyers are Shy Of Present Conditions

A joint meeting of the Wool Pool committee, and of Wayne County Farm Federation directors, was held at County Agent Murphy's office on Wednesday night. Mr. Murphy reported that at present there is no acceptable cash market for wool, and that the sixth district wool pool, represented by the various county agents, in session at Muncie last Saturday night, did not receive a single bid for outright cash purchase of their wools. The buyers present represented commission firms, who would deal directly with manufacturing buyers, when the market looked favorable, and in the meanwhile would store and hold the wool.

Fears and Campbell, of Frankfort, Indiana, directly connected with Lealand & Adams, largest American wool buyers, offered to take in the wool on consignment and to advance 35 cents per pound until sold, at eight per cent interest. The firm would furnish bags, pay freight bills, to be charged against the wool, and properly grade and assort, so that each individual parcel will net the shipper according to quality. This was the best offer.

Theodore Davis, president of the county federation, remarked: "It looks as if the farmer would have to learn to hold his stuff until the market suited him, and I know of no better time to start doing this than right now. We should hold our wool." This idea prevailed and Mr. Murphy is to get quotations on wool sacks and twine, and is to order same for members, they to designate number of sacks and pounds wanted, remitting the cash with orders.

Wool sacks are seven feet tall by three and one-half feet wide. It is necessary that wool be stored in a dry place, should be dry when sacked, as moisture, while adding to weight will cause mold, if held long. All these details are looked after by buyers and commission firms.

At the close of the wool debate the federation directors transacted routine business and adjourned.

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The Farm and The Farmer

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"We have just finished putting in 50 acres of corn," said R. G. Swallow, on Wednesday. "Didn't get it all in on one straight stretch either; did it as weather permitted. This is good growing weather and corn should make a running start. We have given more attention to the proper preparation of the soil this year than ever. The season is so late that we want to give the crops every chance. Next year I shall have a tractor, not so much for the plowing as for the preparing of the ground. Of my 55 acres in wheat 40 are as fine, a friend tells me, as any between Indianapolis and Richmond in sight from the National road. The balance of wheat was disced in oats and the oats are looking fine."

Mr. Swallow is farming 290 acres at Harvey's Crossing, west of Centerville, on the traction line. He says he is feeding 125 head of hogs for the August market and complains of small litters of pigs this spring. He reports apples, cherries and plums as fruiting liberally.

40 Acres of Fair Wheat.
Frank Jacobs, who is farming 157 acres 2 miles north of Pershing, says that his entire 40 acres of wheat is looking quite promising, and that he has a good stand of clover in it. He sowed his wheat the last of September. He has 35 acres of corn in and is now right up with his work. Mr. Jacobs said that, so far as he knew, the farmers have managed to secure

Pig Club Now Has 55 Members in Wayne Co.

There are now 55 boys and girls enrolled on the Wayne County Pig Club roster, six having been added this week. These are: Helen and Josephine Wetherill, Richmond; Wilbur Ertell, Cambridge City; Ralph Green, Lynn; Leonard Williams, Fountain City; Robert Cortner, Greenport.

"The next step," said County Agent Murphy, "will be the meeting of the committee to arrange details of pig club work, at my office on next Saturday night. Members of this committee are: Lewis Hampton, Duroes; Wood Ellason, Elk Type Polands; and C. A. Leaverton, Chester Whites. This committee will arrange all details as to securing registered stock and have charge of the fall pig exhibit, etc."

FARM FEDERATION WILL SEND OUT DATA ON STOCK

The live stock data compiled by the reporting service of the Indiana Federation of Farmers' associations which has been working in conjunction with the United States department of agriculture is ready for distribution and will be sent out this week by General Secretary Lewis Taylor.

County presidents, secretaries and county agricultural agents including those in Wayne, are to receive the tables which show the approximate quantity of live stock listed by counties along with the date when this will be ready for the market. This is the first report made by the service and is not as complete as those that will follow.

AUSTRALIAN WHEAT CROP SHORTEST IN 20 YEARS

WASHINGTON, May 27.—The wheat crop of New South Wales has been so disastrously affected by draught that the yield would not be sufficient to meet domestic consumption in Australia, said a report today from the American consulate at Sydney. The crop was estimated at only 4,296,000 bushels, the smallest yield in 20 years.

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FOUL BROOD FOUND AMONG WAYNE BEES

Foul brood among bees has been found in Wayne county by County Agent E. F. Murphy and state inspector T. I. Johnson, of the state department of entomology, who have been making an inspection tour in and around Richmond.

State Inspector Johnson found one apiary nearly destroyed by disease and others slightly affected. The cause for this condition, Johnson states, is the carelessness of keepers when the bees die, in allowing other bees to rob the infected honey and also in throwing the diseased combs into the yards and allowing neighboring bees to rob.

The practice must be stopped and in yards where the disease exists no bees are to be moved or sold unless treated. The keeper must be sure they are free from disease before they are moved. All bees that are in box hives or cross comb hives must be transferred as it is a violation of the law to keep bees in anything other than hives with straight combs. This is for the purpose of inspecting the young brood for disease as foul brood is a disease of the brood and not of adult bees.

Can Be Treated.

Foul brood can be treated if taken in time. Bees must not be hived in any kind of box. Regular hives must be used with a good foundation in frames in order to make the hive straight.

County Agent Murphy has a number of model hives in his office which bee keepers may examine. He also has a model hive colony at his home which persons are invited to inspect. Any further information can be secured by communicating with E. N. Wallace, State Entomologist, State House, Indianapolis.

American Legion

One of the first public documents President Wilson has written since his illness is a Memorial day message to members of the American Legion, which was made public at the legion's headquarters here Tuesday. The message, which will be published in the American Legion Weekly of May 28, reads:

"We approach the annual celebration of Memorial day with our hearts filled with tender and grateful memories of those who have given their lives for America. The day has by custom been consecrated to the country's heroic dead. It is observed by those who were comrades in arms and who shared with the well-remembered dead the experiences the hardships, the perils and the glory of war; it is celebrated by the people of the country generally who take it as an annual occasion to renew their loyalty to their country, and to give fresh inspiration for the tasks of peace from the memory of the sacrifices which were made so freely in times of war. The day is therefore, filled with both memories of the past and inspirations for the future. It gathers the traditions of what we have done in order that we may have courage for what we have to do. Progress moves like an army; it has its days of training and prepara-

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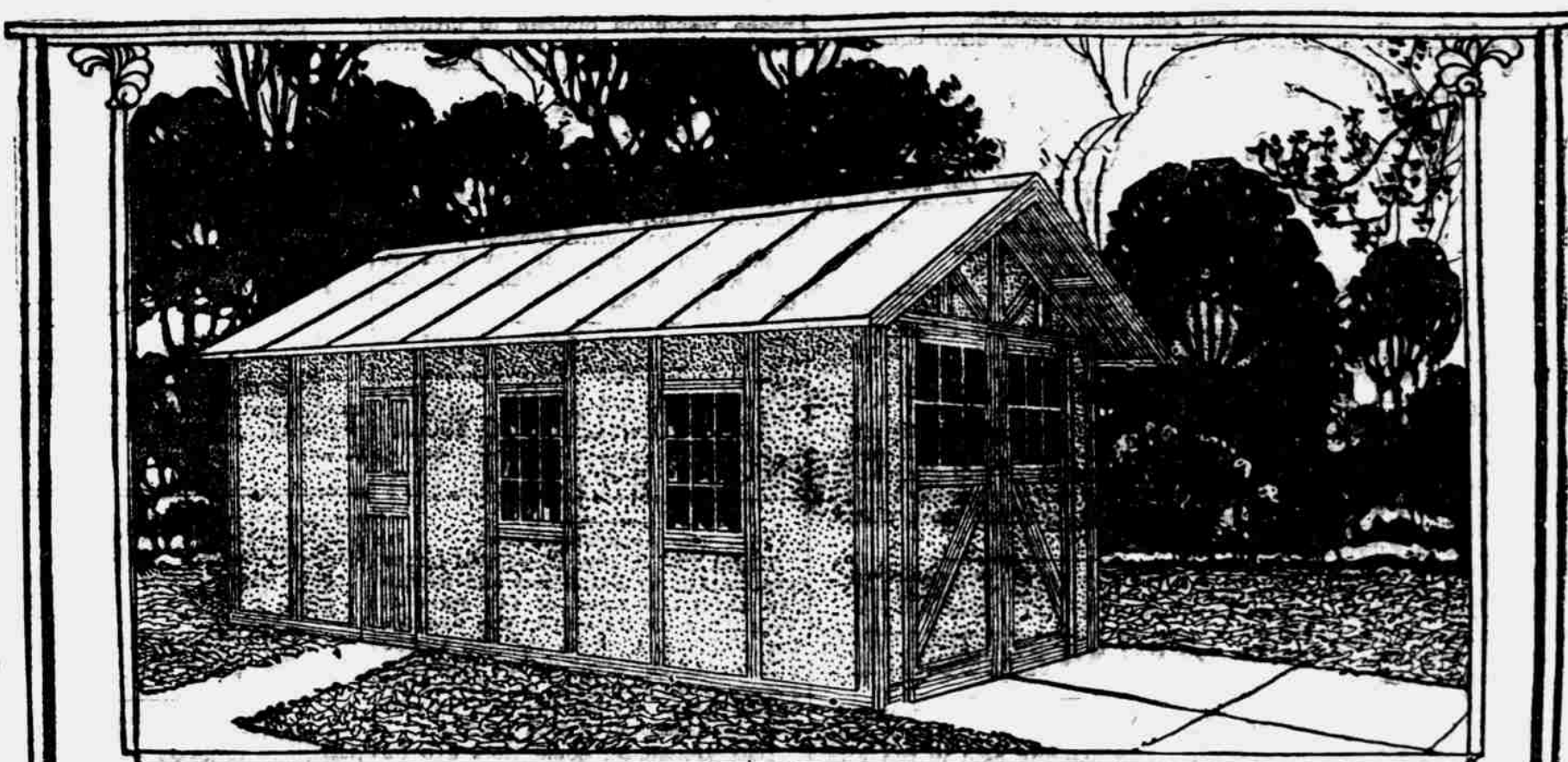
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