

HOG PRICES GO UP, AS RECEIPTS DROP; GRAIN ROLLING IN

BY WILLIAM R. SANBORN

The price of hogs at Indianapolis has been on an advancing scale for past three weeks. The general average last week was 65 cents over the previous week, \$1.10 higher than two weeks ago and \$2.15 higher than at the low spot three weeks ago.

This is considerable of an advance in 18 market days in view of the soft spots during the upward climb.

The receipts for the month up to June 26 fell nearly 40,000 below the same time a year ago, and for the year to date the receipts are 188,000 less than during first half of 1919; the total for 1920 is 1,280,000 up to last Saturday.

Receipts last Saturday, 5,000 head and bulk of sales went at \$16.50. Stock pigs, 130 pounds and down, ranged at \$4 to \$15, as to weight and quality. The pens were quickly cleared, all the car hogs selling within an hour.

Prices Compared.

The general sales of good hogs on the last Saturday in June, 1919, was at \$21.65 and the top \$21.75, the highest price ever paid at Indianapolis up to that date.

The best steers on the Saturday market at Indianapolis weighed but little over 1,000 pounds and sold at \$15.59. Old heifers sold up to \$14 and single cows at \$11. The best cattle sold \$1 higher than a week ago at the low, but the average receipts sold but 50 and 75 cents up.

Chicago Live Stock.

More of the better grades of cattle sold above \$17 at Chicago on Friday and Saturday than on any two days since last January. Swift paid \$17.15 for his best selections and Armour paid up to \$17.25 for fancies, these figures being Friday's tops in the cattle pens. Friday's top on hogs was \$15.90 for light butchers, the day's average being \$15.10.

Receipts of hogs at Chicago were the heaviest in four months last Monday, when 48,000 came in. In spite of the fact hogs advanced 15 to 25 cents, making a top of \$15.70. On Thursday the high was \$16.05 but a break lowered prices 20 cents on Friday. The Saturday rally put prices back, the top being \$16.15 for light butchers.

Grain Movement and Prices.

Nearly 15,000,000 bushels of grain were received at western primary markets last week, this being 16 per cent more than in the same week last year. It is claimed by the railroads that the total loadings of all western freight was from 5 to 25 per cent greater last week than for the same week in 1919, the Burlington making the largest gain.

Spring wheat has declined heavily, and winter wheats are off 7 cents for top and 15 cents for low grades within the month. Cash corn broke about 12 cents per bushel in Chicago last week. Farmers are now said to be willing to sell corn at current prices and the offerings are more liberal in the corn states.

The Farm and the Farmer

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William Harris of Webster township is of the opinion that no wheat is likely to be cut in Webster until after July 4th. He added that "some fields do not look to be hardly worth cutting, while others look like a fair crop."

Howard Harter of Williamsburg says his wheat will not be fit to cut for a week or more and that it isn't very good, anyway. Says, however, that he has 80 acres of corn, in two fields, that is looking first class.

Taylor and Jones sold 47 hogs, of 180 pounds average at \$16 delivered in Richmond, on Monday morning. Walter Pille was the buyer. Mr. Pille says that the Stolle Packing company have killed over 8,000 hogs so far since January 1.

Looks Like 20 Bushels

Charles Strader, living on the Cart Road, has 46 acres of wheat which "looks like 20 bushels," as he stated on Saturday. Mr. Strader says that his wheat is filling well and has good long heads, but that he will only have about half as much straw as in 1919. He does not expect to eat wheat until some time after the Fourth. His 42 acres of corn is "looking fine."

May Buy Wool

Cliff Gard of Campbellstown is threatening to open up the wool market on his own account. He was about the first buyer in this field last season.

Walter Reid is said by his neighbors to have the finest 40 acres of sweet clover seen in this vicinity in years. Twenty acres have just been cut and the 20 acres remaining for seed "stands fence high at this time."

Wright Loses 12 Pigs

W. C. Wright, living just west of Fountain City on the "Old Harris farm," reports the loss of 12 pigs from the use of "hog tonic" which is now under the ban. He also states that a lot of his hogs from sows which had been fed the mixture came scabby and did little good. Mr. Wright paid \$52.50 for a lot of the stuff, including an hog oiler, just before the facts relating to dead and sick hogs were published, which he says he "regrets doing."

BLINDED BY FIRECRACKER. COLUMBUS, June 28. — Peter Calechepula, 10 years old, Columbus lad, lost his sight Sunday when a firecracker exploded in his hand.

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Farm Federation

The Indiana Federation of Farmers' Association is closer to the 100 per cent goal than was anticipated for this early in the summer. H. C. Reid, state organizer, has completed arrangements with farmers in Jasper, Owen and Dubois counties to put on membership drives to perfect county associations which will become affiliated with the parent body.

CORN BETTER THAN USUAL, SAYS BRYANT; WEATHER FAVORABLE

The weekly crop report of George C. Bryant, field agent of the co-operative crop reporting service for Indiana, is as follows:

The week has been favorable to all farm work and crops have made satisfactory progress.

The stand of corn is better than usual. The season is somewhat backward and growth is hardly what it should be at this time, but a good root system has been developed and with warmer weather the plants will come out all right.

Weather conditions have been very favorable to winter wheat. It has ripened normally and cutting has commenced. Threshing will start in the extreme south about July 1.

Some reports of Hessian fly damage in spring wheat.

Weather conditions during the week were exceptionally favorable to the oats, and generally are in splendid condition, except that they are heading out on rather short straw.

Barley generally is good, but in a few localities it is heading out very uneven and the straw is short.

Rye Ripening Normally.

Rye is ripening normally. Cutting is progressing satisfactorily and good yields are looked for.

Early potatoes doing fairly well, but condition is spotted. Late varie-

ties slightly better. Acreage very short.

Hay crops are being harvested, generally under favorable conditions with satisfactory yields.

Weather conditions have been favorable and tobacco setting has continued very rapidly. A much larger acreage of burley is being set, but the acreage of the dark and cigar types will probably be reduced.

Present indications point to a bumper yield of peaches and fair to good yields of apples, depending somewhat on the variety and locality. Blackberries and raspberries will be All truck crops continue to show improvement over previous reports.

No change in the live stock situation. All classes in splendid physical condition.

Labor is becoming more plentiful, with \$5 per day being offered for harvest hands.

\$2,400 TO NINE WINNERS IN SHELBY COUNTY RACES

SHELBYVILLE, Ind., June 28.—The 1920 horse races of the Shelby County Racing Association will be held at the Shelbyville Fair grounds on July 22, 23 and 24 and purses aggregating about \$2,400 will be distributed among winners of the nine races scheduled. This will be the second year for the races, and horses from Kentucky, Ohio and Indiana are now in training here for the events. Thursday's program of races are 2:40 trot, \$250; 2:40 pace, \$250; 2:15 trot, \$300. Friday—2:18 pace, \$250; 2:18 trot, \$250 and 2:11 pace, \$300. Saturday—2:25 trot, \$250; 2:25 pace, \$250, and 2:15 pace, \$300.

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EDWARD DINGLEY IS MADE HIGH OFFICER OF VICTOR CO.

Edward J. Dingley, formerly of this city, but for the last 11 years connected with the Victor Talking Machine Co., has recently been appointed as assistant sales manager.

He was assistant to O. B. Fulghum before Mr. Fulghum came to this city to open a Victor store. He is a graduate of the Richmond high school, and a business college here. His parents, and brother Seth, are residents of this city.

SIMPLY GETTING ALONG FINE NOW

Muncie Citizen states that the new root and herb remedy, Dreco, has overcome many troubles.

Had suffered from indigestion, gastritis, constipation, back-ache, nervousness and lazy liver.

All the claims of what Dreco has done and will do are based on the very best evidence—the signed statements of scores of men and women, who tell how they have been restored to health and joy of living by its power. Sufferers not only from stomach trouble, but also those who have experienced the miseries of asthma, catarrh, rheumatism, kidney disorders, constipation, and blood ailments, have come forward to tell of their experience and deliverance.

"No person in Ohio has an excuse to suffer from their troubles, now that Dreco has been put on sale here, for I know from my own experience with it," said Mr. Larry Winton, who lives in West Muncie, Ind.

"I took a bottle of it and it gave me quick relief from pains in my back, right over my kidneys. It also got my liver to acting, and put a stop to spots dancing before my eyes; giddy feeling, bad taste in my mouth, and that drowsy, lazy no-account feeling and headaches. Last Sunday was the first day I have been free from headaches, in many weeks."

"I was also so nervous that my sleep was broken, and I'd get up in the morning more tired than when I went to bed. My bowels were badly constipated also, but Dreco has positively relieved all these ailments, and made me feel strong and full of vigor, so that I work all day without being tired out. I certainly recommend Dreco as being the best medicine I ever saw."

Dreco is made from the juices of twelve different herbs, roots, barks and berries, which act directly on the stomach, liver, kidneys, bladder and the blood, and tends to relieve constipation, headaches, rheumatism, catarrh, biliousness, dizzy spells, heart flutterings, gas on the stomach and other troubles.

All good druggists sell Dreco and it is highly recommended in Richmond by Clem Thistlethwaite's Seven Drug Stores—Advertisement.

Plant Ky. Wonders

If you failed to plant Kentucky Wonder beans with your sweet corn, do it now, no matter how far advanced your corn. Dig a small hole beside the hill of corn with a trowel and drop in two or three seeds. The cornstalk will make an ideal beanpole and the beans are very prolific.

Roses and other bushy plants may be layered now. Bend the branches to the ground and cover them two or three inches deep with soil. If the wood is hard as is often the case of roses, notch it with a sharp knife.

Ant hills may be eliminated by punching holes in them and placing cotton, which has been wet with carbon bisulphide, in them. The fumes of this material penetrate the hills and kill the ants. Keep the material away from an open flame as it is very explosive.

SHELBYVILLE MAN TO HEAD AGRICULTURAL TEACHERS

LAFAYETTE, Ind., June 28.—L. E. Austin, of Shelbyville, was elected president of the Indiana Agricultural Teachers' Association at the annual meeting held last week at the closing session of the vocational teachers' conference at Purdue university. O. W. Woods, Logoootee, was named vice-president and Prof. S. S. Cromer of Purdue secretary-treasurer. The association made plans for its meeting with the State Teachers' Association this fall in Indianapolis and also for next year's meeting here.

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Many Voice Appreciation Of Carlander at Dinner

Staff officers and dormitory members of the "Y" joined in giving a hearty farewell dinner to Lester W. Carlander, general secretary of the association, and his wife, Saturday evening. Mr. Carlander is to leave for Fon du Lac, Wis., on July 3, to assume the general secretaryship of the Y. M. C. A. there.

Praise for Mr. Carlander as a worker for the institution, and a factor in the general welfare of the community marked the speech of Thomas P. Wilson, assistant secretary of the "Y" who acted as toastmaster. Mrs. Carlander was lauded for her splendid support and unselfishness as the wife of a secretary who had given much of his time to the duties of association work.

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RUBIN & CHERRY SHOWS READY TO OPEN MONDAY

The Rubin & Cherry 25-car show train arrived, called the "Orange Special," named after the sunny south, where the big shows hibernate, "so as to synchronize with the fine Alabama atmospheric conditions and surroundings," said Punch Wheeler, press agent for the big caravan.

The attractions will all be ready Monday night at the ball park. The Rubin & Cherry enterprise has seven old time showmen. Mr. Rubin Gruber, the wealthy owner, leaves all the detail work to his staff of some dozen business men. Frank S Reed is the secretary and handles the entire financial situation.

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