

MARKETING SERVICE FOR INDIANA SHAPES INTO ITS FINAL FORM

Officers of the I. F. F. A. have been rapidly perfecting details of the new Federated Marketing Service of Indiana which is intended to foster and guide the co-operative commercial activities of all local farm organizations. The active assistance of the officers of the Farmers' Grain Dealers association of Indiana and of the Indiana Grange. Full co-operation and participation in the benefits of the service is extended to all other farmers' organizations in the state and it is the intent of the federation to be of service to all.

The farmers' requirements for fertilizers for spring use will be handled in a large way by the Marketing Service and prices and information are now being collected and will be available for distribution at an early date. Managers, secretaries and purchasing agents of local organizations, many of whom have been transacting business on a co-operative basis heretofore are arranging to pool the orders of all of their members in accordance with instructions already sent out. It is claimed that the system will simplify the selling problem of manufacturers and lessen the cost of placing orders and of subsequent distribution.

Officers Attend Meetings.
President John G. Brown, Secretary Maurice Douglas, Treasurer E. E. Reynolds, and ex-Secretary Lewis Taylor have all been called upon to attend farmers' meetings during the week and interest in the activities of the federation is manifest throughout the state. J. H. Leavitt, E. G. McCollum and F. W. Boyle, representing the federation, the Farmers' Grain Dealers and the Grange have been in conference with representatives of fertilizer manufacturers. They also have attended a meeting at Chicago of the Grain committee of 17 appointed by the A. F. B. F. The plan of organization of the Federated Marketing Service of Indiana was laid before this committee in order that no possible conflict with the work of the national committee might escape notice. It was stated by President Leavitt of the Marketing Service upon his return that the Indiana plan would put the farmers' organizations of the state in a position to adapt themselves to the program being worked out by the national committee.

CROPS WORLD AREA INCREASING YEARLY

(From the Philadelphia Inquirer)
Only one-third of the world's potential food producing area is under cultivation, and the crops raised on that third, thanks to agricultural science, increases yearly.

The United States has only some 400 millions of its 935 million acres of arable land under cultivation, yet it raises, among other things, one-sixth of the world's corn supply. The farms of America raise less than half as much wheat to the acre as those of England, yet even with her present standard size could raise enough corn to meet the needs of Europe on the land that is now lying unused.

Russia produces only ten bushels to the acre of corn, but when science has access to her untold millions of acres, and brings their capacity up to the standard of our own farms, then she alone will be able to supply the world's cereal needs, with the exception of maize and rice.

Less than a third of the world's population gets what we should call three good meals a day, yet the working capabilities of the, from our viewpoint, underfed continents of Asia and Africa will compare very well with either Europe or America. The average meat consumption of the world is thirty-nine pounds a head, yet both the Australian and the American eat nearer one hundred and eighty pounds per head, and the Englishman is not far behind with about one hundred and twenty pounds.

It is evident, then, that we can tighten our belts a hole or two yet without running any undue risk of starvation.

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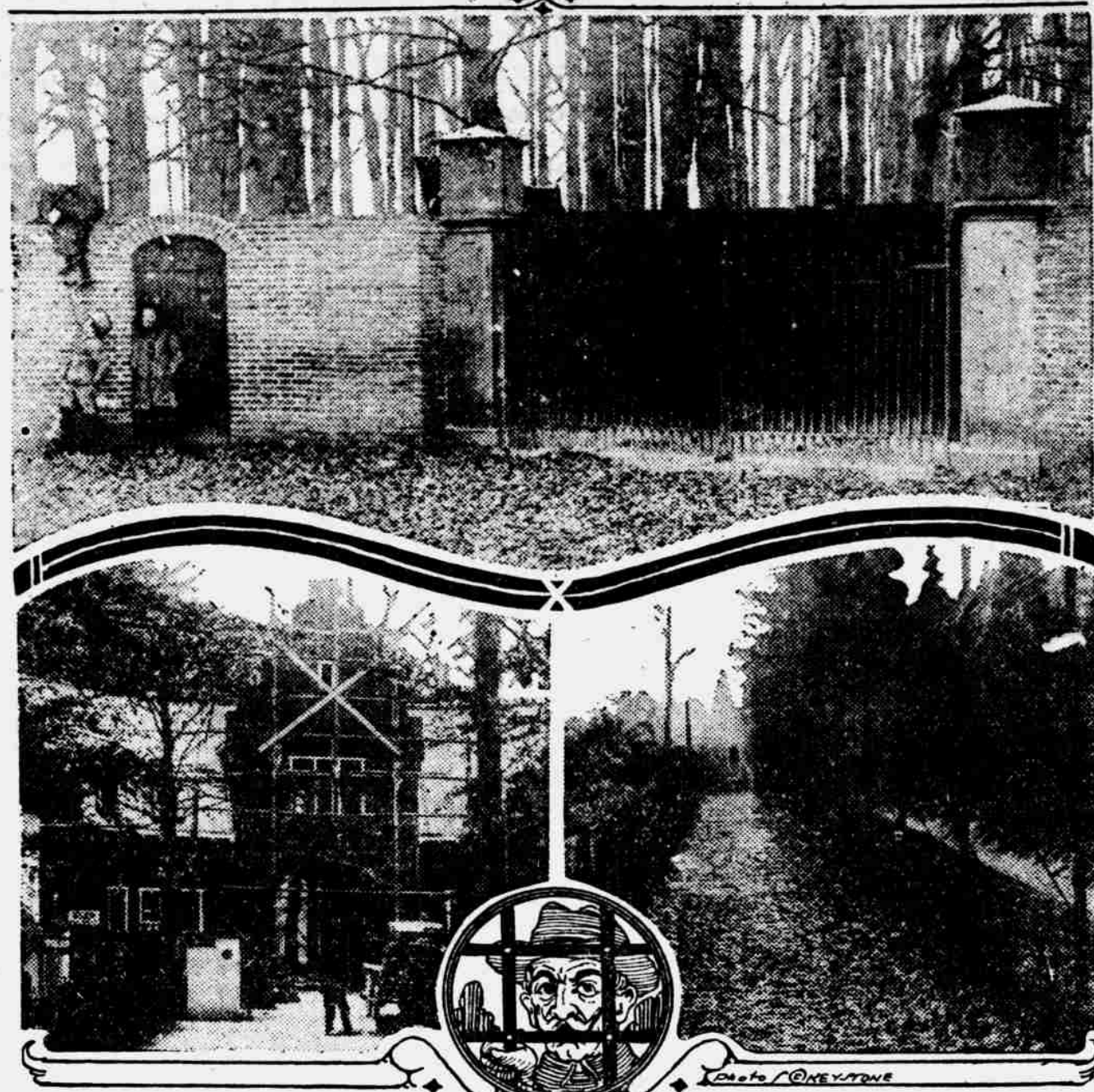
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KAISER ANXIOUS TO MOVE; PRECAUTIONS SAY "NO"



Above, children scaling brick wall in vain attempt to see the ex-kaiser. Below, at left, scaffolding on addition to castle, being erected at his orders. At right, iron railing built around the castle and path made along fence.

Dispatches the past few weeks told of rumors that ex-Kaiser Wilhelm of Germany is tired of his place of exile in Holland and wants to go to a palatial palace on the island of Corfu. But these

pictures, just received from Holland, would indicate that the ex-kaiser has no idea of moving. Extensive alterations and added means of protection are being completed at Castle Doorn, his

refuge. An addition to the castle, being erected, would indicate that the former German war lord feels the need of more room in which — perhaps — to entertain members of his family and his friends.

The Farm and Farmer

By WILLIAM R. SANBORN

Two farm sales were held in Union county this week which were notable for one particular fact. They were held by perhaps the oldest farm sale and general auctioneer in Indiana. We refer to his years of service, rather than to his age, for he has been doing all kinds of auctioneering for at least thirty-five years. Moreover, these were his closing sales. The first of these sales was held on Tuesday, December 21, on the B. F. Snyder farm, two miles northwest of Liberty. The second and closing sale of a long career was held on the Joshua Davis farm, five miles north of Liberty. The sale on the Snyder farm was held by William Brown, the other by Joshua and James H. Davis.

Col. D. C. Brookbank Retires.
The auctioneer above referred to, Col. D. C. Brookbank, of Liberty, is a native of Union county, where he has lived all his life. He is not only known to all Union county, but his reputation as a successful auctioneer has long been established over a wide area.

In a little chat with the writer on Thursday, Col. Brookbank said that the Davis sale, held on that date, was the closing sale of his long career. He was willing that some younger man should take hold where he was leaving off. He was in the mood to take a needed rest, and to take life easier.

Farm sales are held in all kinds of weather. We have seen much live stock and farm gear sold in a cold pouring rain, and in drifting snow. In such circumstances the auction block is a bleak and dangerous place for a man on the downward slope of the years. It may mean a chill or pneumonia. At all events it is not conducive to good health and longevity. This was Col. Brookbank's idea, and he so stated. He will be missed in many an auction ring, and by a numerous circle of farm customers when their sale days come round.

THE DAVIS BROTHERS' SALE.

The Joshua and James H. Davis farm sale on Thursday, was held at the old Joshua Davis homestead, five miles north of Liberty. Ten head of horses and eight mules were a feature of the sale. No fancy prices were paid for these, but the top mare bringing \$200, and the mules selling at quality for farm stock. No hogs or sheep were to abolish the old town pump and wattle-fencing.

Considerable hay and grain were disposed of. There were upwards of 1,000 bushels of corn, about the same quantity of oats, and 47 tons of hay in the mow. Corn averaged 71 cents, oats 51 1/2 cents and hay sold at from \$18 to \$19 per ton, in the mow. There was a very fair crowd present, considering the season and weather and Colonel Brookbank, the auctioneer, gives the total at "about \$5,000." Guy E. Howren, of Liberty, was clerk of the sale.

ANOTHER UNION COUNTY SALE

William Brown, living on the B. F. Snyder farm, two miles northwest of Liberty, held a clean-up sale on Tuesday, a feature of which was the 2,500 bushels of corn which sold at 80 and 81 cents. Danford Lafuze took the largest single lot, 1,000 bushels, at his bid of 80 cents, the balance was divided among a number of bidders. The 28 head of hogs put up, mostly feeders, sold at from 12 to 15 cents per pound, there being a lot of men who still have faith in hogs present. The sale netted Mr. Brown over \$1,800.

Will Fight Sales Tax.

The officials of the National Grange have served notice on Washington that the Grange will fight the imposition of a sales tax, as a substitute for the excise profit tax. Senator McCumber, acting chairman of the senate finance committee, and representative Fordney, chairman of the house ways and means committee, are the recipients of this message from the Grange.

Darke County Federation Stages Drive For Farm Bureau Members

Darke County has opportunity to set a record.

According to J. H. Larimore, publicity director of the Ohio Farm Bureau Federation, this county, with 5,400 farmers, is probably the most farmer-populated county in the United States. A campaign for increased membership in the county farm bureau will be begun next Monday. The Ohio county having the largest farm bureau membership is Wood with 2,850. Of the farmers in that county more than 80% are members.

A Michigan county with 90% of its farmers enrolled has a few more than 3,200 members and is the banner county in the United States in that respect.

Mr. Larimore points out that Darke county could surpass the Wood county record if only 53 per cent of its farmers should enroll, and that of the Michigan county if 61 per cent enroll.

Begins in Greenville.
The campaign will be begun in Greenville Township, Monday. This is a change from previous arrangements for a beginning in Monroe. With the expectation that Greenville township will be completed by Tuesday evening, Washington will be visited Wednesday, Monroe Thursday, Twin Friday, Butler the following Monday, and Harrison the following Tuesday.

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paign. Three counties will be started each Monday morning. On the day Darke opens Fulton and Huron also will open.

All Ohio counties surrounding Darke either have completed their campaigns, or are now in campaigns or have campaigns soon to be put on. Mercer county's campaign will open Jan. 17.

All Counties Increase.
No county that has put on a campaign has decreased its membership because of the increase in fee, it is asserted, on the contrary, every county has increased its membership, the increase running from 40 to 400 percent.

In the American Farm Bureau Federation there are 45 state federations and an individual membership of a million and a half farmers.

It is pointed out that the farm bureau is non-political, non-sectarian and non-secret. It is asserted that members of all political parties and of every religious denomination in the United States are in its membership.

Grangers are said to be among its enthusiastic supporters, following the lead of L. J. Taber, state master of the grange and member of the executive committee of the Ohio Farm Bureau Federation, who declares that every Granger should join the farm bureau and every farm bureau man should become a granger.

O. E. Braufute, Xenia, president of the Ohio Farm Bureau Federation, recently was elected vice president of the American Federation.

REALTY TRANSFERS.

William O. Mendenhall et al to Hulda Hoffman, lot 8, H. Leeds' addition to Richmond; \$250.

Henry Zuercher to Henry Wiggins and Minnie Wiggins, part fraction section 24, township 14, range 2; \$1.

Carl E. Zook to Noah F. Krall, part southeast section 29, township 16, range 12; \$1,200.

Court Realty company to Warren Clements, \$5,900 lot 8, Washington Court, city; \$5,900.

Leander Anderson to Williamsburg Co-operative association, part southwest section 5 township 17, range 14; \$10,000.

Anna M. Bishop to George S. Ballenger, part southwest section 28, township 18, range 13; \$1.

Trustees United Brethren church to George Ballenger, lot 36, Economy; \$325.

Charlotte Dinwiddie to Henry T. Boles and Hattie G. Boles, lots 23-24, block 8, Cambridge City; \$1,750.

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Purdue Stock Judging Team Wins First



Purdue University's livestock judging team captured first honors in the collegiate judging contest at the recent International Livestock Exposition at Chicago, winning over the college judging teams from 21 other states. Purdue won this contest in 1914 and another victory will mean that the Indiana institution may keep the big bronze steer, the trophy which goes to the winning team each year, and which becomes the permanent property of the team winning three times.

This year's squad consisted of seniors in the college of agriculture, all of whom were Indiana boys, with the exception of one who was an alternate. The accompanying photograph shows the winners and tells how they finished in individual scoring among the 110 individuals competing. From left to right, they are:

Front row—M. P. Mitchell, 2, Battle Ground; H. R. Hoffard, 7, Modoc; P. T. Brown, 9, Tanager; R. G. Fordico, 15, Russellville; G. L. Fisher, 37, Danville.

Rear row—Prof. W. W. Smith, coach of the team; J. M. Lilly, Tipton; G. G. Buford, Memphis, Tenn.; and A. E. Mackey, Logansport, alternates.

In India, there are more than 22,000,000 widows, one-third of whom are under 15 years of age.

Farm Sale Calendar

Tuesday, December 28.

Harry Ryan and Amy Carroll, on the Carroll farm, 2 miles southwest of Fountain City. General sale.

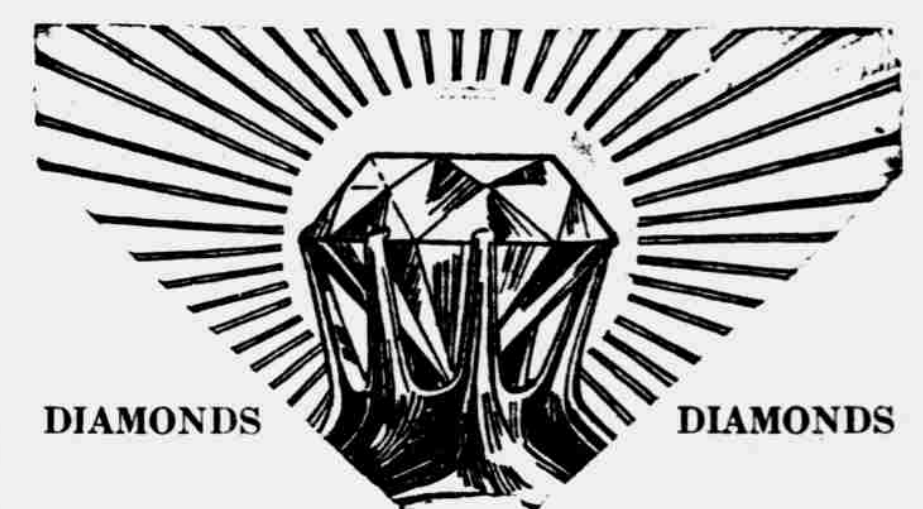
Tuesday, January 11.

Robert E. Whiteman, 6 miles north of Richmond, on the Arba pike; general closing out farm sale, at 10 o'clock.

Thursday, January 20.

C. L. Gifford, 8 miles north of Richmond, and 2 miles south-east of Fountain City; a closing out sale of livestock, etc., at 10 o'clock.

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