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THE ELEVATOR VERSUS THE HOG.

Interesting and Profitable Hog Feeding Experiments at the State Experimental Sub-Station.

During the later part of January the Experimental Substation marketed 60 spring hogs. They were about ten months old and weighed about 230 pounds. They were on the market when it struck a low point and brought a net price of only \$7.50 per 100. An accurate record was kept of the performance of these hogs from August 31st until sold. They were not forced at any time, were always fed less than a full feed of grain. They ran in alfalfa pasture till Nov. 9th, when they were put in dry lots and fed chopped alfalfa hay in place of alfalfa pasture.

The grain ration of thirty of the pigs was corn and of the other thirty one-half corn and one-half barley. With the lot getting corn there was a gain of 4495 pounds from 19665 pounds of corn, 1821 pounds alfalfa hay and alfalfa pasture. There was a gain of one pound per pig daily for the 150 days. It required 437.5 pounds of corn to produce 100 pounds of gain on the weight of the pigs. Each pig ate 11.7 bushels of corn between Aug. 31st and Jan. 28th and gained 150 pounds. One bushel of corn produced 12.8 pounds of gain; 12.8 pounds pork at 74 cents equal 96 cents, the price received for each bushel of corn eaten, without considering the alfalfa.

While in the dry lots the amount of alfalfa eaten in producing 100 pounds gain was 67.4 pounds. If we consider this worth \$10 per ton, the cost of the alfalfa used in producing 100 pounds gain was 34.7 cents, deducting the cost of the alfalfa used (34.7c) in producing 100 pounds of gain, from the selling price of 100 pounds of hogs (\$7.50) there is left \$7.15, the price received for 437.4 pounds of corn. This gives 91 cents per bushel for the corn after deducting full price or more for the alfalfa.

The cost of these pigs Aug. 31st was less than \$7.50 per 100 pounds, they are counted as costing that much. These

hogs made only a fair record. Any farmer should do fully as well with his hogs. The severe winter was unfavorable to cheap or fast gains. Corn at North Platte is selling at 50 cents per bushel. At the present price of hogs, \$7.50 to \$8.50, the man buying corn at this price and feeding it to hogs is doubling the price of every bushel. The feeder nets 50 cents per bushel for shoveling the corn to the hogs. How much does the farmer net for rental on his land, the growing and the marketing of the crop at 50 cents per bushel?

The price of hogs and corn usually maintain about the same relation to each other. If, in this experiment, figure corn worth 35 cents per bushel and hogs \$5.50 per 100 pounds, the hogs again double the price of the corn, paying 70 cents per bushel. Why should the farmer allow the elevator 100 per cent profit on the farmer's labor? There should be 100 hogs grown along the Platte valley in western Nebraska where there is now one. The same is true of the table land. This would cause the farmer to sell his corn at twice the price that he gets for it at the elevator. The loss of approximately 50 cents per bushel on each bushel of corn shipped out of North Platte is almost an entire loss to the locality in which it is grown and to Western Nebraska, as the local man buying it makes only a few cents. If there is much profit made on it, that profit goes to people living outside of Western Nebraska. But the probability is that the corn when fed properly is worth more here than elsewhere for this country has excellent conditions for feeding stock. We have a climate unsurpassed for this purpose, alfalfa cheap, and can grow the grain as cheaply, probably, as anywhere in the United States. Let the farmer feed the corn at home and get all the profit possible out of his labor. W. P. SNYDER, Supt., Experimental Substation, North Platte, Neb.

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Mrs. H. M. Grimes returned Saturday from her visit in Indiana and Iowa. Will Doebke is having lumber hauled on the ground for a six room cottage he will erect on west Tenth street. H. D. Rhea, of Lexington, was in town yesterday and was admitted by Judge Munger to practice in the federal court. Mrs. Louise Peters returned Sunday from Kansas City where she went to make arrangements for furnishing the rooms in the Timmerman block. Dr. F. L. Slocum, receiver of the North Platte waterworks company, has been in town for a day or two, coming here to be present at the hearing of the injunction case in the federal court. Mr. and Mrs. Howard Reed returned from Seattle Saturday and will be guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Baskins until Thursday when they will leave for their home in Hughesville, Pa. They will be accompanied by Miss Lena Baskins.

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TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS

G. W. Stroup left yesterday for Omaha, where he will transact business for a week.

County Judge Elder has been suffering for a week or two with rheumatism in his feet, which makes walking slow and painful.

Mrs. Chas. E. Hoffhine, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. O. B. Fraser, for several days, will return to Cheyenne tonight.

The banking room of the McDonald State Bank is in the hands of the paper hangers, and a neater appearance will be the result.

The Mothers' Club will be entertained tomorrow afternoon by Mrs. C. H. Stamp and Mrs. C. S. Clinton at the home of the former.

Mrs. C. A. Dill went to Omaha Sunday to visit her husband, and she hopes that by the end of the week he will be able to return home with her.

J. P. Kelly, formerly connected with the U. S. Grocery Co., arrived from Ohio Sunday night accompanied by an attorney and is having his hearing in the federal court today.

The Hartman cigar factory began business yesterday in the McDonald building on Front street. The factory starts out with four cigar makers, which number it is hoped to increase.

W. O. Gamble, of Wayne, Neb., who for a number of years had large real estate holdings in this county and who frequently visited North Platte, died a week or so ago from a cancerous growth on the face.

Sunday was a typical spring day in the banana belt and much driving was indulged in by automobile and carriage owners. The weather from now on will in the main be pleasant; an occasional stormy day of course must be expected.

Ed Wolf came down from Big Springs yesterday and last evening was given the order of the temple degree at the Masonic hall. Following this ceremony a banquet was held, Judge Munger, of the federal court, and other visitors in town being present.

A wrestling match between Bill Hokuff, of Crete, and Jess Westergaard, of Des Moines, is billed for the opera house tomorrow evening. Preliminary events have been arranged, and spectators will get full value for their money.

The coal house on the Second ward school premises burned to the ground about 11:30 Friday night, but several tons of coal therein was saved. The origin of the fire is unknown, but is supposed to have been set by some one who had been loafing around the building.

Wanted, A Wheel—I would buy a good second hand wheel if at a bargain. Phone 354.

A number of trees on the J. W. Payne premises on west Fifth street have been cut down preparatory to the removal of the present building to another lot and the erection of a new residence that will be similar in plans to the Mrs. Ray Langford residence.

J. J. Wetmore, of Lincoln, representing the American Order of Protection, arrived in town Sunday and will devote some time to soliciting members for that order. The present membership of the local lodge is about 250.

The old Presbyterian church was sold last week to Saml. Goozee, who is having it torn down and will use such lumber as is suitable in the erection of his new building on Sixth street. Mr. Goozee paid \$200 for the church building.

At the meeting of the building and loan association Saturday evening a dividend of nine per cent for the year ending March 1st was declared to stockholders. Loans aggregating \$8,500 were approved and allowed. The annual meeting of the association will be held March 26th.

Effective this week a ticket seller will be stationed at the depot at all hours of the day and night, which has not been the condition heretofore, much to the inconvenience of outgoing passengers. Nels Rasmussen, who has sold tickets at night, will take the day job and Arthur Ballard, who has been in Omaha for a year or two, will take the night job.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor VonGoetz returned Sunday night from their month's wedding trip which included visits at Pacific coast cities, points in Wyoming, at Denver and Kansas City. At Palo Alto they visited the Stolley family, and while in Los Angeles met and were entertained by a number of former North Platte people. They were so favorably impressed with California that they may decide to locate there some time in the future.

Building Notes.

R. P. Basta is having material assembled on the ground for a modern bungalow which he will erect on Fourth street in the Trustee's addition.

A. L. Perry, the contractor and builder who recently came here from Kearney, has started the work of building himself a residence on Fourth street in the Trustee's addition.

J. R. White, the cement block maker, has booked orders for 17,000 and the season has not yet opened. It therefore looks as though his plant will be pushed to its utmost capacity throughout the season. The output of the plant is 400 blocks per day.

Picard brothers will soon begin the erection of a modern bungalow on Sixth street in the Trustee's addition, which they will occupy. This firm is now getting out the frame work for the new \$4,000 bungalow which they will build for Mrs. Joe Schatz on east Fifth street.

Big Land Sale.

The Union Realty & Trust Co. sold 1280 acres of land one day last week to E. A. Cary of this city and J. R. Cary and Frank Cary, of Ohio, for a consideration of \$27,500. These two sections are part of the large tract south of Hershey recently purchased by the company, of which about one-half—or \$107,000 worth—has so far been sold. The Cary brothers purchased the land as a speculation.

Railway Men Talk Business.

Members of the executive committee of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Trainmen and Order of Railway Conductors of the Union Pacific railroad are still in session at the Millard hotel. Matters of routine business, they say, are up for discussion and the meeting has no bearing on the demands of the firemen for increased wages.

Both the engineers and firemen, it is learned, will be in session at the Arcade hotel Monday. A. L. Konold has wired that the engineers will hold a committee meeting and the firemen will meet to canvass the votes of the men on the strike proposition. Mr. Konold and W. S. McGuire of the engineers are now in New York—Omaha Bee.

"The Climax" Saturday Night.

"The Climax" with the original company, coming direct from its remarkable run of almost a year at Weber's theatre, New York, appears at the Keith Saturday evening of this week. When the play was produced last season it was declared by the critics to be the biggest hit since "The Music Master".

"The Climax" is presented in three acts with one interior scene and New York as its locale. The characters are Adelina von Hagen, Luigi Golfanti, Pietro Golfanti and John Raymond. Luigi is a voice culturist, Pietro, is his son, a young composer with a bright future. Adelina is a distant relative and pupil while John Raymond is a young physician beloved of Adelina.

Luigi and his son view with favor the efforts of Adelina to follow an operate career, the doctor lover being the opposed force. He tries to turn Adelina from her ambitions, offering his love as a compensation. Just as she has accepted an engagement to go on tour it becomes necessary for her to undergo a surgical operation on her throat. The doctor treats her throat after the operation has been performed impressing upon her mind that there is just one chance in a thousand of her not losing her voice. He makes this point so emphatic that it impresses her imagination, and when she tries to sing she fails utterly. Having lost her voice Adelina promises to marry the doctor but in her excitement incident to her preparations for the wedding, she regains the use of the vocal powers.

Then comes the great moment of the play. Will Adelina forgive or forget? Will she marry the doctor or will she choose Pietro? That is the question which is happily solved at the fall of the curtain.

Saved a Soldier's Life.

Facing death from shot and shell in the civil war was more agreeable to J. A. Stone, of Kemp, Tex., than facing it from what doctors said was consumption. "I contracted a stubborn cold" he writes, "that developed a cough, that stuck to me in spite of all remedies for years. My weight ran down to 130 pounds. Then I began to use Dr. King's New Discovery, which completely cured me. I now weigh 178 pounds." For Coughs, Colds, LaGrippe, Asthma, Hemorrhage, Hoarseness, Croup, Whooping Cough and lung trouble, its supreme. 50 cents, 1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by Stone Drug Co.

Wanted to Buy.

Hogs and cattle. Highest market rice paid. J. I. Show, Hershey, Neb.

Electric Service

What it Means to be Always Ready.

Electrical Energy cannot be stored in large quantities. It cannot be stored economically at all. It must be PRODUCED AS IT IS USED. Sufficient mechanical and distributing capacity must be ready at all times to meet the greatest demand AT ANY ONE TIME of all our patrons. It does not require an expert to tell that nearly all electric lightning comes during a few hours of the evening. During short winter days, when darkness overtakes business hours, the heaviest demand is made on an electric plant—a demand which lessens materially as the Spring season advances.

The boilers, engines, and dynamos needed to produce this short time quantity of electricity, and the capacity of the wire needed to deliver it, must stand partly idle—that is, can be operated to only a small fraction of their capacity—during the majority of the hours of the day, and during the majority of the days of the year.

A factory may close in dull times; an electric company must operate all the time—barring accidents or calamity. A factory may turn out wares in slack periods and sell the goods in active periods, and thus equalize the strain against rush seasons. An electric plant can do neither, but must be large enough to care for ALL DEMANDS the day and hour they arise, and must have besides, reserve capacity to meet the possibility of accident.

The maximum demand of the shortest winter day plus the reserve, fixes the capacity and INVESTMENT of an electric plant. The Investment causes interest, taxes and depreciation, and maintenance changes in proportion to its size THE YEAR ROUND.

The Investment is never permitted to work to its full capacity, and only to anything like its full capacity for a FEW WEEKS EACH YEAR. We produce electrical energy, but we sell electrical energy plus delivery—ANY TIME—ANY PLACE—and the two together are called ELECTRIC SERVICE.

If we could equalize the load so as to require production and delivery of about the same quantity of electricity in each hour of the day, and every day in the year, our investment would be much less, and our charges would be lower, but we are forced to meet conditions as they exist and do the best we can.

North Platte Gas and Electric Co.

KEITH THEATRE.
C. H. STAMP, Manager.

Saturday, March 5th

Joseph M. Weber offers the most remarkable play of the period

"THE CLIMAX,"

WITH THE BONIFIDE
NEW YORK COMPANY.

Route of "The Climax":

Feb. 20-26, Kansas City
Feb. 27, 28, March 1, 2, Omaha
March 3, Grand Island
March 4, Kearney
March 5, North Platte
March 7-12 Denver.

Playing the First Class Opera Houses Only.

Prices \$1.50, \$1.00, 75 and 50 Cents.

County News.

Statements published by the two banks at Brady showed deposits of \$135,000 at the date of the last call, February 12th.

If you want a Shorthorn bull or good horses, attend the Mitchell sale at Myrtle March 8th. He is going to leave, and everything goes.

Ed Trembley, who for two years lived south of Maxwell, left the latter part of last week for Brown county, where he will make his future home.

W. B. Houser, the blacksmith at Bignell, will handle agricultural implements, and now has a car on the road. Mr. Houser is kept busy all the time at his shop.

During 1909 there were shipped out of Dickens sixty-three cars of hogs, sixty-one cars of cattle, two cars of sheep, nine of corn, and one of watermelons.

Frank Shidel, living on the E. W. ranch, has so far husked 5,800 bushels of corn for the farmers of that neighborhood. Probably no other man in this section of the state has husked so many bushels.

Last week F. S. Hengen butchered one of his justly celebrated red hogs that dressed 500 pounds and was not quite 22 months old, and about the same time sold a ten-months old pig that weighed 360 pounds to C. H. Walter for \$29.10. These are facts that speak well for the red hogs.—Wallace Winner.

I will sell at public sale on my farm two miles south and four miles east of Hershey (12-13-32) all of my horses, cattle, farm implements, household furniture, etc, beginning at 10 a. m. March 3d. SILAS CLARK.

How Good News Spreads.

"I am 70 years old and travel most of the time," writes B. F. Tolson, of Elizabethtown, Ky. "Everywhere I go I recommend Electric Bitters, because I owe my excellent health and vitality to them. They effect a cure every time." They never fail to tone the stomach, regulate the kidneys and bowels, stimulate the liver, invigorate the nerves and purify the blood. They work wonders for weak, run-down men and women, restoring strength, vigor and health that's a daily joy. Try them. Only 50c. Satisfaction is guaranteed by Stone Drug Co.

PERSIAN CREAM

Counteracts March Winds

A certain relief for chapped hands, face and lips. Not sticky or greasy but dries immediately, leaving the skin soft, white and smooth. If you have trouble to keep your hands in good condition a trial of Persian Cream will convince you of its merits.

15c per bottle.

SCHILLER & CO.,
Family Druggists.

Fastest Shoe Selling

IN YEARS.

I sold more Shoes the past week than at any time during my career as a Shoe Salesman of fourteen years experience.

It only goes to show that the people know a good thing when they see it.

There are a good many Shoes left to pick from. My time to stay here in North Platte is very limited. Come in and pick a few pairs.

Don't Get Shut Out.

SOL HODES,
THE SHOERY.