Pork Demand in U.S. Far Exceeds Estimate. Shown

Over 100,000 Wheat Farmers in Distress, Report Says -1923 Good Year for Cotton.

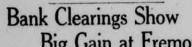
Washington, Oct. 2 .- Agriculture showed continued improvement during September except in the wheat belt, the Department of Agriculture announced today in its monthly agri cultural review.

"A significant development is the strengthened demand for cotton and pork," the review says. "Consumption of cotton in American mills and export movement have both increased, al though the south has had to scale lown its expectations on the size of the new crop. The domestic and export demand for pork has absorbed a second run of hogs at better prices than were prophesied by the mos optimistic earlier in the season

'In the wheat belt, the situation is different. More than a hundred thousand homes in the wheat country are in distress. Debts which have been accumulating for five years are now coming due and farmers are un able to meet their obligations. This has been one of the main factors that have brought to a head the acute situation in the farming, banking and business community.

"A serious phase of the situation is that exports of wheat have fallen off 36 000 000 hushels during the first eight months of 1923 as compared with the same period in 1922. Exports during the 1923 period were 105.664.000 bushels as compared with 141,300,000 bushels in 1922.

"The general index of purchasing power of farm products in terms of other commodities advanced one point during the month to 73. The index of 79 farm prices were un changed while the index of industrial



month of August in the three local institutions, according to a report

made public. The September clearings showed a total of \$1,649,235.00. This sum is compared with \$1,534,-072.03 for last month and \$1,546,-593.66 for September one year ago. The year 1923 has seen a steady in-

The fact that Fremont has fully re- Mickey. The fact that Fremont has fully re-diversed from the financial depression day from six 'til six; she must take that hit this section two years ago is evident in the clearing house re-son, and plays with her doll—I mean is evident in the clearing house returns.

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MICHAEL OHALLORAN BY GENE STRATTON PORTER.

STNOPSIS.
 Stropped slightly. The agri-cultural index, now 73, is at the highest point it has been since Junc. 1922."
 Bank Clearings Show Big Gain at Fremont
 Fremont, Neb., Oct. 2.—September bank clearings in Fremont showed an increase of \$106,162.97 over the month of August in the three local

(Continued from Yesterday.) "Pshaw, now!" cried Peter, "Why bring her out! You bring her right out! That's what we been wanting to know. Just what a city child would think of country things she'd never seen before. Bring her to see us!" "She's a little bit of a thing and she can't walk, you know," explained Mickey

The year 1923 has seen a steady in-crease in bank clearings excepting May, July and August. The largest amount was recorded in March, when the total passed the \$2,000,000 mark. Bank officials of Fremont are op-timistic over the financial siguration. The takes care of herself," said

her Precious Child." "Too bad." said Peter. "By jacks, that's a sin! Did you happen to speak to Ma about her?" "We did talk a little," admitted

THE OMAHA BEE

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"Well I'll be figgered!" laughed where she is would be harder for her betwould be harder for her than never going."
"I've scarcely seen a cow myself. I've seen hens and little chickens in shop windows at Easter time—"
"But not in the orchard in June?"
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"Well, ti's worth trying," said find how little trouble she is, "Well, well, it's worth trying," said find how little trouble she is, they're not people who would send there's this too-there?"
"Well, well, well, well"" marveled Peter.
"Well, well, well well"" marveled Peter. "No, 'not in the orchard in June'!" said Mickey. "Well, well!" marveled Peter

"Most any day." said Mickey. "And to then. And there's this too-there your lady said she'd be in Multiopolis are other folks who would take her There's nothing so true as that 'one half doesn't know how the other half soon, so we are sure to have a happy now, and see about her back. Have ives.' I've heard that, but I didn't meeting before long. I think that is I got the right to let it go a day.

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Mrs. AND MRS. JAMES BAKER.
Bloomfield, Neb. Oct. 2.—Mr. and Mrs. James Baker were entertained by 41 relatives at their golden wedding anniversary.
A large assembly tent was pitched on the lawn to accommodate the 250 guests. The Bloomfield band played during the evening.
Rev. A. Spieckermann gave a short talk.
The couple came to Bloomfield 29 years ago. They were married at Grinnell, la., in 1873. Both are pioneers of lowa.
Their children are: Peter Baker, Rodney, la; George Baker, Des Moines, A. Baker, yardmaster of the Sioux City stockyards; William Baker, also of the stockyards; Charles Baker, Wayne, Neb., and N. N. Baker and Mrs.
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