

Some Things You Want to Know

The American Hog

The present reign of high prices in the hog raising industry in the United States is without precedent in the history of pork in times of peace and plenty. The average price of hogs during the decade of 1900-1909 was higher by at least 20 per cent than during any other recent decade. And yet the figures for 1910 have gone far above the average for the decade. The fact that the population has increased more rapidly than has the number of hogs is largely responsible for this, although the prevalence of tuberculosis and cholera among hogs is believed to have had something to do with it. It is said that 2 per cent of all the hogs slaughtered at the abattoirs of the country are afflicted with tuberculosis, and that one-tenth of these are so badly diseased that they have no value except for the making of fertilizer or grease. This disease sometimes attacks the finest herds, and it is no uncommon experience for the best lots of hogs appearing in the market on a given day to be the ones afflicted with tuberculosis. The disease is less apparent in the stock on the hoof among hogs than among any other domestic animals. The Department of Agriculture is striving to locate the infected swine throughout the country. It finds, however, that it is not easy to trace the hogs back to their home farms. Its agents have hit upon the plan of tagging all hogs as they arrive at a shipping point, and keeping a record which will show what grower has delivered them. In this way they hope to be able to locate the infected herds, and with the aid of the state authorities to establish such a quarantine as will enable them to eradicate a large percentage of the disease. One of the principal ways of spreading tuberculosis among hogs is the returning of unpasteurized skimmed milk to the farm from creameries. One tubercular cow may spread the infection to a whole neighborhood. The susceptibility of hogs to infection in this way is illustrated by the fact that in one instance 83 per cent of a herd of healthy hogs contracted tuberculosis after being fed only three days on milk from tubercular cows. Among the domestic animals of the world, the hog ranks third in number, there being 125,000,000 hogs. Sheep have the first place, with 264,000,000, and cattle second place, with 431,000,000. There is one sheep in the world for every three persons, one bovine for every four, and one hog for every eleven. The United States leads all the countries of the world in hog production, with 43,000,000 swine on its farms, while Europe has more than any other continent, there being 71,000,000 on that continent, as compared with 53,000,000 in North America. Among the states of the Union, Iowa holds the palm for hog production, being accorded with a stock of 6,485,999 swine. Illinois, Texas and Nebraska follow in order, each of these states having more than 3,000,000 hogs. It is said that nowhere else in the United States are the hogs so healthy as in Texas and Oklahoma, this being due to the fact that they are raised largely on ranges, and come in contact with few of the diseases that are peculiar to the hog in the eastern states. The Department of Agriculture believes that it is incumbent upon the hog raisers of the country to improve their stock, asserting that pork will be the first pinch of underproduction in the United States. The average value per head of the hogs in the United States, even under the high prices prevailing at the beginning of the year, was only \$9.14. It is believed to be possible to produce a standard hog with a value of at least \$15. To do this it will be necessary to improve the stock of more than half the hogs of the United States, and to adopt more modern methods of feeding and fattening. More pork is produced in the United States than any other kind of meat. While the weight of cattle which went to the slaughter houses of the country in a year, at the time of the recent census inquiry on the subject, exceeded the weight of the hogs by nearly 2,000,000,000 pounds, yet the weight of the pork resulting from the slaughtering operations exceeded the weight of the dressed beef by fully 1,000,000,000 pounds. The hogs at the packing houses weighed 4,580,000,000 pounds while the dressed meat amounted to nearly 5,000,000,000 pounds. Not only in the amount of meat produced, does the hog outrank every other animal in the United States, but also in the value thereof. The pork products of the slaughter houses of the country were found to be worth \$323,000,000, as compared with \$289,000,000 for beef and \$44,000,000 for mutton. It is estimated by an Iowa banker that 75 per cent of the money on deposit in his bank is derived from the sales of hogs. Taking the neighborhood butcher as an account, the bureau of animal industry estimates that 50,000,000 hogs are slaughtered every year, as compared with 15,000,000 cattle and 24,000,000 sheep. If we expect such byproducts as the hair and other offal, it may be said that the hog is the only domestic animal raised in the United States exclusively for its meat. England annually imports 300,000 tons of bacon, valued at \$65,000,000. Its highest priced pork comes from Denmark, with Ireland, Canada and the United States next in order as to the value per pound of the pork products taken into England. Denmark, while only one-third the size of the state of New York, annually produces \$22,000,000 worth of pork products. The Danes have co-operative creameries and co-operative slaughter houses, which keep all the profits of the business in the hands of the farmers. The process of slaughtering hogs in a big packing house is very interesting. A chain is first looped around one of the hind legs of the hog and the other end attached to a hook on a big revolving drum. The squealing porker is carried up into the air and the end of the chain attached to the drum is drawn in, which transforms it from a live hog into dressed pork. Dozens of men take part in the slaughter of each hog, each man having his own special work to do, which may be nothing more than wielding a single stroke with a knife. The hog has had a peculiar history. Described by the Brahmins and the ancient Egyptians, pronounced unclean by the Mohammedans and the Jews, in Europe hunting the wild hog for generations was regarded as the most thrilling sport in which kings and princes could engage. Yet under the development which was wrought by the breeders of the past, he has come down to the American farmer as one of his greatest assets, a mortgage lifter and a debt payer. Zoologically speaking, the hog is a cousin of the elephant, the long nose of the wild bear corresponding to the trunk of that animal. The first hogs brought to America came from Spain, arriving in Cuba on the vessels which brought Columbus on his second visit to the new world, in 1493. It is thought that the next importation were those which reached Florida in 1533. Canada received its first swine from England in 1533. The early domestic hog in Europe was the re-

sult of the crossing of the wild hog of that continent with domesticated animals from China. It was found that their progeny took all of the hardiness of the wild boar and all of the early maturing qualities of the domesticated animals of Asia. The hog affords the best instance among all domesticated species, unless it be the dog, of the working of the law of natural selection and environment. It is a far cry from the wild hogs of Europe to the modern Poland-China, but it has all been brought about by a judicious application of the laws of selection and environment. In few kinds of stock are there more different breeds. England has produced a great many of these, but probably the best breeds are those which have been established in the United States. No other domestic animal is as prolific as the hog. It has been calculated that at 11 years of age one brood sow may be the ancestor of more than 6,000,000 pigs. It is this quality that makes the hog one of the most profitable of all the animals on the farm. It is said, moreover, that he yields greater returns for the food they eat than any other member of the domestic species outside of the feathered kingdom. The pig has long been regarded as the least intelligent of the domestic animals. Yet it is asserted by men who have made a careful study of their mental activities that this seeming senselessness is the result of environment and not a natural trait. Trainers assert that pigs have qualities which more nearly approximate some of the best traits in human nature than those of any other animal. For instance, it is asserted that they show keener anguish over the suffering of their own kind than any other domestic creature. They have this instinct of fighting together and will form themselves into a circle for defense, a formation better than which man himself has nothing to offer. One may see this instinct of the wild hog manifested when a dog goes into the hog lot and disturbs the peace of its denizens. By FREDERIC J. HASKIN. Tomorrow—Origin of Famous Phrases.

A Dirge. She laid the still, white form beside those which had gone before; no sob, no sigh forced its way from her heart, throbbing as though it would burst. Suddenly a cry broke the stillness of the place—one single, heart-breaking shriek; then silence; another cry, more silent, then all silent but for a guttural murmur which seemed to well up from her very soul. She left the place. She would lay another egg tomorrow.



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