

Howard Defends United States Grain Growers President of Farm Bureau Declares Producers Have Right to Follow Crops During Distribution.

Speaking before an audience of between 1,300 and 1,500 people at the Fillmore county picnic, Geneva, Neb., last week, James R. Howard, president of the American Farm Bureau federation, declared that "those who bear the sweat and toil of the moon-day sun in productive enterprises—the farmers—have a right to follow their product as far as they like along the route of distribution."

President Howard's speech was prefaced by a short talk by Gov. S. R. McElwain, who acted as chairman of the meeting. The governor declared that the strictest principles of economy should mark the farmers' cooperative efforts rather than the spirit of agitation. "The governor said, also, that legislation is helpful in the operation of any business, but that it is impossible to make a farmers' movement a political one, and that legislation can only give the way for cooperative endeavor."

Largest in World. President Howard said the American Farm Bureau federation is the largest organization of farmers in the world, and characterized by a get-together-stick-together co-operative idea.

Final preparations for sending the young people to school should be made in August. Send for college catalogs, select the school and help son or daughter to pick out the proper course.

In answering the question, "Are we going back to the prewar level of prices?" Mr. Howard said that the recent census report of farm values shows farm property worth \$67,000,000,000, compared with \$34,000,000,000 10 years ago, or almost 100 per cent increase.

Mr. Howard commended the government operation of railroads during the war, saying the government still owes the railroads \$800,000,000 and that the roads now need 700,000 more cars for normal business. Therefore, he says, he does not look for a decline in freight rates for several years.

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State Will Have Special Report Arrangements Made for Market Quotations to Secretary of Agriculture.

Leo B. Stuhr, secretary of the state department of agriculture, was in Washington last week and completed arrangements with the federal bureau of markets for installing a leased wire in the state department of agriculture for the handling of market and crop reports.

The reports from all the large central markets for live stock and grain quotations in detail and in addition will furnish quotations on fruits and vegetables which are not now generally covered in the market reports.

The service will be installed probably within two or three weeks and the reports will be available for the newspapers and such other agencies as may wish them.

Mr. Stuhr said that as soon as receiving wireless telephonic instruments are available it is possible that his department will enter into the field of furnishing market and other reports to rural communities by wireless after the experimental work has proven its practicality.

While in Washington Stuhr also arranged to place a special marketing man at Kearney and Alliance during the potato marketing season, who will keep in close touch with the central markets, in the interests of growers and small dealers in this crop.

Remove rotted silage and water from the silo and see that necessary repairs are made preparatory to filling. If a stove silo, draw the hoops snug before filling. Be sure that none of the silo doors are missing or off their hinges.

The natural laying season of the hen in this locality is April, May and June, unless she has been bred for production in which case the laying period begins earlier and lasts much longer.

In Argentina, the rail rate for transporting 1,000 kilograms (2,204.6 lbs.) of wheat a distance of 500 kilometers (310.6 miles) is \$15.44 Argentine paper, or 12.2 cents per bushel, calculated on the basis of the prevailing rate of exchange.

The executive committee of the South Dakota Farm Bureau federation, in session here this week, unanimously passed a resolution to the effect that it would be "very detrimental to the agricultural interests of the United States if the reciprocal agreement proposed to Canada and accepted by the congress of the United States in 1911..."

On account of the scarcity and high price of wood, concrete fence posts are becoming increasingly popular. Concrete will not rot, burn nor be affected by wood-boring insects.

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Shipments of old spuds. Shipments of old potatoes continued unusually late this past season, closing about the middle of July with a total of 189,925 cars, compared with 160,292 during the season of 1919-20.

Deducting early shipments in 1919 and 1920, respectively, the movement of the old crop was 163,368 cars in 1920-21 and 138,613 cars in 1919-20.

One Woman Killed, One Hurt. When Plane Falls 500 Feet. Wanigan, Ill., July 31.—Crashing 500 feet in a new airplane which he had just purchased, Ralph Stewart of Elgin was killed and David Balumbo, pilot, was seriously injured.

Imports of wood at two ports. Imports of wood at two Atlantic ports during the week ending July 16 were: Boston, 107,529 pounds; Philadelphia, 432,360 pounds.

Ocean Freight Lower on Many Farm Products During August

Cotton and Wheat Rates to United Kingdom Reduced Half Since Last November.

Ocean freight rates on wheat and cotton moving from North Atlantic ports of the United States to the United Kingdom were approximately 50 per cent lower on July 1, 1921, than on November 1, 1920, according to a statement compiled by the Bureau of Markets and Crop Estimates from data furnished by the United States shipping board.

The average price of cotton in New York for October, 1920, and for June, 1921, was \$22.68 and \$12 per 100 pounds, respectively. In the absence of figures showing the average ocean freight rate on cotton during those months, the rates in effect on November 1, 1920, and July 1, 1921, were used in this compilation.

The ocean freight rate to the United Kingdom was \$1.10 per 100 pounds on November 4, 1920, or 4.9 per cent of the value of the cotton as represented by the quotation on that date. On July 1, 1921, when the ocean freight rate was \$2.12 per 100 pounds, and the price was 4.4 per cent.

The decline in the rates and prices of other commodities was less marked. In the case of butter and cheese the wholesale prices have declined approximately 44 per cent since last November, while the ocean freight rates on these commodities have fallen only from 20 per cent to 25 per cent.

The export rail freight rate from Kansas City to Galveston is 27 cents per bushel and the ocean freight from Galveston to the United Kingdom is 15 cents per bushel, making a total of 42 cents per bushel, of which the cost of the inland rail haul represents 64.3 per cent.

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The object of the tour will be to inspect a number of fields of potatoes being grown in the North Platte valley from western Nebraska to the mouth of the river and irrigated seed and seed imported from other states, to inspect the various demonstration plots in some of which seed from 20 or more growers are being compared; to study the various variety trials and experiments with seed potatoes that are being conducted by the Nebraska agricultural experiment station; to inspect the irrigated potato rotation plots at the Scotts Bluff county experimental farm and to inspect a number of dry land potato fields that are being grown and inspected with a view to certification.

The trip will be made by auto starting from the Lincoln hotel at Scotts Bluff, 7:30 a. m. August 17, at 8:15 a. m. returning to Lincoln the day of the day and leaving for Kimball at 8 a. m. August 18. Auto accommodations will be provided for those not coming in their own cars.

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Live Stock

Receipts and disposition of live stock at the Omaha stock yards, ending at 3 p. m. July 30, 1921.

Receipts—Cattle, Hogs, Sheep, Monday official, Tuesday official, Wednesday official, Thursday official, Friday official, Saturday official, Same days 2 wks., Same days 3 wks., Same days year ago.

Disposition—Cattle, Hogs, Sheep, Monday official, Tuesday official, Wednesday official, Thursday official, Friday official, Saturday official, Same days 2 wks., Same days 3 wks., Same days year ago.

Cattle—Not enough cattle were here today to make a market, only 25 being reported. The total receipts for the week of 21,000 head were a decline of 25 per cent over the week of 28,000 head of the week ending last week of the year ago.

Hogs—The week is closing with a fair Saturday run of hogs, about 6,000 head showing up and trade was featured by an earlier tendency to values with most of the week quoted in the market at about 15c lower.

Sheep—Receipts of sheep and lambs during the past week have been of moderate volume and most of the offerings have been coming from the Nebraska range districts. The demand for fat lambs has been strong, but the market has been fairly active from the start and bulk prices have advanced.

CHICAGO CLOSING PRICES. By Updike Grain Co. D. O. 2627, July 26, 1921. Wheat, July 26, 1921, 1.22 1/2, 1.20, 1.22 1/2, 1.22.

Jewel, Flower, Color Symbols for Today. By MILDRED MARSHALL. Curious indeed is today's talismanic stone—the hyacinth. But its power is immeasurable, since it is also the natal gem for those who are born on some anniversary of the date.

New York, July 30.—Prime Mercantile Paper—6 1/4%. Exchange—Steady. Sterling—Demand, \$3.95 3/4; cables, \$3.96 1/4.

London Money. London, July 29.—Three month, 3 1/2% per cent. per annum. Discount—Short bills, 4 per cent. three months bills, 4 1/2 per cent.

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Chicago Grain

By CHARLES D. MICHAELS. Chicago Tribune-Omaha Bee Leased Wire. Chicago, July 30.—There was a whirl nixup on the July rye market today that the trade has known.

Deliveries for the day were 35,000 bushels and there were said to be liberal deficits, which will have to be settled by a committee. For the month of July deliveries were 1,029,000 bushels. No. 3 rye was taken up by eastern interests at 7c under No. 2, and the No. 2 sold largely at 10c under.

Wheat Closes Higher. In the wheat market generally there was a slight decline, and irregular movement of prices. July wheat closed in the closing futures were unchanged, but on the 25th and 26th futures were advanced 1/2c and 3/4c higher on the 20th and 21st.

Cash prices advanced 1/4c to 3/4c higher on the 20th and 21st. The wheat market was comparatively small today. There was July on track wheat in the market, but it was mostly advanced 1/2c. Distinct futures were advanced 1/4c to 1/2c higher on the 20th and 21st.

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World Relations

What People Make, Lord Bryce Says. Says Present Aim Must Be To Understand What Have Been Causes of War.

Willamstown, Mass., July 31.—Development of international relations, as begun in the days of ancient peoples and as continued to the present, when "they have been shattered by a desolating war and not restored by any real peace," was taken up by Viscount James Bryce, in the first public lecture before the Institute of Politics now meeting at Williams college.

"Broadly speaking," he declared, "international relations are what the leaders of peoples make them." Continuing, Lord Bryce said: "There are two relations in which nations stand to one another—that of war and that of peace. Our present aim is therefore to understand what have been the causes of war and what may be the sources of peace."

"Let us try to remember, through our inquiry into the relations of nations, two fundamental propositions. One is that every independent political community is in a state of nature towards other communities, being subject to no control except that which public opinion may impose. The other is that the prospect of improving the relations of states and peoples to one another depends on the possibility of improving human nature itself. A sound and wide view of national interests, teaching the peoples that they would gain more by the co-operation of communities than by their conflict, may do much to better those relations, but in the last resort the question is one of moral progress of the individual men who compose the communities." He sketched the careers of Bonaparte, Bismarck, Cavour, Kossuth and Mazzini.

"I note the careers of these men," he went on, "as instances of how large is the unpredictable element in the field of international as well as in that of domestic politics. Modern writers claiming to be scientific try to represent the general causes as everything and the individuals as no more than particular beings in whom the tendencies of an age are embodied."

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Unofficial Caucus Of Lincoln Democrats Suggests Candidates. Lincoln, July 31.—(Special.)—Dan Butler, Omaha city commissioner; Ex-Mayor Smith of Omaha; Charles W. Bryan, Lincoln city commissioner, and Tom Allen, Lincoln, former United States district attorney, were mentioned here as probable candidates for the coming political contest at a caucus of Lincoln Democrats.

Rail Men to Negotiate New Working Agreement. Cleveland, July 31.—Heads of the four big railroad brotherhoods and the Switchmen's Union of North America will meet a committee of the Association of Railway Executives in New York Thursday, to consider working rules and conditions. Those who will attend as representatives of the labor organizations are Warren S. Stone, grand chief of the engineers; W. S. Carter, president of the firemen; W. G. Lee, president of the trainmen; L. E. Sheppard, president of the conductors; and T. C. Cassen, president of the switchmen.

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