

## FARMING AND MARKETS

### Results of the Third Alberta Trap-Nest Egg-Laying Competition

Three egg laying contest held under the supervision of the Provincial Department of Agriculture at the Poultry Plant, University Grounds, South Edmonton, Alta., from Nov. 1916, to Oct. 14th, 1917.

TOTAL EGGS LAID FROM NOV. 15TH TO FEB. 14TH

Pen	Owner	Breed	Eggs in Total	Month Eggs
18-A	R. Gillies, Clover Bar, Alta.	White Dotted	37	141
19-L	F. Solly, Westholme, B.C.	White Dotted	33	111
13-C	O. Ewing, Lacombe, Alta.	White Dotted	23	102
4-	Regan Bros., 10728 78th Ave., S. Edmonton	Buff Orps.	10	95
21-J	E. Swanson, West Edmonton, Alta.	White Dotted	49	92
11-C	O. Ewing, Lacombe, Alta.	Buff Orps.	24	90
2-A	R. Gillies, Clover Bar, Alta.	White Dotted	19	89
17-R	John Henderson, 1649 2nd Ave. S.W., Calgary	Brown Leghorns	14	40
3-N	Ls Linden, Wetaskiwin, Alta.	Brown Leghorns	14	40
12-D	Gibbard, Mission City, B.C.	Barred Rocks	19	27
15-H	A. Clute, 63rd Ave., S. Edmonton	White Dotted	17	24
4-G	C. Rogerson, 1042 8th St. E., Calgary	S. C. R. I. Reds	20	21
24-J	C. Longmore, 11525 56th St., Edmonton	White Dotted	11	20
1-J	John Tough, Dewberry, Alta.	White Leghorns	12	15
16-R	eid & Greenwood, Box 928, Victoria B.C.	White Leghorns	13	15
10-C	J. Wyatt, Diamond City, Alta.	S. C. R. I. Reds	9	9
7-E	S. Farren, 528 7th Ave. E., Calgary	White Dotted	7	7
1-F	inn & Storror, 2218 28a St. S.W., Calgary	White Dotted	7	7
14-C	W. Robbins, Chilliwack, B.C.	White Leghorns	3	3
5-E	P. Twitcheall, 12420 109th Ave., Edmonton	Buff Orps.	2	0
9-D	P. Woodruff, Magrath, Alta.	White Rocks	0	0
9-J	J. Skaltitzky, Viking, Alta.	White Cornish	0	0
		Barred Rocks	0	0

Six birds to a pen.  
Summary.—Total number of eggs laid during month, 350, including 10 laid on the drop-board. Total eggs to date 976. Total laid on drop-board since competition commenced, 20.

Eight pens that had not previously laid commenced laying during the month. A general changing of positions of pens previously laying may be noted. Pen No. 18 still leads with 141 eggs with Pen 19 now taking second place with 111 eggs.

Highest individual record for the month is 49 eggs, laid by Pen 21.

The highest individual records to date are as follows:

Hen No. 106 in Pen 19 with 41 eggs  
Hen No. 121 in Pen 22 with 39 eggs  
Hen No. 34 in Pen 21 with 37 eggs  
Hen No. 30 in Pen 18 with 31 eggs  
Hen No. 38 in Pen 17 with 31 eggs

The result of the month may be considered very satisfactory as weather conditions were very severe during a considerable portion of the time, on one occasion the thermometer registering 52 degrees below zero.

J. SHACKLETON, Manager of Poultry Plant

A. W. FOLEY, Poultry Superintendent

### White Whale in Big Demand

Ben Nygren, who, with his partner, Sam Turkolien, is making a success of the white whale industry at Cape Nome, says that white whales have been plentiful this season.

At the white whale plant at Cape Nome no part of the animal is wasted.

Hides, flesh, oil and bones are all utilized. The hides bring a good price and are made into the strongest kind of leather. After the oil is extracted the meat is dried and sold for dog meat.

The oil of the white whale is said to excel the oil of any fish. Some of the local product is so clear and transparent that one can look through it and easily read a paper held on the other side. It sells in England at the remarkable price of \$500 a barrel. One

single fleet carrying the products of the Norwegian White whale industry recently sold its cargo for more than 26 million dollars.

**SASKATCHEWAN WHEAT CROP**  
The latest Saskatchewan official government announcement estimates the total wheat crop of that province for 1916 as 126,857,760 bushels. Oats are given as 146,468,585 bushels. Earliest estimates by Dominion authorities placed the Dominion crop at 150,000,000 bushels.

### WINNIPEG LETTER

(Thompson, Sons, & Company)

Owing to high prices for wheat and flour, and the congestion in railway transportation in the United States in the last three months, the invisible supply in the hands of millers and dealers must naturally be also much under the average for the time of year. From these figures it may be suggested that the United States government estimate of last year's wheat production was too large by several millions of bushels. In Canada the visible supply decreased last week 1,385,250 bushels against an increase of 446,303 bushels a year ago, and the total is now 39,575,028 bushels against 36,243,500 bushels a year ago. In comparing the world's shipments of wheat and flour from exporting to importing countries, a great contrast is found between the quantities this year and last year. In the last six weeks world's shipments have been 51,723,000 bushels against 77,875,000 bushels in same period last year, or 26,152,000 bushels less this year than last year. A very great reduction in the consumption of wheat needs to be going on in Europe in order to stand such a great reduction of supplies in comfort. And it looks as if this ratio would continue for some time, because it is evident that the main supply for Europe is going to depend on North America. A good deal has been written from time to time about Britain obtaining large supplies from Australia, but in the last five weeks the exports of wheat from Australia do not average over 700,000 bushels a week. Australia has plenty of wheat no doubt, but it is a long voyage from Australia to England and vessels are scarce. In our Winnipeg market there has been a healthy demand for all the cash wheat offering, and a large business in future deliveries has also been done. Under the influence of favorable weather the movement from the country has increased considerably, even in spite of the congested condition of transportation which still prevails, but the receipts are far short of what they were a year ago. A regrettable feature in the receipts at present is the abnormal quantity in poor condition owing to too much moisture. Practically 50 per cent of the cars inspect "No grade." This is the case of wheat, yesterday's inspections had 52 no grade cars out of a total of 702 cars. The no grade takes in all grades not in dry warehousing condition. Thus, there is no grade 1 northern on the grades down to Feed. Coming on to springtime no grade grain has been shipped, but it is not sold, but after being dried 1 and 2 northern or 2 northern, or go as straight 1 northern at the option of the owner. All grades under a nor-

thern when dried are allowed to go out as straight.

There are large facilities at Fort William and Port Arthur for drying tough or damp grain. On the decline in prices yesterday one or two of the large milling companies were big buyers of May wheat, as also was one of the leading exporters and millers and exporters were also good buyers today. Very little heard at present of government buying. Today's prices are 1 Nor. 18 1/2, 2 Nor. 18 1/2, 3 Nor. 17 1/2, No. 4 16 1/2, No. 5 14 1/2, No. 6 12 1/2, No. 7 10 1/2, No. 8 8 1/2, No. 9 6 1/2, No. 10 4 1/2, No. 11 2 1/2, No. 12 1 1/2, No. 13 1 1/2, No. 14 1 1/2, No. 15 1 1/2, No. 16 1 1/2, No. 17 1 1/2, No. 18 1 1/2, No. 19 1 1/2, No. 20 1 1/2, No. 21 1 1/2, No. 22 1 1/2, No. 23 1 1/2, No. 24 1 1/2, No. 25 1 1/2, No. 26 1 1/2, No. 27 1 1/2, No. 28 1 1/2, No. 29 1 1/2, No. 30 1 1/2, No. 31 1 1/2, No. 32 1 1/2, No. 33 1 1/2, No. 34 1 1/2, No. 35 1 1/2, No. 36 1 1/2, No. 37 1 1/2, No. 38 1 1/2, No. 39 1 1/2, No. 40 1 1/2, No. 41 1 1/2, No. 42 1 1/2, No. 43 1 1/2, No. 44 1 1/2, No. 45 1 1/2, No. 46 1 1/2, No. 47 1 1/2, No. 48 1 1/2, No. 49 1 1/2, No. 50 1 1/2, No. 51 1 1/2, No. 52 1 1/2, No. 53 1 1/2, No. 54 1 1/2, No. 55 1 1/2, No. 56 1 1/2, No. 57 1 1/2, No. 58 1 1/2, No. 59 1 1/2, No. 60 1 1/2, No. 61 1 1/2, No. 62 1 1/2, No. 63 1 1/2, No. 64 1 1/2, No. 65 1 1/2, No. 66 1 1/2, No. 67 1 1/2, No. 68 1 1/2, No. 69 1 1/2, No. 70 1 1/2, No. 71 1 1/2, No. 72 1 1/2, No. 73 1 1/2, No. 74 1 1/2, No. 75 1 1/2, No. 76 1 1/2, No. 77 1 1/2, No. 78 1 1/2, No. 79 1 1/2, No. 80 1 1/2, No. 81 1 1/2, No. 82 1 1/2, No. 83 1 1/2, No. 84 1 1/2, No. 85 1 1/2, No. 86 1 1/2, No. 87 1 1/2, No. 88 1 1/2, No. 89 1 1/2, No. 90 1 1/2, No. 91 1 1/2, No. 92 1 1/2, No. 93 1 1/2, No. 94 1 1/2, No. 95 1 1/2, No. 96 1 1/2, No. 97 1 1/2, No. 98 1 1/2, No. 99 1 1/2, No. 100 1 1/2.

### GRAIN PRICES

Spring wheat—	Thurs	Year
No. 1 northern	18 1/2	15 1/2
No. 2 northern	17 1/2	14 1/2
No. 3 northern	16 1/2	13 1/2
No. 4	15 1/2	12 1/2
No. 5	14 1/2	11 1/2
No. 6	13 1/2	10 1/2
No. 7	12 1/2	9 1/2
No. 8	11 1/2	8 1/2
No. 9	10 1/2	7 1/2
No. 10	9 1/2	6 1/2
No. 11	8 1/2	5 1/2
No. 12	7 1/2	4 1/2
No. 13	6 1/2	3 1/2
No. 14	5 1/2	2 1/2
No. 15	4 1/2	1 1/2
No. 16	3 1/2	1 1/2
No. 17	2 1/2	1 1/2
No. 18	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 19	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 20	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 21	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 22	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 23	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 24	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 25	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 26	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 27	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 28	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 29	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 30	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 31	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 32	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 33	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 34	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 35	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 36	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 37	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 38	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 39	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 40	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 41	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 42	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 43	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 44	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 45	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 46	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 47	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 48	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 49	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 50	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 51	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 52	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 53	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 54	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 55	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 56	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 57	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 58	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 59	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 60	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 61	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 62	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 63	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 64	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 65	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 66	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 67	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 68	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 69	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 70	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 71	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 72	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 73	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 74	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 75	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 76	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 77	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 78	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 79	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 80	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 81	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 82	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 83	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 84	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 85	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 86	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 87	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 88	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 89	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 90	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 91	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 92	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 93	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 94	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 95	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 96	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 97	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 98	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 99	1 1/2	1 1/2
No. 100	1 1/2	1 1/2

### WINNIPEG OPTIONS

Wheat—	Open	Close
May	18½	18½
July	17¾	18½
October	14¾	14¾
Oats—		
May	60¾	61¾
July	60¾	61¾
Barley—		
May	—	107
Flax—		
May	264	265¾
July	266¾	267