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THE GRAIN GROWERS' GUIDE

WARNING TO THE FARMERS FROM McBEAN BROS.

Last year the farmers of the three Western Provinces sold freely of their grain at the beginning of the shipping season at unnecessarily low prices, for October delivery, resulting in very heavy losses to some farmers, owing to weather conditions interfering with the delivery in time to fill their contracts. We want to warn the farmers in contracting ahead this year, and especially at this early date, as this crop is not yet assured, but even if we do grow as big a crop as last year the conditions governing the grain crops all over the world warrant higher prices today than at any time since the war began.

We estimate the devastation in the countries at war will be a great deal more than the countries at peace can possibly make up, and combine this with three hundred million bushels less grown in the United States than last year, will make a very bullish situation. Figure as we will we cannot see how prices can be any lower for this crop season, and could easily go very much higher, and any deterioration in our crop between now and harvest would make the situation stronger than ever, and we would urge all farmers who have grain to sell this year to sit down and wait till their crop is harvested and not to be in any hurry in selling. Just take your time in shipping your grain forward and do not rush it to market and accept any price that may be offered, as last year large quantities of our wheat were sold below 90 cents, Fort William, and from this point never stopped advancing until it reached over \$1.25. We will have rapid fluctuations from 5 to 10 cents per bushel, but our calculations are that every bushel of wheat that we can grow in these three Western Provinces this year, no matter if the crop pans out as big as last year, should be worth at least \$1.25 per bus. for basis No. 1 Northern, and 50c basis No. 2 G.W. Oats, in store Fort William, and if when you deliver your grain these prices, or about, are not obtainable, ship your grain to Port Arthur or Fort William, and if you require money get your advances from your agent and hold until you can get your proper price. You have the situation in hand—take advantage of it this year and every year—get into the habit of shipping your own grain and get everything that is in it, less the one cent commission on wheat, barley and flax, and five-eighths of a cent on oats. Don't sell a bushel of grain on track, wait until you get your returns back from Fort William or Port Arthur.

If the advice we have been giving you during the past year has been of any benefit to you, we would like you to reciprocate by shipping to us a share of your grain. We make big advances on each carload of grain, if you require it, and look carefully after the grading.

McBEAN BROS.

GRAIN EXCHANGE, WINNIPEG

July 24th, 1916

Taxation of Land Values

By
Louis F. Post

Any person who is interested in the taxation of land values can get a clearer idea of this great question from this book than from any other book written. It is really an explanation of Henry George's great work in simple language and illustrated by diagrams so that any person who can read can understand it. It deals with every phase of the question and shows the effect that this form of taxation has upon all classes in the community. One very valuable part of the book comprises twenty pages made up of questions and answers, wherein practically every question any person would want to ask is answered fully and definitely. Seventy pages are given to explanations of terms and various points that opponents have brought up in connection with the taxation of land values. The book comprises 145 pages of clear type and is attractively bound in red paper covers.

35c

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25 cents cwt.; the best heavy steers brought only \$7.85 to \$8.10. In fact, the demand for heavy stuff was light. Good butcher steers brought \$7.75 to \$8.00, and medium \$7.25 to \$7.50. Good cows sold \$7.00 to \$7.25, medium at \$6.50 to \$6.75, common at \$5.50 to \$6.00.

The hog market has been strong and advanced this last week to \$12.00, fed and watered, which price has held strong. Sheep and lambs have been in light supply this week, the market for all classes is strong.

Next week should see a better market as the present light runs have given packers and butchers a chance to dispose of their surplus so as to make

South St. Paul, July 29.—Cattle receipts at this and other western markets were curtailed during the week. The shutting off of supplies was of distinctly beneficial influence, particularly in view of the extremely high temperatures all over the country, which had a marked influence upon meat consumption.

Sales of butcher steers, cows, heifers and bulls toward the close averaged 15 to 25 cents higher than at the finish of the preceding week and some sales showed even further improvement.

Not many steers good enough to beat \$8.00 arrived during the week and kinds saleable at \$8.50 to \$8.75 were so much above the average as to challenge general attention. As a matter of fact there was much more steer trade between \$6.00 and \$8.00 than above the latter mark, while packers were successful bidders on a class discarded from the stocker and feeder section around and below \$5.00. For butcher cows and heifers, most of which were native or Dakota origin and grassy finish, demand was strong in sympathy with the steer deal, but sales were confined largely to the \$5.00 to \$6.50 spread. Some of the better grain fed lots brought \$7.00 to \$7.25, but rarely more. Cutters and canners did not share in the general advance, but were nominally strong, comprising a considerable class between \$4.00 and \$4.75.

Stocker and feeder cattle of good quality strengthened some, but trade was irregular. Steers left first hands at \$5.00 to \$6.75 mostly, but best sorts were eligible to premiums. Common kinds were slow to sell and usually went to packers. Demand for heifers was active, and best young female stock earned \$5.75 to \$6.00, with occasional premiums by outside buyers.

Hog receipts continued moderate. Sales spread was wide, with a dollar gap between top and bottom droves at the widest point. Best butcher droves late in the period sold around \$9.00, not far from the year's top, while coarse, grassy, packing grades sold down at \$8.50 to \$8.75.

Sheep and lamb prices fluctuated some during the week. Best lambs dropped from \$10.00 top early in the period to \$9.75, but recovered later and seconds were restored to the \$8.25 level after a quarter drop.

Winnipeg, July 31.—The Livestock Department of The Grain Growers' Grain Company report receipts of livestock at the Union stockyards for the past week as follows: Cattle, 2,400; calves, 200; sheep and lambs, 600; hogs, 6,100.

With larger receipts of cattle at the end of last week our market was 15 cents to 25 cents lower on all classes of killing cattle. A few lots were good enough to bring \$7.00 to \$7.25, but the bulk of steers sold from \$6.50 to \$7.00. Cows were also lower and it took choice fed cows to bring \$6.25 or over. There was a good demand for oxen and bulls at steady prices. Trade on stockers and feeders was also active at steady prices.

The hog market opened this week at \$11.00, holding steady at this figure to Friday when the price advanced to \$11.25. This was mainly due to the strong packer competition.

Calgary, July 29.—The Livestock Department of the Alberta Farmers' Co-operative Elevator Co. reports last week's receipts as: Horses, 292; cattle, 874; hogs, 2,442; sheep, 775; and this week a year ago: Horses, 874; cattle, 325; hogs, 1,042; sheep, none.

Outward shipments were 14 cars hogs Toronto, 6 cars hogs New Westminster, 1 car stock hogs Bear Creek, 2 ducks sheep Edmonton.

Hogs sold early in the week at \$10.85, on Thursday at \$11.00, and on Friday at \$11.50, with buyers giving full credit on C.P.R. billings. (This week a year ago hogs sold for \$7.90 to \$7.75). We handled 17 per cent. of this week's hog receipts at the Alberta stockyards.

This week's top for fat steers was \$6.65, and the average run of grass steers sold for \$6.50, heifers at \$5.75 and cows at \$5.50. Stock and feeder steers \$6.00 to \$6.50 and yearling heifers \$40.00 to \$42.00. (Prices on top steers this week a year ago \$7.00 to \$7.25).

Country Produce

Winnipeg, July 31.—Prices quoted are f.o.b. Winnipeg unless otherwise stated.

Butter—Butter prices are the same as last week. There is a falling off in the supply right at present owing to the very hot weather, but the quality is very fair. Fancy dairy is 21c-23c and No. 1 dairy 20c.

Sweet Cream—Sweet cream is 22c with sour 20c and 20c, depending on the grade. While the supply has not depreciated much as yet, creameries anticipate a smaller supply in the near future and have put the price for sour cream up a cent on both No. 1 and No. 2 grades.

Hay—Prices are the same as a week ago, but the demand is considerably heavier. There is also a good demand for clean straw at \$5.00 a ton.

Potatoes—New potatoes are worth \$1.35 per bushel, but there is very little home grown stuff on the market yet.

WHEAT AT \$27 PER BUSHEL

We like to live well these days, and we are paying for it. Some of our prepared breakfast foods now cost us 33 1/3 per cent. more than we paid for them before the world war began.

Reckoned on a dollar and cent basis, we are now buying wheat in some of our prepared package foods at the rate of \$27 per bushel for the wheat, according to the figuring of Professor E. F. Ladd, state chemist of North Dakota.

For these convenient and attractive commercialized forms of food we are willing to pay about 50 times more than our ancestors did when they prepared their own cereal foods by boiling, steaming, drying, and parching them. We want our grains prinked and puffed, and we're paying well for the prinking and puffing.—Farm and Fireside.

CANADIAN COUNCIL RE-ORGANIZED

The Canadian Council of Agriculture met on July 25 and 26 in Winnipeg for the transaction of business of mutual interest to the farmers' associations of the West. The first business was to review and approve of the case to be presented to the Board of Grain Commissioners against the use of the "Hybrid" ticket. Following this the constitution of the council was reviewed and the scope of the council's work more clearly set forth. It was the unanimous opinion of all the members that the time had arrived when the inter-provincial farmers' organization should be organized on a permanent basis with a head office in charge of a competent secretary so that business of common interest to all the farmers' organizations could be cared for promptly and efficiently. It was therefore decided to open a permanent office for the Canadian Council of Agriculture with headquarters at Winnipeg, and Roderick McKenzie, secretary of the Manitoba Grain Growers' Association, was engaged as secretary of the Canadian Council. Mr. McKenzie has been secretary of the Manitoba Grain Growers' Association for the last fourteen years and has now resigned from that position in order to take the larger field as secretary of the National Farmers' Council.

At a previous meeting of the Canadian Council it was said that the organization was not sufficiently broad to take in interests of the farmers generally, and applications were therefore accepted for membership from the Alberta Farmers' Co-operative Elevator Company, the Saskatchewan Co-operative Elevator Company, The Grain Growers' Grain Company, The Grain Growers' Guide and the United Farmers' Co-operative Company of Ontario. This brings the membership of the Canadian Council up to nine separate organizations, with a membership of around 75,000 farmers. It can safely be described as the largest farmers' organization in the world, and with the permanent basis upon which it has now been placed and with sufficient financial support it should accomplish very valuable work on behalf of the organized farmers.

To the Canadian Council, questions such as the revision of the Canada Grain Act, Railway Legislation, Tariff and Taxation, Co-operative Organization and similar matters of common interest to all the organizations will be taken up. Some time was devoted to the discussion of federating the various farmers' organizations in the West for business purposes and the matter will be further discussed at the next meeting of the council.

HELP FOR FARMERS' WIVES

Many women have been unable to secure any help in the house during harvest and threshing. This year it has been suggested to Mr. J. Kon, of the Department of Immigration for Manitoba, that when the harvest excursions are coming West, excursions be run for women to come and help in the homes. Every year a number of wives and sisters of the excursionists have come with them, but no encouragement has been given to women to come.

Mr. Kon believes that enough women to supply the need for help in Manitoba can be secured if those wishing help will guarantee to pay twenty-five dollars a month for three months. The expenses of the women coming out and back will be about forty dollars. Then there will be the wear and tear on their clothes, so that it would not pay them to come for less than seventy-five dollars.

Those who wish such help should write to Louis Kon, provincial Immigration Department, Winnipeg, Man., at once, because Mr. Kon will not do anything to secure this help until he is sure it is wanted.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAY DIRECTORS

Altho there is as yet no official announcement, the following government directors on the board of the Grand Trunk Pacific and Canadian Northern Railways have, it is understood, been selected: On the Canadian Northern board the directors will be Messrs. W. K. George, of Toronto; H. A. Richardson, of Kingston, and W. J. Christie, of Winnipeg, and on the Grand Trunk Pacific board, Messrs. J. B. Fraser, of Ottawa; Jules Home, of Montreal, and Peter McArs, of Winnipeg.