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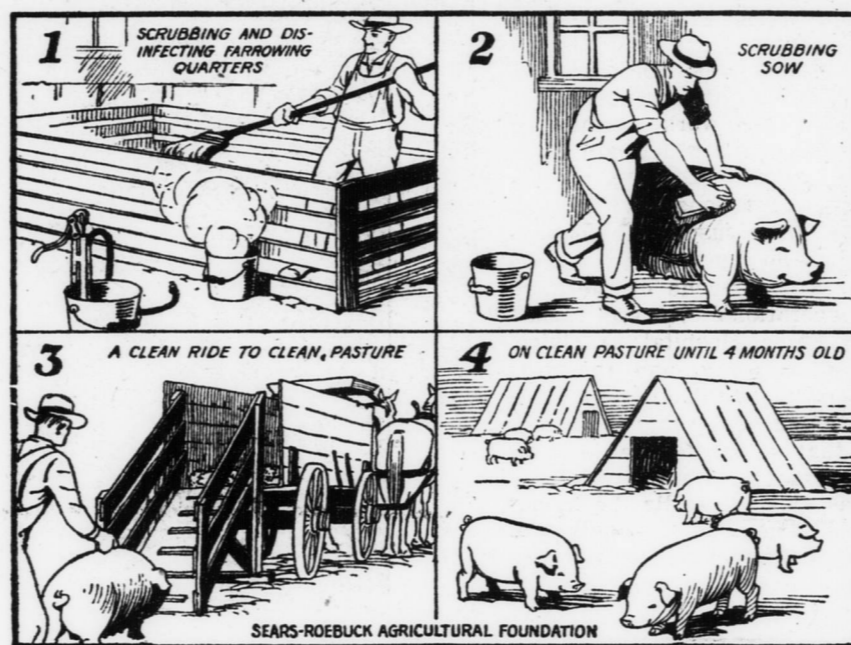
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## How to Raise More Pigs



BY FOLLOWING the system of swine sanitation first used in McLean County, Illinois, it is possible to raise 25 to 50 per cent more pigs per litter and get the pigs ready for market several weeks sooner and with less feed than by ordinary methods, the Sears-Roebuck Agricultural Foundation indicates. The loss of small pigs and the stunting of growth of those which survive, due to worms and necrotic enteritis can be avoided.

There are four easily performed steps in the system as outlined by the Illinois College of Agriculture:

1. Scrub the farrowing quarters with one pound of lye to 30 gallons of boiling hot water, then spray with one pint of compound cresol solution in four gallons of water. The lye loosens dirt, the hot water kills the worm eggs, and the disinfectant kills the germs of infectious diseases.

2. Wash the sow's sides and udder with soap and water before putting her in the clean farrowing pen. This removes any worm eggs which may be sticking to the body of the sow.

3. Give the sow and pigs a clean ride to a pasture where no hogs have run for at least a year. A pasture which has been in a cultivated crop since last used by hogs is preferable. This avoids contamination from filthy hog lots.

4. Keep the pigs on clean pasture until they are at least four months old. Farmers who followed this system of preventing contamination from old hog lots reported that 45 minutes were required on the average for one man to scrub the pen for one sow and 20 minutes were required to scrub the sow. The sows raised an average of 6.3 pigs per litter, compared with 4.8 pigs before the system was adopted. There were practically no runts and the pigs reached the usual market weights 6 to 7 weeks earlier than before. Careful records of farmers show that where the McLean system was practiced, 100 pounds of pork were made with 399 pounds of corn and other feeds compared with 501 pounds of corn on farms where no special effort was made to keep the pigs from becoming infested. Four ears of corn plus sanitation were equal to five ears without it.

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## Child Preacher



Harry Meyers Crawford, youthful pulpit orator, preached his first sermon at the age of five. In Chicago he celebrated the event of having preached 200 sermons in the middle west. He is eight years old. He is the son of Rev. R. H. Crawford, Chicago pastor, and six of his eight brothers have also preached. He is the fourth generation of a family of preachers.

## Flying to Stardom



Photo shows Ruth Elder, famous aviatrix, signing a contract to star in a Paramount film, "Glorifying the American Girl," for which Flo Ziegfeld spent two years searching for a star. Miss Elder is to start on an air tour to Albany, Buffalo, Cleveland and Detroit—an "A-B-C-D" tour—before beginning work on the film.

Mrs. J. L. Butler has returned from a weeks visit to relatives in Boiling Springs.

Mrs. O. P. Allen and children, of Shelby, spent the week-end here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Putnam.

A French poet tried out his verses on some caged lions, but unfortunately, he stood outside the cage to read them.



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