

to them, but in many cases we are obliged to carry all the water which they drink. Therefore we should make the hogs harvest as many of the crops as is practicable.

In the small pen it is impossible to keep the animals under sanitary conditions. If they are not kept under healthy conditions we are inviting disease to visit the herd, which means a loss instead of a profit. It will also be found that hogs will not make as rapid growth while kept shut up in small pens as when given the run of a small field.

CHOOSING A BREED

There are many breeds of hogs. Some breeds are better adapted to certain climatic conditions than others. For Florida there are several breeds that will be found well adapted to our needs.

Farmers wishing to produce pork should raise Berkshires, Poland-Chinas, Duroc-Jerseys, or Essex. Those wishing to produce bacon should raise Hamshires or Tamworths. A hog that is raised for pork alone or for bacon alone is more profitable to us than one that is raised for both pork and bacon. In general, Florida conditions are more favorable for pork than for bacon production.

In selecting a breed for Florida conditions it will be found advisable not to select a white one, as these do not do so well in our climate as the black or red breeds. White hogs sun-scald easily and become scurfy and mangy. When in such a condition they cannot be expected to grow and develop as they would if healthy. If given an abundance of shade and water at all times there is less trouble from this source.

However, the selection of the breed is a personal matter. A person should choose the one he fancies most and which will produce the results he desires. It may be that the Duroc-Jersey will meet with one's approval, while a neighbor will say that the Berkshire is the only breed for him. This is because he has had better success with Berkshires, and is probably better adapted temperamentally to that breed. Therefore, select the breed best liked, barring the white ones.

GRADING-UP

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