

### FEDERAL HATCHERY OF FISH SOUGHT AT LONG PINE CREEK

Isaak Walton League in Northwest Sponsors Move to Get United States Aid.

Long Pine, Neb., Dec. 15.—Chapters of the Isaak Walton League in northwest Nebraska, supported by individual sportsmen, are working diligently to secure establishment of a federal fish hatchery on Long Pine creek. The federal government has a hatchery in Wyoming, Colorado, South Dakota and Kansas, none of them being located as favorably as Long Pine.

State Game Warden Koster and Bill O'Brien, former superintendent of the state hatcheries, declare Long Pine creek, the Niobrara, Rock and Shell creeks, and other streams in western and northwestern Nebraska are ideal trout streams, and with a fair amount of attention in addition to that by the state, would soon become the greatest trout streams in the west.

Pine creek and Plum creek are the most important trout streams in northwest Nebraska, and are so situated as to afford ideal trout breeding places. Each runs through a deep canyon, with ample space for the construction of breeding ponds safely above overflow.

The Isaak Walton league is confident the necessary land may be had without expense to the government, and the outlay would be small, compared to the benefits resulting.

The only trout hatchery in Nebraska is at Valentine, and it has been unable to meet the demand for trout. It was furnished fry when fingerlings

are needed. Recently other trout hatcheries have been constructed on Rock Creek in Dundy county. The Gretna hatchery does not hatch trout fry.

The state game and fish department has been compelled to buy trout fry in Colorado and Wyoming to meet the local needs.

Nebraska congressmen will be asked to aid in securing a federal hatchery in Nebraska, and business interests are already proffering support.

### MOUNTAIN WIRELESS OPENED IN PYRENEES

Pyrenees Mountains, Dec. 13.—The first wireless transmitting station erected on a high mountain was opened recently at the Pyrenees, observed by Senator Paul Dupuy, whose inaugural address was the first message transmitted from the new station. A temporary aerial was used, the ninety-eight feet masts for the permanent aerial not having yet been hauled up the side of the mountain to the summit, which is 9,350 feet above sea level. The station will be used chiefly for broadcasting weather forecasts which should be of value to farmers in the southwest, southeast and probably the center of France, as these messages will be easily audible with an ordinary crystal set.

In his speech, Senator Dupuy said that the new station, the highest in the world, would permit of the investigation of many radio phenomena, such as "fading" and the influence of rarified atmosphere on the propagation of wireless waves.

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### FARM BUREAU NOTES

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#### Blast When Soil is Wet

Less pyrotol is required and better work is done. "Why is it that dynamite shoots better in wet ground than in ground that is dry?" writes one farmer to John S. Glass, assistant state extension agent in agricultural engineering, Nebraska College of Agriculture, Lincoln. Ground that is dry is full of pores and crevices which offer a place for the quickly expanding gases to be lost. In ground that contains water, all these places offer a more solid resistance than the stump and for that reason a smaller quantity of explosive is required under these conditions. In other words, dry ground is lacking in tightness and the stump offers more resistance than the ground while the reverse is true in wet ground.

This same reason holds true with pyrotol, the new war salvage explosive recently released to farmers of Nebraska for blasting stumps from cultivated fields. Pyrotol will give much better results in ground that contains water than in ground that is dry. In places where there is water standing in the bore hole, the cartridge of pyrotol should not be broken and the charge should be fired as soon as possible.

From work that has been conducted on blasting in dry ground as compared to blasting in wet ground, the dry ground blasting costs about one-third more. The amount of explosive used is increased in dry ground and likewise the labor cost is increased. Economize on pyrotol by doing blasting when the ground is saturated with moisture. One

pound of pyrotol used when the ground is wet will do the work of one and one half to two pounds used when the ground is dry. Plan your work so that the pyrotol is used at the time when it is most effective.

#### Stump Blasting a Success

Fred Woolsey said that the demonstration of blasting stumps on his farm in Cass county a short distance south of Union a few days ago was a big success and a large number of spectators were present at the time. The blasting was done by Will Partridge of Weeping Water, who was working with the Cass county agent, Mr. Woolsey says that this method of removing stumps from valuable land is very cheap and thorough. Many farmers in the same locality have arranged to have their stumps removed from their land.

#### Loosen the Brakes

Brakes are made to stop or to slow up a machine. Brakes are useful when applied at the right time and place. They are costly when they bear down at the wrong time. Many a farm business is hindered by a dragging brake. Unprofitable enterprises, a poor balance of enterprises, and boarder animals often cause the farm business brake to drag. A farm account book kept and studied will assist one to locate and adjust the farm business brakes. Try one of the books put out by the extension service.

#### STRIKER'S BODY TO MEET.

Seranton, Pa. Dec. 14.—The general committee of the 12 thousand Pittston mine workers will meet tomorrow to consider the demand made yesterday by the international investigating committee that they immediately call off the strike in the Pittstonfield.

### FARMERS ARE MAJORITY IN STATE LOWER HOUSE

Lawyers Next In Line; Two Women Included in Legislature and Five Editors.

Lincoln, Dec. 15.—Farmers or former farmers will have a majority of the membership of the lower house of the coming session of the legislature it developed today after an examination of the record of occupations of members filed with secretary of State Pool.

The record shows that there will be 45 farmers and ranchmen in the lower house, six retired farmers, and one farmer's wife. The latter is Mrs. Mabel Gillespie of Gretna. The total farming representation, is therefore, 52 out of a total of 100 members.

The lawyers are next in line in the house, with 16 members; then the real estate and insurance men, with ten. There are three physicians, two bankers, two editors, four retired merchants, two merchants, two school teachers, one railroad engineer, one implement dealer, one housewife, (Mrs. Clara C. Humphrey of Mullen) one telephone superintendent, one undertaker, one bridge contractor and one lumber dealer.

In the senate the farmers are also in the lead, although they lack a majority. Eleven members of the upper house come from the farms. The lawyers are next, with seven members. There are three bankers, three editors, and one each of contractors, salesman, retired, land owners, machinists, merchants, real estate men and accountants.

The two editors in the house are F. H. Taylor of the Table Rock Ar-

### PROHIBITION AGENTS GRAB 11,080 AUTOS

Washington, Dec. 13.—A total of 11,080 automobiles and trucks comprising the automotive vehicle seizures of the federal government, taken during the past three years, in the enforcement of the national prohibition act. The annual report of Prohibition Commissioner Haynes shows that from the sale of these confiscated automobiles a total of \$1,440,000 was realized, or an average of \$130 per vehicle.

Under the rules of the prohibition department most automobiles are sold by individual auction, although in cases of larger lots of cars and trucks—as in quarterly sales—the sale is such practices expensive automobiles have been bid in for as low as \$10, while "blind bids" have brought big sums for old cars.

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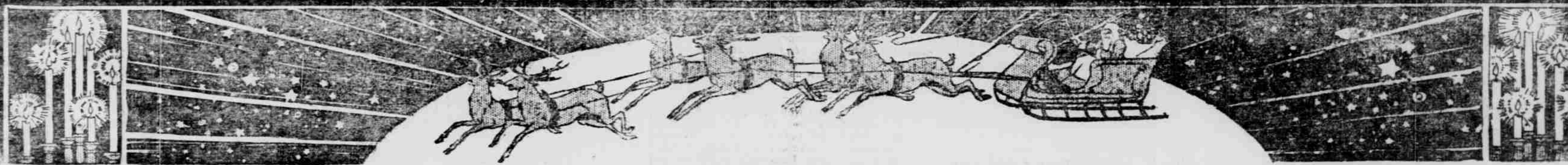
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