

Make Annual Roundup of Wild Island Ponies

There are many stories to account for the wild ponies on Chincoteague and Assateague and some other islands off the Virginia coast, but there seems to be nothing of an authoritative nature to explain their presence.

Some of the ponies off the Virginia coast have never seen a human and are very wild. The largest ponies measure about 13 hands high, and because their principal habitat is Chincoteague Island—a strip of land about nine miles long by a mile and a half wide—they are often referred to as Chincoteague ponies.

One of the stories concerns a Spanish nobleman who undertook to take advantage of the opportunities offered in the New world for horse breeding. He started over with a herd of the animals, but on the way the vessel was wrecked and he was lost, although some of the animals managed to find their way to the shore of Chincoteague.

This story is corroborated to some extent by the Indian legend concerning the origin of the animals at this point. Though the animals run wild, they are not public property, for they are owned by the persons who own the islands, and there is a round-up every year, when some of the animals are conveyed to the mainland and sold.

Animals Make Little Response to Pictures

During tests made in Berlin by Dr. Victor Mendel, animals and birds showed a rather surprising lack of response to moving pictures. The pictures were especially selected for each animal and animal group, and the experiments were made in an exhibition room especially adapted to the purpose.

The response of dogs was practically nil. Neither St. Bernard, setter, spaniel, poodle nor collie gave the slightest attention to the pictures. Only a little mongrel of doubtful origin evinced a momentary interest by sniffing at the human figures on the screen. The experiments with cats were much more favorable. Of five subjects, three responded actively, showing fight on the appearance of a big dog on the screen. Experiments with birds were rather negative. Geese and ducks, chickens and pigeons paid some attention, while owls showed great interest. Small birds and barnyard fowl showed anxiety when a hawk appeared in their line of vision. A squirrel displayed interest when a weasel made its appearance on the screen, but reptiles and fish were, as might have been expected, quite indifferent.

Fez Is Disappearing

The red cap worn by Turkish men received its name from Fez, a city in Morocco, where such caps were first made. Fez was long a seat of Arabian learning in Africa and is still regarded as a sacred city of Islam. Until recent times the city had a monopoly of the manufacture of Fez caps, it being supposed that the dye which gives the caps their dull crimson hue could not be obtained elsewhere. This dye is made of a berry which grows in profusion in the vicinity of Fez. The fez is made brimless to allow the wearer to bow his forehead to the carpet while praying in the mosque. This form of headgear, however, is fast losing its place in the national costume of Turkey.

Expression Is Old

"Paying through the nose" means to pay a fancy price for a thing—to pay more than it is worth—to get stung. The origin of the expression is lost in obscurity. There was a legend that Odin, the Norse god, imposed a tax resembling the modern poll tax. In Sweden it was called a nose tax, because it was a penny a nose. In default of payment the nose was supposed to be the forfeit. "Paying through the nose" may have originated with this myth. The French have a similar phrase—"payer par le nez."—Pathfinder Magazine.

Feed Through Roots

Roots anchor the trees to the ground, absorb water from the soil, and transport water to the stem, says the American Tree association. Without roots, trees could not stand up, for they supply water and food to the stem, branches, twigs, leaves and other parts of the crown. The principal work of the big roots near the stem is to help the trees stand up, while the fine root hairs at the end of the rootlets are the ones that absorb the water from the soil.

Fear Makes Poor Workers

"Employers of vision are fast learning that workers who fear losing their jobs are not half so efficient or original as those who have emancipated themselves from this very human curse," says Helen Woodward, successful woman advertising executive and author, in McClure's Magazine. "But there are still a great many who believe in making punctual machines of frightened and baffled workers, chained to the prison of a job."

Must Earn Success

One reason why so few men recognize opportunity is because it is disguised as hard work. If every one were willing to pay the price of success they would be more successful than they are today. Price is always hard work.—Grit.

FREMONT, NEB., NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. U. S. Watts and daughter, Marjorie, spent Christmas with their daughter, Mrs. Henry Jackson (Bernice Watts), of Kansas City, Mo. They arrived home the last of the week, reporting a pleasant trip.

Mr. Preston Shackelford left Sunday to continue his studies at Tech High after spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Smith. Miss Gretchen Cash of this city was the house guest of Rev. and Mrs. W. S. Metcalfe of Omaha during the week.

Miss Laura Newman of Grand Island spent her vacation in this city the guest of Miss Loisanne Herndon.

Mr. James Blackburn spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Blackburn of Omaha.

Mr. and Mrs. Palmer Jackson of Minneapolis, Minn., spent Christmas and the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Grant Whitehall. They left Monday for their respective homes.

St. James A. M. E. church held the First Quarterly Conference under the supervision of Presiding Elder Adams, on December 31, after which a watch meeting was held.

St. James A. M. E. church received a donation of \$50 from Mrs. Mary Stoddard and \$10 from Mrs. Charles Pillsbury, well wishers of the church.

Members of the younger set entertained at a delightful party Friday at the home of Miss Marjorie Watts in honor of Dwight Herndon of Iowa U. The evening was spent in dancing, after which refreshments were served.

Messrs. and Mesdames W. M. Cash and John South were hosts at a delicious dinner given on New Year's eve at the home of Mrs. Thomas Watts, complimenting Mr. and Mrs. Palmer Jackson. Covers were laid for 23. A very delightful time was had by all. Out-of-town guests were: Rev. and Mrs. W. S. Metcalfe, Rev. John Adams, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Jones and Mr. and Mrs. Hilton, all of Omaha.

LINCOLN, NEB., NEWS

Mrs. Eunice Redd left Saturday for her home in Atlantic City, N. J., after spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Gordon.

Mrs. Jordan of Leavenworth, Kan., spent several days with friends here.

Mrs. L. A. Jones returned to her home Saturday after spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Laura Johnson, and friends.

Lebanon Lodge No. 3, A. F. and A. M., held their annual St. John's banquet in the dining room of the Quinn Chapel A. M. E. church, on Tuesday night, December 27, 1927, at which a large number of friends, including Masons, wives and ladies of the Eastern Star were present. A sumptuous dinner was served. Mr. Z. L. Gordon was chairman of committees. A musical and literary program was rendered at intervals during the evening.

Mr. G. B. Evans was toastmaster, W. A. Johnson, W. M.

The Mary B. Talbot club, of which Mrs. Paul L. Moore is president, gave a banquet in the dining room of Mt. Zion Baptist church, Friday night, and in spite of bitter cold weather, a fair sized crowd was in attendance and enjoyed an elaborate feast. Music and speeches were listened to with interest. Mrs. L. A. Jones of Chicago, Mrs. J. H. Smith of Cheyenne, Wyo., Mrs. Eunice Redd of Atlantic City, N. J., and Mrs. Jordan of Leavenworth, Kan., were the out-of-city guests. Mrs. Lulu A. Jones of Chicago made the speech of the evening, her brother, Mr. Wm. N. Johnson of Chicago being unable to be present. Mrs. M. L. Todd was toastmistress, Mrs. Paul L. Moore, president.

Mrs. Anna Ray has improved from a recent accidental gas suffocation.

Members of Shady Rest assembled at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Deans Monday night and enjoyed a wild game feast.

T. T. McWilliams has been on the sick list the past week.

**N. W. WARE, Attorney
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION**

In the County Court of Douglas County, Nebraska.

In the matter of the estate of Thomas Phillips, Deceased.

All persons interested in said estate are hereby notified that a petition has been filed in said Court alleging that said deceased died leaving no last will and praying for administration upon his estate, and that a hearing will be had on said petition before said court on the 27th day of January, 1928, and that if they fail to appear at said Court on the said 27th day of January, 1928, at 9 o'clock A. M. to contest said petition, the Court may grant the same and grant administration of said estate to Etta Christensen or some other suitable person and proceed to a settlement thereof.

BRYCE CRAWFORD,
County Judge.

**H. J. PINKETT, Attorney
Notice By Publication on Petition for Settlement of Final Administration Account**

In the County Court of Douglas County, Nebraska.

In the matter of the estate of Walter Bell, Deceased.

All persons interested in said matter are hereby notified that on the 21st day of December, 1927, Addie Bell Moore filed a petition in said County Court, praying that her final administration account filed herein be settled and allowed, and that she be discharged from her trust as administratrix and that a hearing will be had on said petition before said Court on the 21st day of January, 1928, and that if you fail to appear before said Court on the said 21st day of January, 1928, at 9 o'clock A. M., and contest said petition, the Court may grant the prayer of said petition, enter a decree of heirship, and make such other and further orders, allowances and decrees, as to this Court may seem proper, to the end that all matters pertaining to said estate may be finally settled and determined.

BRYCE CRAWFORD,
County Judge.

CLAIM SOUTH AFRICAN LABOR CAN BE TREATED ANY WAY

New York, Jan. 6—According to The Daily Worker "European Africa will observe no other standard but its own conscience and follow no dictates but such as its own interests and reason prescribe," was the reply made by Premier Hertzog in a speech at Johannesburg recently to the numerous protests against the treatment of native African laborers. It is said that numerous British organizations—both labor and humane—have protested against the treatment of native labor in South Africa—particularly in the mines, where young African boys are employed and subjected to corporal punishment. Complaints have been made against the long hours, low wages and poor sanitary conditions under which natives are compelled to work.

It is said that Europeans in authority in the African sectors feel that sentimentalists in London and other metropolitan centers of Europe have gone too far with their "meddlesomeness" and plainly suggest and even declare that "there are enough things to occupy attention on the continent without striving to put silly notions into the heads of Africans." One official in Africa is said to have declared that they had a hard time now in holding the Negroes in their places and would thank these European busybodies to confine their welfare and humane agitations to the continent and leave the affairs of African administration in the hands of those appointed by the crown to administer.

**ED. F. MOREARTY, Attorney
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION**

In the County Court of Douglas County, Nebraska.

In the matter of the estate of Peter John Christensen, also known as Peter John Christenson, Deceased.

All persons interested in said estate are hereby notified that a petition has been filed in said Court alleging that said deceased died leaving no last will and praying for administration upon his estate, and that a hearing will be had on said petition before said court on the 28th day of January, 1928, and that if they fail to appear at said Court on the said 28th day of January, 1928, at 9 o'clock A. M. to contest said petition, the Court may grant the same and grant administration of said estate to Etta Christensen or some other suitable person and proceed to a settlement thereof.

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