

CORNHUSKER ITEMS

News of All Kinds Gathered From Various Points Throughout Nebraska.

OF INTEREST TO ALL READERS

United States District Attorney Allen at Lincoln filed a complaint with Commissioner Whitmore, charging Harry Kelly and Walter Ingham, the Howe bank robbers, with assaulting and robbing two employees of a Wichita, Kan., postoffice substation. The men are in the Nebraska penitentiary hospital convalescing from wounds received at the time of their capture.

Alleging the Skinner Packing company of Omaha is merely a gigantic holding corporation attempting to control three independent companies, the state has asked the supreme court to oust the company from Nebraska and appoint trustees to take charge of the property and assets and distribute them among the persons who have furnished the funds.

Several land owners near Irwin, Cherry county, have asked the state railway commission to compel the Northwestern railroad to put in regular bridges near their land to prevent backwater from inundating their farms. Culverts are now in use.

Frank A. Harrison, manager of Senator Johnson's Nebraska campaign, issued a statement at Lincoln, in which he bitterly scored delegates from this state for not standing by the senator at the Chicago convention. "Downright treachery," he cautions.

Quick work by members of the Chester Community club saved the farm home of John Kuhlmann when a fire started in his garage. Mr. Kuhlmann is a member of the club and his farm is considered one of the show places of Thayer county.

Governor McKelvie issued a statement at Lincoln in which he declared himself well pleased with the nomination of Senator Harding and Gov. Coolidge for president and vice-president by the republican convention at Chicago.

Reports have reached the state farm at Lincoln that the web worm is doing considerable damage to alfalfa fields in the Arkansas valley of Colorado. No signs of the pest have appeared in Nebraska so far.

Farmers of Dodge county are seeking farm labor and offer to hire men at the rate of \$70 and \$80 per month, board and room included. Only men who will work by the month are wanted.

Ord is becoming a regular bee hive of fishermen who are lifesting Swan Lake and other well known resorts in the district, and the tourist park, now available, is being extensively used.

The Buffalo county farm bureau has adopted a wage scale for farm laborers ranging from 30 to 50 cents per hour. Virtually all farmers in the county are members of the bureau.

Plans for the new \$5,000,000 capitol building at Lincoln are beginning to reach the office of the governor and have been placed in the custody of the secretary of state.

Camp Sheldon, the Young Men's Christian association boys' camp on the Platte river, near Columbus, opened June 16 with a large enrollment.

Contractors have begun work on McCook's new hotel, The Keystone. It is to be one of the finest hotels in Nebraska.

A special election will be held at Stapleton in the near future to vote bonds for the construction of an electric lighting plant.

Vaccination is being used on hogs in Dodge county to prevent the spreading of cholera which has appeared among a number of herds.

Federal census figures show the population of Lincoln county to be 23,420, an increase of 7,736 or 493 per cent since 1910.

Wheat will be ready to harvest in south-eastern Nebraska in about three weeks and all indications point to an excellent crop.

Adam Shellinger Post No. 8 of the American Legion of Nebraska City is planning to build a \$20,000 home at that place.

More than 1,200 pupils have enrolled for the summer term at the State Normal school at Kearney.

A movement is on foot to build a Farmers Union elevator at Stapleton.

Clarence Joseph Macken, 20-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Macken of Alliance, was instantly killed when a coil kicked him in the back of the head. The accident occurred on a farm near Alliance.

A new highway association has been organized by representatives of towns in southeastern Nebraska to be known as the Pawnee City-Wymore-Fairbury cut-off. The new highway will be routed from Pawnee City to Fairbury via Armour, Liberty, Wymore and Diller. Steps have been taken to put the road in the best of condition.

The Community club at Wahoo has succeeded in reorganizing the town band.

Land Commissioner Swanson is visiting a number of counties, including Pierce, Holt, Brown, Cherry, Sheridan, Scottsbluff, Box Butte, Grant, Hooker and Thomas, for the purpose of reappraising school lands.

Between 300 and 400 farmers and members and their families attended the state poultry field day picnic at the university farm at Lincoln. Douglas, Saunders, Dodge, Seward and Lancaster counties were represented.

Nebraska delegates to the republican convention at Chicago voted according to their conscience and instructions, said Delegate W. G. Ure on his return to Omaha. The delegation stood 12 to 4 for Johnson at the start, but gradually became a unit for Wood, the desire being to vote the delegation solidly on at least one ballot. Harding's votes on the tenth ballot came from Dietz, Beebe, Bergman and Richards, he said.

Charles W. Wentz, former manager of the American State bank of Aurora, who waived preliminary examination before Judge Jeffers, was released on \$10,000 bonds furnished by relatives. He will be tried at the next term of court on charges of embezzlement and grand larceny.

Two hundred pioneer workers in the cause of suffrage in Nebraska witnessed the formal birth of the new organization, the league of women voters, and the death of the old organization, the Nebraska Suffrage association, at the recent convention in Omaha.

Crop reports show winter wheat throughout the state progressing nicely toward harvest, without blight or pest, and with an estimated yield of close to 100 per cent predicted. Corn is reported doing nicely, and the first cutting of alfalfa is heavy.

A suit instituted by members of the Nebraska City lodge of the Woodmen of the World to prevent the head lodge of the order from putting into effect an increase in insurance rates, has been transferred to Fremont and will be argued before the court on June 28.

The Nye-Schneider-Fowler Elevator Co., at Fremont, has arranged for the opening of branches in Liverpool, Amsterdam and Brussels. This will mark the entry into the foreign field of the Nebraska Grain Co., one of the largest in this nation.

Several hundred dollars' worth of telephone supplies were destroyed when the Blossings hog barn at Ord burned to the ground the other night. Besides the supplies which were stored in the building, a team of mules, two horses and an automobile were lost.

Otto Smith, who is alleged to have stolen 21 head of cattle from the Ditch camp ranch, Holt county, and to have sold them to a Fremont banker, has been taken from Arkansas back to O'Neill for trial.

During the past ten days the government-state farm employment bureau at Lincoln has been swamped as never before with request for farm labor. Most of the calls are from farmers of this state.

Besides a large amount of fine building brick, the big brick yard at Table Rock is turning out 60,000 tile per week. Prospects are good for an excellent business this season.

There are over 22,000 persons buried at Omaha's largest cemetery, Forest Lawn, which is more than there are living in any Nebraska City outside of Omaha and Lincoln.

Assessors have been asked by the state department of finance, revenue and taxation to see that all state school lands are taxed to the extent of the contract holders' interest.

At a mass meeting of Custer county citizens at Arnold plans were laid to obtain enough leases on the oil rights in the district to insure the putting down of a test well.

At a special election held at Decatur a \$10,000 electric light bond proposition was defeated by 77 votes. The money was to be used for enlarging the city's plant.

Work on the federal and state aid road extending thru Buffalo county, east and west, is progressing nicely. The outfit moves at a rate of about one mile a day.

Rev. Dr. E. E. Hosman of the Methodist church at Ord preached an automobile service last Sunday and in connection made a check of all cars at the church.

W. A. Coe, movie theatre proprietor at Friend, reached for a rifle at his home to kill a cat, and the weapon was accidentally discharged, killing him almost instantly.

The Saunders county pure bred livestock breeders association has a membership of over seventy and is securing new members daily.

The Farmers State bank of Wood River has been granted a charter by the state banking bureau with a capital stock of \$50,000.

A big Chicago firm is making a survey of Otoe county with a view of establishing a cement factory at Nebraska City.

Six spans of the long wooden bridge across the Platte south of Shelton have been washed out the past month.

Douglas county post of the American Legion has organized a brass band.

It is reported that material is arriving daily to be used in sinking an oil well east of Wymore.

The Nebraska division of the Evangelical synod of North America is planning to build a hospital at Lincoln, which is expected to be one of the best in the state.

While there was some disappointment expressed among republicans at Lincoln and Omaha because a western man was not chosen vice-president by the Chicago convention, they are not inclined to be other than loyal to Harding and Coolidge, it seems.

Reports from over the state indicate that the warm weather is working wonders with the corn crop and farmers are in high spirits.

R. F. Hutchins, real estate man of Omaha, was instantly killed near Fremont, when an automobile he was driving overturned. His companion, a young woman, was slightly hurt.

Annexation of nine old school districts bordering the union center consolidated school district of Gage county was defeated at a special election by a vote of 78 for the proposal to 116 against.

DECLARES MONEY BEAT WOOD

Nicholas Murry Butler, Delegate to Chicago Convention, Says Motley Crowd Centered on General.

New York.—Charges that "a motley group of stock gamblers, oil and mining promoters, munition makers and other like persons seized on so good a man as General Wood and with reckless audacity started out to buy for him the presidential nomination," were made in a statement given out here by Nicholas Murry Butler, an unsuccessful republican candidate.

"It was a cause of genuine sorrow to me as to many others of General Wood's personal friends," he said, "to see him put in this unhappy position. There was nothing to do to save the republican party but to defeat the band of men behind him with their bank accounts. This meant we had to defeat General Wood.

"The forces defeated in their insolent attempt to buy the nomination represent all that is worst in American political life. It is really too bad they hit upon General Wood as their choice. They should have found someone to support for whom the country has less respect and less regard.

"The chief task of the convention was to prevent the sale of presidential nominations at auction to the highest bidder. Had this not been done the party faced not only certain defeat, but crushing dishonor. The sixty-eight New York delegates who voted for me on the first ballot were the chief factor in stopping the Hindenburg drive to overwhelm the convention by the power of unlimited money and by strongarm methods in preferential primaries.

The story of New York's sixty-eight votes for Butler shows, the statement said, how General Wood was defeated. It points out that the first ballot gave Wood a substantial lead, and that "the first task, therefore, was to bring the vote of his nearest rival, Governor Lowden, at least up to Wood's vote."

MOB LYNCHES THREE.

Negroes Charged With Assault Hanged at Duluth.

Duluth, Minn.—Three negroes were lynched here by a mob estimated at 5,000 persons, which overpowered the police, took possession of police headquarters and seized the prisoners, who were held in connection with an attack on a young white girl.

Not a shot was fired in the attack on the police station, the members of the mob using bricks and other missiles, and in the final stages of the fight streams of water from fire hose taken from the police themselves.

A mock trial was held by the mob in the station and three negroes were found guilty and three others held in connection with the assault were acquitted and turned back to the police.

The negroes were roustabouts with a circus that appears here, and the alleged attack on the 17-year-old white girl took place on the circus grounds. The negroes hanged were Isaac McGhie, Elmer Jackson and Nate Green, all about 22 years old. All professed their innocence.

Unite to Form Third Party.

Chicago, Ill.—Amalgamation of the "Committee of 48," labor party, Non-partisan league and Single-tax league is in prospect at the convention called here July 10 to form a third party. It has been announced.

Leaders of the Committee of 48 and the labor party are to confer on a candidate.

A questionnaire sent to members of the committee showed a majority in favor of the candidacy of Senator Robert M. LaFollette.

Scores Nebraska Delegation.

Lincoln, Neb.—"Downright treachery, which Hi Johnson will not soon forget or forgive the Nebraska delegation," is the term applied to the movement that broke the Johnson ranks by Frank A. Harrison, manager of Johnson's Nebraska campaign.

"It was treachery and desertion of delegates from the instructed states that broke the heart of the Johnson movement," Harrison declared on his return from Chicago.

Plague Spreading.

Pensacola, Fla.—With the announcement that a second case of bubonic plague had been officially reported, city authorities have started a rat extermination campaign in an effort to prevent the spread of the disease.

Believe Black Hand at Work.

Easthampton, L. I.—Following the theft of \$400,000 worth of jewels from the home of Enrico Caruso, the explosion of a bomb in Havana in the theater where Caruso is singing, Mrs. Caruso engaged an extra set of detectives to protect herself and her baby from kidnaping.

Thomas J. Corrigan, head of a private detective force, said there is some basis for suspicion of black hand, possibly by the mafia.

Air Ferry Successful.

Paris.—So successful has the London-Paris air ferry proved that there are now three expresses each way daily, with four on Thursdays and Saturdays. Three companies are in the field, one for heavy freight up to one ton in weight. It is now possible to visit Paris in the morning at 9 o'clock and be back in London at 11:30, while at 6:30 p. m. the same day one may be back in the French capital eating dinner.

DADDY'S EVENING FAIRY TALE

By Mary Graham Donner

ZOOLAND FOLK.

Mother Hippopotamus, who loved her baby so and who was such a good mother, began to think how queer many of her neighbors were here in the zoo. She was new to the zoo—that is she had not been in the zoo such a great while and as she thought of herself as being a queer, big creature she thought that after all other animals, too, were queer!

In fact, every one was queer who wasn't like every one else she decided, and as it was impossible for every one to be like every one else, practically every one was queer!

She thought of how other mothers didn't welcome their babies in the water when they were born. They put them in cots or on straw or in feathered nests.

Her baby she had had with her in the water. There she had told it of the ways of a hippopotamus, there she had fed and loved and looked after it.

"Certainly there are a lot of queer creatures," she said, "and all of them have such different ways of doing things."

"That's so," said the nilgai, a creature like a big deer. His head was high in the air and his nose was wet and his big eyes soft and very lovely.

"Now there is the white llama," he said. "She is small, far too small I think. And then there is a queer creature in the zoo named the pelican. He has a long pink beak and food has a long way to go before he can swallow. I believe that is the way it is."

"There are the black and white llamas as well as the white ones. They're like big lambs. And there is a small antelope like the gray deer. He too has to be a little different."

"There is a deer in another yard nearby (with his feet on the bars of his yard) being stroked by the keeper. He is so tame! And there is the zebra and the baby zebra—all striped."

"Yes," said Mother Hippopotamus, "it seems strange to me why they like those striped suits. They aren't the things I like. And in the spring they shed a great deal of their fur and have fresh hairs and look all nice and neat. But they never change the stripes. Never, never."

"Now, a sensible thing I do, is to keep Mr. Hippopotamus away when I'm looking after my baby and if my baby is young. He doesn't understand the big-little-one as I do. And besides I'm boss, I am. He wouldn't treat the baby as I would, and so I take charge of affairs. Many mothers in the animal world do this, which is very wise."

"But there are other queer zooland folk. The red fox, wildcat, lynx, the jackall, who is something like a dog, the striped tail dog, the old skunk, the fishes who eat worms and yet who aren't birds and have fins instead of wings! My, but they're all a queer lot."

"Yes," continued Mother Hippopotamus, "and there is the Tasmanian devil, a little animal who comes from Tasmania who has a bad-sounding voice and a very saucy manner. No one will speak to him and call him by name, for his name is so horrible that no one will say it."

"There are the mother snakes who leave the daddy snakes to see about the children and then leave the children, for they can't be bothered looking after them. They go off to catch fish or insects or some food. And the little snakes look after themselves. That seems very strange to me."

"Oh," said the nilgai, "it is a strange world and a strange zoo. There is the emu, for example, who helps his mate with the children. They pluck their feathers and try to keep their queer haystack-looking bodies in good condition. They sleep like birds with head under the wing. And they have two toes where a horse would have one toe!"

"There is the curassow with the yellow hump and red on his nose, and who speaks in a little squealing, chirping voice. There is Mrs. Tiger who has been known to eat her own children."

"There is the monda with the sore throat who is being given his food by a tube. There is a big tame lizard who is his neighbor. We're living in a queer zoo."

"And I'm as queer as any creature in it," laughed Mother Hippopotamus.

Keep Stepping Along.

"Keep stepping along" is a good slogan for classes of all grades. If we can't step a long step, short steps with determination behind them will accomplish the same thing.

"BETTER SIRES—BETTER STOCK"



Poster Tells Better Sires Message.

To present pictorially the results of good breeding methods, the United States department of agriculture has prepared a four-color poster which is now ready for distribution in two sizes, 18 by 30 inches and 10 by 14 inches.

It deals particularly with the better sires movement and is available to those interested in livestock improvement. Requests, stating size desired, may be addressed to the division of publications, United States department of agriculture, Washington, D. C.

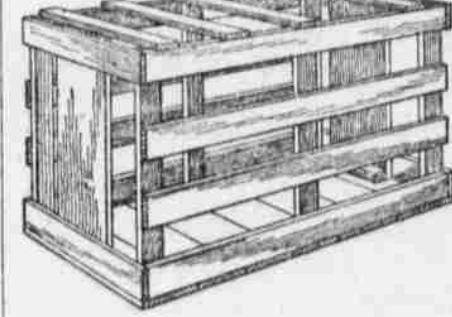
MAKE PRACTICAL HOG CRATE FOR SHIPPING

Purebred Animals Should Be Handled With Great Care.

Specialists of United States Department of Agriculture Recommend Case in Which Side Slats Are Nailed on Outside.

Farmers who raise purebred hogs need practical and strong hog crates in which to ship the animals. Specialists of the United States department of agriculture recommend a crate in which the side slats are nailed on the outside, and by which the same amount of lumber will give two inches more space than if the slats were placed on the inside.

The front of the crate is closed by putting in a board standing endwise instead of nailing slats crosswise, the commonly accepted procedure. The former method is better because the end can be opened readily and the hog can walk out with ease instead of being forced to back out, as in the ordinary crate. In addition, when the slats



Build the Crate to Fit the Hog.

are nailed crosswise, especially when the crate is used for old hogs, they may be pushed off or broken into while in transit, and sometimes allow the hogs to escape.

For a properly constructed crate the sides should be made first, and the floor, top, and ends built around them. The floor should be laid crosswise, which will make the crate stronger. Only good, strong boards should be used. One 12-inch board or two 8-inch boards are sufficient for the ends. A block should be nailed to the floor 1 inch from each end to keep the end boards from slipping inward. The crate should be built to fit the hog to be shipped and should be large enough for comfort. A well-built crate may prevent serious injury to the hog in transit. A crate of suitable size for a hog weighing from 250 to 300 pounds is 2 feet wide, 4 feet 8 inches long, and 2 feet 8 inches high.

In building the sides of the crate it is essential to use nails sufficiently long to allow one-fourth-inch clinch.

BANK FAVORS BETTER SIRES

Institution of Bend, Ore., Purchases Purebred Sheep to Distribute Among Farmers.

"Better Bulls, Bucks and Boars Build Bigger Bank Balances," says the First National bank of Bend, Ore.; and to prove it they bought an \$800 Rambouillet buck and 74 purebred Rambouillet ewes to distribute among sheepmen in central Oregon—the first purebred sheep in Deschutes county.

CLEAN CARS PREVENT SPREAD OF DISEASES

Disinfection Is Considered to Be Important Factor.

Bureau of Animal Industry Co-operates With Various States by Having Its Officers Supervise Work of Cleansing.

The cleaning and disinfection of railroad stock cars is considered to be a very important factor in preventing the spread of infectious diseases of live stock. In connection with federal control over the interstate transportation of live stock, administered by the bureau of animal industry, it is required that all such cars or other vehicles which have contained animals affected with a communicable disease, such as tick fever, scabies of sheep and cattle, hog cholera, etc., be cleaned and disinfected under bureau supervision before being again used in interstate commerce.

All live stock received at public stockyards or at official slaughtering establishments are inspected at the time they are received by employees of the bureau of animal industry. If any animals are found to be affected with a communicable disease the carrier which brought them to their destination is at once notified to have the car or other vehicle set aside and thoroughly cleaned. After that has been accomplished it is disinfected under the personal supervision of a federal employee.

Various states also have regulations requiring that cars must be cleaned and disinfected before being used in the transportation of certain classes of live stock. The bureau of animal industry co-operates with such states by having its employees at central markets supervise the cleaning and disinfection of cars in compliance with the requirements of the state to which any stock may be destined.

An idea of the magnitude of this work may be gathered from the fact that during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1919, bureau employees personally supervised the disinfection of 44,843 cars. In addition a large number of motor trucks were handled in the same manner.

LIVE STOCK NOTES

Pigs make pork, pork makes money, money makes the mare go. Save every pig.

Pigs should never have birthdays, unless they are being saved for breeding stock.

Grains should be fed as a part of the balanced ration. Study the analyses of your grains.

A purebred animal never does well in the hands of a scrub owner, but a scrub animal sometimes does wonders in the hands of a purebred owner.

Authorities on bovine tuberculosis relate that the plague is often spread by creeks and streams wherein infected milk or the washings from infected cans have been dumped.