

CORNHUSKER ITEMS

News of All Kinds Gathered From Various Points Throughout Nebraska.

OF INTEREST TO ALL READERS

An unknown bandit knocked F. S. Tucker, Rock Island cashier at Fairbury, unconscious as he stepped from his office, and robbed him of \$525 which was to have been deposited in a local bank.

The Nebraska college of agriculture is setting a new record with a 7-year-old Holstein cow. In 283 days she produced 24,881.8 pounds of milk and 1,104 pounds of butter.

Henry Warnke, from near Fairbury, reports the record corn yield for Jefferson county, 100 bushels an acre. Another field on his farm yielded seventy-five bushels.

Frank Kennedy, secretary of the state labor department, says there is a shortage of 5,000 corn huskers in Nebraska. Farmers are paying 6 and 8 cents a bushel.

Stanford Grill, 17-year-old captain and star end of the Decatur high school football team, is dead from injuries received in a football game at Pender September 23.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Chambers and Mrs. Clara Speice, of Columbus, have gone to Vancouver, B. C., whence they will sail for the Orient for a three months' tour.

Representatives of a number of commercial clubs of the state held a conference in Lincoln and drew up a constitution for the state Chamber of Commerce.

Over 100 applications for trained nurses' certificates have been filed preliminary to the state examinations soon to be held in Lincoln and in Omaha.

A fund of over \$1,200 has been raised by Omaha friends to assist the family of Fred Blazek, who was killed while fighting a fire at that place recently.

Those in attendance declare the meetings of the state teachers at Omaha last week were the best yet held. The registration was nearly 5,000.

Henry Hansen, near Benson, the father of twelve children, and who came to this country from Germany in 1878, has been admitted to citizenship.

Iola Vincent, Omaha, and Irene Hurlington, Lincoln, were the only two girls in a class of twelve applicants for admission to the state bar.

The Fidelity National bank of Aurora has changed to a state bank and has opened under the name of the Fidelity State Bank.

W. H. Osborne, jr., secretary of the state board of equalization, has been appointed state tax commissioner by Governor McKelvie.

Lincoln was chosen as the meeting place of the next conference of mid-west farm bureaus, which will be held early next January.

C. D. Williamson, formerly of Washington, Kans., has been called to the pastorate of the Presbyterian church at Hebron.

The tenth annual convention of the Nebraska State Irrigation association will be held in Gering on January 18, 19 and 20.

University of Nebraska students interested in journalism are planning the formation of a university press club.

It is understood that work on the new state house at Lincoln will not be begun until some time next summer.

Fremont Rotarians have stocked Lyman lake, near that place, with 30,000 minnows from the state fishery.

John Carpenter, farmer and proprietor of a store at Willis, lost his life in a fire that destroyed the store.

Heavy rains have delayed corn husking in Saline county, two inches having fallen in some sections.

Business women of Kearney have organized and are preparing to establish a Y. W. C. A. in Kearney.

Everett J. Lake, republican governor-elect of Connecticut was a former resident of Stromsburg.

A special election may be called to decide whether Sunday movies will be permitted at Hastings.

Allen V. Grammer, sentenced to be executed last week, has been granted his 13th reprieve.

District Court at Geneva had fifty-three cases on the docket.

Mildred Kennedy, Loup City high school student, fell downstairs at the school and ran a pencil into her arm several inches. An operation was necessary to remove it.

The United Electric Co. of Lexington has contracted with the village board of Smithfield to run a transmission line across country and furnish light and power for that place.

The University of Nebraska football eleven may tackle Princeton next fall. This announcement is made by Athletic Director F. H. Luehring following the return of the Cornhuskers from their eastern tour.

In a general order issued to all local posts the state department of the G. A. R. announces that all elections of officers must be held at the December meeting and that at that time also the delegates to the state encampment at Hastings in May must also be elected and certified to headquarters. Each post is entitled to one delegate and alternate, and to an additional delegate for each twenty-five members.

The constitution of Nebraska as amended by vote of the people from time to time since 1875, including amendments proposed by the recent constitutional convention, has been printed in pamphlet form. It is a reproduction of the compilation as made by the convention and filed with the secretary of state.

Charles Shaw, senior vice commander of the Lincoln Post of Veterans of Foreign Wars, has been notified that he has been awarded a medal and \$1,000 for his part in sinking the German submarine which had destroyed the American ship Covington. Mr. Shaw was a gunner in the navy.

Bishop Homer C. Stuntz, head of the Methodist church in Nebraska, was the guest of honor at a banquet of Methodist of the North Platte valley at Scottsbluff, when 250 churchmen and women of that place, Gering, Mitchell, Minatare, Bayard and other towns of that section gathered to pay their respects.

University of Nebraska, up to 1920, had a registration of 5,958 pupils, including summer and extension school enrollment, and was ninth in enrollment of the publicly supported schools of the country, according to statistics published in a recent issue of the Literary Digest.

Due to a change in the date of the Clay county poultry show the show of the co-operative association of Fillmore county has been set for December 1 to 3. Entries will need to be closed at 10:30 p. m., November 30.

Henry Rostau of Havelock, a student of Midland college, at Fremont, met death in the Y. M. C. A. pool at that place. He was a guest at the Y and had been watching some friends play basketball.

J. P. Lawrence, for the past three years connected with the university college of agriculture, at Lincoln, has gone to Alliance as acting manager of the Nebraska Potato Growers' Co-operative Exchange.

Princeton has challenged the University of Nebraska to a debate, to be held in Lincoln during the Christmas holidays. Prof. Fogg has wired that he believed the contest could be arranged.

The Fremont skating club has decided to build a skating rink for the benefit of the school children who have had to travel a number of miles in past winters to find a suitable place to skate.

The Hebron Woman's club will raise funds to finance the Salvation Army at that place, and will also erect a soldiers' monument in the cemetery. Home talent will stage a minstrel show.

"Standish of Standish," a play with New England setting of three hundred years ago, was given by the book review department of the Woman's club of Geneva to a large crowd.

Two sisters were brides in a double wedding at Columbus, when Herman L. Mueller and Miss Anna Nelson, Manville G. Reeves and Miss Gladys Nelson were united in marriage.

Night classes are being held at the Havelock high school, at which studies being taken are: Cooking, sewing, gas engines, sheet metal working, drawing and electrical work.

John McConnell of Beatrice, postmaster at that place for a number of years, is dead, at the age of 85. He was the father of thirteen children, eight of whom survive him.

Omaha is the victim of too many tag days, according to Mayor Smith, who has suggested that charitable and welfare organizations ought to be financed by annual budgets.

Proposed incorporation of the Nebraska State Bar association will be considered at the twenty-first annual convention of that organization, at Lincoln, December 27-28.

Professor James H. Frandsen, one of the best known dairy experts in the state and a member of the staff of the university dairy department, has resigned his position.

The city council of Central City has brought suit against the Central Power company of Grand Island to enjoin them from shutting off electric power in the city.

Fred Gain's store, Winter's tailor shop, Hohenbeck barber shop and the library of Ansley, were totally destroyed by fire, the origin of which is unknown.

McCook Knights of Columbus will build a three-story council hall next spring. They have purchased a valuable lot and are now arranging plans.

The department of conservation and soil survey has sent five motion picture reels, showing the Nebraska state fair to Tulsa, Okla., where they will be shown before an agricultural conference.

There is an urgent demand for telegraph operators for the Washington-Alaska telegraph and cable system, Capt. A. E. Whitworth of the signal corps, U. S. A., Omaha recruiting office, announces.

Following is a list of the schools which have made application for admission to the state high school debating league: Battle Creek, Bloomfield, Burwell, College View, Cowles, Dana College Academy, Diller, Emerson, Hastings, Lawrence, Ord, Randolph, Red Cloud, Republican City, St. Paul, Wakefield, Wesleyan Academy, and Wisner, and a number of others are making arrangements to become eligible.

Penn State defeated the University of Nebraska football team, 20 to 0, by a combination of forward passes and long runs.

FRANCE READY TO CO-OPERATE.

Federal Court Renders Decision Declaring Three Cents Per Mile is Reasonable Rate.

Paris.—The view is expressed in official circles that the French government will be ready to co-operate with the authorities at Washington in forming something different from the covenant of the league of nations as drawn at Versailles.

This statement was made in official quarters in referring to the declaration of President-elect Harding, as cabled from Marion to the French press, to the effect that the Versailles covenant was now "deceased." This is interpreted by officials as applying to the covenant as drawn at Versailles, and as indicating that some other agreement must take its place. To that end, it was stated by officials, the French government would be ready to give its collaboration.

To Create Tax Commission.

Lincoln.—The creation of a tax commissioner by the new constitution of the state will probably be the only appointment which Governor McKelvie will have to make when he again takes the oath of office in 1921, unless he should find some resignations or should "fire" some of the men who have held office for the past two years. Secretary Osborne of the state board of assessment and equalization is likely to secure the appointment.

CANNOT ENFORCE 2-CENT LAW.

Federal Court Says Three Cents is Reasonable Fare.

Omaha.—Nebraska's people will continue paying 3 cents per mile railroad fare until the legislature meets and enacts a new railroad fare law or the United States court renders a new decision. The federal court, with Judges Sanborn, Wade and Woodrough, has passed a decision making an injunction of the temporary restraining order issued some months ago preventing the Nebraska state railway commission from enforcing the Nebraska 2-cent fare law.

Following the decision of the court, Commissioner Thomas L. Hall said the state commission will hold a meeting next week and decide upon the further steps to be taken in the fight to keep the rates down.

Bank Earnings Largest in History.

Washington, D. C.—Earnings of National banks during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1920, were the greatest in their history, according to a compilation made by John Skelton Williams, comptroller of the currency. He reports they earned 24 per cent net on their capital, and 13 per cent on capital and surplus. The gross earnings increased \$59,000,000 in seven years, or 115 per cent.

Nebraska Team Defeats Rutgers.

New York.—The University of Nebraska football team defeated Rutgers here at the Polo grounds, 28 to 0. The light Rutgers eleven was unable to stand the line plunging of the Cornhuskers, who did not use the expected open style play, but kept to straight football.

Armenians Are Massacred.

London.—The Armenian town of Hadjin has been captured by Turkish nationalists, who have massacred the inhabitants, numbering 10,000, according to a dispatch to the Armenian bureau in London. These Armenians had been holding out against the attacking forces since March last.

Dry Measure Loses in South Dakota.

Huron, S. D.—The South Dakota direct legislation organization in a statement declares that returns received by it from county auditors showed that the prohibitory law submitted to a direct vote of the people to strengthen prohibition enforcement in this state was defeated by a majority of more than 10,000 at the late election.

Flour Lowest in Four Years.

Minneapolis, Minn.—For the first time in almost four years, flour sold under \$10.00 a barrel at the mills here last week. Quotations on family patents broke 35c to 37c, making the range of prices \$9.95 to \$10.00 a barrel.

Roscommon, Mich.—Mrs. Jane Johnson, republican, defeated Walter Gardner, democrat, for sheriff of Roscommon county. Mrs. Johnson will succeed her husband, A. H. Johnson, who is completing four years in the sheriff's office.

Allied Veterans to Meet in Paris.

Paris.—An inter-allied conference of organizations representing allied combatants in the world war will open in Paris November 28. The United States, through the American Legion in France, Great Britain, Belgium, Italy and Czechoslovakia, will be represented.

London.—The executive officers of

the American Legion have decided to declare the coal strike ended and advise the men to resume work.

Asks Leave to Increase Capital.

Washington, D. C.—The Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad has applied to the Interstate Commerce commission for authority to increase its capital stock by \$90,000,000 and to issue 6 per cent first and refunding mortgage bonds to the amount of \$109,000,000. The issue of capital stock would be distributed pro-rata among the stockholders of the road. This would transfer to capital account \$99,000,000 of the railroad's account of about \$290,000,000.



THE STORM.

"Ah," said Mother Ocean, "we're going to have a party tonight, my dears. We're going to see who can roar the hardest and who can blow the longest and who can race the fastest and jump the highest.

"We're going to have fine games and sports. We're going to have all sorts of wonderful things. The boats will be safe. The lighthouses and the buoys will warn them when they get near the rocks, and the lighthouse tenders were all about today.

"Those are the ships which look after the lighthouses and the buoys and see that they are working all right and that they will light and ring and so forth.

"Then these tenders or ships take around food to those who live in the lighthouses.

"The strange bushes and trees with their curious shapes which are around these seaside parts will blow and blow about, for all I care," Mother Ocean said.

"Even the little, short, squat bushes will blow about, and all the leaves which aren't off already, will come off tonight.

"Are you ready, my darlings?" asked Mother Ocean.

"We are all ready," they called back.

There were the Breaker Brothers and the White Capped Boys and King Foam and Mr. Tide and Miss Heavy Surf, and all of the other children and grandchildren of Mother Ocean.

There were the different colored shells, some of them in the water and some of them along the beach.

In the different colored shells lived the different colored shell fairies.

There were the Blue Fairies living in the Blue Shells and the Yellow Fairies living in shells that looked a little yellow in color.

And there were the White Fairies and the Gray Fairies and the Brown Fairies. They wore dresses to match the shells where they lived.

When children dug holes in the sand and used them to help when they made their turrets and towers and

Shell Fairies.

when they bent over them looking at them the shell fairies never made a sound and they looked so like their homes that they were never seen, even when they were looked straight at!

How amused they had been to see the children in their different colored bathing suits throughout the summer play right by the edge of the water where the tide had often come up and washed their feet a how-do-you-do!

"Well," said Mother Ocean, "the day has suited me to perfection. It has been clear and cool and windy. I have felt very much dressed up, for I have worn all my jewels today and every one has said how beautifully I sparkled. It isn't always that I take all the jewels out of my jewel case, but I did today. Ah yes, I did today.

"And I've had such a nice day that I want to end it up with a regular storm and with lots of games.

"See, everything is becoming very windy now. Dear Mr. Wind is helping me. He helped today with a fine old sandstorm. The sand blew over the people who came down to see the storm and over the dogs who came with the people. I don't think the dogs cared so much about admiring the storm. They didn't pay any attention to it, anyway.

"Ah, how blue is the coast line, and the sky, and I still am wearing my blue dress. We're all in different colors of blue, but now we will all change and we will have games and fun.

"People will call it a storm, but we will call it a great party.

"Come, it is evening now, come my children, come my friends, let us blow and roar and race and jump and play and laugh and frolic, for old Mother Ocean likes this sort of a party, she likes it very much indeed."

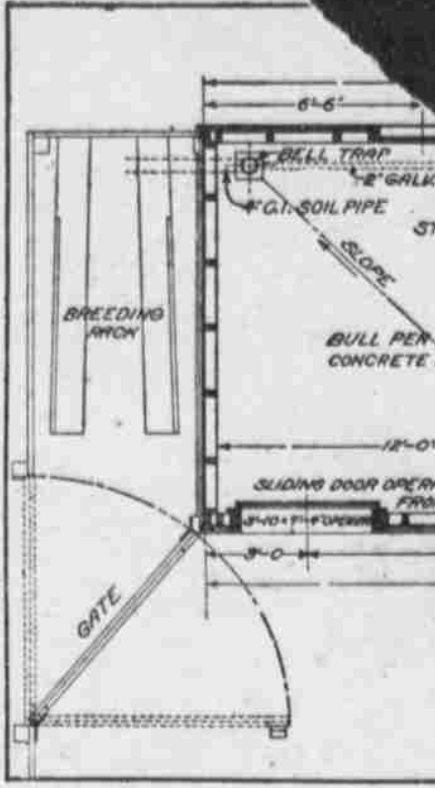
And from the great storm that followed, and the excitement around Mother Ocean everyone could tell that Mother Ocean did enjoy her party for she never got tired at all for three whole days and three whole nights while her party lasted.

About Promises.

Never give a near promise. Never say something which may be construed as a promise, but which isn't quite one, and then, when the time comes, take refuge in saying: "Why, I never promised at all. You misunderstood."

Keep watch of what you are saying and stand over yourself with a club so that you will never say a thing you do not intend to do.

MANY WAYS TO BECAUSE



Plan of Recommended Safe-keeper Pen for Ugly Bulls.

"Far too many valuable bulls are being lost to the dairy world because they become ugly or dangerous to handle," remarked an agent of the dairy division, United States Department of Agriculture, who recently returned from a field trip.

It is true that bulls are dangerous, especially the older ones, and none of them should be trusted; but it is not until a bull has reached full maturity, with the resulting size and temperament which make him hard to handle, that his worth as a sire can be proved.

Selling bulls as soon as they begin to lose the gentleness of immaturity simply means that breeders must forever rely on untried sires, and it is merely a matter of luck whether the resulting offspring is good or not.

A Characteristic Quality.

"Dangerous as a mad bull" is a proverb. Yet it must be remembered that such madness is a characteristic quality of bulls. Not only some bulls but all bulls are subject to outbursts of violence from time to time. These do not necessarily signify either craziness or anger on the part of the bulls, but often simply the aggressiveness which indicates vigor and good health. What is called playfulness, therefore, may be mere playfulness.

On the other hand sometimes a bull may become really ugly, showing a desire to fight and destroy. But whether the animal's behavior is due to playfulness or bad temper makes no difference. In either case the bull should not be trusted, but a proper pen will make it unnecessary to lose a valuable bull by selling him for beef simply because of his refractory conduct. This character merely means that the bull should be kept and handled in such a way that the owner (or keeper, if it is in a bull association) is not exposed to attack. This object can be attained by keeping the animal in the right sort of house and pen.

Such a pen has recently been devised and described by specialists of the dairy division. Fear of ugly bulls has been one difficulty which organizers of bull associations have met

with in their work, and the same fear on the part of individual owners has led to the slaughter and loss of great numbers of excellent sires. In view of these facts it has been recognized that it is needful to have a pen which will make it easy and reasonably safe for the breeder to keep and care for the fiercest bull by avoiding the necessity of coming in contact with the animal without the protection of a fence.

It is always unsafe to count upon the good disposition of any bull whatever. No bull is to be trusted. The pen which has been devised, however, lessens the danger to such an extent that the question of whether a bull should be kept on service may be decided on the ground of his value as a sire, and not with reference to whether he is good-natured or ugly.

Essential Features.

The essential features of the plan are (1) to feed and water the bull without entering his stall; (2) to have a large yard for him to exercise in, built so that he cannot break out, but of easy exit for anyone going into the yard; and (3) to have an adjustable gate, by means of which the bull can be turned into his exercise yard, into the breeding stall, or into the stable, and held there at the keeper's will, without the keeper having to enter the enclosure. Then, when the bull is let out into the yard, he can be shut out there while his stable is cleaned. When a cow is placed in the breeding stall, the handling of the bull can all be done from the outside, where the keeper is entirely safe. If it is deemed desirable to keep the bull in one end of the cow stable during the winter, the specially constructed yard can be built on the outside of the cow stable.

This style of bull pen keeps the keeper safe. It also keeps the bull safe from the butcher. Plans for the safe-keeper pen will be supplied by the dairy division, United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., to those who have bulls in charge. Factors of safety in fencing the yard are also pointed out in connection with these plans.

EFFICIENCY OF CORN FOR CATTLE FEEDING

Necessary to Add Proteins to Encourage Growth.

More Rapid Gains Obtained Where Soy Bean or Cottonseed Press Cake Was Added—Experimenting Along This Line.

It has now been known for some years that corn by itself is not an economical cattle feed. The reason for this is that about one-half of the proteins in corn are deficient in some of the essential compounds needed to produce growth. In order to make corn more efficient, it is therefore necessary to mix the corn with other feeds which contain an abundance of those compounds which are lacking in corn. Experiments along this line have recently been carried out by the United States Department of Agriculture. It has been shown that when certain concentrates such as coconut press cake, peanut press cake, soy bean press cake, or cottonseed press cake are added to the corn more rapid growth results and the mixture of proteins is much more efficient and economical than the proteins of corn alone. It is therefore very important that the cattle feeder should so mix his diet that he can get the greatest amount of growth from the least quantity of protein used, since the protein is the most expensive constituent in his feed.

It has been found that about 49 per cent of coconut press cake, or 25 per cent of soy bean press cake or peanut press cake, mixed with corn, furnishes a very efficient diet. It is not safe, however, to add so much cottonseed press cake, since cotton seed is frequently toxic and is ordinarily not fed to cattle in amounts of more than 3 or 4 pounds a day. The experiments which have been performed indicate that when corn is properly mixed with the press cakes mentioned above about twice as much growth can be obtained on a pound of protein from the mixture as on corn proteins alone.

POULTRY BREEDING ON FARM

"Better Sires—Better Stock" Campaign Discloses Increased Interest in Fowls.

On many farms participating in the "Better Sires—Better Stock" movement more than one-half of the varieties of stock reported is feathered stock. This is true even on some of the larger farms. A Nebraska live stock owner who breeds Shorthorn cattle and Poland China and Duroc-Jersey swine reported the following varieties of poultry: Single-Comb Brown Leghorns, Single-Comb Buff Orpingtons, Toulouse geese, Pekin ducks and guineas.

Developments in the better-sires campaign show also that, compared with other live stock, poultry shows a slightly greater proportion of pure breeding and a very small number of scrubs and mongrels. Although results in poultry breeding come more quickly than with larger animals, this tendency shows the careful attention poultry breeding is receiving on farms.

MAKE FUR CROP PROFITABLE

Arrange to Leave Hollow Tree for Raccoon and Keep Hunters Out of Your Woods.

Leave a hollow tree for the raccoon and keep poaching hunters out of your woods, the United States Department of Agriculture advises in a recent circular. The fur crop ought to yield you a tidy sum every year.

POULTRY NOTES

One bird in hand is not worth two birds in the bush if the bush bird is a hatchling.

A first-class table fowl should have a long, deep keel bone, the longer and deeper the better.

Don't keep old hens. A two-year-old Leghorn hen may be worth keeping, but a two-year-old Rock hen is usually a loss.