

**CLOSE CO-OPERATION NEEDED IN PREDATORY ANIMAL EXTINCTION**

Where there is close co-operation between the Federal and State Government, predatory animal and rodent extermination work is very much more effective," stated Dr. A. K. Fisher, of the Biological Survey, in representing the United States Department of Agriculture at the Seventh Annual Convention of the Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association of Texas, at San Angelo, Tex., this summer. There should be better co-operation particularly in the matter of appropriations, so that the largest amount of money available from both Federal and State sources may be obtained, he pointed out.

"Although rodent work is not so spectacular as destroying wolves, mountain lions, or coyotes," Dr. Fisher declared, "stockmen are beginning to realize that the damage on their ranges from these little animals is very considerable, and in some cases more than equals that of the predatory animals. The Biological Survey considers that these two branches of work should go hand in hand and that States usually should appropriate about the same amount for each activity."

"The department believes that if the prairie dog alone were exterminated over its entire range which is economically possible, 4,000,000 more cattle and 4,000,000 more sheep could be raised on that area, due to the increase in the supply of forage."

"Records of the Biological Survey show that in Texas its hunters, co-operating with the State agencies, have killed about 29,000 predatory animals, aggregating a saving of over \$2,700,000. Of this total of 17,800 wolves and coyotes captured, more than half had records as killers. Close co-operation of the States with the Bureau of Biological Survey will relieve stockmen of much worry and pecuniary loss through more adequate protection given to their flocks and herds."

**Clintons for Spectacles.**

**As Night After Day.**

The scene was a bedroom in a suburb, and a wearied parent was promoting the floor at a weird hour of the early morn, with his first-born in his arms. Many vain endeavors to soothe the infant's cries had been made, but the little one was laboring under the impression that things needed waking up and that he was the person to do it.

"It seems to me you knew what you were about," groaned Pickelbury to his wife, "when you insisted on the child being called 'Hugh.'"

"What has his name to do with his fretfulness?" asked the unsuspecting wife.

"Everything!" replied the wretched man. "You would call him 'Hugh,' you know, and where there is a hue there's always a cry."—London Tit-Bits.

**Our English Language.**

Misplaced phrases cause many misunderstandings. Here are some collected by Everybody's Magazine from publications all over the country.

The owners of apple trees, some of which have not been looked after for years, are undergoing pruning all through this section.

"Special dining-room for ladies, steaks and chops."

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A physician advises parents never to spank a child on an empty stomach.

**Just a Gesture.**

"What good did it do you to empty your shotgun at that aviator? You couldn't possibly hit him?"

"Well," replied the irate farmer, "I'm gettin' tired of them fellers flyin' low over my property. He couldn't hear me cuss. What other way did I have to express my sentiments?"—Birmingham Age-Herald.

**URGES AMPLE SUPPLY OF MILK FOR GROWING SCHOOL CHILDREN**

Now that milk is served in many public schools throughout the country, the United States Department of Agriculture suggests that inspectors should make frequent visits to the schools to see that the milk is of good quality when delivered and that it is handled and served to the children in a sanitary manner. Inspectors in those cities where milk is not served in the schools are urged to advocate the adoption of the plan.

One of the duties of the inspector is to see to it that the milk does not stand for some time before being used. A good plan is to have it delivered just at lunch time, or, if this is not convenient, to see that there are facilities for icing and storing it. By taking samples at frequent intervals a close check can be kept on the methods of handling.

Milk for use at all schools should always be put up in bottles to reduce the chance of contamination. Before the bottles are opened the tops should be thoroughly washed. Because glasses and cups may not be kept clean, it is best for the milk to be drunk directly from the bottle. The use of sipping straws is very satisfactory. Some dairies use special protective caps on bottles of milk sent to schools.

**Darby and Joan.**

"Darby and Joan" was first applied to a very happily married couple who lived in the eighteenth century and bore those names. They were John Darby, printer, of Bartholomew's Close, London, England, and his wife, Joan. The constancy and devotion to one another of this old-fashioned, simple, and virtuous couple so impressed Henry Woodfall, who had served his apprenticeship with the printer, that he wrote a poem, "Darby and Joan," in commemoration. This poem was printed in the London Gentleman's Magazine, and received a good deal of notice. The expression then passed into the English language as symbolizing the eventide of happy wedlock.



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**PLATTE VALLEY POULTRY ASSOCIATION WILL HOLD ANNUAL EVENT**

The annual winter exhibition of the Platte Valley Poultry Association will be held in North Platte in January. The dates will be announced later. An enthusiastic meeting was held last Tuesday evening with a good number of substantial poultry breeders present. As soon as a competent poultry judge can be secured, the dates will be announced. The association voted to purchase a large number of new exhibition coops to enable it to hold a bigger and better exhibition this year. A new class will be created this year for utility birds, to be awarded solely for egg production, and a silver cup awarded to the best pen in this class. This should arouse considerable interest among farmers and others who have utility flocks. The premium list will be issued in plenty of time to allow poultrymen to study it and prepare their entries. Keith Neville is president and Robt. Jandebur is secretary of the association.

**NOTICE**

Paving Assessments for the following districts may now be paid at the office of the City Treasurer.

- Paving District 3 (East 4th Street)
- 4 (West 5th)
- 5 (West 4 to Oak)
- 6 (East 5th)

Districts 3 and 6 have been drawing interest since October 6th, 1922, and districts 4 and 5 will begin drawing interest December 6th, 1922.

L. E. MEHLMANN  
City Treasurer

Real Estate Mortgages bought and sold.  
T. C. Patterson.

**Chinese Have Fondness for Birds.**

In addition to using birds and their nests as food, the Chinese keep birds as pets. Their fondness for birds is one of the most pleasant features of their national character. Birds furnish them with much amusement.

Several kinds of bird pets are taught to catch seeds thrown into the air after jumping from perches held in the hand. Except in winter, one can always see people going into the open country early in the morning with their pets, to catch grasshoppers to feed them, and to teach their pets new songs.

**Balked at Wearing Old Costumes.**

At Princess Mary's costume ball no one could be found to represent the fashion between 1880 and 1900, in the fashion parade. They were so ugly that no one would wear them! Crinolines were there, and other eccentricities of fashion before and after that period, but that time of bustles, full and heavy trimmings, big sleeves and ridiculous hats were voted out altogether; they were not even considered funny or quaint enough to be given a place in the procession.—London Times.

**LOG OF A BIRD LOVER**

The summer birds have all left for the south and the winter visitors are coming in. I say all have left for the south but I should expect such erratic migrants as the meadowlark and an occasional robin. The wild geese are migrants and they are now on their way to warmer climates where food will be more abundant than in their homeland in the north. Hunters have been out in force this week and it has been a battle of wits with the geese with the results divided. Some shooters have returned with a good bag while others came home empty-handed. Ducks are still quite plentiful and will continue to stay here in diminishing numbers until the water freezes. These birds seem to prefer the colder climates and only go south to keep in touch with a plentiful supply of food. Some of the harder ducks have been known to stay in Nebraska all winter where they were undisturbed in water which did not freeze. Years ago the writer observed a flock of mallards on a little pond in York county. This pond was fed by a number of springs and the flow was so rapid that the water never froze over in the pond. The mallards stayed there all winter. The killdeer is another bird which likes to stay here as long as possible. It can still be seen on the bottomlands along the river and only last week one flew over the city, with its killdeer cry ringing out in the crisp air. The greater class of water birds is one of the most interesting and one of the least known of all classes of local birds. There are many interesting specimens in Lincoln county and they will repay the bird lover for any time spent in observing their life history.

George Sherwood of Southern Mrs. L. C. Gunning returned to her California spent Wednesday in the home in Ogden Thursday after spending a former resident here.

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**Public Sale**

The undersigned will sell at public auction at his farm 12 miles east of North Platte, Nebr., and one half mile west of Bignell, Nebr., and 8 miles southwest of Maxwell, Nebr., on

**Tuesday, November 28th.**

Commencing at one o'clock sharp, the following property to-wit:

**17 HEAD CATTLE**  
Consisting of 8 milch cows from 3 to 7 years old, one registered White Face Bull, 3 steers, one year old, 6 sprink calves.

**16 HEAD OF HORSES**  
Consisting of 10 mules, 3 and 4 years old, 2 mules 6 and 9 years old, weight 2100; bay are 8 years old weight 1100; bay standard bred mare weight 1200; bay horse 5 years old weight 1200; by colt 3 years old weight 1200.

**108 HEAD OF HOGS**  
Consisting of 40 sows, 50 barrows, 12 pigs, 2 registered male hogs, 4 registered sows.

**50 PLYMOUTH ROCK HENS**

**FARM MACHINERY**  
McCormick binder, 7 foot, nearly new; McCormick corn binder; Emerson two-row cultivator; P & O lister; McCormick mower, 6 foot; hay rack; Great Western manure spreader; 3 1/2 in. tire wagon complete 4 inch tire wagon and rack; 3 sets of work harness; saddle and other articles too numerous to mention.

**TERMS**—\$20 and under cash, over that amount, 6 months time at 10 per cent interest will be given on approved notes.

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Farm has 130 acres cultivated land, part being alfalfa, 30 acres pasture, orchard consisting of 250 good bearing apple, pear, cherry and peach trees, also good grove.

Will carry mortgage for \$8,000, payable \$1,000 or multiple on any interest paying date, on or before August 1st, 1926. Terms on above farm to be announced on date of sale.

**R. L. DOUGLAS, Owner.**  
H. M. JOHANSEN, Auctioneer. F. C. PIELSTICKER, Clerk.

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The undersigned will sell at Public Auction at his farm 3 miles south and one mile west of North Platte, on

**Wednesday, November 22nd.**

Commencing at one o'clock

**61 Head of Cattle**  
9 milch cows, some fresh in next two months, all fresh by February. 7 big three year old steers. 12 coming two year old steers. 24 stock cows. 9 head yearling heifers.

**17 Head of Shoats**  
10 shoats weighing about 100 lbs. 7 shoats weighing about 50 lbs.

**CHICKENS**—2 dozen Rose-Comb Brown Leghorn, pure bred pullets. 15 Rose-Comb Rhode Island Red Cockerels, pure bred. 12 bronze turkeys.

**FARM MACHINERY**—John Deere two-row in good shape. Flying Dutchman riding cultivator, six shovel. 2 corn stalk drills. Spring wagon. Broad tire wagon with bed. Grind stone.

**Free Lunch at Noon**

**TERMS** \$20 and under cash, 6 months time at 10 per cent interest will be given on bankable notes.

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