

WILD ANIMALS HUNTED DOWN

Government Hunters Kill Many Beasts That Destroy Live Stock.

WORK OF VALUE TO FARMERS

Mountain Lion That Had Killed \$1,000 Worth of Stock in Month Is Slain—Wolves Lay Heavy Toll on Flocks.

Washington.—You would hardly think of the United States department of agriculture as an agency for hunting down desperadoes, but it is. That the desperadoes happen to be not men but wild animals does not detract either from the adventure or the value of the work. Now and then a wild animal becomes notorious for its exploits in killing live stock. The inspectors of the bureau of biological survey make special efforts to hunt



One of the Wolves, With Young, Killed by Hunters of Biological Survey.

down and kill such animals. A mountain lion that was known to have destroyed \$1,000 worth of live stock in one month was killed near Dubois, Wyo., a few months ago. That the animal had eluded many private hunters was shown by the number of scars on the body. Another mountain lion taken in April had killed seven colts during the spring. In the same state a pair of wolves that had destroyed \$2,500 worth of live stock was killed, the female by a government hunter and the male by a private hunter.

Ranch Owner Loses 300 Sheep.
A ranch owner near Merton, Tex., reported that within three months he had lost 300 sheep, valued at \$3,200, as the result of the depredations of six coyotes. Government hunters, in July, captured all six of the beasts. But not all of the bad beasts have been disposed of. About 30 very cunning wolves still roam the ranges of New Mexico, causing annual losses to live stock amounting to about \$2,000

each. When the department's campaign for destruction of predatory animals began, however, there were between 300 and 400 wolves in the state. The small number remaining, though made up of the most cunning and destructive individuals of the packs, is being steadily reduced, in spite of the fact that the stock of wolves in that state is constantly recruited by stragglers from the mountains of northern Chihuahua, Mexico.

SCOTS WOULD BAN 'MACBETH'

Shakespeare's Play Labeled to King, Is Claim of League of Veterans of World War.

New York.—A resolution demanding the elimination of Shakespeare's "Macbeth" from school curriculums on the ground that it was a libel on the Scotch in its "misinterpretation in presenting King Macbeth as a traitor and murderer," was adopted here by the League of Scottish veterans of the world war.

The resolution was addressed to the Newark (N. J.) board of education, which recently barred "The Merchant of Venice" from the schools because of the alleged slander to the Jewish race.

"If they have banned Shylock, I see no reason why they should not ban Macbeth," said Capt. Ian McTavish. "If the Jewish gaberline is to be cleaned they should also remove the stain from the Scottish kilt."

SEEK TO SAVE STARVING ELK

Two Principal Herds in Country in Danger of Serious Depletion.

SPECIAL FUND TO BUY HAY

Officials of Department of Agriculture Making Every Effort to Procure the Needed Feed—Scarcity of Forage.

Washington.—The two principal herds of elk in the United States—one of which is under the protection of the biological survey of the United States department of agriculture—are in danger of serious depletion, due to early severe weather and feed shortage, that special funds have been set aside for the purchase of hay for these animals whose home is in and near Yellowstone national park.

Wild Ducks Not Scared by Those Men Who Fly

Washington.—Airplanes do not bother wild ducks, the army air service announces, and sportsmen who believe they do are unduly alarmed.

Lieut. Col. H. M. Hickman, when in command of Dorr and Chisholm fields, flew twice a day for several months over a swamp that was the feeding place of wild ducks. To flush the fowl he had to pilot his plane within 50 or 100 feet of the surface. But when he would take off the ducks would immediately return to the swamp.

REDEEMS HER OLD PROMISE

Woman Exchanges Gold for Silver Pieces on Her Golden Wedding.

London.—A promise made twenty-five years ago has just been redeemed by Lady Pender of Donhead, St. Andrew, Wilts.

At her silver wedding celebration in 1892 she gave three-penny pieces to a number of children, who were told that they would be exchanged for half sovereigns at the golden wedding.

Nearly thirty of the recipients returned their silver coins when Sir James and Lady Pender celebrated their golden wedding this year and each one has received the promised half sovereign.

Lady Pender has had the three-penny pieces gilded and made into a necklace as a souvenir.

NEWS OF STATE TERSELY TOLD

Recent Happenings in Nebraska Given in Brief Items For Busy Readers.

A post of the American Legion with fifty charter members has been organized in Sutherland.

Members of the Fremont board of education voted to grant an increase of 20 per cent to teachers.

The annual business meeting of the Nebraska Press association will be held in Lincoln, February 27 and 28. When the 1920 paving contracts at Fabery have been completed, the city will have 100 blocks of paved streets.

George W. Williams, who has been with the department of agriculture at the head of the bureau of marketing, has resigned.

Mrs. Chas. Ryan of Grand Island has been chosen fair price commissioner for Nebraska by United States Attorney General Palmer.

The Nebraska state exhibit took first prize at the Western Potato show in Denver. The prize was a silver trophy cup. Jule DeBrett of Kimball took first in individual marketing exhibit.

Leading farm bureau heads of Nebraska estimate that farmers of this state are saving approximately \$1,000,000 a year because the state went into the business of manufacturing hog serum.

William L. Wolf, principal of the Dodge schools, who was fined \$100 in the district court at Fremont for alleged assault on a boy pupil of his school, has indicated the case will be carried to the state supreme court.

Kearney city commissioners have called a special election for February 24 at which time citizens of the city will vote on a \$100,000 bond proposition for the purpose of erecting a municipal auditorium.

George Schrieker, Holt county rancher, in announcing his intention to move to California, stated that in the past twelve years he has cleaned up \$30,000 on his ranch, most of which was made in hay and live stock.

The state government has offered a reward of \$200 for the capture of the Mexican who, in company with a fellow country man, murdered police officers S. E. McConner and George Rogers, at North Platte. The other Mexican was captured soon after the shooting.

The official campaign inaugurated in Nebraska by Mrs. Chas. Ryan, state director of economics, to reduce the cost of living embraces every county in the state and includes mass meetings in every community, in which speakers will appeal for all people to practice thrift and eliminate luxuries.

The Carnegie bronze medal has been posthumously awarded to the late Oscar A. Dening, son of Cyrus Dening, pioneer of Stuart, for giving his life in an effort to save two children from drowning at Somers, Mont., May 3, 1918. The medal will be sent to his orphaned daughter, Ethel, 17 years old, who is making her home with relatives near Stuart.

Big newspapers in all parts of the country as well as political leaders at Washington predict that the fight between Wood and Pershing in Nebraska will settle the fate of one of the two generals in the race for the republican nomination for president. Newspaper men from all parts of the country are flocking to Omaha and Lincoln to get the latest dope on the situation.

The prohibition of railroad strikes is the question which will be debated from one end of the state to the other during the next four months by the schools in the Nebraska High School Debating League which is beginning its thirteenth annual contests. The contest will be concluded by the state debate at the University of Nebraska at Lincoln on high school debate day in May.

According to information gathered by the State Railway commission Nebraska is confronted with another soft corn crisis similar to the one which caused losses to farmers and grain handlers several years ago. Thousands of bushels of new corn awaiting shipment contains 19 to 20 per cent moisture, the board has been advised, and if not shipped soon will deteriorate with the advent of mild weather to the extent of 20 cents to \$1 per bushel.

While the influenza situation at Omaha is said by health authorities to be in no wise dangerous, precautionary measures have been adopted to check any outbreak of the malady.

The record price for farm land in Lancaster county was smashed the other day when a quarter section west of Lincoln, without any improvements, sold for \$350 an acre.

Ogallala's Community club, which started off the first of the year with a paid secretary, is proving to be one of the liveliest organizations of the kind in the state.

The board of education at Beatrice has raised the salaries of school teachers 20 to 25 per cent for the remainder of the school year.

A love feast attended by over 300 prominent Nebraska democrats was held at Lincoln the other day and the first guns for the 1920 campaign were fired at all opposing factions.

John M. Matzen, newly appointed State Superintendent of Schools, who is now in charge of affairs in that office, announces he will make no changes in the department at least for the present.

Plans are under way for erection of a new modern, fire-proof hotel at Oshkosh.

The Burlington railroad has leased part of its right-of-way through Laurel for a public park.

Business men of O'Neill plan to erect a 14-ton artificial ice plant to cost \$35,000 this spring.

Lambs sold for \$20.35 a hundred on the South Omaha market the other day, the highest price since April 1919.

At the recent meeting of the Farmers Union of Mead plans were laid for the branching out into the lumber business.

The annual convention of the Nebraska Brotherhood of Threshermen will be held at Lincoln, February 10 to 12.

The North Bend board of education has granted all school teachers an increase of pay amounting to about 40 per cent.

Gage county will spend \$40,000 improving its main highways, the funds to be scraped from the automobile license fees.

Alliance has its company organized for the Second regiment of the Nebraska Rifles. The unit is prepared to cope with any emergency.

The annual Roundup at Oshkosh will be held this year June 10 to 12. The affair is to be the biggest ever held in the city, it is said.

Trial of O. W. Langley, charged with the murder of Justice Chris Pfeiffer of Cortland, will begin February 23 in the district court of Beatrice.

George Jackson, of Nelson, three times a member of the legislature, is talked as the candidate of progressive democrats for nomination for governor.

The thirty-two townships of Holt county have adopted the following slogan and propose to carry it through: "Build two miles of road a year."

Property owners of Hebron have engaged a Lincoln engineer to survey the proposed paving districts and submit an estimate on the cost of paving.

Hearing on the referendum case of Governor McKelvie's code bill has again been postponed by the state supreme court, the date now being set for February 16.

Fairmont's post of the American Legion has been named Earl Forbes Post No. 21, in honor of one of the community's heroes who lost his life in the war.

Plans for the next G. A. R. encampment at Broken Bow in May were laid at a conference in the office of Department Commander J. B. Strude at Lincoln.

The North River irrigation district has been voted bonds to the amount of \$120,000 for the improvement and extension of irrigation canals this summer. This will open up about 7,000 acres for beet raising, and places Oshkosh in line for a sugar factory.

A policy of paying half the state hail insurance claims as soon as an aggregation of half of the premiums come in from county treasurers, has been announced at Lincoln by Secretary J. E. Hart of the state department of trade and commerce.

District No. 14 in Richardson county is said to be first to take up consolidation under the new law. The building spot is seven miles southwest of Salem. An election will be held in the new district February 14. The valuation of the district is approximately \$250,000.

It is said that considerably more than \$100,000 will have to be advanced from the state guaranty fund to pay depositors of the Valparaiso state bank which was closed recently. Total deposits were in excess of \$400,000 and the shortage in the bank's funds is believed to be from \$150,000 to \$175,000. A receiver for the institution has been appointed.

Dr. E. H. Dillon, head of the state health department at Lincoln, declares that reports reaching his office indicate that a general epidemic of influenza is spreading over Nebraska. Although the disease is widespread, all the cases are mild in character, he states, and there is no particular cause for alarm. Dr. Dillon has instructed health authorities throughout the state to mail him periodical reports concerning the spread of the epidemic.

The reclamation service at Washington announced that homesteaders will get an opportunity to file on 5,000 acres of land in the Platte Valley district. Applications for entry will be accepted from February 28 to March 5. A water service rental basis will be the system of payment for the first three years, it was said. The cost of the irrigating system will later be assessed according to acreage. A 5,000-acre tract near Shoshone, Wyo., will be open for homesteading in the week beginning March 5.

Gratz L. Shumway, of Scottsbluff, former state land commissioner, has filed as a candidate for the democratic nomination for governor at the spring primaries.

Miss Theresa St. Martin of Wahoo has been chosen secretary of the Saunders County Farm Bureau. She is the first woman in Nebraska to be elected to such an office.

A post of the American Legion has been formed at Fullerton. It is known as "Fred Philbrick" post in honor of a Fullerton boy who lost his life in the war.

Preliminary moves are being made at Alliance to construct a new \$100,000 senior high school building the coming summer.

It is expected that by the first of May the water works and light systems will both be in operation at Oshkosh.

The Lincoln Commercial club has advanced \$150,000 to the Nebraska State Fair management, to construct a new two-story concrete cattle auditorium for the fair next fall. The old barn on the fair grounds burned December 14, with fifty army trucks.

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The very first dose opens your clogged-up nostrils and the air passages of your head; stops nose running; relieves the headache, dullness, feverishness, sneezing, soreness, stiffness.

"Pape's Cold Compound" is the quickest, surest relief known and costs only a few cents at drug stores. It acts without assistance. Tastes nice. Contains no quinine. Insist on Pape's!—Adv.

Proof.

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"I lent him a tenner this morning. I should say I do know him."
"You lent him a tenner? Then I should say you don't know him."

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Let It Go at That.

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McPurt—I'm satisfied; I've had enough.

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To get quick relief follow carefully the safe and proper directions in each unbroken package of "Bayer Tablets of Aspirin." This package is plainly stamped with the safety "Bayer Cross."

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Handy tin boxes of 12 tablets cost but a few cents. Druggists also sell larger "Bayer" packages. Aspirin is the trade mark of Bayer Manufacture of Monocetateester of Salicylic acid.—Adv.

Some men have a regular Sunday morning attack of homesickness when the church bells ring.

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It is a physician's prescription. Swamp-Root is a strengthening medicine. It helps the kidneys, liver and bladder do the work nature intended they should do.

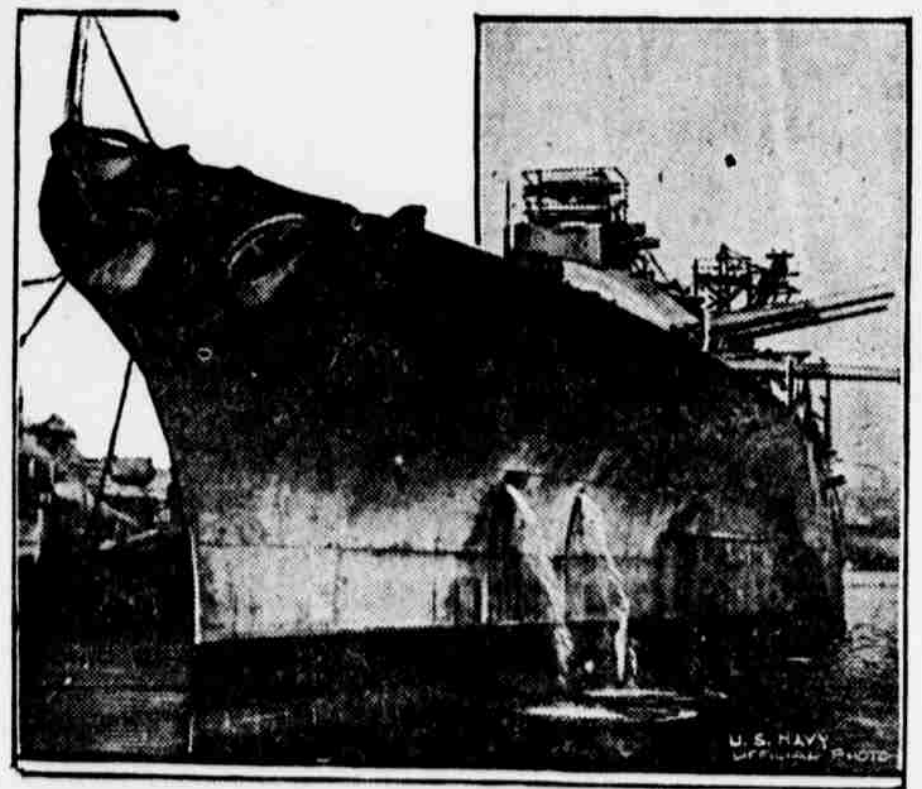
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The more some men have the less they seem to think others entitled to.

THE TENNESSEE NEARING COMPLETION



Bow view of the great superdreadnaught U. S. S. Tennessee, which is nearing completion at the Brooklyn navy yard. She was launched April 30, 1919, and when completed will be one of the largest and most powerful battleships afloat.

VIOLATE FOOD RULES

Illicit Trade Is Spreading in Germany.

Smuggling and Usury Increase—Courts Crowded With Those Who Break Laws.

Coblenz.—Illicit trade in food, with its attendant evils of smuggling and usury, is on the increase throughout Germany, according to newspaper accounts.

The rationing system has never been abandoned even in the occupied areas of the Rhineland, and some of the newspapers contend that the average individual cannot subsist on the amount of food issued. The authorities are making every effort to check the illegal traffic in foods of all kinds, and the courts are crowded day after day.

Smuggling of potatoes is being car-

ried on this winter in all parts of Germany on a scale greater than in war time. Germany produced an excellent potato crop this year, and the authorities are trying to save it from falling into the hands of the speculators.

Well-to-do people have been going to Bavaria from Prussia, Wuertemberg and Thuringia to buy potatoes, eggs and fats, for which the farmers charged exorbitant prices. This worked a hardship on the poorer people, who could not compete with them.

Living appears to be cheaper in Bavaria than elsewhere in Germany. Butter has been selling there at 5 marks a pound, compared with 30 marks in Berlin. Eggs are quoted at 25 pennings each, while in Berlin they cost 1.75 marks apiece. Eggs in the occupied area have been bringing from 2 to 2.50 marks each this winter, but are very scarce at any price.

Meat is also reported as fairly plentiful in Bavaria, although in all other

states this form of food is virtually unobtainable by householders through regular channels excepting once or twice each month, when the authorities permit a few ounces to be distributed by the card system to the individuals.

Most of the hotels throughout Germany continue to serve meat three or four days each week, however. The proprietors say they obtain this from Holland and that this does not violate the food regulations.

Pearls in Oysters.

Spokane, Wash.—Ten pearls from a quart of oysters that cost him 45 cents were taken by one customer of a local fish market, and two pearls were found by another, the dealer reported. He, himself, found one, he said. The pearls are said to range in value from \$2 to \$10 each.

Plane Service for Peruvian Coast.

Lima, Peru.—An announcement is made that the Handley Page Airplane company will in a short time inaugurate commercial hydroplane service along the Peruvian coast.