

Animals Hoard Winter Stocks

Many Different Ways in Which They Provide Against Long Cold Season.

MAN USES HABITS OF BEES

Earthworms Drag Leaves Into Their Burrows to Provide Food and Comfort for Winter—Why Honey is Stored.

New York.—There are many different ways in which animals meet the winter. Many go into winter quarters and, reducing their expenditure to a minimum, lie low until the spring calls them again to action. Others, like the wolves, continue to live dangerously, simply sharpening their wits and increasing the keenness of their hunting. Some, like the ermine and the ptarmigan, don a white dress, which is both safe and comfortable.

Others solve the problem by a change in habitat—notably the migratory birds. There are several other solutions of the problem, and one of these is to lay up stores, to hoard, to save. Many animals do this inside their bodies.

Habit is Acquisitive.

A beginning of storing may be looked for perhaps in activities like those of earthworms, which collect leaves and drag them down into their burrows, at once making them more comfortable and providing a supply of food for a rainy day. It is surely the acquisitive habit that they have, these earthworms, for more than four-score leaflets were taken from one burrow.

With insects we find an inclined plane of storing that leads up to the climax illustrated by hive bees and by some of the ants. Among the solitary bees the mother makes a store for the brood which she never survives to see; among humble bees the store is begun by the mother, but continued by her worker children, and in some kinds at least a part of the society survives the winter; in some tropical bees there are permanent societies and imperfect combs; in the hive bees there are permanent societies and perfect combs.

The elaborate storing of hive bees, carried to such perfection under men's care, is, to begin with, connected with surviving the winter—i. e., with permanence, and with the survival of the mothers ere their offspring grow up, i. e., with the possibility of social tradition.

It is impossible to think of storing without a vision of Solomon's ant, "which, having no guide, overseer, or ruler provideth her meat in the summer and gathereth her food in the harvest." And, as among bees, we find all grades among ants from those that do not store at all to those that make a fine art of it.

According to recent studies of the common Mediterranean harvesting ant, the seeds which are collected are kept for a time dry and are eventually put out in the rain to germinate. This has the advantage of bursting the hard seed coats and in some cases of starting processes of fermentation.

At a certain stage, however, the ants kill the embryo plant by biting at it, and the seeds are dried again in the sun. The dried seeds of some cloverlike plants, for instance, are then taken back into the nest and chewed into dough. This is dried once again in the sun in the form of little biscuits, which are eventually put into the cupboard.

Culture for Molds.

It is likely that different kinds of seeds receive different treatment and in some cases it seems that the stored material is not eaten at all, but is used as a culture for molds of which

the ants are very fond. It is an interesting fact that the use of molds—reminding us of man's mushroom beds—is practiced by a number of quite unrelated animals—namely, certain ants, termites, beetles and mites. Among backboneed animals it is difficult to find convincing instances of storing until we come to birds and mammals. Apart from the numerous birds that store food in their crops, sometimes so exuberantly that they can not fly, there are some that may be said to lay up nutritive savings outside of themselves.

In the burrow of the hamster several store chambers are made and grain as well as hay is accumulated in considerable quantity. The little snow mouse that thrives all the year round at a high altitude on the Alps makes stores of chopped grass and gentian roots. There are many other examples of storing, but these examples show that the thrifty habit has taken firm hold in many different corners of the animal kingdom.

READY FOR THE SOUP



The largest turtle within the memory of old timers at the Fulton fish market, New York, is this 250-pound reptile from Costa Rica. Thomas Gillane, holding him up, is caring for the turtle now. But very soon the soup kettle will get him.

Round Up Gang of Shoplifters

"Dashing Dora" Leader of Notorious Band of Fashionable Berlin Robbers.

LOOT OVER MILLION DOLLARS

Every Step of Police Investigation of Gang Results in Fresh Sensational Disclosures—Eight Are in Custody.

Berlin.—White slave traffic, the morphia habit and the practice of blackmail were joined to theft, fraud and kleptomania in the "Danse Macabre" of the band of Berlin shoplifters led by "Dashing Dora."

Every step of the police investigation of the activities of this gang, eight of whom are in custody, results in fresh sensational disclosures.

Several members of the band pleaded that they are addicted to the drug habit and are not responsible for their acts. Mrs. Foerster, one of Dora's "dashing" daughters, is in the hospital, suffering from morphia poison. Her husband was arrested as he was in the act of concealing stolen property valued at several thousand pounds.

Louise Morvillus, her sister, has been released from custody in order that she may go to her sick child, but not before she had confessed to the police that for years she has been a white slave for her husband, Frank Morvillus, who is director of the German disposal board.

Further raids have been made by the police on the luxurious homes of "Dashing Dora" and her accomplices, and the enormous pile of stolen goods at Charlottenberg police station has received considerable addition.

Confiscate Bank Accounts.

The bank accounts of the gang, which amount to many thousands of pounds, have been confiscated.

Morvillus has pleaded that his mother-in-law is the victim of kleptomania.

It has been alleged against Morvillus that he heavily bribed the police in order to avoid arrest.

Members of the gang, who were caught with \$200,000 worth of stolen goods in their possession, have terrorized the largest Berlin luxury stores for many years, and their depredations are estimated to exceed \$1,

000,000 in value. Most of the property was disposed of in Holland, though a considerable quantity is believed to have found its way to Britain, France and America.

Charlottenberg police station resembled a great warehouse. There were piles of china and leather goods, jewels and other valuable articles, which were taken chiefly from a luxurious six-room apartment occupied by "Dashing Dora." This woman now forty-four, who has been twice divorced, is married to a youth of twenty.

"Dashing Dora's" home was raided by policemen just as the seven criminals were discussing a New Year's present for "the firm," consisting of two limousines with a liveried chauffeur and footmen to assist them in their "profession." Dora and her woman accomplices, who lived like princesses, mixed in the highest society. She is considered the most brazen and cleverest of light-fingered crooks on record.

The list of booty carried off by her gang includes a priceless antique porcelain set of 178 pieces which was lifted piecemeal from an Unter den Linden shop in four visits. An easy job for them was a gold coffee set of thirty-two pieces valued at \$5,000. This was carried off in one visit.

Special Belts Used.

Dora and her friends were equipped with specially constructed leather belts fitted with innumerable hooks to which they attached valuables as they passed through the shops.

The incident which led to the raid on Dora's home illustrates the gang's audacity. They fell under the suspicion of a salesgirl at one Berlin luxury shop, but they bluffed the manager into an humble apology.

The next day the husbands of the two women visited the shops, indignantly personified, and flashing 1,000 mark notes in the face of the manager, they insisted on a written apology from the salesgirl and the manager himself. This was given, but the manager was afterward struck with the youth of the husbands as compared with their wives. He telephoned for the police, and the gang were arrested.

249 CHILEAN QUAKES IN 1920

Occur 35 Hours Apart on Average, Reports Seismological Service.

Santiago.—Two hundred and forty-nine earthquake shocks were recorded in Chile in 1920, according to a report just published by the national seismological service. The average interval between shocks was 35 hours, while in the year previous a shock was registered every 28 hours.

The greatest seismic activity in 1920 was the area embracing the Aconagua and Maipo valleys, in which the principal cities are located. The most pronounced shock was recorded on July 26, the center of which was in the Aconagua valley.

Moonshine Makes Rabbits Defy the Whole World

Pasco, Wash.—Officers investigating a story sent by a Pasco correspondent concerning the prevalence of rabies among rabbits have found that the police in making a raid just outside the city, dumped several barrels of corn mash out on the sagebrush covered prairie.

The embryo moonshine at once became the diet of hundreds of rabbits. Crazy bunnies ran pell-mell into stanching automobiles, frantically gnawed at telephone posts and did some dancing. Many people concluded that the rabbits had rabies.

NEWS OF STATE TERSELY TOLD

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

An electric siren fire alarm is to be installed at Randolph by the fire department, to supersede the bell alarm. One hundred Nebraska editors attended the forty-ninth annual meeting of the Nebraska Press Association just held at Lincoln.

The supreme court has refused to break the will of Joseph Hayden, late Omaha merchant, on petition of Louise Josephine Hayden, niece, and William Hayden, brother.

Mrs. Sarah A. Bond, 80, sister of Ella Wheeler Wilcox, died at her home in Ord from injuries received when she fell on an ice-coated sidewalk a week ago. Her hip was broken in the fall.

Benkelman schools have outgrown the present school building, and the district is preparing to vote a bond issue to cover the present running expenses. New quarters for high school or grade must be provided before school opens next fall.

As an appreciation for the quick response made to David City's call for aid when the I. O. O. F. temple burned the David City city council authorized the sending of a check for \$100 to the Seward fire department.

The Garrison Poland China Pig club has completed its organization and is the first of its kind to be started in Butler county this year. More than half of the boys have already started, each having a pure bred sow.

Lieutenant Clarence Welch, twenty-seven years old son of Mr. and Mrs. M. V. Welch, of Papillion, was among the severely injured of the crew of the giant dirigible Roma which crashed in flames over Hampton Roads.

Some drunken pigs near Chadron went on a roaring, don't-care-a-whoop rampage, and unwittingly tipped off the story of how corn mash had been poured into their feed trough. These pigs and never before fractured Mr. Volstead's act, nor the peace and dignity of the community. The owner of the pigs was arrested.

Every taxpayer in Nebraska who turns in property for taxation will have to give an oath that his return is correct, if a plan proposed at a group meeting of county assessors here is carried out. Twenty assessors at a meeting passed a resolution urging that county assessors require precinct assessors to administer an oath on every tax return in their district.

Following cremation of his body the ashes of the late Matthew Gering, well-known Omaha and Plattsmouth attorney, will be taken to his childhood home, Kempton, Bavaria and scattered over the waters of the River Isar, along which he played when a small boy. The disposition of his ashes will be in accord with a wish often expressed by Mr. Gering.

Douglas county post, American legion, was awarded judgment of one cent by default in Judge Redick's court against F. H. Shoemaker, former labor leader on charges of slander. It was charged Shoemaker in a labor speech last December stated "the legion was subsidized by the big business and interfered with picketing among labor unions."

Wolbach believes it has the youngest purebred hog dealer in the state in the person of Virgil, son of Mrs. W. H. Maddox, proprietor of the Glen View hotel. While but 12, Virgil sold three purebred hogs at the Larson & Son sale for a handsome price, and immediately bid in one of the Larson gilts for \$52. Those he sold were his own raising and which he earned during last summer's vacation.

A blaze which started in the garret of the Friend hotel was declared by Fire Chief Hofer to have all the appearances of incendiary origin. The fire was extinguished with chemicals before much damage resulted. When the volunteer fire department answered the call they found Britton in the kitchen of the building, which is a three-story brick structure, eating popcorn. When told that the building was on fire he answered that it could not be possible. Investigation showed that oil-soaked carpets and blankets had been placed in the garret. According to firemen the building is insured for \$20,000.

An inspection of the winter wheat near Oshkosh shows that practically all of it is going through the winter in splendid condition, is well rooted and the abundance of moisture assures a speedy growth in the spring.

H. C. Yund of Broken Bow has completed installing his wireless outfit. Mr. Yund brought the set with him from Connersport, Pa., but on account of war conditions has not reset the station. He has very complete equipment and can receive messages from France, Germany, Spain, Norway and South America.

By a vote of two to one Scottshuff approved the issuance of bonds of \$300,000 for the construction of a new high school building. The poll showed 980 for and 483 against the proposed issue.

When Deputy Sheriff T. L. Miskimen went on an errand to the basement of the county court house at Alliance, he discovered that a burglar had stolen the contents of two 100-pound sacks of granulated sugar and had filled the sacks with ashes and cinders. The sugar had been confiscated in a raid on a still several months ago.

Frank Sampson, 13, of Western, caught a full grown wolf in a trap and succeeded in killing it with a short handled ax after a desperate fight.

A petition by 500 taxpayers of Fillmore county was filed with the county commissioners asking that the services of the county agent be continued and the annual appropriation was made for that purpose.

J. D. Phillips, Fremont contractor, submitted the lowest bid among 16 firms, for the construction of the new junior high school to be built at Fremont this summer. The bid was \$157,463.

When Pierre Oxley, farmer of Cambridge, awakened in the morning he found his large barn, two head of horses, three cows and much grain and hay destroyed by fire. The origin has not been determined.

The city council at Ravenna has made a call for bids on street paving. The first district to be paved will cover about 30 blocks. It is the object of the city to pave the main thoroughfares and one block on each side street.

The thirty-mile gale accompanied by sleet put 20,000 miles of telephone lines with 40,000 phones and 300 toll lines out of commission in the South Platte district, with a financial loss of \$20,000. M. T. Caster, plant superintendent of the Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph Co., announced. The heaviest loss was in Butler county.

Nebraska's dog population for 1921 was 105,288, according to figures given out at the state house at Lincoln, based on assessor's returns. That means that there is one poodle, collie, airdale, terrier, bull dog or some other kind of canine for every twelfth person in the state. The dog census for last year shows an increase of 5,285 over that of 1920. The assessors made no attempt to place the dog wealth.

Instructors in any of the state normal colleges of Nebraska hereafter will be refused leaves of absence to study or attend the universities of Columbia, Chicago and Northwestern "because the testimony of those who have been students and the news items in the daily press, show that cigaret smoking is common among women in these institutions," under a resolution adopted by the board of education of state normal schools.

Organized farmers of Nebraska are opposed to the proposed sales tax to create revenue for the soldiers bonus or for any other purpose. H. D. Lute, of Lincoln, secretary of the Nebraska Farm Bureau federation, wired members of the Nebraska delegation in congress. Mr. Lute said the farmers suggest that funds for the bonus should come from either a tax on excess profits or from the income tax.

Approximately 180 inmates of Nebraska penitentiary will soon be steadily employed in the new prison shirt and overall factory. Installation of 129 large power sewing machines is expected to be completed soon. Large quantities of buttons, thread and cloth are already on hand. The factory will probably turn out 125 dozen shirts a day, according to Warden Fenton. The entire product will go to a Jefferson City, Mo., wholesale concern, which has contracted for the labor.

Persons from all parts of the United States will attend the national debate at Lexington March 4, when the question of whether or not speculation is a menace to the marketing of grain will be argued by J. Ralph Pickell, editor of The Roundup, a Chicago grain paper, and George C. Jewett of Portland, Ore., vice president of the United States Grain Growers. The debate is the outcome of a challenge published by Pickell offering to meet any grain growers' official at any place in Nebraska, Iowa, Kansas, Missouri or Illinois.

Sugar beet growers in the vicinity of Lowell and Gibbon are not in the least perturbed over the announcement that the year's contract price will be around \$5 per ton, for the simple reason they do not plan to raise many beets, regardless of price. With irrigation acreage these farmers for the most part are finding the humble potato more profitable, with cabbage a close second. Consequently, this vicinity, which in past years has raised large quantities of beets, will build up, instead, a greatly increased potato acreage and also a large acreage of cabbage. The latter product is becoming more popular annually. One farmer located south of Gibbon a setting out 40 acres of cabbage plants to replace beets.

The state of martial law which has been in existence in Four Mile precinct at Nebraska City, in Otoe county, since January 28, has ceased by a proclamation of Governor McKelvie, stating "that violence and disorder had been suppressed and there was no further need of martial law."

Fire destroyed the five-room home of W. D. Shaul near Springfield. Mr. Shaul was alone in the house at the time of the fire and almost suffocated before rescued. The firemen were unable to save the house or contents. The loss is estimated at \$3,000.

When a fire broke out on the roof of the public school building at Hubbard, the fire drill in which the children had been trained was ordered and they all marched orderly to safety.

For the first time in the history of American suffrage, two sisters are candidates for congress this year. One is Mrs. Irene C. Buell, Ashland, city prosecutor, who has already filed her petition with Secretary of State Anshberry at Lincoln. Her older sister, Mrs. A. K. Gault, mayor of St. Peter, Minn., is a candidate for congress from the district there.

JOES LAUNDRY WORK AND HOUSEWORK TOO

Surprised to Find Himself Feeling So Well

Taunton, Mass.—"I used to have pains in my back and legs so badly, with other troubles that women sometimes have, that my doctor ordered me to stay in bed a week in every month. It didn't do me much good, so one day after talking with a friend who took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound for about the same troubles I had, I thought I would try it also.



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