

Where Town and Country Meet



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Mayor Tells Husks and Kernels Early Cow History

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Dahlman Recalls Industry in Sandhills When That Country Was Wild Open Range.

Tribute to Farm Boys

America's greatest farm states." said Mayor James Dahlman in a special interview with the editor. Mr. Dahlman, popularly known as early life here in Nebraska. He stated that he came to this country He first landed a permanent job 12 miles east of what is now

small bunches of cattle strayed they periment with our business. were marked off the list as lost, no further investigation being made.

However, the N bar outfit was riding line on about 15,000 head during he winter and spring of '78. In tle into the "desert." If these cattle state like Iowa can beat the soand drove many hundreds of the catcould not be overtaken and brought called dairy states. Many writers back it would mean financial loss to the big cattle company. A loss least making an attempt to repair.

It was at this critical period in might be encountered by attempting supplies.

can follow.

Hired to Get Lost Herd.

as many cattle as they could.

wagon" into the desert he made a personal scouting tour of the watermoved up the roundup crew.

Battle With Wild Cow.

The boys had been eating bacon 1,400 pounds. He took down his rope zon and seen the bigness of life. and spurred in after the black. When so hard that he and his rider went are to be congratulated. scooting into a sand bank some 30 She was dressed and a pack horse fulness. sent back with fresh meat for the boys behind.

Takes Out Thousands.

sand head of cattle that summer. Among those taken were 3-year-old stuff which had never been branded, been suffering from a severe drouth duction. The great ranges of the the supposedly waste desert.

the cattle men to the possibilities of possibilities by the steadfast rule of big outfits are done for and small "From that day to this it has

outfits," stated Mr. Dahlman.

Since then he has seen the market grow into the second best in America. this summer one could not but com-He has seen the ranges turned to pare them to the diversified farmers ready for the parade. He said that farms and has observed farmers in of Nebraska. We fellows here at he looked all over the country for their improvement of the breeds. home, if we are farming up to our a hundred miles hunting for a pair when he was a young man identified possibilities, raise a few hogs, some of longhorned steers. Had to use a with the cattle business a beefsteak cattle, milk a dozen cows, raise our was not like it is today. It did not own vetgetables, sell a few hundred pair of purebred Hereford bulls as he have that high quality of flavor and texture. It had been cut from a ly have our eggs in so many baskets "long-horned, cathammed steer," with that it takes the best of us to keep nothing but grass fat.

Praises Country Boys.

Omaha almost 18 years. He declares ists out west, our chances for winning that his early training out on the are safer at a five to one bet, open ranges has made it possible for him to do the great amount of work

Picked From Many Fields

Being a Week's Review of 'Bee Stings" From Agricultural News.

both political and agricultural, brand the experimental government

of producing food even for the Russians, though under the backward dominant. system of czars Russia exported mil-"the cowboy" mayor told about his the greatest granaries of the world." and western South Dakota held their the world if America would try tering the herds over the "nester" from southern Texas, in the spring the experiment and fail. It is farms. Today these two states are one of those things that is prob- still producing great supplies of beef.

first place American farmers country? as a body do not want governmental Idaho, California, Arizona, New Mexi-At that time the ranch had to supervision of any of its business. haul all its provisions from Sidney, They want to be left strictly alone. Neb., a distance of about 200 miles. Price fixing, commission control, The cattle were let run at large ex- federal interference with the estabcept that territory in the western lished rule of supply and demand all part of the state which was con- are resented by the farmers. Yet we sidered uninhabitable. The sand hills have certain dangers to guard. There had been little explored up to this is danger of communism creeping time. Cattlemen thought it was fatal into our regulations even in mild for stock to penetrate the fastness of form. The mildest class legislation braska. We saw the fat herds which its sandy interior. Consequently when will tend to lead reformers to "ex-

first prize in butter exhibits. This where we saw some of the best cattl in the crown of success when a big good enough for any market almost too great to bear without at without saying that the care in handling of the milk is the first step career of the N bar that Mr. toward better butter. Too many farmers do not care how dirty the Dahlman and another Texas cowboy milk gets, they think they are going appeared and asked for work. They to sell the cream anyhow. Yet this made familiar with the dangers that which the angers that er the standered of the states' dairy balls. The future outlook for good

"any place that cattle can go tions, several papers lament the fact months the cattle are taken down on a good saddle horse and a cowboy that the authorities are letting in too the sage brush plains and wintered A band of fearless cowboys was organized and put under Mr. Dahlman.

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They well we don't at that the fellow who is trying to as climate. The cool summers at the high altitude frees them from an ledger," says a great advertising man. He continues: "Every business"

Sensational News Headlines.

Every paper in the country has holes. In company with four or five been headlining the scrap between After about five days the outfit dailies. Of course a lot of those as the proverbial hen's teeth. The old state has slipped back in cattle pro-One day the scouts were coming of they get in fail it will only mean when a carload of fat cattle are more publicity to their cause. We

years which he says are his. His bad to tell it, but we went out to see and beans for a week as their supply genial "poker" smile is characteristic of fresh meat had vanished. Jim of those men who have spent a great and we saw. Arizona, the last of the which he said would weigh about of those men who have spent a great deal of time out under open skies, big outfits. This open range country which he said would weigh about where they have looked into the hori-

He says the boys and girls who are he caught her she jerked the little fortunate enough to be reared upon men more than price slumps. Thoucowpony, which Dahlman was riding. the farms and ranches of America

Theirs is the chance to lay a strong feet away. A fellow puncher came foundation of health which will help to the rescue and shot the wild cow. them to carry on a long life of use-

WHEN DIVERSIFIED The roundup took out several thou- FARMING SHOWS UP

They had been born and reared in during the recent summer season. It southwest cannot come back for two is during this sort of period that Ne- or three years. They will never come This roundup opened the eyes of braska farmers can measure their back as they were once for the results.

When the Pacific west goes dry it grown to be one of America's best means that those farmers who are Dakota country. Diversified farming cattle countries," said Mr. Dahlman. highly specialized, such as fruit grow- is out of the question. It is livestock When I first came to Omaha it other regions where irrigation is The cattle was a range market. Practically all prevalent, must face sure failure and which is equal to the corn beit the cattle which came here were These districts depend upon a single cattle. At Globe, Ariz., the Elks grass cattle. At that time the west- crop for their income. That crop were having a celebration to com ern ranges were still controlled by big must come through successfully or they fail.

In talking to thousands of them bushels of wheat; in fact, we literalall containers right side up. But fer than Arizona, However, the range granting that we work at diversified is not overstocked so badly Mr. Dahiman has been mayor of farming as hard as do those special they may get through the winter

Most successful egg producers last two years. It is drier this year.' required of a mayor of a city like sprout oats for the hens during the It is pitiful to see. One cannot help maha.

His clear, strong features, and cised as mouldy grain will kill the upon one of these good Nebraska fighting eyes, deny the 67 hens.

Cattle Industry Faces Changes,

Ten-Thousand-Mile Tour Brings Out Facts About the Business; Western Ranches Bare.

The old cattle ranges, which spread out like a fan over the western por tion of the United States, have seen The application of this bit of our many changes during the last decade. news to our own agricultural prob- Twenty years ago it was when the lems is interesting. Liberty Maga- writer first hit the ranges of Oregon. ine editorially says, "Its former in- At that time Oregon was all cov dustries have been reduced as by a country south of the Blue mountains wasting fever, and the greatest of Then on east throughout the Idaho all, agriculture, is now incapable country into Montana and the plains

We wonder what would happen to own in total cattle production by scat able but not possible. In the But what about the rest of the range other once populous cattle ranges?

interesting facts which are needed tural situation, we went on a 10,000 We covered western Ne-At the national dairy show in Hills, through the Rosebud and Pine Milwaukee the State of Iowa took Ridge reservations in South Dakota, means only one thing. Iowa had the of the land. Plenty of water, lots of best butter. It is indeed a feather grass. Cattle bred up to a standard

ranges we still saw plenty of good rich and green during the middle o balls. The future outlook for good "Jim" in his charactertise way In speaking of immigration ques- this early date. During the winter many people across our Mexican and upon the fenced ranches. This gives

Coast Regions Dry.

the saddle horses he sent back and farm community is too much on driest it had been for 40 years. The stand his needs and his desires." the order of owls when it comes to cattle looked thin but not hopeless. getting on the front page of the city Oregon range cattle were as scarce terior to be in a land which had go to battle for its rights and even newspapers "front page" the thing

has been visited with a four-year drouth which has wrecked the cattle sands of the fine high-bred cattle will starve to death this winter. They are so poor now that they reel like old canners during a March blizzard.

Let those who wish to how! all they want to about an over-production of beef cattle. The present un certain range conditions over the west, the recent financial difficulties

of the cattlemen and other things like price declines have started the grand old game for a tobbogan which The entire Pacific coast country has will swing too far toward under-prooutfits cannot operate there as in

> The cattle are bred up to a stand memorate the coming of the early pioneers in '49. One ranchers was assigned the duty of getting an old fashioned oxen team could not find any longhorns.

New Mexico Also Dry. In Mexico the situation is little be

without a heavy loss. One old timer said, "well the cattle men had a 60 per cent loss here the famas. But shipping is too high.

Omaha the Farmer's Friend

wants to be friendly it is often not taken seriously by the farmers. The Long Trip Shows it wants to be friendly it is often not taken seriously by the farmers. The attitude of a city towards its agricultural territory is often indifference, if

per of welcome. We judge an individual by his work, learn to like or dislike him for what he does or does not do. It is the same with a city. When a farmers' organization meets in a city for a conference it is glad to have the

The farmers who have sent their delegates to that convention are cleased when they pick up the daily paper and see that the meeting is proper y reported in the daily press. They feel a little closer towards the city. Like Healing Remedies

When a farming community is visited by adverse business operations it like pouring healing remedies upon a wound to have the city extend a program of sympathy. Omaha has always stood ready to do this. It has adof welcome and extended a real greeting to all farm organizations.

Down deep in the bottom of every farmer's heart is a respect for a made fun of artificial lighting in munity which helps him solve his financial and social problems. Omaha egg production. There are thousands has, with the Chamber of Commerce, a regular program of agricultural de who have tried it to their satisfacvelopment. The city maintains an agriculturally-trained man who stands ready to help in any plans which will make Nebraska agriculture better and

Second Largest Exchange

The Omaha Livestock exchange is the second largest in America. It has credit as well as for the money beist recently inaugurated a program of improvement which will enable the ommission firms to handle the tremendous business which comes to the

ranchers to help them build better homes and produce greater profits from Recently, returning from an extensive trip over the entire west, it has

been our privilege to compare Omaha with other cities. Truly, without ex- touched off the lights and began to tending any flattering lines to the good old market town, we want to take

When we came breezing into the fair city, dust-covered and journey n, still remembering some of the woeful tales told us by former Nebrasks farmers who had migrated to the Pacific states, we gave ourselves a satis fied nudge and thanked the lucky stars which guided us safely back.

To those who feel that they would like to "go somewhere in the west and build a sweet little nest and let the rest of the world go by" we want to tell

one little true story which happened to us in another city We were just pulling into Portland after a long, hot, tiresome day across the Umatilla desert and over that wonderful Columbia river drive. We were "hitting it" straight for the tourist park, hoping to enjoy the comforts of the Rose city. The car was dust-covered and told its own story. As we swung into the main drag for the park a large closed prosperous looking car bearing the Oregon license plate glided by us. The driver was a middle-aged man who fairly radiated success. His clothes and pose branded him as one successful

He glanced in our direction and noted the Nebraska number of our car. Now folks, we can't make cold type say it as he did. We do not have the power of expression to tell you the world of pathos, the deep longing and heart-breaking spirit that he put into his words when he leaned out of the window and said, "Good old Nebraska" However, we understood what he meant. We were in position to feel and understand the pulling which drew his imagination back to some old home in the good old state.

When we landed in Omaha we felt just like the wanderer who greeted

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Canadian borders. Well we don't them a change of pasture as well more about financial results which more risky methods than some of The well-protected valleys of the in the city is almost directly depend-Before he would take the "chuck them are using, just to get back. plains furnishes protection upon the ent upon farming. The last few winter ranges. been centered around the agricul-But when we went on west of the tural situation, city men have been picked men he went out shead of the farmers in California and the Bighorn mountains we saw another more than ever interested in what the main circle. Wherever he found city water board of Los Angeles, story. We realized that Wyoming the farmer is doing, what he is thinksufficient grass and water to keep This goes to show that the average was the last stand, Idaho was the ing about. They have tried to under-

CATTLE FIRST BY FARM COMMISSION

over a little sandy knoll which gave them a view into a narrow grassy valley. There before them, spread out like a picture were hundreds of wild cattle grazing. When the riders appeared the cattle ran like deer.

California has permitted the real estate agents to colonize the ranges until the retired farmers have voted out the retired farmers have voted onto a farmer's town. They don't sabe the farmer's language.

California has permitted the real estate agents to colonize the ranges until the retired farmers have voted city ordinances over the once vast cattle ranges. Besides it was dry thought. Chairman Carey knows the cattle ranges and may really do something to make the future of this great hing to make the future of this great industry more stable. However, his work will not help the fellows in the southwest, who are facing a hard winter. It seems that they will have to do just like the cattlemen have always done, take their losses and

> In the summer time old biddy goes out and gets plenty of grass and succulent feed. Shut her up in the poultry house and then fail to provide green feed if you want to stop her egg production.



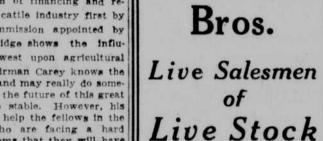
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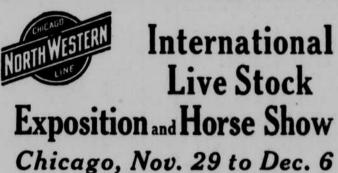
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Backyard Poultry Philosophy

spring. Many others believe in letting hem out during the nice days. How-

The way of the scoffer is always

ing made. They had a novel arrange ment to fool the cacklers. They had an electric alarm clock attachment which set off the lights at 3 a. m. in o be given just to see what would happen. Well, when that clock

would do if we had set the jing er in order to catch an early train

has recently been proved again. The Lady Purdue, of the Purdue poultry first snow of the farm has a pedigree which reads, gone in the 252 egg production grand mater on May and were run upon upset the world's marathon egg- corn. ver, all are agreed that hens should Most any farmer can start with a feed. This ration returned not so well bred. It never pays to feeding which is keep anything but the best poultry, under ordinary feeding conditions.

> person who will assist you in culling the flock. The average farmer

The farmer's wife who depends pon old biddy hatching out the hand reaper. The setting hen is too the movie houses of the surr much like raising modern show towns when the farmer hits the have

WINTER FEEDING **RUNS INTO MONEY**

on sire side. Now Lady Purdue has the summer, with a supplement of laying record by laying 1,341 eggs. ished off with Peter's alfalfa molasse good cockerel even if the hens are more profit than the straight grain

> The shortage of corn makes i doubly important to feed some kind

a happy stenographer at the job, dairy cow. The farmer would not if they droop around like they had think about trying to let the calf is testing her for production re cords. The incubator is the modern efficent than fussing with cranky old setting hens.

baby chicks is as far behind as the to bed with the chickens, now "the farmer who cuts his grain with a farm chickens" are generally seen in

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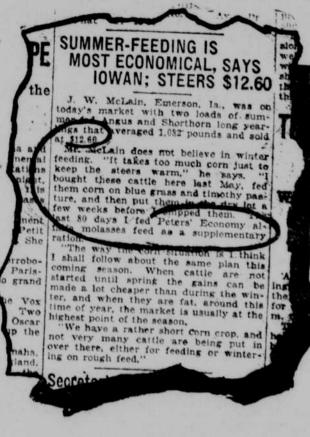


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