

# TAKE WEEKLY BATHS

## Citizens of Aurora Startled by Health Department Orders.

Rule Will Be Strictly Enforced and Violations Will Invite Prosecutions to Full Extent of Law—Ban on Flies Excites.

Aurora, Ill.—Take a bath once a week. Do not spit on the floors, even of your own house. Sinks, wash bowls, etc., must be kept strictly clean. Keep out the flies. Sweep the floors thoroughly each day and scrub them at least once each week.

No more than two persons may sleep in a small room and not more than five in a room of moderate size. All rooms, especially sleeping rooms, must be kept clean and well ventilated. Windows must be kept open in all bedrooms.

Bed clothing must be thoroughly aired at least once a week. Yards must be kept free from disease breeding rubbish and refuse. Place garbage in regulation cans and set them out on day of collection.

Publication of the above rules by Aurora's board of health was accompanied by a notice from Dr. A. R. Reder, health officer, that they would be strictly enforced, and that violations would invite prosecution "to the fullest extent of the law." Moreover, Frank Mitchell, chief of police, signed his name below Dr. Reder's as a warning that seekers for leniency need not look to him.

"Those rules go," said the police chief, grimly. "Every one must take his bath and do the rest of the stunts. And I want to say right now that we are not working in the interest of the bathtub trust, either."

Dr. Reder further announces that he or some other attaché of the health department would visit every residence each week to see that the new rules were being observed.

As soon as the new health laws became known there was trouble in Aurora. Former Senator A. J. Hopkins said he thought the regulations were "sane and conservative," but there were others who wondered how Dr. Reder would be able to satisfy himself on his inspection tours, whether the once a week bath had been taken as required.

"That may be a puzzle occasionally," said the doctor, "but if I should hale the wrong man, woman or child into court, wouldn't it be a matter of evidence? The wise ones will have their alibis—I mean they will be able to show that they took their dip or took or whatever the variety was. Proof will lie with members of the family, you know, or receipts at the barber shop."

Every portable bathtub in Aurora was bought up within an hour after Dr. Reder's proclamation was made. Dealers in plumbing supplies all sent in rush orders for bathroom equipment, and hot water attachments for kitchen stoves. The towel department of the dry goods stores did a rushing business. Drug stores made record sales of shower apparatus.

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## PAY \$500 FOR RARE PRINT

"Bloody Massacre in King Street, Boston," Is Sold at Auction in New York.

New York.—The rare Paul Revere print, "The Bloody Massacre in King Street, Boston, on March 5, 1770, by a party of the Twenty-ninth regiment," brought \$500, the highest price at the Edwin Babcock Holden sale in the American art galleries.

An even rarer print, the contemporary piracy of the Revere engraving, published at Newbury Port, sold for \$150; a collection of portraits by St. Memin and others, made by St. Memin's son and bound in a quarto volume, \$310; "Battle of Bunker Hill" and "Death of Montgomery," indorsed by Colonel John Trumbull, \$160; two original colored copies of the battle between the British ship Shannon and the United States frigate Chesapeake, \$162; the victory of the United States frigate Guerriere, \$160; explosion of the British frigate Guerriere, \$131.

The capture of the British frigate Java by the Constitution brought \$114; battle between the British frigates Endymion and the United States ship President, \$170; capture of the British sloop of war Wasp, \$135; the American ketch Intrepid, commanded by Decatur, boarding and burning the Tripolitan frigate (late the Philadelphia) in the harbor of Tripoli, \$117; a mezzotint of Lord Cornwallis, \$115, and mezzotints of Louis XVI and Marie Antoinette, \$48.

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## NOTES FROM MEADOWBROOK FARM



Plenty of shade is essential.

Keep the peppers picked clean at least every other day.

A few trees in the sheep pasture will turn it into a paradise.

Cement or concrete silos, when well built, are practically everlasting.

Allowing weeds to go to seed now means increased labor next season.

The best method to determine if your hens are good layers is the trap nest.

A strong swarm of bees will furnish a hundred pounds of honey aside from what they themselves consume.

If you grow late-maturing crops in the orchard they will keep the wood growing too late to make them safe for winter.

Cowpea vine hay has a feeding value practically equal to that of wheat bran, which is worth now more than \$30 per ton.

It is folly to raise hogs, feed them high-priced feeds, get them in good shape and then let them die on their way to market.

Early potato blight is liable to attack the potato crop at any time from June until the crop is ripe, but is not seriously destructive in July and August.

A heifer becomes a cow after she drops her first calf and begins giving milk—no matter at what age, and she remains a heifer until these maternal obligations are assumed.

In dairying, there are special breeds enough and reliable information enough, so there is no excuse for a man who goes it blind and blames luck and the weather for his failure.

With dairying, as with other lines of farming, the dairyman should familiarize himself as much as possible with every fact which can be brought to bear upon the quality of his product.

Bacon is only the intermingling of lean and meat, and if the meat is grown along rapidly it will be more tender and palatable than if it is pinched until the lean is dry and tasteless.

In all those portions of the country where dairying is a leading and fattening ration the bacon hogs can be raised to advantage and profit.

As the days wax warmer and warmer one's efforts are apt to relax, but the young fowls destined to take their places in the show room must not be neglected. They must have their feed regularly, and water in abundance.

Upon the horse-collar depends much more than appears at first glance. The day-in-and-out efficiency of the team, its labor service, its thriftiness depend very largely upon the proper kind and fitting of the collars used.

The man with a silo will be in a position to congratulate himself this winter and urge every farmer to consider the erection of a silo this fall. No other means will provide so much palatable and nutritious feed from an acre of land.

Cultivation as the plants develop requires not only care and skill, but forethought also. If heavy rains have beaten the soil into a hard mass and it is water soaked it may be necessary to go as deeply as possible without injuring the roots in order to aerate the ground properly.

Once the calf is well started toward an early and profitable marketable maturity by liberal feeding and good care at this season of the year, there is little need of advising with regard to his future feeding care, as the owner's good sense will tell him that it will pay to continue to feed and care for him well.

Fowls will lay occasionally in winter if they are not cared for other than having a few scoophuls of corn tossed to them in a filthy house, but they will make a profit over and above the feed and housing if they are well sheltered and fed a variety of clean and wholesome grains and have a bit of green food and cut bone every day. The day of keeping chickens in the haphazard way is about over.

rows dilute a filthy house.

Give flower plants lots of room.

The British highway is far superior to the American.

It is quite possible to get a fair crop of cane after early oats.

Remove the suckers from fruit trees as fast as they appear.

Light shining on potatoes colors them and injures the flavor.

To retain soil moisture a loose mulch of between two or three inches is necessary.

Underfeeding and overfeeding are both wasteful as is also feeding one article of diet.

A pig can be raised by the hand method as easily as a calf, if the same pains are taken with it.

Pounds of meat or amount and quality of other products that an animal will provide are what count.

If a sow proves a good breeder, there is no reason why she should not be kept as long as she produces strong pigs.

To the intelligent corn grower a weedy field spells a shiftless farmer who is fooling with his chances of success.

Do not allow any fruit to ripen on berry plants set this season. Premature fruit-bearing stunts the growth of the plants.

The man who raises pigs ought to have a field of peas into which they can be turned just before the peas become hard.

The richest color of the cream is when it first rises to the surface, and if churned in that condition the butter will be yellow.

You will have to spray with kerosene emulsion to reach the cabbage lice. Be sure to get it on the under side of the leaves.

Corn has become a good crop, whether hogs are high or low, but it is not a good plan to plant more corn than can be well tended.

Cocks should not be allowed to run with the hens during moulting, so that as the number of hens not moulting decreases they should be confined with the cocks.

Anyone who will knowingly sell milk from a diseased cow well deserves the epithet of criminal, for his act is nothing short of crime. He sells filthy milk or butter is scarcely less reprehensible.

The trouble with a great many poultry keepers is that they think they can fly before they are really able to walk. Take time to learn the business. Fly and by the flying will come easy enough.

There is some difference in the cost of corn whether it is "hogged down" by sheep and lambs in the field, or high priced help husks it and hauls it to the station, and high priced railroads ship it to feeding yards.

It is a law of nature that all plants must have a season of rest from active growth. In the tropics this is done in the dry season. No plant can be forced into continual growth without weakening it and finally killing it.

The cockerels which are to be marketed should, of course, be fed a more fattening ration than the pullets, and those which are to be used as breeders should be kept from the pullets until about six weeks before the eggs are wanted for hatching.

As soon as the cockerels get old enough to pay attention to the pullets they begin fighting and the weaker birds are crowded out and don't get their share of feed. For the proper kind and fitting of the collars used.

There is no better way to warm a hen up in the morning than to scatter some warm wheat around in a good clean layer of straw and let them work hard for it. They will get right down to business as soon as it is fairly light and stick to it till they have earned their breakfast. By that time they are as warm as a toast.

If you do not cultivate soon after a rain has hardened the surface your task will be ever so much more difficult. The tendency of a hard baked soil under cultivation is to break up into clods, especially if it has not been well worked previously. This does not produce the necessary mulch but rather tends to dry out the soil further, and, in fact, is frequently worse than no cultivation at all.

The average life of a worker bee during the summer time is not over three months and during the height of the clover bloom perhaps not over six or eight weeks. Its life is probably cut short during the summer months by the wearing out of its wings. When its time comes it will crawl away by itself where it can die without hindering the work of the rising generation. Drones, if they are not put involuntarily out of the way, may live perhaps three or four months. The queen bee is very seldom killed by violence but usually lives to a good old age.

## ALL OVER NEBRASKA

Death of Pioneers. Burt County—Death has taken away sixty-nine of the Burt county pioneers and old settlers in less than one year. Several of them have lived elsewhere, but all have died since their annual reunion held last August.

Election Official Drops Dead. Platte County—E. O. Rector, an old resident and prominent G. A. R. of Columbus dropped dead at his home. He was serving on the election board in his ward and had gone home to supper in a carriage. At the gate he fell over and expired almost instantly.

Boone Corn Crop Is Good. Boone County—While Boone county has had no general rains this season and some portions of the county has suffered for want of rain, yet nothing but an early frost will prevent the corn from having a heavy crop. Oats and wheat are both much better than was anticipated before harvest.

Good Crops in Cheyenne County. Cheyenne County—Threshing of the finest crop of small grain ever grown is well under way. The yield in many instances is exceeding all expectations. This community has been favored with ample rainfall throughout the summer, the fine rain recently assuring the corn and putting Cheyenne on the map for a bumper crop.

Bar on Transient Ad Schemes. Gage County—The Commercial club of Beatrice has adopted a resolution protecting Beatrice merchants from worthless advertising schemes, such as time cards, hotel registers, desk cards and other similar schemes that are usually gotten up by transient solicitors. A committee on advertising has been appointed whose duty it shall be to approve or disapprove all schemes for advertising that may be offered to merchants.

Good Crop of Apples. Johnson County—While Johnson county will not have an average yield of apples, there are, nevertheless, lots of orchards filled with the fruit in the county. The fruit is especially good, the dry season being favorable to spraying and the fighting of scab. One orchardist near Tecumseh, who had no apples at all last year, will have several thousand bushels this year, and his fruit is very fine. He will ship eight barrels to Lincoln to exhibit at the state fair.

Orphan's Home Children Treated. Phelps County—Children's day at the Holdrege chautauqua was largely attended. The children from the Orphan's home, just north of Holdrege, were brought in at the invitation of the Commercial club who gave them an auto trip from their home to the city. They were given a dinner by the ladies of the Woman's club, about eighty children partaking of it. A program of special interest to the children of the county was given and in the neighborhood of four hundred and fifty children under fourteen years of age were present.

Nuckolls County Institute. Nuckolls County—The county institute here was a success in every way. Practical up-to-date instructors were in charge of every department, working vigorously under the direction of County Superintendent Mary Jane George. Much interest was shown in Nelson and among the teachers of the county in the subject of industrial education. The Board of Education has decided to place normal training and domestic science in the Nelson schools and many pupils are planning to attend from other towns and from rural schools, attracted by the advantages offered.

Little Girl Killed. Dawes County—While watching workmen move a barn near her father's home, Pauline, aged 3 years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Robinson of Chadron, was crushed under one of the heavy pilings, which toppled from its place when the barn began to tip. The child lived only a little over an hour following the accident.

Champion Swimmer. Dodge County—Swimming 129 feet under water in the Y. M. C. A. Pumphrey, Alfred Fowler, a 16-year-old Fremont High school boy, claims the state record for such a performance.

Ground to Death. Douglas County—James T. Peterson, a locomotive in the Burlington yards, opposite the depot in Omaha and in full view of a number of horrified spectators, Peterson, who was 47 years of age, went to the depot to watch the trains come in. Just before the accident he left the depot platform and started to run across the tracks, being run down by a switching engine.

Fatal Drink of Lye. Brown County—A 13-month-old child of Elder and Mrs. B. H. Shaw died twenty-eight hours after drinking concentrated lye, which had been left within its reach.

Child Crushed Under Building. Dawes County—While E. D. Thomas was moving a barn, Pauline, the 3-year-old child of Mr. and Mrs. George Robinson of Chadron was fatally crushed while playing around the timbers upon which the building was being rolled.

## RIDES A BUCKING PORPOISE.

Too Big to Land by Hook and Line. Sea Denizen Gives Fisherman Startling Experience.

New York.—Captain Charles Penny, of Flinders, L. I., is probably the first man who has successfully ridden a bucking porpoise.

The porpoise was a big bull, head of a herd of twenty, which had interfered with the fishing of Penny and his associates. They decided to shoot him and did wound him. Then they found they had no boathook to land their prize.

"Wait a minute, boys; I'm going to have that fellow," said Penny. Without removing shoes, clothes or hat, he leaped overboard, landed astride of the broad back of the fish, twisted his feet around his body and his arms around the neck and hung on.

The fish found a new spark of life when this unlooked for enemy landed on his upper deck. He gave a snort and dived for the bottom of Peconic bay.

This did not frighten Penny, for he is about as much at home in the water as the porpoise, and, as to speed, he had attempted some of that on land in running an automobile. He knew, too, that the fish would have to come to the surface very quickly to blow, for he was three-quarters dead before the excursion started. So he held on.

When the porpoise did come up, a minute or so later, Penny was a long way from his boat, but still astride the porpoise. So he reached around the porpoise's head with one arm and rammed a big fish hook into its nose. The fish made another feeble effort to get away, but it was no use.

"Hey! you fellows! Come over here and get your fish!" shouted Penny to his fellow-fishermen.

The combined strength of the men could not lift the fish to the boat, so Mr. Porp was towed to Riverhead, where it took seven men to pull him out on the dock.

The fish measured 9½ feet and weighed more than one hundred pounds. His body is nearly as large as a flour barrel.

## NEW YORKER ASKS NEW COIN

Banker Declares Nation Needs Two and One-Half Cent Piece for Small Change.

New York.—The coinage of a two and one-half cent piece by the United States government is urged in a statement given out here by William H. Short, a New York banker, who declares that the use of such a coin would mean a saving of \$39,000,000 yearly to consumers.

"The absence of such coinage," he says, "has resulted in the universal custom of the sellers taking the half cent whenever a transaction does not result in even money. I suppose it would be a safe estimate to say that each family loses the half cent on an average of ten times a week, resulting in their paying \$2.60 a year above the price of articles purchased."

"There are about 15,000,000 families in the United States, exclusive of the merchants, and figuring on the basis mentioned, they are losers yearly for this cause the approximate sum \$39,000,000."

War Machine Trade. Berlin.—German gun factories are fairly swamped with orders, according to the military expert of the Taegliche Rundschau.

## HISTORY OF CHESTER TOLD IN PAGEANTRY

FOLLOWING the example of many other ancient towns of England, the old city of Chester has been giving a living representation of its history in the form of a great pageant. The affair lasted a week and was divided up into an introduction, eight episodes and a finale. The episodes were as follows: I.—Agricola returns to Deva after defeating the Ordovices, A. D. 78. II.—King Edgar on his imperial progress, with Queen Elfrida, receives the homage of Tributary Princes, A. D. 973. III.—Hugh Lupus, with St. Anselm, founds the Abbey of St. Werburgh, A. D. 1093. IV.—Archbishop Baldwin preaches the Crusade at Chester, A. D. 1189. V.—Prince Edward, first Royal Earl of Chester, and Princess Eleanor, visit Chester, A. D. 1256. VI.—Richard II. is brought a prisoner to Chester by Henry Bolingbroke, A. D. 1399. VII.—King James I. visits Chester, introducing the Midsummer Revels, A. D. 1617. VIII.—Siege of Chester, Visit of King Charles, A. D. 1645.



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