

NEWS OF A WEEK IN CONDENSED FORM

RECORD OF MOST IMPORTANT EVENTS TOLD IN BRIEFEST MANNER POSSIBLE.

AT HOME AND ABROAD

Happenings That Are Making History - Information Gathered from All Quarters of the Globe and Given in a Few Lines.

Domestic.

Fifty thousand acres of land situated in the Goose Creek valley in southern Idaho were opened to settlement. The lands are controlled by the Twin Falls Land and Water company, which has commenced the construction of an irrigation system to be completed in eighteen months, at a cost of approximately \$2,000,000.

Alice Webb Duke, divorced wife of Brodie L. Duke, the tobacco magnate, was committed to the asylum for the insane at Kankakee, Ill. The once brilliant and wealthy bride of Mr. Duke appeared a complete mental and physical wreck and but ten minutes were required to impress the jury with the need of restraint of, and treatment for her.

The fifty-ninth anniversary of the admission of California to statehood was observed at the Alaska-Yukon Pacific exposition as California day, the notable features of the day being addresses and a reception in the California building and free distribution of fruit and other California products. The president has approved the sentence of dismissal imposed by a general court martial appointed by him at Denver, Colo., in the case of First Lieut. Clarence S. Nettles, U. S. A. (retired). Lieutenant Nettles first entered the service as an enlisted man in the second South Carolina volunteer infantry during the Spanish-American war.

Former President Roosevelt has requested that the United States government send a supply of black bass to British East Africa to be deposited in Lake Naivasha. Mr. Roosevelt's request was made in a personal letter to Commissioner George M. Bowers of the bureau of fisheries and it will be complied with if possible.

Three unknown tramps who were riding in a box car were killed when a Chicago Great Western freight train was derailed near Maloy, Ia. The first bulletin of the director of the census showing the operations of the cotton ginners for 1909 was issued this week. It covers the period up to September 1, and shows that for that time 377,552 running bales have been ginned against 402,229 for the same period of last year.

Thomas S. Phelps, Jr., commandant at the Mare Island navy yard, has received his commission as a rear admiral. The captain's flag formerly used by the commandant was hoisted down and that of admiral was raised on the receiving ship Independence. Rear Admiral Phelps' commission is dated July 21.

"Durum bread day" will be observed in North Dakota by proclamation of Governor John Burke of that state on October 7. The agricultural department has been notified that the people of North Dakota have been urged by the governor to observe the day by using only bread made from durum wheat flour. Durum wheat is a hard cereal grown only in the far north and is a special product of North Dakota. Governor Burke has requested the agricultural department to give special attention to the observance of "durum wheat day."

An order involving approximately a million dollars in reparation was issued by the interstate commerce commission. It included claims in what is known as the central yellow pine association territory—Louisiana, Mississippi and western Alabama—and involved a refunding of amounts paid by a large number of shippers of yellow pine lumber from the territory to points in other states on which an overcharge of two cents a hundred pounds was collected by various railroads.

Contracts with the Maryland Steel company of Sparrows Point, for the \$850,000 were signed by Acting Secretary of the Navy Whitford. Accompanied by his son Casper and his private secretary, Secretary of Agriculture James Wilson arrived at Deadwood, S. D., Sunday afternoon. He will be entertained over Sunday by Congressman Martin and on Monday will leave for Belle Fourche, where he will inspect the farms under the new government irrigation project.

Emmett A. Gould, since 1902 general superintendent of the northern district of the Missouri Pacific, with headquarters in Kansas City, has resigned to become general superintendent of the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton at Cincinnati, effective September 15.

The threatened speed war among the Chicago-Denver-California railroad systems is on. In anticipation of the cutting of schedules by the Burlington and other Hill lines the Chicago & Northwestern announced a reduction of two hours in running time between Chicago and Denver.

Count Hermann Oshelm, former heir presumptive to the grand duchy of Saxe-Weimer, who renounced his right to the succession, was married in London before the registrar. The bride signed her name as Wanda Paula Lotter, and gave her age as twenty-five years.

The Aero club of St. Louis has railed Glenn H. Curtiss, the aviator, who won at Rheims last week, an invitation to give flights during the centennial celebration in October. Wilbur Wright is expected to reply definitely this week to an invitation made recently.

NEBRASKA NEWS AND NOTES.

Items of Interest Taken From Here and There Over the State. County Attorney John L. Cleary of Hall county has filed an information in the county court charging Ernest E. Stout with the murder in the first degree of Joseph E. Richeson.

Reports from eight threshing outfits from the once supposed arid lands of western Nebraska are most flattering and indicate the largest harvest ever gathered there.

The farm home of R. H. Thomas, one mile east of Indianola, with all contents, was burned. It was a sod and frame structure, and was one of the very earliest houses in this county. It was an old landmark. No one was at home but two small children. J. W. Bergman, the postmaster at Odessa, has been in quarantine because his son is afflicted with spinal meningitis. The state board of health has required this to be done owing to the epidemic now spreading over the state.

Ben Cartney committed suicide at Tilden by hanging himself. He arose at the usual hour to do his chores. His father soon became alarmed at his long absence and went in search of him and found him dangling from a rope, life being extinct.

Mrs. Anna Dickens, the first white settler in Iowa, died at her home at the age of eighty-eight. A fractured hip received in a fall induced her death.

The international air navigation exposition has decided upon the week beginning October 3 for "aviation week."

The Maryland Steel company of Sparrows Point submitted the lowest bid at the navy department for constructing the naval collier authorized by the last congress at a cost not to exceed \$900,000. The company submitted two bids, the lower being \$889,600.

One killed, several injured and \$100,000 damage is the sum total of the breaking of the central Missouri drought Monday. The storm centered in north Christian county. At Spokane, Mo., Hiram Cornog, postmaster, was killed by lightning.

John Embury, United States attorney for the western district of Oklahoma, tendered his resignation to the attorney general. Mr. Embury will enter the private practice of law at Oklahoma City.

A. A. Robinson, owner of the Commercial company of Detroit, his wife, and Mrs. H. E. Tremaine of Bay City, were instantly killed in Bay City when an automobile in which they were riding was struck by a fast Michigan Central train. A daughter of Mrs. Tremaine is thought to be fatally injured.

Foreign. The deposed shah of Persia left the confines of the Russian legation Thursday and started his journey to Russia. He is to live in practical exile, probably at Odessa.

Brazil has determined to develop iron smelting and the iron and steel industry generally, and thus makes use of the vast deposits of iron ore which exist in several portions of the country, according to Consul General A. E. Anderson of Rio de Janeiro. The aid to be given the new industry it is believed will take the form of an offer of a subsidy to one or more companies to establish plants.

A treaty by Baron Rio Branco, Brazilian minister of foreign affairs, and Herman Valverde, the Peruvian minister, has put an end to the frontier dispute between Brazil and Peru in the Aazon. Each country retains its actual possessions in the Amazon. Japan's purpose to gain a strong commercial foothold among the countries of South America is indicated in the statement of Consul Winslow of Valparaiso, Chili, that Japan now has three subsidized steamers plying between that country and the west coast of South America. The last steamer which was placed in service is the "American Maru" which reached Valparaiso recently. The steamers are to be freighted with Japanese bric-a-brac and specialties, and are to return loaded with nitrates.

Word has been received by the Victoria sailing schooner, Thomas F. Bayard, which was in Behring sea hunting for sea otter, has been ordered by a United States revenue cutter to depart. As hunting for sea otters is not prohibited, protest will be made to Ottawa with a view of having representations made to Washington.

Miss Florence Breckenridge, daughter of General J. C. Breckenridge of Washington, D. C., was married in Paris to Thomas F. Hesketh, an officer in the English horse guards.

J. G. Walter of Sioux Falls, S. D., was arrested at Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Can., on a charge of embezzling \$10,000 in connection with the operation of a line of elevators in the northern states, under the name of the Plymouth Elevator company. Minneapolis men supplied the money to Walter and ordered his arrest for not meeting his obligations.

The international association for testing materials opened its congress at Copenhagen with an attendance of delegates from fourteen countries. Among the delegates is Prof. W. K. Hart of Purdue university, who is present as the official representative of the United States forestry service.

The public issue of 70,000 shares in the Central bank of Korea, which is being established at Seoul by the Japanese government to simplify and systematize banking at Korea, has been over-subscribed 500 times. The shares have a par value of one hundred yen (\$50).

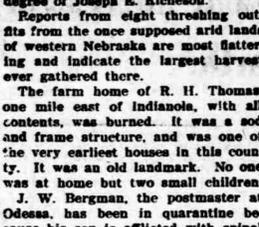
Lieut. Benjamin D. Foulols, of the signal corps, has been detailed to represent the war department at the international aeronautical conference to be held at Nancy, France, September 18-24. Lieutenant Foulols has been specially designated for instruction in the operation of the airplane.

Fire at Krivoy-Rog, Russia, destroyed 450 buildings. The property loss is about \$500,000. Five thousand persons are homeless and destitute.

Latest reports from Monterey, Mexico, place the number of dead in the recent storm at 1,206 to 1,400, and the property loss is very large.

NOTES FROM MEADOWBROOK FARM

By William Pitt



Delayed meals increase the housewife's burdens.

Penned hogs will not be as profitable as those on pasture.

Don't monkey with the runs in the poultry yard. It don't pay.

Ashes for the pigs help to make good strong bony framework.

Cleanliness is one of the essentials of successful chicken raising.

Market your own eggs and make the profit the commission man would get from you.

Beekeepers favor buckwheat as a cover crop, as it not only provides humus for the soil but good feeding ground for the bees.

Be sure that the water used in rinsing the butter is absolutely pure. If at all uncertain as to the quality of your supply, boil the water you need and cool before using.

How inconsistent to complain of conditions in your district and never pay any attention to public affairs or use your influence or take time to vote to have things better.

Some potato raisers make the great mistake of allowing the weeds to fill their potato patch. This not only saps the moisture, but the fertility which should go into growing the tubers.

If the schools of your district are not as good as they ought to be, interest yourself in the matter and try to find out the reason why. It is your business and your duty to do so.

The ideal soil condition for wheat is when by cultivation it has been pulverized and made compact. The seeds of wheat are small and it requires fine and compact soil to settle about them for proper germination and the establishment of a good root system to carry the plants successfully over winter. There is little danger of making wheat ground soil too fine or too compact, especially in a dry fall. Extra work in this matter pays well. Young wheat growers are apt to slight the work of preparing the wheat seedbed, believing that light working is enough. The older and more experienced wheat grower knows that the soil must be worked well and that when it seems to be worked down and in good condition it should receive one or two more harrowings or similar workings.

A combined house and milk room makes an ideal arrangement. The milk room section should be well lighted and well ventilated and of convenient size, the size depending upon the amount of milk and cream to be handled. There should be room for the separator. On one side of the room there should be a cooling tank, high enough to permit nearly the full depth of the can to be immersed in water and wide and long enough to permit a number of cans to stand beside one another sideways as well as lengthwise in the tank. This will prevent tipping and the spilling of milk and cream will be obviated. All of the water pumped for the stock should be made first to run through the milk cooling tank. The inlet of the water pipe should be at one end of the tank and the outlet to the stock tank at the other. Milk and cream should be put into this water in the winter as well as in the summer. This quickly cools the milk and prevents it from freezing. The can may be weighted down so that the surface of the milk in the can is a few inches below the surface of the water in the tank. By stirring the cream occasionally with a cream stirrer, quick cooling will be facilitated, and the cream will be more uniform in its consistency.

In reference to eliminating the rat pest from the farm and preventing the serious damage which they cause yearly, a government bulletin suggests the following methods: 1. Protection of our native hawks, owls and other natural enemies of rats. 2. Greater cleanliness about stables, markets, grocery stores, warehouses, courts, cellars, and vacant lots in cities and villages, and like care on farms and suburban premises. This includes the storage of waste and garbage in tightly covered vessels and the prompt disposal of it each day. 3. Care in the construction of buildings and drains so as not to provide entrance and retreats for rats, and the permanent closing of all rat holes in old houses and cellars. 4. The early thrashing and marketing of grains on farms, so that stacks and mows shall not furnish harborage and food for rats. 5. Removal of outlying straw stacks and piles of trash or lumber that harbor rats in the fields. 6. Rat proofing of warehouses, markets, cribs, stables and granaries for storage of provisions, seed grain and feedstuffs. 7. Keeping effective rat dogs, especially in city warehouses. 8. The systematic destruction of rats, whenever and wherever possible, by (a) trapping, (b) poisoning and (c) organized hunts. 9. The organization of "rat clubs" and other societies for a systematic warfare against rats. To destroy all the animals on the premises of a single farmer in a community has little permanent value, since they are soon replaced from near-by farms.

Provide plenty of ventilation for your hen house.

Proper feed and care is the secret of healthy chickens.

Cut out the old raspberry and black-berry cane and burn.

Relieve yourself and watch the other fellow for new ideas.

Soil washing is one of the great wastes which is robbing many American farmers.

Alfalfa hay must be well cured before stacking or it will be apt to heat and spoil.

A good dairy thermometer is quite necessary where much cream is handled. Test your cows.

Picnic lunch is fine, but don't forget the horses that haul you to the grove. Have feed for them, too.

Alfalfa for seed should be cut when the greater portion of the seeds are hard, but not sufficiently ripe to shell.

Lots of chance for leaks on the farm. Look out for them. Stop them as soon as possible when you find them.

Wet ground can be successfully put down to red top and alsike clover. The plowing and seeding can be done during a very dry spell.

Feed the young chickens freely. Little danger of overfeeding. But feed the old stock only what they will pick up clean in a short time.

Know what your cows are doing for you by using the scales in weighing their milk and the Babcock tester in determining the quality of the milk.

Better farming means better crops, and better crops mean more money and more comforts on the farm. Why not study to improve your methods?

The colt, like the boy, is easily spoiled, and it is hard to undo mismanagement. But raised right, colts and boys prove one of the most profitable productions of the farms.

Warm and cold cream should never be mixed. Cool the former to the temperature of the latter before putting together. It is a good plan not to mix different days' cream, whether it is of the same temperature or not.

Alfalfa is first cousin of the clover family, and a high-culture crop which must be handled with special care. It should be cut when about one-tenth in bloom. This gives a better chance for subsequent cuttings in the season. It must be handled in such a way that the leaves will not be lost, for if they break off, the part of the plant most rich in protein is lost. Each season two or three cuttings of alfalfa may be harvested if care is used at each time, and if the season is at all natural.

The egg which hatches the larva of the peach tree borer is laid in August on the bark at the base of the tree, says Prof. H. A. Surface, and after some days the larva, or grub, hatches and commences to feed at the surface of the bark, finally eating its way through and boring up and down and across beneath the bark, often cutting off the total sap supply and causing the tree to wither. After the pests have passed beneath the bark, they are concealed and can not easily be reached with insecticides. They should then be killed by cutting them out, always cutting lengthwise rather than crosswise of the bark, or by piercing them with a pointed wire.

Weeds often become a serious pest in agricultural communities because some one failed to do his duty in exterminating them at the first discovery. Such carelessness is intolerable because it is usually a comparatively easy matter to get rid of weeds in their incipient stage. Some of these weeds are left to grow and spread because the land owner does not realize that the new plants are damaging to crops, until the pest is thoroughly established. Perhaps in no other period in American history has there been so much complaint among farmers on account of spread of noxious weeds as now. This is due in a large measure to the impure seed that is foisted upon farmers who depend upon the market for their supply.

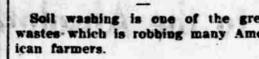
Swine feeding is a science. The Illinois experiment station has found that pigs fed on ground corn and water alone for a period of six months, the fourth to the ninth months inclusive, made a gain of only 20 pounds per head during the entire period as compared to 250 pounds gain made by other pigs fed a mixed ration during the same period. The gains in the former case required 21 pounds of ground corn per pound of gain, and in the latter 4.6 pounds of feed per pound of gain. It was further shown that ground corn, water and mineral matter, such as salt, wood ashes, bone-meal, charcoal, etc., without other feed, will give very good and profitable results when fed during the last portion of the feeding period to pigs that have been properly fed up to six months. By giving pigs access to a clover pasture in addition to ground corn, water and mineral matter during the first three months of a six-month feeding period, they made 2.7 times as much gain in live weight as was made by the pigs that had ground corn, water and mineral matter, but no clover. By feeding pigs a bulky ration during the early part of their life when their capacity for eating feed is greater than their ability to utilize the digested material, the appetite may be satisfied, the digestible nutrients held down to the proper point, and the capacity largely retained. When pigs during the growing period were put on full feed and fed three times per day, other conditions being equal, they made no larger gains than when they were fed twice per day. By feeding three times per day, they ate more feed without making correspondingly larger gains, which made the gains more expensive. During the fattening stage feeding three times per day was more effective than feeding twice.

A TEXAS CLERGYMAN

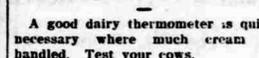
Speaks Out for the Benefit of Suffering Thousands.

Rev. G. M. Gray, Baptist clergyman, of Whitesboro, Tex., says: "Four years ago I suffered misery with lumbago. Every movement was one of pain. Doan's Kidney Pills removed the whole difficulty after only a short time. Although I do not like to have my name used publicly, I make an exception in this case, so that other sufferers from kidney trouble may profit by my experience."

Sold by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.



SIX MONTHS.



Mrs. Bill—Now, tell me at once where have you been all this time? Bill—Why, dear, it hasn't been long.

Mrs. Bill—How dare you tell me that? You have been out all night.

CUTICURA CURED HIM.

Eczema Came on Legs and Ankle—Could Not Wear Shoes Because of Bad Scaling and Itching.

"I have been successfully cured of dry eczema. I was inspecting the removal of noxious weeds from the edge of a river and was constantly in the dust from the weeds. At night I cleaned my limbs but felt a prickly sensation. I paid no attention to it for two years but I noticed a scum on my legs like fish scales. I did not attend to it until it came to be too itchy and sore and began getting two or three running sores. My ankles were all husks or stems or black spots. Farmers' wives are finding that by feeding the farm hands plentifully on Quaker Oats they get the best results in work and economy. If you are convenient to the store, buy the regular size packages; if not near the store buy the large size family package."

Anything But That.

Little John is the youngest of a family of five boys, says the Delinquent. One day his mother said to him: "O John, isn't it too bad I haven't one little girl? I could curl her hair and make such pretty little dresses for her. Don't you wish you were a little girl?"

"Why, mother," he said, "I'd rather be most any other kind of animal you could mention than a girl."

It's the judgment of many smokers that Lewis' Single Binder 3c cigar equals in quality most 10c cigars.

In Madagascar everyone wears silk, which is cheaper than linen.

Woman thinks she will be man's superior when she sets her rights.

LOW COLONIST FARES TO THE WEST AND NORTHWEST.

Union Pacific Passenger Department announces that Colonist Fares will be in effect from Sept. 15 to Oct. 15, 1909, to all points in the West and Northwest.

This year the West looks more promising than ever. Now is the time to secure land at low prices, and, at the same time, to visit the many interesting points in the West and Northwest, at which liberal stopover arrangements may be made.

A better estimate of raw lands can be made now than formerly, because these lands are in proximity to new farms that are producing wonderful crops.

For descriptive literature, write to E. L. Lomax, G. P. A., U. P. R. R., Omaha, Neb.

Women in Postal Service.

The distinction of first appointing a woman postmaster does not belong to America, nor is the employment of women in the postal service a new idea. As early as 1548 a woman postmaster was appointed to look after the mails of Braine la Comte, an important town of France. In the trying times of the Thirty Years' war, the principal office in the postal service of Europe was held by a woman, Alexandrine de Rue. From 1828 to 1846 she was in charge of the mails of the German empire, the Netherlands, Burgundy and Lorraine. She was known as a master general of the mails. In America, Elizabeth Harvey was the first to hold a place in the postal department. She had charge of the letters in Portsmouth, N. H., in the beginning of the seventeenth century. A half century afterward Lydia Hill was placed in charge of the post-office in Salem, Mass.

Why We Are Stronger.

The old Greeks and Romans were great admirers of health and strength; their pictures and statuary made the muscles of the men stand out like cords.

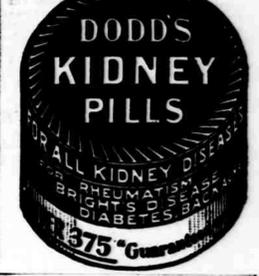
As a matter of fact we have athletes and strong men—men fed on fine strength making food such as Quaker Oats—that would win in any contest with the old Roman or Greek champions.

It's a matter of food. "The finest food for making strength of bone, muscle and nerve is fine oatmeal. Quaker Oats is the best because it is pure, no husks or stems or black spots. Farmers' wives are finding that by feeding the farm hands plentifully on Quaker Oats they get the best results in work and economy. If you are convenient to the store, buy the regular size packages; if not near the store buy the large size family package."

An Arbitrary Classification.

"So you think every patriot has a more or less clearly defined ambition to hold public office?"

"Yes," answered Senator Sorghum. "As a rule, patriots may be divided into two classes—the appointed and the disappointed."



Ask Her This Question

"Do you know of any woman who ever received any benefit from taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound?"

If any woman who is suffering with any ailment peculiar to her sex will ask her neighbors this question, she will be surprised at the result. There is hardly a community in this country where women cannot be found who have been restored to health by this famous old remedy, made exclusively from a simple formula of roots and herbs.

During the past 30 years we have published thousands of letters from these grateful women who have been cured by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and never in all that time have we published a testimonial without the writer's special permission. Never have we knowingly published a testimonial that was not truthful and genuine. Here is one just received a few days ago. If anyone doubts that this is a true and honest statement of a woman's experience with Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound write and ask her.

Houston, Texas.—"When I first began taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound I was a total wreck. I had been sick for three years with female troubles, chronic dyspepsia, and a liver trouble. I had tried several doctor's medicines, but nothing did me any good. For three years I lived on medicines and thought I would never get well, when I read an advertisement of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and was advised to try it. My husband got me one bottle of the Compound, and it did me so much good I continued its use. I am now a well woman and enjoy the best of health. I advise all women suffering from such troubles to give Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound a trial. They won't regret it, for it will surely cure you."—Mrs. Bessie L. Hicks, 819 Cleveland St., Houston.

Any woman who is sick and suffering is foolish surely not to give such a medicine as this a trial. Why should it not do her as much good as it did Mrs. Hicks.