

CORNHUSKER ITEMS

News of All Kinds Gathered From Various Points Throughout Nebraska.

OF INTEREST TO ALL READERS

A house to house canvass of farmers in a number of counties in south and southwestern Nebraska is being made by agents of the Nebraska Grain Market association to induce farmers to hold their grain for higher prices.

Miss Mary Schnitz, of near Paul, was seriously injured when a horse she was petting suddenly turned and kicked her, striking her in the side and breaking several ribs.

Every hour 2,000 automobiles enter or leave Omaha, making a total of 20,000 a day, according to figures compiled by the Chamber of Commerce publicity bureau.

January 3 is the date set for the hearing by the supreme court of the mandamus suit against Secretary of State Amsberry involving a referendum on the code law.

The registration at the University of Nebraska, including the colleges at Lincoln and the medical college at Omaha, is greater than last year by nearly 150.

The Farmers and Merchants State bank is a new commercial institution for McCook. It has a capital stock paid up of \$400,000, authorized capital of \$150,000.

At a meeting of farmers of the Beaver City neighborhood it was unanimously agreed to hold wheat for a price of not less than \$3 a bushel.

Fairbury is getting anxious to start work on the six paving districts recently created. High prices have delayed operations for some time.

The woman's club at Alexandria will finance an entertainment course this winter, having for its object the opening of a public library.

For the first nine months of this year, 3,816 Omaha births have been reported, as compared with 3,217 in the same nine months in 1919.

The harvesting of corn, potatoes, and sugar beets has begun, and the demand for corn huskers and laborers is good all over the state.

The Episcopal diocese of Nebraska will hold a special council at the church of the Holy Trinity, at Lincoln, on November 3 and 4.

A new Episcopal Cathedral to cost in the neighborhood of \$100,000, is to be erected at Hastings. It is intended to begin work at once.

The twenty-fifth annual convention of the state federation of women's clubs has just closed an interesting session at Fremont.

A 20 per cent reduction on many lines of merchandise, particularly on clothing prices, is announced by Fairbury merchants.

Roy Shrader a farmer near Beaver City, lost his right arm when it was caught in an ensilage cutter which he was feeding.

The Methodist church at Randolph is holding a revival, and a deep interest is being manifested in the community.

The Nebraska Farmers' Co-operative Grain and Live Stock Association will meet at Omaha November 16 to 18.

The State Association of County Commissioners, Supervisors and Clerks will meet in Omaha December 7 and 8.

The first car of new corn reached the Omaha market last week. It was No. 4 yellow and brought 75 cents.

Theodore Kipf, a Sterling boy, suffered the loss of a leg as the result of an accident during a hunting trip.

The first snow for western Nebraska this season is reported on Pine Ridge between Alliance and Crawford.

Floyd Wilson of David City was killed when a pony he was riding threw him against a telephone pole.

Rev. Charles W. Saville, "Marrying Parson," celebrated his 70th birthday at Omaha last week.

Nearly \$1,000 was realized on a public library tag day conducted by Nebraska City women.

Oil in paying quantities is believed to have been discovered in the vicinity of Genoa.

Streams of northern Nebraska are being stocked with trout and bass.

The government has declined to give Alliance a recount on her census.

Brayton farmers are raising funds to purchase a \$10,000 elevator.

Four oil wells are being sunk in the vicinity of Chadron.

Scottsbluff women have formed an athletic club.

Eggs are now retailing at from 60 to 65 cents a dozen in Nebraska cities, and some selected Nebraska eggs have been sold in New York City for 90 cents.

With declining feed prices, a carefully managed poultry flock should return good profits this winter, says the Nebraska College of Agriculture. Express charges from Lincoln to New York are 7 cents a dozen, leaving a return of 83 cents. This is an example of what can be done with properly managed poultry and the grading of eggs.

Bayard is making efforts to secure a pickle factory.

The state free poultry show will be held at Omaha November 22 to 27. More than 1,000 exhibitors are expected from all parts of the United States.

Bills requiring that each motion picture theater in the state be required to register in the office of the state fire marshal and that hereafter no theaters be allowed to open without such registration and a consequent approval of the state fire department, and also a bill fixing a penalty for the violation of the law which prohibits motion picture machine operators from smoking while in the machine booths will be recommended to the next state legislature.

The Nebraska boys and girls club livestock judging team took two first places at the southeastern livestock exposition at Atlanta, Ga. The boys placed first in judging Angus cattle and Poland China hogs. Their other placings were: Fourth, Hampshire hogs; fifth, Shorthorn cattle; sixth on each Holstein cattle and Shropshire sheep. In total points, for judging all kinds of stock the Nebraska team was fourteenth.

The Nebraska College of Agriculture distributes free of charge publications dealing with such subjects as foods and cookery, food preservation, dietetics, textiles and clothing, house construction, household equipment, house furnishing, household management, health and hygiene, recreation, etc. Books on any of these subjects may be had for the asking.

Farmers all over the state are appealing to F. A. Kennedy, secretary of the labor bureau, asking in urgent terms for assistance in the husking of corn. "We could easily place 5,000 corn huskers in the state," Mr. Kennedy says. "During the past week more farmers have applied for corn huskers than men have applied for work."

A mail pouch which was stolen from the platform of the Missouri Pacific station at Nebraska City several weeks ago was found in a clump of bushes on the Missouri river below the town. It had been rifled and several registered letters known to have been in it were missing.

Action by the United States shipping board reducing the export rate on flour from 25 cents per hundred over wheat to 5 cents, announced recently, will result in the immediate reopening of 125 Nebraska mills, according to W. J. Coad, president of an Omaha milling company.

The new constitution of Nebraska will give soldiers of the regular army who are legal residents of the state a right to vote. Under the old constitution, every elector in the actual service of the United States and not in the regular army was entitled to vote.

Traveling salesmen while engaged in the work assigned them are entitled under the compensation law of the state to relief when injured, the same as any workman, according to a ruling by Secretary Frank Kennedy of the Department of Labor.

Herbert Mortensen was almost instantly killed when he climbed a steel tower at Fremont to repair an electric light. The globe broke in his hands, allowing his fingers to come in contact with the current. He fell thirty feet.

Snow in the Black Hills and the resultant cold and cloudy weather is moving big flocks of northern ducks, geese and brant, and the lakes around O'Neill are said to be alive with the birds.

Alison B. Cole, held in state's prison for the alleged murder of Mrs. Lulu Vogt, in Howard county, in 1917, has been released and taken to Howard county, where he will have a new trial.

Hundreds of thousands of bushels of corn will be burned as fuel by farmers in northern Nebraska this winter. High priced coal and a bounteous but low priced crop of corn is the reason.

Lacking railroad fare Peter Erzhavner, a Greek, tried to swim, fully clothed, from Omaha to St. Joseph, Mo., 150 miles. He sank after traveling a mile. Duck hunters rescued him.

The federal grand jury for the district north of the Platte has been called to convene at Omaha November 3. A very large number of criminal cases await the action of this body.

Ord recently voted bonds for, and will begin the erection as soon as possible of a city hall and fire station, 40x80 feet in size, two stories and basement, of semi-fireproof construction.

By a vote of 3,022 to 1,457, Franklin county has decided to remove the court house from Bloomington to Franklin. Franklin celebrated the result with bonfires and jubilation.

Members of a farmers' association in Furnas county will withdraw time deposits from banks and loan money to other members to enable them to hold wheat for a better price.

Graduate nurses of the state are putting on a campaign to obtain, if possible, a reduction of a year from the present three years' term required in the nurses training course.

A noticeable shortage of ministers is reported from a number of counties in the northern part of the state. One congregation is offering \$1,500 and housing, but no takers.

County officials seized and destroyed a still of 20 gallons capacity, which they found in a slaughter house about a half mile north of Anselmo.

The Alliance Country club has been organized and will be incorporated for \$15,000. Forty acres of land bordering the northern edge of Bronco lake have been leased as the location of a golf course and the site for a clubhouse which is to be erected next spring.

The new constitutional amendment provides that after January 1 of next year no state lands shall be sold except at public auction. Under the present constitution and statutes state lands are sold at their appraised value, to be fixed by the county commissioners.

Armistice day, November 11, will be celebrated in Grand Island in an elaborate way, if the present plans of the business interests of the city in conjunction with the American legion are carried out as contemplated.

A statue of Abraham Lincoln will mark the Lincoln highway through Fremont. The statue will be life size, six feet four inches high, of bronze, standing on a base seven feet from the ground. Beneath the figure will be a bronze tablet with Lincoln's Gettysburg address. It is the intention to have the unveiling on Lincoln's birthday.

THE UNITED STATES OF RUSSIA

Movement to Form New Central Government Which is Patterned After That of American Plan.

Cleveland, O.—At an open meeting of approximately 1,000 coal operators, representing 7,000 soft coal operators in the country, and three-fourths of the total production, a resolution was unanimously adopted pledging support to Attorney General Palmer to eliminate high prices and unwise practices where such exist.

This action was taken, following the receipt of a message from the attorney general requesting the bituminous coal operators of the country to co-operate with the Department of Justice in bringing about elimination of "unreasonable high prices" for coal.

UNITED STATES OF RUSSIA.

Likely Possibility Following the Dissolution of Present Soviet Government.

Washington, D. C.—A United States of Russia is now looked for by officials here as the most likely possibility among forms of government to follow dissolution of the soviet regime.

Official advices said the bolshevik breakdown was rapidly continuing in Russia. The movement of decentralization, which began in the breaking away of the Baltic, Caucasian and Siberian states, has begun afresh within the territory ruled by the soviets, it was said.

In Russian Turkestan, provinces lately to declare their independence are Khiva and Bokhara, the report said.

A new central government, roughly after the form of the United States of America, it is believed here, might include kingdoms such as have been recently established in Turkestan together with the socialist forms represented by the republics carved out of Siberia.

Kansas Wheat Growers on Strike.

Wichita, Kan.—The wheat growers' strike is on. It began three weeks ago when the officials of the National Wheat Growers' association, with headquarters in this city, issued a proclamation to 70,000 members not to sell any wheat after 8 o'clock, October 25, until the prices at their nearest terminal market reached \$3 a bushel. Many farmers stopped selling wheat at once and the decline in receipts has been gradual since that time.

Foreign Diplomats May Import Liquor.

Washington.—The customs service has receded from its position with respect to the importation of liquor by the diplomatic representatives of foreign countries. Officials of the service said that not only could the diplomats themselves bring liquor into the country, but that liquor consigned to them on shipment would have to be admitted. Such consignments to diplomats already in the country, however, can be removed from the port only by a diplomat or a member of his household.

Prohibition Causes Insubordination.

London.—By the testimony of many masters of American ships, prohibition in the United States has had the effect of increasing drunkenness 50 per cent among American sailors in wet ports. Reports of the insubordination of crews because of drink have recently been made here by the captains of several ships.

First Volunteer of War Dead.

New York.—Brig. Gen. Rush C. Hawkins, who won fame during the civil war as commander of "Hawkins' zouaves," is dead here from a fractured skull, sustained when he was struck by an automobile. He was 89 years old and is said to have been the first volunteer soldier of the civil war.

Heavy Losses in Colorado Blizzard.

Denver, Colo.—Reports from the San Juan valley and the western slope indicate that one of the worst blizzards in this state since the early '90s has killed hundreds of cattle and sheep and caused heavy losses to fruit growers.

Exports Increase During September.

Washington, D. C.—Figures just made public by the department of commerce show that exports for the month exceeded those of August by \$28,000,000 and that imports were \$150,000,000 below those of the month before.

Would Secede From Great Britain.

Capetown, Union of South Africa.—The free state nationalist congress has adopted resolutions proclaiming the sovereign will of the people of the Union of South Africa, their right to self-determination, their right to secede from Great Britain or to break existing relations between them and Great Britain.

Polish Diet Welcomes Peace.

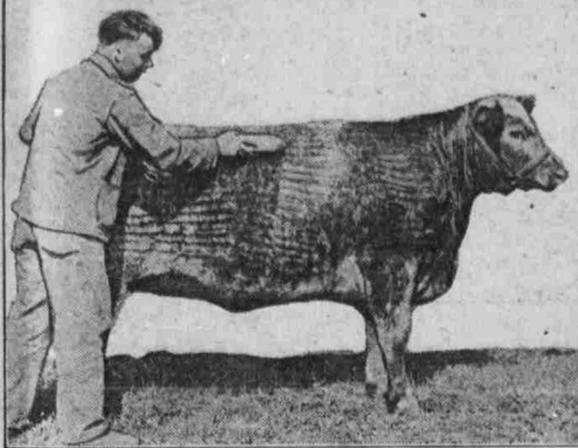
Warsaw.—The diet has unanimously ratified the Polish-Russian preliminary peace treaty signed recently at Riga.

Oppose Territorial Government.

Manila, P. I.—Replying to a communication from the American Chamber of Commerce asking support of a territorial government for the Philippines, a large membership of the house of representatives answered individually that they opposed the proposal.

Indianapolis, Ind.—All coal companies in Indiana have been ordered by the state's coal and food commission to offer for sale each week within Indiana sufficient coal to meet domestic consumption.

PREPARE CALF FOR SHOW OR SALE



Brushing Up the Tips of the Hair to Give the Fluffy, Wavy Appearance.

When a well-fed and properly developed calf is brought into the show or sale ring it should present a pleasing appearance. In order to do this it should be clean, well-groomed, halter, broken and trained. To train a calf, put a halter on it and teach it to lead and to stand squarely on all four feet with head alert so as to exhibit its best features. It should become accustomed to being handled by strangers, seeing strange sights, and hearing unusual sounds, such as it will see and hear at the show or sale. A good calf is frequently placed below an inferior one because the judge cannot put his hand on it to judge it correctly. The trained animal that stands correctly and "poses," so to speak, has the advantage over one that flinches, kicks and pulls on the halter, and stands with its feet in such a position as to give the appearance of a weak back, narrow chest, and poorly developed rump.

For a few months before the show the calf may be fed three times a day with good results. Some feeders use molasses, chopped feeds and wet mashes. As a rule, however, more satisfactory results will be obtained from using a good combination of the common feeds produced on the farm. The healthy, normal calf will make sufficient gains and have a desirable finish with such feeds without coaxing or tempting its appetite.

Summer Care of Calf.

The calf should be kept in a cool barn during the day and allowed to graze at night for a few months previous to the show. The hot sun from June to September will "sunburn" the hair and cause it to appear somewhat dead, rough and coarse, and to lose its glossy appearance. Burlap bags suspended by wires from above the calf to brush against may be used to advantage to repel the flies which greatly annoy a calf. The stable also may be darkened and many flies kept out by tacking burlap sacks over the windows and doors. If in the pasture the calf should have plenty of shade.

A few weeks before the show the calf may be blanketed to advantage. The blanket, which is usually made of burlap, is used mainly to keep flies from worrying the calf, to give the hair a more glossy appearance, and to help mellow or soften the hide. The burlap used for this purpose should extend from the neck to the tail and come down over the sides.

The calf should be groomed or thoroughly brushed each day for several weeks before the show. Brushing lengthwise of the body with considerable pressure will help work the hide loose and pliable and gradually remove the old hair. The final brushing on a short-haired calf should be in the same direction as the hair, the hand each time following the brush. The hand will draw the oil to the tip of the hair. A woolen cloth may be used to advantage in removing the dust and dirt. The final brushing for the long-haired breeds (Shorthorn, Hereford, Galloway) should be opposite to the direction of the hair to make it loose and fluffy. Short-haired animals (Aberdeen-Angus, also Red Polled and Devon) are shown with the hair smooth. Animals with long hair are shown with the hair curled.

Caring for Hair.

An hour or two before the calf is to be shown moisten the hair with a mixture of creosote dip and soapy water. Do not make the hair too wet or it will appear in locks instead of loose and fluffy. The hair on the center of the back should be parted with a coarse comb along the backbone in one straight line from the neck in front of the shoulder to the tail. Comb the hair on each side at right angles or straight out from the center parting to the extreme edge of the flat portion of the back. Mark the hair with the comb or brush from in front of the shoulders to the tail or extreme back of the round. The lines should be on the outer edge of the flat portion of the back so the end of the hair will curl up even with the level portion of the back and make the back appear wide. The lines should be about 1 1/4 inches apart, distance depending upon the size of the calf, and parallel to the first line. After considerable experience the curling of the hair may be done with the currycomb alone. A round one is best for this purpose. After all the lines are made the hair that was combed back in making the marks should be lightly brushed up with a brush or currycomb. This will

leave the hair in distinct wavy lines as desired. The hair on the flanks and defective places should be brushed up to fill them out.

If the hair does not have the desired shiny or glossy finish, dampen a cloth with a mixture of equal parts of olive oil and denatured alcohol. Apply this lightly on the hair, following with the hand to give it a proper finish.

Clip the long hair from the tails of all breeds a few weeks before the show or sale, also from the ears except the Galloway and in some cases the Aberdeen-Angus. Begin clipping above the switch of the tail even with the point where the fullness of the twist begins to fail, and up to the tail head, top so that it is not necessary to clip any hair off the rump.

Attention to Feet.

The feet should be kept clean, free from soreness, and in trim. A calf cannot stand or walk properly if the feet are sore or out of shape. If the toes are too long the hoof must first be trimmed by tapering the bottom properly from back to front, thus leveling the hoof. This can be done with a chisel or hoof clippers. The hoof may be smoothed off with a file or rasp and polished with sandpaper or emery dust and oil. The feet of calves that stand in the stable, especially if not kept clean and well bedded and given frequent exercise, may become tender or even sore and diseased. The calf in such cases may walk lame, which is to its disadvantage. Sore or tender feet may be prevented by frequent exercise on the ground, clean quarters, and properly trimmed hoofs.

Horns Are Admired.

On the horned breeds a well-curved set of horns commands the admiration of the judges and the consideration of the buyers. The plain-headed animal of the horned breeds or one with poorly shaped horns will be at a disadvantage in the show ring and discounted by the individual buyer unless the horns have the proper shape. A symmetrical, properly curved set of horns can be obtained by the use of either weights or trainers, each of which has its advantages and disadvantages.

Handle Calf Gently.

The calf should be taken to the show or sale a day or more before the date set for it to begin. It should be taken on the train or hauled if the distance is more than a few miles. A fat calf not accustomed to walking on the road, seeing strange sights, and hearing strange noises may become greatly worried and fatigued from such a trip. Do not overhear the calf. Lead it quietly to the loading platform, if shipped by express or hauled in a wagon, and use a specially built crate. If shipped in a crate or with other cattle in a box car, plenty of bedding should be provided. Feed the calf a little less just previous to and while on the trip, especially of grain and succulent roughages. When the calf gets to the fair ground or sale pavilion it will then be eager for feed. Do not feed grain as soon as it is arrived, but give it plenty of water and some hay until it has rested an hour or more from the trip.

While at the show give the calf plenty of exercise; take it for a walk about the grounds in the early morning. Remember that if you are to be successful in the show or sale ring you must pay close attention to your calf. Be kind, attentive and faithful, and you will be more liberally rewarded.

The show ring is the best school you ever attended, provided you take decisions against you as well as for you cheerfully and try to find the reasons for them. There are usually good reasons, and they will help you greatly in being more successful at the next show or sale.

LIVE STOCK NOTES

The underfed calf makes the beef-canning business profitable.

It is always preferable to provide a yard or pasture for young bulls.

Feeding of ensilage may commence at any time desired after the silo is filled.

In buying for feeding try to get in the animal what the butcher wants to see in him when buying him for the block.

Daddy's Evening Fairy Tale

BY MARY GRAHAM BONNER

THE AUTUMN PARTY.

"We'll have to have a party," said Peter Gnome to the other fairies.

"That we will," agreed Billie Brownie.

"Let's have it soon," said Bennie Brownie.

"Very soon," said Peter Gnome.

"We'll have it this very afternoon," said Peter Gnome. "I'll go for the pumpkins now. We must have them for it must be a regular autumn party."

"Surely it must be that," agreed Peter Gnome.

"Shall we ask the Breeze Brothers to take around the invitations?" asked Bennie Brownie.

"They're always the best ones," said Peter Gnome, "except on the quiet days when they're too sleepy and lazy, poor dears!"

"It's windy enough today," said Bennie Brownie.

So they sent around their invitations that very morning by the Breeze Brothers and in the afternoon all the creatures of Fairyland and Brownie-land and Gnomeland and Gobliland and from all those parts were at the autumn party.

After the guests had all arrived, in came the pumpkins, dressed up like Jack o' Lanterns, with little candles burning and flickering. They were brought in on an enormous hay wagon driven by Witty Witch, and the horses were decorated with all the different autumn flowers which could be found along the country roads.

Then old Mr. Giant came wearing a huge wreath of Everlasting Flowers around his head.

"I want to wear them to show you I meant I'd always be coming around and I'd never desert my friends," he said.

"Goodie!" they all shouted.

"Well, hadn't I better be coming around?" asked Jack Frost.

"I don't know," said Peter Gnome.

"Of course you must come before the chestnuts are ripe, and soon we're going to have chestnut parties."

"Hurry up, Jack, and ask no more questions," said Master Chilly.

"You'd better wait awhile," said old Mr. Giant. "Wait until the evening anyway."

"Oh, I will," whispered Jack Frost, and they all felt as though their cheeks had been nipped ever so slightly by the cold.

They built houses of leaves and they made great bonfires which they danced about. The bonfires were larger and more wonderful than ever they had seemed.

Lots of the guests kept arriving all the time. For you see the autumn leaves had been invited, and they came rushing in, running and dancing, and flying and scampering and rustling and falling from the trees.

They came in all sorts of costumes. Some wore red and some wore brown and some orange and some yellow, some wore scarlet and some wore pink, and as the leaves dropped the "fairland creatures danced" with glees for such beautiful colors were falling down on the houses of leaves.

But after the houses of leaves had been made, and there were paths and yards and everything you could think of the Breeze "I Don't Know" Brothers came scampering in blowing everything this way and that.

"We were asked to the party too," they said.

"Of course you were," said the late autumn flowers as they blew about a little in their places on the horses.

"Of course you were," everyone shouted.

So as the Breeze Brothers blew their trumpets which they had for special parties and as they blew the leafy guests this way and that, and as old Mr. Wind whistled and the people of fairyland danced and sang this song,

"Many colors in leaves we see, Many colors in flowers so free, Oh what joy it is indeed, There are colors for everything, And of their beauty let us sing."

He Saw Them.

The geography class was in session, and the teacher pointed a finger to the map on the wall.

"Here, on one hand, we have the far stretching country of Russia, Willie," she asked, looking over her pupils and settling on one small boy at the end of the class. "what do we see on the other hand?"

Willie, hopeless with fright, hesitated a moment, and then answered: "Warts!"

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