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NOTES FROM MEADOWBROOK FARM

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Brood sows on the average farm may be almost entirely supported by waste products. And those same waste products form the best sort of balanced ration. Skim milk, butter milk, windfall apples, parings, a run in the orchard, with shade, and after the litters are weaned and growing nicely, a run in the stubble to clean up every kernel of grain, and in the clover fields after hay has been cut.

Sow some rye for fall green forage for the poultry. It lasts until snow comes and is there in the spring for early picking. It makes fine pasture for the turkeys even if at quite a distance from the house. It disinfects the soil and is a good crop to sow on the poultry runs this month to rid the soil of impurities.

Train the colts, don't break them. Many a good horse has been spoiled by breaking him when a colt. Get his mouth accustomed to the bit before a harness is put on him. Be gentle and patient and you can make a good horse out of almost any colt.

"Candling" eggs upon their arrival in the city results in throwing out many thousands of dozens each year. Five per cent. of them all are culled as "dirties" and sold at a reduced price causing the loss of millions of dollars every year.

The best medicine for poultry is good care. Cleanliness, light, warmth, dry houses, sound feet and pure water are better than the whole list of remedies. These are the "ounces of prevention" that save the "pounds of cure."

Unless free from lice, no flock will thrive as it ought, and the owner should help the chickens rid themselves of these pests by providing proper dust baths and occasionally dusting them himself with insect powder.

It is a good plan to give the young pigs a good start along early in life. Very many make the mistake of crimping the pigs, thereby expecting to get more lean meat. The muscles grow when the pigs grow.

There are yet a few dairymen who think they can judge a cow by her conformation. To satisfy yourself, keep the accurate record of every cow in the herd and see how form and performance coincide.

A poultry house need not be artificially heated to be warm enough for the hens to be comfortable and lay eggs, but it should be built very tight and snug, so as to exclude all drafts of cold air.

It is easier to make a man a better dairy feeder by suggestion than by command. That's why the test association is so valuable. When he sees how it helps he is a willing learner.

Mulch dahlias, cannas, caladiums and like plants with coarse manure and deluge with water. If water cannot be had, withhold the manure, as manure alone is drying.

Eggs and meat are the foundation of the poultry business. Let us aim for this standard more, then we will have better "standard breed" and more profitable poultry.

The safest rule is to commence feeding in good season if the pastures begin to fail and not wait until the cows actually begin to fail in milk production.

To supply good food for the dairy it is necessary to exercise forethought and plan for the fall season which is sure to come every year.

Many horses have sore shoulders because their owners try to fit their horses into their collars rather than getting collars to fit their horses.

There are beekeepers all over the United States who, with a favorable locality and good management are making an excellent living.

Probably no single cause tends more to check milk secretion than the failure to remove all the milk secreted at the time of milking.

A tread-power rigged up to run the separator will save a lot of hard labor and give the ram or bull much needed exercise.

Ducks and geese should have plenty of fresh water to drink as soon as they are hatched.

There is no one stated ration that should be fed to poultry or laying hens in winter.

Are you getting the best possible results from your hens?

Cows that are expected to return a profit must have liberal rations of the kinds of food adapted to their needs. They must have dry, comfortable and well-ventilated sleeping places and be kept free from excitement caused by exposure and neglect. The practice of allowing the dairy herd to run over the farm and be herded by dogs and children and compelled to eat frosty clover and forage cannot be made to return a profit, even though they may consume waste fodders and forage.

Saying the best ewes is not the only thing. He must not in-breed, but must buy the best sire he can find, not only in blood-line, but also in individuality, a ram that looks like a sire, with strong head, well-sprung ribs, and large heart girth, a ram with a strong bone, two good ends and a good, straight back. The breeder must not consider his pocketbook.

Potato growers who "feed" their potatoes well, and give them good care, and select the best potatoes for planting do not need to change their seed stock every few years in order to maintain the yield, because by so doing they maintain the yielding power in the potatoes they already have.

Every thinking farmer knows that there are certain essentials that cannot be neglected at any season of the year if the cows are kept in condition to give milk, and that if any or all of these essentials are neglected there is sure to be a falling away in the milk yield.

In making a kerosene "emulsion" of any kind for the eradication of lice, mites, flies, etc., great care must be taken to see that the combination is surely emulsified or serious results may follow and more hide be "eradicated" than anything else.

Two things that deserve constant attention at this time are the bits and the blankets. Never allow a frosty bit to come in contact with the horse's mouth and never leave the team without being well and comfortably blanketed.

For the average dairyman it is cheaper to raise his own cows than to buy them. Besides, if he has good cows to begin with he can more wisely select the calves because of an intimate knowledge of the work of the mothers.

The black rot of tomatoes is a difficult disease to control. Applications of Bordeaux Mixture, if begun when the tomatoes are just forming and continued until they are fairly well grown, will prevent the disease.

It has been predicted by an authority that the time is not far distant when the small dairymen will not be able to afford pasture. If this time should come, then indeed would the silo come into its own.

While the value of the birds to the farmer, orchardist and planter has for years been recognized, it is believed by the authorities that their importance in preserving the forests is not generally known.

A hen should be fed some grain that she doesn't have to scratch for. Although exercise is necessary to keep her in good health, she needs time to rest and dust herself in the middle of the day.

Some hens are born layers, others acquire the laying habit, others get credit for being good layers when they are not. The trap nest picks them out and leaves no guess work.

Do not run the risk of perpetuating weak characteristics in your herd by breeding animals that are uncertain. The progeny is sure to inherit all the fruits of the parents.

As a rule very little can be done for dopy chickens. The cause of this condition is usually constitutional weakness; lice, or error in feeding and management.

Hill selection of potatoes may sometimes be beneficial for the purpose of selecting the best strain where the potatoes consist of two or more strains.

Selling the breeding stock because feed is dear is just as sensible as selling seed grain because you can get a good price for it. Think this over.

Is the binder properly stored away for the winter, or will the first snow storm still find it just where it was left when drawn out of the field?

During the hot months pastures will not bloom much; try cutting the plant back for fall flowering. Hot weather blooming weakens the plant.

One good cow is superior to three poor ones in the dairy. The difference is the cost of the feed and the product of the cows.

We would like to see more beekeepers at the state fairs, and have them put up a display of bees and honey.

Any good type of colt will sell for more per pound when three years old than a calf.

Better quarters for the poultry need not mean more elaborate or more expensive houses.

Housing of the cows is a cheap way of saving off the hog.

EDGAR ALLEN POE STATUE IN THE HALL OF FAME

EDGAR ALLAN POE ELECTED BY SUPPORTERS AFTER YEARS OF EFFORT.

11 CELEBRITIES CHOSEN

Doctor Maccracken of New York University Announces Successful Candidates for Hall of Fame Places.

New York City.—Edgar Allan Poe is at last in the hall of fame. Years of effort on the part of research supporters to get his name added to the list was rewarded by the announcement of Dr. John H. Maccracken, the chairman of the senate of the New York university, that the author of "The Raven," with ten others, had been accorded this honor. The eleven names added are as follows:

Harriet Beecher Stowe, 74 votes; Oliver Wendell Holmes and Edgar Allan Poe, 69 votes each; Roger Williams, 64; James Fenimore Cooper, 62; Phillips Brooks, 60; William Cullen Bryant, 59; Frances E. Willard, 56; Andrew Jackson, George Bancroft, 53 votes each, and John Lathrop Motley, 51.

As a result of the election, the author's corner doubles its population and goes far ahead of the statesmen in number. Eleven bronze tables for the names chosen will be designed with an appropriate quotation from the words of each, and the formal unveiling will take place in October, 1911, in the hall of fame, at New York university.

Those falling of election ten votes or less were: Francis Parkman, Charlotte Saunders Gushman, Mark Hopkins, 45 each; Patrick Henry, 44; Martha Washington, 43; Daniel Boone, 42; Samuel Adams and Lucretia Mott, 41 each.

MOB SETS PRISONER FREE.

Alleged Murderer in Virginia Jail Liberated by His Friends.

Lovington, Va.—The mountaineer friends of John Moore, under sentence to be electrocuted for the murder of Frank Howl, descended upon the Nelson county jail here, stormed the building and rescued the prisoner. It is supposed he will be taken to the mountains and liberated.

When the people of the county seat were asleep, a crowd of 75 fully-armed men from the mountain section where the crime was committed proceeded quietly to the county jail. Admission was gained to the building, and the guards awed into comparative non-resistance. The cell where Moore was locked up soon was found and he was taken out.

It is feared that bloodshed will result from any attempt of the authorities to recapture the murderer. John Moore was condemned to pay the death penalty by electrocution at Richmond on November 25. He had been convicted of having murdered Frank Howl in Nelson county last May. Many of the mountaineer friends of the condemned man believed him innocent of the crime.

SNOW FALLS IN TEXAS.

Two Inches of Snow Falls in Texas Panhandle, Breaking Records.

Fort Worth, Texas.—Following a heavy rain storm the entire Panhandle and plains section of Texas got its first taste of winter. In Amarillo snow fell all day, a fall estimated at two inches, breaking previous October records, covering a period of eighteen years. Reports from other portions of the Panhandle indicate that the precipitation has been much the same as in Amarillo, the difference being in the character of formation, whether rain or snow. Although the fall of temperature has been marked, comparatively little suffering is experienced among live stock for the reason that cattle in general are in good condition and vegetation is yet green and abundant.

In Fort Worth and vicinity, following a heavy rain, unusually cold weather prevailed. Other sections in Texas report comparatively like conditions.

Perfecting Savings Bank Plan.

Washington.—Secretary of the Treasury MacVeagh and Assistant Secretary Andrew and Postmaster-General Hitchcock, conferred concerning postal savings bank plans. The treasury officials are working out the plans steadily, but slowly, owing to a desire to safeguard against any defects in a scheme of such magnitude where more than 80,000 postoffices and perhaps 15,000,000 depositors, may be affected. They base these figures on the work in other postal savings countries.

2,500 Men in Sympathy Strike.

St. Louis, Mo.—Approximately 2,500 men employed in the mechanical trades on the Missouri Pacific—M. P. system walked out in sympathy with the striking machinists. Here less than 100 men are employed in the mechanical departments, and they walked out. The principal shops of the road are located at Sedalia, Mo., and Little Rock. Ark. Shops are maintained at a number of other points, including Texarkana, Paris, Van Buren and McGehee, Ark.; Lake Charles and Lake, La.

COTTON BILLS AGREEMENT.

Further Conferences Will Be Held to Perfect Plan for Guaranteeing Cotton Bills of Lading.

New York.—Continuation from October 21 to December 31 of the period during which American cotton bills of lading will be accepted in current terms by foreign banks, was announced here by Sir Edward H. Holden, the English broker, who came to this country for the British and continental interests.

This course was recommended to the foreign bankers by Sir Edward, and, following the receipt of cable advices from London authorizing him to act, he issued a formal statement. This is the first fruit of a series of conferences Sir Edward had held here during the last week.

The favor with which the plan to have bills of lading guaranteed or insured has been received by interior bankers of this country justified Sir Edward, he said, in urging an extension of the status quo as probably two months would be required to perfect the project. In granting this extension the English bankers reserve the right to renew conferences with the American financiers to devise an interior scheme for safeguarding bills of lading in event the guaranty plan proves impracticable.

The British bankers refused to add a word to his statement or explain the contemplated plan of protecting bills of lading in detail.

D. B. HILL, DEMOCRAT, DEAD.

Conspicuous Figure in National Politics Passes Away.

Albany, N. Y.—David Bennett Hill's life work ended at Wolfert's Roost, his country home, near Albany. The interment took place at Montour Falls in Schuylker county, where the former governor and ex-United States senator was born sixty-seven years ago.

Senator Hill had been ill nearly three weeks with a cold and a bilious attack, but his condition had not been considered serious. He was sitting up in bed to take a drink of water when he was seized with an acute dilation of the heart. Death quickly followed, with no one but a nurse at his bedside.

Although he retired from active participation in politics following the presidential election of 1904, Senator Hill was deeply interested in the progress of the present campaign. Recently he discussed the situation with Judge Parker, who was then preparing to make a tour of the state in the interest of the Democratic ticket.

Senator Hill had entertained many men distinguished in state and national politics at Wolfert's Roost and his guests always found him a most hospitable host. The senator never married, did not smoke and rarely indulged in intoxicants.

Governor White issued a proclamation requesting that all the flags on public buildings be displayed half-mast until sundown on the day of Senator Hill's funeral, and that the citizens of the state unite in appropriate marks of respect to his memory.

Boys Tired of Mashed Potatoes.

Chicago.—Mashed potatoes served on the family table morning, noon and night, became so obnoxious to James Smith and Gilbert Lancaster, two 10-year-old lads from Moline, Ill., that they ran away from home and came to Chicago to obtain a change of diet.

The boys were treated well at home, "the lads told Desk Sergeant Conroy, "but every meal we had to eat mashed potatoes, and we both got so we could not eat them any more."

Powers to Recognize Portugal.

Berlin, Germany.—Great Britain has proposed that all the powers recognize the republic of Portugal at the same time. Germany replied approving the suggestion.

Railway Sued for \$10,000,000.

Chicago.—Stockholders of the Illinois Central Railroad company were given a lively hour at their annual meeting through the efforts of Attorney Maxwell Edgar. Holders representing 784,866 shares of stock were present.

The subpoenas were in a suit for \$10,000,000 damages. The defendants to the suit are the directors of the road, whom Mr. Edgar seeks to hold responsible for alleged financial loss through car repair, "graft," general mismanagement and alleged rebating.

Lid On in Huntsville.

Huntsville, Ala.—The city council adopted all of the Alabama prohibition laws as city ordinances, and will put the laws into effect. During the past nine months this city has been wide open and no attention has been paid to the state laws regulating the sale of liquors.

Clover Is Re-Elected.

New York City.—Robert C. Clover, president of the Western Union Telegraph company, was re-elected president of the company.

STORM WORKED HAVOC TO VESSELS AT SEA

RECENT WEST INDIAN HURRICANE CRIPPLED AND DISABLED MANY SMALL CRAFT.

THIRTEEN SAILORS DROWNED

A Number of Wrecks Occurred Off Florida Coast—Several Derelicts Found Near Key West.

Jacksonville, Fla.—Only the disasters at sea remain to be counted in obtaining complete reports of the damage done by the great hurricane which swept this state. Although the total damage will reach into the hundreds of thousands, it is evenly distributed, and will probably not fall as an oppressive burden on any particular community. Thirteen drownings in shipwreck is the most authentic count at hand. Including those reported on both coasts of Florida, word came from St. Augustine that three dead had been found in the wreck of a four-masted schooner near Delray. The missing total is at least a half hundred, including the crew of nine on the Texas Oil company's barge, Dallas, which broke adrift during a 100-mile blow.

Key West, Fla., Via Havana.—The captain of the Louisiana reports it will be impossible to save his ship until the cargo has been relieved. All passengers have reached Key West. The captain of the Norwegian steamer Fos, which is fast in the quicksand at Marquesas, has arrived at Tortugas island, and reports his vessel in good condition. He will return to her to discharge her cargo, whereupon he expects she will float. The bark Hugo was towed into port by the tug Austral. A derelict is reported near Sand Key. Cable Manager Adkins left with two chartered vessels full equipped to make repairs in the Miami cable.

New Orleans.—Hope is almost abandoned for the safety of the Norwegian steamer Bluefields, long overdue from Ceiba, Honduras. Twenty-eight persons were aboard upon her departure from Ceiba. The Bluefields is a light draft vessel of 650 tons, built especially for the fruit trade.

Mobile, Ala.—Captain Hanson of the Norwegian steamship Belize reports having spoken, about 100 miles southeast of Mobile bar, to a three-masted vessel, the Mary C. Halo. They had all of their rigging, but were badly waterlogged, and when asked whether they wanted assistance replied that they did not, but would like some tea, sugar and water. The lumber with which the vessel is loaded is keeping her afloat.

St. Augustine, Fla.—Telling harrowing tales of suffering and disaster, five survivors of the three-masted schooner, William W. Converse of Philadelphia were brought to the city by a launch from a life-saving station. The vessel went to pieces Tuesday, 40 miles below this city. Captain E. J. Miller of Hepzibah; Mate Anderson and Seaman Frank Hayes were lost. The mate lived to reach the surf near the shore, when the wreck struck him and killed him. His body and Hayes' were found on the beach 13 miles apart. The captain's 13-year-old son, Fred; three seamen and two negro stewards made their way to shore on the wreckage through a mile of surf. The storm struck the vessel, which was bound for St. Francis, Cuba, with coal, while off Savannah.

Key West, Fla., Via Havana.—Capt. Bradish Johnson, arriving at Knights Key, reports that American four-masted schooner Edward T. Stotesburg a total loss on Pigeon Key. One man was washed overboard and drowned. Three others were brought to the marine hospital here. The schooner, Captain Burke commanding, was bound from Tampa to Baltimore with a load of phosphate. The schooner Seraphis has been towed into port. The Spanish schooner Marta from Havana has been dismasted and abandoned.

Mobile, Ala.—Wireless operator Ft. Morgan, Ala., reports that the British team Belize, that arrived in the lower bay, has eight men of a crew of a wrecked vessel on board, picked up on a dismasted vessel in Yucatan channel.

Cotton Seed Oil Dealers Fall.

New York City.—Notice was posted on the produce exchange of the failure of Whitman Bros., cotton seed oil dealers, with membership in the produce exchange, to meet their obligations. No statement of assets or liabilities has been made.

Population of Massachusetts.

Washington.—The census bureau made public the following population returns: Massachusetts—State, 3,356,116; last census, 3,895,348; increase, 20 per cent.

Pope Recognizes Portuguese Republic

Rome, Italy.—The possibility of an alliance between the new republic of Portugal and the Roman Catholic church, by which the Vatican will officially recognize the new government upon condition that some of the Catholic orders be allowed to remain in the country, has developed. It was made known that Monsignor J. Toni, papal nuncio to Lisbon, who was recalled by the Vatican, has been ordered to remain in Lisbon pending the outcome of negotiations which were being held there.

No Negro Bishops for Episcopalians

Cincinnati, Ohio.—An amendment to the constitution of the Protestant Episcopal church calling for the establishment of missionary districts along racial lines, was voted down decisively by the house of deputies at the triennial convention of that body in session here. The measure was long watered by bishops, but the vote taken by the house of deputies was 284 to 10 in favor of the amendment.

Woodmen Initiate Class of 7,000

Louisville, Ky.—A class of 7,000 men, coming from seven states—Alabama, Ohio, Illinois, Missouri, West Virginia, Tennessee and Kentucky—were initiated into the Woodmen of the World. Twenty thousand Woodmen witnessed a luncheon given in honor of the distinguished guests.

Memphis Bars Closed

Prohibitionists Allege State and Municipal Officers Refused to Enforce Law.

BALLOON FALLS IN OCEAN.

Wellman and His Five Companions Were Rescued in Mid-Ocean by the Steamer Trent.

MEMPHIS BARS CLOSED

FEDERAL COURTS TEMPORARILY STOP SALE OF LIQUOR IN TENNESSEE CITY.

COURTS GRANTS INJUNCTION

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Memphis, Tenn.—Aid of the Federal courts was successfully invoked by the Law and Order League to enforce the prohibition law which the city, county and state authorities have not enforced in Memphis.

United States Judge McCall granted a temporary order against 114 saloons pending a hearing, restraining them from serving intoxicating liquor. The Federal court took jurisdiction on the allegations of the petitioners that were deprived of the equal protection under the law guaranteed by the fourteenth amendment to the constitution. They allege that the state prohibition law is being enforced in other parts of the state, but the governor, attorney general and county attorney general, with other officials, have refused to enforce the law here, and, therefore, the United States court can take jurisdiction.

On the grounds that irreparable injury might be done the complainants if delay were permitted, Judge McCall granted the temporary injunction.

The action, which was a total surprise to the saloons and the local prohibitionists, was the culmination of a long and bitter fight to enforce prohibition in Memphis, the largest city in which it has ever been tried.

The state-wide law passed in the spring of 1909, and was supposed to go into effect on July 1 of that year. It was partially enforced for a time in Knoxville, but in Memphis, situated on the river and practically the metropolis of three states—Tennessee, Arkansas and Mississippi—there has never been any more serious effort to enforce prohibition than the presentation of evidence to the grand jury.

The body regularly failed to indict, and the city and county officials have acknowledged the impossibility of closing the saloons.

The Law and Order League has been making a campaign for law enforcement, and the present political campaign, which is now on in Tennessee, has prohibition again as its principal issue.

BEST BASEBALL BET.

Philadelphia American League Defeats Chicago National Team.

Chicago.—The baseball championship of the world belongs to the Philadelphia club of the American League. They clinched the big prize. Five games were played, and the eastern youngsters took four of them by outbating, outfielding and outslugging the veteran Chicagoans. They "got the jump" at the start by winning the first three games, and although Chicago punctuated their progress with one defeat, it really didn't change the situation a bit.

While the series was not the most profitable ever played, it helps to simplify the high cost of living problem confronting even such heroes as the Philadelphians, to say nothing of the Chicagoans, with winter coming on. The players' share of the money amounts to \$75,071.93. Of this 60 per cent, or \$47,443.16, goes to the winners, and \$31,628.77 to the losers. As there are twenty-three players on each team eligible to participate, each of the Philadelphians is entitled in round numbers to \$2,022, and each Chicagoan to \$1,375.

The total receipts for the series were \$173,980. The two clubs share \$35,755 apiece, while \$17,399 goes to the national commission.

The total paid attendance was 123,213 persons.

\$500 for Attempted Kiss.

Birmingham, Ala.—A jury in the city court awarded Mrs. Rose Drummond \$500 damages from B. J. Goldsmith. The allegation was that the defendant had tried to kiss her.

New Carolina Railroad.

Statenboro, N. C.—Announcement has been made here that the Statesville Air Line Railroad company will build at once a new line of road from Statesville to Yadkinville, the county seat of Yadkin county, a distance of 25 miles. The road will be erected by convict labor, arrangements having been made to transfer 50 convicts from the state prison to Statesville to begin the work of grading for the new line at once. The proposed road will run through a rich section of the country.

Georgia Road and Employees Agree.

Augusta, Ga.—An amicable adjustment of the differences on the Georgia railroad and the Atlanta joint terminal was reached according to the statement of E. P. Kelly, fair vice president of the Brotherhood of Firemen and Enginemen.

The negotiations have been in progress since September 14. A satisfactory termination of the matter was reached with a substantial wage increase and the adoption of a code of working rules pleasing to the men employed by the road.

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