

NEWS OF THE WEEK

Condensed Form for Our Busy Readers.

OPENINGS OF TWO CONTINENTS

Some of the Less Important but Not Less Interesting Events of the Past Week.

Mr. Cato has withdrawn his insult to the messengers of Christians in feared...

MARTIN TO FRONT.

South Dakota Representative Wants Commerce Controlled. Chicago, Dec. 11.—The Washington correspondent of the Post wires as follows:

HOCH STARTS OIL WAR.

Would Spread Kansas Laws Over Entire Nation. Topeka, Dec. 11.—Governor Hoch has started a national war on the Standard Oil company.

Big Game for Roosevelt.

Washington, Dec. 11.—Major M. H. W. Llewellyn, United States attorney for New Mexico, took luncheon at the white house today and urged the president to visit him next spring for the purpose of hunting jaguars or leopards.

Jones Asks Quick Action.

Washington, Dec. 11.—Representative Jones today sent a letter to Secretary Hitchcock strongly urging him to immediately approve the Tieton and Sunnyside irrigation projects.

Many Coal Barges Lost.

Hawesville, Ky., Dec. 11.—At 9 o'clock tonight the towboats Harry Brown and Raymond Horner, with tows of coal for New Orleans were caught in a severe wind storm opposite here.

NEEDS A STRONG LEADER.

Russian Nation Blindly Staggered in Throes of Revolution.

St. Petersburg, via Eydtkuhnen, Dec. 11.—But one question is being asked at present in this unhappy country: Where is the revolution leading Russia?

For this revolution is a terrible thing. It has paralyzed industry, it has ruined all business, it has tied up the postal and telegraph service, and when it desired, it has effectually stopped all railroad traffic.

IN THE NATIONAL HALLS OF CONGRESS

Friday, December 15.

The Panama canal was again under consideration by the senate today and Tillman occupied the entire time given to that subject.

The house today devoted 4 1/2 hours to lively debate on the possibilities of controlling insurance.

Thursday, December 14.

The senate spent four hours today in discussing the Panama canal emergency appropriation bill and, when it adjourned, the bill was still under consideration.

Senator Fulton introduced a bill appropriating \$100,000 to erect a public building at Baker City, another carrying \$15,000 for improvement of the grounds at Salem, and a third to ratify the treaty with the Klamath Indians and pay them \$500,000.

The Republican members of the house caucus today unanimously declared in favor of admitting Oklahoma and Indian Territory as one state, and by a vote of 10 to 65 declared in favor of admitting Arizona and New Mexico as one state.

Wednesday, December 13.

The senate was in session for only one hour and a half today, and a portion of that time was spent in the consideration of executive business.

A bill providing for a public whipping post for the District of Columbia was introduced by Adams, of Pennsylvania.

A fourth Federal judge for Alaska is provided for in a bill by Jones, of Washington.

Senator Gallinger introduced an amendment to the statehood bill to prohibit the sale of liquor in the state proposed to be created by the admission of Oklahoma and Indian Territory for a period of 21 years, and then only after an amendment of the state constitution permitting liquor traffic.

Speaker Cannon announced the transfer of Mondell (Wyoming) from the committee on military affairs to that of public lands, and of Miller (Kansas) from public lands to military affairs.

Committee reference of the annual rate bill after holidays.

Washington, Dec. 13.—Railroad rate legislation will be allowed to rest until after the holidays.

Washington, Dec. 13.—There is to be no ship subsidy legislation at this session of congress.

Washington, Dec. 13.—The senate is lukewarm. The house, is opposed to such legislation.

message of President Roosevelt was made according to the subjects treated.

The question of Federal control of insurance was assigned to the committee on ways and means.

Among the bills introduced in the house today were the following:

By Mondell, of Wyoming, providing for the appropriation of not more than \$20,000 annually from the sales of public lands to the endowment of state schools of mines and mining or departments of mines and mining in connection with colleges already established.

By Needham, of California, transferring the Yellowstone, Yosemite, Sequoia, General Grant, Mount Rainier, Crater Lake and Wind Cave national parks from the control of the Department of the Interior to the Department of Agriculture.

A bill abolishing the Isthmian Canal commission was introduced by Representative Mann, of Illinois.

CUTS OUT BONDS.

Senate Committee Favors Canal Appropriation of \$11,000,000.

Washington, Dec. 13.—The emergency appropriation bill to provide the Isthmian canal commission with funds to carry on the construction of the Panama canal will contain no general legislation.

The first section, in relation to the issuance of bonds, was stricken out. A bill containing this feature was introduced in the senate by Teller, and it will be dealt with by the finance committee.

The bill was amended to further provide that in the future no expenditures shall be made for the canal except by authority of congress, and when appropriations have been made by congress.

Santo Domingo Treaty Up.

Washington, Dec. 13.—In the senate yesterday Talliaferro took the oath of office for his new term as senator.

In executive session of the senate, Lodge moved to send back to the committee on foreign relations the treaty in relation to Santo Domingo affairs.

Rivals For Coveted Place.

Washington, Dec. 14.—As the situation sizes up today, it looks as if Senator Ankeny would secure the vacant position on the commerce committee formerly held by Senator Foster of Washington.

Queen Lil Would Like Ten Millions.

Washington, Dec. 13.—A petition from ex-Queen Liliuokalani, asking for the payment of \$10,000,000 to her, was yesterday presented to the senate by Vice President Fairbanks.

Rate Bill Not Ready for Committee.

Washington, Dec. 13.—The house committee on interstate and foreign commerce held its first meeting yesterday.

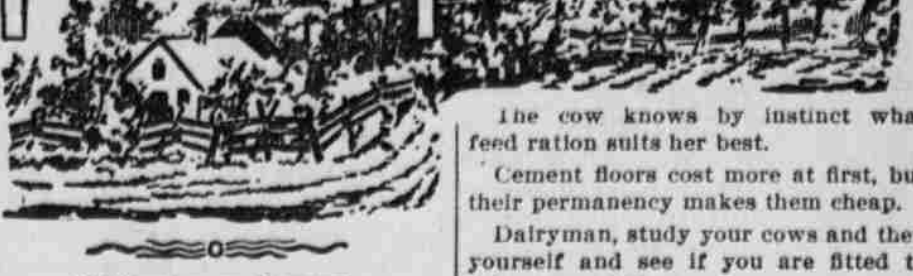
New Mexico Willing to Unite.

Washington, Dec. 14.—Joint statehood for New Mexico and Arizona was discussed by the president today with a delegation of New Mexicans.

Cut Out Opposed Section.

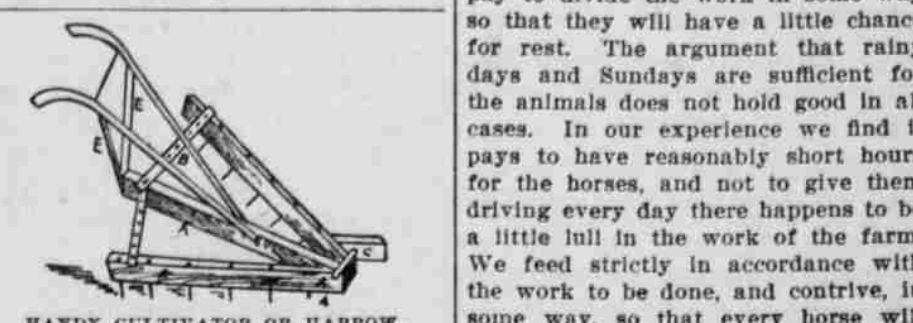
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FARMS AND FARMERS



Cultivator or Harrow. This is the device of a West Virginia farmer and seems to possess merit. He says:

I send herewith an illustration of a cultivator or harrow that I find very handy when sowing grass seed in corn at the last working, also use it for cultivating potatoes and other crops to some extent.



HANDY CULTIVATOR OR HARROW.

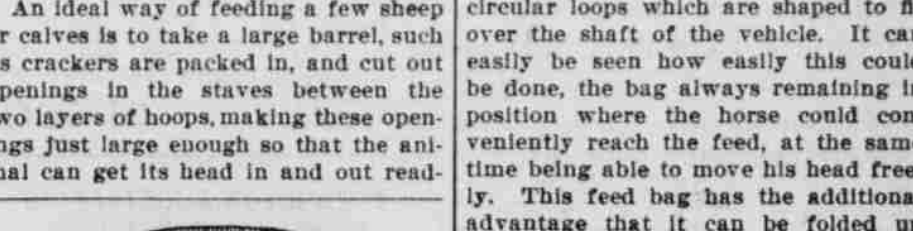
side, firmly bolted to center piece of frame. At D D there are two iron plates 1/4 x 1 1/2 x 5 inches, with three holes in each; these hold A A together.

Sun in Poultry House.

The time-honored plan of building poultry houses was to face them due south, when, as a matter of fact, they should be faced southeast, which gives the sun in the house early in the morning when the poultry need it most during the winter.

In the average poultry house, holding from twenty-five to fifty hens, windows four by eight on two sides of the house would be sufficiently large, and even then some way should be provided for covering them at night.

An ideal way of feeding a few sheep or calves is to take a large barrel, such as crackers are packed in, and cut out openings in the staves between the two layers of hoops, making these openings just large enough so that the animal can get its head in and out readily.



A Barrel Feed Rack.

Place the barrel in position and hold it in place by driving several stakes into the ground and fastening them to the barrel.

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It does not take either very much money or very much time to keep the porkers right.

It is too common a conclusion that anything will do for the hogs and that they will wax fat under any conditions and with all sorts of feed.

Swine are money makers generally, no matter under what conditions they live, but if you want more money keep them under treatment which will earn it.

The cow knows by instinct what feed ration suits her best.

Cement floors cost more at first, but their permanency makes them cheap.

Dairyman, study your cows and then yourself and see if you are fitted to take care of them.

From 62 to 64 degrees is about the proper temperature for the rinse water in winter butter-making.

Work and Play for Horses.

What the horses of the farm have to do depends upon the nature of the work and how well used they are to it, consequently the horse should be treated accordingly.

Feed Bag for Animals.

The driver of every team should be supplied with a bag of some kind for holding feed for his horses, as the freedom is sure where he will be when feeding time comes.

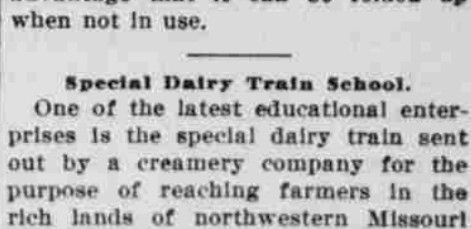


FEED BAG.

they can be attached and suspended to the side of the horse's head. This does not give the horse any freedom to move his head without moving the bag also.

Special Dairy Train School. One of the latest educational enterprises is the special dairy train sent out by a creamery company for the purpose of reaching farmers in the rich lands of northwestern Missouri and southwestern Iowa.

Fodder-Hauling Sled. Take two scantlings, 2x4 inches, 10 feet long; dress top of scantling off to fit under side of second bench of sled.



Fodder-Hauling Sled.

It is much handier than a wagon for one man to haul on, and he can haul a third more at a load with it than without the attachment.

Queer but true, where salt is sprinkled thickest butter is yellowest.