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HANDY GATE FOR DEHORNING

Holder Rigged Up Leaving Sufficient Space for Animal's Head is Easily Constructed.

A lock gate for catching and holding cows while they are being dehorned and marked, is simple in construction.

First make a gateway in the lot fence, using not less than 4-inch material for the gateposts. Now nail a 6-inch board on each side of these posts, across the gate at the ground, and also two others across at the top of the posts. Close up half of the opening by nailing boards diagonally to the boards at top and bottom of the posts, as illustrated. Get a strong pole, about 4 inches in diameter and 12 feet long. Bore a hole through its large end with a 1-inch auger; also bore through the bottom boards, about 8 or 10 inches from the post at the open side of the gate. Let the pole down between the top boards and the bottom ones, and insert a 1-inch rod through the bottom boards and the pole. Then tie a 1-inch rope to the top end of the pole.

When ready to dehorn or mark a large strong animal, drive her toward the gate. Just as she passes her head by the pole, pull it over against her neck, and she is easily held. There



A Gate, Rigged Up So as to Leave Only an Opening Big Enough for the Animal's Head, is Useful When the Animal is to Be Marked or Dehorned.

is no danger of her doing damage with her horns, for she cannot move her head.—Popular Mechanics Magazine.

AVERAGE WEIGHT OF CALVES

Figures Secured From Dairy Herds of University of Illinois—Factors That Influence.

A very well-bred Holstein bull calf weighing 112 pounds was recently dropped at the Kansas state agricultural college farm at Manhattan. Most of the dairy infants, however, weigh considerably less than this Kansas heavyweight.

In the dairy herds of the University of Illinois the average weights of the calves of the various breeds at birth have been as follows: Holstein male, 90 lbs.; female, 88 lbs.; Ayrshire male, 77.7; female, 71.4; Guernsey male, 70; female, 68.8; Jersey male, 62.4; female, 59.7 lbs.

It is a good practice to note and record the approximate weights of calves at birth, because this information is valuable in apportioning milk to the young animals. The 112-pound Kansas giant, for instance, could handle a feeding of milk that would put a Jersey calf of average weight in line for castor oil.

Besides breed and sire, heredity and the age, size and physical condition of the dam influence birth weights.

WATER FOR COWS IN WINTER

Good Plan on Very Cold Days to Heat It Just Enough to Take Disagreeable Chill Off.

The dry cow must have plenty of good water and on very cold days in winter it is a good plan to warm it just enough to take the chill off. When cows are forced to drink ice cold water in zero weather they will turn away from it before they have consumed enough to meet their requirements. If salt is sprinkled over the fodder portion of the cow's ration or otherwise supplied at intervals of two or three times a week it will assist in keeping her system in good tone.

FOR WASHING MILK BOTTLES

Fill Receptacles With Water When Emptied to Prevent Albumen and Casein Hardening.

The milk bottle, if not washed as soon as emptied, should be filled with cold or lukewarm water till it is washed. The albumen and casein harden and stick fast when they dry as well as when heated. So that if hot water is poured in the bottle or can that has had milk in it the albumen and casein will harden and stick. After washing with lukewarm water use hot water, which removes the fat, and rinse in-boiling water or steam to kill the bacteria.

CONGRESSMEN FAVOR FILIPINO INDEPENDENCE



Congressman Edward J. King of Illinois.

Washington.—"The appointed hour is here: let the Philippines be free." This was the keynote of a speech by Congressman Edward J. King of Illinois, (Republican) in which he reviewed the American occupation of the islands from the first day to the present time. He declared that the United States was honor bound to grant independence without further delay.

Congressman King is one of an increasing number of Republicans in the House who are urging quick action on Philippine independence. Mr. King is the author of a bill which provides that within one year the Philippine government, under presidential proclamation, may assemble a convention and frame a constitution.

After the constitution is ratified by the Filipino people the President may recognize the Philippine islands as "a separate and self-governing nation." The transfer of authority is to be completed within one year. Provision is made for safeguarding American investments in the Philippines and for the providing of coaling stations and submarine bases in the islands by the United States.

Word from the Philippines is that the people expect early independence and will be sorely disappointed if they do not get it.

"No nation has the right," said Congressman King "to hold another people in peonage, even though it may be argued by the profferate that the condition is simply one of tutelage."

"A little more observance of the golden rule in national and international affairs would soon dispel that desire for exploitation, the fiercest foe of freedom in the world today."

"When we went to the Philippines we declared before the whole world that we were not actuated by any selfish desire of conquest or territorial aggrandizement, but solely by humanitarian impulses."

Congressman King called attention to the fact that Filipinos are now raising funds to erect a monument to Admiral Dewey, which he said was indirectly a tribute to the American people as well as to Dewey. He recalled the cable that Dewey had sent to President McKinley, which was as follows:

"In my opinion these people (Filipinos) are superior in intelligence and more capable of self government than the natives of Cuba, and I am familiar with both."

Congressman King then recited the preamble to the Jones law, passed August 29, 1916, and declared it was a definite pledge of independence. The preamble stated "It is as it has always been the purpose of the people of the United States to withdraw their sovereignty over the Philippine Islands and to recognize their independence as soon as a stable government can be established therein."

Congressman King stated there was no question but that the Filipinos had established the specified stable government and, therefore, it is the solemn duty of the United States to grant the promised independence.

ASKS INDEPENDENCE FOR PHILIPPINES



Francis Burton Harrison

Manila.—Francis Burton Harrison, former governor general of the Philippine Islands, offered to tender his resignation eighteen months ago upon condition that the Secretary of War recommend to President Wilson that a Filipino be appointed his successor. He made the offer while in Washington in 1919.

Discussing Philippine independence, the governor general said:

"I can see in the future a very beautiful vision. When the flag of the Philippine republic shall be hoisted, when the Stars and Stripes will come floating down to the strains of 'The Star Spangled Banner'—that flag, Old Glory, so rich in happy and honorable achievements, will be made doubly dear because it will mean that the United States will have kept its word to the people of the Philippine Islands."

School of Journalism in Philippines
 Manila.—A school of journalism, the first in the Far East, has been established at the University of the Philippines, in Manila.

Admission to the School of Journalism is limited to third and fourth year students who have shown marked ability in the use of English. The course is open to both men and women. A class of about 50 registered at the opening of the journalistic course.

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