

DEMOCRATS MORTGAGED THE STATE.

Promised Not to Hurt the Corporations in Consideration for Cash to Run the Democratic Campaign.

We have often wondered why the Democratic party could do just as it pleased and still remain in power in North Carolina. It has spent the people's money in "riotous living," it has plunged the State all over in debt, it has almost doubled the burden of taxes upon the people, it has taken away from them the sacred rights of local self-government, it has refused time and again to pass an anti-trust law with teeth, it has constantly refused to give the people any relief from excessive freight rates.

Now, we can understand why the railroads, trusts and combines have stuck so close to the Democratic party, and furnished them with all the campaign funds they need. Yes, we can understand it all now—the interests bought the Democratic party and paid for it, and own it today, just the same as they do their stocks, bonds, and other chattels.

That militant Democracy that Josephus likes to refer to so much is nothing more nor less than a slave bowing at the shrine of the interests. Now you people who like to boast about your Democracy can go away back and sit down, for you have been sold into political slavery, you must abide in the house of bondage or leave the party.

RUSH TO HEAR ROOSEVELT.

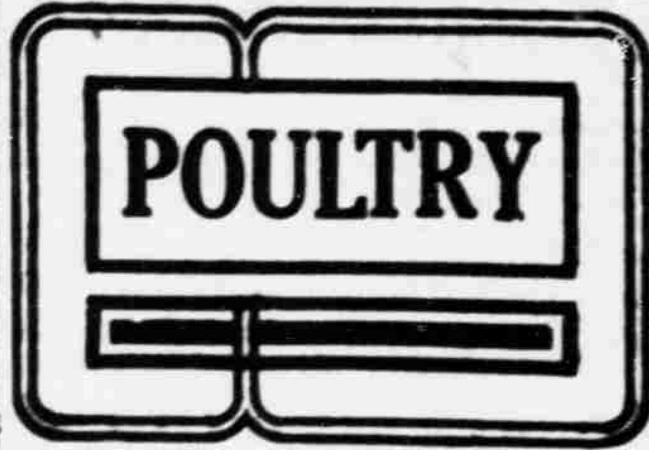
Progressive Headquarters in Baltimore Besieged With Those Who Want Seats for Speaking There To-night.

Colonel Theodore Roosevelt will speak at the Lyric, a large theatre, in Baltimore to-night. Last Saturday's Baltimore Sun stated the seats would be sold to bear the expenses and to help the Progressive campaign in Maryland.

"All the boxes and over half of the stage and orchestra seats for the Roosevelt meeting at the Lyric on October 17 have already been sold. Many seats have also been sold in the gallery, and from present indications the entire house will be sold within a few days.

The Abundance in the Woods.

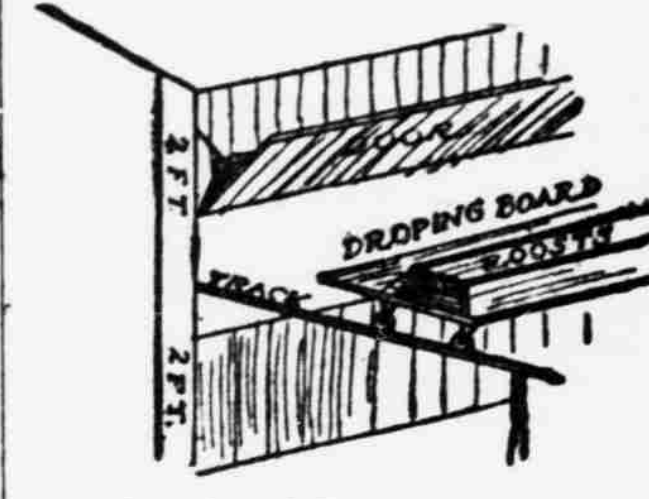
(From the Statesville Landmark.) The crop of muscadines and other wild grapes, haws, persimmons, different varieties of nuts and other things that grow in the woods and fields and reach perfection in the fall season, is unusually heavy this year. According to the old-time weather prophets, this is a sign of a hard winter, the idea being that nature anticipates a severe winter by providing an abundance of food for the wild "creeturs," as Uncle Remus called the denizens of forest and field.



FOR BEGINNER IN POULTRY

Two Dozen Hens Are Plenty to Start With for One With No Experience—American Breed Best.

For one who has had no experience with poultry two dozen hens are plenty to begin with. It is better to begin with one of the American or Asiatic breeds. The Mediterranean breeds are weak when small because of feathering so fast.



Interior of Poultry House.

chicks, the cock bird should be not less than one nor more than three years old, and the hens two years old. I have kept hens in pens 18 by 66 feet, 12 to a pen, and had good results.

A house 14 by 16 feet and 6 feet high at the eaves is large enough for three dozen hens. I am keeping about 100 in one of that size. My house is built facing the south and all the south side is made of lath one inch apart. The east, west and north sides are boxed tight, but there is a door across the north end for a cleaning off the sliding drop board.

As a feed to make hens lay there is nothing better than wheat and Kafr in equal parts. If the hens are kept in pens feed all they will eat. Throw the grain in straw or hay. Don't dose your hens to make them lay, and if one gets sick, separate it from the flock.

KEEPING AND STORING EGGS

Well Dissolved Solution of Water, Slaked Lime and Salt is Recommended—Don't Crack.

There are many plans suggested for keeping and storing eggs, but a very simple one appears in a recent exchange: To every three gallons of water add one pound of fresh slaked lime and one-half pint of salt. Have it well dissolved. Drop in your eggs one at a time, but mind do not crack them.

TREATMENT FOR BROODY HEN

Unique Plan is to Provide Wooden Boxes With Screen Bottoms—Fowl Soon Cools Off.

A unique plan for curing broody hens is carried out by making a few boxes with screen bottoms with legs attached to keep the box up from the ground and allow free circulation of air, says the Iowa Homestead.



Box for Treatment.

Kerosene.

Kerosene is sure death to lice if applied as a spray. Spray the walls, roosts, corners and nestings and the oil will kill all vermin. Sprinkle the bottom of the nests with it and cover with a heavy coating of straw.

WHEN TO SELL FOR PROFIT

Different Feeds Have Much to Do With Money Returned—Seven Months is Best Age.

(By W. C. HOETAND.) I write only from my own experience of over 20 years in raising hogs for the market.

Different localities and different feeds make a great deal more or less profit in the keep of the hog. Some feed too long and consume part of the profit, while others feed not long enough or liberally enough to make what they ought to make.

I run all my hogs on alfalfa from birth until sold, either for breeders or for the packer, and as soon as they weigh 200 pounds each, or about that, I sell or kill them.

If you are feeding pure-blooded hogs (especially if the blood is red) they will weigh from 175 to 225 pounds each at six or eight months of age. I think seven months old is the best age, and the most profitable hog we can sell.

The younger you sell, the less risk of disease, the less trouble, time and feed it takes. The sooner you sell, the more room and the better care for the next litter.

The cheapest gain is made while the pig is small. A pig weighs about three pounds at birth. With reasonable care it will gain on an average one-fourth pound a day for the first 10 to 20 days.

So you see it doubles its weight in 12 days, and at 65 cents per bushel for corn, and \$1.50 for 100 pounds for shorts the first three pounds of gain cost about three and one-fourth cents per pound, allowing eight pigs to the litter for each sow.

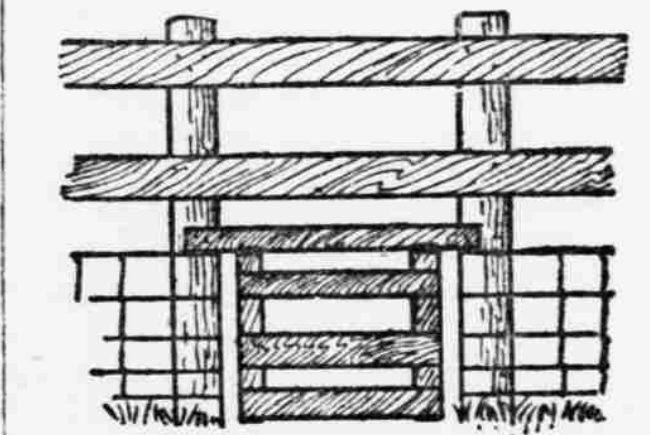
Don't try to get the market ready for your hogs, but get your hogs ready for the market. Sell them when they are fat and not before. Keep the kind that top the market and you will make money if feed is high.

Registered hogs gain faster, bring more money for the feeder, and make more pounds of meat out of the grain fed them than any other animal on earth.

SWINGING GATE FOR SWINE

Should Be Hung Downwards With Hinges So That the Hogs Can Push Their Way Through.

A gate which will allow hogs to pass and at the same time will restrain cattle and calves, will be found convenient on any farm, says the Iowa Homestead. The illustration shows a small gate easily constructed which is hung between two posts in the lower part of the fence.



Swinging Hog Gate.

Hang the gate downward with a pair of small hinges so that it will swing both ways and the hogs will soon learn to go through that way.

The Horse's Hoofs.

If the horse's hoofs are hard and inclined to be "shelly" do not let anybody put oil or grease on them, for this only clogs the hoof material, which should absorb water instead of repelling it. Such hoofs are best treated by soaking them several hours together in warm water slightly salted, or by turning out the horse at night in a pasture where he will get the hoofs wet in the dew.



It is a mistake to keep a non-descript bull simply because he cost a little money.

Hogs follow the rows and tramp down less of the rape if it is drilled instead of broadcast.

For sheep the stage should be cut very fine. Otherwise they leave the butt sections of the stalks.

With the silo five steers can be fed as cheaply as four without. That gives you the gain of one steer free.

Aside from the feed problem, sheep cause the flock master little trouble in summer, unless we except the parasites.

As a general proposition it may be said that the sow that has pigs before she is a year old will disappoint her owner.

Clover silage makes excellent hog feed in winter. They eat every bit of it. Some waste in feeding corn silage to hogs.

When you turn your team over to a hostler at the feed barn be sure to see that they get the water, oats and hay you pay for.

In hot weather a horse should not be fed much corn. Oats and bran are much better. The more work the more feed of course.

Live stock husbandry will postpone soil depletion for a longer period of time than grain farming, but it will not prevent depletion.

Green forage must be fed with discretion and sparingly at first or profuse sweating will result and sometimes colic and weakness.

Get a pony for the boys. Mighty handy to use in running errands and to go after the cows with or to run the tread power in operating the new farm separator.



RULES FOR BETTER BREEDING

Modern Improvement of Draft Horses Brought About by Observance of Principles Given.

Considering what has been said we may next set down some simple rules for the conduct of our breeding operations upon sensible, scientific and successful lines. It may be said, too, that the modern improvement of draft horses is being brought about by the following of these rules, and their observance has led to the success achieved in foreign countries.



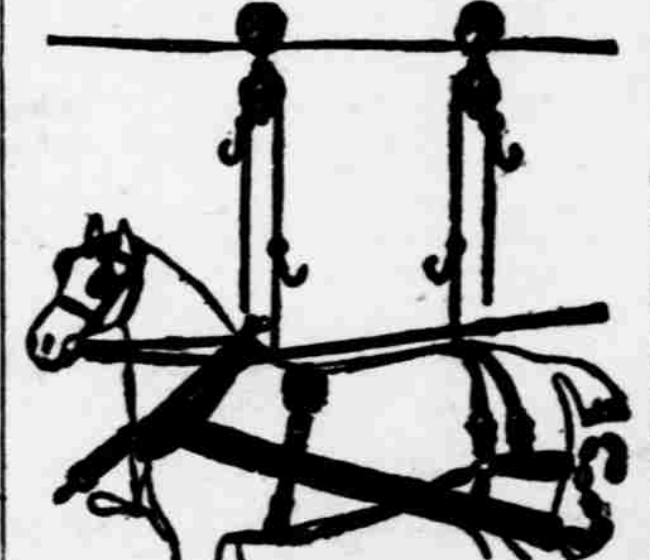
Champion English Shire.

female, it should, when the time comes, be bred to a pure-bred sire of the same breed as the original sire, and this plan of breeding should be continued, cross after cross, until five or six top-crosses of the same pure draft breed blood having been put on the progeny is practically pure bred of the breed used in its making.

CONTRIVANCE TO SAVE LABOR

Excellent Device for Harnessing and Unharnessing Horses—Prevents Straps From Tangling.

A device for harnessing and unharnessing horses is described and illustrated in the Iowa Homestead by J. F. Forest and which he has in use on his own farm. It consists of a 1/2-inch rod threaded and tightened with burrs and inserted between the joists above the horse, similar to a manure carrier cable. There are awning pulleys fastened together in a pair so that one pulley runs on the three-eighths rod, and the other has a rope run through it with two hooks tied in so that there is an end of rope hanging below each hook.



Device for Harnessing.

The harness now hangs above the horse and is shoved back out of the way against the wall. To harness up the horse the hames are pulled ahead and are hanging ready to be lowered again in position on the horse. After becoming accustomed to it a device of this kind saves lifting and the harness does not get tangled up.

Value of Hogs. No stock upon the farm is more quickly turned to money than the hog.

Progressive Party State Ticket.

The following is the full State ticket of the Progressive party: Governor—Iredell Meares, New Hanover County. Lieutenant-Governor—Charles E. Greene, Mitchell County. Secretary of State—D. H. Senter, Harnett County. Auditor—J. F. Click, Catawba County. Treasurer—D. L. Gore, New Hanover County. Superintendent of Public Instruction—Gilmour Wood Bryant, Durham County. Attorney-General—J. R. McCreary, Davidson County. Commissioner of Agriculture—James M. Mewborne, Lenoir County. Member of North Carolina Corporation Commission, term ending January 1, 1915—Thomas McMullan. Member of North Carolina Corporation Commission—George E. Butler, Sampson County. Commissioner of Labor and Printing—J. Y. Hamerick, Cleveland County. Insurance Commissioner—Clyde Eby, Craven County. Associate Justice of the Supreme Court—Thurston T. Hicks, Vance County; W. S. O. B. Robinson, Wayne County.

Government Buys Oil Lands For Use of Navy.

(Washington Cor. New York Sun.) The United States navy is to have for its exclusive use a vast oil field in California from which it will obtain fuel for its oil-burning fighting ships. President Taft has withdrawn 37,000 acres of oil lands in the Elk Hills, California, for the exclusive purpose of serving as a reserve source of fuel oil for the navy. The consumption of fuel oil in the navy is rapidly increasing. Practically all the torpedo-boat destroyers now burn oil; many of the battleships burn both coal and oil, and the newest ones building and authorized will burn oil exclusively. Tests of Alaskan coal, with a view to determining its suitability for naval purposes, have been going on for more than a year. Should these demonstrate that a satisfactory steaming coal can be obtained from the Alaskan fields, it is believed likely that the navy will eventually have its own coal mines as well as its own oil wells.

"Swappin' Lies."

(From Pearson's Weekly.) A minister once noted a crowd of urchins clustered around a dog. "What are you doing, little boys?" he asked, with fatherly interest. "Swappin' lies," volunteers one of the boys. "The fellow that tells the biggest one gets the dog." "Shocking!" exclaimed the minister. "Why, when I was your age I never thought of telling an untruth." "You win," chorused the urchins. "The dog's yours, mister."

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