

# THE ROWAN RECORD

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One seasonal occupation is going swimming.

Nobody envies a fat man in hot weather.

If you can't swim, any depth of water is too deep.

Even Boston has started a crusade against "animal dances."

An outing for a man usually means an outing for a mosquito.

Fishing must be good. Mighty few stories of wonderful catches.

A woman's face is her fortune, says an exchange. Yes; and money talks.

The most popular currency bill is one with a green back and a good figure.

Vesuvius again shows signs of activity. As a rule such signs are unmitigable.

Still, they managed to play ball before the word "fix" entered the vocabulary.

It does no good to turn the thermometer to the wall. You can't turn off the heat.

No matter how many troubles a man has, he can forget them all when a fish grabs the bait.

Every time hot weather comes a man wishes he had the courage to dress comfortably.

The man who ate six dinners to win a bet of \$25 could have sold the food for twice as much.

Tongues can get a man into trouble more ways than one. A Philadelphia man choked on his.

A title doesn't seem to fit the man who wrote "Poker Pan," at least a "tailor-made" title doesn't.

There is not sufficient tension in the baseball situation at present to make the fans enjoyably maniacal.

Excursion rates make it almost as cheap to travel as to stay at home and not nearly so monotonous.

As potato cars are to be heated in winter, the earnest hobo will proceed to disguise himself as a potato.

Little birds that frolic in the woods and eat berries do not get as much stomach-aches as the picnickers do.

The Chicago husband who has to woo his wife all over again probably will not be so ardent as the first time.

There is an opportunity for some genius to bless mankind by thinking up a reasonable excuse for going fishing.

It is a mean business man who asks the college graduate that applies for work to translate his college diploma.

As Lady Constance suggests, what's the use of acquiring a beautiful figure if you can't get rated accordingly?

In New York one might say, if one were sufficiently reckless, that the combination is "wine, women and Sing Sing."

To discover that last year's bathing suit has shrunk does not daunt the young woman who is as courageous as she is fair.

People who take poison by mistake may be careless, but what shall be said of those who leave the poison lying around?

A \$19 steer is said to cost the consumers \$99. Men are given steers occasionally that eventually cost them more than that.

Jacksonville, Fla., announces a movement in favor of more clothes for women, but nothing has been heard from Yuma, Ariz.

It is fortunate that all the best poetry of love and practically all the best romances were written before eugenics became a fad.

According to a decision recently made by the supreme court of Mississippi, a razor is not a weapon. On the other hand it could hardly be called a toy.

Now that the navy has abolished "starboard" and "port" for "right" and "left," cannot somebody relieve the clash between "interstate" and "intra-state"?

A Chicago doctor says Americans are short-sighted. Still, that's not the real reason why they don't save money.

The San Francisco Dishwashers' union announced that it has 100 college men as members. A blow to persons who claim that the college man is not practical.

Might be pleasant to take a trip with Count Zeppelin about now in one of his airships. The atmosphere is quite cold when a certain elevation above the earth's surface is reached.

The mongrel dog gets into the newspapers as a hero much more often than his fashionable contemporary. "Tis well. And among men the scrubs have more heroism as a rule than the dandies.

Queen Mary of England may be very strict in her views, but she is clever in enforcing them. She keeps her son, the prince of Wales, from too gay and festive a career, not by threats, commands and punishments, but simply by restricting his money allowance. The rest is easy.

# NEWS BRIEFLY TOLD

## A CONDENSED RECORD OF EVENTS OF THE WEEK

### SEVEN DAYS' NEWS AT A GLANCE

Important Happenings in All Parts of the World Summarized for the Busy Reader.

#### Southern.

Dressed in a pair of overalls, brogan shoes and a man's shirt, which was much torn and soiled, the body of Mrs. Edna Patton, wife of Zeb Patton, a former resident of Asheville, was picked up on the tracks of the Southern railway, about three miles from Asheville, N. C. The deceased was struck by a freight train which passed about half an hour before the body was found. She was 27 years old.

Secretary of State William Jennings Bryan, in a telegram marked "confidential," has instructed Doctor Presley, treasurer of the board of missionaries of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian church in Mexico, with headquarters at Due West, S. C., to order all missionaries of that church out of Mexico at once, as they are in peril.

Federal Judge Grubb at Birmingham, Ala., fined the Southern Wholesale Grocers' Association \$2,500 for contempt of court in violating a decree issued in 1911, commanding the organization to abide by federal antitrust laws. President J. H. McLaurin of Jacksonville, Fla., was fined \$1,000. H. Lacey Hunt of Wilmington, N. C., and L. A. Melchers of Charleston, S. C., were fined \$1,000 each and the costs were assessed against the corporation and the three individual defendants according to costs of their respective witnesses.

Keen interest has been aroused in Washington official circles by the report to the state department that Great Britain is contemplating a naval base in the Bermuda islands. It is authoritatively stated that the British government has made inquiry concerning the plans of the United States for protection of the Panama canal routes, and it has been suggested that this indicates an intention to safeguard British shipping through the isthmus as is done in the Mediterranean. Officials realize that the problem raised is a tremendous one.

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Secretary McAdoo prepared to distribute twenty-five to fifty millions of dollar of government funds in the agricultural regions of the South and West. The secretary is collecting information as to the relative needs of each section where harvesting is now under way or soon to begin, and expects to have the money in the banks in ample time for the movement of the crops. Treasury officials were confident that the secretary's plan would be a powerful factor in averting or relieving the prospective tightness of money.

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Like a giant fall, a cyclonic storm of wind, rain and hail whipped back and forth across the nation's capital, leaving death and ruin in its wake. Three dead, scores injured and hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth of property destroyed, was the record in the hurricanecanvass made when the city aroused itself from half an hour of helplessness in the grasp of the elements. Out of a blazing sky, under which the city was sweltering with the temperature at 100 degrees, came the storm, roaring from the north, driving a mass of clouds that cast a mantle of darkness over the city.

Representative bankers of fifty-nine large cities in the agricultural regions of the South, Middle West and Pacific coast were invited by Secretary McAdoo to come to Washington to confer with the treasury department regarding the distribution of fifty million dollars of government funds about to be deposited in the national banks of those sections to facilitate the marketing and moving of the crops. This unprecedented step will call to Washington bankers from the centers that will finance the handling of the great crops soon to be harvested.

President Wilson took the first steps in the policy through which he proposes to deal with the Mexican situation. He formally accepted the resignation of Ambassador Henry Lane Wilson, to take effect on October 14, and sent to Mexico City as his personal representative—but not accredited to the Huerta government—former Governor John Lind of Minnesota. The understanding is that when a stable government is established in Mexico Mr. Lind will be formally named as ambassador.

Mid-summer heat, bringing to many cities temperatures as high as 106 and making the 100 degree mark common over wide areas, extended throughout the central states. General described the heat wave extended from the Rocky mountains to the Atlantic coast, but the maximum temperatures were reported from points between Kansas and Ohio.

Twenty-nine persons, all of Chicago, were injured when Martin Roy, a chauffeur of the autobus in which they were riding, drove into a culvert to avoid running down four-year-old Mary Banko. The bus turned over on the occupants, but with one exception none of the injuries was serious. Martin Roy was cut about the eyes and at a hospital at Hammond, Ill. It was said he may lose his sight.

The demolition of a portion of a mosque at Cawnpore, India, for street improvements which had caused indignation meetings to be held in many parts of India and Burma, led to a procession of natives carrying black flags visited the mosque and began replacing the ricks of the partly demolished edifice. An attempt to disperse the gathering resulted in a conflict with the police, who fired a volley into the crowd killing 13 persons and wounding 30. One policeman was shot and forty others were injured.

The allies in demands presented to the Bucharest peace conference proposing the establishment of frontier, standing east from the Struma river, running midway through Roumania and reaching the Aegean sea 15 miles west of Dedeagatch. This would leave Bulgaria a coast line on the Aegean sea of less than thirty miles. Bulgaria will issue from the two wars in a little larger than when she entered into them, but she will have to abandon a large amount of territory to Roumania.

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# Farmers' Educational and Co-Operative Union of America

Matters of Special Moment to the Progressive Agriculturist

The surest thing to kill joy is to find fault. Cultivate patience. Fretting never brought rain or stopped it.

Some women would be unhappy if they had nothing to complain of. There are many good intentions that cannot be put into execution for lack of funds.

What profiteth a man if he raise the best crop in the county and lose money in the selling?

Maybe it is because most of us are fond of crowds that there is so much room at the top.

Institutions of industry, creative and co-operative, is what makes greatness everywhere.

If you say sour things, say them in such a sweet way as to make a sort of verbal lemonade.

Talking back is not impudence when the boss replies to scolding and cultivating with a bumper crop.

The man who has no use for the opinions of others never has any of his own that other people want.

Some farmers act as though they could give nature cards and spades and then beat her in the game of regulating the weather.

There is no use trying to run away from trouble. The merchant, the banker, the lawyer, the politician, the man who has his "trials and tribulations" man has his.

Very often that one of the best ways to get along with work is to never let it hurry you. This means keep well ahead of the hounds.

It is easy to be thankful when we are prosperous, but it takes real optimism to be thankful things are no worse when we suffer heavy losses.

Too many of us are like the man on the jury who complained that "the eleven other fellows were the most stubborn fellows he ever saw."

The man who keeps his children out of school in order to save a few dollars is a thief, robbing his own flesh and blood of its opportunity to make a success in life.

If we would keep the boys at home, we must meet the demands for them that come from the cities. We must give them a chance to make money for themselves and broaden their opportunities for enjoying everything good in life within their reach.

Never before has there been a greater demand for the right kind of co-operation among farm communities. It is indeed a broad subject and so many factors enter into it that it is impossible to lay down any definite rules that can be followed which will bring about immediate success.

There are many plans of co-operation that will bring immediate results. The farming community that is doing the largest amount of things in farm development, are the sections where co-operation among farmers is being followed.

We believe that the basis of commercial co-operation in any line is confidence in the organization, and the Western Farmer. Any organization to succeed must be run strictly on business lines. Where Farmers' Co-operative societies have been successful in the United States through strict conformity to business principles with the organization handled by competent men and given loyal support by the members. It is true that often these organizations meet with failure, but where one organization falls many more succeed and each year sees a greater success. During the past ten years the work of co-operation has been felt not only in the marketing of crops, but in the securing of legislation which directly affects the farmer and his needs.

Through this co-operation have come co-operative grain warehouses, co-operative creameries, mutual fire insurance companies, fruit shipping associations, and farmers' telephone companies. The reason that the work of co-operation is progressing is due to the fact that greater attention is being paid to the business side of the organization. A thorough understanding should first of all be understood regarding the basis upon which the organization is formed.

A co-operative start has been made in this work of co-operation throughout the country, and this work is being felt. Western Farmer again urges the farmers to get together on issues that concern their business. They need to do this for protection and to promote their profits in the sale of farm products. They need to pull together. Co-operation among the farmers means better business methods applied just like the other fellows, who are succeeding, apply them. Did you ever stop to think that the farmers pay about one-half of all the taxes collected and if any class of people need co-operation the farmers are the ones. The heads of the farm home should be thinking about the co-operative movement and get in touch with everything that tends toward the unification of the interests in which the farmer and his family is connected.

Planting Too Closely. It is a mistake to plant strawberries or other small fruits too closely. The average strawberry beds are planted so close that the plants have to fight each other for existence.

Ideal Poultry Feed. When gathering in the vegetables do not discard the "little beets and turnips" as worthless. They make ideal food for the poultry.

# FARMERS LACK IN CAUTION

Ordinary, Every-Day Word, but One That Means With Deep and Far- Reaching Importance.

To Officials and Members of the Union: Caution. Just an ordinary, every day word, but one fraught with deep and far-reaching importance.

It is the one thing farmers lack above all other qualities. Caution they have in plenty in certain directions, but usually not on the direction it should be applied.

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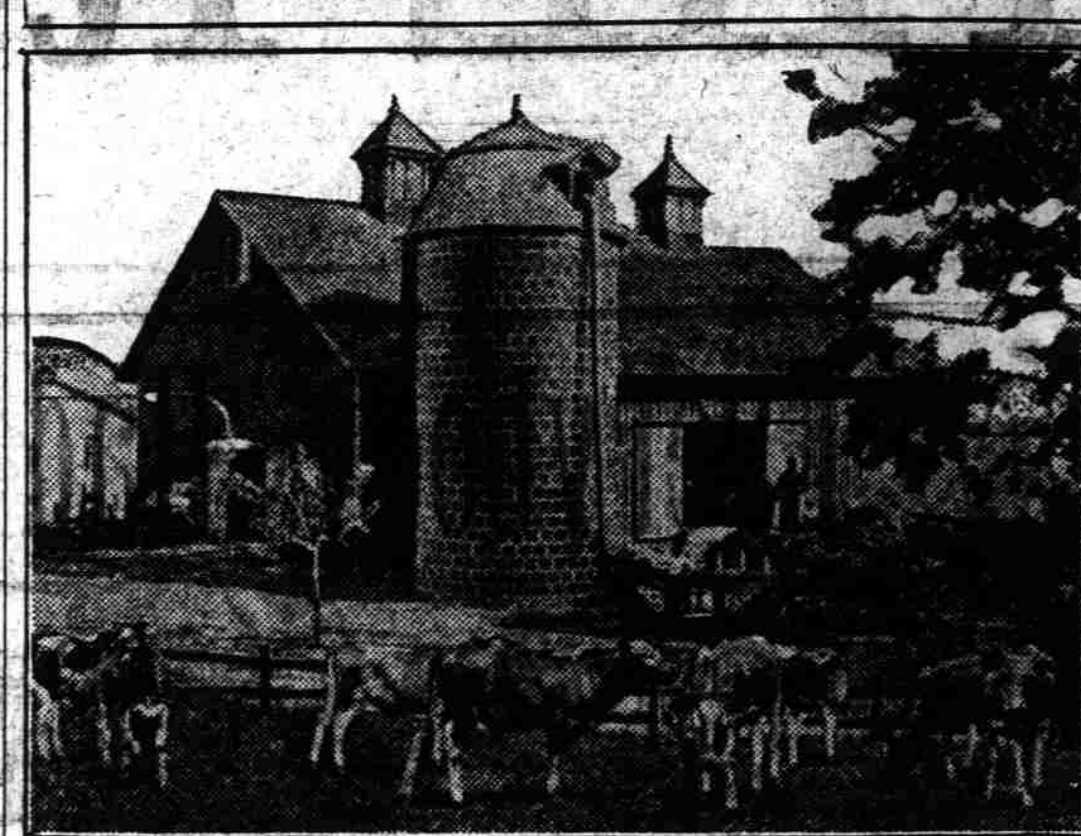
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# FARMERS ADVISED AGAINST SELLING COWS



Filling a Silo on a Dairy Farm.

During the past twelve months cattling buyers have been active in Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia and Florida, purchasing cattle to be shipped to the middle western markets as either canners or stockers. The prices paid for canners during this period have been so high that thousands of cows and heifers have gone to the shambles which should have been retained on the farms for breeding purposes. This is especially noticeable when the receipts of southern cattle at the St. Louis market for the last 12 months are compared with those for any previous period of similar length. The receipts of Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana cattle at that market have almost doubled during this period.

Since the first of February buyers from the farms and ranches of the west have been scouring the gulf states in search of breeding stock. A few years ago this class of cattle would have been scorned by the western ranchman as breeding stock, but with the shortage of cows for breeding purposes the ranchers are glad to get these cheap cows, to which they will breed good beef bulls. The half-breeds resulting from this mating make fairly desirable beef animals.

Several thousand cattle have already been sent from these states to Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas, and some of them are said to have been shipped as far as Montana. Recently there were perhaps more cattle unloaded at one time in Birmingham, Ala., for feed, water and rest while en route to the western ranges than have ever been seen in that place before in one day. Georgia and Florida are sending out thousands of these native southern cattle at the present time at prices ranging from \$15 to \$23 a head for mature animals.

A shipment of 40 carloads of cattle was recently made from Osceola county, Florida, in one day. They were shipped to Kansas via Oklahoma City. The cattle were dipped in arsenical solution before loading, to free them of ticks, and were to be dipped again on arrival at Oklahoma City before going above the federal quarantine line.

Some people of the south seem glad that these cattle are being shipped out as the number of scrub cattle is being reduced and the south will get better cattle as a result. They do not look far enough ahead, however, or they would see that if the shortage of cattle is such as to cause buyers to come from the far west to buy these scrub cattle for breeding purposes, the chances of southern farmers refilling their pastures with good cattle are indeed small, for where are these good breeding cattle to come from at a reasonable price? The best and most profitable way of getting good cattle throughout the south is to breed up the native cattle by the

use of pure-bred bulls, and by castrating all scrub bulls at an early age. The south is especially adapted to raising cattle, because of the long grazing season, the enormous areas of cheap land, much of which is now lying idle, the great variety of pasture grasses and legumes which grow luxuriantly on all soils, and because of the mild winters.

If the western ranchman can afford to pay southern farmers good prices for cows, pay the high freight rates to the west, stand the losses which naturally occur during shipping this cattle such long distances, also bear the losses due to a change of climatic conditions, and then make money on them, why can not the southern farmer who already owns the soils, keep this stock on the farm and secure the increased profits? He can if he will free his cattle of ticks, increase the efficiency of his pastures by planting mixtures of lespedeza, bur clover, white clover or perhaps melilotus, alsike clover, and reseed over his pasture lands; and by raising more hay and forage crops for wintering his stock and finishing them for market. The surplus cattle can then be fattened by feeding cottonseed cake on grass, or grazing fields of velvet beans while feeding some concentrate; or they can be finished in the dry lot during the winter months. For winter feeding no roughage has proven more valuable than silage, as the addition of it to a feeding ration invariably increases the size of the daily ration and reduces the cost, thereby making greater profits. The quality and the quantity of silage which can be produced on some of these cheap lands cannot be surpassed by the high-priced lands of the corn belt, whereas the cost of producing it is far less because of the cheap labor.

The farmers of the south are therefore urged to discontinue this wholesale shipping of their female cattle to other states, to free the pastures of the cattle tick, and to increase the number and quality of their cattle by the use of pure-bred beef bulls. The progeny will not only grow faster and make larger and better cattle, but will be far more profitable to raise and to feed than are the natives. The soils will be increased in fertility by the manure, which gives such profitable returns when applied to the cotton crop and puts vegetable matter into the soil. The amount of commercial fertilizer necessary to produce a crop will be reduced and a more bountiful yield will be produced.

Literature regarding methods of feeding cattle in the south and eradicating the cattle ticks may be obtained from the Bureau of Cattle Industry, Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C. Southern farmers are also advised to consult the department's county farm demonstration agents.

of breeds in claiming for themselves an origin based solely on practical considerations. They are partly of Asiatic blood, but in their selection, which extends over a period of 50 years, attention has been paid to rapid growth and egg production, so that the breed today more nearly resembles the Leghorns than does either the Plymouth Rock or Wyandotte.

One fundamental difference still exists that shows the Asiatic origin of the red.

The Rhode Island Reds do not reproduce themselves with certainty to shade of color or style of comb, but in practical points they may be considered a distinct and well-established breed.

TEXAS RAVAGED BY WEEVILS  
More Damage Expected This Year Than Has Been Done of Late—Every County Pestiferous.  
More damage will result this year to cotton from the boll weevil than has been occasioned by that pest during the last four years in Texas. District demonstration agents employed jointly by the United States department of agriculture and the agricultural and mechanical college of Texas say that every cotton county in the state is being ravaged by the weevils. The weevils are especially bad in Central and South Texas, in the timbered regions. The agents say the weevils will bring about a loss of thousands upon thousands of dollars to cotton growers unless the insects are stamped out.

Destroy Tobacco Pest.  
A method involving the use of copper sulphate has been perfected in Surinam for destroying bacilli which injure tobacco plants through the twigs.  
Buys Cotton Seed Oil.  
Holland is the greatest purchaser of American cotton seed oil, with Great Britain ranking next.

India's Cotton Crop.  
India's cotton crop is estimated at 4,297,000 bales of 400 pounds, the yield of 21,911,000 acres.

Breeding Place for Flies.  
The manure pile is the natural breeding place for flies just as the hearts of some men are the breeding places of jealousy, bitterness and the squinch.

Plan Ahead.  
Those who grow perishable products, must look ahead and not plant more than can be marketed at a profit.

Proper Selection.  
Select cows of the breed and type that best meets your needs and never attempt to mix the breeds. Size accompanied by a certain degree of refinement is desirable in the dairy cow and it can be obtained more surely and easily by sticking to one breed and using sire from similar lines of breeding until prepotency is established in the herd.

Road to Bankruptcy.  
The farmer who buys his feed and other supplies that can be grown on the farm and grows nothing but cotton is on the straight road to bankruptcy.

Selecting Good Layers.  
At the Maine Experiment station they select the good layers by picking up the pullets which soonest show red combs and begin to sing, as pullets do when getting ready to lay, and putting them in a flock by themselves. By picking out, these early layers they got a flock which averaged 180 eggs during their first laying year and a flock of that kind is good enough for anyone.

Air Blisters in Chicks.  
Air blisters often show themselves in young chicks. The skin puffs out and seems like a bladder of wind. It comes on the abdomen, sides and under the wings and feet. Prick the blisters with a needle to let out the air. Add carbonate of iron, alternating with granulated charcoal daily in the food. The ration should be oatmeal principally with plenty of sharp grit within reach.

Tent Caterpillar.  
The tent caterpillar is one of the most annoying of tree fruit pests. Much of the annoyance may be avoided by collecting the eggs during the winter. These are laid in masses on twigs. They can be easily seen. Never burn them. Place them where the young worms cannot escape, but where the parasites that are nearly always present can fly away. These parasites will take care of the caterpillars that are missed when the eggs were collected.

Best Breed for Farm Use.  
Some Excellent Points That May Assist Farmer in Making Selection—Some Rapid Growers.  
The Wyandotte is smaller than the Plymouth Rock, but an equally rapid grower. It is generally claimed that the White Wyandotte will stand pushing for rapid growth the best of any breed.  
As layers the Wyandottes seem to rank about with the Plymouth Rocks, but being somewhat more active, and having less tendency to overfatness, they should be credited with a slight advantage.