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Secretary Fisher Faces Big Task



WASHINGTON.—Some idea of the gigantic task which confronts Walter L. Fisher of Chicago, the new secretary of the interior, can be gleaned from the fact that approximately \$200,000,000 is expended annually in the department of which he has just been made the chief; 700,000,000 acres of public land is under his immediate jurisdiction, not including the territory of Alaska, and nearly 15,000 employees take their orders from him.

The importance of the department to the country at large cannot be overestimated, especially at this time when the country is insisting upon an administration favoring use of the national resources of the country on the public domain and in Alaska, which will not only permit immediate development, but conserve these resources for future generations.

Establishment of the interior department was the direct result of the accession of territory following the Mexican war and general increase in population, wealth and business. It was made a sort of catchall for government business which could not be conveniently transacted by any other department.

At the present time the secretary of the interior has supervision over the following offices and institutions:
General land office, in charge of Commissioner Fred Dennett, which supervises the survey, management and disposition of the public lands, the adjudication of conflicting claims relating thereto, the granting of railroad

and other rights of way, easements, the issuance of patents for lands, and with furnishing certified copies of land patents and of records, plats and papers on file in that office. In the national forests, he executes all laws relating to surveying, prospecting, locating, appropriating, entering, reconveying or patenting of public lands, and the granting of rights of way amounting to easements.

The employees of the department are divided among the various branches of the service as follows:
Office of secretary, 307; office of the assistant attorney general, 23; general land office, 1,487; office of Indian affairs, 5,705; patent office, 934; pension office, 1,579; bureau of education, 178; geological survey, 1,063; reclamation service, 1,745; bureau of mines, 198; hospitals, 909; parks and reservations, 86; territorial and District of Columbia, 26; office of superintendent of the capitol, 22; total, 14,262.

Of course, the big thing in the public eye in the department of the interior at the present time is the conservation question, involving as it does a definite policy for the administration of the public domain with especial reference to Alaska, as well as the contiguous territory embracing the states. Arising under the present laws, however, is the Cunningham coal claims in Alaska and the water power sites controversy, both of which were involved in the Ballinger-Pinchot embroglio, and both of which will have to be dealt with by Secretary Fisher. Even while considering these important items, however, Mr. Fisher must ever have an eye on the general administration of the whole department, which is one of the most comprehensive in the entire government.

Sun Blamed for Variable Climate



AS A result of the action of congress at the last session in making a special appropriation of \$5,000 for the purpose, Dr. C. G. Abbot, director of the astro-physical observatory of the Smithsonian institution, will be able to complete within the next year an investigation which was begun in 1905 and which, if it arrives at the expected conclusion, will result in a discovery of the first rank, such as is not often made in astronomical work.

This investigation is expected to prove that the radiation of the sun varies and that this variation produces a corresponding variation in the temperature of the earth. While this discovery, if made, will have its highest value for pure science, it will also be of great benefit in its application to agriculture, to long-distance weather forecasts and other practical purposes.

To complete the tests which have

been and still are being made at the observatory here in Washington (sea level), at Mount Whitney (three miles elevation) and at Mount Wilson (one mile elevation), Dr. Abbot finds it necessary to establish a station in the cloudless region of southern Mexico. Observations then will be taken at the new station, and at Mount Wilson simultaneously, and if the two sets of measurements should agree the conclusion will be proved.

Congress has provided for this trip to Mexico by adding \$5,000 to the appropriation regularly made for the work of the astro-physical observatory, to the intense gratification of Dr. Abbot and Secretary Walcott of the Smithsonian institution, as they are hopeful of success attending the undertaking. While the expedition will not set out for Mexico until next July, when, it is hoped, peaceful conditions will be restored in the southern republic, the work of preparation already is under way.

The appreciation of the work that Dr. Abbot is doing is shown in the fact that during the past year the Draper gold medal was awarded by the National Academy of Sciences to Dr. Abbot for his valuable research in solar radiation.

Uncorseted Girl Belle of Capital



FOR the number of girls who had suddenly taken up the dress reform she started.

The older folks didn't like it so well, and the criticism stirred up even drowned the commotion caused by Justice Harlan's overhauling of the swaggar set for its disregard of proper Sabbath observances.

But it was different elsewhere, and not to be outdone by the younger circle a number of the smart matrons introduced some novelties into their costumes.

Mrs. Huntington Wilson attracted much attention by adopting the heel-less slipper. Mrs. Wilson, who is one of the most picturesque women in Washington society, "dresses to her own style." Her gowns, which follow the lines of her supple figure, are unlined and weighted by a fall of crystal embroideries.

Her hair she dresses with Grecian simplicity—the whole ensemble agreeing perfectly with the satin shod feet, guileless of the erstwhile popular Cuban heel.

MacVeagh Will Abolish Red Tape



WHILE the customs service is being rehabilitated there is a disposition at the treasury department to elp off red tape wherever possible. The abuse has grown up through many years, and Secretary MacVeagh wants to eliminate it and practical politics whenever he can. A collect or at a small port in New Jersey, who has a record of collecting 50 cents a year and drawing \$40 in salary and expenses recently was called to account for not sending certain docu-

ments in connection with the payment of his salary. He made this protest, which has been preserved among the archives of the treasury:
"I was criticized because I had failed to make an affidavit that I had paid myself my salary. In spite of the fact that I had sworn to my monthly accounts that I had paid myself my salary, I had not sworn that I had received the salary which I had sworn I had paid myself. This last affidavit cost me 25 cents.
"I then had to put in a voucher for the 25 cents and make an affidavit that I had paid myself the 25 cents. This, according to a new ruling, was accompanied by an affidavit that I had received the 25 cents. I had sworn I had paid myself. This has started an endless chain, which threatens to land me in an insane asylum."

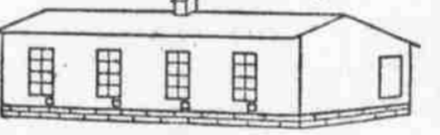
POULTRY

FRESH AIR WITHOUT DRAFTS

Poultrymen Beginning to Appreciate Advantages of Open Front Type of Buildings for Fowls.

Poultrymen are beginning to learn that if biddy has a house all her own, whose side walls are made of feathers, the best non-conductor that she can get, and that if she is allowed to have plenty of oxygen to burn up with the carbohydrates of her food she will very easily keep herself warm in almost any reasonable temperature. The only practical way to give her this very necessary fuel is by giving her plenty of fresh air, but drafts always mean roup, and every poultryman knows what that means, writes Ellis Santee of Essex County, N. Y., in Farm and Home.

I think all are coming more and more to appreciate the open front for fair weather, with muslin to cover the opening during bad weather. This means that the rest of the house will have to be as tight as possible in order that there may be no dangerous drafts. Experience has also shown that it is well to make the front tight for about two feet above the floor. Everyone has his own particular ideas about shape and size. I like best a square house, with the roof as low as convenience in doing the work will permit. Our most satisfactory house, as shown in cut, is built on the continuous house plan, 20x20 feet, with the eaves 6 1/2 feet from the ground in front and no eaves at the back, the roof coming down even with the back of the house, which is 4 1/2 feet high. The roofing material extends to the



Santee's Model House.

bottom of the sill. This gives us a double pitched roof, with the maximum of head room and a minimum of air space.

We are satisfied that concrete is the ideal material for a poultry house floor if it is properly constructed. It must not be laid in close contact with the ground unless it is insulated by putting in a thickness of roofing material to keep down the dampness. Tar felt is the most economical and is effective. A foot of small stone is best.

It is important that the partitions be made solid at least as far front as the door, and at least two feet high the balance of the way to prevent drafts.

If possible to have the yards in the rear it is well to have the windows made in one sash, extending from the roof to near the floor, hinged at the side next the partition, to be used as a clean-out door for taking litter in and droppings out. It is important that there be some glass in each room, even though muslin be used. This window should always be in the southeast corner of the room, so that you get the greatest amount of sunlight early in the morning.

The walls of the house should be not over one inch thick and covered with some kind of roofing material to make them tight. Matched lumber will shrink and make a chance for drafts that must be avoided. Roofing boards, planed on one side, put on with the planed side inside and covered over on the outside back and ends with the roofing material are economical and satisfactory. We like tar felt—some object to its color. Whatever is used, the three walls, roof and floor should be tight. The old idea of making the walls double thick with sawdust or building paper between made a fine condensing chamber and a damp place that is unprofitable for poultry. Dry cold is far preferable to damp warmth.

The tendency all along the line seems to be toward larger flocks on account of the labor problem. One man will take care of as many hens in a large flock as two will in small flocks. Thus far we have not gotten beyond pens holding 125. The question of free range will largely influence the size of the pens. We prefer to fence the garden rather than to confine the hens except during a very short breeding season. Even then it is better to confine the ones not in the breeding pen and give the breeders free range. Of course, where one breeds more than one variety this is out of the question.

To sum up, then, make the rooms square, large, tight on every side except above two feet from the floor on the south side. Make the floor of concrete and get it up off the ground.

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