

More Stars to the Flag



WASHINGTON.—Now that it seems certain that two new states will be added to the Union by March 4, New Mexico and Arizona being slated for promotion from territories, the flag factories run by the government are in for some busy times. It will be necessary first for the departments here to decide how the new stars shall be placed on the flag. The field of the flag is becoming crowded with stars and it is no easy matter to rearrange them so that the section reserved for constellations may not be inartistically jumbled. This duty devolves upon officials of the army and navy departments who must meet and decide how the new stars representing the two new states are to be placed on the field of the flag. Then the work of rearranging the field on all the flags owned by Uncle Sam will be begun, and a gigantic task it will be.

The army flags are all remade at the various government depots, the work being given to women who are widows of army men or daughters of veterans with some claim on the government for employment. The naval flags are usually fixed up by the sailors themselves, the Jackies being just as handy with the needle and the sewing machine as the women and

as they have a great deal of leisure time the sailors manage to do their own official needlework when the flags are called in for the addition of stars and the rearrangement of the field of stars.

The addition of one star to the flag sometimes proves an easy task. The amount of work involved depends upon the position of the stars already on the flag. If there is room at the bottom of the last row of stars for the addition of another then it is merely a matter of adding that extra star and this is a comparatively easy job. But the field of stars seldom lends itself in that kind of manner to the work of adding additional stars. The symmetrical arrangement of the stars is a matter of the utmost importance and this requires much thought and skill on the part of the officials to whom is entrusted the work of designing a field with the extra stars added.

The first work when the design of the new flag has been sent out to the arsenals, is to rip off the stars that have to be placed in different positions. This work is done by rows of women who are armed with sharp pointed knives. They place the star to be removed on a padded base that holds the cloth taut. Then they carefully rip out the stitches until the star is removed. This work goes on for weeks and sometimes months, for all the flags in the country must be rearranged. As the stars are ripped off they are dropped in baskets and not used again, new stars being sewn on to replace the discarded ones. The new stars are cut by means of a die.

LAND OF THE LONG LEAF PINE

Latest News of Interest to the People Gotten Together With Much Care By the Editor.

Statesville.—Farm work in Iredell county is in full blast now. Sowing wheat, picking cotton and oat-sowing are the order of the day and most of the farmers are getting along very well, though the rain delayed the work to some extent.

Newton.—Workmen engaged in remodeling the court house here, in tearing out the cornerstone of the original structure and also of an addition built in 1889, found the documents that were placed in a glass jar in the cornerstone in 1846 and in 1889.

Durham.—Through the names of the boys who have made such good yields have not been made public, there are several young men forming the boys' corn club who have reached the century mark in the growth of corn, and at the exposition here within two weeks, their names will be given publicity, along with the money for their good farming.

Raleigh.—The final work of removing the debris of the old buildings from the site for the new state fire-proof administration building is being done and the lot occupying the space between Fayetteville and Salisbury streets, fronting Morgan street and the Capitol square, will be ready for the contractors to begin the excavations within the next week.

Hendersonville.—Petitions asking the county commissioners to spend \$100,000 to improve the county roads are being circulated and generally signed. If a majority of the voters sign the petitions, the commissioners will go ahead with the work. Chairman Bane is in favor of letting the work out to contract. The sand-clay method will be adopted.

Raleigh.—According to announcement just made by the Southern Railway Company Raleigh and Goldsboro are to have their freight depot facilities greatly improved at an early date. Rail improvements are to include a new brick freight depot and better track and team facilities. Likewise Goldsboro is to have a new and much more commodious freight depot.

Raleigh.—Parker Pool and Henry Pool, two negroes who assaulted Constable D. R. Byrum when he went to make an arrest, began their sentence on the roads of Wake. The two negroes were sentenced to four months each or to pay a fine of \$50 each, but they appealed, and the Supreme Court affirmed the judgment of the lower court, and the men were taken to the roads to begin their term.

High Point.—Several of the leading ladies of High Point have under consideration the organization of a Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. Pretty nearly every one of the city school teachers understand, now, like it a long time in the minds of their pupils the human fact that no real gentlemanly boy (or man) will ever abuse or mistreat any of our dumb brutes.

Raleigh.—The North Carolina Society Sons of the Revolution has elected Col. Thomas S. Kenan honorary president for life and Col. J. Bryan Grimes active president for the ensuing year. The other officers are Dr. D. H. Hill, vice president; Marshal Delancey Haywood, secretary; Prof. William E. Stone, registrar; W. W. Roberts, treasurer; Rev. Robert Brent Drane, D. D., Edenton, chaplain.

Laurinburg.—William Pride, one of the negroes who assaulted Deputy Sheriff Smith a few nights ago, while he was conveying a negro prisoner to jail, has confessed his participation in the crime and implicated another negro named Dan Campbell, who has fled this locality. A reward of \$25 is offered for his capture. The officer is not as seriously injured as was at first supposed.

Raleigh.—The mandamus proceedings in which Dr. J. J. L. McCullers is endeavoring to have the Board of County Commissioners of Wake recognize him as County Superintendent of Health, will be heard in a few days. That was the information obtained a few days ago, it being understood that on some evening convenient Judge R. B. Peebles will be here from Lillington, where he is now holding court in order to hear the case.

High Point.—The North Carolina Public Service Company, with its construction line force and big wagon, is at work on the entire length of the trolley wires on Main street. This work guarantees safety, as well as durability, of the trolley wires.

Goldsboro.—The County Board of Education met in special session all the members being present, for the purpose of separating the county fund from the school fund. The county treasurer was authorized to pay over from the county fund to the school fund \$3,101.16 and that the two funds be kept separate in the future.

Hendersonville.—Rhododendrons in bloom, profusely, in certain parts of the county, while in Edneyville township there is a small bed of extremely fine ripe strawberries, some of them measuring five inches in circumference.

Wilmington.—In the United States court here an involuntary petition in bankruptcy was filed against the People's Hardware & Furniture Co. of Rowland, with a branch house at Red Springs, which firm was placed in the hands of a receiver in the state court October 24 on petition of the N. Jacob Hardware Company of this city.



Live Stock

RATION FOR THE BROOD SOW

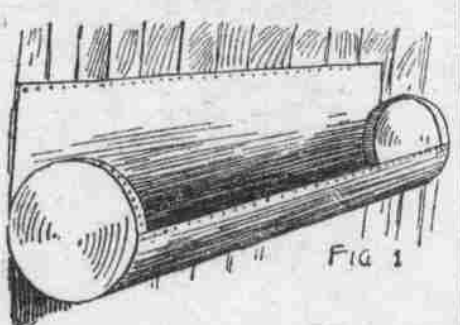
Hog Breeder Tells How He Obtains Satisfactory Results—Feed Is Increased in Winter.

The following ration for brood sows has given as good results as I could ask for, says a writer in the Breeders' Gazette. While it might not prove to be the best under all conditions, it has given very satisfactory results under my conditions. Four of my sows were purchased when seven months of age, then weighing 150 pounds apiece. They were kept another month, then bred. Now they are 17 months old, have farrowed their second litters and will weigh from 300 to 400 pounds in good, thrifty breeding condition. They have been fed somewhat near the following each day per head in addition to whatever they pick up in 15 acres of woods pasture, a portion of which contains a good stand of bluegrass and white clover: Shelled corn, four pounds; shorts, one pound; bran, six pounds; tankage, one-fourth pound. During the winter months, when the weather is cold and the ground bare, the amount of feed is increased as it is also when the litters become large enough to take all of the milk that the sow can supply. Just a few days before the sows are due to farrow I add a handful of oil meal per sow to their feed each day, which relieves any tendency toward constipation and causes the pigs to arrive in good shape. Cracklings would answer the same purpose.

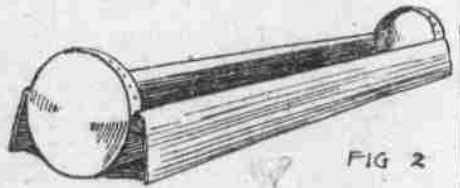
OLD TANK FOR FEED TROUGH

Abandoned Kitchen Boiler Put to Practical Use by Texas Farmer—Cost Is Merely Nominal.

The writer lately saw the two feeding devices herewith illustrated on the farm of a Texas onion grower, and



upon investigating found that they were two old abandoned kitchen range boilers, bought for twenty-five cents each from an old scrap iron pile, says a writer in the Homestead. Many farmers have one of the old boilers on the farm and in case you do not



have one they will be found in the scrap pile at any blacksmith's. The manner of using them is so clearly defined in the drawings that further elaboration is unnecessary. Fig. 1 shows how the old boiler was used for making a feed manger and Fig. 2 shows how a second boiler was used for making a hog trough.

Selecting the Best Heifers.

In fall and winter as the cows come fresh in milk will be just the time to select the most promising heifer calf to raise for the dairy. With good feeding, comfortable quarters and proper care they should do finely through the winter and be ready to turn to pasture another spring.

Nothing in Runtly Males.

There is little hope for the farmer who prefers to buy runtly males, and considers that breeders of pure-bred stock are robbing their customers. If he succeeds it will be in spite of his methods, not because of them.

Get Blankets for Horses.

Don't forget to purchase horse blankets before cold weather begins. Use them when horses are hitched outside in the cold and wet. The price for a horse blanket may save the price of a horse.

Attention to Colt's Feet.

A horse with four absolutely sound legs is worth in the market almost whatever the owner chooses to ask for him. This being the case, attention to the colt's feet and to the shoeing later is well worth while.

To Secure Good Results.

Unless you are willing to give time and attention to valuable stock, don't be too anxious to acquire such. Remember, however, that any animal must have rational treatment to give good results.

Feeding Too Much Corn.

Hogs will make from 10 to 12 pounds of meat live weight for each bushel of corn eaten, but because of this too many farmers feed too much corn.

FEED FOR INCREASED WEIGHT

Where it is Intended to Place Sheep on Market Following Spring Grain Should Be Corn and Oats.

If the sheep keeper in feeding to increase weight, that is, feeding to place the sheep on the market the following spring, writes an Iowa breeder in an exchange, the grain ration should be corn and oats, when alfalfa or clover are provided as the roughage. If the roughness is corn fodder and straw, considerable bran should be added to the supply of rations.

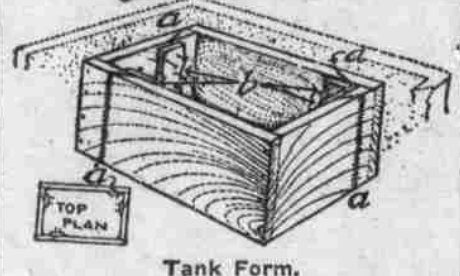
Usually about a month or so after harvest, if there is a good crop of wheat, the price of bran is lower than at any other time of the year, and it is then that I lay in my supply.

If the breeder has none but breeding ewes, then the ration should be oats and bran, or bran, oats and peas at the rate of two parts oats, one part bran and one part peas. If fodder is to be the principal part of the forage a small supply of oil meal should be laid in.

FORM FOR A CONCRETE TANK

One Shown in Illustration That Will Not Break and Will Come Out Easily.

I have found an inside form for building concrete tanks that is a great improvement on anything that I have yet seen. You cannot possibly break it, and it comes out easily 24 hours after the tank is poured, says a writer in Farm and Home. The form is made



in four pieces, but instead of being cut at the corners, the cut is made just around the corner in each case, as shown in the illustration.

The best way to make it is to build it of the required size, then take a saw and cut down the sides a few inches from each corner, as at a. Make these cuts diagonal, so the form will pull apart easily. Then nail a board, b, securely over each cut, and allow the nail heads to project slightly, so that they can easily be pulled with a hammer.

Good Rack for Fodder.

While fodder when given out of doors should be fed in feed racks and not on the ground, it is imperative for the ground surrounding the racks to slope away in all directions, and often it would be better still if tile drained.

Dry Shed for Sheep.

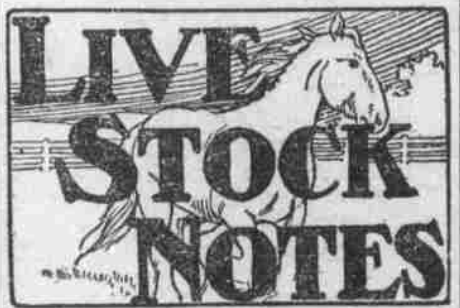
Sheep should have a good dry shed to sleep and rest in during the fall of the year and preferably should be shut in such shed over night to assure against their not straying out during rains, as they often do if they are not shut in.

Hog's Thin Covering.

It should be remembered that a hog's coat of hair is not heavy nor of the kind to keep out extreme cold. Consequently it feels the change in temperature most keenly.

Kindness Is Best.

Kindness is one of the cheapest and best ration you can feed to your stock. They relish it more than the most succulent thing you can put before them.



Barley sprouts are a good feed, but not very palatable.

The coarse hog, like the elephantine steer, is a relic of the past. Coarseness indicates low vitality, slow feeding qualities and sluggishness.

It is surprising how fast a pig can be made to grow when it is properly fed and cared for.

There is now more hog cholera in the country, if reports are to be relied upon, than ever before.

Lack of exercise and too much carbonaceous food will necessitate an early market for the young porkers.

A good boar to head the herd is used to a great disadvantage if the breeding sows be not well selected.

Lined oil is a well-known purgative and flaxseed fed in any considerable quantity would be extremely laxative.

The humane man is comfortable when his stock is comfortable, and when they are ill at ease he is in the same condition.

Flaxseed meal may be fed to all kinds of stock, but owing to its large content of oil, it must be used in very limited amounts.

In giving any kind of live stock water in the winter that causes them to shiver, is a loss. A little shivering prevents a day's growth.

Charcoal, ashes and salt help to keep the hog's digestive system in good condition and should be kept within the reach of the animals at all times.

DEATH OPENS THE SAVANNAH RACES

ONE DRIVER IS KILLED ON THE FIRST PRACTICE DAY OF THE GREAT EVENT.

ANOTHER DRIVER IS INJURED

McNay, Who Was a Californian, Running in a Case Car, Took to a Ditch to Prevent a Collision and Meets His End.

Savannah, Ga.—Choosing a ditch at the side of the course in preference to plunging into a heavy wagon which suddenly loomed before him on an "S" turn on the automobile course here, Jay D. McNay, the California automobile racing driver, met death. His little low-built Case car ended its course against a tree and the driver was taken from the wreck as he breathed his last.

The accident occurred on the first practice day for the automobile races of Thanksgiving week.

Only a short while before McNay drove to his death Joe Dawson, who had just yielded the wheel of his Marmon racer to Joe Nikrent, was hurled from his seat when Nikrent chose the banked side of the course to avoid collision with a touring car which appeared suddenly from around a curve. Dawson catapulted over Nikrent's head and fell to the turf unconscious. At the hospital it was said his condition may not prevent his appearing in the Vanderbilt and grand prize races in which he is entered. No bones were broken.

The touring car which caused Dawson's injuries caused Driver William Knipper to stop his car so suddenly that W. F. Barnes, Jr., was unable to stop his mount in time and rammed Knipper's car, both machines being badly damaged but the drivers were unhurt.

Physicians at the hospital to which McNay was hurried though his life appeared to be extinct, stated that his death probably was caused by concussion of the brain and internal injuries. His car was crushed together like an accordion and the steering wheel was jammed into McNay's breast. A peculiar sad feature of the young driver's death comes with the statement that his marriage was set for the week following the races here.

Want Better Freight Rates.

New York.—Melon growers of Florida, Georgia, Alabama, North and South Carolina, and Northern commission men who handle their products, appeared through attorneys before the Interstate Commerce Commission here and asked for lower freight rates on 125 Eastern railroads. The farmers declare that by rat discrimination the price of melons has been made unduly high everywhere west of Cincinnati and Buffalo. A special complaint is made against the Pennsylvania Railroad.

Cummins Found Guilty.

New York.—William J. Cummins, the former Tennessee promoter and recent directing head of the Carnegie Trust Company, was found guilty of the theft of \$140,000 from the Nineteenth Ward bank by the jury before which he has been on trial for the last five weeks. He was remanded to the Toms until his counsel may present any motions desired before sentence is pronounced. Cummins seemed stunned by the result.

Was Stabbed by Striker.

Sedalia, Mo.—A. M. Mackey, nephew of Mrs. Fred Dent Grant and of Mrs. Potter Palmer of Chicago, was stabbed to death by John L. Jones, a striking shopman. The stabbing followed an argument about recent trouble between strikers and strike-breakers. Mackey owned a taxicab and carriage company here. At the coroner's inquest witnesses testified that Jones stabbed Mackey while the latter was trying to stop a pair of horses from running away. Mackey's right hand was almost severed in an attempt to ward off the blow.

Four Men Were Rescued.

New York.—The four men aboard the barge Helen A. Wyman, which was wrecked near Block Island were rescued and landed at New London. This information came from the Scully towing company here from the captain of the tug Mary F. Scully, which made the rescue ten hours before the barge went down. Wires along the southern New England coast were busy with reports of disasters at sea. The barge Wyman broke away from the tug Mary F. Scully and it was reported that all her crew were lost.

Will Force Neutrality Laws.

Washington.—Determined to stamp out filibustering expeditions against Mexico, Secretary of War Stimson authorized General Duncan, commanding the department of Texas, to enforce the neutrality laws with vigor and to move the troops under his command within divisional limits without waiting orders from the department. Secretary Stimson also informed General Duncan that he would not lack for all the cavalry and infantry needed to prevent the organization of expeditions against Mexico.

Uncle Sam Teaches Filipinos to Farm

NOTED professor from the University of Chicago, who spent several months in the Philippine islands as lecturer at the teachers' vacation assembly, conducted by the bureau of education every year at Baguio, the summer capital of the islands, returned recently to the United States. Other nations one of these days will be coming to the Philippines to see how the educational triumphs have been won," he said, in speaking of the work of the schools there.

Without question one of the triumphs of America in the Orient is the wonderful work that has been accomplished there by the public school system during the ten years since its organization. From a mere handful of pupils and an expenditure of a few thousand dollars in 1901, the system has developed until now it reaches into every town and nearly every village of the islands, and last year instructed more than 500,000 boys and girls. The Philippine government spent more than \$3,250,000 of local revenue for education.

The services of more than 9,000 American and Filipino teachers are employed in the various schools of islands as professors and class-



room teachers of the academic and technical subjects of the courses of study. The University of Chicago sent Dr. Shepardson and Dr. Goode, two of its ablest and most successful extension lecturers, to Manila during the past vacation to remain in residence at the vacation assembly of teachers and conduct education courses during the session.

In referring to the class of men and women engaged in the education work there, they speak in the highest terms. "I have seen many gatherings of educators, but none which average higher than this one," said Dr. Shepardson. "The reason, no doubt, is that nowhere else could such a company be found of men and women who are doing pioneer work, who have the spirit of the pioneer, and whose earnestness in pursuing ideals is reflected in conversation and conference talk."

Federal List of Immortals' Growing



so-called "list of immortals" of the United States biological survey roster kept by that bureau of all hunting fatalities in this country—this year has had added to it 47 names. From this information the bureau hopes after a few years to be able to deduce general principles which will be of value in framing "saving" federal and state game laws.

One fact which we have learned during the three years we have kept this record," said Dr. T. S. Palmer, chief of the bureau, "is that there are practically no deer hunting accidents in states which prohibit the shooting of deer. This is because in those states the hunter hesitates a moment

before firing to determine whether the animal is a doe or a buck. In case the animal happens to be the two-legged variety that brief pause before pulling the trigger is enough to save human life." More than 150 persons were killed last year in hunting accidents. This was considerably larger than the number in 1909, which in turn was 50 per cent. in excess of the 1908 fatalities. "Of the 47 killed so far this year," said Dr. Palmer, "the largest number were reported from Michigan, with 15 deaths, New York coming second with nine, Washington and New Jersey being tied for third place with three fatalities each. "In proportion to its population the United States leads the world in the number of hunters within its borders. Unfortunately it also leads in the proportion of fatal hunting accidents. "There is five times more interest in game laws in this country than in any other country. We estimate that there are almost 5,000,000 American hunters. In several of the western states the hunters constitute as much as 13 per cent. of the population."

Girls to Paw Over Waste Baskets



Young government "jobs" are two women who sit in the basement of the treasury department and spend their time pawing through the contents of waste baskets searching for stray bills that may have fallen into the positions of the treasury rolls would be some time back one of the \$10,000 United States bonds. The two women are doing a work for years.

or otherwise mutilated. This discovery is a sign to the examiners that the paper was intentionally thrown into the baskets. Consequently a sharp lookout is maintained by the two women examiners for unmarked envelopes and official looking papers.

It sometimes happens that a gust of wind will carry a bond or a check from an official's desk and whisk it into his scrap basket. It is almost as safe there as if it reposed under lock and key, for the chances are a hundred to one in favor of the examiners rescuing it.