

# The Thirteen Towns.

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## Republican Nominee for Governor of the State of Minnesota.



CAPTAIN S. R. VAN SANT.

Ole Narvosen, of Erskine, is a possible candidate for county auditor on the pop ticket.

That people's party county ticket made up yesterday at Crookston is already making republican votes in this locality.

Local news has been sadly neglected in this issue owing to our staff being too busy winning prizes at the tournament to set type.

Beltrami county, following in the footsteps of its elderly neighbor on the west—Polk—has the promise of a new court house costing \$25,000.

M. J. Daly, the Ottertail county lawyer, was the unanimous choice of the Seventh district democratic congressional convention held at Fergus Falls yesterday, as their nominee for congress. When the 13th of November comes around he will once more settle quietly down to his law practice.

The following advice is sent out from the state experimental school at Hamline:

Many farmers, alarmed at the shortage of pasturage, as well as oats and hay crops, are already selling their cattle. The only purchasers at a low price for speculation, are dealers. In recent years much has been done to stimulate the growth of live stock in Minnesota, especially the cattle industry. These cattle, and particularly the females, are needed on the farm. If sold now, how are they to be replaced? Fat stock of all kinds is selling at good prices in the market. While the drought in the Northwest is serious, do not overlook the fact that Iowa, Nebraska, Missouri, Kansas and other states have an abundance of food of all kinds, and the farmers in these states will be willing to pay good prices for stockers in the autumn months. Keep your growing stock and do everything possible to provide food for it, which may be grown if rain comes soon. Plant fodder corn as bulletin No. 10 directs, also other pasturage and forage foods. Oats and barley mixed, or oats alone, sown as late as the first week in July, will furnish a large amount of pasture. Winter rye sown at any time between now and the first of September will also furnish much pasturage. That sown in August may be grazed the following spring. A full crop of rape may be grown, sown as late as the middle of July. Rape well grown furnishes an enormous amount of pasture. Rape should be sown with a drill if one suitable can be had, but it may also be sown broadcast, using four to five pounds of seed per acre, and covered with a harrow. Use the Dwarf Essex variety. If no rain falls within a reasonable time and food cannot be grown and it becomes necessary to sell much of the stock, it should not be sold at a sacrifice, but there should be some intelligent effort made by the farmers to ship this stock to the best available market, keeping the choice females.

### Tidbits that Nourish the Brain

Blanched almonds are both brain and muscle food, and the man who can include them in his daily bill-of-fare will, to quite an extent, keep up his mental force and clearness. Juicy fruits also develop more or less of the higher nerve or brain, but, unfortunately, they do not agree with every one. — July Ladies Home Journal.

Dr. Morley—Specialist Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat, Crookston, Minn. (tf)

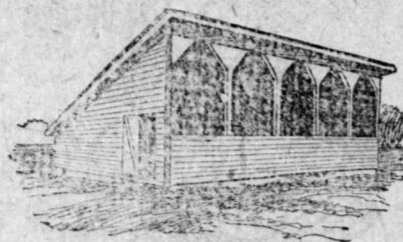
# FARM AND GARDEN

## PLAN OF A HOGHOUSE.

Some Points of a House in General Use in Maryland.

The plan of a hoghouse in use at the Maryland station is given by Director Patterson in a recent bulletin with the following explanations:

Most of the plans for hoghouses recorded in literature on this subject refer to those made farther north or west where the climate is more severe than in this latitude. This is due, no doubt, to two causes—first, that the hoghouse of the south has seldom materialized, at least to such a point as to be worthy of being dignified as a house or much less described, for it generally consists



HOGHOUSE (FRONT VIEW).

of a brushy marsh for summer and a square made of a few old fence rails with some pine brush or corn fodder thrown over the top for winter.

The hoghouse of the north may suit that latitude, but no doubt could be improved upon for that section, and it certainly has many objections for the south, generally the greatest objection being the cost. There is one point that is commonly lost sight of in hog growing, and that is that he is an animal to which the sunshine is just as essential as it is to the corn plant. Neither pork nor corn can be successfully produced without plenty of sunshine. In the north this sunshine in winter will have to be brought into the pen through glass. In this latitude and farther south, under normal conditions, it is only necessary to face the pen to the south, allow the sun's rays to reach the back of the pen on the beds and give good shelter and protection from north and west winds.

The accompanying view, floor plan and end elevation give almost a complete idea of the pen in use here which has met with very general favor. It may be well, however, to enumerate a few special points in the construction.

First.—It is faced to the south to permit the rays of the sun to shine upon the beds of the pigs at the extreme rear end of the pen in the winter season and also to give shade in that portion in summer.

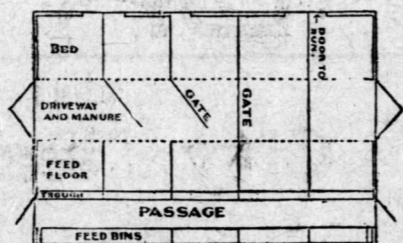
Second.—Lattice construction between the pens at the ends and rear admits of a free circulation of air in warm weather.

Third.—The location of the manure pit in the center and below the level of the sleeping and feeding floors with all drainage toward it aids in maintaining a proper sanitary condition.

Fourth.—Ease with which manure can be removed.

Fifth.—Swinging gates close the pigs into their beds while the manure is being loaded.

Sixth.—Swinging fronts to the pens permit the food to be easily placed in



FLOOR PLAN AND END ELEVATION.

the trough and evenly distributed so that the pigs have an equal chance at feeding time.

Seventh.—The manure pit is concreted, which enables the saving of all liquid manure excrements, which with the pig amounts to 51 per cent of all the manure value.

Eighth.—Ease of changing pigs from pen to pen.

Ninth.—Feed bins are placed in front of each pen, which facilitates feeding and enables keeping different feeds for each pen if desired.

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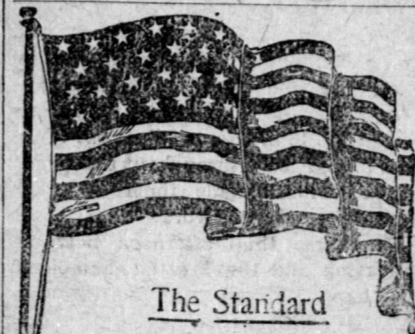
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