

JERSEYVILLE, ILL. HAS WOLF STORY

Claim Huge Animal Leads Pack of Renegade Dogs in Attack on Cattle

A lone wolf which has enlisted dogs in the vicinity of Jerseyville, Illinois into a pack which have nightly attacked live and poultry stock on farms and even gone to the point of leading them in snarling chases of motorists along highways was sought by authorities following recent renewals of raids by the pack.

Earl Prine is authority for the statement that the dogs are led by a wolf. He said he saw the pack leader, a wolf and his story has been corroborated.

The pack, Prine said, assembles in some woodlands near his farm.

City Attorney O. H. Richards, who has a small orchard near the city and raises geese, said, he awoke one morning and found a pack led by such an animal as was described by Prine raiding his orchard. They slaughtered 17 geese, he said, and consisted in addition to the 'wolf,' of two bull dogs and an airedale.

Later the ownership of the bull dogs was traced and they were killed by officers with the consent of their owners.

William Ballard said the dogs had raided his hen roost and killed all but one chicken. Ely Picerel, Sr., declared he fought off a band which attacked a yearling cold on a vacant lot next to his home here. Steve Ringhausen said he found a dozen dogs, led by the 'wolf,' attacking a cow and her calf. He killed four of the dogs with a shotgun and beat to death a bull dog which had obtained a grip on the calf and refused to let go.

On the Harry Leur orchard farm, most of a flock of geese was slaughtered. John Fry, an employe, surprised the pack and routed it after a bull dog attacked him. Fry was unhurt.

S. L. Massey said he caught the pack killing a hog on his farm and killed two of the dogs.

Federal Aid in Road Building Helps Boost Mileage Total in 1930

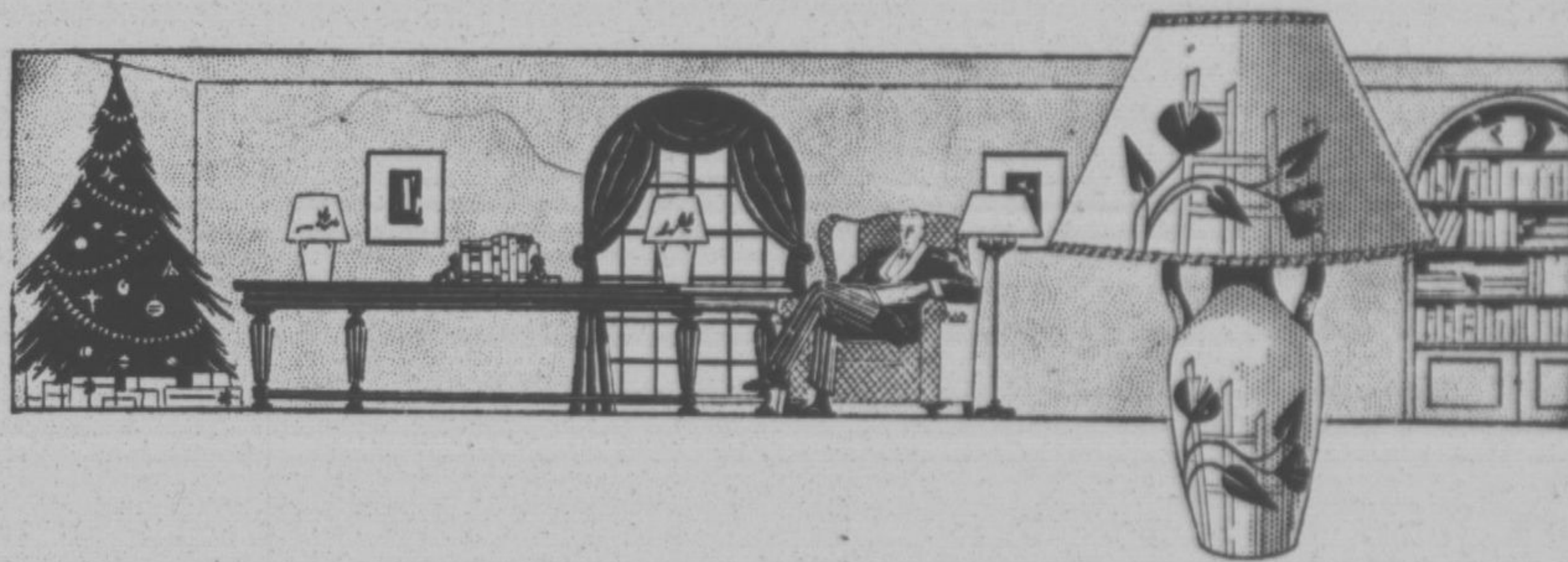
As a result of the increase in federal aid funds from \$75,000,000 to \$125,000,000 for the fiscal year July 1, 1930, to June 30, 1931, a material increase in the total federal air mileage improved and the number of men employed during the past construction season was effected, reports the Chicago Motor club.

The mileage improved this year was 9,349, as compared with 7,022 in 1929, the motor club stated. The increase in the number of men employed on the roads was as great as 4,800 during the month of May. The increased funds also gave additional employment to those working in quarries, engaged in transporting road material, and similar tasks in connection with highway building. In August the federal aid program alone gave employment to 48,000 men.

Considerable credit for the in-

creased improved mileage and employment is due the various states, which must appropriate a sum for road-building equal to that granted by the government. When the additional \$50,000,000 was authorized by congress in April of this year, the states immediately responded by increasing their appropriations.

The increased mileage this year brings the total improved federal aid mileage up to 84,012. The entire federal aid mileage in the country totals 193,049.



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