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COVER PHOTO: The Jefferson Cattle Pound, captured in this ca. 1940 photo, exemplifies an important feature of early rural life in Maine and New England. Pounds were used to detain errant livestock while their owners made restitution for damages to neighboring fields and gardens. In this issue, William Locke explores the legal and social issues surrounding the rise and demise of this familiar institution.

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