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STEAMER PERSIA IS SUNK; NO WARNING

POSSIBLY 160 SAVED OUT OF 400 ONLY FOUR LIFE BOATS GOT AWAY.

AMERICAN CONSUL IS LOST

Robert McNeely, on Way to Post at Aden, Arabia, Believed to Have Been Drowned.

London.—Unofficial dispatches from Cairo state that the British steamship Persia, sunk in the Mediterranean on Thursday, was torpedoed without warning and sank within five minutes. Between 150 and 160 survivors have been landed at Alexandria, Egypt. Robert N. McNeely, recently appointed American consul at Aden, Arabia, and on his way to his post, is believed to have been drowned. A Cairo correspondent makes the unreserved statement that Mr. McNeely lost his life. Charles H. Grant of Boston, was saved.

Details of Disaster Come Slowly

Details of the sinking of the Persia come in slowly, but such information as has been received made it appear that the number of persons who escaped from the four boats which were put off was larger than was hoped when the ship was received. The Peninsula and Oriental company, which owned the Persia, announce that 158 survivors had arrived at Alexandria. The survivors comprise the chief officer, second officer, seven engineers, seven crew, 63 Lascars and 59 passengers.

A Lloyd's dispatch gives the number as 153, made up of 59 passengers, and 94 members of the crew.

Ship Sank in Five Minutes.

"The ship was struck amidships on the port side at 1:10 p. m.," says a Cairo correspondent. "She had disappeared completely at 1:15." "Survivors say it was little short of a miracle that anyone was saved. There was no panic. Four boats were launched with the utmost promptness.

The captain was drowned. When last seen he was swimming after the ship had plunged beneath the surface.

Both the Peninsula and Oriental company and Reuter's Cairo correspondent say Mr. Grant has been landed at Alexandria. The steamship company had received no news of Mr. McNeely's fate. Edward Rose of Denver left the Persia at Gibraltar.

Anxiety in Washington Increased.

Washington.—Anxiety over the news of the sinking of the British steamship Persia increased in official circles here, when a consular dispatch brought the information that the ship had been torpedoed without warning and that at least one American citizen, Robert N. McNeely, new consul at Aden, Arabia, was missing. At the same time officials were much reassured at the indication, emanating from Baron Erich Zwielinek, charge of the Austro-Hungarian embassy here, that the Vienna government would be quick to "satisfactorily adjust" the matter, should it develop that an Austrian submarine commander had disobeyed instructions in regard to torpedoing passenger-carrying ships without warning.

The Illinois attorney general will take no further steps to question the action of Dr. Harry J. Haiselden, who declined to perform an operation on the Bollinger baby on the ground that it was hopelessly defective.

British Blacklist of Ships Increased.

London.—The blacklist of neutral shipping issued by the government for the guidance of British shippers, who are advised not to charter ships appearing on it, as they are suspected of actual trading with Great Britain's foes or other unneutral service or as representing German capital, now includes steamers with a total gross tonnage of 80,000, which means a capacity of 200,000 tons unavailable to British shippers and neutral charterers in any way dependent on British shipping.

Fairbanks Indorsed for President.

Indianapolis, Ind.—At a love feast here Indiana Republicans indorsed Charles W. Fairbanks, former vice president, for the Republican nomination for president of the United States. At the same meeting Edwin P. Morrow pledged to Mr. Fairbanks the delegation from Kentucky at the national Republican convention at Chicago in June. "The people have voted Democracy," said Mr. Fairbanks. "Democracy has tried them. The result has been a reunited, rebaptized party of opposition."

20,000 Employees Get Wages Raised.

New York.—Wages of 200,000 employees in various trades in this city were increased Jan. 1. It was estimated that the increases would aggregate millions of dollars. The United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America announces that the wages of more than 8,000 members have been increased by from \$1.40 to \$1.45. Increases in pay in the military trade, to 3,000 waiters and 1,200 mechanics in the navy yard.

THE MISSES CHASE



The Misses Suzanne (left) and Elizabeth (right) are the daughters of Capt. and Mrs. Volney O. Chase, U. S. N., and are among the prominent debuts in Washington society this winter.

ANGLO-FRENCH READY FOR GREAT OFFENSIVE

BELIEVED ONLY WEATHER DELAYING DRIVE ON THE WESTERN FRONT.

THINK SALONIKI NOW SAFE

Central Powers Show No Haste to Invade Greek Territory to Attack Allied Position.

London.—Dispatches from both east and west express the belief that the winter weather is likely to prove the most severe obstacle to war operations on the principal fronts during the next few weeks.

The most dreaded period of winter is from the end of December to the end of January, was General French's reply a year ago to the demands for a great offensive. The same remark would probably apply equally this year.

A correspondent at the western headquarters, after remarking that the British staff is confident that the allies are now so strong in men and munitions that they can break through the German lines whenever the right times comes, declares the weather is the chief reason for postponing the big movement.

A Russian correspondent writes, "The most severe part of the winter has begun in the Russian theater. All reports agree that the weather is harder this year than usual. It is increasingly doubtful if any serious events will occur until the end of January."

In Vosage Mountains.

Despite the weather, the duel in the Vosage mountains, in the western zone, continues and eventually may prove to be one of the big operations of the war. The gains in either direction thus far have been small, but the French claim progress in their efforts to establish themselves on the crest of the foothills which here dominate the plain.

By all accounts Saloniki is now safe. Certainly the central powers show no haste to attack the allies' position. Seventy-five thousand Serbians have reformed at Scutari and Elbasan in Albania and the Montenegrin army, which has heretofore been barred geographically from taking any large part in the war, is now throwing itself energetically into the contest against the Austrians.

The Italian bombardment of Austrian positions on the Tyrol and Isonzo fronts continues. The Balkan situation remains unchanged.

The Turks have ceased their attacks against the British force at Kut El-Amara, Mesopotamia, there having been no operations there since Christmas day.

"Ought to Give Up Philippines."

Washington.—Charles H. Sherrill, former United States minister to the Argentine republic, in an address here advanced the suggestion that the United States might strike some bargain with European nations and Japan whereby American possession of the Philippines would be relinquished. "The Old World nations would give up their few remaining colonial possessions in the western hemisphere.

Austrian Sub Sank Villa De La Ciotat

London.—The submarine which appeared on the surface shortly after the French steamer Villa de la Ciotat was torpedoed off the island of Crete flew the Austrian flag, according to a dispatch from Malta. "It is learned from survivors," says the dispatch, "that the vessel was off Crete on her way from Japan for Marseilles when, without the slightest warning, she was shaken by a terrific explosion, following which a submarine appeared flying the Austrian flag."

HENRY FORD HOME AGAIN

Says He Intended When He Departed to Return This Month.

New York.—Henry Ford, who led the peace expedition which left here Dec. 4 on the steamship Oscar II for Copenhagen, in the hope of bringing about a conference of neutral nations that would end the war, arrived here Sunday on the steamer Bergensford. He confirmed cable reports that his return had been hastened by illness, but said it made a difference of only a few days as he intended when he left to come back this month.

Mr. Ford declared his views regarding the cause of the war have undergone a marked change. When he left, he said, he was of the opinion that bankers, manufacturers of munitions and armament were responsible, but he returns with the belief that it is the people themselves, those now being slaughtered, who are responsible. The men doing the fighting have been too content to let those who rule them do their thinking and they have not taken advantage of their divine right to say for themselves what they shall do and think, the pacifist asserted.

INDICT LABOR PEACE MEMBERS.

Conspiracy to Foment Trouble at Munitions Plants is Alleged.

New York.—Eight men, including a congressman, a former congressman and a former attorney general of Ohio, were indicted by a federal grand jury on a charge of conspiracy to foment strikes in American munition factories as part of a campaign financed by the German government to check the exportation of munitions to the entente allies.

The men indicted were Congressman Frank Buchanan of Illinois, former Congressman H. Robert Fowler of Illinois, Frank S. Monnett, former attorney general of Ohio; H. B. Martin, Herman Schultze, Franz von Rintelen, David Lamar and Jacob C. Taylor.

All of the men except Von Rintelen and Lamar are officers or former officers of Labor's National Peace council. The government charged that this organization was financed by Von Rintelen, a German agent, to instigate strikes in munition plants while ostensibly working in the interests of international peace.

Von Rintelen is at present a prisoner of war in England. Lamar, known as "Wolf of Wall Street," is said to have been his paymaster.

HAS FOUND COTTON SUBSTITUTE

German Experiments in Gunpowder Manufacture Reported Successful.

Bremen.—Germany's experiments with substitutes for cotton in making gunpowder have been so successful that for eight months no cotton has been used. This statement was made by the president of the Bremen chamber of commerce to a convention of merchants.

"I have had the opportunity to establish officially that for eight months not a kilogram of cotton has been used for making powder," he said. "Thanks to German science and industry, we have succeeded in winning from the immeasurable supply of German forests a cellular material which is cheaper and better suited for powder making than cotton. Even after the war Germany's ammunition factories will not buy another bale of cotton from America."

"The second important ingredient—saltpeter—is now manufactured exclusively in Germany from the air."

Thousands Get More Pay.

Washington.—A majority of the 25,000 employees in the government navy yards, ships and stations will receive increases in pay beginning Jan. 1. Secretary Daniels made this announcement in making public the results of hearings recently conducted by the navy department, in which statements and scores of written arguments were presented preparatory to the fixing of the wage schedules required by law at the beginning of each year.

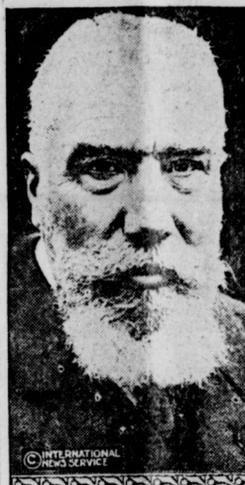
Steps to Stop Bank Robbers.

Oklahoma City, Okla.—The report that two bank robbers were shot and captured by the cashier of a bank at Grant, which they were attempting to rob, was pleasing to some of the state officers and bankers here who have been insisting that a bit of aggressive resistance toward robbers would do more to discourage bank robbing than many offers of rewards. It would do more to discourage bank robbers than do the far toward remedying conditions.

Gives Large Sum to Charity.

New York.—Mrs. Laura S. Rockefeller, wife of John D. Rockefeller, who died last March, left an estate valued at \$1,490,471, according to the appraisal filed in the surrogate's court. The bulk of the estate goes to charitable and educational institutions. The estate consists mainly of railroad bonds and does not include any stock in the Standard Oil company. Mrs. Rockefeller's wedding ring, which she bequeathed to her son, John D. Jr., was valued at \$3.

DENYS COCHIN



Denys Cochin is the French cabinet minister who went to Greece to persuade that nation to maintain an attitude of friendly neutrality toward the allies.

AUSTRIA YIELDS TO AMERICA'S DEMANDS

SUBMARINE CAPTAIN WHO SANK ANCONA PUNISHED—INDEMNITY TO BE PAID.

SOME AMERICANS ARE HELD

Penfield Reports Citizens Without Birth Certificates or Naturalization Papers Are Detained.

London.—The Austrian reply to the second American note on the Ancona states that the commander of the Austrian submarine has been punished for not sufficiently taking account of the panic aboard the Ancona which rendered disembarkation more difficult.

The Austrian reply further expresses the hope that Washington will be able to supply the particulars of how the American citizens were affected, but in the event of such evidence being lacking and the United States unable to state how the American citizens came to their death, the Austro-Hungarian government "is ready to pass lightly over this deficiency and indemnify for damages, whose proximate cause can not be fixed and hopes thereby that the incident will be regarded as ended."

The note declares that the government "can not admit responsibility for damage caused by the justifiable firing on the fleeing vessel or by the capsizing of the boats before the torpedo was fired."

Some Americans Detained.

In a separate dispatch, Ambassador Penfield reported that Americans in Vienna not having certificates of birth or naturalization were unable to leave, because German consular officers were refusing to give their passports for travel through Germany en route for Holland to embark for home. Whether this dispatch reflected a state of tension in Vienna over the negotiations was not made clear.

The ambassador said he had made representations on the subject to the German embassy in Vienna and had asked the German embassy at Berlin to secure a modification of the regulations which prevent Americans from returning to their homes and exclude American-born or naturalized citizens who have not the required additional documents from Germany.

The regulation, the ambassador said, made it practically impossible for American citizens so situated to embark from Holland for home.

British Home Secretary to Retire.

London.—The Chronicle announces definitely that Sir John A. Simon, secretary of state for home affairs, retires from the cabinet, "thus breaking his brilliant ministerial career for conscience's sake." Sir John A. Simon enjoyed a rapid and brilliant career after a remarkable success at the bar. He entered parliament in 1906 and joined the ministry, first as solicitor general, afterward as attorney general. He is so strong a pacifist that he had almost decided to resign with Viscount Morley and John Burns when the war broke out. It was only the German violation of Belgian neutrality that induced him to remain.

International Court Finally Launched.

New York.—A world court for the judicial investigation and settlement of all questions of international dispute, with former President William H. Taft as honorary president and John Hays Hammond as president, has been formally launched here. Plans were outlined for a great world congress in Louisville, Ky., the second week in April. Leading men of this and other countries will be invited to address the congress.

RECEIVER IS ASKED FOR TEXAS & PACIFIC

DEFAULT SINCE 1907 OF INTEREST ON \$25,000,000 MORTGAGE BONDS IS ALLEGED.

HEARING SET FOR JAN. 31

Petition Charges Net Income of Road, Over Operating Expenses, Diverted to Other Purposes.

Dallas, Texas.—Action seeking to place another Texas railroad, the Texas & Pacific, in the hands of a receiver was filed in the United States district court here by Locke & Locke, attorneys of Dallas, representing the Bankers' Trust company of New York.

The application for a receiver alleges default since 1907 of interest on \$25,000,000 second mortgage bonds issued by the company in 1883. The Bankers' Trust company acted as trustee in the issuance of these bonds.

Judge Edward R. Meek set Jan. 31 as the date of the hearing on the application for a receivership. Notice of a contest to the proceedings was also filed.

The New Orleans Railway company a Louisiana corporation, with its principal offices in New Orleans, the Louisiana end of the Texas & Pacific, is made a defendant in the suit. The Texas & Pacific operates under a federal charter granted March 3, 1871.

The Texas & Pacific has a greater mileage than any Texas road, covering with its branches, 1,944 miles of track. A history of the road is set out in the lengthy petition filed in the case. There now are nine Texas railroads in the hands of receivers.

In addition to alleging that the interest on the \$25,000,000 second mortgage bonds has been unpaid for a number of years, the petition charges that net income of the road, over and above operating expenses, has been diverted to other purposes.

TRAINS HIT HEAD ON; 3 DEAD.

Santa Fe Wreck in Mills County Fatal to Engineers and Brakeman.

Temple, Texas.—Three men were killed in a disastrous head-on collision on the Santa Fe at 5:38 p. m. Tuesday at mile post 110, four miles west of Mullen, Mills county.

The dead are: E. B. Carpenter, engineer; A. R. Saint, fireman; C. U. Mately, brakeman. All of them lived at Temple. Mately was killed outright, the others succumbing to their injuries later. The engineer was married and leaves a wife and three children. Saint and Mately were unmarried. Orders had been issued for the extra to meet a southbound train of the same class at Mullen, but for some reason orders apparently were not delivered, with the result that the two trains crashed together with terrific impact, both engines overturning and 15 cars going into the ditch.

Engineer T. C. Brown and the fireman on the southbound train jumped in time to save their lives, being but slightly injured.

National Live Stock Meeting Jan. 25.

El Paso, Texas.—Eight thousand invitations have been mailed out from the office of Secretary Tomlinson of the American Live Stock Association for the convention to be held here Jan. 25, 26 and 27. A meeting of the executive board will be held Jan. 24. A fight for an open market and against light competition by the packers will be made at this convention, it was announced. The Texas Cattle Growers' association will cooperate in this fight. The National Sheep Growers' association will also meet here at the same time.

Ahrens & Ott Buy Crane Co. Building

Dallas, Texas.—The Ahrens & Ott Manufacturing company, one of the largest jobbing concerns in the country, dealing in plumbing goods and steam and mill supplies, has purchased the five-story and basement building formerly occupied and owned by the Crane company, conducting a similar business, which left the state last summer as the result of a compromise of anti-trust suits brought by the attorney general. Announcement of the completion of the deal was made by B. L. Logan, manager of the present Fort Worth house of the Ahrens & Ott company, which has maintained houses in both Fort Worth and Dallas. Mr. Logan will become manager of the Dallas house, which will be headquarters for north Texas.

Snowfall General Over North Texas

Dallas, Texas.—Snow fell generally over north and west Texas Tuesday. The coldest weather prevailed in the Plainview country, where the thermometer registered 1 degree above zero Tuesday morning. So far as heard from cattle have not suffered from the cold weather and wheat growers are greatly encouraged over crop prospects. The snowfall varied in depth at different places from half an inch to four inches.

White Warden Osborne of Sing Sing.

White Plains, N. Y.—Two indictments, containing seven counts, were returned against Thomas Mott Osborne, warden of Sing Sing, by the Westchester county grand jury which has been investigating conditions in the prison. One indictment charged perjury in his testimony at the recent inquiry conducted by Dr. Rudolph Dieding of the state prison commission. The other indictment contained six counts.

CASHIER SHOTS ROBBERS

Escapes From Vault and Armed With Shotgun Recovers Loot.

Paris, Texas.—Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock two young men entered the bank of Grant at Grant, Okla., 20 miles north of Paris, while L. G. Webb, the assistant cashier, was waiting on a customer and, covering both of them with pistols, tied their hands and marched them into the vault. After getting into the vault, the robbers untied the cashier's hands and forced him to open the safe. The contents, amounting to about \$4,000, including \$60 in coppers, and weighing between 50 and 60 pounds, were placed in a flour sack which the men had carried with them.

When the robbers left the vault they closed the door and turned the bolt, thinking they had fastened the cashier and customer inside, but Mr. Webb had placed his foot between the wall and the edge of the door and it failed to close.

Cashier Pursues Robbers.

As soon as the men left the bank Cashier Webb seized his pumpgun that was kept in the vault and followed taking a near cut with the depot and cotton platform concealing him. When he got within 20 steps of the robbers, who had gone about 200 yards from the bank, he called on them to halt, and as the rear robber made a gunplay he brought him down and pursued the other, who was shot down 50 yards further on. After shooting both of the men, the cashier picked up the bag of money and carried it back to the bank.

The robbers, one of whom was about 25 and the other 29 years old, were identified as living five miles northwest of town.

Bank Robbers Get \$7,500.

Heavener, Okla.—Five men, two of them youths of not more than 18 years of age, robbed the First National bank here, escaping with \$7,500 of the bank's funds.

Laundries of Dallas Head 1914 List.

Dallas, Texas.—Interesting figures on the number of laundries in Texas, the work done by them, their value, etc., which statistics show Dallas to lead the state, have been received from the department of commerce. Dallas laundries received nearly \$1,000,000 for the work they did during 1914 and the statement shows that the number of laundries in the city have increased from six in 1909 to ten in 1914. The statement is only a preliminary one and subject to some changes that may be made.

Young Girl Killed in Auto Accident.

Brady, Texas.—In an automobile accident on the Lohn road near here Miss Gladys Walker, 16 years old, was killed and four other women hurt. Those most seriously injured are Miss Elsie Cornell and Miss Bernice Winstead. Miss Cornell's arm was torn from her shoulder and she was badly cut and bruised on the body. Miss Winstead was severely cut in several places. Miss Walker's skull was crushed and death resulted in a short time after the accident.

Tom M. Campbell to Run for Senate.

Palestine, Texas.—Former Governor Thomas Mitchell Campbell has set at rest all doubts as to his plans politically by announcing that he would be a candidate for the Democratic nomination for United States senator, to be determined by the primaries of 1916. Mr. Campbell stated that he would make an announcement at an early date and that while his position on general governmental questions is fairly well known to the Texas Democracy, he would in due time go to the people directly with his platform.

Urge Texas Man as Chile Ambassador

Washington.—Friends of Hampson Gary of Tyler, Texas, are urging his appointment as ambassador extraordinary and plenipotentiary to Chile in place of Henry F. Fletcher of Pennsylvania, recently appointed to represent this country as ambassador to Mexico. Mr. Gary came to Washington a year ago as special assistant to the solicitor of the state department in handling diplomatic matter growing out of the European war, and a few months ago was advanced to assistant solicitor. The position in Chile pays \$17,500 a year.

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THE EUROPEAN WAR A YEAR AGO THIS WEEK

Jan. 3, 1915.

French completed capture of Steinhilber and gained near Reims and St. Mihiel, but were repulsed near St. Menchould.

Flooding hindered the fighting in Flanders.

Germans captured Bollmow from Russians, but their advances on Kielce and between the Bzura and Rawka rivers failed.

Russians took thousands of Austrian prisoners and swept through Bukowina.

Germans rushed to defense of Cracow.

Ghent taxed bachelors to meet German demands for money.

Day of intercession and prayer throughout British empire.

Second Australian expeditionary force sailed for England.

Shipment of food for Albanians left United States.

Jan. 4, 1915.

Russians occupied Suzzawa and again threatened Cracow.

Turks ravaged Persian territory. British ships shelled Dar-es-Salaam, German East Africa.

French aviators dropped bombs near Brussels.

Germans put Young Turks under oath to support existing regime.

Jan. 5, 1915.

Germans began moving big guns from Ostend.

French forces made advance toward Gernay.

Russians defeated Austrians in Uzok Pass and prepared for invasion of Transylvania.

Germans renewed activities along the Vistula.

Pope obtained release of French Catholic missionaries held in Syria. Italian food ship sent by state of Kansas sailed.

Germany agreed not to hinder sending of food to Belgians by America.

Russians crushed Turks at Ardahan and Sarikamyan.

Jan. 6, 1915.

French made further progress at St. Mihiel.

Germans bombarded Furnes and compelled Belgians to move headquarters.

New Russian army prepared to combat Germans at Mlawa.

Germans and Austrians checked Russian advance against Cracow.

Turkish cruiser Goeben damaged by mines.

Jan. 7, 1915.

French made progress in direction of Aitkirch.

Germans in the east hampered by mud.

Turks occupied Urumiah.

Report made by French commission charging Germans with habitual "pillaging, outrage, burning and murder."

United States refused to investigate Germany's charge that British used dum dum bullets.

French government sent thanks for work of Lafayette fund.

President Poincare of France signed decree prohibiting sale and transportation of absinthe and similar liquors.

Jan. 8, 1915.

Allies gained north of Soissons, near Reims and in Alsace.

Germans attacked Russian lines near Bollmow, their riflemen using steel shields.

Cardinal Mercier of Belgium placed under restraint by Germans because of pastoral.

Germany accused republic of San Marino of encouraging espionage by its wireless station.

Roumania began mobilizing 750,000 men.

California's Belgian relief ship started.

Jan. 9, 1915.

Germans renewed offensive against Russians from direction of Mlawa.

Severe fighting on the Rawka and in the north.

Turks hurriedly building railway lines across Sinai peninsula.

Germans retook Steinhilber and Burnhaupt.

French captured Perthes and gained near Soupir.

Russians entered Transylvania.

French won victory in the Kamerun, Africa.

BRIEF INFORMATION

Homing pigeons can travel 70 miles an hour.

The skeleton is one inch shorter than the measurement of the living person.

Louis XVI drank the first cup of coffee made in France. It was then worth \$29 a pound.

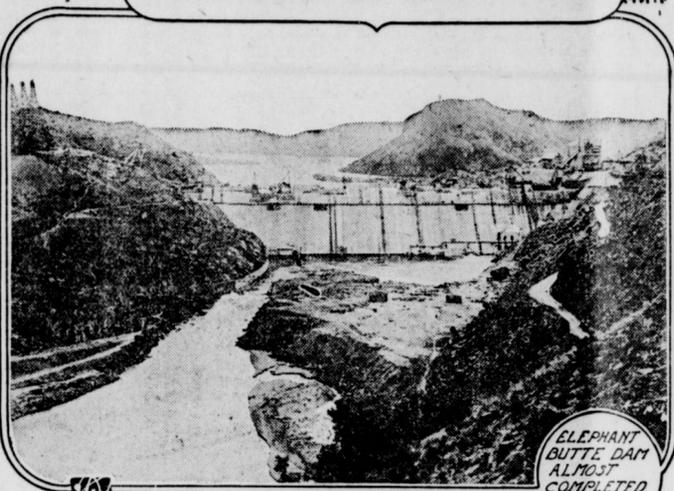
To protect racing motorcyclists from injury there has been invented a suit of pneumatic armor, covered with rubber tubes into which air can be pumped.

A Kentucky man has invented an electric fan to be mounted under an umbrella to circulate air, so designed that it can be folded as the

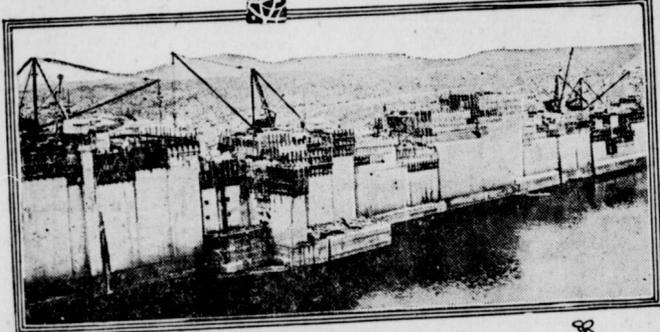
GREAT RECLAMATION PROJECT

In the valley of the Rio Grande river, on the border between the United States and Mexico, engineers of the United States have almost finished the greatest reclamation project ever attempted. At a cost of \$10,000,000 the Elephant Butte dam in New Mexico, which will turn 180 square miles of almost worthless desert into fertile farms, has been constructed. For three months from the time the water was turned into the reservoir, the entire flow of the Rio Grande will be required to fill it. This artificial reservoir, the entire flow of the Rio Grande will be required to fill it. This artificial reservoir, the entire flow of the Rio Grande will be required to fill it.

U.S. GOVERNMENT ENGINEERS HAVE JUST FINISHED DAM THAT WILL TURN 180 SQUARE MILES OF DESERT INTO FERTILE FARMS IN SOUTHWEST.



ELEPHANT BUTTE DAM ALMOST COMPLETED



SHOWING THE IMMENSITY OF THE WORK

work on the dam was started in the spring of 1911, and more than one thousand workmen have been employed on the construction ever since that time. When the project is finally completed 110,000 acres of land in New Mexico, 45,000 in Texas and 25,000 acres in old Mexico will be irrigated. Five hundred and fifty thousand cubic yards of solid masonry will have been in place. This masonry forms a mass, which, placed on a tract of land of the dimensions of an ordinary city block, would cover the tract to a height equal to that of a 13 story building. A masonry has been placed at the rate of 100 cubic yards daily.

The gates of the dam have been "put in" and the water in the reservoir stands at 37 feet above the old river bed. When it is filled it will have an average depth of approximately 10 feet. The Elephant Butte dam project far surpasses in magnitude the Assuan dam on the Nile in Egypt, which has in the past been regarded as the climax of possibilities in irrigation. As a matter of actual figures, the Nile dam holds only as much water as will be contained back of the Elephant Butte dam. The dam itself is 1,200 feet long and will be 394 feet high at the highest point. A permanent roadway 18 feet high is being constructed on top. The dam gradually widens to base, forming a cone. The foundation, against which the raging torrents of the streams of the Rio Grande will beat for centuries without effect.

The construction of the reservoir it was necessary to wipe out three small towns, and although the population was not the property values, which were made good by the government, represented in the aggregate a considerable sum. Another town sprang up in the valley. A railroad 15 miles long was built to haul material to the place where the dam was erected. In fact, the preliminary work was a small part of the undertaking. Plants for the manufacture of cement, buildings for the storage of the material, a store, power station, transmission lines and a great embankment at a point in the northwest of the dam proper had to be provided.

Construction of main flumes, cofferdams, excavations in the river bed and the building of roads among the preliminary tasks presented to the engineers. The cost, with the exception of \$10,000,000, will eventually be paid back into the government reclamation fund by land owners who will benefit by the dam, and will again be used by the government for reclamation work in some other section of the country.

The \$10,000,000 was appropriated outright and is being used for that portion of the work which will benefit farmers in old Mexico. The appropriation was made to furnish this water in settlement of several million dollars in claims which the Mexican government had presented to the United States for damages to land on the Mexican side, as a result of the water from the river being used in small irrigation projects on the Mexican side, thus robbing Mexican farmers of water which naturally would have gone to them.

Something of what is to be expected as a result of the work is demonstrated by the small area that have been irrigated by private irrigation systems. The great dam will connect two of the largest rivers in the world, the Rio Grande and the Rio Colorado. One of these, the Rio Colorado, waters 25,000 acres in what is known as the rich Mesilla valley. It has been wonderfully productive. Farmers in this section have averaged a profit of \$500 an acre from truck in a single year. At other points along the Rio Grande, in both Texas and New Mexico, small dams have brought tracts of land under irrigation and made possible the raising of bounteous crops.

The same fertility will be found on the 155,000 acres around the new dam in New Mexico and Texas. Great valleys which have hitherto produced only during the infrequent years that nature was kind enough to send more than the average rainfall, will be reached by the water from the irrigation canals and large yields will be assured.

The statement that the reservoir will hold the years' flow of the Rio Grande river shows the greatness of the project. The Rio Grande is one of the longest rivers in the United States. It flows far up in Colorado and is fed by rivers and streams extending much farther to the north. It flows through a portion of Colorado, across New Mexico and forms the border between Texas and Mexico, finally reaching the Gulf.

Jersey thrown in, but with a population of only about 500,000.

So many generations ago that no records are left, a mighty civilization is said to have flourished in this territory. When Coronado sailed up the Rio Grande, Indians were leading the waters of the river over their fields and blossoming gardens. But with the coming of civilization, led by the Spaniards, who sought only gold, the ancient irrigation system was abandoned, and for many generations this land which will now be made fertile was left idle.

When New Mexico became a part of the United States fully one-third of its area was included in Mexican and Spanish land grants, which for years afterward were unclaimed and therefore paid no taxes, and were not available to settlers. The Indians and their Mexican neighbors had been irrigating their few crops through ditches constructed hundreds of years before.

Little more than a quarter of a century ago, with the arrival of a railroad, new settlers began to inhabit the section and modern irrigation systems were first thought of. The ditches these farmers made soon decreased the water supply in the Rio Grande, so that further development was impossible unless storage water was provided. This resulted in many of the old ditches being abandoned and thousands of acres were left to parch till the coming of Uncle Sam with his engineers, whose work will turn the arid desert into fertile fields, which will again be green with crops, as they were centuries ago, before the white man invaded the territory.

A Military Surgeon's Experience in Berlin

By PROF. CARL LUDWIG SCHLEICH.

They who return from the field of battle are changed men, with a peculiar expression of the face which has become characteristic of those who are fighting for their country. Though there is a uniformity of desire to serve the fatherland further after as speedily a recovery as may be possible, on the features of all these members of the giant organism lies the stamp of the horrors of war which they have witnessed, and this expression is in direct relation to the culture of the individual.

Notwithstanding their iron purpose to return when their injuries shall have healed, these fighters are all, psychologically speaking, not quite intact. A tragic look in the deep-set eyes, an almost stony rigidity of face are characteristic, especially of the officers who come under observation. It seems as if all the horrors of conflict had impressed themselves upon the vision and had given an expression first of astonishment at the enormities of destruction witnessed. Then gradually as the eyes became weary and accustomed to the sights of slaughter they mirrored the full picture of the horrible.

This condition is followed by one of unceasing calm and fixity of expression, which, viselike, retains its demonic hold upon the face, causing the eyes to sink deeper into the head, to become dimmed and the lower lid marked with the shadow and weariness within. The eyes lie deep in their bony sockets as in those suffering from insomnia or those who have been deeply touched by life's miseries. This expression of the face we find even where the individual returns to his home uninjured.

Under solicitous care the rigidity and look of distress disappear in the course of a few weeks, but on their arrival from the field these men are all slightly changed—as though they had learned to shudder and no longer knew the unrestrained joyous laughter. They have seen the Gorgon's head. This changed expression of the face, this deadly serious look, this aging of the features in a short period of time is well known to relatives and friends. It is the expression of a condition which the technical physician characterizes as chronic shock of the sympathetic system, expressed particularly in the arteries.

which makes life seem unattractive and gray, and the future veiled in leaden mists and without hope, while all the time the recent past is lived over in the mind and seems like an unreal, not quite tangible dream.

Insomnia is the worst of the psychic disturbances that follow in the wake of the heart condition, and it may assume a severe form which cannot be alleviated by the known remedies. These half-sick people lie awake at night racked by their memories, staring with open eyes into the dark. They will hear the rattle and shriek of artillery, the crash of the machine guns and an echo of imminent danger; these memories will seem to them as the flight of the iron birds of destiny.

We have no sharply defined psychosis of war with constantly characteristic symptoms. The occasion of war may serve to develop the latent predispositions of mental derangement, and in this a habitual misuse of alcohol may play a considerable role, but true psychic disturbances, as such, have their roots further back. In other words, it is the faint indication of psychic abnormality which is brought to rapid development through war, but war in itself does not develop a symptom complex of its own or a true psychosis.

Some unusual instances of hysteria have come under observation, patients in whom functional derangements were effected by purely psychic means. One is the case of a corporal of an excitable, wild and unrestrained disposition. He came to the hospital shot through both shoulders and with profuse inflammation of the shoulder joints. After four months he was almost restored to health and was amusing himself by playing upon his mouth harmonica, the childish and individual musical instrument of the army. Opposite to him in the hospital lay a soldier suffering from the effects of a shot through the head, with stupor and violent convulsions. The indications for a cranial operation were being discussed, and the remark was made, "It may be a case of tetanus."

It proved not to be tetanus and the spasms were relieved by the removal of a bone splinter, which resulted in progressive recovery. But his neighbor, the corporal with healed shot wounds in the arms, after three days developed typical symptoms of tetanus, without fever. The manifestations continued for several weeks and disappeared finally under suggestion, on the emphatic assurance that no tetanus was present. —New York Sun.

FRANCE AT WAR IN TUNIS.

A small war which France is carrying on, but of which little is heard, is being waged in Tunis. The conflict consists chiefly of engagements with vast robber bands crossing the frontier from Tripoli, which besides plundering the country, cut the telegraph wires and attack provision convoys to the French posts. Important fighting of this kind took place in the Dehbat region from September 25 to October 9, during which time the French garrison of 200 men kept a large number of robbers at bay until relief arrived.

Detachable cabins for aeroplanes, which can be put on machines to protect pilots and passengers when desired, have been invented in France.

Several advantages are claimed for a spring hat and coat hook that closes flush with the wall to which it is fastened when idle.

THE WORLD OVER

America's 1915 cranberry crop is estimated at 4,300,000 barrels.

British Columbia's annual mineral output is valued at \$30,000,000.

Two English physicians are experimenting with a parasite with which they hope to exterminate the flies of their country within a few years.

Poor fruit crops are reported by Scotland, where the weather during the last three months has been very rainy, with frequent thunderstorms. A French scientist successfully con-

BILIOUS, HEADACHY, SICK "CASCARETS"

Gently cleanse your liver and sluggish bowels while you sleep.

Get a 10-cent box. Sick headache, biliousness, dizziness, coated tongue, foul taste and foul breath—always trace them to torpid liver; delayed, fermenting food in the bowels or sour, gassy stomach. Poisonous matter clogged in the intestines, instead of being cast out of the system is re-absorbed into the blood. When this poison reaches the delicate brain tissue it causes congestion and that dull, throbbing, sickening headache.

Cascarets immediately cleanse the stomach, remove the sour, undigested food and foul gases, take the excess bile from the liver and carry out all the constipated waste matter and poisons in the bowels.

A Cascaret tonight will surely straighten you out by morning. They work while you sleep—a 10-cent box from your druggist means your liver clear, stomach sweet and your liver and bowels regular for months. Adv.

McPhee's Reinvestment.

An Irishman named McPhee lived in a shanty that stood in a field near a main highway out of Kansas City. The foundations of the shanty were lower than the road, through which ran a big water main. As the living floor of the place was raised on posts to make it level with the highway, it left a large cellar underneath, where McPhee kept a dozen hens.

One day the water main burst, flooded the cellar and drowned the hens. Thereupon McPhee entered a claim for damages against the city. After much delay, influential friends succeeded in getting thirty dollars in settlement of his claim.

"I've got me money!" shouted the old man to his next door neighbor. "Glad to hear that," was the reply. "And how much was it, McPhee?"

"Thirty dollars." "And what are ye goin' to do with the money?" "I'm goin' to buy thirty dollars' worth of ducks," said McPhee.—Youth's Companion.

Surely Did His Best.

A philanthropic man visited a penal institution and was permitted to say a few encouraging words to one of the prisoners.

"I am afraid my poor man," said the philanthropist "that you didn't make the fight that you should have made to save yourself."

"Oh, yes, I did," was the quick rejoinder of the prisoner. "I did my level best."

"I am afraid not," retorted the philanthropist sighfully. "Had you struggled just a little harder you might have been a free man today."

"I couldn't have done any more, mister," persisted the prisoner, sadly shaking his head. "It took seven cops to take me to the station house as it was."

Crushing.

It was the morning after a visit from the Zeppes, and a certain street "somewhere in London" was sprinkled with broken glass.

There was the usual crowd of spectators, among whom was a timid-looking man in spectacles, who at last ventured to speak to the constable on duty.

"Is this the result of the air raid?" he asked nervously.

The policeman looked pityingly down at him as he replied: "Well, now, and d'ye think a stone done it?"—Answers.

In Japan the son always follows the trade of his father.

Ill will is never easy.

The chronic kicker is disliked, but he gets more attention than a meek chap.

DON'T GAMBLE

that your heart's all right. Make sure. Take "Renovine"—a heart and nerve tonic. Price 50c and \$1.00.—Adv.

The chap who always tells the truth is apt to tell nine unpleasant ones out of a possible ten.

Dr. Pierce's Pellets are best for liver, bowels and stomach. One little Pellet for a laxative—three for a cathartic.—Adv.

It is difficult for the man enjoying a continuous holiday to keep out of mischief.

Only One "BROMO QUININE"

To get the genuine, call for full name, LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE. Look for signature of L. W. GROVE. Cures a Cold in One Day. 25c.

The chap with cuffs on his trousers should never criticize the fur on the ladies' shoes.

Pneumonia? Apply Hanford's Balsam. Rub it on and rub it in thoroughly, until the skin is irritated. Adv.

Appropriate Profit.

"How did Jiggers manage to clean up so much money?" "I believe he did it by manufacturing soap."

Good Riddance.

"Having any trouble these days with that motor car of yours?" "None whatever."

"You may consider yourself lucky." "And so I do, but my wife shed tears copiously when the blamed thing was attached by a fellow from the sheriff's office."

The Ku Klux.

The "Ku Klux" was a secret order in the South, organized soon after the war, for the purpose of combating negro carpet-bag rule and safeguarding the homes and civilization of the white people. The organization had a membership of between four and five hundred thousand, practically all of the white men of the South, and lasted until its work was accomplished, say about 1872.

Country's Salt Consumption.

The consumption of salt in the United States amounts to almost 100 pounds per capita, a huge proportion of the whole going into various manufacturing processes. Discovery of tremendous new fields has served to keep the price consistently falling.

Rotation of the Earth.

The earliest writer, so far as we know, to conceive of the idea of a rotating earth was Philolaus, a Greek, who lived in the fifth century before Christ. The same man, on purely philosophical principles, also hit upon the idea of the sun as the center of our system—an idea that had to wait 2,000 years for confirmation, until Copernicus came in 1540.

South American Hobo.

Santiago, capital of Chile, is the home of the roto Chileno, or broken Chilean, most picturesque and unique of hoboes, says the New York Independent. The name is a byword in South America, and as far as that continent is concerned he is a unique type. We find rich people everywhere, and poor people everywhere, but no other South American country but Chile do we find this good-natured, serviceable, deceitful, ragged, drunken, criminal species of tramp. He earns a livelihood by begging, doing odd jobs and thieving; the last is his mainstay; in his hands stealing has become a fine art. The Chileans have a saying that he will steal your socks without touching your boots. A long, jointed wire with a hook at the end is his favorite tool. If a window on the street is left unguarded, he will, with this simple contrivance, successfully remove from the interior everything but the heavy furniture.

Starlings Become a Nuisance.

Starlings in Tasmania appear to be greatly on the increase, and are doing considerable damage to garden and field crops. In a letter from a correspondent it is stated that immense flocks of starlings frequent the fields in the River Don district, and do a good deal of damage, eating fruit and pulling up young corn, etc. They are now regarded, the writer says, as "little pests, and we would not be at all sorry to see the last of them." The same writer says cattle are getting very scarce, there being a high death rate among them on the mainland on account of the long drought.

The Force of It.

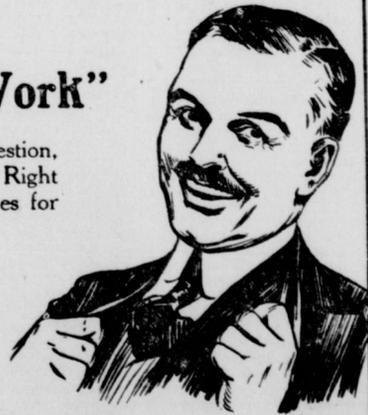
"Don't you mean to put up a kick about this matter?" "With all my sole!"

Some men who are too slow to do the courting are married by strenuous widows.

"I Feel Like A Real Day's Work"

Most men do who have good digestion, steady nerves and a clear brain. Right living—particularly right eating—makes for energy and ambition.

The sound nourishment that gives "punch" to wade right into work, is richly supplied by the field grains. But some grain foods are lacking in certain mineral elements which are all-important for physical and mental vigor.



Grape-Nuts FOOD

—made of selected whole wheat and malted barley, furnishes one all the nutriment of the grain, including their vital mineral salts—phosphate of potash, etc.—necessary for the balanced rebuilding of body, brain and nerves.

Grape-Nuts is easily digested; has a delicious nut-like flavour; is ready to eat direct from package; and with cream or good milk is a splendidly balanced food.

"There's a Reason" for GRAPE-NUTS

Sold by Grocers everywhere.

GATHERED INFORMATION

An artificial coffee has been invented in Japan which is said to have the right flavor and a large percentage of caffeine.

A woman is the patentee of appliances with which fruit and vegetables can be canned in jars in ordinary wash tubs.

The discovery of a gas having the same relation to hydrogen that ozone has to oxygen is claimed by an English scientist.

Corrections made recently in many

"HELP WANTED"

When the APPETITE IS POOR DIGESTION BAD LIVER LAZY BOWELS CLOGGED

YOU SHOULD TRY HOSTETTER'S STOMACH BITTERS IT STRENGTHENS AND INVIGORATES THE ENTIRE SYSTEM

PATENTS

My boy, said the elderly millionaire, at the end of a lecture on economy, when I was your age I carried water for a gang of section hands.

RUB RHEUMATIC, ACHING JOINTS

Rub pain away with a small trial bottle of old "St. Jacobs Oil."

Rheumatism is "pain only." Not one case in fifty requires internal treatment. Stop dragging! Rub soothing, penetrating "St. Jacobs Oil" directly upon the tender spot.

Wont Listen to Advice. "The only objection I have to Dods-worth is his self-complacency. Why, he acts as if he simply couldn't be improved upon."

T. P.'S HARD RAP AT NEWPORT

Considerable Meaning in Remark Irish Statesman Made to Associated Press Reporter.

T. P. O'Connor, who, after 20 years' representation of a Liverpool constituency in the British house of commons and the editorship of countless publications, is still one of the most versatile talkers and writers in public life.

LACK OF MONEY

It is not always that a lack of money is a benefit. A lady in Ark. owes her health to the fact that she could not pay in advance the fee demanded by a specialist to treat her for stomach trouble.

"Every time I had tried to stop coffee I suffered from severe headaches, so I continued to drink it, although I had reason to believe it was injurious to me. But when I had Postum to shift to it was different.



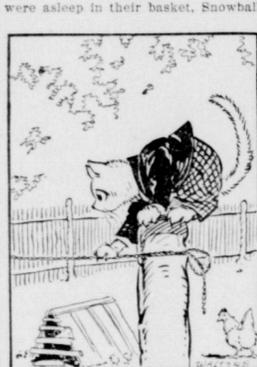
THE SANDMAN STORY BY MRS. F. A. WALKER

SNOWBALL PERFORMS.

One day, while Snowball was in the city, he saw a sign which read: "See Prof. Anastasius Papadopoulos' trained cats."

"Trained cats?" said Snowball. "I wonder what they can do? I'll go in and see." When his master had gone to lunch that day Snowball went to the theater.

The thing that pleased Snowball the most was the cat that walked across the stage on its front paws while its hind feet were raised in the air and steadied by a little stick which the professor held.



Cautiously Put One Paw on the Line.

went to the barn. He walked on his hind legs and found that he could walk very well, or he felt sure he could if he had the music, but to walk on his front feet with his hind legs held up high was a very difficult thing to do, he found.

He claimed the line fiercely with his front paws and buried his sharp claws in it, then he drew one hind foot very carefully from the post, but just as he put it on the line it swung and poor Snowball turned over and fell to the ground.

All the tabbies and kittens for miles around were invited to see Snowball in his wonderful three-act performance.

Kit announced that Snowball would first perform his wonderful act of walking on his hind legs.

"Oh, he is just too lovely for anything!" said one old tabby as Snowball disappeared behind the curtain amid a storm of applause.

Kit announced that Snowball next would wait to the music of a music box turned by Puff. Snowball appeared in this time without his sweater, but the collar and tie showed to advantage.

"Wonderful, wonderful!" said the tabbies, while the kittens were speechless with admiration.

Everyone Should Drink Hot Water in the Morning

Wash away all the stomach, liver, and bowel poisons before breakfast.

To feel your best day in and day out, to feel clean inside; no sour bile to coat your tongue and sicken your breath or dull your head; no constipation, bilious attacks, sick headache, colds, rheumatism or gassy, acid stomach, you must bathe on the inside like you bathe outside.

DECORATING A GIRL'S ROOM

Furnishings Should Be Kept Simple and of Such Material That They May Be Easily Cleaned.

The decorations and furnishings in a girl's room should be kept simple. The curtains, hangings, dresser scarfs and pin-cushions, even the toilet articles, should all be of such material that they may be cleaned easily.

The woodwork is always nicest when painted cream-white, while the floor should be either stained or painted, and covered with a large rug or small ones. Rag rugs are as fitting as any floor covering, and they come in lovely colors. You may sew the rugs and have the rugs woven to order, and obtain just the shades desired by having dyed the colors yourself.

BOYS DEMAND GOOD STORIES

Give Youth Plenty of Books, Let Him Read and Browse and Have His Fill of Adventure.

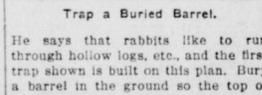
To say that boys do not demand adventure stories and that they shouldn't have this demand supplied would be ridiculous, Walter Pritchard Eaton writes in the Woman's Home Companion.

Any good teacher or wise parent knows, of course, that mere prohibition is an ineffective and silly weapon. Not "don't" but "do," not prohibition but suggestion, is the method to apply.

HOW TO MAKE A RABBIT TRAP

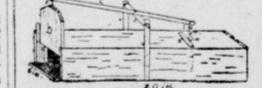
Illustrations Given of Three Contrivances That Will Interest Boys During Winter.

L. W. Frank of Pleasanton, Kan., sends the description of three rabbit traps to Farmers Mail and Breeze, that boys will be anxious to try this winter.



Trap a Buried Barrel.

He says that rabbits like to run through hollow logs, and the first trap shown is built on this plan. Bury a barrel in the ground so the top of it will come just level with the top of the ground.



A Sliding Door.

will tilt with the slightest weight. The rabbit runs into the box, steps on the door and slides down into the barrel. The door swings back into place and the trap is ready for another rabbit.

The next trap shown is also open at each end, but one end has screening across it. At the other end is a spindle hooked lightly, and a cord runs from the spindle up to the slide door, in trying to go through this trap, either



Bait is Necessary.

through curiosity or for food, Mr. Rabbit unhook the spindle and the door slides down. The third trap is something like the second one, but not so good, as mice can spring it and bait is necessary. Bait can also be used on No. 2 but the rabbit can be caught without it, because, in crowding past the spindle, the rabbit unhook it and lets the door fall.

Not a Joshua. Charley and Nancy had quarreled. After their supper mother tried to establish friendly relations. She told them of the Bible verse, "Let not the sun go down upon your wrath."

"Now, Charlie," she pleaded, "are you going to let the sun go down on your wrath?" Charlie squirmed a little. Then: "Well, how can I stop it?"

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To keep these poisons and toxins well flushed from the stomach, liver, kidneys and bowels, drink before breakfast each day, a glass of hot water with a teaspoonful of limestone phosphate in it. This will cleanse, purify and freshen the entire alimentary tract, before putting more food into the stomach.

Get a quarter pound of limestone phosphate from your druggist or at the store. It is inexpensive and almost tasteless, except a sourish tinge which is not unpleasant. Drink phosphated hot water every morning to rid your system of these vile poisons and toxins; also to prevent their formation.

The United States last year imported 27,562,361 pounds of black and white pepper, valued at \$2,352,665.

SYRUP OF FIGS FOR A CHILD'S BOWELS

It is cruel to force nauseating, harsh physic into a sick child.

Look back at your childhood days. Remember the "doses" mother insisted on—castor oil, calomel, cathartics. How you hated them, how you fought against taking them.

With our children it's different. Mothers who cling to the old form of physic simply don't realize what they do. The children's revolt is well-founded. Their tender little "insides" are injured by them.

If your child's stomach, liver and bowels need cleansing, give only delicious "California Syrup of Figs." Its action is positive, but gentle. Millions of mothers keep this harmless "fruit laxative" handy; they know children love to take it; that it never fails to clean the liver and bowels and sweeten the stomach, and that a spoonful given today saves a sick child tomorrow.

Ask at the store for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly on each bottle. Adv.

Charity covers a multitude of poor people with second hand and wornout garments.

FALLING HAIR MEANS DANDRUFF IS ACTIVE

Save Your Hair! Get a 25 Cent Bottle of Danderine Right Now—Also Stops Itching Scalp.

Thin, brittle, colorless and scraggy hair is mute evidence of a neglected scalp; of dandruff—that awful scurf. There is nothing so destructive to the hair as dandruff. It robs the hair of its luster, its strength and its very life; eventually producing a feverishness and itching of the scalp, which if not remedied causes the hair roots to shrink, loosen and die—then the hair falls out fast. A little Danderine tonight—now—any time—will surely save your hair.

Get a 25 cent bottle of Knowlton's Danderine from any store, and after the first application your hair will take on that life, luster and luxuriance which is so beautiful. It will become wavy and fluffy and have the appearance of abundance; an incomparable gloss and softness, but what will please you most will be after just a few weeks' use, when you will actually see a lot of fine, downy hair—new hair—growing all over the scalp. Adv.

The wise woman marries for protection as well as revenue. Sometimes Apply It Lightly. For cuts, burns, scalds, sores and open wounds always apply Hanford's Balsam Gently, but be sure that it covers and gets to the bottom of the wound. A few light applications are generally all that is needed to heal this class of difficulties. Adv.

Most of us get what we deserve, but few of us are able to recognize it. Not Gray Hair but Tired Eyes. Keep your eyes young and you will look young. After the Movies Rub Your Eyes. Don't tell your age. Murine Eye Remedy Co., Chicago, Sends Eye Book on request.

The czar of Russia has an income of \$40,000,000 a year. Pills Cured in 6 to 14 Days. Druggists refund money if PIAZO OINTMENT fails to cure Itching, Blind, Bleeding or Prolapsing Piles. First application gives relief. See the quince came from Crete.

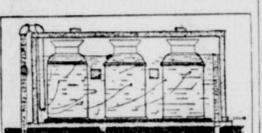
SANITARY MILK PLANT

Cleanliness Often Overlooked in Rush of Business.

During the rush of business the importance of cleanliness in the milk plant is often temporarily overlooked. As a reminder of points often neglected, a score card, such as is used by dairy inspectors in scoring city milk plants, should be posted where it can be easily seen by the employees.

Many of the items on the card are self-explanatory, but there are some details in milk-plant sanitation which are not given on any score card. If the floors, walls and ceiling are smooth and are made of sound and durable materials, they may be easily kept free from dirt and dust. Concrete floors are very satisfactory, for they can be flushed often with water, there is no danger of rotting, and if properly constructed there will be no cracks in which dirt can collect.

A separate room for handling the milk apart from all other operations is essential and all doors must be kept closed to exclude flies and impure air. It is better to provide pure air by means of a modern system of ventilation. Even when the air is pure, the



Tank for Storing Milk.

vats, pasteurizers, coolers, fillers and other apparatus should be covered to prevent all unnecessary contact with the air.

The milk must be kept cool after it is received at the plant, and not be allowed to stand long before bottling. If not used at once the cans should be put into a refrigerator or the milk stored in tanks made for this purpose. These tanks must be in a cool place or be surrounded with a jacket of ice water or brine. Strainers or cheesecloth are more satisfactory and more easily cleaned than those of wire gauze, but the use of strainers of any kind should be avoided as much as possible. Some dealers strain the milk after it is pasteurized before it is run into the filter. This may increase the bacterial count and furthermore is unnecessary if the milk is properly clarified or filtered before pasteurizing and if the apparatus is clean.

A filter of cheesecloth and cotton, if used, must be changed several times during the day. The cheesecloth must be washed, sterilized and kept where the air is pure. It can be used a few days before throwing away, but the cotton, of course, should be used only once. As soon as the milk is put up all parts of the apparatus should be thoroughly cleaned by first rinsing in cool water, then washing with hot water to which washing powder has been added, and finally sterilized with boiling water or steam.



Covered Milk Pail.

The pumps and pipes can be rinsed by pumping water through them immediately after using. They must then be taken down and thoroughly washed; this can easily be done if there are several couplings in the pipes. All joints and couplings must be kept tight and free from dirt, rust and corrosion. Battered and rusty apparatus or cans afford good lodging places for bacteria and, being hard to clean, should not be used.

The pasteurizer is one of the most difficult pieces of machinery to keep clean, as the milk sometimes sticks to the sides and, if not properly cleaned, a cooked layer forms on the inside, which grows worse each day.

Plant. A dwelling that is kept painted and repaired and surrounded by well-kept lawns, neat, substantial fences, nice drives, well-arranged walks and neat flower beds is a pleasant sight to look upon, and indicates that the owner is living for the sake of enjoying life and not working his life away for the mere purpose of hoarding a few dollars.

Sterilizing Milk. Milk can be sterilized by electricity. At the University of Liverpool (England) it was found that by the use of electricity the number of bacteria which the bacteria are destroyed; all the tuberculous germs are killed; no chemical change nor change in taste is made in the milk.

Ensilage for Lambs. Lambs that are being fattened need some kind of succulent food, and for this purpose corn-ensilage is a good substitute for roots. The expense of growing, and the additional labor required in caring for them, make the growing of root crops unprofitable for many of the flock owners, especially when ensilage can be produced more easily and for less cost per ton.

Silage as Winter Ration.

Investigations at the Missouri experiment station show conclusively that cattle can be wintered economically on a ration made up largely of silage, according to F. H. Mumford, dean of the college of agriculture, University of Missouri.

In one experiment a ration of corn silage and clover hay with out grain fed to yearling cattle for 150 days resulted in a gain of 200 pounds for the feeding period of 150 days, at a total cost of \$11.60, or a cost of 5.5 cents a pound of gain, as compared with a total cost of \$15.75, and 7.5 cents a pound, when a similar lot of cattle was fed on six pounds of shelled corn per head per day and clover hay.

These results have been confirmed in other experiments, which all point to the conclusion that when silage constitutes the major portion of the ration fed to wintering stock the cost of wintering is much reduced.

NO CURE FOR ALFALFA WILT

Unlikely That Any Remedy for Disease Can Be Developed—Rotation of Crops is Advised.

For wilt, a common disease of the alfalfa plant in the West, there is no known remedy. According to experts of the Oregon experiment station it is unlikely that any practical remedy can be developed, owing to the nature of the disease. Where it becomes serious rotation of crops is advised. Wilt is most prevalent on heavy soils, particularly where drainage is slow.

This disease has been reported in New York and California and has recently been identified in certain sections of Oregon. It is most serious where the stand of alfalfa is heavy and spreads fastest in the fall, when the surface soil is constantly wet. It also attacks clover.

The moisture causes rot to develop on the stems near the surface of the soil and this forms a point of attack for the wilt disease. A white cottony mold grows over the surface of the stems and leaves affected. The roots of the plant are not, however, always destroyed.

REGULATING WATER IN TANK

Device Shown in Illustration Adapted for Use Where Supply is Secured From a Spring.

There are a number of devices to keep the water in a tank supplied by a windmill at a given height. When one has a tank that is supplied from



Regulating Water Supply.

a spring or supply tank, the device shown in the accompanying drawing is just the thing to use. The water is emptied into the drinking trough through a rubber hose at the bottom of the tank, as shown. A cord is attached to the end of the hose and runs through a pulley to a float on the surface of the water. As the water rises in the tank this float bends the end of the rubber tubing as shown, and thus shuts off the supply.—Farm and Home.

REDUCE COST OF BUTTERFAT

Result Given of Experiment With Silage at Kansas Experiment Station—Feed Cost Saved.

An experiment conducted at the Kansas experiment station shows that silage reduces the cost of producing butterfat from 30 cents to 21 cents. The herds in this case were of sufficient size to give reliable data and to eliminate the difference that might occur between two cows.

The lot which were fed silage gave 17 pounds more milk in the summer and 95.5 pounds more in winter per month than the herd which were fed butterfat.

The butterfat was also increased by .45 in summer and 4.6 in winter. The difference in the cost of feed was even greater. The silage-fed cows saved 60 cents per month in the cost of feed.

CLEAN WATER IS ESSENTIAL

Important Factor in Dairy Feeding is Often Overlooked—Keep Free From Foreign Matter.

An important factor in dairy feeding is the supply of water. In the summer with plenty of grass and green forage, and in the winter with roots and silage, the consumption of water is relatively less than when the cows are on dry feed, but cows must always have plenty of pure, fresh water if they are to produce pure milk.

Unless the pastures and yards are watered by a brook or a spring, the water should be procured from a well, kept clean and not subject to surface drainage, and free from foreign matter and taints of any kind.

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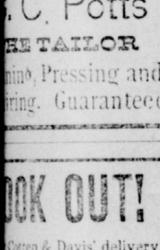
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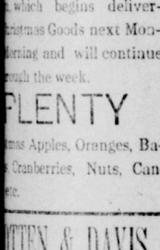
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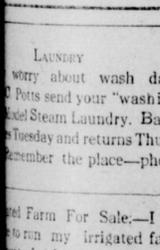
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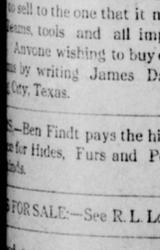


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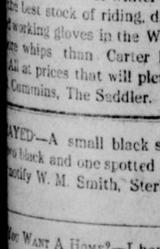
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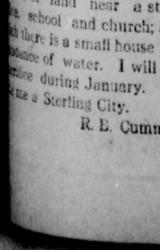


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LOCALS

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Miss Ileta Austin, a member of faculty of the Paint Rock schools, spent Christmas with her parents here.

Prof. Alvin Sparkman, of the Eldorado schools, spent his vacation with home folks here.

Misses Elli and Leora Pool returned to their respective schools at Spur and Jayton, this week, where they are employed as teachers.

Miss Pearl Colbaugh, a student in the high school at Coleman, spent the holidays here with her sister, Mrs. H. K. Dunn.

Verner Davis came in from Springdale, Ark., on Christmas night to spend a couple of weeks with home folks.

Z. E. Black, an old time Sterling boy, but now of Chicago, spent the holidays with his father, Rev. Malcolm Black. Zenas' many old friends were glad to see him again.

Miss Lottie Rawls left last week for Brownwood, where she will enter Howard Payne College.

Rev. and Mrs. E. L. Springer, of Carbon, are visiting their son, A. L. Springer.

Brown & Pearce, this week, sold Geo. H. McEntire a Ford roadster, and a touring car to Sam Morgan.

Mr. and Mrs. U. Collins and daughters, of Abilene, were the guests of Prof. and Mrs. R. A. Collins during the holidays.

N. B. Fisk shipped out a car of cavalry horses, destined for some army in Europe, this week. These horses were shipped to Fort Worth, thence with others to Europe.

This town has been in the grip of a gripe for the past week. More than half of the population has been attacked.

Oklahoma Stock Yards National 8% money on your cattle.—A. R. Pool, Agent, Sterling City, Texas.

Brown & Pearce received a car load of Ford automobiles last Tuesday. This is the second car load they have received within the past thirty days.

Hugh Rawls of Mertzton spent Christmas with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Springer, of Brownwood, were the guests of relatives here during the holidays.

Prof. and Mrs. S. Kellogg spent Christmas with the Professor's son at Ballinger. On their return, they stopped over for a visit with friends at Miles.

Mrs. T. J. Kellis, of Mertzton, and the better half of the Mertzton Star family, spent the holidays with relatives here. It is surmised that her visit was cut short by an ad published in The Star by her "other half" during her absence, urging the public to "buy our eggs" and pay up subscription while she was away, as the "other half" needed money for celebrating purposes. Anyway, she went home soon after reading the ad of her "other half," and it is very likely that he is now trying to account for the eggs he swiped while the Missus was away.

The boys pulled off a goat roping and pony race on Christmas day. Harry Tweedle won from Ben Rawls in the roping, and Alsop horse won from John Hegwood's roan horse in the quarter race.

Mrs. E. B. Butler returned last Wednesday from a visit to relatives at Midway. She was met at San Angelo by Mr. Butler and Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Gamble.

Mr. and Mrs. McLain, of San Angelo, spent Christmas with W. T. Latham and family.

Miss Jessie Wood, of San Angelo, was the guest of Miss Bennie Belle Roberts last week.

James Suter, after an absence of a year in New Mexico and Colorado, came in last Saturday.

N. L. Douglas spent Christmas with his family at Austin.

Riley Welch and family spent the holidays with relatives at Goldthwaite.

Rude Mathis is visiting relatives at Lampasas.

Dr. W. E. Mcmordie, of Hamilton, was prospecting here last week.

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For the most liberal patronage you have given us during the past year. Our business has prospered in 1915, and we have none but our customers to thank for it. The year 1916 finds us better prepared to supply your needs than ever before. We assure you that we can always supply your demands for anything in our line at competitive prices, and upon this basis we ask a liberal share of your trade. We wish you a prosperous year 1916

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C. N. Crawford attended the annual meeting of the stockholders of The Wool Growers Central Storage Company, at San Angelo, this week. He was re-elected to the board of directors of this institution.

Dr. W. B. Norris, Dentist of San Angelo, will be here all next week. Those needing dental work will do to see him, at Dr. Everitt's office.

Dr. R. W. Barton, of Temple, is at the Barton ranch, where he was called to attend Mrs. Joel Barton, who has been seriously ill, but is now much better.

At a visit of several weeks to relatives at Temple, Iusca and other points, Mrs. J. R. Lane returned home last week. Mr. Lane joined her at Temple and accompanied her on her return trip.

The "Littlest Rebel" at the Dixie last night was the best show ever put on the screen here. Those who failed to see it missed a rare treat.

The average cotton production of the world is 13 bales per 1,000 population, and the average for Texas is 1,000 bales per 1,000 population.

Texas has more cotton gins, compresses and cotton seed oil mills than any other state.

TEXAS FACTS

MANUFACTURING.

Texas has 5,000 factories.

There are 300 new factories built per year in Texas.

The capital investment in Texas manufacturing enterprises is \$210,876,000.

Texas factories employ 70,200 wage earners.

The annual production of the Texas factories is valued at \$272,596,000.

One and six-tenths per cent of the population of Texas is engaged in manufacturing.

Texas ranks seventh in factory output and first in opportunity for new enterprises compared with other states.

The annual per capita factory creation of Texas is \$25.00.

We have one manufacturing enterprise to every 830 people.

Fifty per cent of the factories of Texas are owned by individuals, 30 per cent by corporations and 20 per cent by firms.

There are 3,000 steam and 802 gas engines in Texas factories. We also have 3,454 electric, 1 water motor and 31 water wheels supplying power.

Less than 2 per cent of the factory wage earners of Texas are under 16 years of age.

To operate Texas factories one year requires a million tons of coal, two hundred thousand cords of wood, three and one-half million barrels of oil and a hundred million cubic feet of gas.

Only 3,882 women work in the Texas factories.

The prevailing hours of labor in Texas factories are 54 per week.

COTTON.

In hauling the Texas cotton crop to market the services of 400,000 teams and wagons are required, which form a procession 2,500 miles long.

One year's cotton crop of Texas will clothe 300,000,000 people.

In Texas there are 4,670 gins, 113 compresses, 228 oil mills and 15 cotton mills.

Dallas, Texas, is the largest cotton gin machinery manufacturing center in the world.

Cotton constitutes 47 per cent of the agricultural production of Texas.

Twenty-five per cent of the cotton seed oil mills of the United States are located in Texas.

The cotton seed crushing establishments of Texas represent a capital investment of \$21,506,000. They furnish employment to 4,000 persons.

One seed of Texas cotton will produce one stalk of about 20 bolls. There are 80 cotton seeds in one boll.

It takes 25 pounds of cotton seed to plant one acre.

It takes 1,650 pounds of seed cotton to make a bale of 500 pounds lint, and 1,150 pounds of cotton seed.

The seed from a bale of cotton will yield 17 gallons of oil, 3.00 pounds of meal, 300 pounds of hulls and 25 pounds of linters.

The compress reduces the size of the cotton bale one-half.

Three-fourths of the Texas cotton crop is sold in Europe.

Texas has 26 per cent of all the land in the world, which is at the present time considered capable of growing cotton.

From 1910 to 1914, the value of the Texas steer has increased \$11.20.

Fifteen per cent of the beef cattle of the United States are in Texas. We have more than twice as many as any other state.

Texas ranks fifth in number of milk cows and first in quality of milk, cream and butter produced.

The Texas milk cow on January 1st, 1914, was valued at \$45.60 by Uncle Sam, while five years ago she was worth only \$29.50.

There are 17,500 cowboys on the cattle ranches in Texas.

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If you want to enjoy the nicest, gentlest liver and bowel cleansing you ever experienced just take a spoonful of harmless Dodson's Liver Tone. Your druggist or dealer sells you a 50-cent bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone under my personal money-back guarantee that each spoonful will clean your

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Almost everyone knows that Sage Tea and Sulphur, properly compounded, brings back the natural color and lustre to the hair when faded, streaked or gray; also ends dandruff, itching scalp and stops falling hair. Years ago the only way to get this mixture was to make it at home, which is messy and troublesome. Nowadays, by asking at any store for "Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Hair Remedy," you will get a large bottle of the famous old recipe for about 50 cents.

Don't stay gray! Try it! No one can possibly tell that you darkened your hair, as it does it so naturally and evenly. You dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through your hair, taking one small strand at a time, by morning the gray hair disappears, and after another application or two, your hair becomes beautifully dark, thick and glossy.—Adv.

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can be found in cases of Colds, Coughs, LaGrippe and Headaches by using Laxative Quinine Tablets. Does not affect the head or stomach. Buy your winter's supply now. Price 25c.—Adv.

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The Newest Discovery in Chemistry

This is a recent discovery of Dr. Pierce, who is head of the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute at Buffalo, N. Y. Experiments at Dr. Pierce's Hospital for several years proved that there is no other eliminator of uric acid that can be compared to it. For those easily recognized symptoms of inflammation—as backache, scalding urine and frequent urination, as well as sediment in the urine, or if uric acid in the blood has caused rheumatism, it is simply wonderful how surely "Anuric" acts. The best of results are always obtained in cases of acute rheumatism in the joints, in gravel and gout, and invariably the pains and stiffness which so frequently and persistently accompany the disease rapidly disappear.

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How is rheumatism recognized? Some have said—
Rheumatism is a dull pain.
Rheumatism is a sharp pain.
Rheumatism is sore muscles.
Rheumatism is stiff joints.
Rheumatism is a shifting pain.

All have declared—*Rheumatism is Pain.*

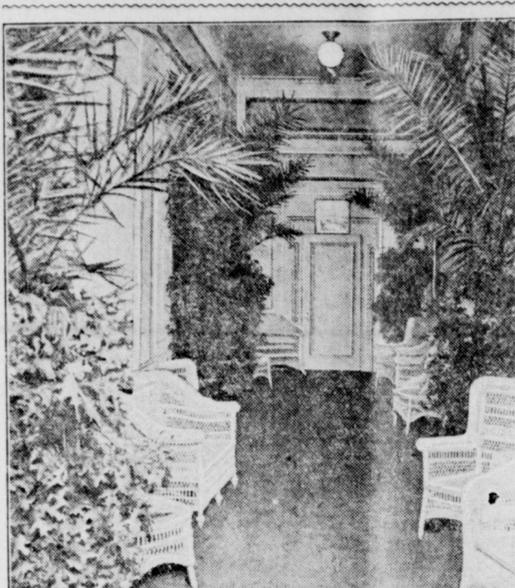
Sloan's Liniment applied:—
The blood begins to flow freely—the body's warmth is renewed—the congestion disappears—the pain is gone.

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KILLS PAIN (GUARANTEED)
Rheumatism and allied pains yield to the penetrating qualities of this warming liniment.

The HOME BEAUTIFUL

Flowers and Shrubbery
Their Care and Cultivation.



Ferns Make Attractive Winter Decorations.

BEST WAY TO WINTER GERANIUMS

The question is asked, "How can geraniums be wintered in the cellar?" in two ways: First, in pots. Second, by hanging them up by the heels, so to speak.

Neither way is absolutely sure to bring them through in good condition. But either way may prove successful, therefore it is advisable to try both if one has the varieties he would like to save next summer. If one fails the other may prove successful.

To winter them in pots the plants should be crowded into as small pots as will contain them, and then the tops should be cut away so that all that remains of the summer's growth is a few stubs at the base of the plant. Do not try to encourage any growth after potting. Set them away in a cool but frost-proof place and keep them there as long as it is safe to do so. Then put them in a cool cellar.

The soil in the pots should be quite dry when they go into cold storage, and it should be kept in that condition, as nearly as possible, all through the winter. Not rarely dry, of course, but with only a hint of moisture in it—so little, indeed, that it would seem dry when compared with ordinary soils.

The aim is to keep the plants as nearly dormant as possible, and this cannot be done if they are moist at the roots. Heat also encourages growth, and the absence of it has a tendency to keep the plants at a standstill.

Treated as advised above, it is possible to bring geraniums through the winter in such a condition that they begin to grow as soon as brought to the light and warmth of the sitting-room after being watered.

The necessary conditions, you will observe, are dryness of soil and a low temperature.

It is less work to make the plants free from the soil they have grown in during the summer and simply hang up the mass of roots in the cellar. This should not be done immediately after lifting the plants, however.

This method makes it necessary for us to leave them in the ground as long as possible, well up to cold weather, in fact, for if they were to go into the cellar while the temperature was high, growth would be almost sure to begin.

Therefore the plants must be left in the ground and protected from frost until about the first of November, if possible. Then lift them on a warm day and spread the roots out in the sunshine, after first cutting away all the top.

Cover well at night and expose them next day if the weather is favorable. Do not put them in the cellar until all the soil adhering to the roots has become so dry it can easily be shaken off.

Then tie a string to each plant and suspend it about midway between floor and ceiling. Do not place them on the floor, for there it is likely to be too damp, nor close to the ceiling, for there it is likely to be too dry.

While the geranium does not have a tuberous root, like the dahlia, it

has a fleshy root which enables it to store up enough moisture to supply its needs for a long period.

If one has a room in the house where plants can be kept safely I would advise taking cuttings from each choice variety early in the fall. Root these in sand and put them into small pots as soon as the cuttings begin to grow.

This gives you a third method of keeping desirable plants over winter and will generally prove successful when the other two fail.

Those who live in the vicinity of a greenhouse can get their plants stored there at little expense and I would advise this whenever possible.

LOOK OUT FOR THE BUGS

By L. M. BENNINGTON.
All insects pass the winter in some stage of their existence. The question is where and how? Certainly not on the wing, and often in a way that they can be readily destroyed.

Watch the fences and weatherboards of unpainted buildings for the eggs of the cabbage worm, neatly suspended by a couple of silken threads. Some of these times the mischief-making butterfly will emerge and it will prove many times more difficult to destroy.

Most insects pass the winter in egg or larval form in the rubbish about the place, old weed stalks, clumps of dead grass, and the remains of last year's crop being common lurking places. Fire is a sure destroyer and cleans the ground nicely for plowing.

Everyone is familiar with the snapping bugs or click-beetles which creep into our windows and amuse us by falling on their back and feigning death. Presently they make a clicking noise and flop up several inches. If they fall on the back the performer is repeated until they light on their feet, when they scamper off.

Their larvae live near the surface of the ground and from their long, tapering form and hard covering are known as wire worms. There is hardly a cultivated plant that they do not infest, and working as they do beneath the soil, they are difficult to cope with.

If the cells containing the pupa or recently transformed adults are broken, their inmates perish. Hence all plowing seems one way to lessen the nuisance, as the plowing and successive freezings must destroy many cells.

The lady bug in various forms is quite common both indoors and out and should be carefully guarded as one of the best aids in destroying pests.

The little red lady bug with a black dot on each wing is often found about houses in winter and should be transferred to the conservatory or window garden.

It is often mistaken for the buffalo beetle and destroyed, though the latter is smaller, and black and white with simply a longitudinal band of dull red along both sides of the back.

create shelter and warmth, and the dark-green foliage tends to make a place cheerful.

The best laurels are Rotundifolius (round leaved) and Latifolia.

These are harder than the common laurel, which suffers in very extreme climates.



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You will look ten years younger if you darken your ugly, grizzly, gray hairs by using "La Creole" Hair Dressing.—Adv.

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The Old Standard Groves' Tasteless Chill Tonic is equally valuable as a General Tonic because it contains the well known tonic properties of QUININE and IRON. It acts on the Liver, Drives out Malaria, Enriches the Blood and Builds up the Whole System. 50 cents.

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"He paid me ten dollars that he's been owing me for six years."

Ec-Zene Kills Eczema.

Let us prove it. Take no substitute. If your Druggist does not have it, write to Ec-Zene Co., St. Paul, Minn.—Adv.

The Trouble.
"What's the matter with that peace ship?"
"Oh, it is all of a piece with the rest."

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on the first of the month by taking now a bottle of Mansfield Cough Balsam for that hacking, hollow cough. Price 25c and 50c.—Adv.

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His Retort.
"Let's get married right away," he said.
"I simply can't do it. It will take me several months to get my trousers ready," she replied.

"Another delay due to the lack of preparedness," he retorted.—Detroit Free Press.

Too Critical.
"Do you like the slippers I embroidered for you, dear?"
"They're lovely, pet, but I'm sorry to say they don't fit."

"I think you're a mean, horrid old thing, and I'm going right home to mother. You never appreciate anything I try to do for you."

Right.
Harold had just finished reading a newspaper when he turned to his father and said:

"Pa, I know why editors call themselves 'we.'"

"Why?" asked his father.
"So's the man that doesn't like the paper will think there's too many people for him to lick."

English Women With the Armes.
As far as can be ascertained, there are two groups of English women wearing khaki other than nurses. The first to do so was the Women's Volunteer reserve, about six thousand in number, who drill and help at cancer ambulance, about three hundred in number. These are to some extent recognized by the war office. They have been permitted to have O. H. M. S. on their cars and they work in various military hospitals. They meet the troop trains every night and motor about twenty-five men to the Y. M. C. A. quarters.

Evidently He Had.
Robert was having a very successful career at college. He had scored the winning touchdown in the big game of the year, and was mentioned by the experts for the All-America team. But Robert's father was not satisfied.

"I'm afraid, my son," said he, "that you are not making good use of your time at college. I hear very unsatisfactory reports about your work."

"Go whizz!" exclaimed Robert. "You must have been talking to one of the professors."

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Statistician's Assertion That Dollar Bill Has Average Life of Three Weeks Is Challenged.

A statistician who hangs around the national strong box figures out that the average life of a dollar bill is three weeks, but he doesn't reveal the secret of the prodigious prolongation of life.

The dollar bills with which most of us are familiar expire in a few minutes, or at best a few hours. Compared with the average dollar bill the morning glory is a marvel of longevity. The tender infant—maybe that's why it's called tender—hardly comes into your hands ere it becomes an adult, and almost before you know it the blasted and withered veteran has passed to the bourne of memory. We mourn many a sweet william which, for its tender, brief existence, might be said to have perished at birth and many another whose untimely end in the morning of life caused bitter grief.

A statistician who could show us how to keep a dollar bill alive three weeks at a time like this, when the mortality is so heavy, generally speaking, would earn the gratitude and admiration of the community. A statistician who could really keep a dollar, dead or alive, for such a time would tempt many of us to become statisticians if possible. But the sad truth is that a statistician does it only on paper.—New York World.

Among the recruits to Kitchener's army are, of course, many who are ignorant of all military etiquette.

One of these was sitting alone in the messroom when the colonel stalked in. The "Tommy" was on the edge of the table swinging his legs and puffing at a cigarette.

"Only move he made was a jerk of the head, while he grunted something like 'Hah do!'"

The colonel was not accustomed to being treated like this.

"Attention!" he roared. "What you mean by falling to salute the commanding officer?"

The recruit was frankly surprised. He even took the cigarette out of his mouth as he answered apologetically.

"Nay, there's nowt wrong, sir," said "Hah do!"

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