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It Will Pay Farmers To Secure an Expert

AN INCREASED YIELD OF BEETS

Mr. Wilhelm an expert beet grower from Colorado, has been engaged by the people of the vicinity of Artesia to take charge of the experiments in growing beets in this locality. There are two objects in this course. It will interest the people how to raise beets for a factory and it will place the data in the hands of the people themselves that will surely and certainly be the means of locating a factory at Artesia.

Regarding the value of the instruction in raising beets that we are to receive from Mr. Wilhelm in the next twelve months, in our opinion and from some past experience we are confident that the average farmer will by reason of this previous training by an expert be able the first year the factory is here to raise three tons per acre more than he would without this training. Suppose each man has 20 acres and raises 60 tons more by reason of this knowledge, he has realized \$300 more the first year than he would otherwise, to say nothing of the fact that it is an absolute assurance of securing a factory in Artesia possibly in time for the 1913 crop, but surely for the 1914 crop.

Now can you afford to pay anything at all for this training? Is it worth \$40 to you?

If you think it will benefit you to the extent of \$40 then sign up to pay \$10 each three months.

The mode of this instruction will be that at least forty farmers will raise a small patch of beets under the direct supervision of our instructor, who will have certain days to meet the farmers of each locality to show and instruct them as just how to prepare the land, how deep and when to plant, how and when to irrigate, when and how to thin and cultivate, etc. This is certainly an opportunity that is not available by the average farmer very often and we should grasp the situation at once.

I expect to be a student at this school and I hope I may be fortunate enough to be allowed to raise one of the experimental patches, for aside from the knowledge obtained from this expert teaching, we would profit in two other ways—we would demonstrate the fact that our particular land was good beet land which would add materially to the value of the land, and the beets raised on this experimental patch will be worth ten times their cost for feed for cows, hogs and horses.

The amount necessary to defray all these expenses is \$5,000. This is a very small

amount compared to the great amount of benefit received.

Suppose 125 men gave \$40 each, that would cover the amount necessary and such an amount would not hurt anyone and will come back to you ten fold. But don't wait to be asked, come in and do it yourself, for it is for your own benefit.

The mere fact going over the country that we are preparing for a beet factory is worth to the community several times the cost of these tests.

E. E. HANGER.

BISHOP MANN TO NEW MEXICO.

A Vacancy to be Temporarily Filled by the Ex-Kansas Citian.

[Kansas City Star]

Bishop Cameron Mann, formerly of Kansas City, but now of Fargo, N. D., and Mrs. Mann are in Kansas City a few days on their way to New Mexico, where Bishop Mann is to take charge temporarily of the bishopric made vacant by the death of Bishop John Mills Kendrick of El Paso. Bishop Mann probably will make his headquarters in Albuquerque. Bishop Mann and Mrs. Mann will be in Kansas City until the early part of next week.

"One might imagine that I would be glad of the change to go to a more Southern diocese than that of North Dakota at this season," Bishop Mann said, "but I do not feel that way about it. You see, this time of the year up in North Dakota people don't have much to do except to go to church and it is pleasant to have charge of a diocese under such conditions. And, really, the North Dakota climate doesn't seem much different from the Kansas City climate so far as I have been able to observe this morning."

Basket Ball Game.

The Artesia High School defeated the Hagerman High School in an exciting basket ball game played Saturday afternoon at the Artesia High School. Artesia won by outplaying Hagerman in the last half. At the end of the first half the score was 14 to 14 and at the end of the last half 16 to 24 in favor of Artesia. The boys on both teams made some fine plays. It was a fight from the start to the finish for the lead.

Carlsbad will play Artesia Saturday at the Athletic Park, game called at 2:30 p. m.

Mrs. Arthur Williamson returned to her home in Artesia after spending three weeks in this city. She had been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Kinsinger, who reside here.—Roswell Record, 13th inst.

Frenzied Husband Slays Innocent Man

TRAGEDY OF AN ELOPEMENT.

Fort Worth, Tex., Jan. 13.—A. G. Boyce, father of the man who was recently arrested in Winnipeg, Manitoba, charged with abducting Mrs. J. B. Snead from a hospital in Fort Worth, was tonight shot and killed by J. B. Snead, a banker of Amarillo, Texas, husband of the woman with whom young Boyce is said to have eloped.

Boyce who is 70 years old, was sitting in the lobby of a local hotel when Snead walked in. According to witnesses, Snead walked up to the elder man. The old man turned and looked at Snead and then asked him, bystanders declared, "well what are you going to do about it?"

Snead muttered something in reply and then drawing his revolver, fired two shots quickly. He hesitated an instant as the old man fell forward and then fired three shots into Boyce's side. Boyce was dying when others in the lobby, which was filled with people, reached him.

Snead immediately left the hotel, but was arrested a short time later as he was returning to the scene of the shooting. He refused to make a statement tonight. On his death bed Boyce made a statement declaring that he saw Snead once before today in the lobby of the hotel and avoided him.

The younger Boyce was arrested several weeks ago in Winnipeg. Mrs. Snead who disappeared from a Fort Worth sanitarium, was with him and was also detained. Mr. and Mrs. Snead were reconciled some days ago and returned to Texas. After the departure of Snead and his wife from Winnipeg, Boyce was released from custody and today the local indictment charging the young man with abduction was ordered dismissed by County Attorney Baskin, because of the insufficient evidence. Boyce still is in Canada, it is said.

Winnipeg, Man., Jan. 13.—A. G. Boyce who came here some time ago, with the wife of J. B. Snead, of Fort Worth, Tex., and was held by the immigration officials, was released Tuesday on a promise that he would leave Canada. He is supposed to be in North Dakota, but at what place is not known.

Consul General Jones said tonight he believed Boyce had gone first to North Dakota, ostensibly to visit friends, but had immediately returned to the Canadian side and is now in Alberta, where he has said he intended to purchase a ranch.

Boyce made a statement when Mrs. Snead returned to

Texas with her husband to the effect that he and Mrs. Snead had been sweethearts from childhood and that Snead came between them in their early life. He claimed that in leaving Texas with Mrs. Snead he did so to protect her from her husband.

When Boyce left the detention station of the immigration department, this week, he said he was going to return to Texas after visiting Alberta and would settle with Snead, but in what manner he did not state.

Sells Pig and Marries

Winster, Conn., Jan. 11.—Ivins Nott, who is 19 years old, is very proud because he has acquired a wife and a farm. His bride, Mrs. Nellie Beers, a divorcee, was 49 years old last June. She is the only daughter of Nelson D. Beers, a retired Winster builder and contractor.

It was an elopement, only the bride's aged father being let into the secret. The couple went to Millertown, N. Y., yesterday, where they were married by Rev. J. H. Michell, pastor of the Methodist church.

Nott had been employed for two years on the farm of Charles B. Berry, close to the Beers place. He was industrious, of good habits, and the Berry's treated him like one of their own children. Last spring, to give the boy a start in the world, they presented him with a pig, which he fattened. Wednesday he butchered it, brought it to a local market and got cash for it. It was his first business transaction.

On his way back home he stopped to call on Mrs. Beers, with whom he had been acquainted only one month, proposed to her and was accepted. Early the next morning Nott expended part of the proceeds of the pig sale in two round trip tickets to Millerton, N. Y.

P. P. & G. Work Begins April 1st.

Pecos, Tex., Jan.—Construction work on the Pecos, Panhandle and Gulf Railway, between this city and Knowles, N. M., ninety miles, is to begin in next ninety days, according to President M. J. Healy, whose address is Texico, N. M. Pecos has guaranteed a bonus of \$75,000 and right-of-way for this new line.

The Ladies Aid of the Presbyterian church have organized a reading circle which will meet every Monday afternoon. A very interesting book on the missions is being read and discussed. The first meeting was held at the home of Mrs. J. H. Jackson, and this week with Mrs. E. E. Mathes.

Miss Mary Sullivan sister of Messrs. J. J. Sullivan of Artesia, and D. D. Sullivan, of Kansas City, died in the latter city last week, and was buried in Effingham, Kansas. The relatives have our sympathy,

Encouraging Letter On a Sugar Factory

AGITATION BRINGING NOTICE.

The agitation of a sugar beet factory for Artesia is causing interest to be taken in the matter by people in different sections of the country. The following letter is to Mr. J. B. Enfield cashier of the State National Bank, written by Mr. F. B. Schwentker of the Pacific Mutual, who called the attention of Mr. A. R. Peck, of Los Angeles, Calif., to the situation here:

Mr. J. B. Enfield,
Artesia, New Mexico.

Dear Mr. Enfield:

You will notice copy of letter I have just written to Mr. Peck which I am prompted to do because of the present agitation for a sugar factory in your community. Mr. Peck has just successfully completed the erection of a sugar factory at Anaheim, California, which is my home town.

I believe he would be an excellent man for you to line up with. From what I learned in a thirty-minute conversation with him on the train, I believe he is anxious to extend his operations, and apparently has plenty of money back of him, although he seemed a little inclined to go slow at the present time on account of probable tariff revision.

In my judgement, the practical way for the people of Artesia to secure a sugar factory is to convince the proper parties that your conditions are right, and that your farmers will grow a sufficient acreage to make a profitable run for a reasonable sized factory.

Here's hoping that you will land a sugar factory during the coming year!

Very truly yours,

F. B. SCHWENTKER,
General Agent.

Meeting of Cantaloupe Growers.

Quite a number of cantaloupe growers met at Artesia last Saturday evening. The report of the secretary previously published was submitted. As was shown in that report the results were very good considering unusual rains and inexperience of growers. Mose of those present at the meeting stated that they were willing to make another effort, and to ascertain how many will join in growing cantaloupes this season, a meeting is to be held Saturday, Jan. 27th. It is believed a satisfactory contract for handling the melons can be arranged if sufficient acreage is put in.

Owing to the College Recital next Friday night, the Golden Link Society of the M. E. church has postponed its reception to the senior missionary society, until Friday night Jan. 26th.

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The state officers for New Mexico took the oath of office last Monday. A democratic governor for New Mexico is a great change for the better.

Joyce-Fruit advertised a special sale in the Advocate last Tuesday evening, and Wednesday and Thursday they had a good trade on those articles in which bargains were offered. The only way the people had to know about these bargains was in the Advocate, which is further proof that if you want the people to see what you have to offer put it in the Advocate.

The express rates nearly everywhere are exorbitant and outrageous, but it is in New Mexico where it results in highway robbery. The Advocate ordered a box of plate from Denver, Colorado, that cost \$2.00 and the express on it was \$2.70. What are people to do when corporations can impose upon them to such an extent without remedy? How long would it take such robbery to confiscate all the property of the country? The railroads and express companies today are the cause of the high cost of living, by excessive charges for transporting everything the people consume and wear.

It is said that the whiskey bunch at Roswell, headed by Judge John T. McClure, have sent a telegram against the appointment of Judge Pope as federal Judge in New Mexico. The opposition of this crowd is said to be because of the pronounced prohibition views of Judge Pope. The opposition will not amount to much, if the U. S. senators and others appealed to will investigate the animus of the element seeking to defeat the appointment of Judge Pope. The Advocate would of course prefer to see the right kind of a democrat appointed as federal Judge, but as we cannot expect that good fortune, it rather see Judge Pope selected than anyone who would be agreeable to the crowd at Roswell opposing him.

The federal officers having the matter in charge refuse to give the Advocate any land notices, and "Boss" Beeman who runs the board of commissioners of Eddy county, says this paper shall never have another dollar's worth of patronage from Eddy county, so if the people want to see the livest and best newspaper in the county sustained the patronage devolves upon them. We believe that the people of this section are sufficiently patriotic and liberal that they will see to it that the Advocate

is patronized enough to continue its battle in behalf of the people and against grafters in any party. If our country subscribers would request those business men they deal with to patronize the Advocate, it would help us, and then watch to see if they did it.

THE COUNTY BOARD.

The county commissioners were in session Monday and Tuesday. Mr. Woodwell qualified as commissioner from district No. 1, and C. W. Beeman was elected chairman. Mr. E. W. Wright from district No. 3 did not attend, being absent in Oklahoma. F. E. Little was elected road supervisor for district No. 1, and G. E. Foster for district No. 2, and the Current was chosen the official paper of Eddy county. Several accounts were allowed and a number of road matters attended to.—Carlsbad Current.

As a test of the official acts of a majority of the old board of county commissioners, and also of the new membership, to see if they would consider county affairs from a standpoint of economy and without prejudice, the Advocate submitted a bid for the county printing at half price allowed by law, which during the year would have saved several hundred dollars to the taxpayers of Eddy county, compared to what was heretofore paid for similar work.

In the above brief mention of the organization, it is stated that the Carlsbad Current has been selected as the official paper, but nothing is said about the price, so if the tax payers desire to see to it that the commissioners do their duty and economically administer the affairs of Eddy county, now is a good time to investigate the matter.

When he was nominated for commissioner, C. W. Beeman is reported to have said that he "had five years in which to get even with those who opposed him." In the board meeting, at the time Capt. E. P. Bujac presented the bid of the Advocate, this same patriot Beeman stated that the Advocate would never get another dollar of business from Eddy county. He forgets that the Advocate is a fixture, regardless of who conducts it, and that it will be here after Beeman is dead and forgotten, except the odor remaining of his record as commissioner.

Those citizens of this township who made it possible for such a man as C. W. Beeman to be elected, are respectfully referred to his official actions wherein he lets prejudice control him instead of the best interests of Eddy county.

MUST HAVE BEEN



Mr. Naggett—He never said an unkind word to his wife.
Mrs. Naggett—How long has he been deaf and dumb?

Resolutions of the Town Booster.

[Selected]

Direction: Read this slowly, and digest each paragraph; there is plenty of time to read the whole paper. Then cut out these resolutions and file them with your papers somewhere so that they will turn up about April 1 or July 1; your vault is none too good. Read them again then.

In the year 1912 I will be true to myself—and I will remember that my best self is really me. I want to be a broadminded man and will remember that being true to myself does not mean working for myself alone.

I want people to say good rather than evil of me, so I will do it first, and always think twice before I pass an adverse criticism on my neighbor, or my town. If there are things in my town which need to be changed, I will try to do it, and not talk about the defects for the mere sake of talking. I will look for the silver lining and tell others of the good our town is doing. If I must denounce its defects I will first get a knocker's license—a membership in the liveliest boosting organization I know.

My city has many things of which I have a right to be proud. This year I will learn more of these things and tell others about them. I will study my city and learn what advantages it has over its neighbors. But in talking of these I will also remember that overstatement hurts more than it helps, so I will temper my enthusiasm with reason.

As my town can be better only as each individual is better, I will try to be a better citizen myself. I will try to obey the laws. I will shovel the snow from the walks in winter and cut the grass in summer. I will help the appearance of my town by keeping my house painted. I will co-operate with the agencies working for a better town and take an intelligent interest in the government of the city and so far as my time will permit, will try to see if the officers I helped elect are spending the money I pay as taxes to the best advantage.

The fact that I live in the town that I do gives me certain privileges, and this year I will remember that there are no rights without duties. I will find those duties and to the best of my ability try to fulfill them.

I know that the Southwest is growing and that as my town grows, I shall grow and my business expand. If I have recently joined a commercial association I will take an interest in its affairs, and attend its meetings and work on its committees, for I know that through organization much more can be done than through individuals. I know that as the organization boosts the town, it is boosting me, for I am part of the town.

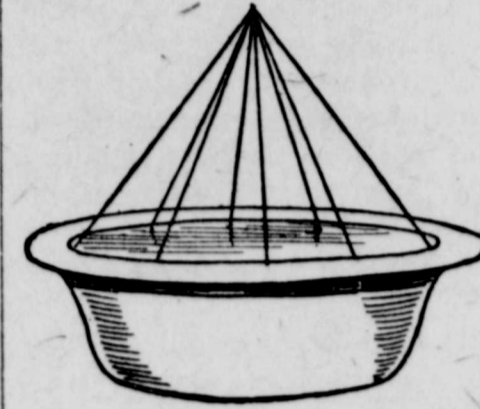
This year, God helping me, I will be a man among manly men, glad for the opportunities I have, and ready to sacrifice to pay for them with my time and attention. I am proud I live here and will let others know it.

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CLEAN WATER FOR POULTRY

Drinking Fountain So Arranged That Hens Cannot Scratch Litter and Dirt Into Pan.

When the hens are shut up in the house, they are very apt to scratch dirt into the drinking pan and also to muddy up same, by standing in it with their feet. By using about twelve 11-inch lengths of heavy wire, the wire protector shown in illustration can be easily and simply made. The wire is joined together at the top by winding with a piece of malleable wire, and the wires are then bent outward in the form shown at the bot-



Fountain Kept Clean.

tom, bent so as to fit into the drinking water pan and remain upright. This leaves ample room for the hens to reach the water to drink, but prevents their getting into the pan. By setting the pan on a platform about ten inches above the floor it will be out of the way of litter when the hens are scratching.

FORCING FOWLS FOR MARKET

Good Judgment and Proper Management Essential in Fattening Poultry—Keep Pens Dark.

To fatten poultry quickly and profitably requires good judgment and proper management in the care of the fowls and proper feeding. The best foods are bits of fat meat, mashes of meal or fine grits made from yellow corn, with skim milk; boiled potatoes, rice and oatmeal and milk. If anything, oatmeal is preferable because of its greater heating qualities and its effect on color or fat.

The main point to keep in view is to fatten your fowls in the shortest time possible. To do this they should be in a coop or pen, where they cannot take much exercise, for by exercise they work off flesh and keep down fat. A good way is to confine them to small, light coops made of lath or wire netting. These may sit out in the back yard or barnyard, on well-drained ground. In case of rain or damp weather cover them with oilcloth. Keep the pen dark during the daytime, except when the fowls are eating, by throwing a thick covering over the coops, such as old carpets, blankets or quilts. This will prevent the fowls from stirring about between meals. In the morning give them boiled potatoes, mashed while hot and thickened with corn meal, with a little salt and pepper for seasoning.

They should be fed three times a day, and their bill of fare varied as much as possible, but with a large proportion of starchy heat and fat producing articles. Very little green stuff should be given them, though pumpkin or squash may take the place of boiled potatoes occasionally.

Fresh bedding should be supplied frequently, and the coop and spot it occupies should be kept clean. The coop should rest on cinders, or on gravelly or sandy soil, with a bedding of hay or straw. The coop being light, it will be easy to move it to a new place occasionally by a man getting at each end and lifting it an inch or so off the ground, gently pushing the chickens along inside the coop as it is moved, having prepared the bed of hay on the new place beforehand.

Unless a hen is a very valuable breeding fowl it does not pay to keep her after she is two years old. They should be marketed just before their second moulting.

For typewriting see Mrs. Imo Millhuff at Mansion, phone 131.



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Railroad Time Table,

114 Kansas City and Chicago Express, North bound leaves at 5:29 a. m.

117 Pecos Valley Express, South bound, leaves at 4:42 p. m.

87 North bound local, leaves at 11:15 a. m.

87 South bound local, leaves at 1:47 p. m.

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**LOCALS ABOUT TOWN
AND COUNTRY.**

Mr. Noley Powell, of Lower Penasco, was in Artesia Monday.

Dr. Friedman, of Carlsbad, was a visitor here Saturday and Sunday.

The Ladies Aid of the Baptist church will meet Thursday afternoon at 2:30 with Mrs. L. Taylor.

Mrs. M. P. Skeen has returned home from an extended trip to Nebraska where she visited her mother.

The school children reported for Eddy county numbers 4,037 and the state apportionment amounts to \$726.84.

FOR SALE—Five dozen purebred Bred Plymouth Rock hens. GEO. T. ANDERSON, Phone 201 N. Rose Lawn. 37-6-4t

Mr. and Mrs. Linell, and Mr. and Mrs. Darwin Reed spent Sunday at the Cramer ranch, making the trip in Mr. Linell's car.

The depot is rapidly assuming the appearance of completion. It will add a great improvement at Artesia when finished.

Mr. Ben Woodrow who has been in Roswell for the past two weeks assisting in a meeting returned home Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Jo Jacobson delightfully entertained a few friends Saturday evening in honor of her sister, Mrs. J. W. Duffey of San Francisco.

Messrs. Gilbert & Collins rented a residence this week to Mr. N. A. Palmer who will arrive here from Roswell by February first.

Mrs. J. A. Tally arrived in the city last week from Las Vegas, to be the guest of her brother and sister, Mr. and Mrs. V. Gates.

Judge Daugherty recently sent in his resignation as Justice of the Peace. Up to date no successor has been chosen.—Dayton Informer.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Woodrow arrived in the city Thursday evening from Newton, Iowa, to be the guest of their daughter, Mrs. A. C. Keinath.

Mrs. Williams and other interested parties are here this week further investigating the oil possibilities of the Dayton country.—Dayton Informer.

Messrs. Requa, Higgins & Rohrbough have moved their real estate office from upstairs over the postoffice to the rooms formerly used as hotel offices.

Noley Powell and Henry Cady have a patent adjustable head gate that is for irrigation ditches and is one of the best for the purpose we have yet seen.

The young people of the Christian Endeavor of the Presbyterian church will give a unique social affair Thursday evening called "Opening of the College."

At a meeting of the council Friday night, Mr. J. L. Tyler won out in his contention that he was entitled to the water rate being paid by consumers of water in the Tyler addition.

**Artesia Steam Laundry—
Phone 203.**

H. N. White and son Nix, of Artesia, were visitors in Lakewood Wednesday.—Lakewood Progress 12th inst.

Miss Zola Bates, of Denver, is a guest of Hotel Hardwick. She represents the Equitable Loan and Investment Co.

Rex Wheatley, the general manager for Joyce-Pruitt Co., of Artesia, was here on business Tuesday.—Lakewood Progress, 12th inst.

Dr. P. F. Robertson, of Rock Springs, Texas, will soon bring his family to Artesia and make his home here. He is favorably impressed and will invest quite extensively.

A. C. Keinath of the real estate firm of Keinath, Schuster & Hudson of Artesia, spent Thursday in the city attending to business and visiting his brother-in-law, Mr. Woodrow. Mr. Woodrow is in charge of the chorus work at the Baptist church.—Roswell Record, 13th inst.

Mrs. Jessie McL. Brown, of Hope, accompanied by her brother, Mr. Jack McLendon, was in Artesia last Tuesday guests at Hotel Hardwick. They were en route to Roswell where Mrs. Brown was to wed, and after taking a honeymoon, will return and live nine miles west of Hope.

H. L. McLane has been stopping several days at Hotel Hardwick prospecting and has decided to locate with us we are glad to state. He visited Albuquerque and Roswell, but prefers the Artesia section. Mr. McLane also spent some time in the Hood River Valley, Oregon, but thinks Pecos Valley far superior.

Hope Happenings.

Messrs. Sipple, Gaddis and Overholt, of Artesia were here early in the week on land business.

Geo Whited and family have moved to Artesia for the winter. George has a job on the new church.

Hope and Artesia are to have a new and up-to-date auto road. It is to parallel the line of the new railroad.

Joe Kemp has sold his U. S. mail contract to Geo. R. Ray. Joe and his good old bronks will have a rest now and Uncle Sam will whiz us our mail in an up-to-date chug wagon.

Rev. Geo. R. Ray was presented with a handsome touring car by his father as a Christmas present. Well pater familias knew the good boy's penchant and surmised that a seven-passenger auto would fit one of his sack to a nicety.

A meeting of the Hope Community water users Saturday after full and thorough discussion it was resolved to build at once a first-class cement dam for the conservation of the waters of the Rio Penasco. It was estimated that an assessment of \$30.00 each for the 160 water rights will give funds enough for the work. The good work is to be pushed to an early completion to be ready for making of the coming crop.

When you want job work call at the Advocate office.

At Last! Sumthin' Doin'!!

The Concert by the Music Department of Western College, which has been postponed on account of the revival services, sickness and other causes, will be given Friday night, January 19th in the College Auditorium. We would like to consider our friends and patrons, and take the Concert to town, but as we have such a fine Auditorium and a magnificent Stieff Concert Grand Piano, we think it a needless expense to make the change, so we trust all will turn out and help a worthy cause, for the proceeds go to help pay the rent on the Grand Piano, which Western College has been using the past twelve months. There will be no admission fee, but a collection will be taken. We offer a superb entertainment, consisting of orchestra selections, piano solos, clarinet solo, cornet and trombone duett, three excerpts from the Grand Opera, "Il Trovatore," a beautiful Violin Concerto, and by special request, Miss India Pearle Hamilton will give two readings, and the Concert will close with the Von Weber Concerto, in F' min. for two pianos and orchestra.

Passing of the Hobble.

[Albuquerque Morning Journal]

No hobble skirt in 1912. The fiat has been issued, the die is cast, the Rubicon is crossed, there will be nearly a yard more in the skirts and the waist must be at the waist line, not immediately under the chin. The empire and the bifurcated tights must go. In 1912 our wives and sweethearts—wives or sweethearts—will be able to mount a three-inch step without accident and to take a stride at least half as long as our own. Safty and sanity will prevail in the feminine apparel. The skirt will miss the ground by three inches and the street sweepers alone will take care of the litter on the surface of the sidewalk.

Dresses must be two and a half yards wide—do you get it? Of course they will not measure that distance in diameter, but in circumference. The head of the house is stuck for an extra yard—but it will have its compensations.

There is one consolation about the fashions—they don't last long.

SLICK MANAGER



"So they threw cabbages and other vegetables at you in all the towns the company played. The tour must have been a failure."
"No; a profitable success. The manager converted us into vegetarians, and we didn't have a single restaurant bill!"

Try the Artesia Advocate, for returns.

Happy Hour Club.

Sixteen members of the Happy Hour Club met at the home of Mrs. R. L. Speck's.

Vice-President Mrs. James Hogue presided over the meeting.

Misses Horrell and Speck rendered some very select instrumental and vocal music.

A Housewife's contest was greatly enjoyed by all.

The following visitors were present: Mrs. Mitchell, Miss Ezell of Mont Clair, Texas, Miss Juanita Stagner and the Misses Munsey.

The president read a letter written to the club by an old member Mrs. W. Allard of Grandmeadow, Minn., which was enjoyed by the new as well as the older members.

The hostess assisted by Mrs. McClure served refreshments.

All departed after thanking their hostess for such a pleasant afternoon.

The club meets Wednesday, Jan 17th, at Mrs. Jack Brown-lee's for an all day session.

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PROPER FORMATION OF TREE HEADS IN MODERN ORCHARDS

How to Prune to Get Best Results Both in Shape and Quality of Fruit—Apples and Pears Now Headed Much Lower Than Formerly to Guard Against Any Loss by Wind Storms.

(By L. C. CORBETT.)

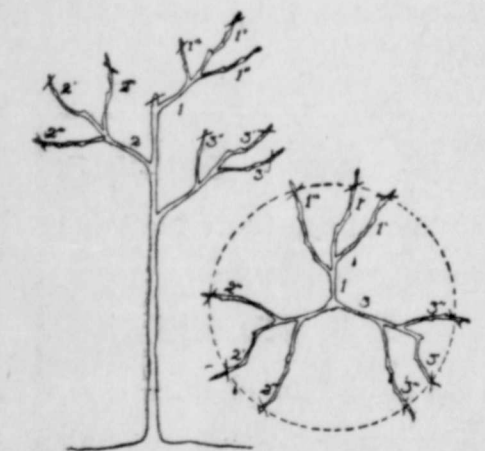
In forming the heads of orchard trees, they should be much closer to the ground than those of ornamental trees. Commercial orchards of apples and pears are now headed much lower than formerly, three feet being a very common height for starting the head, while the heads of peach and plum trees are started even as low as 18 or 20 inches from the ground.

The reason is that in certain localities where windstorms are frequent, a low-headed tree is less likely to be broken, and will lose a smaller proportion of fruit, and does not suffer so much from sun-scald, as the low head serves to a certain extent as a shade for the body.

During the early years of both ornamental and fruit trees, they should be pruned vigorously, because they make much longer, natural growth during the first ten years, than later.

With pears and apples, the main body branches left at planting time should not be more than eight inches long. At the close of the first season, when pruning time arrives, the growth of that year should again be short-

ened to at least one foot, and each of the main body branches should carry not to exceed three subdivisions about eight inches long.



Top of Tree After Year's Growth.

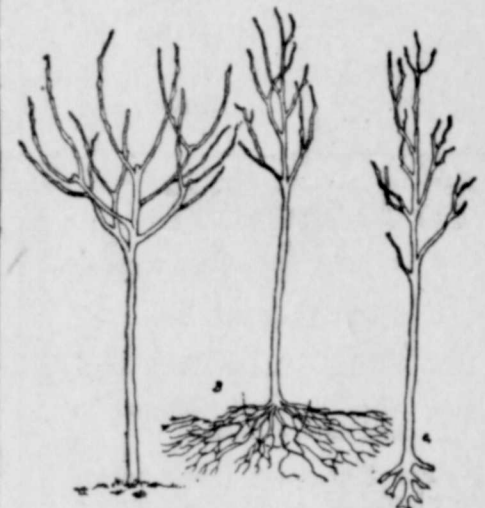
The same operation should be repeated the third year, but the number of branches carried by each subdivision should be reduced to two.

The arrangement of these branches should be based upon the same principle as the arrangement of the main body of the trees.

One additional precaution is necessary with trees which have an upright or pyramidal tendency; the terminal bud which is intended to form the leading branch from any primary branch, should be left on the outside rather than toward the center of the tree. By observing this precaution, the plant will have more tendency to spread.

On the other hand, if a tree has a tendency to spread and it is desirable for any reason to prune it into the form of a pyramid, leave the terminal bud on the opposite or inside of the branch.

With common peach trees, which are shorter-lived than apple or pear



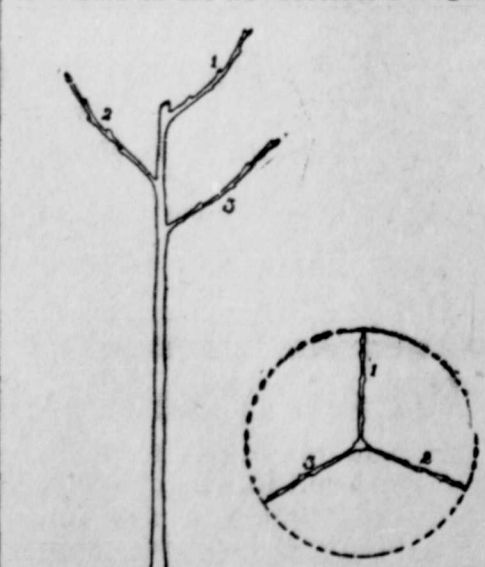
A. A five-branch tree at the end of the first season's growth. B. Relation of root to top in a nursery tree lifted for shipment. C. How the roots are cut at digging time.

liable to split down with heavy loads of fruit, than the apple and pear.

The general rule in the after-pruning of the peach tree is to shorten the yearly growth about one-half. Of course this is not always necessary, particularly during seasons of heavy crop and sparse rainfall, when the natural growth of the plant is very short.

Whenever the normal growth is under eight inches little additional pruning is necessary, but whenever it exceeds that amount, heading in will be advantageous. This serves the double purpose of preserving a compact, symmetrical tree, and at the same time reducing the annual crop of fruit.

Thus, the fruit which is allowed to remain on the tree receives a larger



Plan of Tree at Planting Time.

amount of nourishment than would be the case were the full annual growth left and the tree permitted to bear its normal quota of fruit. The fruit will also be larger and of better quality.

LELIA'S ORCHIDS

By JANE OSBORNE

Lella Hilborn absently fingered the expensive lace on the counter before her. Her fine, straight brows were puckered and her dark oval cheeks were flushed. Her eyes looked black and angry.

Lella was angry and she was jealous for the first time in her comely mous of John West, and angry with herself for being jealous. John West had, as every one believed, fallen desperately in love with Lella, and she had found herself entirely captivated by the strong, sincere man who pleaded with her. Yesterday she had promised to marry him.

Today had opened happily. There had been a letter from John in the morning mail and a letter to write to him; and there had been a wonderful bunch of orchids in the middle of the morning, and a suggestion by telephone that they go to the theater in the evening. But Lella's unhappiness lurked in the subway. When she entered the train to go down town to shop, her heart had leapt at recognition of John's broad back ahead of her. She had started toward him, but she hesitated as she saw his companion, a very pretty young woman smiling confidently into his eyes.

"I wonder," Lella had thought, "why he didn't tell me he was going to be up town." And she had quietly taken a seat near the door. At first she had not thought of being jealous. She had simply watched John and his pretty companion.

They seemed oblivious to everything but each other. Crusty old gentlemen looked approvingly at them over their papers, as crusty old gentlemen do look at young and wholesome companionship. A messenger boy next to Lella snickered as he saw John protectively put his arm behind his companion as the train suddenly lurched around a turn.

"Bride and groom," he whispered, grinning.

And to cap the climax John had actually stepped on Lella's toes as he left the train, and had not even looked at her as he hurriedly raised his hat and begged her pardon.

It was too much, thought Lella. A pretty girl was all right in her place; it wasn't so very long since John had thought her the prettiest girl in the world. It was all right for John to go around in the subway with people he had never even told her about, if he wanted to. It was all right, even for him to put out that splendid, strong arm of his to protect the woman next to him from a jolt. But to sit almost opposite her, Lella Hilborn, the girl who had the day before promised to be his wife, openly flirting with somebody else, without even so much as appearing to notice her, was too much. And although Lella kept sensibly telling herself that she detested jealousy, she finally owned up to herself that she was madly, furiously jealous of John West.

Her thoughts came back to the lace on the counter.

"I'll take this," she said to the pretty little saleswoman—a fair-haired young girl, whose rosy mouth drooped unhappily at the corners and whose blue eyes moodily followed the movements of Mr. Thomas Finch, floorwalker in the lace and embroidery department, as he conversed in a friendly manner over an exchange check with a striking brunette at the opposite counter.

"I said I would take this lace," Lella repeated sternly.

"I beg your pardon," said the girl.

"How much do you want?"

"Seven yards," said Lella.

The saleswoman, Hester Clark, pulled off fold after fold of the heavy lace, always watching from under her long lashes the man and woman at the opposite counter. She carelessly measured off six yards of the lace.

"Six yards, did you say?" she asked mechanically, as she made out her check.

"I did not, I said seven," said Lella, "and six won't be a bit of use."

"But I've cut it," said Hester.

"That's not my fault," said Lella.

"You'll have to call the floorwalker and—"

Lella looked at the girl. Her hard expression softened, as she recognized the unhappiness in the face before her. Hester, seeing sympathy, broke down.

"I can't call Mr. Finch; I just can't. I don't care if I lose my place," she said falteringly, "I just simply can't call him now. He'd think I did it purposely."

Lella looked from the tragic little face to the young man still talking

animatedly across the aisle. She understood.

"Well of all things," she said, and her stiff lips broke into a smile. "So you're jealous, too. Well, never mind; just cut another yard. I don't blame you for making blunders. I suppose I'd have done something stupider than that."

When Hester, her face filled with gratitude, came back with Lella's change and tried to thank her, Lella smilingly stopped her.

"Don't you say a single thing," said Lella. "And here," she said unpinned the wonderful bunch of orchids at her belt, impulsively; "You just wear these; maybe they'll help you to get through the day. They just about kill me."

Lella hurried away. Somehow she felt better. She wouldn't wear John's flowers, anyway, and obviously there were other girls in the world as unhappy as she was. She went to a corner flower stand and bought a bunch of American beauty roses, and pinned them where the orchids had been.

"I'll just let him think I am wearing somebody else's flowers, and let him see how it feels to be jealous," she said.

John and Lella went to the theater that evening, as they had planned. Lella was consciously her loveliest, and she realized that John was more than ever in love with her. Neither of them spoke of the ride in the subway.

"I say, Lella," said John, in the first intermission; "did that dunce of a florist send roses? I ordered orchids—I know you like them best."

"Oh, no," said Lella lightly. "Don't you suppose any one but you sends me flowers?"

"But Lella," objected John, "you wouldn't wear them? Surely you wouldn't let somebody else's flowers take the place of mine."

Lella was silent; she turned away so that she need not see the look of doubt and suffering in John's eyes. A familiar voice behind her caught her ear—the voice of the girl who had sold her the lace.

"Well, I can't help it, can I," it said, "if he sends me flowers?"

"No, no," cried a deep response—Lella knew it was the floorwalker—

"But just tell me you're not—oh, Hester, you're not going to marry him are you? I always thought you knew how I felt, but when I saw those flowers and asked you if he had given them to you—why I knew then what it was to be jealous, and then I decided to make you promise tonight to marry me. But, if you're promised to him if you let him spend all his money on flowers like that—"

Lella resolutely turned back to John.

"Who was that pretty girl in the subway with you this afternoon, John?" she demanded.

"That pretty girl? That was my cousin Lucy—from Montreal. Uncle

Bob telegraphed me to meet her at the uptown station to take her down to the steamboat dock to meet my aunt. They're going to Europe. But I don't see what that's got to do with those confounded flowers."

"I do," said Lella, smilingly through tear-filled eyes. "Oh, John, I've been such a goose, John. I was jealous. Just wait a minute."

She turned suddenly to the girl behind her who was trying to explain away the presence of the costly orchids.

"Should you mind," said Lella, "if I took back the flowers I gave you this afternoon?"

Hester Clark started at the sound of the familiar voice.

"You did give them to me, didn't you?" she asked, "this afternoon because I was so blue and down-hearted—"

"Yes," said Lella, laughing, "because you were so awfully interested in a young floorwalker who was talking with a girl at the counter opposite."

She turned away from the happy but embarrassed faces.

"John," she whispered, as the curtain started up, "I bought the roses. Here are my flowers—the ones you sent me. I let somebody else have them because I was jealous of that pretty little cousin—I sat opposite you in the subway you never noticed me. And I thought the flowers might make the other girl happy."

Lella sought and found forgiveness in John West's eyes before the lights went out; and she knew that the two behind her were as happy as she and John were.

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