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## ROTTEN EGGS FLOOD MARKET

### GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS HARD AFTER CLIQUE

Selling Bad Eggs Being Fought Over the Whole Country.

Washington, Dec. 24.—Bad eggs are worrying the Department of Agriculture. It has discovered a well organized traffic in rotten eggs centering in Chicago. It considers the situation so serious that it has inaugurated a vigorous campaign, aided by state and city authorities in all parts of the country, to break up the traffic and send the promoters to jail. The common impression that rotten eggs are useful only in demonstration of disapproval is dispelled by the Department in an official statement. It admits that inedible eggs may be utilized "for technical purposes, such as tanning leather." The trouble is, it says, the rotten egg traffickers deceive the public into buying the product for food purposes.

From evidence already gathered, the department states, there seems to be a definite market in Chicago for "rots and spots" at \$2 a case of 30 dozen. In consequence, rots and spots from all parts of the country are being shipped into Chicago.

The department is going to get quick action in its campaign against the traffic, it states. The delay necessary to secure authorization from Washington to make seizures of unfit shipments has been eliminated through the co-operation of state authorities, who are acting with great promptness. The aid of the state authorities, not only makes immediate seizures possible but facilitates the gathering of evidence for criminal to bakers for use in cakes and other "Most of the rots and spots that reach Chicago are first broken and frozen," the department says in its official statement. "They are then sold proceedings against the offenders, in forms of food. In one instance, at least, a shipment of these eggs was traced to a firm which admitted that they had no use for them except in food.

"As a matter of fact, Federal inspectors have been able to secure ample evidence of the use of unfit eggs for this purpose. With state and federal authorities working together it is believed the traffic can be broken up very rapidly. In this connection it is pointed out that most of the firms

using these unfit eggs probably do so reluctantly, believing that the competition of others forces them into the traffic. However, it has been amply demonstrated by the department that the frozen and dried egg business is a successful and important industry only when based on the use of good eggs, handled under special conditions."

Experiments recently completed by the Department of Agriculture show that peanuts can be profitably used as forage for cattle in the South Atlantic states where they grow so abundantly. Animals display almost human fondness for peanuts and thrive on them.

Because of the abundant supply of cotton seed meal that there is likely to be in this country this year, specialists in the Department of Agriculture believe that the farmer has a better opportunity to make money by feeding beef cattle than for some years past.

The department estimates that about 2,000,000 tons of cotton seed meal will be available this year at prices ranging from \$22 to \$24 a ton as compared with \$27 to \$31 demanded last year. Experiments of the Department have proven that the substitution of cotton seed meal for corn and clover hay results in great saving in the feeding of cattle.

While lilacs, snowballs and certain other shrubs should be let alone during the winter, being neither trimmed nor covered with straw and manure, other bushes need special attention, says the Department of Agriculture in a bulletin just issued on the winter care of the garden.

"As a rule shrubs should not be trimmed in the fall," says the Department. "This process is timely immediately after the blooming period, and this is in the spring, as in the case of the snowball. If the shrubs bloom in the fall as do some hydrangeas, the rose of Sharon, and some lilacs, they should not be cut directly after blooming but in the spring of the following year."

Hydrangeas in the South can be cared for out-of-doors by protection of straw or brush. In the North they should be taken up, planted in tubs and placed in the cellar. Roses, south of the latitude of Washington, need little attention but North of this line they should be treated by cutting the shrubs off about 30 inches from the ground and protecting them with leaves.

### PENLETON MARINER RETURNS

Recites Incidents at Landing of Vera Cruz by American Troops.

Pendleton Dec. 22.—Just back from Vera Cruz where he had been for several months as a part of Uncle Sam's restraining force, T. F. Million, a young man born and raised in this city, is here today greeting old friends and telling them interesting stories of his stay among the Mexicans. He is a member of the United States marine corps, Co. No. 5 of the Philadelphia navy yard and is on his furlough now. He will report to his commanding officer on January 4. He is a relative of J. M. Bentley.

Young Million's company was dispatched to Vera Cruz as soon as the indignities against our flag was learned. The first landing of the marines was on April 21 and Million's company was not sent ashore until the 22nd. However, he got into the fight and bears a scar on his head from a hand to hand conflict with a "Mex." It was not altogether a comfortable feeling at first, he said, to be subjected to the fire of the snipers. Suddenly a gun would be thrust out of a window or around a corner and discharged, giving the marines no chance to return the fire at once. He recalls one incident where a Mexican hid himself under a sheet on a stretcher and fired upon the American troops. He was bayoneted from both sides, Million states.

Million bears the medal of a sharp-shooter. He operated a machine gun in such shooting as was done down south. In all the United States lost 21 men killed by the Mexicans at Vera Cruz and he estimates that 600 Mexicans were killed by the Americans.

He states, also, that it was almost as exciting when they withdrew during the latter part of November as it was when they landed. Almost as many shots as greeted them as when they landed were fired, he states, and personally, he declares, he "sweat blood" when he was detailed with two others to search for a couple of the marines supposed to be stationed along the wharves where the snipers were thickest.

When the marines landed, the city of Vera Cruz was so filthy that a countless number of buzzards hovered over the city, he states, and as a result of the sanitary measures taken by Uncle Sam's army, the city was clean and wholesome when the troops left. He reached Philadelphia on Dec. 4.

Young Million has been under fire before, having served three years with the marine corps and having taken part in several little island engagements. He declares that the marines are not anxious for a war with Mexico or any other country as they have their hands full now. Million will leave this evening for Kamela and will go on east from there. He will be accompanied back by a brother, who has been living in Portland recently.

Notice of Stockholders Meeting. The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Cove State Bank of Cove, Oregon, will be held at the banking room on January 12, 1915 at 10 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

HUGH McCALL, Cashier. 24 Jan 12.

## Professional Directory

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ing a Board of Directors will be elected to serve for the year 1915, and until their successors are elected and qualify, and such other business will be transacted, as may properly come before said meeting.  
 F. L. MEYERS,  
 Cashier.

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