

MOTHER GIVES SOUND ADVICE

SPEAKER AT Y. M. C. A. OPENING QUOTED.

Mrs. H. H. Cleaver's Paper as Read Farmers' Day, Published.

("What the mother expects of the Y. M. C. A." was the subject discussed by Mrs. Cleaver last Saturday, when farmers of the valley held away at the Y. M. C. A. opening festival.)—Editor.

BY MRS. H. H. CLEAVER.

The mother of one child will tell you all about how to raise children; the mother of eight admits that she knows nothing about it. This must have been the reason why I was asked to speak on this subject today. My father died before I knew him, I never had a brother and both my boys are girls so I am amply qualified to tell you all about raising boys and what the mother expects the Y. M. C. A. to do for them. Never having had a naughty boy however I have never lost my ideal of what a boy could and should be.

While our boys are small we mothers can soothe their childish woes and wipe away their tears; when they mash their thumbs or fall off the fence mother alone can fix them up. Mother is the one and all sufficient source of comfort. But there comes a time as the years slip by when this is no longer true and the mother realizes her inability to deal with the nature of the boy. He grows independent. He does not wish to ask permission every time he sets his foot out of doors. He thinks he knows more than all creation and wants to come and go as he pleases.

A mother can't do an awful lot at this stage. She's so terribly handicapped. It isn't her fault, don't blame her. She never was a boy. She's really indispensable, to admonish, to love, to do, and pray, but father—why he's been a boy. Mother's worry if a boy goes swimming or hunting, gets on top of the barn or wants to go out after dark. They pucker up their brows and look anxious and even cry if her boy swears and if he smokes cigarettes she is staggered by the blow. It is an indisputable fact that a boy can't get from 12 to 20 without meeting these things. You fathers will remember this was so when you were going through this period and you must stand by your boy now if you have not already lost the power to reach him. Fathers do you appreciate what a great thing it is to have a son? You take it too much for granted as you do potatoes for dinner. Why some men would give their right hands and work twice as hard with their left to have a clear eyed, straight shouldered chap look them in the eye and call them Father upon occasion and "Dad" for short. If you want him to keep clean and straight you must take the way before him. You can't say to your boy, "Go the right way," while you are going the wrong way. If you use tobacco and swear and "take a drink" occasionally, how can you be surprised if your boy does the same, and how can you blame him! He's a chip off the old block. Therefore it behooves the old block to be some piece of timber. Rotten chips don't fly far. Some fathers are good moral men and yet lack the high ideals of life and conduct we so earnestly hope for in our sons. It is at this point when we realize our helplessness to cope with the situation and when our sons' fathers seem to be failing them and us that we hold out appealing hands to the Y. M. C. A. The watchful eye and the gentle hand of those placed over the boys in the association must come to our help. Youth calls to youth. No matter how attractive we mothers make our homes the boy wants others and others he will have. The Y. M. C. A. provides this outlet for their animal spirits giving them association, entertainment, recreation, under healthy, wholesome, wise, careful guardianship.

And fathers let me drop a hint. Don't send your boy to the Y. M. C. A. Put on your old cap and go with him. What if you are tired, just say "Come on let's go out for a spree" just as any other fellow would and then show him what your idea of a spree is—a good time but clean. Boys always like to have a grown man along—if he's the right kind. Why your boy'll about burst, he'll be so proud. "Why Gee, Dad, he's some kid himself."

So we look to the Y. M. C. A. to counteract the influence of the pool hall, the cigar store, the open saloon, the vicious moving picture shows, and the immoral plays. May the spirit of motherhood, without which any institution for the betterment of our youth must come to naught, hover with brooding wings over our boys and help them to attain to that highest ideal of manhood, the Christain gentleman.

School for Insane.

Massillon, O., Feb. 4.—Patients at the state hospitals here are pupils in one of the first schools for the insane ever established. The object is to endeavor to improve the mental condition of the patients. The theory is that mental exercise is the best stimulus for diseased minds, just as physical exercise is supposed to promote development of the body.

Michigan G. O. P. Convention.

Detroit, Mich., Feb. 4.—Republican county conventions for the election of delegates to the spring convention of the party will be held tomorrow throughout Michigan. The state convention will be held a week from today at Grand Rapids.

PRINCIPALS IN THE RECENT CONFERENCE BETWEEN LABOR AND CAPITAL IN REGARD TO COLORADO MINE STRIKERS.



John D. Rockefeller, Jr. on the Witness Stand.



Smile Mother Jones Wore After She Was Charmed by John D. Rockefeller, Jr.

CANAL USED AS APPLE CHANNEL

EXPERIMENT PROVES SUCCESS IS LIMITED.

So Many Provisions Have to be Made That Savings Dwindle.

Walla Walla, Feb. 4.—(Special)—The big experiment in the use of the Panama canal for shipping North western fruit to New York has just been completed by the North Pacific Fruit Distributors. Two important facts have been determined, according to President H. F. Davidson, who recently returned from New York. One is that only three districts and a part of a fourth of the 10 principal fruit districts in the Northwest can ship their apples to Atlantic coast that way and make a substantial saving in transportation charges. The other is that small shippers are practically debarred, owing to handling charges and to certain established trade conditions, which are encountered upon arrival. Only a large organization with its own salaried employees at the receiving end to consummate private sales and to arrange for the immediate disposition of the fruit upon arrival can avoid losses which would more than offset any advantages that might be gained from transporting it via the canal.

"Hood River and a few nearby

points in Oregon and Yakima and Wenatchee in Washington are the only northwestern districts that can make a substantial saving," declared Mr. Davidson. Even then some one who has a direct personal interest in the cargoes must be on hand to meet them and take care of them at once. The other Northwestern districts are practically eliminated because of the expense of getting their apples to the Pacific coast ports where they could be loaded.

"It costs 66 cents per hundred lbs. or about 33 cents per box to send apples by steamship from Seattle to Portland to New York, we have ascertained. That includes merely the shipping charges and unloading at Seattle or Portland, freight and refrigeration to and lightage at New York and insurance. To this must be added freight from the fruit districts in question to the Pacific coast ports which varies from 42-3 cents per box in the case of Hood River to as much as 33-1-2 cents from some section to Southern Idaho, making the total cost run from 37-1-2 cents to 66-1-2 cents.

"These oceans shipments of course, must be made under refrigeration, passing as they do through the extreme heat of the torrid zone. On the other hand, overland shipment which are almost uniformly made in ventilated instead of refrigerated cars, cost 50 cents per box from all Northwestern districts to New York. There are a few weeks during the early part of the season when railroad shipments are made under refrigeration, and the expense of sending apples overland under those circumstances ranges from 59 cents to

64 cents per box the cost from most of the district being 61 cents. At that time practically all of the districts except Western Montana and the more distant points in Southern Idaho could make substantial savings by using the Panama canal.

"However, if the steamship companies expect to do any great amount of business in transporting apples throughout the shipping season, they will have to put their rates down lower than they are at the present time to secure the support of the districts that cannot now use the water route to advantage.

"The most important consideration in his whole question of the Panama canal shipments upon the facilities which the shipper has for landing them upon arrival. The American Hawaiian and the Atlantic and Pacific lines, which were the first to carry apples from the Northwest and which the Distributors have used, discharge their cargoes in Brooklyn at the Bush and the Atlantic terminals respectively, while the fruit markets of New York are centered in Manhattan at the Erie and the New York Central docks. Hundreds of thousands of dollars have been lost in past vain efforts to deflect the trade away from the Erie dock to some other place but dealers have their stores and warehouses clustered about it and custom cuts a mighty large figure.

"It would be very easy matter for transfer and other handling charges to more than eat up any saving made by ocean shipments. If the fruit is consigned or is placed in the hands of some one who has no direct personal interest in it, the items of handling charges could cover a multitude of sins of both commission and omission." This situation virtually necessitates a large organization with a salaried representative in New York to take charge of each shipment by and dispose of them at private sale. "The Distributors first shipment by way of the Panama canal created quite a sensation in New York.

TRESPASSERS FINED.

Forest Laws Violated by Two Men Who Pay Penalty.

Portland, Feb. 4.—The case of J. L. Mulder, G. Rathmen and G. Edson, of Lynden, Wash., for fire trespass on the Washington National Forest, was tried in Seattle on January 27. The three men pleaded guilty and paid a fine of \$25 each, with costs amounting to \$29.48, a total of \$104.48.

On the night of August 12, 1914, these three men camped at "three mile spring" on the Washington National Forest. On the following morning, they left their camp burning and continued on their way through the forest. The evidence brought out the fact that they had received printed notices from the Forest Supervisor before starting on their trip, and also had observed the fire warnings posted in the forest, but had paid no heed to them. Although the fire was discovered and extinguished before any damage was done, the regulations and laws governing the setting and guarding of fires in National Forests, make such carelessness as these campers showed criminal offense.

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