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OUTBURSTS OF EVERETT TRUE



Sweaters That Delight the Youthful



A sweater of some sort, in the wardrobe, has come to be taken as a matter of course, like shoes and stockings. Everybody, from baby to grand-mother, is entitled to at least one of these first aids to comfort—and style. For they have advanced so far in the scheme of things to wear that their manufacturers can always be sure of a demand for them, and their task now is to present them in snappy styles. Sweaters are the delight of the youthful, and these wearers are the most ostentatious and exacting of all their dress-makers.

U. S. SHIPPING FARM TRACTORS

Expected to Increase Crop Acreage and Correspondingly Reduce the Food Tonnage Required from This Country.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 16.—To increase France's crops and to lighten the burden of toil on her old men, women and children, the United States Food Administration will ship 1,500 farm tractors to that country. The first hundred are already on the way, and the whole number will be in France by March, in time for the spring plowing. They are expected not only to be of immense service to France, but to release added tonnage for the allies and American troops by increasing the amount of food produced there, thus decreasing the amount of food that must be shipped from America.

FROM THE BUREAU OF INTERNAL REVENUE

"What deductions are allowed a farmer for 'business expenses' in making out his income tax return?" This is one of the many questions which revenue officers who will visit every county in the United States during January and February will answer in detail. Briefly, they include the amount expended for labor in the preparation of land for crops and in the cultivation, harvesting and marketing of the crop. Deductions may be made for the cost of seed and fertilizer, the amount expended for labor in caring for livestock, cost of feed, repairs to farm and other farm buildings, but not the cost of repairs to the dwelling. The cost of repairs to farm fences and machinery is deductible, as well as the cost of small tools and material which is used up in the course of a year or two such as binding twine, pitchforks, spades, etc.

OUR ATTITUDE TOWARD ENEMY PEOPLES

"We do not wish in any way to impair or to rearrange the Austria-Hungarian empire. It is no affair of our what they do with their own life, either industrially or politically. We do not purpose or desire to dictate to them in any way. We only desire to see that their affairs are left in their own hands, in all matters, great or small. We shall hope to secure for the people of the Balkan peninsula and the Turkish empire the power and right to make their own lives safe, their own fortunes secure against oppression or injustice and from the dictation of foreign courts or parties. And our attitude with regard to Germany herself is of a like kind. We intend no wrong against the German empire, no interference with her internal affairs. We are in fact fighting for her people's emancipation from fear along with our own—from the fear as well as from the fact of unjust attack by neighbors, or rivals, or enemies after world empire. No one is threatening the existence or independence of the peaceful enterprise of the German empire." (From the President's Message of December 4.)

HOW MARK TWAIN GOT RICH

Were the lovable Mark Twain alive today, he would doubtless be in the first line trenches of the home re-trenchers, for Mark was thrifty and the government's Thrift Stamp and War Savings Stamp offer would have appealed to him mightily. Mark Twain had many financial reverses in his life time, largely because of bad investments, but his thrift and happy disposition pulled him out of the bog every time, and he squared up with the world and accumulated a "stake" before he passed on "over there" to make heaven the happier for his coming. Talking one day to his friend, William Dean Howells, on the vicissitudes of the humorist's earlier days, Mark Twain said: "My difficulties taught me some thrift, but I never knew whether it was wiser to spend my last nickel for a cigar to smoke or for an apple to devour." "I am astounded," replied Mr. Howells, "that a person of so little decision should meet with so much worldly success." Mark nodded wisely. "Indecision about spending money," he said, "is worthy of cultivation. When I couldn't decide what to buy with my last nickel, I kept it, and so became rich."

THE BUSINESS MEN'S LUNCHEON

An effort is being made today to revive the business men's luncheons. This is a good idea, especially at this

Buy Clothes Now At Our Clearance Sale

Clothes are costing more each week. The fall and winter goods we're offering at reduced prices would cost us much more to duplicate now. Next year they'll be worth still more. Prices reduced on what we paid for the goods—not what they're worth now—due to rising markets.

Table listing various suits and overcoats with their current and original prices. Examples include \$15.00 Suits and Overcoats now \$12.00, and \$35.00 Suits and Overcoats now \$28.00.

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for the business, professional and working men to build up a close organization to work together for the benefit of the nation, of the state, of the county and of the city. It does men good to rub elbows together, to forget strife and jealousy, and to submerge their personal interests to the public welfare. The La Grande spirit bubbles up at these meetings, unity develops, things are suggested which get done, new acquaintances and friendships are formed, and a fine spirit of civic loyalty develops. By all means keep these luncheons, or anything else going, that will benefit La Grande.

THE LONG ROAD

It is easy for young men to fall into slothful habits. The first thing that tends to weaken the mental and moral fibre is lack of work. The devil's employment bureau is always open. Then come evil companions, the adoption of false ideals, and the final step robbery and holdup. It is so easy to fall down, so hard to climb up. Those who take the so-called easiest way find it the longest and the hardest.

THESE ARE THE DAYS

These are the days for cleaning up, checking up, taking inventory, straightening out loose ends in shop, office and farm. Start the new year right, leave none of the old year's business that is hanging fire to darken the prospects for this year. Get in and work. Make this one of our best years.

Advantages of Student Body Organization In High School

Address given by the City Superintendent of Schools A. C. Hampton before the State Teachers' Association. I have been convinced for some years of the value of the "Student Body" organization in High School administration. In the first place, I am certain that we are all agreed that some form of organization is necessary in order to weld the body into a unified whole, but the particular form of organization that has supplied the need is what we are most interested in. In the first place it seems vital that the direction of all student affairs should be vested in a small executive committee. There are a number of good reasons why this should be so, but the most obvious one is that it makes it possible to expedite all matters relating to school activities. Therefore I would say that the executive committee should consist of the High School principal and superintendent of schools, the president of the student body, vice president, secretary, treasurer, and student manager, to be elected by the body. Duties of the executive committee shall be to direct all matters pertaining to student activities including athletics, shall handle all the finances of the school, and post their accounts each month on the bulletin board of the school. This, I consider most vital for it seems to solve the problem of school finance. The funds are all handled by the secretary-treasurer who cannot pay out money except on order of the committee. All checks are countersigned by the principal thus affording an absolute check on the finances.

Another important provision in the selection of a student manager by the executive committee, rather than making the position elective. The reason for this is obvious for often the best managerial talent is not the most popular student. The one manager for all activities has proven decidedly the most efficient method in my experience. First he is selected for fitness; second he is held directly accountable to the executive committee to whom he must submit a detailed statement together with all the moneys received after each activity; third this statement is incorporated into the monthly report of the executive committee which must be posted. The above is of course only a brief outline of the organization, but it is a very satisfactory plan for the ordinary high school. It gives the principal a small committee to work with, and it has been my experience that all the activity of the school can be directed through the agency of this committee.

RED CROSS GREETINGS WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—"The men of the fleet send New Year's greeting to the Red Cross and thanks for Christmas gifts received this date." A radiogram conveying the above message from the Atlantic fleet has been transmitted to the war council of the American Red Cross by Captain O. P. Jackson, chief of staff to the commander in chief.

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