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ROUND POSTS ARE MOST DURABLE
One Kind of Timber Will Last as Long as Others if Amount of Heartwood is Same.
Is a split fence post as durable as a round fence post? This is a question frequently asked of the United States Department of Agriculture. The fact is, says the forest products laboratory, one kind of post will last about as long as the other if the amount of heartwood is the same in both. But if the percentage of sapwood is increased by splitting, the split post will be less durable and if the percentage of heartwood is increased, it will be more durable than a round one. Posts of spruce, hemlock, or any of the true firs are exceptions to this rule, because their heartwood and sapwood are about equally durable.
When posts are to be treated with creosote or other preservative, a round post is preferable to a split post, because of the comparative ease with which the sapwood can be treated. The heart faces on split posts do not,

as a rule, absorb preservative well. Split red-oak posts will take treatment, because the wood is very porous, but the heart faces of split posts of many other species, notably white oak, red gum, and Douglas fir, resist the penetration of preservative, even under heavy pressures.
Crops Followed by Others.
Early crops which may be followed by others are bush beans, leeks, early cabbage, carrots, early corn, lettuce, peas, early potatoes, radish, spinach, turnips, etc.
Value of Fanning Mill.
The value of a fanning mill for removing pieces of straw and trash from small grain seed is an important factor.
Soil for Cauliflower.
Cauliflower needs strong ground, and it may be wise to fertilize with stable manure pretty freely.

Million-Name Soldiers' Petition Received



The million-name soldiers' bonus petition arriving at the capitol, where it was accepted by Senator Hiram Johnson as chairman of the senate reception committee. The huge roll of names was presented to congress by Capt. Samuel H. Jacobson, district commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Forgers Reap Huge Harvest

Take Annual Levy of \$30,000,000 From Careless Check Writers in United States.

IS ARISTOCRAT OF CRIMINALS

Introduction of Modern Protective Measures Only Hampered Crook's Plans for Time—Safety Paper is Best Precaution.

New York.—Forgers and penmen are exacting a toll of between \$30,000,000 and \$35,000,000 a year from the people of the country because of the careless manner in which checks and drafts are written and handled, according to Burgess Smith, ex-inspector of technical work in the United States bureau of engraving, writing in American Industries, the magazine of the National Association of Manufacturers.

Balked by scientific inventions in check protecting devices and in check paper that defies alteration, check raisers are now robbing mail boxes and adopting other subterfuges to obtain checks which are not safeguarded. Their depredations are becoming so extensive, the writer says, that authorities do not make public any more the amount of losses being sustained.

"Ninety-five per cent of the business of the nation is done by check and draft," says the writer. "During the last year a total of approximately \$400,000,000 in checks and drafts passed through the clearing houses of the nation, based on a total currency issue in circulation of about \$5,000,000,000. In other words, checks and drafts in circulation constantly exceed currency and bullion at the rate of eighty to one."

"It is only natural, therefore, that the most astute minds of the criminal world should turn their attention toward a form of crime which yields great profits with little chance of detection and conviction—almost because of the innate carelessness of individuals."

Grew With Use of Checks.
Tracing the rapid development of the use of credit instruments of the world over, particularly within recent years, Mr. Smith shows how losses from forgery have increased with the increased use of checks and drafts.

"The idea of the bank check is as old as Egypt," the writer says, "but it was only a half century ago that the word 'check' meant little or nothing in the daily life of the average American business man. Such a thing as a forged or raised check was almost unthought of. Where today the losses from forgery are increasing at the rate of \$1,000,000 annually, with more than \$30,000,000 estimated as last year's figures, the total annual toll thirty years ago was only \$1,000,000."

"The methods employed by the forger embrace a cunning and skill that is seldom found in other forms of crime. The forger and penman is the aristocrat of the underworld. He is

Profiteer in Leeches as Demand Revives
Paris.—Whenever you had a headache or a pain in the old days, they put leeches on you—the nasty slimy things that get in your way as you walk through your garden after a rain. When contemporaries of Peppys used to get "blood to the head" (a common cranial disturbance with "three bottle men" of the period) leeches would be hurriedly sent for.

For some reason impossible to fathom there has been an increased demand for leeches in Paris in the last few months.

Fifty years ago leeches cost 250 francs per 1,000, but the price soon went down to 60 francs.

Profiteering has now set in. Leech dealers are springing up here and there and the price per thousand has gone up to 100 francs.

Mrs. White Took a Tip From Noah



Mrs. Margaret White, seventy years old, resident of St. Paul's lower levee district, took to the boat when the waters of the swollen Mississippi rose to her doorsteps. She did not neglect, however, to lads as many of her pets as possible into the small craft.

AUTO FEVER HITS MEXICO CITY

Motor Show Booms Partly Due to Revolution Joy-Riding—American Cars Lead.

Mexico City, Mex.—The automobile show is continuing to hold the interest of the public. American cars predominate. The exposition is being held in the lobby and foyers of the unfinished National theater, the great marble structure which was started in the

SOLVING PROBLEM OF PROFITABLE ALFALFA

Of Advantage to Market Roughage Through Stock.

Suggested to Farmer That He Discard Practice of Marketing His Hay and Feed It to Good Grade of Dairy Cattle.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)
Farmers on some of the reclamation projects where alfalfa hay is a cash crop will find it to their advantage to change their practice and market this roughage through live stock, says the office of western irrigation agriculture of the United States Department of Agriculture. On the Newlands project in Nevada the recent prices for alfalfa hay have been \$9 to \$9.50 a ton f. o. b. cars, which nets the farmers about \$5 or \$6 a ton at the stack. Although these prices are considered fairly good at present, figures collected recently on the cost of production go to show that when the farmer is unable to get more than



Cutting Alfalfa.

\$6 a ton at the stack there is a net loss. Indications are that \$7 a ton is nearer the cost of production, and this does not include any labor income for the farmer.

In order that the farmer may make a fair income on these alfalfa lands, it is suggested that he discard the practice of shipping off his hay and start feeding it to a good grade of dairy cows or to some other kind of live stock, particularly cattle and sheep.

Many farmers in this section have already demonstrated that live stock will solve the problem of making alfalfa profitable. The use of live stock keeps up the fertility of the soil and provides concentrated products that do not have to bear such heavy freight costs.

BENEFITS IN GROWING SEEDS

One Must Be Plant Expert to Be Successful and Vast Amount of Labor is Required.

Prof. Paul Werk of Cornell, speaking on better seeds and how to obtain them, said there were many advantages in growing seed. One knows the percentage of his own seed, and if he grows his own seed and does it well he can turn a profit from the sale of the surplus; but you have got to be a plant expert and it requires a vast amount of labor and care to grow good seeds. It was his opinion that the bulk of the seeds would come from seedmen; that men in the seed business are spending thousands of dollars to get good seed, while others were giving the matter of quality little attention, preferring to sell the cheaper seed regardless of quality.

FIRST CULTIVATION OF CORN

As Soon as Plants Are Above Surface Land Should Be Stirred—Deeper Tillage Permitted.

Much will depend upon early cultivation of corn. Here is where "a stitch in time saves nine." As soon as the plants are above the surface the land should be stirred, usually. Unless no rain has fallen do not fall to start the cultivators as soon as you can tell the rows by the young plants. If no heavy rains have come since planting it might be well to wait a while for a rain.

The first cultivation of corn will permit deeper tillage than later when the brace roots develop. But care must be taken not to "throw much dirt" as the plants are easily covered and injured by the freshly plowed soil.

SEED GRASS MIXTURES EARLY

Work Should Be Done as Seedbed Can Be Put into Shape—Fall Plowing Helps.

Grass mixtures for hay or pasture purposes should be seeded as soon as the seedbed can be put in condition. The ground should be fall plowed so that it may be worked down by disking and harrowing as soon as the surface dries off. If the land was plowed last spring in seeding grain and the soil is in good physical condition it would be advisable to disk instead of plow in preparing for the seedbed.

FIRM SEEDBED IS NECESSARY

To Hasten Germination of Grass Seed Field Should Be Rolled After Harrowing.

A firm seedbed is necessary to hasten germination of grass seed. The field should be dragged or rolled after disking and harrowing in order that the subsurface be firm and compact. The surface should be left in a mellow condition but not smooth as it may bake and become crusted before the seed germinates.

Average Yield of Onions.

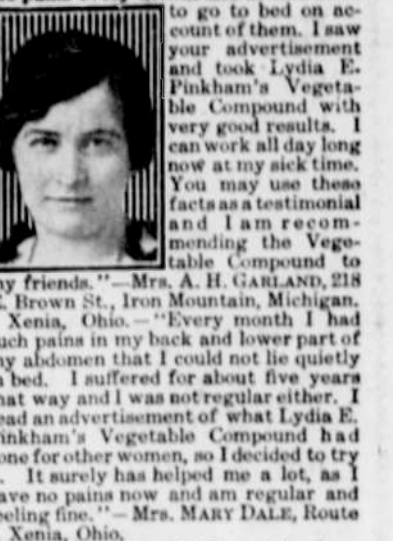
The average yield of onions per acre in the United States is 231 bushels. The highest average in any state is 570 bushels, in Idaho.

Big Help in Poultry Yard.

A wagon load of fine gravel and sharp sand thrown on the ground in the poultry yard makes it more sanitary and helps provide grit.

PAINS SO BAD WOULD GO TO BED

Two Women Tell How Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Stopped Their Suffering



Iron Mountain, Mich.—"I had terrible pains every month and at times had to go to bed on account of them. I saw your advertisement and took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound with very good results. It can work all day long now at my sick time. You may use these facts as a testimonial and I am recommending the Vegetable Compound to my friends."—Mrs. A. H. GARLAND, 218 E. Brown St., Iron Mountain, Michigan.

Kenia, Ohio.—"Every month I had such pains in my back and lower part of my abdomen that I could not lie quietly in bed. I suffered for about five years that way and I was not regular either. I read an advertisement of what Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound had done for other women, so I decided to try it. It surely has helped me a lot, as I have no pains now and am regular and feeling fine."—Mrs. MARY DALE, Route 7, Kenia, Ohio.

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Short-Sighted Policy.

If friends to a government forbear their assistance, they put it in the power of a few desperate men to ruin the welfare of those who are superior to them in strength and interest.

Fact Has Been Observed.
"De man dat shoots de loudest at a camp meeting," said Uncle Eben, "often loses his voice by de time anybody asks him for a subscription to build a church."

"Fifty-four Forty, or Fight."
"Fifty-four Forty, or Fight," was a cry adopted during the northwestern boundary discussion by those who disapproved of yielding our claims to the territory short of 54 degrees 40 minutes of latitude between the Rocky mountains and the Pacific ocean.

China Loped From China.
The earliest designs used for china at Worcester, England, are believed to have been copied from the Chinese.

So Different From Her Own.

"I do enjoy those films with children in 'em," remarked a tired-looking little woman. "When the children romp around on the screen they don't make a particle of noise."

Genius Result of Germ?
Genius has been explained by an Irish surgeon as the product of a germ which gets into and around the human brain.

Daily Thought.

The history of a nation, in the sense in which I use the word, is often best studied in works not professedly historical.—Macaulay.

Uncle Eben.
"Some folks," said Uncle Eben, "kin fall down on der promises in a way dat makes you apologize for puttin' 'em to de trouble of explainin'."

Best Carrier Pigeon.
The best carrier pigeon is the Antwerp or Belgian Pouter, which can fly 500 miles in 12 hours if the weather is fine.

Sometimes.
Many a woman is less concerned with the outcome of her marriage than with the income of it.

Literally or Figuratively.

You can't stand well with other people by treading on their toes.—Boston Transcript.

Frames.
If a corner is chipped off a glittered frame, camouflage it with chewing gum and gold with gold paint.

Stringing Him.
The man who is entirely wrapped up in himself carries a mighty small package.—Boston Transcript.

Keeping Honey.
Honey should be kept in a dark place if it is to be kept without granulating.

Bagpipe on Ancient Coin.
Bagpipes are shown on a Roman coin dating back to 69 A. D.

Daily Needle Consumption.

The world uses up an average of 3,900,000 needles a day.

A Best Seiler.

The best after-dinner speech ever made: "Waiter, give me the check."

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