

HOW TO KEEP THE SOIL OF THE LAWN SWEET AND THE GRASS GREEN

The soil of a lawn should be kept sweet by applying hardwood ashes or air-slaked lime once every three years, according to Arthur L. Prock, professor of landscape gardening at Oregon Agricultural college. The application neutralizes the acid in the soil and changes the soil from an acid to an alkaline soil, which is better for the grasses and keeps out moss.

To keep a good grass covering, one pound of seed should be sown

for every 600 square feet of lawn every third year. This practice keeps new plants coming and thus replaces the old plants which die out each year. The best mixture of seed is made up from 50 per cent Kentucky blue grass and 50 per cent creeping bent, but since the latter cannot be obtained now, red top should be substituted for it. The lawn should be thoroughly soaked once a week. This practice is much better than

sprinkling every evening, for the latter just wets down an inch or two and this causes the plant roots to come up to the surface and soon die on account of the top layer baking out on the hot days. Any complete commercial fertilizer applied at the rate of 25 pounds on the average city lot gives good results. It should be applied in February or early March. Spring rolling is also beneficial.

"You're married, ain't you?"
"Yes."
"Well, what's your next move when the wife says she has nothing more to say?"
"I place myself in a comfortable position in the easiest chair in the house and prepare to spend an hour listening to her say it."
—Life.

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M. Briand, the French Premier, photographed with Lloyd George, Britain's Prime Minister, in London a short time ago. M. Briand is on the left.

400,000 JOBLESS VETERANS IN U. S.

Unemployment Situation Is Taking Turn For Better

NEW YORK, Mar. 17.—There were 400,000 veterans of the world war out of work in the United States on March 1 last, according to an estimate received by the American Legion. This is a reduction of about 100,000 from the "peak" of more than 500,000 jobless ex-service men in the country shortly after January 1, last, and the Legion reports state that there is promise of further improvement.

The survey of the national situation on which these figures are based was made by the American Legion Weekly, official publication of the Legion, which states that the unemployment situation as affecting the veterans "appears to have taken a turn for the better."

A chain of employment agencies operated by the Legion in every state has done much to relieve the situation, says the Legion officials. The Legion has been instrumental in obtaining work for veterans, in discouraging the migration of unemployed men toward the great industrial centers and has encouraged a movement from cities to the farms. It has demanded that workers who left their positions to go to war should enjoy seniority rights on a par with those of military age who stayed at home.

Ex-service men have suffered more in proportion to their numbers than other workers, according to the Legion's survey, because of the operation of seniority rules and efficiency standards. Nearly a year is required for the returned veteran to get back to his old stride in industry, according to the testimony of large employers of labor. Another thing that has handicapped the ex-soldier is his restlessness and nomadic tendencies, both products of the strain and circumstances of war service.

Reopening of factories and mills in the textile regions of New England and in the mining and industrial centers of Pennsylvania leads observers in those parts to believe the worst is past, according to the Legion's survey. The automobile centers of Detroit, Cleveland and Indianapolis report a slight improvement of conditions. In Chicago conditions are stationary it is said.

Throughout the agricultural middle west a general movement from the cities and towns to the farms is reported. The average ex-soldier had little taste for agriculture when he came back from the war. It was hard to keep them down on the farm after they had "seen Paroo." They chose to work in small factories or stores in the neighboring country seat, where, during 1919, the jobs were plenty and wages high. When those jobs began to go there was at first an exodus toward the larger cities. The Legion strove to discourage this. That movement has about spent itself and farmers throughout the west now report little difficulty in getting help, and except in the larger cities there are few able-bodied ex-service men reported out of work in the middle west.

The south reports improvement. Dixie has been burdened with a larger quota of winter floaters than usual this year, according to reports. Some are now finding farm work in the south, others are drifting north, largely to settle on farms. The Pacific Coast, a land where there are three great seasonal occupations of fishing, lumbering and fruit raising, has been able

to decrease the number of jobless veterans by half in two months, according to advices from there. In Washington state there were 7,000 unemployed veterans on January 1 and 2,000 on February 1.

OBITUARY

Joseph Sarff was born in Randolph county, Indiana, January 3, 1841 and died March 16, 1921, at his home in Salem, Oregon, at the age of 80 years, 2 months and 13 days.

He had been a faithful Christian all his life. He was married to Lydia Noffsinger in 1861. To this union were born five children, four boys and one girl. One of them predeceased him to the better world. He leaves a wife and four children.

QUITTING TIME FOR FATHER

Gently fold the toll-worn hands, It's quitting time for father! Gone from us to Heavenly lands— It's quitting time for father!

Oh, your gentle, kindly face, Ever true and tender— And your well-loved form To you, our love, we render.

No golden heart for us, like thine, In all the world, none other, Gently fold the toll-worn hands— It's quitting time for father!

Gone they burdens, one by one, Christ—He knoweth best— Leaving you—a little child Weary—gone to rest.

Sleep in peace, Oh, precious one, In Christ, thy Elder Brother, Your work is done, your crown is won; It's quitting time for father!

GIVES MONEY AWAY



Giving away your surplus wealth is not only a pleasant pastime but it aids in the enjoyment of the game of life. In the opinion of Thomas Mitten, president of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company, who told a committee representing the co-operative organization of the company's employees that he had no desire to accumulate money. He gives away at the end of each year whatever money he has left over after paying his expenses. "Too much money is a bad thing. The man who piles up vast fortunes for which he could have no possible use is missing the pleasure of distributing money without thought of ever receiving a return on it," Mr. Mitten told his employees. "Furthermore, I do not wish to deprive my son, Dr. A. A. Mitten, of any of the pleasures of life or of making money. Therefore, I will not leave him any when I die."

HOLY WEEK TO BE CELEBRATED

Noon Religious Services To Be Held at Oregon Theater This Week

Arrangements have been made for services in the Oregon theater every day this week during the noon hour. This custom is one being followed in all the large cities in observance of Holy week, and the endeavor is to provide a hearing for Christian principles by the business world for a few minutes at least six week days out of the year.

The management of the Oregon theater has kindly donated the use of the theater for the services, and the Salem Ministerial association will provide a program each day. There will be a sacred selection on the pipe organ by Mr. McDonald, invocation and scripture reading, brief address by one of the pastors, special vocal and musical number each day. The services will begin promptly at 12:10 p.m. and close at 12:45. At the first service Monday noon F. G. Deekbech will act as chairman, Rev. B. E. Kirkpatrick will deliver the

address and Rev. H. C. Stover will sing a solo. The general public is invited to attend these services.

UP-TO-DATE

At the now justly famous Jackson day dinner a number of good stories were told and the women are enjoying one told by Senator Hitchcock of Nebraska apropos of the growing influence of women. Referring to the habit of American men of calling their wives "the better half," he repeated a story told him by the Prince of Wales during his recent visit here.

Visiting a dugout occupied by American doughboys the prince was surprised to find there, side

by side, large pictures of his father and mother clipped from some illustrated magazine. He stepped closer to note the inscription. Under one was "King George the Fifth; "under the other, "The Other Four-Fifths!"

TOILETTE DE LUXE

Two Irishmen stood in front of a drug store on Spring street. In the window was a display of rubber gloves. "Now, I wonder what is there things for?" asked one of the Irishmen. "Oh," replied the other Irishman, "ye can put them things on and wash yer hands without getting yer hands wet."

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