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EDITORIAL COMMENT

Hours in stores are shorter now than they have been in the past. And yet the merchant does more work and better work than his predecessors have done. To do the most you can and the best you can needs perfect physical and mental conditions.

We noted last week the list of those who had subscribed to the band concert fund. We regret to hear that not many of those so contracting have thought to pay their subscriptions this week, ourselves among the number. But we intend to do so at once and before this reaches your eyes it will be done. "Go thou and do likewise."

We have been interested and instructed by the correspondence of a friend in the eastern end of the county who has been overhauling public records to ascertain "whither we are drifting." He informs us that 24,000,000 acres of land in this country are owned by foreign dudes, dukes and lords who never were on American soil. Then there are the Weirhausers with 8,000,000 acres, the Millers with 14,000,000 acres. In all, 46 people or families own an empire 16 times as large as the state of Massachusetts. Now in the face of this we find a lot of fellows crying their lungs sore about single tax being an injury to the country. Whatever system is used some method should be devised whereby larger land owning would be unprofitable unless under actual cultivation and undergoing improvement. At the same time these larger areas are lying idle millions of people are without their own homes. They must rent or forsake the farm. It robs the people individually and collectively. Smaller areas owned and improved pay larger rents or taxes and enrich not only the individual but the locality and the state. It affords a better resource for a growing population and ensures not only financial strength but the muscle and brawn of manhood that speaks for our international safety. Better an army of peaceable foreign laboring people searching our land over for homes than one lord with his millions in cash, which he means to spend elsewhere.

One of the most important questions before the people of eastern Multnomah is the use of the Base Line and Section Line roads for racing purposes. If the time actually consumed by the races were the only consideration all would be well. Not more than a couple of hours would be needed, but such is not the case. For the last two weeks the general public has found it extremely unsafe to venture on these roads. Not an hour in the day has been free from rapid driving. A shy horse, a nervous driver and a 60 mile car are risks that no ordinary agency would be in a hurry to take. But that is not the real basis for this complaint. If a number of horsemen were to turn these roads into racing tracks there would be complaint and justly so. Moreover, the roads were never intended for such purposes. A well worded remonstrance backed up by a goodly number of names placed before the county court should meet with a just consideration and the racing business stopped. We hear that the Country Club will afford ample track for the purpose next year. We hope so. That would end much reckless driving on these public roads and dispose of the matter amicably.

Out of 2,500 boys examined in the schools of Kansas, only six cigarette smokers were found to be what would generally be called "bright." Ten of the remainder were average students, while all the rest of the 2,500 were found to be poor at their studies or worthless.

Fruit Canning.

The art and science of canning fruit and vegetables is to preserve them as near as possible in their natural condition. The fruit should retain its original flavor, color, odor and structure. In fact, when a can is opened, its contents should be unchanged as near as possible the condition in which nature produced it. Unfortunately the problem has not been wholly solved, although much work has been done to accomplish this end. In the first place I would say in canning for household use the most essential things in the process are the sterilization of the fruit and all the utensils and the sealing of the fruit to exclude all germs.

The fruit should be canned as soon as possible after being picked or gathered. Over a 100 years ago Francois Appert was the first to make practical application of the method of preserving fruit and food by putting it in cans or bottles, which he hermetically sealed. He then put the cans or bottles in water and boiled them for more or less time, according to the kind of fruit. In Appert's time, and indeed until recent years, it was generally thought that the oxygen of the air caused the decomposition of food. His theory was that the things essential to the preservation of food in this manner was the EXCLUSION of air and the application of gentle heat. But scientists tell us it is not the oxygen of the air that causes fermentation but bacteria and other microscopic organisms. While Appert's theory as to the cause of spoiling food was incorrect, his method of preserving it by sealing and cooking was correct, and the world owes him a debt of gratitude.

Scientists also tell us that if food or fruit is perfectly sterilized the opening of the can or bottle plugged with sterilized cotton will keep perfect, as the bacteria will not pass through the cotton. I find one of the greatest difficulties with the housewife is to get the can properly sealed. I have always used the Mason can, and you will notice that on the side of the can is a crease in the glass, and I have often wondered why it was that one can of fruit would spoil when all others canned at the same time would be good, and by investigating I believe the crease at the side of the can is at fault. While we screw the top on as tight as possible there still remains a tiny place for the air to penetrate, and often in putting on two rubbers you will overcome the difficulty.

Every housewife is familiar with molds that grow on almost any kind of fruit. This happens more frequently in damp, warm weather. Molds develop from SPORES that are always floating about in the air, and when it falls on a substance containing moisture and suitable food, it sends out a fine thread, which branches out and soon covers the entire substance. Mold SPORES are very light and are blown about by the wind, and if one drops on a jar of preserves or jelly it soon germinates if there is moisture enough. It does not penetrate very deeply into preserves or jelly, but if given time will work through solid substance, which contains moisture, as nearly every housewife has seen it in molding of a loaf of bread or cake.

Selection of fruit is one of the first steps in obtaining successful results. Fruit should be canned just before it is perfectly ripe, especially for jelly. If fruit is too ripe it loses its jelly-making qualities. All fruit should be freshly picked and no imperfect fruit used. When fruit is brought into the house, put it where it will keep cool until ready to use. Decide upon the amount of fruit you will use or cook at one

time. Have your syrup hot in the preserving kettle, drop your fruit into the syrup and let it just come to a boil and then put into the jars or cans as quickly as possible and seal. Never use wet fruit for canning. If necessary to wash berries, put in a colander and pour water on them before hulling, and let them get dry before canning. The best and quickest way to peel peaches is to drop them into boiling water for a few minutes. If one has a wire basket to put them in all the better. Then plunge them into cold water a moment; let drain; then peel. Plums and tomatoes may be canned in the same way. If peaches are to be canned in syrup, put them in sterilized jars, either whole or in halves, and pour your syrup on them. A few pits left in the jar will greatly help in retaining the flavor of the peach.

The length of time the syrup should boil depends on how rich it should be. All syrups are better for boiling 19 or 15 minutes. This method of preserving fruit for home use is from all points most desirable. It is the easiest and considered the most economical and best because the fruit is kept in a soft and juicy condition.

The wise housekeeper will can her principal fruit, simply making only enough rich preserves for variety and special occasions. The success of canning depends on absolute cleanliness. If proper care is exercised there need be no failure except in rare cases when a SPORE has developed in the can. Every housewife has her own way of canning fruit, but the most important is to have the jars, tops and rubbers hot and perfect. Fill jar with fruit as quickly as possible, slip a silver-plated knife around the inside of jar, that the fruit may be packed more completely, then put on cover and fasten. When fruit is cool, wipe jars clean, put on labels and set away in a dark closet.

"We have now learned," says Gov. Folk, "that a rascal is a rascal still, whether he calls himself a Democrat or a Republican. If a party cannot seek for support on the ground of patriotism, it has no right to ask for support on the ground of partisanship. Partisanship may be a good thing sometimes but patriotism is a better thing all of the all of the time. I want to leave this lesson with you—that it takes fighting to make the people free, and that it takes more fighting to keep the people free."

The Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition is now in full swing and seems to be meeting the entire approval of the thousands who are traveling to the City on the Sound to view this magnificent collection of the resources of the Northwest. But not only is Seattle just now the Mecca of tourists from all over this country, but Portland and Oregon are receiving attention at their hands. Let Gresham be awake to her interests during this unprecedented rush of visitors to the coast and receive her share of home-seekers, business enterprises and factories that is sure to follow. We have the climate, soil and numerous other advantages to offer those who are contemplating a change from the congested East, and we should not fail to exploit these inducements. Let us get busy along this line.

The welcome with which the officials of the Japanese Navy are having extended to them by the citizens of the various coast cities they visit, demonstrates that there has been a lot of jingo war talk in the two countries that is not vouched for by the people as a whole. Nations, like individuals, depend more upon peaceful arbitration of dissenting questions as they progress in civilization and we judge the time is near past when enlightened nations will settle their differences on the field of battle. It is one of the results of a higher civilization.

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