

By JOHN DICKINSON SHERMAN UTHER BURBANK is going to take life a little easier after this. He has earned the right to take whatever rest he chooses. He is seventy-six and for fifty straight years he has been busy at the work

famous. Just how much rest Luther Burbank will choose to take is a question. He is in good health and is as

that has made him world-

fond of work as Edison, than whom no one is fonder. Nevertheless, for two years he has been gradually getting his affairs in shape with the idea of having some qualified institution take over his experimental farms at Santa Rosa and carry on his work,

Stanford university, it is now announced, will take over the Burbank gardens for maintenance and perpetuation. The conditions under which Stanford was established require that each unit shall have its individual endowment. So a committee is now at work making the necessary financial arrangements.

It is not stated how much Burbank forth. is to receive for his gardens. It is figures to be fixed by a friendly committee. The story goes that private interests made offers of \$100,000, of \$150,000 and of \$250,000 and of \$150,000 and of \$250,000 and that Bur-like lady fingers. bank refused them, on the ground that he was unwilling to "commercialize" his half-century of work. It is also said that several mid-western and eastern colleges were desirous of purchasing. These Burbank eliminated as being too far away.

things easier, but that two of his personal friends, Edison and Ford, protransfer are President Ray Lyman Wilbur, Herbert Hoover, William G. and William H. Crocker.

as saying that "In twelve hours run- it is stated-merely well-to-do. ning" he would not be able to enumerste the experiments he now has under "How Plants Are Trained to Work for not without honor save in his own

acre farm at Lancaster, Mass. He He cannot train the individual plant, by the pictures taken at the Burbank was the thirteenth child in a family perhaps, but he trains the plant family Jubilee of 1923, when the municipally of fifteen. His father gave him school- through generation after generation owned Burbank park was dedicated. ing in a private academy and then he making use of cross-breeding, en- This park will contain a collection had to go to work. He got a job at a vironmental influences favorable to of his products. wood-turning lathe in Worcester, The variation, selection of those qualities - Long years ago the Bard of Avon job paid \$3 a week. Forthwith he in- valuable to man. Nature herself plays declared it "wasteful and ridiculous vented an improvement on the lathe, a Burbank prank every now and then excess . . . "to paint the lily, to got bimself put on piece work and -for example, the Delicious Apple throw perfume on the violet." But earned some days as much as \$16.50. and the Temple Orange (soon to be Luther Burbank has done just this As soon as he got together a bit of on the market) are both "sports." and done it better than anyone else. So money he went to work at farmingthe Burbank kind-in Lunenburg.

him as a Yankee who had turned | Nature at the bank himself has written:

life and mold the plastic forms of living organisms rather than classify fixed and immutable phenomena. . . . which would appear to be the province his white blackberry. He says:

In 1872 in Massachusetts, when Bur- had ever before existed. reported, however, that he turns them bank was twenty-three, he undertook over at half their full valuation, the to improve the potato. Says Burbank: bank's work would take many volumes.

as being too far away.

The story is that Burbank himself never would have thought of taking things easier, but that two of his nor.

got thirty-two plants from it that were practically all different. From these came the Burbank potato. I sold it for \$150. It has probably contributed \$150,000,000 to the food values of the to those which lacked it and en

of its advisability. David Starr Jordan fornia. He was unheralded and un- Shasta daisy from the common field stammered the Gnu, remembering all of Stanford is another personal friend, known. But he had in his baggage ten daisy of the East and daisles from of a sudden the knotty question which He too took kindly to the idea, Among Burbank potatoes that he had re- Europe and Asia. He has created a had troubled him that morning. "I'd others interested in promoting the tained from the Massachusetts sale. new calla, amaryllis, clematis, gladilike to know what I am. Now there's Had the "Plant Wizard"—he got the olus and columbine. name early-chosen to padlock his Possibly the most valuable product Raffy Giraffe, Mrs. Ostrich, Springy McAdoo, Rudolph Spreckles, Mrs. A. gardens and keep his mouth shut he of Burbank's long years of work is Gazelle, Swift the Antelope and Zippy B. Spreckles, James Rolph, Jr., Her- might easily have posed as an interna- the cactus without spines or bristles. Zebra, all know who they are. We bert Slater, Mrs. Margaret Sartoris tional mystery. He chose the opposite He began work on the prickly pear are very happy and sociable out on the policy and when success arrived he (opuntia tuna) in 1896. He had cactus Broad Plain, sir, but I am bothered At Stanford it is intimated that a proceeded to take the public into his specimens sent him from all over the about my family tree." rearrangement will follow the trans- confidence. In 1893 he published his world. He raised thousands of seedfer. The present idea seems to be that first work, "New Creations in Fruits lings. It was not until 1907 that he the gardens will be put in charge of a and Flowers." Other volumes fol- won success and gave the world a new special faculty of scientists from all lowed; in them he described and pic- forage plant. parts of the world. This faculty will tured his achievements. He worked be jointly chosen by Burbank and the alone, with no pecuniary assistance, a horticulturist of genius. He is a university. Burbank does not plan until 1904, when the Carnegie in | forceful personality, with his own to give up work entirely. He will stitute granted him \$10,000 a year ideas and philosophies. His latest presumably be needed. He is quoted for ten years. Burbank is not wealthy, portrait, here reproduced, shows a

Man," is significant of his methods. country. For Santa Rosa greatly Luther Burbank was born on a 200- He considers that he trains plants. honors its "Plant Wizard," as shown Horticulturists soon got to speaking in endless pains, in the ability to aid Shakespeare.

is inventive knack toward growing plants seeds by the millions; he dethings—an experimental crank with a stroys plants wholesale. He once made mania for improving on nature. Bur- an estimate that during a fifteenyear period of experiment more than I desired to deal with the forces of a million specimens were destroyed

The chief work of the botanist of yesterday was the study and classification of dried, shriveled plant mumnies, whose souls had fled, rather than the living plastic forms. We have the combinations are very difficult to obtain. I have waited years to be combined in the combinations are very difficult to obtain. to obtain. I have waited years, in many instances, to secure a plant with one needed quality lacking in any of the forms I had available. Sometimes the living plastic forms. We have learned that they are as plastic in our hands as clay in the hands of the potter or color on the artist's canvas, and can readily be moided into more beautiful forms and colors than any painter or sculptor can ever hope to bring forth.

The wasted years, in many instances, to secure a plant with one needed quality lacking in any of the forms I had available. Sometimes a friend, or one of my collectors in another country, has found the element I needed for this purpose, usually in a plant growing wild. With it I succeeded in making a finer plant than eeded in making a finer plant than

> To summarize the results of Burimportant structural changes; h ample, he has made a stoneless plum. the chestnut and walnut by several and yet I should like to know." years. He has produced the white blackberry and the plum-cot, a cross

to those which lacked it and enlarged for a change and a better view of and beautified many. From the yellow things. I'm Cheerups; is there any-Burbank arrived October 1, 1875, California poppy he created a flower thing I can do for you today?" posed the plan and convinced him in Santa Rosa, Sonoma county, Call- of magnificent crimson. He made the

Luther Burbank is much more than strong face. And he has given the lie The title of one of Burbank's books, to the old saying that a prophet is

And Burbank pats Nature on the back. the world has beaten a pathway to his His genius consists in infinite patience, door and Emerson has the laugh on

hood to express her emotions, while this fault, taught her to hand around the male is taught to repress his. Doc- anything nice she might have, after you want a position in our telephone tor Thorndike of Columbia university remarking to visitors, "I always take exchange?" says: "The individual differences some of what Helen offers, whether I | "Yes, sir. At least I'll have an exwithin one sex so enormous!; out want it or not, so that she will learn to cuse for not answering."

weigh the differences between the | be generous." One day Helen came in sexes in the intellectual and semi-in- with a small bag of coconut cakes. tellectual traits that for practical pur- Going up to her mother's side she said. Psychologists estimate that 30 per poses the sex differences may be dis- "Mamma. I's learned to be generous; please don't take any of my cakes this

Allo! . . .

In the With Cheerups and the Quixies by Grace Bliss Stewart "What is your name?" asked Cheer-

THE NERVOUS GNU

WAS a very trying moment for and Zippy Zebra, his jolly neighbors tions? It's confusing, I say." on the Great Plain. Each knew with- "Now don't be disturbed, Mr. Gnu," Animal World.

embarrassing."

He took a sudden leap into the air, can be." alighted on the ground and began to the Nervous Gnue scampered across the Broad Sunny Plain at top speed.

Soon the Great Trees and Twisty comed before him. Their cool shade ooked very inviting to Mr. Gnu.

time," thought he. "I wonder what's ous, Mr. Gnu," called Cheerups. going on in the Jungle these days. The same old Lions and Leopards are there, I suppose, and they would like a nice julcy something-or-other like me for supper. But I can't help that; I've just got to go in and look around for myself, it's so mysterious and ex-

Now the Nervous Gnu is about the ost curious animal in the world, so he lost no time in trotting down the



"Don't Be Alarmed," Called a Voice From the Palm Leaf Roof.

Winding Way into the heart of the

np, as he came suddenly into the geant cured entirely new varieties. For ex- clearing and saw Cheerups' little house

leaf roof. "I know it looks queer, but as good friends as the English. In flowers he has given perfume I just got up here on top of my house

> "Why-why-yes, sir, there is," a poser for you! You see my chums,



New Afghan Coinage

time; I only got a few."-Boston silver coin worth approximately the same as the Kabuli rupee (about 16 cents). The name of the new coin is derived from Amanulla, the name of

ups kindly. "They call me the Nervons Gnn Mr Mr. Gnu. He had just begun to Cheerups, because I am so easily fluswonder what kind of an animal he tered. But who wouldn't be if he had really was. All his friends were quite the head and horns of a bull, the mane sure which family they belonged to, and tall of a horse and the body and There was Mrs. Ostrich, Raffy Giraffe, legs of an antelope, and didn't know at Swift the Antelope, Springy Gazelle all what he is and who are his rela-

out a doubt where he belonged in the said Cheerups, smiling and nodding his topknot merrily. "There isn't a "But here am I," grumbled Mr. Gnu. blt of doubt in my mind what you are. "with the head and horns of a bull, You are an antelope. Don't you see the mane and tall of a horse and the that your body and legs-the greatbody and legs of an antelope; just a er part of you-are like those of the mixture like patchwork. It's most antelope family? So there you are! The question is settled as neatly as

"Oh, I hadn't thought of that." paw and wheel about like a frisky gasped the Gnu. "It's funny how you horse, which is a funny way Gnus don't think of things, isn't it? I see have of doing when they are excited now that you are perfectly right, Mr. and disturbed. Then, kicking up his Cheerups. That's really a wonderful heels and flourishing his long tail, idea. How you have relieved my mind! Thank you, thank you!"

"Now you can go back to your happy little neighborhood on the Broad Vines of the edge of the Jungle Plain and know just where you stand. Swift the Antelope and Springy Gazelle are your cousins, remember! But "I haven't been in there for a long please do be careful about being curi-

"Curiosity carries you far And teaches you much, I hear, But caution tells you not to stray Where danger is lurking near."

"I'll try to remember all you have told me, Mr. Cheerups," cried the Nervous Gnu, kicking his heels loyfully in the air, and with a final switch of his tail he made off at top speed in the direction of his friends on the Broad Plain.

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Charles De Roche សងាសាសសងាសាសសងាសាសសងាសងាសាសាស



Charles de Roche was born in Port-Vendres, Pyrenees, France, July 7, 1893. He is six feet, one inch in height and weighs 185 pounds. He has brown hair and gray eyes. Before entering the "movies" he had a number of years' experience on the stage in France, playing all sorts of roles. He has been seen in some of the most popular pictures, playing opposite prominent stars.

Tickets by the Million

The company operating the omnibus nes in London Issues about four milion tickets every day. The number of tickets kept in stock is about four hundred millions, and each ticket is stamped with a number

Your Last Name

IS IT HINMAN?

THERE is no English Hinman fam-ily. Burke gives arms for Inman, leaving four daughters and four sons, Hindman and Hyndman. A genealogist Titus, Samuel, Benjamin and Edward. of the American Hinman family suggests that Inman is the original form of the name for which Hinman is a Cockney variation.

At any rate there was early a big family of Hinmans in this country. The first of the name here was Sergeant Edward, who is recorded in Stratford, Conn., between 1650 and Jungle. He was timid and suspicious, 1652. There is a family tradition that

There is record that he and Capt. standing there. "I don't believe it Charles Underhill, in Albany, offered He has hastened the bearing age of means anything good, whatever it is, their services to Governor Stuyesant to help the Dutch fight the Indians but "Don't be alarmed," called a merry Stuyvesant turned down their offer, derived from the animal, famed in voice from the peak of the small paim- saying that he considered the Indians

Sedgeant Edward married Hannah, daughter of Francis and Sarah Stiles

> BUCK-The Buck family, to which Dudley Buck, the musician, belonged, was founded here by Emanuel Buck, who came to Massachusetts shortly after the founding of Plymouth. He was one of the earliest settlers of Wethersfield, Conn., in 1647. The family is connected with those

of Winthrop, Saltonstall and Dudley. Dudley Buck's maternal grandfather was Nathaniel Adams, a noted lawyer of New Hampshire, the preceptor of Webster and one-time grand master of the Masons. Dudley Buck's grandmother was a member of the Winthrop family. The name is of old English origin and is doubtless the chase.

"As I thought. How do you spell fail?" BBREVIATED =STORY

THE RASPBERRY TRAIL

IN GREAT agitation, Some Waxine Wompers burst in on Waxine Beans, the beautiful lady detective, as she was at work on her forthcoming no damage. volume, "How to Exercise the Tongue

to Improve the Taste."
"Read this!" he panted, slapping down a badly scrawled, badly stained note, reading: "If you fale to put \$38 under the back gate at midnight tonight, your sun will be put to deth."

"My child has disappeared as completely as though the earth had swalowed him up! And to think-the disgrace of it!-his abductors can't even spell correctly and value his priceless life at only \$38! Oh, the shame! And such a vulgar note, all covered with stains! The unspeakable humiliation of it!"

"Stains are my specialty," said Miss. Beans cheerfully as she passed her dainty tongue lightly over the note, "H'm. So."

After an hour's search in the neighborhood of the Wompers home, she found a small boy licking an all-day sucker behind a barrel. "What flavor is it, sonny?" she

asked winningly. "Raspberry," he replied. (@ by McClure Newspaper Syndicate.)

"F-a-l-e." "As I thought, Come with me, young Wompers." And as a reward for coming along

without making her chase him, she stopped to give him time to pick some grass to stuff into the back of his trousers. (C) by George Matthew Adams.)

Lightning has struck the Eiffel tower in Paris many times, but does

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THE SPUR

THE wolf was standing at my

Induiging in the usual roar I'd heard so many times before.

I'd got so used to him that he For all he yowled so lustily Somehow no longer bothered me. And soon I came to look on him

As if he were a creature grim To spur me on to greater vim.

And do you know that every day He wagged his tail in manner gay d grinning broadly loped

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which has for its unit the amania, a from Europe.

Maryland's Flag a Copy The state flag of Maryland reprethe present ameer of Afghanistan. In sents the escutcheon of the paternal addition to the amania there will be coat of arms of Lord Baltimore. The coined half-amania pieces and nickel first and fourth quarters consist of embodiment of industry, sleeps ten coins of smailer denominations. Ac- six vertical bars, alternately gold and hours a day.

cording to press reports the required; black, with a diagonal band, on which silver has been purchased in India the colors are reversed; the second through a German firm and the nickel and third quarters consist of a quar-The government of Afghanistan has through an Italian firm. The manu- tered field of red and white, charged introduced a new system of coinage facturing stamps have been imported with a Greek cross, its arms terminating in trefolis, with the colors transposed, red being on the white ground and white on the red, and all being represented as on the escutcheon of the present seal of Maryland.

The beaver, though looked on as an

Sex Differences

cent of the men are as emotional as regarded." 50 per cent of the women, but this is In a measure offset by the statement that for generations the female has Little Helen was inclined to be selbeen encouraged from earliest child- fish, and her mother, hoping to correct

Graduated

"What! You're hard of hearing and