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CAN THEY HARMONIZE?

The forest service tells us that the colossal supply of timber that covered the United States 150 years ago has been practically destroyed, except on the Pacific coast, and that at the present rate the coast will be practically denuded of timber in a few years.

The cement trust supplies the waste baskets of country newspaper offices with tons of paper in its effort to get free publicity for its plea to builders to use cement and "spare that tree."

The plaster board makers contribute similarly to those same capacious receptacles in the effort to promote the use of its products instead of ceiling lumber or lath and plaster.

Lumbermen's organizations are leading the mails with propagandea against the use of cardboard and corrugated paper packages in place of wood packing boxes and substitutes for wood in building, claiming that the great lumber industry is suffering from such competition and the prices of its products are depressed.

One thing these people have not done. They have not shown how a house for a packing box can be produced for less than twice what it would have cost fifty years ago.

And few of them are going bankrupt now-a-days without at the same time salting down a snug nest egg where the law cannot reach it.

A severance tax on lumber would take money from those who are destroying one of the country's natural resources. It might exempt all ripe trees, such as the government sells in the forest reserves.

An inheritance tax takes money from those who have not earned it and who, in the majority of instances would be better off without it. If, for instance, such a tax had taken away the money that went to Jay Gould's heirs (except Helen) how much fewer railroad mismanagement cases, divorce scandals, progressive marriages and divorces would have been presented! And now is added to these the charge that George Gould, who is dead and cannot protest, embezzled heavily from funds of other heirs which passed through his hands when he was juggling with railroads.

Judge Morehauser gave us reason for an increase of the contempt of court of which judges complain in this country when he forced Mrs. Jones a witness whose veracity had not been questioned, to reveal the fact that she had been a mother years ago, before she was married. No reason for that ruling appeared in the published reports more probable than that the judge was partial to the millionaire family and unfair to the other side. The question had no bearing on the case.

Since the war the price of wheat has dropped approximately half, the price of flour a third and the price of bread almost a twentieth. The big bakers' trust has a capital of \$400,000,000. There is good inducement for a return to popularity of the housewifely art of making good bread.

At Yakima Bernard Newman, a youth, was convicted of killing a man in an auto accident. Out on bail, on appeal, he continued his tactics, ran against a telephone pole and was killed. The regrettable part of it is that the fool driver, like this one, often kills the wrong person first.

The Chicago board of trade has apparently turned away Mr. Jardine's wrath at grain gambling by promising to make rules specifying how much the gamblers may rob the growers of in that way and punishing them if they steal more than the limit set.

The Moderation league of New York says there is more drunkenness now than before prohibition. Other booze advocates are telling similar manifest lies. Look around you and see.

ZADI'S HISTORY TYPICAL

Armenian Orphan Adopted by Dr. and Mrs. Gannaway of Seattle.

Zadi Pachalian Gannaway, once an Armenian orphan, but now adopted by her American rescuers, Dr. and Mrs. Chas. R. Gannaway, of Seattle, "gathered up in her wasted diseased body the sorrows of all Armenians" at the age of one year.

"Zadi's history is typical of thousands of Near East orphans," stated Mrs. Gannaway on a recent tour of the Northwest. Driven with her mother into exile, she was suffering with measles, pneumonia, dysentery and other Near East diseases when we found her. The marvelous vitality of the children of the Near East is shown in Zadi's gallant and successful fight for life. There were thousands as attractive as Zadi in a multitude numbering over eight thousand to whom Dr. Gannaway ministered in the Near East. A mental test of Zadi at the Cheney, Washington, Normal School, showed the mind of a child of eight at the age of four and a half.



ZADI PACHALIAN GANNAWAY

"On the foundation of 200,000 children, many of them above the average in mentality, America has been building for ten years for the future. Many years of study of the children of the Near East, in which I have come greatly to admire their independence and desire to help themselves, make me believe that America never did a greater piece of work than when she reached out and gathered up these thousands of orphan waifs. It is not unreasonable to believe that in American care today in the Near East are the men and women who twenty years from now will be shaping the future of that turbulent land. America must continue for only the few years necessary to complete the task."

Golden Rule Sunday, December 6, will be America's answer to thousands of children like Zadi. Full information about the day, including suggestive menus, may be had on application to the Near East Relief.

Near East Relief offices are at 613 Stock Exchange, Portland; 339 Burke Bldg., Seattle; and for the Golden Rule Campaign temporary offices have been opened at 301 Walker Bank Bldg., Salt Lake City; 627 Peyton Bldg., Spokane; Bristol Hotel, Boise, and Y. M. C. A., Tacoma.

Ed Jewett went thanksgiving day for a visit with his sister in Lebanon.

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Paragraphs for Linn Farmers

Linn Sheep Champions in the East. Some Good Halsey Porkers

C. P. Kizer got the championship prize on an Oxford ram and ewe at the Kansas City show.

Sam Collins, living two miles north of Halsey, recently sold four Duroc Jersey pigs five months old that weighed 915 pounds, or an average of 228 3/4 pounds each, an example of good feeding and fine stock.

Belgium raises five times as much wheat as the Willamette Valley, although less in total area and having less acreage in wheat. In other words, in that intensely cultivated little kingdom the wheat yield is over five times as great as that of Willamette Valley wheat land. Due to conservation of barnyard fertilizer, Belgian wheat lands are more productive than ever before during 1,500 years of cultivation, while the wheat lands of the Willamette Valley are worn out after only 50 years of cultivation. —Oregon Voter.

I can foresee the day when everything produced on the farm for the markets will be marketed by the farmers themselves, through organizations of their own creation. —Ex-Governor Lowden of Illinois.

Reports from growers, inspectors, county agents and retail merchants from different sections of the state are that the potato grading and inspection law is fast growing in favor as the people realize its benefits, says the state market agent. The law simply requires an honest pack and any honest grower or dealer doesn't want any more. Growers compelled to grade their stock now realize how much dealers have gained by doing this for them.

Hundreds of acres of clover were burned in the field in the neighborhood of Quinaby, Marion county, after it was cut, placed in windrows and thrashing begun, when it was found that weed seed was the chief product.

A farmer fenced a garden spot chicken tight and in one season completely destroyed an infestation of wild morning glory by giving his flock access to this diabolical weed. —Oregon Farmer.

John Beall of Portland, pipe manufacturer and owner of the Diamond B ranch near Lowell, Lane county, has sold to William R. Hearst, newspaper publisher, his Hereford cattle for an average of \$211 a head. There are 175 animals in the herd.

Boardman farmers are raising turkeys in greater numbers. This year they received good prices for the birds and are reaping a fair profit. Walter Knauff was offered 47 cents a pound for his prime birds and shipped 117 of them, which weighed 1450 pounds, and Mrs. John Pruter received \$187 for 47 birds.

Best Feed for Hogs

Pigs turned on soy beans when the pods are filled receive sufficient protein without the addition of a supplement. Permanent pasture is not in the same class with rape, rye or soy beans, but is much better than no pasture. Lespedeza is one of the clovers and is a splendid pasture while it lasts. It is possible to have pasture every month in the year and this system is necessary for the most economical pork production.

Cost of Screening Barn

The cost of screening the barn is more than paid for by the increased production. When the cows are free from flies they can devote their energy to production. If screening cannot be done, spraying with some cheap but effective fly repellent should precede the milking process, whenever possible. Care should be taken, however, not to get any of the spray into the milk, because of the disagreeable odor and taste it will impart.

THE MARKETS

Portland
Wheat—Big Bend bluestem, \$1.19; hard white, \$1.17; soft white, \$1.48; western white, \$1.17; hard winter, \$1.11; northern spring \$1.13; western red, \$1.12.
Hay—Alfalfa, \$18@19.50 ton; valley timothy, \$18@19; eastern Oregon timothy, \$21@22.
Butterfat—56c shippers' track.
Eggs—Ranch, 45@46c.
Cheese—Prices f. o. b. Tillamook; Triplets, 21c; loaf, 23c per lb.
Cattle—Steers, good \$7.75@8.00.
Hogs—Medium to choice, \$11.50@12.00.
Sheep—Lamb, medium to choice \$12.00@13.00.

Seattle.
Wheat—Soft white, \$1.58; western white, \$1.57; hard winter, \$1.53; western red, \$1.53; northern spring, \$1.53; Big Bend bluestem, \$1.50.
Hay—Alfalfa, \$23; D. C., \$25; timothy, \$20; mixed hay, \$24.
Butter—Creamery, 54c.
Eggs—Ranch, 54c.
Hogs—Prime, \$12.25@12.50.
Cattle—Prime steers, \$7.75@8.00.
Cheese—Oregon fancy, 28c; Oregon standards 25c; Washington triplets 28c.

Spokane.
Hogs—Prime mixed, \$11.50@11.75.
Cattle—Prime steers, \$7.75@8.00.

Careful With Pullets, to Avoid Molt in Fall

Farm poultry producers who hatch chickens early in order to get a fall egg production from their pullets while their hens are molting, must handle the pullets carefully to avoid a molt in the fall, according to H. W. Pitting of Purdue university in reply to questions on this subject.

The pullets should have been hatched so they will mature and start laying around October 1. This means about six months for the lighter breeds such as Leghorns and seven months or a little over for the heavier breeds such as Rhode Island Reds, Plymouth Rocks and others.

A good plan that prevents too rapid development is to feed the grain as well as mash in a self-feeder after the cockerels have been marketed. When pullets' combs are reddening materially, it is well to remove some or all of the animal protein from the mash. However, if this is done, more minerals should be added to take the place of that which was contained in the animal protein. Once a pullet is mature, egg production cannot be delayed.

Sweet Clover Hay

Sweet clover hay that is well cured and not too coarse and stemmy is equal to alfalfa hay as feed for dairy cows and since it is generally conceded that alfalfa hay is superior to red clover hay for dairy cows sweet clover hay must be considered better than red clover hay. It must be remembered, however, that sweet clover hay must be well cured and not too coarse; the cutting from the first year's growth is most satisfactory.

Impossible to Overfeed Heavy Layers in Flock

If all, or nearly so, of the hens in a flock are good layers, it is almost impossible to overfeed them. The biddies will use the raw material, grain, to manufacture the finished product, eggs, and their bodies will merely be maintained in good physical condition, but if the majority of the hens tend toward the beefy type, a line of demarcation must be drawn between under and over feeding, because beefy hens undoubtedly lay more eggs if not too well fed and will be at their best if made to dig hard for every kernel of grain they get, except just before going to roost at night, when they may have a fairly filling feed; while decidedly underfed birds have nothing left with which to manufacture eggs after body maintenance.

Damage by Rats

Nothing is more annoying or troublesome than rats in the apple storage. They munch into the apples on top of the barrel, apparently seeking only the seeds, and leaving the fruit looking more fit for the cider press or the dump heap than for a profitable market. The damage they do to foodstuffs, such as grain, poultry, eggs and meats, and to buildings, often amounts to more than the taxes on the place. A large part of this loss is preventable.

Legumes Cause Bloat

Some of the legumes are more apt to cause bloat than others. Alfalfa seems to be the worst offender of all the legumes. In some years white clover causes a good deal of trouble. Common red and mammoth clovers, when the growth is very rapid in early spring, and especially if consumed in large quantities while wet, also produce bloat. Sweet clover seldom causes bloat, and for years was considered harmless in that respect.

Feed for Each Fowl

It is impossible to state the exact amount of feed which is to be given to each fowl each day as the appetites of the different fowls vary under different conditions. When the hens are out on free range in the summer they will pick up green stuff and this will not need to be furnished. The hens will also get some bugs which may allow a slight reduction in the amount of animal food which is furnished in the mash.

Pocket gopher damage in Kansas alfalfa fields amounts to \$2,000,000 annually.

A persistently broody hen ought to mean a culled hen—unless you like to feed star boarders.

Don't make the hens eat quack grass in the summer. Swiss chard is a fine summer green feed when plenty of tender grass is lacking. A 100-foot row of swiss chard will keep 20 hens in green feed all summer.

Scientist Has Seedless Lemon. Oroville, Cal.—A seedless lemon, developed by C. W. Baker, Oroville plant scientist, was placed on display as a "surprise exhibit" at the closing day of the annual California Orange and Olive exposition.

CHAS. MacVEAGH



Charles MacVeagh of New York and Washington, who has been selected as American ambassador to Japan.

Silo Supplies Roughage Needed on Dairy Farms

That the average dairy farmer is bound to be short of roughage this year is the general opinion of men in touch with the situation. To prevent this shortage, Iowa State college suggests that the silo offers one of the best ways of stretching out the hay supply.

"While silage will not entirely take the place of legume hays in the ration of the dairy cow," says John M. Shaw, of the dairy husbandry department, "experimental work has shown that it will save considerable hay and at the same time will reduce the cost of milk and butterfat production.

"There is still time to build a silo and have it ready for filling this fall, and there is probably no more profitable investment which a dairyman can make."

Most Profitable Crops for Hay and Pasturage

Alfalfa is the most profitable hay crop that can be grown in this state. It does best on soils that are fairly well drained and in a fair state of fertility and that are not acid. Only adapted, hardy seed should be used. Grimm is especially well adapted to Michigan conditions while Cossack, Ontario Variegated, Northern Crown and High Altitude Common usually give good results.

Sweet clover is gaining very rapidly as a pasture crop. On the other hand, alfalfa is frequently used for pasture purposes.

The seed should be inoculated. Material for inoculation may be secured from the department of bacteriology, East Lansing, Mich. The price is 25 cents per bottle and each bottle contains sufficient material to inoculate a bushel of seed. Full directions for application accompany the material. The spray of the orchard should not in any way lessen the feeding value of the hay.—C. R. Mege, Associate Professor of Farm Crops, Michigan Agricultural College.

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