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OIL CONSERVATION

E. B. Reeser, President of the American Petroleum Institute, predicts that the problem of over-production which has been unsettling the oil industry for the past three years, will be solved within the next year. "There is greater harmony and willingness to cooperate today between large and small units of the petroleum industry than at any previous time in the history of the industry," he declares. "Gasoline and petroleum products' consumption in the United States has outstripped even the vastly increased production. The ratio of increase in use of gasoline and products is relatively at the rate of two for one, compared with the current increase in output. For the first time there is positive assurance that the immense natural resources of petroleum, which the United States possesses to a greater extent than any other country in the world, will be conserved for the use of generations of our people beyond the power of the present generation to estimate." The oil industry has been searching diligently for means to curb excessive production. Texas has evolved a method of pro-rata production and California has in force a plan designed to stop waste of natural gas. Production sufficient only for current needs would leave crude oil in its natural storage place and save the cost of expensive storage above ground. A nation-wide conservation program is the only way our invaluable petroleum resources can be preserved, and the public assured an adequate, fair-priced supply of oil products to meet future needs. Waste is the most persistent enemy of progress we must face.

WHO ARE THE TAXPAYERS

The Times, of Teple City, California, asks how often do we hear people boast of their indifference to the levying of new and higher taxes, because (they think) they pay no taxes, anyhow. Continuing, the Times says it is a fact that should be well known to every adult person that nearly all taxes are paid indirectly. In many lines of business a very large percentage of the gross income is required to pay various taxes, license fees, inspection fees, etc. These expenditures are, necessarily, charged up to those who buy the products or services of the firm. No concern could stay in business long unless it calculated its profit over and above the cost of doing business, and taxes are one of the first items on an up-to-date cost sheet. The landlord must figure taxes when he fixes the rental on a house, so the renter pays taxes on a home whether he owns it or not. Likewise, the merchant charges taxes as part of his costs, and the consumer pays. Most of us pay no bills to the railroads for freight, but we pay the freight just the same, and one of the main items in calculating freight rates is the tax paid by the railroad company. Practically all taxes—property, income and corporation—are paid by the ultimate consumer, and generally a nice little extra percentage is tacked on for good measure. So the real taxpayers in this country are not on the assessor's list. Thus it is to the interest of the poor, especially, to see that government expenditures are not unduly high.

A VIEW OF RUSSIA

In a recent press release Oswald Garrison Villard, editor of the Nation, and an alleged ultra-liberal, praises the zeal and industry of the Russian government, which he is now visiting. Then he says: "The soviet rule is, of course, just what it pretends to be. It is a dictatorship with no mercy for dissenters. They are shot or sent to Siberia, no opposition press is tolerated. . . The men in charge of Russia will certainly not give up the reins of government until they have tried out the communist form of government to their heart's content. . . Commenting on Villard's statements the Industrial News says they are not an indictment by a biased capitalist, but a statement of fact by a well-known editor who has looked with respect on the Russian experiment, and is said to favor recognition of their government by this country. And aside from the questions of government monopolization of industry, private property rights and individualism, it shows clearly the basic reason why Americans have steadfastly fought all trends toward communism. It is an amazing fact that in this relatively enlightened twentieth century a great government can exist which has "no mercy for dissenters" and does away with opposition by the simple expedient of legalized murder or long

imprisonment. If conditions of the same sort existed in this country, many independent editors would probably spend the rest of their lives in Leavenworth. A people who value individualism and personal and intellectual freedom, must necessarily look on the soviet government with distaste and even disgust. The United States is not ready for a dictatorship.

RECIPES OF DESTRUCTION

The Manufacturer offers the following recipe for destroying your home, factory or any other property: Let your electric wiring go without repairs or inspections over a long period of time; leave piles of oil-soaked rags or other waste lying around in corners of your garage or basement; don't use fire-resistive construction in building, because it costs a little more; drop lighted matches and cigarette butts wherever you may happen to be; light your fires with gasoline. No one, of course, is going to consciously use these "recipes" of destruction, or any of the many others of the same nature. Yet it is safe to say that millions of Americans have equal fire risks in their homes or places of business. Laziness, carelessness, ignorance—these are the best friends of the fire menace. Every time the fire engines dash out in their race against time it means that someone has done something or failed to do something that a little intelligent thought would have warned him against. We Americans are the most careless of peoples when it comes to fire, and the most wasteful. Fire Prevention Week will shortly be here. It will be a good time to profit by the knowledge and teachings of the experts who are fighting the discouraging war against fire. Almost every great conflagration would be prevented if we spent a few more dollars or a little more time in guarding against risks. Begin now.

"Bigger and better than ever" is the verdict of Round-Up fans.

SCHOOL TOPICS

(By E. E. Coad, Supt.)

The word "work" causes a negative reaction in some people. Some are lazy physically, others mentally. Occasionally there is one who is averse to effort of any sort. To what extent the individual attitude toward work is natural or acquired it would be difficult to say. Occasionally there is a high school pupil with an aversion for the work of the school. The percentage is probably no higher than in a group of adults. I have been interested in speculating as to the aversion for work.

No doubt much of the distaste for work is a carry-over from the days of slavery when only slaves performed the manual labor. Mental labor was still done by the free-men. Thus there grew a distinction between mental and physical work. Many people today do not think of work as being anything but manual labor. They do not realize that mental labor may easily be the most exacting and nerve exhausting work one can do. Many parents, at various times, have said to me, "I want my boy to get an education so he will not have to work like I have to for a living." And such a boy often has an aversion for work of any sort. When the teacher says anything to him about doing work, he is insulted. Is he not coming to school to get away from the idea of work? The world is full of individuals who have been fed on that sort of nonsense. There is no place in the scheme of nature for the individual who has neither mental nor physical initiative.

The high school should be thought of as a school of opportunity; a place where young people have a chance to develop their latent ability, an opportunity to find themselves; a chance to find out what work they are best suited to perform; a chance to get out of the class of directed workers into the smaller class of self-directed workers. Such a school is no place for the mental drone. The school

cannot take the pupil and give him an education against his will, his inclination, and in spite of his antipathies, his indifference and lack of personal effort.

Perhaps the school shares the blame in some instances. A great many schools have not kept up with the van of progress. Many schools are planned, conducted and judged by the standards of a past generation. The modern secondary school today should bear no more resemblance to the school of twenty-five years ago than a modern car and modern highways bear to the horse-drawn vehicle and dusty or muddy roads of that time. Public education has to struggle against the conservatism of the community in the effort to meet modern ideas and prepare young people for the life of now, and the future, as we vision it, instead of by the ideals of a generation ago.

But success in any undertaking means work and effort. It is time that success was being analyzed in terms of application, of personal effort, of adaptation to the job, of personality and the factors of emotional life, all of which are a far cry from the silly and thoughtless teaching which leads to an aversion for work.



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SALADS FOR SUMMER

Summer for the housemother in many homes means just more work and worry. Try to make this summer one long vacation, with the children home from school, with planning each to do his share, the mother, too, may have some of the joy of the good old summertime.

Salads, sandwiches, cold drinks may take the place of hearty meals during the warm weather, with the family feeling better for the simple foods. Today every boy and girl is called upon occasionally to prepare a dish for supper on Sunday night, or camping trips and they, if well practiced at home, are happy to share in such entertainment.

To be able to mix a tasty salad, or prepare a rarebit well is an accomplishment of which to be proud. Everybody likes a fruit salad and they are simplest of all to prepare.

Mixed Fruit Salad.—Take one-half cupful each of chopped pineapple, nutmeats, orange and grapefruit pulp, halved maraschino cherries, with one and one-half cupfuls of sliced bananas.

The banana when well ripened is a deep yellow flecked with brown and no sign of green at the tips. Do not be afraid to buy bananas that are quite brown, if firm, for they are best when very ripe. Nuts and bananas supply carbohydrates and proteins, pineapple has a digestive element, apples have always been known to keep the doctor away, so with this combination one may be sure to have a healthful dish. Serve with the following dressing: Take two egg yolks, one-half cupful of sugar, one-half teaspoonful of mustard, two tablespoonfuls each of butter, lemon juice, vinegar, one of olive oil, one teaspoonful of salt, one-fourth teaspoonful of paprika and three-fourths of a cupful of whipped cream. Cook egg yolks, beaten with sugar, butter and other ingredients over water, stirring constantly. Cool, add the cream and pour over the salad.

Nellie Maxwell

INSURANCE PLUS

Every motor vehicle should be protected by Public Liability and Property Damage insurance. Cost very little and is worth many times the cost. Every owner should carry Landlords, Owners and Tenants Liability insurance, only \$7.50 and may save your home. This is an age of ambulance chasers and damage suits. You owe it to yourself and to society. Neglect may wreck your fortune; it is wasting at the bung hole and saving at the spigot. Liability protects you, life insurance protects your family. We write it and service our policies throughout the policy year. Insurance plus service.

B. B. RICHARDS.

NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County. In the Matter of the Estate of Clarence Ogilvy, presumed to be dead. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed her final account and report in the above entitled matter and that the above entitled Court has fixed Saturday, the 12th day of October, 1929, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock a. m. of said day, as the time, and the County Court room in the County Court House at Pendleton, Umatilla County, Oregon, as the place, for the hearing of said final account and report. Objections to said final account and report, if any there be, should be filed on or before that date.

Dated at Athens, Umatilla County, Oregon, this 13th day of September, 1929.

MINNIE KRETZER,

Administratrix of the Estate of Clarence Ogilvy, presumed to be dead. Watts and Prestbye, Athens, Oregon, Attorneys for Estate. S13011

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