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IT WON'T BE LONG

Most of us feel that with the arrival of February the worst is over as far as winter is concerned. Not that we don't frequently have a lot of disagreeable weather after February 1, for we do. But we've noticed that the citizens commence to breathe a sigh of relief when February arrives. They know that no matter what may be on ahead in the shape of bad weather then, there can be but a few weeks of it, at the most.

The man who makes our holidays must have felt pretty good with the arrival of February, too, since he saw fit to cram it with special days even though it is the shortest month. With the groundhog strutting himself on February 2; with two days for honoring two great statesmen, Lincoln on February 12 and Washington on February 22, and with sweethearts claiming February 14, Valentine day, as their own, most everybody ought to be suited in the matter of holidays. And yet, as far as celebrating is concerned, the bankers are the only ones who get a chance to loaf, and as a rule they are the last ones to need it. It keeps the balance of us working, holidays or no holidays, to get something to put in the banks.

But, work or no work, most of us are glad when February rolls around. We know it can't be long then until the green will be back in the trees, when fires won't need tending, when money can be spent for something besides fuel—and when garden truck will be showing its head. It's a short month, but thoughts like these certainly make it a mighty pleasant one.

TIMELY CAUTION

During the holiday season a Vermont woman baked a fruit cake. In reaching into a cupboard for a bottle of flavoring she got hold of a poisonous insecticide, and the family ate the cake with fatal results. It was an unusual case, yet the same thing could happen right here at any time. Poisons for use on flowers or garden plants are almost a household necessity, and there are few homes in the community without some kind on hand. The very frequency with which they are used tends to make people careless as to where they are kept. The only safe way is to keep them locked up, or carefully stored beyond the reach of children, and they should always be kept away from food. There is no excuse for being careless with poisons when there is in being careless with kerosene and gasoline, and the Vermont case should be enough to convince us that without waiting for more evidence.

STOCK MARKET EFFECT

Utility Companies Have Gains in Number of Stockholders

There have been substantial increases in the number of stockholders of leading utility companies since the decline in the stock market. The Commonwealth and Southern Corporation is said to have now 75,000 stockholders against 63,000 on November 1, and 38,000 on August 1. Cities Service company on December 15 had 341,497 stockholders, a gain of 37,770 in one month and 92,263 in two months. The Columbia Gas and Electric company now has approximately 32,000 stockholders compared with 25,000 on July 31. The New York Times say that similar increases are expected in the lists of other companies.

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A republic is a country in which the people make their own laws but can't make their own liquor.

Many a husband is ready to admit that it's surprising what a woman can get out of a tin can.

The world was better back in the days when we had more happier marriages and fewer rich divorce lawyers.

We've also noticed there are many broken resolutions a month after New Years as there are broken toys a week after Christmas.

Sometimes after reading a daily paper we can't help but feel that there isn't anything straight in Chicago but the shooting.

The world owes every man a living, and there are a lot of folks who are getting it a dollar down and a dollar a week.

Think what old Solomon escaped by living in an age when a wife couldn't open a charge account at the neighborhood store.

If the world is getting better why does the preacher always take the money out of a collection box and have it locked up in a bank?

The return of long skirts means that once again it will be possible for knock-knees to be heard and not seen.

Aunt Sammy Chats Popular

"We enjoy your afternoon chats very much," is a frequent compliment received by Aunt Sammy from many housewives of Oregon and of other states as well. Aunt Sammy is heard over KOAC every afternoon with the exception of Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, at 2:45 in the homemaker's hour. She answers the twin questions "what shall I cook?" and "how shall I cook it?" and in addition supplies her friends with a wide variety of timely items on the various phases of homemaking.

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Form Schedule for 1930 Population Census

The questions to be asked by the enumerator in the 1930 census of population, as announced today by William M. Stewart, Director of the Census, are as follows:

1. Relationship to head of family, including a statement as to the homemaker in each family.
2. Whether home is owned or rented.
3. Value of home, if owned, or monthly rental, if rented.
4. Radio set? (Yes or No.)
5. Does this family live on a farm (Yes or No)
6. Sex.
7. Color or race.
8. Age at last birthday.
9. Marital condition.
10. Age at first marriage. (For married persons only.)
11. Attended school or college any time since Sept. 1, 1929? (Yes or No.)
12. Whether able to read and write? (Yes or No.)
13. Place of birth of person. (State or Country).
14. Place of birth of person's father. (State or Country)
15. Place of birth of person's mother. (State or Country)
16. Mother tongue of each foreign born person.
17. Year of immigration to the United States. (For foreign born only)
18. Whether naturalized. (For foreign born only)
19. Whether able to speak English. (For foreign born only)
20. Occupation of each gainful worker.
21. Industry in which employed.
22. Whether employer, employee, or working on own account.
23. Whether actually at work. (For each person usually employed but returned as not at work, additional information will be secured on a special unemployment schedule.)
24. Whether a veteran of the United States military or naval forces; and for each veteran in what war or expedition he served.

Among the most important of the new questions is that calling for the value of the home if owned, or the monthly rental if rented.

The replies to these questions will be used only as a basis for classification of the families into broad groups, and particular pains will be taken to see that the information given by any individual for his home is not in any way made public.

Another new question is that which asks for the age at first marriage. This will serve two purposes. In the first place it will give definite information as to the relative age at marriage of persons in different racial and economic groups. In the second place it will make possible a tabulation of important data on the size of families, such tabulation to be based on the number of children reported in the families of women who have been married a stated number of years.

The question on radio sets will give a direct answer to the question as to how large the potential radio audience is.

In the classification of gainful workers according to occupation and industry it is proposed to put much greater stress than heretofore on the returns for industry, and to instruct enumerators to pay special attention to this section of the schedule.

Women doing housework in their own homes and carrying the other responsibilities of the home will be designated as home-makers.

A special schedule for unemployment will contain a number of questions designed to separate those not working into several classes, including, besides those absolutely unemployed, those who have a job but are for the time being on lay-off without pay, etc.

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The form of the schedule was determined after a long series of conferences in which about 40 new questions suggested and endorsed by numerous organizations and individuals were carefully considered by two advisory committees and officials of the Census Bureau.

CHEAP VITAMINS NOT AVAILABLE

Butter Declared Rich Source of Vitamin A and Energy Essential For Health

With butter and other dairy products, selling at an abnormally low price at this time, homemakers have an exceptional opportunity to provide their families with an excellent and economical source of vitamin A and other essential food elements, say nutrition specialists of Oregon State college.

Vitamin A of which butter is one of the principal sources, has long been recognized by scientists and food specialists as essential to right growth of children, as well as a valuable protection against certain deficiency diseases, such as xerophthalmia or inflammation of the eyes. It is able protection against certain deficiency diseases of the respiratory organs.

Scientists have found that in an experiment in which two white rats from the same litter and of the same age are fed exactly the same diet, containing all essential food elements, with the exception that one is deprived of a source of vitamin A, the one receiving the vitamin will grow more than twice as large as the other. And the larger one will be sleek and fat and healthy, while his little brother will have a rough coat, infected eyes, and will seem tired and listless.

Butter is also high in energy, one pound containing approximately 3300 calories, and is an almost 100 per cent digestible fat.

A liberal diet of butter, especially for children, is a good health insurance during the dark winter days, and is economical as well as the present low price, believe nutrition specialists.

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