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HOW FIRM A FOUNDATION

It is becoming increasingly plain with the passing of every week and month that the Umatilla project, particularly that part of it immediately surrounding Hermiston, is to take its place as a poultry district.

The place of the project in competition with the other districts of the northwest and with all poultry districts will be determined under the law of survival of the fittest.

Expansion during the past five years has come from two sources: Local people in increasing numbers have decided to add poultry to their other farming activities; and outside people attracted by the advantages this climate and location offer, have moved to the district and are applying themselves to the exacting business of commercial poultry production.

Expansion has come slowly. The business has been paying its own way. There are no very many places yet that are devoted wholly to poultry, though the trend in that direction can be noted.

The day when our 10 and 20 acre tracts will be devoted wholly to egg production is undoubtedly only a short time off.

To the newcomer who seeks of us what we have to offer that is superior to other districts interested in poultry, what may we say?

Ours is, first of all, a proven district. Poultry thrives here. The acid soil, a record of success on the part of established growers, the Hermiston district can meet.

"Go ask our growers on their own places, Mr. Newcomer. Several scores of them can tell you in the terms of their own experience what a flock of hens under ordinary conditions will do in this district. Their expressions and records are what you want. We want you to have the facts, because it is with facts, not theories, you will deal in your efforts to attain success here."

The Hermiston district has a wonderfully good climate for the hen and her offspring. The altitude is low. Extremes of either high or low temperatures are rare.

The soil is in nearly all cases well drained and warm. To escape disease infection in the soil is merely a matter of applying clearly defined principles of prevention.

The industry has the enthusiastic support of the whole community, undeniably a great help. Local growers who have learned fundamentals by experience are willing to help a beginner, and the aid of the county agent and the state college extension service can be secured free of all charge.

The for going include a few of the chief reasons why it is logical to expect the project to make itself one of the really big successful poultry projects of the entire west.

In addition, there is another big factor, possibly the most important of all, that makes the position of the poultry man here very desirable.

Local poultry men and dairy men can buy their concentrates at cost, plus handling charges, plus two per cent, by dealing through their own organization, the Farm Bureau Co-operative of Hermiston, the only body that deal in feeds. By that simple expedient the poultry men in this district reduce his costs by so big a margin as to give him an advantage that assures him a profit even when other commercial egg producing districts must depend with a profit.

What place will the Hermiston district take in the poultry work of the west? In the light of its own advantages, the ranking of the district will depend on the human equation involved. The sky is the limit. Every factor favors this district. How worth while poultry production becomes depends on how smartly and capably the business is handled by the men and women who are its chief sponsor and advocat s.

Moving-Picture Screens

Experts of the movies have pointed out that the screen is dark nearly half the time a picture is being shown. They say the eye of the camera is so fast that the spectator does not notice the darkness. Also, each picture is thrown on the screen three times. There are sixteen pictures on every foot of film. In front of the projection machine is a revolving disk. This disk is divided into six parts, three of which allow light to travel to the screen. By means of an intricate synchronizing device this disk revolves each time one of the minute pictures stops before the opening. Thus, each picture is shown three times before it passes on. But all this happens too fast for the eye to discern. The darkness of the screen during nearly half the picture is caused by the solid sections of the disk.—Exchange.

Highest Quality in Proper Self-Esteem

Humility is not always a grace, and sometimes is a close approach to hypocrisy. Lord Bacon was right when he warned public speakers to avoid excuses and professions of humility.

There are people who seek to lash themselves into virtuous living by reminding themselves that they are poor worms of the dust. It is not always the best way. It was not the way Nehemiah held himself true to his principles.

There was a time of danger, and the leading men of Jerusalem were holding terrified counsel behind closed doors. "Let us meet together in the house of God, and let us shut the doors of the temple," they counselled. But Nehemiah would not heed their warning, though he was the man whom danger threatened most.

He was ashamed to disgrace at good a man as he knew himself to be—Youth's Companion.

Mohammed Used Both Precept and Example

He wore a golden ring until he noticed that all the people were beginning to follow his example, whereupon he went into the pulpit, pulled the ring off with the words: "By the Lord I will not wear this ring ever again," and then prohibited the use of such adornments.

A friend who had sent him a present in the form of a steaming dinner was much chagrined when it was returned unopened and even untouched by his fingers—for he "used to eat with his thumb and his two forefingers," and "after he had finished eating, he licked his blessed fingers: first the middle one, then the prayer finger, and last the thumb," but he was pacified when the prophet explained that he had not cooked with the food; for Gabriel, he went on to say, strenuously objected to the odor of both onions and garlic. Furthermore, he abstained from tasting boards, for he feared that they were descended, by some inexplicable metempsychosis, from a certain tribe of Israel.—From "Mohammed," by R. F. Dibble.

No Wonder She Fainted

He was a dapper little man at the door trying his best to sell a can opener.

"Madam," he began glibly, "I am selling a can opener that cannot be beaten. It can open any can that cannot be opened by an ordinary can opener, and any can that can be opened by a can opener, if you can show me a can that cannot be opened by any can opener other than this can opener, I will prove to you that this can opener can open a can quicker than any other can opener can. Now if you can get a can opener that can open a can quicker—"

But by this time the lady of the house had fainted on the cold doorstep.

Old Bill Shaved Beard

The old fisherman, Captain Bill, was a great character at the Cove. He was a picturesque old fellow with his long-flowing beard, and was the model of many a painter. Not long before his death he shaved off his beard, to the distress of the artists.

"Why, Bill!" exclaimed one of the painters in amazement when meeting him on the road. "Where is your beard?"

"Well," he exclaimed slowly and a bit sorrowfully, "it is this way—my son, he said as how it wasn't hygienic. You see, last winter the tobacco juice got all froze in—so he made me cut it off."—From "Touring New England," by Clara Walker Whiteside (Penn.).

Indian Pictographs

There are some 50 or 60 places in various parts of California from the northern boundary of the state to San Diego county where pictographs and petroglyphs are found. They are interesting but we have no indication as to what their purpose was and aside from the person or persons who made them, no one knows what the figures are supposed to be. We do know that in San Diego county in former times the girls painted symbolic figures on granite boulders at the completion of their adolescence ceremonies. Some anthropologists have suggested that these carvings and paintings are the work of shamans.—Mr. Woodward, in Adventure Magazine.

Material Needed to Make Up Square Meal

The familiar expression "a square meal" may be adapted to represent a complete diet supplying all the material that the body needs, say R. H. A. Plimmer of the University of London and Violet G. Plimmer in Hygeia Magazine. The center of the square is filled with the fat, carbohydrate, mineral salts and water; the corners are filled respectively with vitamins A, B and C and protein P.

The corner A represents both the fat soluble vitamins A and D, which are found in the same foods. Foods from the same corner may be used alternatively, but a food from one corner is not a substitute for one from another corner. A square meal consists of food from all four corners in suitable proportions. Some of the foods in the A corner are butter, cod liver oil, milk, egg yolk and liver; in the C corner are fresh fruits, especially citrus fruits, tomatoes and green vegetables either raw or very slightly cooked; the B corner contains whole meal cereal products, dried peas, beans and lentils and nuts; corner P includes meat, eggs, milk and cheese and fish.

Slow to See Value of Ocean Bathing

Sea bathing for pleasure may be said to have been popularized by Doctor Russel, of England, about 1770, although for 30 or 40 years previously a few brave souls had made a custom of splashing about in the waves. Soon sea bathing was all the rage and Margate became the first fashionable seaside resort. Out of respect for the modesty of "refined ladies," says the American Review of Reviews, a Quaker named Benjamin Beale invented a bathing machine with an awning over the back so that the blushing bathers were concealed even while entering and leaving the wagon.

The Germans were the first on the Continent to get the seaside habit, and by 1812 the craze began in France. At Dieppe one bathed in a basket, secure against the waves and tides. But not until the adventurous little duchesse de Berry actually leaped to swim in 1782-25 were the fashionables of France really won. She was always attended by the director of the beach, an elegant person clad in evening dress and white gloves, who took her by the finger and walked with her a little way into the water, when a loud gun went off, announcing to those on the beach that her royal highness was really in.

Occasions Which Make Silence a Sacrament

There was a whole world of wisdom in the words a wise man of old, in the ages of faith ascribed to his Creator: "Be still then and know that I am God." A later philosopher has remarked that no two men can be said to be truly friends unless they are content to bask in each other's company without expression of words. There are occasions when silence is the sacrament of faith and reverent joy, the seal and sign of a living union with the infinite and confident fellowship with our fellow man. It is in the practice of this silence that we learn how to discipline life, and recognize the profanity of the glib commonplaces of mere passing companionship, of formal religion and the useless volubility of controversy. We refrain from words because they are inadequate to express our experience, and the certitude of faith and confidence surpasses the powers of speech. "The truth is best spoken not by us, but through us," says a philosopher writing to another big journal. "The witness of true discipleship has its own silent testimony to the truth."

Reverse Publicity

Amos Skinner, the leading deacon of his church, was chuckling in high glee when he ran into another deacon on the village green.

"Got it at last, by heck," he chuckled to his friend.

"What you callate you got, Amos?" asked the other.

"Just a little dee-vice, Ezry, but it's a-going to make me rich. Every meetin' house in the hull county'll want one."

"How you figger that out, Amos?" persisted Ezra.

"Well, it's a patent contribution box. Cans fall through slots of different sizes. Dollars, half-dollars and quarters fall on velvet; nickels and pennies drop on a Chinese bell!"—Everybody's Magazine.

Forgeries

Italy has rather a bad record for forgeries. It was here that the Odesa "Hunger" forgeries and the "Beavers" of Azerbaijan began their circulation. It was an illegal Italian concern, too, that printed the endless Italian colonial forgeries, which are sometimes so clever that even experts have failed to detect the difference. Perhaps the boldest effort of forgery was that of a South American named Colins, who, before the police arrested him, had invented and printed an entirely new series of Paraguay stamps in value from 1 to 50 pesos. These were sent out in large quantities to dealers all over the world, and thousands were duped before the Paraguay government disowned the stamps.

Visibility After Storms

The weather bureau says that high visibility occurs on land just before a storm, but the highest visibility occurs just after certain storms. The explanation of increased visibility just before a storm is as follows: One of the things that spoils visibility is the glare in the atmosphere, due to sunlight scattered by dust between the observer and the object in view. Now when the sky becomes clouded, as it does before a storm, the sunshine is cut off and with it the disturbing glare. Immediately after many storms the air is exceptionally free from light-scattering dust—washed out by the rain—and visibility is correspondingly good.

Author of Fairy Tales

The great writer of fairy tales, Hans Anderson, was a very sensitive and nervous person. The story is told that once while the train in which he was traveling was running at full speed, the writer suddenly remembered that he had a box of matches in his bag. They might become lighted, and catch fire, or perhaps his papers might burn, and the baggage of other passengers catch fire.

Hans was so troubled by the thought of these possibilities that nothing would serve him but to have the train stopped. Then, the matches being removed, he had to pass the time away at a lonely railway siding until the next train arrived.

FORMER RESIDENTS RETRN

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kennedy and children, J. Marrie, Joan and Rita Jean have recently moved to the Robert Kennedy farm in the fourth unit, adjoining his father, William Kennedy. Mr. Kennedy has brought six Duroc brood sows and Leghorn hens. He disposed of his wheat ranch at Condon and is returning to Hermiston convinced that this is an ideal location and climate for diversified farming.

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Odd Pillar Formation the Work of Nature Columns of pillars of various mineral matters, sometimes of great size, have been found by geologists. They are said to have been formed by unequal weathering.

Peoples of the East Accept Death Lightly To the West, death is a closed door; to the East, an open one. An American told me recently that, when he was in China on an official mission, he and his colleagues were entertained by a delightful little mandarin, who was always cheerful and considerate.

WAR PICTURE TO BE SHOWN HERE BY AMERICAN LEGION "THE WORLD WAR," Is Title of Big Classic That Required Eight Years in Making Many lives were lost, the archives of a dozen or more nations were searched and eight years consumed in the making of the great film classic, "The World War," which will be shown at the Hermiston theatre on December 16 and 17, Thursday and Friday.

miles out at sea and his cameras were covering President Wilson's moves The pupils in the grade schools of Hermiston, Columbia and Minnehaha have been invited by the Hermiston post of the American Legion, under whose auspices the picture will be presented, to be guests of the post at a special school matinee Thursday afternoon. The picture will serve as a history lesson and will be shown during school hours. Teachers will have charge of their pupils during the show. High school pupils may attend, but they will be required to pay admission.

Similar ice pillars are sometimes seen on the surface of a glacier, due to the protection of the ice from melting under the heat of the sun by the shadow cast by the rock mass. There are rain-made columns containing many large stones near Antelope park in a small tributary of the Rio Grande. The stones protect the portion beneath them from the rain. When the waters descended, the walls being made first, they formed the columns shown. Some of the columns are 30 or 80 feet high, and some 400 feet high. In certain districts sandstones have been split and left in fragments, resembling huge single stones that so closely cover the surface that in many places one can leap from stone to stone without descending to the ground. These stones are frequently of considerable size, many of them being from 20 to 25 feet across and 12 feet in thickness. Stones of this character have been employed for the formation of the so-called druidical circles, and are therefore called the druid stones. Sometimes stones of this character, from their resemblance at a distance to a flock of sheep, are called gray wethers.

He is to be hanged tomorrow," she said, "by the emir's order, but his brother will go with you." Last year I was passing through Syria. I stopped to drink mint tea with an old friend, wife of a patriot, or a revolutionary—the terms are synonymous in the East. It just depends which side you're on! "How is the master?" I asked politely, over my third scented glass. "The French killed him last week," my hostess answered unmoved. I gasped horror and protest. "He leaves five sons," she reassured me, surprised at my emotion.—Rosalta Forbes in Pearson's Magazine.

George F. Zinner, connected with the U. S. Naval Intelligence Department during the war, and who was commissioned by the United States Government to make the film, went personally into all fields of action with his staff of camera men to make the "shots" seen in this picture. Mr. Zinner was with the "grand fleet" in the North sea; with submarines in their under-sea work off the coast of Ireland; he crossed the ocean to France and England countless times, on destroyers, battleships and transports, always in the zone of action. He was with the aviators, not on the ground but with them in the air where action was taking place; he used land planes, sea planes and dirigibles. He went aboard surrendered U-boats, destroyers and secured never to be forgotten close-ups of submarine warfare. His cameras were trained on the greatest concentration of artillery fire in history; his men recorded the bombardment of seacoast towns from vessels thirty miles out at sea and his cameras were covering President Wilson's moves.

ECHO FARMERS FEEDING ALEALEFA TO CATTLE Some of the alfalfa grower in this vicinity have shipped in cattle and are feeding the stock this winter. Demand for hay has been very slight owing to the mild weather and the farmers are bringing in feeders to market their crop in this manner. Among those who are feeding cattle are Frank Correa, Jesse Correa, Joe Ramos and John Correa. Frank Correa and Joe Ramos are also feeding some sheep this winter.—Echo News.

The Stork Mr. and Mrs. George Franz of Dauliel, Wyoming, are the parents of a seven pound girl born at Hermiston hospital Monday morning. Mr. and Mrs. James Scott of Hermiston as

W. G. Rodda, Jens Skovbo, C. G. Champion and J. H. Tabor left today for Walla Walla to attend the convention of the Washington State Bee Keepers' association.