

DEFUNCT COW IS TROUBLE MAKER

Councilman Demmer Has His Faith Shaken in Humanity by Refusal of Farmers to Bury Cow in Land Worth \$1,000 an Acre.

(By MRS. H. C. STODDARD.)
Since Editor Putnam failed to chronicle the fact that on April 29 Councilman John Demmer's cow, Peach Blossom, departed this earthly planet, we seize this opportunity to inform the public of her demise. On account of her ministrations to the family of a city councilman, the obsequies of this gentle-eyed bovine were attended by an unusual stir in official circles.

Since Peach Blossom thoughtlessly made her exit inside the city limits, Mr. Demmer was somewhat nonplussed as to the most appropriate and fitting manner of disposing of the tenement of her soul. Mr. Demmer, who likes to do things in the most approved fashion or not at all, finally bethought him that some ranchman having land adjacent to Medford might crave the honor of furnishing Peach Blossom a final resting place. Accordingly, he hied himself to the phone, and getting the nearest ranch-owner, informed him of the favor he wished to confer. The ranchman promptly replied that his land was worth \$1000 an acre, and the space required to inter the cow was worth \$16.75. Mr. Demmer, much grieved that he should take so material a view of the situation, protested, and was told in language more emphatic than courteous to go to.

But Mr. Demmer, having large faith in humanity and feeling certain that some larger-souled and less mercenary person would view the matter in a better spirit, was undiscouraged and made overtures to another ranchman. Ranchman No. 2 was also a disappointment. He seemed totally oblivious of the fact that he might, by furnishing a last resting place for the defunct cows of city councilmen, put himself in line for the hall of fame. He proved as cold and unappreciative as the first. Ditto the second, third, fourth, fifth and sixth. After making overtures to a few others, Mr. Demmer, whose faith in humanity was now rudely shaken, resolved to report the case to the city council. Now, most people can take their troubles to this honorable body with perfect assurance that said troubles will vanish as dew before a burning sun. But not so with Demmer. For him—a brother councilman—they had no balm. On the contrary, they decided that the cow could not be interred inside the city limits without fracturing the law. Whereupon Mr. Demmer decides that 'tis sometimes difficult to be a law-abiding citizen and in his despair resolves to break the law and bury the cow as far from his neighbors' wells as possible.

Would it not be wise for the city to secure, by purchase or lease, a dumping ground, where, until we have a city incinerator, refuse might be dumped in trenches, which could be covered with earth as fast as filled?

SYMPHONY PROGRAM

Following is the program of the New York Symphony orchestra, Walter Damrosch, conductor, Monday evening, May 16:

- Part I.
Overture, "The Merry Wives of Windsor" Nicolai
Unfinished symphony in B minor Schubert
(a) Allegro moderato.
(b) Andante con moto.
Air from "Aida," Act I Verdi
Mr. Miller.
Hungarian Rhapsody No. 1 Liszt
Part II.
Overture Leonore No. 3 Beethoven
Religious scene—Electra decorates the tomb of Agamemnon, from "Les Errynies," cello obligato Massenet
Mr. Kefer.
Air from "La Tosca" Puccini
Mr. Miller.
Selections from "Damnation of Faust" Berlioz
(a) Dance of the Sylphs.
(b) Dance of Will-o'-Wisp.
(c) Rakoczy March.
Quartet from "Rigoletto" Verdi
Mmes. Anderson, Van der Veer; Mademoiselles Miller, Kellerman.

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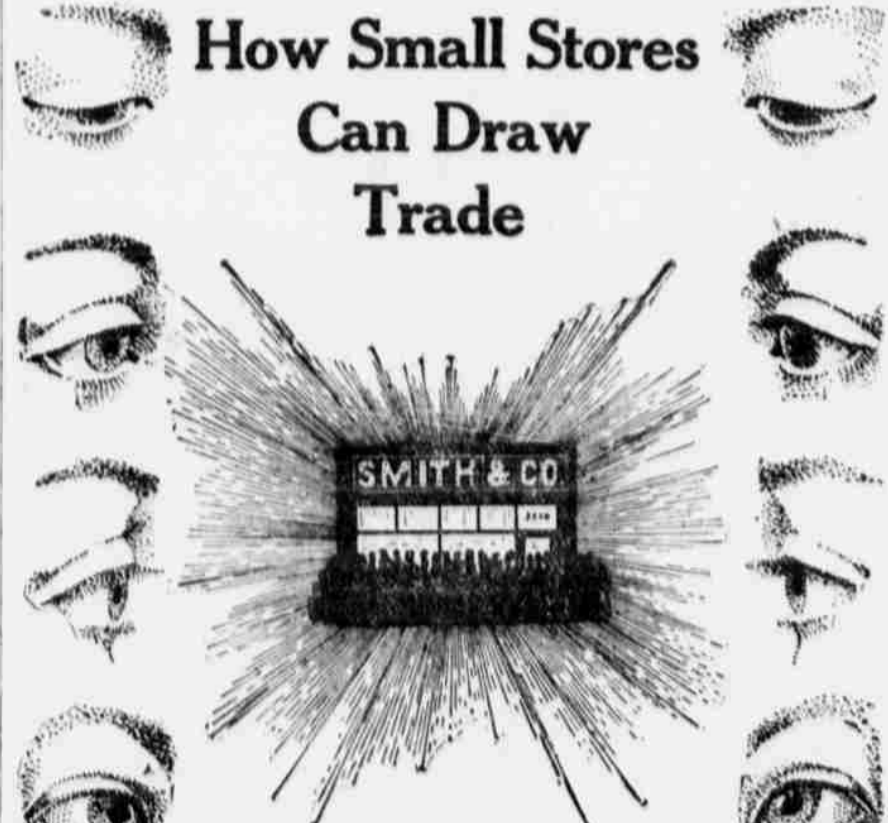
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are the other fellows giving?"
Wife.—"The rest are giving a hundred dollars."
J. M. (groaning)—"Whow! Well, I suppose I'll have to pony with the goods."
Later at the Jackson County Bank, where the tellers are counting pennies, nickels and dimes, J. M. (with amazement on his countenance), said he thought the rest were giving hundred dollar checks.
W. J.—"Stung! The rest did give a hundred dollars."

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