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"Boy Bean, long th' life and soul of our dancin' set, has lost interest. He can't dance th' new dances where you don't holler."

LAUGHS

Wore 'Em Out: A teacher had been at great trouble to explain to her class the meaning of the word "notwithstanding," and, on asking for a sentence in which the word occurred, was somewhat nonplussed to receive the following effort from a blushing maiden of some eight summers and winters: "Please, miss, my little brother has a hole in the seat of his trousers, and it's notwithstanding."

The Scribe's Blunder: In an account of a social gathering a reporter described one of the lady guests who was of exceptional stature, as possessing a form "that Juno might envy." The next morning, however, he read in the paper that the lady possessed a form "that Juno might envy."

Heightened Effect: Critic—That moving landscape picture needs a dash of color. Friend—Then why not put in a red motor car.—Boston Herald.

Rather Tame: Guest (departing from party)—We've had a simply delightful time. Hostess—I'm so glad. At the same time, I regret that the storm kept all of our best people away.

Mistake Somewhere: "That fellow Smith drinks like a fish," said Brown. "That's queer," responded Jones, "he told me that he never touched water."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Encouragement: Mischa Elman tells a story of his early youth. He was playing at a reception given by a Russian prince and played Beethoven's "Kreutzer" sonata, which has several long and impressive rests in it. During one of these rests a motherly old lady leaned forward, patted him on the shoulder and said: "Play something you know, dear."

Impossible to Comply: At the annual dinner the committee had a table set apart for their use at one end of the room. When the signal was given to commence the carver, before whom was a large turkey, asked the waiter to inquire of each guest what portion he would like before he started carving.

Waiting: The cars are getting cheaper now, they tell me. But I shall never purchase one, I fear. Until an agent volunteers to sell me "A dollar down and 50 cents a year."—Peoria Journal.

Father-in-Law—Look here, young man, don't you think it's about time you were going to work, or do you expect me to support you the rest of your life? Son-in-Law—It would be no more than fair, just after what I have done for you. "I like to know what you've ever done for me." "Why, didn't I take your daughter off your hands?"—Boston Transcript.

PLANT THE IDLE LAND

COUNCILMAN MEDYNSKI'S suggestion that the poor of the city plant the vacant lots to potatoes, corn and other produce that can be utilized by themselves and sold in the market is an excellent one.

The planting of vacant city lots has proved profitable wherever tried. The late Mayor Pingree of Detroit made a national reputation by inaugurating potato planting. The example was successfully followed in many other communities, affording real relief.

The planting of idle land should not be confined to city lots. The country is full of idle land that can be utilized at a profit. Much of it can be had for the asking for a season's crop. Wheat and all other products promise to realize good prices. All of this land should be utilized.

Owners of teams unable to secure steady employment should secure this land and plant it, instead of standing on street corners and knocking. Those who have depended on charity to keep their families over the winter should plant enough to insure their food supply another winter.

But most of them won't do anything of the sort. Many of them have no initiative and less energy and no inclination to help themselves, and are perfectly willing to let the community relieve the distress their own lethargy brings to their families and themselves.

All the world is looking to America for foodstuffs. Everything that can be shipped a distance will be in demand. As the Christian Science Monitor remarks:

Everybody within reach of a plot of ground, no matter how small, in front yard or back yard or side yard, should this year raise something that will add to the sum of the world's food supply. There should be no idle lots by the roadside in the country, by the street side in the hamlet, village, town or city. The soil is ready to yield bountifully to feed the millions abroad that are threatened with hunger, and the labor it calls for should be provided cheerfully and plentifully. If the idle farms and the idle lots, the land that is going to waste on every side within the borders of the North American republic, were cultivated this year the United States alone could feed the world.

Let an army of American men, women and children be mobilized for this grand object and it will go far more than a little way toward repairing the harm that is being done by the armies of destruction mobilized elsewhere. Everybody, broadly speaking, is eligible to enlistment in this cause. If everybody does his part, small or large, there will, we believe, be no cry for bread throughout the wide earth this year or next year to which the people of the United States cannot promptly and generously respond.

PRACTICAL CO-OPERATION

BANKERS of Wenatchee are setting an excellent example for the banks of other fruit regions by co-operation with orchardists, enabling them to enter dairying and hog raising.

The Portland Livestock Reporter of March 4 contains the following:

Will Bloch, who has been connected with the livestock business at Portland for several years, passed through here yesterday with two carloads of high-grade Jersey and Holstein milk cows and heifers consigned to Wenatchee. Mr. Bloch bought these cattle from dairymen in the Willamette valley and is taking them to Wenatchee for Frank F. Schultz, a banker of that city. They will be placed with farmers and fruit growers in the Wenatchee valley. The bank is providing a diversity of interest for the fruit grower, insuring his prosperity through a regular milk check to tide him over between apple crops.

Probably three-fourths of these cattle were Jersey and they were fine type animals, showing all the points of the pure bred Jersey. There were several very good Holsteins in the lot, too, which cost over \$100 at Independence. All show good milk cow conformation and are nearly purebreds. A few hogs to consume the buttermilk and help pasture the orchard will still further enhance the returns from Wenatchee fruit ranches.

This is practical co-operation in the development of the country by enabling the diversity of interests necessary to insure permanent prosperity. The providing of such co-operation is a fitting subject for the Commercial club to expend its energies upon.

AN EDIFYING SPECTACLE

NEW YORK is offering an edifying spectacle of the administration of justice.

Harry Thaw is again being tried. Under the laws of New York he is insane, and therefore irresponsible for his acts, yet he is being tried for conspiracy to escape from the asylum, just as if he was sane—as he undoubtedly is. How a legally insane man can be tried for a sane man's acts can only be comprehended by a lawyer.

As long as the Thaw millions last, as long as the devoted mother is willing to spend them in behalf of her son's freedom, the persecution of Thaw will continue. The lawyers will see to that. It gives employment to one set at state expense and another set at the Thaw's expense.

If Thaw had been a poor man he would have been freed from the asylum on the recovery of his senses. Being a rich man, he is persecuted as a source of revenue for the lawyers.

Latest Definition of the Word "Jitney"

(By Hugh S. Fullerton.) William H. T. Shaog, my old pal and a fellow known to all the old-time minstrels and most of the musicians in America, who has retired to run his own country paper, has come to bat with the first plausible explanation of the origin of the word jitney, which suddenly has come into prominence through the jitney buses.

Shade was musician, manager, advance agent, actor, poet, author, theatrical man, printer, reporter, composer, song writer and much else. He was business manager of the old Cleveland and Haverly minstrels in the palmy days of minstreldom, cornet soloist, bandmaster with circuses, business manager, press agent and saxophone soloist, orchestra leader and a few other things for Signor Liberti. He ought to know.

He says the word jitney is derived from the word jetton, a word Anglicized from the French, and meaning a small metal disc used in French gambling houses instead of checks. The word is in good usage in English and is found in Webster.

According to Shade, a minstrel troupe was playing in Lake Providence, La., many years ago. Some of the negroes in that district had secured a supply of these metal discs,

BIGGEST BATTLESHIP TO BE NAMED BY PENNSYLVANIA GIRL



Elizabeth Kolb

When the new United States battleship slips from the ways at Newport News, Va., March 16, its name, "Pennsylvania," will be formally bestowed upon it by Miss Elizabeth Kolb, who is called the "sweetest girl in Pennsylvania." Miss Kolb is a student in a girls' school in Washington.

The "Pennsylvania" will be the biggest battleship in the American navy. Its tonnage is 31,000, its length 600 feet and it has a beam of 97 feet. The sea monster cost \$14,000,000.

Sulphur Most Valuable Alfalfa Fertilizer

(By E. C. Reimer, Experiment Station, Talent, Ore.)

(Continued from Yesterday.)

Recommendations: While our work is by no means completed we believe that the evidence presented justifies us in making the following preliminary recommendations or suggestions, which apply only to alfalfa.

Do not use any of the "complete" fertilizers which contain potash and nitrogen, as well as other elements, since you are paying dearly for the potash and nitrogen which are not needed.

Where the alfalfa is producing unsatisfactory yields, use crude ground sulphur at the rate of one hundred pounds per acre; or use Land Plaster (Gypsum) at the rate of three hundred pounds per acre. On one acre use Superphosphate at the rate of three hundred pounds per acre, for comparison. The Superphosphate contains sulphur and also phosphorus. Leave at least one acre untreated for comparison.

This material should be evenly broadcasted over the alfalfa field. It may be harrowed in or left on the surface to be washed in by the rains. This should be done immediately so that the material will be washed into the soil where the roots can get it. In case no rains follow the application the materials will simply remain on the surface where they will be of no benefit. In such case they would be washed in by the next winter's rains and would benefit the crops the following year.

The following materials are rich in sulphur: Crude Sulphur, Land Plaster, Iron Sulphate, Superphosphate. Considering cost and freight the Crude Sulphur is the most economical source of sulphur for this valley. In the other materials the sulphur present will cost you from two to ten times as much as it does in the form of crude sulphur. On soils naturally poor in lime, applications of Land Plaster would be more desirable than applications of Crude Sulphur.

Sulphur on Productive Soils: Our soils are variable. On some of the very deep and rich soils, where alfalfa normally produces very large crops, applications of sulphur or of any other material, may not be needed at present. In all of our extensive work with fertilizers during the past three years we have found only two alfalfa fields which did not respond to the use of Superphosphate. These apparently contained sufficient sulphur, since the Superphosphate which contains a considerable amount of sulphur as well as phosphorus, produces no increase.

Sulphur Used by Other Crops: The following crops as shown by careful chemical analysis use even more sulphur per acre than alfalfa: cabbage, cauliflower, kale, turnips, and rutabagas.

The following use comparatively small quantities of sulphur: Wheat, barley, oats, corn, and all fruit trees.

Favors Wood for Orchard Heating

To the Editor: A question: When do we have to smudge? Is it before pollenization has taken place or is it after? This is a question none of us can answer. Some seasons we have had to fire two or three times before, and other seasons we weren't obliged to light a fire till after pollenization had thoroughly taken place, especially the pears.

Now we know from the experience of a good many reliable fruitgrowers of this valley that smudging with oil before pollenization has taken place is almost sure death to the pollen. That is to say, there is no more chance for the pollen to be distributed by the wind and the insects and bees will not carry it. Therefore it is termed as being destroyed. We know also that all of the blossoms do not ripen and fall at the same time, so one smudging of oil before this period would not necessarily injure the entire crop, but if the season was such that two or three fireings were necessary before this stage, there would be a very slim chance for a crop. I have watched this very closely during my experience in this valley.

I can recall an instance which occurred in the spring of 1911. I was caring for an orchard composed of

Bartlett's, Howells and Winter Nellis. There came a spell of cold weather and it was necessary to fire three times. Up to this date the Winter Nellis hadn't pollenized, but the other two varieties were in this stage. The consequences were the Howells and Bartlett's set a plenty, while the Winter Nellis were a total failure.

The pollen on the blossoms was so completely covered with this oily smut it was impossible for it to be distributed. This was the first to lead me to think that oil was a dangerous fuel to use for smudging. In the first place, it is a very expensive proposition to equip yourselves to handle oil. First you have to erect a storage tank; second, a tank wagon; third, smudge pots; fourth, gasoline; also gasoline cans and torches.

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Then oil is so disagreeable and dirty to handle, with a certain amount of waste and evaporation if you have to carry it over from one season to another. Then again you have to send away for this oil, and so goes the money out of the valley, which means a good many thousand dollars, and will mean a good many more each year as the orchards grow.

I say, why not use wood and leave your money in the valley and help to make better times. It will employ a few hundred men all winter long cutting and handling this wood, and wood will come far cheaper than oil. Another point, it is so clean to handle, and if you don't have to smudge you have the wood to burn in the furnace and cookstove. Some people will say: "Oh, you can't smudge successfully with wood, and it is so unhandy to prepare your fires and start them. I say it is just as easy to prepare your wood fires and start as oil, when you know how to go at it."

In the first place, in using wood you will only have one fire, where with oil you have from four to six. In starting my wood fires, I prepare a few sticks of pine kindling for a starter and top off with three or four sticks of four-foot fir.

In lighting my fires I take some waste, which is very cheap, make a ball about the size of a hen's egg, dip it in coal oil so it is well soaked, place it under the kindling and touch the torch to it. These balls should be prepared the evening before, a sufficient number to apply to all your fires. Place them in a pail and put on the lid, then you are ready for the firing in the morning, thus doing you can cover as much ground, if not more, than if you were burning oil, for you have much less fires to start.

There have been a few growers attempted to fire with wood by just laying the coarse wood in a heap and pouring coal oil over same, but this is a very crude way and has proven very unsatisfactory. Ask those who have fired with wood successfully and see what they have to say about it. This ball of waste soaked in coal oil will burn a good flame for seven minutes, actual test, so you are well assured your fire will start, if your kindling is properly arranged.

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