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A GOOD SUGGESTION.

A PRODUCE survey of Jackson County was suggested at the meeting of the Craters last night.

The suggestion is an excellent one. Jackson county should not only be self supporting, it should be almost exclusively an exporting district. We have the soil, the climate, the proper spirit of enterprise, and now, at last, we have the water.

Nevertheless every year many car-loads of produce are shipped into this section, and money is sent out.

A comprehensive survey would assemble the facts, and show the way toward correcting this condition. The chief trouble appears to have been an absence of direct cooperation between those who raise the produce and those who market it. Take the local canneries, for example. They are continually handicapped by their inability to get the necessary products in sufficient quantity.

This condition could be remedied if there were a united effort to concentrate upon those products which are in greatest demand and promise to yield the highest profit. What is to the farmers' advantage is also to the canneries advantage and to the advantage of every resident of Jackson county, for financial benefit to any individual means ultimate benefit to all.

Here is a movement behind which every individual and every organization private or public should join. Before anything constructive can be done the facts must be known. Why does this condition exist, and why that condition, what is the truth?

With the facts assembled, a practical working plan whereby local agriculture and horticulture could be put upon a profitable basis should offer no insurmountable difficulties. The time to start such a survey is now.

Quill Points

Jonah deserved punishment, but what had the whale done?

We met with considerable satisfaction that No. 1923 is marked up. "On time."

A vindictive nature is the kind that makes the pedestrian wish at times that he were a tank.

If there anything in death-bed repentance, it is time for the old year to begin the sob stuff.

Your conscience was given you for personal use. Don't try to make it the other fellow's guide.

America understands the concrete facts about Europe. What she can't understand are the concrete heads.

When the old fashioned child had it, the parents didn't know it was a complex; so they used a shingle and cured it.

A congressman is quoted as saying that European affairs have about reached the corner. Probably means corner.

The man who grieves because the horse is becoming extinct has never picked up a horse shoe with a new casing.

Correct this sentence: "Aunt Ada got the silver we sent her," said the wife, "and wasn't it sweet of her to send us such a nice postcard?"

You can't tell by the size of the car how much the driver owes his grocer.

Other industries may have suffered, but the war gave great impetus to cabinet making.

Apparently there are just two possibilities in the case of merchant marine: suicide or subsidy.

It isn't really the gold back of the paper currency that makes it good, but the sweat back of the gold.

The pioneers were hardy. You see, when they had a pain they couldn't send down to the corner drug store and get something for it.

SENDING OUT BOOZE
IN CANADIAN PAPERS

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—Increased in international circulation of Mexican and



SERVICE

WHEN first I bought a chugabone—'twas in the misty long ago—the dealer made an ardent spiel of service that he would bestow; and so I grasped the steering wheel and pushed the tumbler to and fro. In those dark days our motor cars were needing service all the time; the works were full of squeaks and rars and every piston was a crime, and I would break some rods and bars when I tried to climb. And V. Z. Spink, the man who said he'd give me service good as wheat, would start my motor when 'twas dead, and make its pulse strongly beat; he often left his downy bed, to make my bus get up the street. The years have gone, and V. Z. Spink does business at the ancient stand, and I have sent to him, I think, some fifty men with coin in hand, who wished to buy cheap cars of cogs or bolts more stuporous and grand. I say to them, "This delegate will promise service when you buy, and all he says is good and straight, like George, he cannot tell a lie." This makes a hit with every state who has been fooled by some false guy. That merchant ornaments his town who makes his talk of service good; he gains a fine and high renown far, outside his neighborhood, and there are diamonds in his crown, that glitter as such jewels should.

A Caliph "Without Portfolio"

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Near East politics are intricately bound up with religion in ways it is hard for us to conceive. And since prevalent misconceptions about the Mohammedan faith seem to add confusion to many discussions about Moslem problems.

"A caliph without temporal power is a more radical departure in the Islam world than the Western mind at first can grasp," says a bulletin from the Washington, D. C., headquarters of the National Geographic society.

"The easiest way to dispel some of these illusions is by pointing to several striking likenesses between the world's two greatest religions, the Mohammedan and the Christian. Both are monotheistic, both are based on the teachings of a prophet, both are based on the teachings of a prophet, both are based on the teachings of a prophet."

"Both Religions Nicknamed"—The term "Christian" was quickly adopted by followers of the Nazarene. The term "Mohammedan" never has been adopted by the followers of the Prophet. He sought to avoid the employment of his own name by supplying one—the name of Islam—by which he hoped Mohammedanism would be known. He further sought to make this word, meaning resignation, imply the five cardinal points of the new faith. The first of these points was the brief creed, "There is no God but Allah, and Mohammed is his prophet." The other four enjoined prayer, giving of alms, the fast of the Ramadan and pilgrimage to Mecca.

"Another significant parallel between Christianity and Mohammedanism is that both are the religions of millions of people of races alien to that of their founders. Christ was a Jew; Mohammed was an Arab. It is the Mohammedanism modified by the Turkish temperament and nationalism that has clashed with Western civilization in recent centuries."

"Islam Not a Religious Unit"—Most misunderstanding of all the illusions about Mohammedanism, however, is the fact assumption that the Mohammedan world is a religious unit. Seen a long way off the scene and groups fade away. In reality there are two great branches of Mohammedanism, the Sunnites and the Shaites. Among both these branches and also outside them, there are sharply drawn cleavages.

"Recent caliphs, who have been the sultans of Turkey, have claimed spiritual supremacy over the Mohammedan world of some 300,000,000 souls. But in actual fact the Sultan of Turkey had little more spiritual ascendancy over the Mohammedans outside Turkey than the king of England has over the Episcopalians in the United States. In fact there would be no urgent Near East problem at this moment had his leadership been recognized on the other side of the Bosphorus in Asia Minor."

"Caliphs Have Always Ruled"—A very important difference between the Western mind and the Mohammedan viewpoint has, hitherto, precluded a spiritual ascendancy of the latter which would cut across all lines of temporal power and include even warring nations. The Mohammedan has no priests. Islam is the most pragmatic of all religions. Heretofore if a caliph did not rule he wasn't a caliph. A spiritual ruler up to now has been incomprehensible to the Western mind. Naturally, then, caliphs have sought to rule by the sword.

"Ideas are potent factors in government. Not only does the Mohammedan conceive it difficult to pray 'Thy Kingdom Come,' and then fight for a different kind of kingdom, but, in peace time, his religion and his law go hand in hand. Mohammed was a law giver, not only in the Moslem but also in the Christian sense. There are as many codes of law among Mohammedans as there are sects, and as many kinds of lawyers as there are codes. Among the Sunnites, the Orthodox major division of Islam, there are four schools of law. A Hanafite would as soon suggest a Malakite lawyer as a Presbyterian congregation would be likely to employ a Unitarian preacher."

"The very word 'caliph' has an aftermath which dates back to childhood days when you lived among these fantastic Arabian nights at the court of Caliph Harun al Rashid. Rashid was a bona fide caliph, and in your later years a reading of the historical facts about the caliphate furnish no fewer thrills than the immortal tales."

"The Early 'Successors'—When Mohammed died his successor, Abu Bekk, the companion of his flight or Hadda, became caliph, meaning literally, successor. Abu Bekk means 'father of the virgin.' He was Mohammed's father-in-law. The second caliph, or successor was Omar, another father-in-law of the Prophet, who started organizing armies and began spreading Islam over the map in a very literal sense. Omar was the first to hear of the title Emir al Mohammedan, Prince of the Faithful."

"From the first, Ali, husband of Mohammed's daughter, Fatima, considered himself the logical successor to the caliphate. Not until Abu Bekk and Omar had ruled, and another caliph, Othman, had his day and had been murdered as was Omar before him, did Ali become caliph."

Tongue Twisters

(To be read aloud)
By C. L. EDSON,
Author of the "Gentle Art of"
Columning.

THE KARI AND THE GIRL
Cyril Merril was an earl.
Laurel Ferril was his girl.
He had been a mighty power;
She was a flower of the power.
As a brewer, Merril knew her
And was then devoted to her.
When his best man, being a peer,
Merril asked to ditch his dear.
Alvise, a peerage proved to
Laurel.
That her Cyril had a barrel.

Laurel Ferril said: "My dear
You are a mighty power."
You bought laurels with a barrel.
Now buy me some with apparel.
Or I'll squelch you with a barrel."
So the fear of Laurel Ferril
Made a churl of Cyril Merril.
And the moral of this earl.
Is: Always wear a barrel.
When a peer'll buy apparel.
For a girl like Laurel Ferril.

CLARENCE IS THE
PAGE ATTRACTION

Booth "Clarence's" "Clarence," one of the biggest comedy hits of the season, is the popular photograph attraction at the Page this week opening today. It has three popular stars, Agnes Ayres, May McAvoy and Wallace Reid, being costarred. Others in the big cast include Kathryn Williams, Adolphe Menjou and Edward Martinelli. Agnes Ayres as the family's governess, "too pretty to be trusted." May McAvoy is irresistible as the daughter of the house.

Wallace Reid is "Clarence," an ex-soldier who drove mules without knowing and who becomes a good angel in the family of a millionaire whose happiness is being dashed upon the rocks because of their lack of harmony and constant bickering. Clarence finds the task of reconciling this family nearly as difficult as driving army mules without causing, but he accomplishes the task with the aid of his saxophone, his genial temperament and general tact, so that happiness is the lot of all concerned. "Clarence" is packed with laughs from beginning to end.

Other offerings on this entertaining program include a selected comedy, Fannie News Weekly and "Betty" Brown playing musical numbers from the Mith show.

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