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OREGON BREVITIES

BEND, Dec. 15.—The first shipment of lumber direct from Bend to Australia will be made this week by the Brooks-Scanlon Lumber company of this city who are shipping two carloads.

PORTLAND, Dec. 15.—Curfew in Portland will sound at 9 o'clock each night hereafter during the winter and at 10 p. m. during the summer, the city council having passed an ordinance amending the curfew law which formerly made 8 o'clock the curfew hour during the winter months, and 9 o'clock in the summer.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Dec. 15.—The United American line, operating steamships between Pacific ports and the Atlantic through the Panama canal, on Sunday carried from Portland a shipment of Hood River apples that will be used in an experiment, according to C. A. Malbouef, Portland apple buyer, who was here yesterday. Some of the fruit will go forward under certain different kinds of refrigeration, while a portion of the apples will be handled only under ordinary ventilated steamer space conditions.

Negro Claims Part In Big Robbery

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—Edward Valentine, negro, arrested here in connection with a robbery at Kokomo, Ind., has, according to the Daily News, confessed to participation in the Council Bluffs mail car robbery. He is reported to have said that the robbers obtained \$9,500,000 in cash and securities, \$900,000 of this amount being cash.

Valentine later repudiated the confession when postal inspectors and police advised that it was extremely improbable that Valentine was in the Council Bluffs vicinity at the time of the robbery. The police obtained another story from Valentine in which he stated that he told the first story to avoid being questioned about other robberies.

Do Not Favor Unionized Labor

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Eugene B. Grace, president of the Bethlehem steel corporation, testifying before investigators today, said it was not the policy of the company to sell fabricated steel unless it was to be erected under "open shop" conditions.

PERHAPS—You have seen a beautiful hat that you wanted, but felt was too expensive. Well you can get it now for just half price at our semi-annual clearance sale. Now on at Gertrude & Co. 527 Main St.

AN UNUSUAL XMAS GIFT

When The Herald undertook the publication of The Honor Roll of Klamath County, we expected to complete the work in a few months. Unforeseen difficulties delayed the work for over a year. During this time some of the subscribers to the book moved away and we have been unable to get into touch with them. As a result we have a few copies of The Honor Roll left, and these we will sell for \$7.50 a copy. This book makes an unusual gift for Xmas. It will never be republished, the number of copies is limited and within a short time it will be priceless to those fortunate enough to possess a copy. If you had a friend in the war, or a relative, if you want to give him something that he will always prize, we can suggest nothing more appropriate than a copy of the Honor Roll. As there are but a few copies left, it would be advisable to immediately call or phone and have one reserved for you.

WOULD HAVE WOMEN PROPOSE

Writer Assails Old Idea That She Must Wait Until She Is Sought in Marriage.

More and more it becomes evident that a great and solemn referendum is needed to settle the question: Shall women propose? This matter—it is a leap year—has been agitating men and women for more than six months. When 1920 opened, this newspaper called attention to the fact that it was a leap year and suggested and even advised women to tackle men who were hanging back, and see that they did their duty and assumed the burden of marriage. We told women to boldly propose to men and see that they gave the right answer—an affirmative. There is no person quite so much of a snicker as a smug bachelor, and if he possesses not the nerve to ask a woman to marry him, then it is the right of the woman to demand that he marry her and see that he does. Weak arguments have been offered against women proposing; folk say it is unwomanly, that it belittles the girl, and a lot of nonsense like that. If persons will look at the matter reasonably and realize that it is the duty of every healthy person to have a mate through life, they will understand that it is as much a woman's right to request a man to marry her as it is the man's right to put the question to her. Wherefore we repeat what we have said before, that women should do the proposing in cases where men show an inclination to hang back or are bashful. If left to a referendum we feel sure the woman's right to propose will be sanctioned.—Chicago Evening Post.

PROLIFIC BREEDER IS BEETLE

Enemy of Pine Timber Only Kept in Check by Strenuous Natural and Artificial Control.

Special study has been made of the number of all stages of the western pine beetle in 330 square feet of infested bark selected from 67 trees, which represented an average infestation within an area of approximately 36 square miles, says the American Forestry Magazine. It is shown there is a large percentage of mortality between the young and matured stages in the developing broods, but that normally an average of about 150 beetles to the square foot of bark developed to the adult, or reproductive, stage; which would be 50,000 beetles to the average infested tree, or, say 30,000 beetles to 1,000 board feet of timber. Since it requires an average of about ten beetles to the square foot to attack and kill a vigorous healthy tree, it will be seen, says the American Forestry Magazine, which is campaigning for a national forest policy, that all the pine timber of the western forests would soon be destroyed were it not for natural and artificial control.

Palastine's Forests. "What do you consider Palestine's greatest need?" Miss Nathan, a Red Cross worker, was asked by a prominent Zionist, says the American Forestry Magazine of Washington, D. C. Both were returning from the Holy Land, where their duties had taken them.

"Forests," was Miss Nathan's instant reply.

"What, before the much-needed industries are brought in?" exclaimed the Zionist incredulously. "Don't you think industrial rehabilitation should come before reforestation?"

"Doesn't the country's industrial life depend paramountly upon reforestation?" countered the Red Cross woman. "Palestine, without forests, means Palestine over the prey of floods and famine; doomed to unnumbered lands and to poverty. Even the industries must be assured fuel and power, and without means to produce these they must languish."

Uncovered Ancient Graves.

While excavations were being made on a small conical-shaped hill near Dolphinton station, England, in preparation for the foundation for a monument, the workmen came upon an irregularly shaped stone measuring about four feet four inches square and six inches thick, which was found to be covering ancient human remains in their place of sepulcher. Flagstones about four inches thick line the grave, which measures three feet nine inches by two feet by two feet. The stones are recognized as having been quarried locally. The grave was situated only about two feet six inches from the surface, and the deceased person had evidently been interred with legs drawn up. The stones have been replaced.

Purpose of Fly's Existence.

The fly is the Judas of animal creation, hated, loathed, destroyed, the very reason for its existence questioned by querulous mankind. Yet the fly, despised insect that it is, must serve a purpose, for nature makes few mistakes in her creation. That purpose is not hard to find. The fly is nature's agent to remove filth. Filth breeds the fly, so nature decrees it a sign, in order to provide for the removal of that filth. The fly, like the headache, is a result, not a cause. Where there are flies there is filth; remove the filth and the fly will cease to exist.

Nothing Left to Eat.

"A telegram from your husband. What's the matter?" "Nothing much. He simply wired me: 'Come home. I've run out of sardines.'"

SOUGHT BY POLICE



ARDMORE, Okla., Dec. 15.—Police in many cities are searching for Mrs. Clara Smith Hamon, wanted in connection with the death of Jake L. Hamon, millionaire oil operator and republican national committeeman for Oklahoma. Mrs. Hamon, a distant relative of the oil man, formerly was his stenographer. Hamon died recently of revolver shot wounds.

ENCOURAGE BIRDS TO NEST

Only Through Them Can the Many Insect Pests Be Kept Within the Bounds of Safety.

Of all the ways of ridding our gardens, parks and farms of the insect pests that destroy fruit, grain, and even trees, none is so effective as the encouragement of birds. Most birds are naturally insect eaters, and it is really amazing to count the number of beetles, bugs, caterpillars and grubs that a small bird will devour in a day.

Andre Godard, a French naturalist, remarks in a recent number of La Nature (Paris) that agricultural plagues invariably follow the disappearance of birds, and he notes that the forests of Hungary were saved by the placing of many artificial nests to attract the feathered enemies of the grubs that were destroying the trees.

It is true that a few birds eat fruit and grain, but even these prefer insects, and it is probably true in ninety-nine cases out of a hundred that the bird which seems to be eating the fruit is really pecking at an insect inside it.

Many Film Pictures Per Second.

Taking motion pictures at the rate of some 15,000 a second with a camera and lens, is the recent achievement of a French scientist. High-speed photography is not new, but heretofore has depended upon electric-spark shadows without lenses, and lacking sufficient illumination for clear definition. The mechanism of the camera consists of an aluminum reel, electrically driven at 3,000 r. p. m. and winding film at 164 feet a second. At this rate pictures 2 inches high are made about 10,000 times a second, larger and smaller surfaces being exposed at respectively slower and faster speeds, says the August Popular Mechanics Magazine in an article carrying a full-page illustration.

The illuminant is a stream of high-tension electric sparks with a frequency of about 50,000 a second, produced at the focal point of a concave reflector, and kept from flaming by a current of air.

LINEMAN FOUND WIRE THIEF

Bull Moose Was Culprit Who Had Disturbed the Telephone Communication of Many Counties.

When the bull moose in the following story became tangled in a mass of telephone wire, it took a careful rescuer to get him free. The incident occurred in the Maine forest region north of Bangor. In the Electrical Experimenter, the lineman who was sent out to repair the damage describes his experience:

I took up the trail, and a couple of miles down, near Daisy Dam, I found the stuck wire and the break, but, to my surprise, I could find but one end. Finally I found the other end 500 feet farther on. What had become of the 500 feet?

I soon found out when I got back to the break in the line. There stood a bull moose as big as a truck horse, looking straight at me, as much as to say, "Here's your old wire. Come and get it!"

The moose stood just at the end of the road, with six or eight turns of wire twisted tightly round his horns, several turned round his neck, and 300 or 400 turns of slack behind him. Sneaking round, with the moose watching me all the time, I managed to get hold of the slack wire and hauled in until I got the end, when I made fast to a big tree. Then, cutting a good-sized sapling, I started toward the moose.

He began to sidle round, with head down, mane bristling and blood in his eye; it looked like war. Pretty soon, however, he managed in his circling movements to make a turn round another tree, which gave him much less scope, and when the wire came taut with his constant traveling he stumbled over it and fell in a heap.

Now was my chance! I sneaked up as close as I dared—maybe within 15 feet—and snipped off the wire with my pliers.

Herzleide, or "Heart Sorrow," is the name bestowed on his newest daughter by Oscar, fifth son of the former Kaiser.

Saturday Night Is Bath Night



An Appeal to the American People

THREE and one-half million children in Eastern and Central Europe have no alternative to disaster between now and next harvest except American aid. For months these most helpless sufferers in the track of war have been admitted to American feeding-stations only if tragically undernourished, and have received American medical aid only if desperately threatened by death from disease.

One 5 cent hot American meal today has saved a thousand lives. Winter is closing down. The money of many nations is valueless outside their own boundaries. Economic and crop conditions make famine, with its terrible train of diseases, a certain visitor until next harvest. Inevitably, the helpless children will suffer most. No child can grow to health and sanity on the pitiful makeshifts for food with which millions of European adults must content themselves this winter. It is obvious that the remedy can come only from outside.

America saved 6,000,000 European children winter before last. Normal recuperation cut the need nearly in half last year, but unusual conditions have resulted in scant shrinkage of child destitution during the twelvemonth just past. The response of America must now decide whether 3,500,000 of these charges, in acute distress, shall begin to be turned away in January from more than 17,000 asylums, hospitals, clinics and feeding-stations dependent on American support. There would be no tragedy in history so sweeping or so destructive of those who can deserve no evil.

The undersigned organizations, working among every race and creed, many engaged also in other forms of relief, agree unanimously that the plight of these helpless children should have complete priority in overseas charity until the situation is met. This is an issue without politics and without religious lines. There can be no danger of pauperization, for the \$23,000,000 for child food, and the \$10,000,000 for medical service that we seek, will relieve only the critical cases. The medical supplies, of course, must be an unqualified gift, but for every American dollar used in child-feeding, the governments and communities aided furnish two dollars in the form of transportation, rent, labor, clerical help, cash contributions and such food supplies as are locally obtainable.

America has not failed in the past in great heartedness. She has never had a more poignant call than this. Contributions should be turned over to the local committees which are now being formed for this national collection, or sent to Franklin K. Lane, Treasurer, Guaranty Trust Co., New York City.

- EUROPEAN RELIEF COUNCIL
Herbert Hoover, Chairman; Franklin K. Lane, Treasurer
Comprising:
American Relief Administration, by Edgar Rickard, Director; American Red Cross, by Livingston Farrand, Chairman; American Friends' Service Committee (Quakers), by Rufus M. Jones, Chairman; Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, by Felix M. Warburg, Chairman; Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, by Arthur J. Brown; Knights of Columbus, by James A. Flaherty, Supreme Knight; Y. M. C. A., by C. V. Hibbard, International Committee; Y. W. C. A., by Miss Sarah S. Lyon, National Board.

PLIGHT OF EUROPE'S CHILDREN STAGGERS 3,500,000 CHILDREN FACING STARVATION

3,500,000 Facing Starvation Can Only Be Saved by America's Response to Joint Appeal. Vast Relief Effort Launched by Eight Leading American Organizations to Avert Tragedy.

It is utterly impossible for one who has not actually seen the misery of the early Autumn in Europe to visualize what the children of the Eastern and Central portions of the continent face this winter. To say that 3,500,000 children have no alternative to starvation or death from disease except American aid, is startling, but independent observers by the score and careful scientific surveys of the economic and crop conditions overseas brand the figure as conservative.

In Poland, for instance, where 1,300,000 youngsters last year subsisted almost entirely on the one free American meal a day that they received, conditions as winter closes down, are worse than ever before. The Bolshevik invasion stripped large portions of the country of all grain. Professor E. D. Durand, Food Advisor to the Polish government, after an exhaustive survey, has reported that only forty per cent is available of the food necessary to carry the population through the winter.

In the city of Vienna tests conducted in the American Relief Administration food kitchens showed that 52 per cent of the children between the ages of 6 and 14 were "seriously under-nourished." Thirty-three per cent were markedly under-nourished, 11 per cent were slightly subnormal and only 4 per cent approached the state of a normal American child. The American Relief Administration is feeding 300,000 Austrian children every day now, and there is no chance of diminution of need before next harvest.

The spectacle of the medical needs of Europe's children is equally appalling. Estimates reaching the American Red Cross as to needs for medical service in the destitute areas this winter include: Old Austria-Hungary, 750,000; new Poland, 1,500,000; Czechoslovakia, 200,000; Serbia, 150,000, and Roumania, 100,000. In the fiscal year of 1919-20 the Red Cross has reached with the veritable gift of life 1,500,000 children in the affected areas. Tuberculosis is prevalent to a terrific degree. Five children out of seven in the city of Warsaw, for instance, have been found to be tubercular. Typhus is widespread; rickets, the right hand of under-nourishment is almost universal, and cholera lifts its grim head constantly in one place and another.

The European Relief Council, comprising the American Relief Administration, the American Red Cross, the American Friends' Service Committee (Quakers), the Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, the Knights of Columbus, the Y. M. C. A. and the Y. W. C. A., seeks \$33,000,000 with which to meet the situation. It has estimated that at least \$23,000,000 must be had for food and \$10,000,000 for medical service to avert absolute disaster among the three-and-a-half million children. Checks may be sent to your local committee or to Franklin K. Lane, Treasurer European Relief Council, 42 Broadway, New York, or to the Child Feeding Fund, Literary Digest, New York City.