

PEPPERMINT OIL PRICES SOARING

SOUTH BEND, Ind., Dec. 28.—A pound of peppermint oil is worth its weight in silver.

An acute shortage, resulting from unseasonable frost and heat in May in southern Michigan and northwest Indiana, where 60 per cent of the world's supply of peppermint is produced, reduced the crop 70 percent or to approximately 250,000 pounds.

Throughout the late summer and early fall peppermint oil has steadily increased in price until it exceeded \$17 a pound. The maximum price last year was \$4 and four years ago it was \$1.25.

Gradually the growers are drifting toward a single "pool" through which they would market their oil when the demand price is highest.

In several instances, farmers have been known to store their oil in safety deposit boxes to await further market advances.

Manufacturers of tooth paste, candies, chewing gum, various toothache remedies and all other products which require peppermint flavoring are interested in the cooperative efforts of the growers. The normal yearly consumption of the oil is 400,000 pounds.

Peppermint plants, the oil of which is distilled from the leaves and stalks, thrive best in heavy, mucky soil, found in the lowlands along the Indiana-Michigan border. The farms usually are small—fifty or sixty acres. Under normal conditions two crops may be harvested each summer.

Statistics show that the United States must build over 375,000 new houses every year, more than a thousand a day, to keep pace with the normal growth of population.

Pneumonia Claims Pioneer of State

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Dec. 28.—George W. Hulick, age 45, an Oregon pioneer of 1865, died at his suburban home near here Sunday, after a short illness with pneumonia. He was born in Iowa and came overland with his parents in 1864, the family settling in the Grande Ronde valley. While a young man he freighted between Umatilla Landing on the Columbia river over the mountains to the grand Ronde country and beyond and later became a stockman in Baker county Oregon. He leaves his widow here, two daughters, three brothers and two sisters living in Umpine, Keating and Pendleton, Ore.

3 DISCOVERIES OF SCIENTIFIC INTEREST MADE

Present Year has Shown Much Achievement in Realm of Research

MAN'S LINK IS FOUND

A new Food Product Likened to the White of Egg is Boston Discovery

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—The achievements of science in 1925 are increased by three discoveries announced as the year enters its last week.

At Princeton university, Dr. W. B. Scott, paleontologist and geologist, claims to have solved a question that has divided scientists since 1891 by proving that the "Java man" found 24 years ago is a true link in the chain of man's evolution from the lowest form of life.

Massachusetts Institute of Technology announces that one of its professors has discovered a means for making from beef serum a protein food which can be used for food as a substitute for the white of egg and also provide a cheap water proofing and adhesive material.

Calendar Solution

Harvard announces the solution of the ancient mystery of the Mayan calendar. It has been found that the Central American Indians of the 6th century before Christ were excellent astronomers and calculated time by the movements of the planet Venus.

Boston's new food product is the result of an experiment by Dr. J. W. M. Bunker, in the biological laboratories of the institute of technology. It is made from the globulin and albumin content of beef, and is produced in the form of a golden powder. Its food value was demonstrated by making it the sole protein in the diet of some guinea pigs and white rats, which thrived on it.

A quantity of the new food equaling the albumin content of the white of an egg can be produced for a half cent. Mixed with egg yolks, it can make omelets and scrambled eggs. It is useful for tanning leather and for various commercial and industrial purposes.

The solution of the Mayan calendar, which has puzzled scientists for years, is the culmination of long work.

Dr. Herbert J. Spinden of Harvard discovered the secret of Mayan time count, based on the appearance of Venus as the morning and evening star. He set about calculating the true astronomical positions of Venus in the sixth century before Christ and compared them with dates on the calendar. He found that the ancient Mayans were so accurate in their calculations that allowances were made for the days we insert in leap years to offset the fraction of a day over the 365 in each trip of the earth around the sun.

BITTER WEATHER SWEEPS COUNTRY

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kindly were noted in other parts of the world. Lightning incidental to a violent storm set fire to several petroleum tanks at Buenos Aires, causing damage estimated at one million dollars. Severe earthquakes were felt in several localities in Vera Cruz, Mexico while storms continued to exact a heavy toll in France, "La Rochelle, a fishing boat foundered, drowning seven and melting snow gorged the streams causing several floods."

Canada Shivers

At New York City where the mercury hovered about seven above Sunday, the wind was biting enough to cause Robert Mayekowk, a visiting Eskimo from Alaska and points north to say "Eet is cold."

Most of Canada shivered with the United States, the north commonwealth experiencing one of the coldest weekends in years. One note of contrast, however was provided by West Kootaney in British Columbia, which reported spring-like weather, a green Christmas and growing grass. The cold weather directly or indirectly caused 13 deaths in Chicago, while the midwest metropolis saw more than a million dollars worth of property destroyed by fire in two days. The fatalities included four men found frozen to death in the streets.

Many Casualties

Three death occurred in Ohio, and three in Kentucky, with other casualties.

New York City, Rensselaer, N. Y., and Baltimore, two each; Philadelphia, Worcester, Mass., Yorkers, N. Y., and Toronto, one each.

In Philadelphia an aged lamp lighter died of exposure.

While below zero temperatures sprinkled the entire weather map Saturday night and Sunday, the record for extreme drops was held by the northeast. The low point at Tupper Lake, N. Y., was 28. The mercury at Alnsworth, Nebr., reached 19 below while such widely separated points as Miles City, Mont., and Sault St. Marie, Mich., tied at 16 minus. The cold wave extended down into New Mexico, where readings of 15 to 20 degrees above were frequent.

Lowest of Year

In Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma, and Texas, the mercury was at the lowest of the year. The Ohio river was choked with ice floes and water traffic was tied up. Continued cold was predicted for portions of Pennsylvania, New York and New England, with snow flurries in many places.

The south did not escape, while no snow fell, chill winds brought a breath of winter to the middle and south Atlantic states. At Asheville, N. C., the reading was four above last night, while Roanoke, Va., reported eight. The average in the Carolinas was 20; in Georgia 25; while cold winds shoved the mercury down to forty at Jacksonville, Fla., and 42 at Tampa.

French Novels Losing Hold on Reading Public

PARIS, Dec. 28.—(AP)—Changed times in Europe are lessening the popularity of the French novel.

People in France are studying more closely economic and social questions. Works on history, costing three times the price of the novel, have found a remarkable sale, and there also has been a revival of editions of Greek and Roman classics in the original text and in translations.

Of the 8287 books published in France last year, only 1,148 were novels, while 2,008 were on social and economic questions. A comparison of books on sale with those offered before the world war showed a greatly marked improvement in taste.

Ford Motor Company is manufacturing 9,000 cars a day.

Will Initiate Scouts Tonight

Close to 35 boy scouts will be initiated into scoutdom at the investiture ceremony tonight at eight o'clock, to take place in the Moose hall. At this ceremony tenderfoot badges will be presented.

The four chair ceremony will be held with a scoutmaster from the various troops in each chair. All troops throughout the county will be represented.

RAIL MEN HERE

representatives in the manner of representatives of the Oregon Truck lines, are business visitors here.

ISOLATED TOWN HAS NO HIGHWAY

ETNA MILLS, Calif., Dec. 28.—Cecilville, an isolated mountain town hasn't access to a road to the outside world yet, but has its first automobile just the same.

All mail and freight for Cecilville and the upper Salmon river country is delivered by mule train along the trail. Roscoe and Archie Earnsworth, Salmon river miners, were unwilling to wait the two years necessary for the completion of the mountain wagon road which

no forest service is building. They wanted to use their car on a short strip of road between their home and Cecilville, built years ago by a mining company. So they drove, pushed and squeezed their machine along until the trail became too steep and narrow for progress. Then they took the car apart and loaded it on pack mules for the last lap of the journey.

POTATO MARKET DULL
PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 28.—With the close of the Christmas holidays, local potato dealers, who have been following conditions closely, look for a big improvement in the market. Just now the situation is anything but favorable. Warehouses are full and the demand is

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Prehistoric Flappers Concealed Their Ears

TUCSON, Ariz., Dec. 28.—(AP)—Prehistoric flappers who lived in Mexico about 10,000 years ago used the same care in concealing their ears that the fair senoritas do today.

The sheiks of that period were more worried about their leg line than they were about their waist measurement.

These are two prehistoric fashion notes discovered by Dean Byron Cummings, professor of archeology at the University of Arizona, in his excavations in the pyramid of Cuicuilco 12 miles south of Mexico City.

The flappers of the ancient day instead of concealing their ears under the now prevalent barrage of hair used large disc like ear plugs made of an American variety of jade. The sheiks of that time corded their thighs to give themselves a bandy legged effect that apparently was all the rage.

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Salamander Can Change Its Sex

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 28.—(AP)—Since time immemorial the salamander has changed its colors but it remained for the salamander, aided by science, to be the first creature to change its sex, the American society of zoologists learned today during the first meeting of its two day session at Yale University.

Other scientific achievements reported included successful transplantation of hearts and eyes from one species of salamander to another and the amputation of forelimbs from living rat embryos while still unborn.

Dr. Robert K. Burns, Jr., of the University of Cincinnati, read a paper reporting the results of experiments in grafting different species.

G. B. Richmond and C. A. Hart, Siamese twins while still in the egg stage.

Dr. W. M. Copenhaver of the University of Rochester medical school told of the transplantation of hearts, an experiment only partly successful in that it resulted in death for one species, although the heart of the other species was accelerated by such operations.

TURKISH WOMEN ARE RECOGNIZED

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 28.—(AP)—Women are to have a page to themselves in the new Constantinople daily, the "People's Paper." This innovation indicates a change of heart on the part of the Turkish press which two years ago was discriminating against the few Moslem women who showed signs of any public activity.

The sheet in the new journal bears the heading: "Woman's Duty." It contains articles written by women, such as a health report by Sefie All Henoum, Turkey's first woman doctor, and an article criticizing the women's union and signed "the mother-in-law."

There are accounts of women's activities in various parts of the country and from a suburb from Chicago and under this heading, "The advance of feminism," is the statement "we have had two teas and a bull in one week."

All-Metal Planes Start on Journey

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 28.—(AP)—The first four airplanes made by the Stout all-metal airplane division of the Ford Motor company and sold for strictly commercial use, took off from the Ford airport at Dearborn this morning for Miami, Fla. The planes are to be put into operation between Miami and Tampa, Fla. The by the Florida Airways corporation.

Henry and Edsel Ford, Wm. B. Mayo, chief engineer of the Ford company, and William B. Stout, designer of the plane and director of airplane manufacturing for the plant, witnessed the take-off.

"It is a very significant occasion," Henry Ford said. "The establishment of the airline is an important step forward for American aviation."

MILLS RESUME
BEND, Ore., Dec. 28.—(AP)—Both lumber mills here resumed operations here today after the holiday shut down.

GROTTEKAU, Silesia.—Unmuzzled cats are to be seized on the streets by the municipal dog catcher. An ordinance just passed extends dog regulations to felines.

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