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MAN OF OPTIMISTIC STRAIN

Millionaire Bought "Laundry" Instead of "Launch," but He Refuses to Be Discouraged.

Millionaires are supposed to lean toward a philosophic pessimism, but there is one who is evidently a genuine optimist.

He met a friend, and said: "Come and see my new steam laundry."

The friend was somewhat surprised.

"I didn't know you went in for that sort of thing," he said.

"I don't, as a rule," replied the millionaire. "I bought this one quite by mistake. It was the auctioneer's fault. I hadn't time to get a catalogue, and I thought he said steam launch! So I nodded, and they landed me with it."

That millionaire is going to make that laundry pay!

More Widows Than Widowers.

According to the United States census of 1920, there are in this country at this time 3,170,000 widows and only 1,471,300 widowers. This indicates that the chances are, on the average, two to one that a man will pass away before his wife. The main reason for this condition of affairs is that the wife is generally several years younger than the husband, and then, too, at the ages above fifty the mortality rate for men is much higher than for women.—Bankers' Life Bulletin.

Hall's Catarrh Medicine

Those who are in a "run down" condition will notice that Catarrh bothers them much more than when they are in good health. This fact proves that while Catarrh is a local disease, it is greatly influenced by constitutional conditions. HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE is a Tonic and Blood Purifier, and acts through the blood upon the mucous surfaces of the body, thus reducing the inflammation and restoring normal conditions. All druggists. Circulars free. F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio.

Unexpected Reply.

"Woodman, spare that tree!" cried the poet.

"All right. No more wood pulp, no more paper, no more poetry."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Important to Mothers

Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, that famous old remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the Signature of *Dr. J. C. Fletch* in Use for Over 30 Years. Children Cry for Fletcher's Castoria

The earthen pan gains nothing by contact with the copper pot.—Danish Proverb.

Cypress and walnut, when used in contact, cause each other to rot.

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WILSON HOPES FOR PEACE FOR RUSSIA

PRESIDENTIAL ACTION IN AID OF ARMENIA CONDITIONED ON TRUCE.

League of Nations Informed That Powers Must Agree Not to Abet Attacks on Soviet if He is to Proceed With Overtures.

Washington—A "public and solemn" engagement among the great powers not to violate, or to permit the violation of, the territorial integrity of Russia 's regarded by President Wilson as the sine qua non of an attempt at the pacification of Armenia and other states bordering on the former empire.

His views are given in a note transmitted to Paul Hymans, president of the league of nations assembly, by acting Secretary of State Davis, made public January 22.

The "distressful situation" of Armenia, invaded by both the Turkish nationalists and the soviets, is only one detail of the Russian problem, the president says, and he urges his conviction that it is only by a general and comprehensive treatment of the problem, "only by full co-operation of the principal powers," that a hopeful approach to the pacification and independence of Armenia can be found.

The president says he has never believed that the problems raised by the bolshevik coup could be solved by outside military actions, and he expresses the hope that the tragic events on the Polish front and in the Crimea have convinced the world that armed invasion is not the way to bring peace to Russia.

Settlement Within.

Mr. Wilson adds that these events have only strengthened his convictions that the Russian revolution must be developed to a satisfactory conclusion by the Russians, with such help as may be "voluntarily received."

The problem, he says, is one of relations between central Russian and surrounding smaller national groups. Bitter and mutual distrust, he states, is the cause of the unrest and instability along the border; the struggling new nationalities are afraid to disarm and return to peace, because they distrust the bolsheviks, while the soviets contend they are afraid to demobilize, fearing new attacks.

Time Precipitous.

Mr. Wilson expresses the opinion that the present offers a "peculiarly pressing challenge" to an attempt at general pacification on the Russian borders along the lines of a clear distinction between offense and defense.

"Such an attempt seems to the president to be the only logical development of the request to mediate in the Armenian conflict. . . . It is obvious that these small, struggling border states will not attack great Russia unless encouraged by promise of support from the stronger powers," the note says.

Would Fix Responsibility.

The president suggests a "public and solemn" declaration among the powers to refrain from extending such aid, declaring that in this way responsibility for any new war on the Russian border would be "clearly placed."

"If the principal powers represented on the council of the league," Mr. Wilson concludes, "find themselves in accord with the president, and will, assure him of their moral and diplomatic support, he will instruct his personal representative, Mr. Morgenthau, to proceed on his mission."

BORAH DEMANDS ACTION.

Objects to Root's Plan of Delay of World Plan of Disarmament.

Washington.—A suggestion of Elihu Root, former secretary of state, that a world conference on disarmament be delayed until after President-elect Harding is inaugurated, brought a sharp statement Saturday night from Senator Borah, Idaho, author of a pending resolution asking the president to initiate negotiations looking to a reduction of naval building by the United States, Great Britain and Japan.

"Delay is one of the methods peculiarly adapted to killing any program of disarmament," said the senator, adding that he regretted "exceedingly" that Mr. Root should throw his influence against the progress being made."

Lucy Seeks Another Job.

Topeka, Kan.—The Kansas Anti-cigarette league has refused to pay Lucy Page Gaston, its organizer, any more salary, or to be responsible for bills incurred in her campaign against the cigaret. Miss Gaston announced Sunday, adding that she will go to Iowa to organize a league.

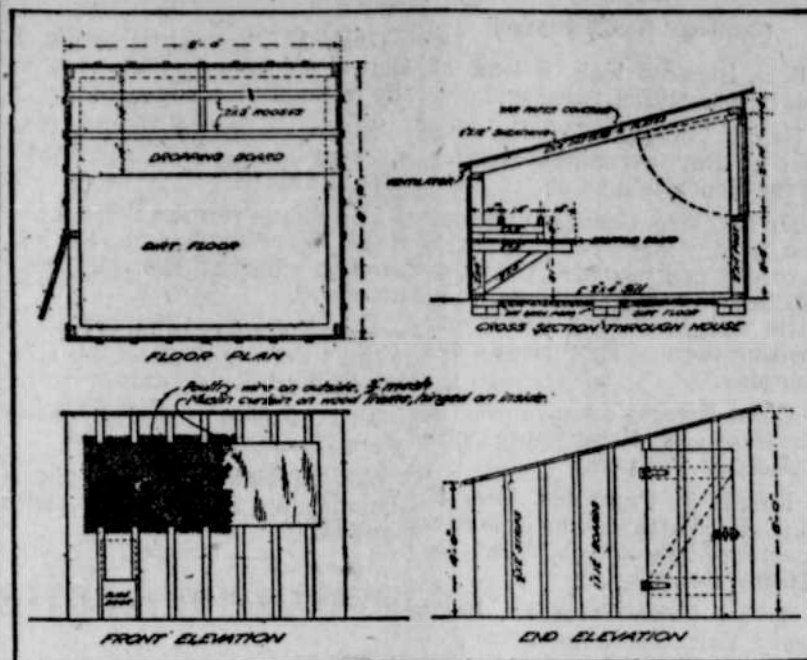
Whisky Consumption Decrease.

Washington.—Whisky consumption in the United States decreased from 89,641,985 gallons in 1917 to 5,581,533 gallons in 1920, the first year of prohibition, according to figures announced by the anti-saloon league.

Red Army in Russia.

Berlin.—A semi-official statement issued Sunday says evidence of the existence of a red army, created by the German Communist party, has been revealed by searches in Essen, Dueseldorf, Elberfeld and Bremen.

INEXPENSIVE SHELTER SUITABLE FOR BACK YARD POULTRY FLOCK



Plan of a Simple Backyard Poultry House.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Piano and packing boxes can be successfully converted into adequate backyard poultry houses, but many owners of small flocks prefer a building erected especially for the purpose, because it usually presents a better appearance in the back yard. For such, poultry specialists of the United States Department of Agriculture suggest plans for a poultry house of the shed or slope-roof type that will make a small flock comfortable and be neat in appearance.

This building is 8 by 8 feet square, and is 6 feet high in front and 4 feet high in the rear. The house may be made higher with little extra cost and would be more convenient to work in. The ventilator in the rear is not needed in the northern part of the country. The roof is covered with roofing paper. The same material may be used on the sides or if desired the cracks may be covered with wooden strips three inches wide. Such a house is large enough for a flock of 20 hens.

Dry Floor a Necessity.

If the soil is well drained and remains dry no floor need be used in the house. Often a slight dampness can be corrected by filling up the floor several inches above the outside ground with sand, gravel, or dry dirt. Three or four inches of the surface of the floor should be removed and replaced with fresh earth once or twice a year. The run should be spaded up at least once a year. If the ground is so wet or damp that this condition cannot be corrected by filling, it is best to provide a board floor, as this will help to keep the house dry, will allow easier cleaning, and will promote the general health and welfare of the hens. A house with a board floor should be set on posts or blocks, so that it is 5 to 12 inches above the ground. When this space is left the floor will not rot so quickly and rats will not be so likely to take refuge under the house.

The dropping boards and roosts should be placed against the back wall. Here they are out of the way and also are least likely to be reached by drafts. The dropping boards should be about 20 to 30 inches from the floor, depending on the height of the building. This gives space enough under them so that the hens have room to exercise and is not too high for the heavier hens to fly up to. A roost should be 3 or 4 inches above the dropping boards. If more than a single roost is used, they should be on the same level; otherwise all the hens will try to crowd upon the highest roost. A piece of 2 by 4 or 2 by 3, laid on edge and with the upper corners rounded off, makes a good roost. A pole, or even a piece of board 2 or 3 inches wide, may be used. If the roost is of light material and fairly long, it should be supported in the center, as well as at the ends, to prevent it from sagging badly. An allowance of 7 to 10 inches of roost space per fowl, according to the size of the birds, should be made. If more than one roost is used, they should be placed about 15 inches apart.

Provide Simple Nests.

Nests must be provided and may be very simple. Any box about 1 foot square and 5 or 6 inches deep is suitable. An ordinary orange box with the partition in the middle serves very well, each box forming two nests. The top is removed, the box laid on its side, and a strip 3 to 4 inches wide nailed across the lower front. Nests can be fastened against the walls of the house or set on the floor. It is preferable to fasten them against the walls, as they take too much floor space if set on the floor. One nest should be provided for each four or five hens.

MARKETING APPLES

Information secured from apple-market investigations by the United States Department of Agriculture indicate that relatively low prices in large crop years in the beginning of the season make for quick movement and rapid consumption, with the natural result of better season averages; that marketing of inferior grades along with good fruit in large crop years is not profitable; that the effective operation of grade and package laws may be counted upon to aid in stabilizing apple markets.

IMPORTANCE OF APPEARANCE

Potatoes Suitable for Baking Wrung in Paper and Graded Bring Bigger Profit.

The package in which a product is sold has much to do with its sale. A New York farmer found it profitable to grade and wrap in paper potatoes suitable for baking purposes. He got a better price for them and also some advertisement which sold other produce.

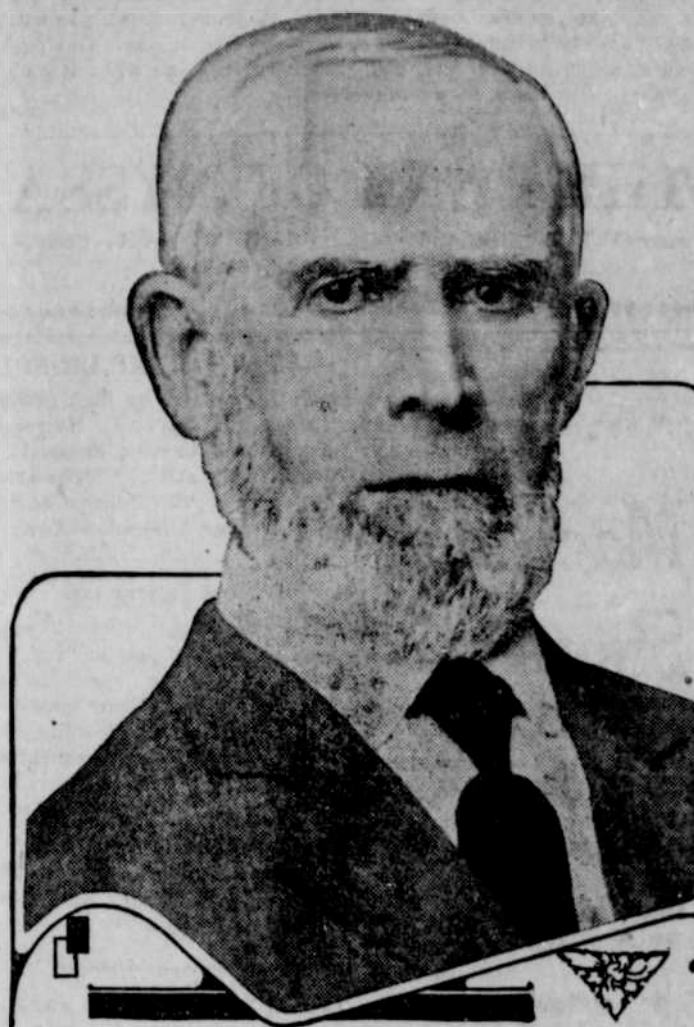
TESTS OF 29,638 SEED SAMPLES



With This Equipment Grain Dealers Can Make All Tests Necessary to Determine Proper Grade of Grain.

During the year ending June 30, 1920, the United States Department of Agriculture tested 29,638 samples of seeds for farmers preliminary to planting. Of these, 16,442 were tested in Washington and 13,196 at the five branch offices. Under the seed importation act 20,000,000 pounds of seed were permitted entry during the fiscal year, which was more than the total for the previous three years. Nearly 5,000,000 pounds were held at port, more than half of which was reclaimed and the balance ordered destroyed or exported. Red clover and alfalfa, crimson clover, rape seed, and alsike were among the leading seeds imported.

Quaker Minister Is Grateful to Tanlac



Rev. Parker Moon

Nearly everybody in Southwest Missouri either knows or has heard of the Rev. Parker Moon, who for a full half century has devoted his life and talents to Sunday school and organization work for the Society of Friends or Quakers.

"Uncle Parker," as he is more familiarly known, came from fine old rugged Quaker stock, and there is not a better known or more highly respected citizen in that part of the state. In referring to his remarkable restoration to health by Tanlac, he said:

"About five years ago I suffered a general breakdown. My principal trouble was nervous indigestion. My appetite was very poor and my food seldom agreed with me, and I had to live on a very restricted diet. I suffered a great deal from headaches and dizzy spells; I had severe pains across the small of my back and was badly constipated most of the time. In fact, I was so weak and rundown I was not able to attend to my duties."

"This condition made me very nervous and I could not sleep at night. Frequently I would lie awake most all night and was in that condition more or less for five years. My physician said he could not do anything for me and suggested a change of

climate. I then moved to Texas and went back and forth three times, but did not get the relief I had hoped for. Finally, I got so bad off I was not able to get around with any degree of comfort. I was also told I had heart trouble.

"I had read about Tanlac and, as it had been very highly recommended to me, I decided to try it. I got a bottle and had taken only a few doses until I could notice a marked improvement in my condition. I noticed especially that I was not troubled any more with sour stomach after eating, which was a great relief."

"I kept on taking Tanlac until I fully regained my health. My appetite is splendid; I enjoy my meals and I do not find it necessary now to take any laxative medicines of any kind. I can sleep much better and am not nearly so nervous."

"I take great pleasure in recommending Tanlac to anyone who needs a good system builder, or who suffers with stomach trouble. I have recommended Tanlac to a great many of my friends and am pleased to reach others by giving this statement for publication."

Tanlac is sold by leading druggists everywhere.

States' Debts Increase.

In 31 of the 48 states the revenues exceeded the expenditures for governmental costs, including interest on indebtedness and outlays for permanent improvements, by \$50,192,514, or 71.6 cents per capita. In the remaining 17 the revenues fell below the expenditures by \$15,378,246, or 43.8 cents per capita, and in five of these 17 states sufficient revenues were not collected to meet current expenses and interest. Taking the 48 states as a whole, the excess of revenue over expenditures was \$34,814,068, or 33.1 cents per capita. These are among the interesting facts brought out in a report entitled "Financial Statistics of States, 1919," issued by Director Sam L. Rogers of the bureau of the census, Department of Commerce.

Strength of Ice.

Ice two inches thick will bear men on foot.
Ice four inches thick will bear men on horseback.
Ice six inches thick will bear cattle and teams with light loads.
Ice eight inches thick will bear teams with heavy loads.
Ice ten inches thick will sustain a pressure of 1,000 pounds to the square foot.

France produces more than 250 varieties of cheese.

The Night Before Christmas.

'Twas the night before Christmas, and all through the house not a creature was stirring—except Lily, the cook, preparing to take the 10 a. m. as a holiday surprise. And Uncle Horace, in the guest room, who has just discovered that sprig of holly that the boys put between the sheets. And the boys, who, having surreptitiously opened their presents and found them all "useful," are contemplating sabotage. And sister Maybelle, who has saved her dad's gifts of the year before and is trying to redistribute them. And mother, who is going to get that red ball on top of the tree or die in the attempt. And father, sitting up with a sick check book and a sheaf of newly arrived bills. And Florence, the cat, somewhat the worse for having sampled the Christmas punch to which father consecrated his last bottle of Scotch.—From Life.

The Likeness.

"A beauty doctor taking the skin off the society queens' complexions is very much like a sexton at the church chiming."

"I can't see the likeness, I must say."

"Isn't he peeling the bellies?"

Did you ever notice what a lot of friends you haven't got when you happen to need them?

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