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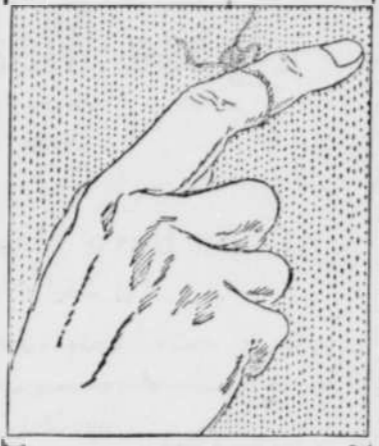
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WASHINGTON.—The doughboy with a bayonet still is the basic combatant unit in battle in the virtually unanimous judgment of the American army. Aircraft, tanks, bombs, machine guns and cannon merely are valuable auxiliaries for the "infantryman in the bulk," armed with rifle and bayonet and each foot soldier armored only by his "own agility" and a steel helmet.
For "battle is normally determined by physical encounter with the bayonet or the fear thereof," the official conclusion of the army asserts. It is based on answers to a questionnaire sent to every officer down to the commanders of regiments.
The answers were unmistakable. There has been no change, soldiers who fought in France believe, in the age-old gospel of "cold steel" in war. As it was with Cromwell's grim host bidding for victory "with push of

pike," with Napoleon's old guard that "dies but never surrenders," with Pickett's "flower of the South" at Gettysburg, so it was with Pershing's "buddies" in France. Cold steel was the ultimate arbiter. The statement says replies to the questionnaire showed:
That man remains the fundamental instrument in battle and, as such, cannot be replaced by any imaginable instrument short of something more perfect than the human body, including the mind.
That man in the bulk—meaning the greater portion of the armed forces—with greatest freedom of action and with greatest efficiency when on foot, not on horseback, in a tank, in an airplane, or in a fixed fortification; that to achieve decisive action he is best armed with the rifle and bayonet; that man is made least vulnerable when least clothed against the weather and armored by his own agility and with steel helmet.
That infantry is the basic combatant arm upon whose success depends the success of the army; the primary duty of other arms is to assist the infantry.
That no arm except infantry can be expected, under normal conditions, to destroy an approximately equal force of enemy infantry armed with rifle and bayonet.

Radio Panacea for Farmers' Troubles?

ADAPTATION of radio communication to the use and service of agriculture will do more to revolutionize life on America's farms than any other single factor that has ever been known, according to W. A. Wheeler, chief of the radio news service, Department of Agriculture. He says that radio can bring to the farmer those things the lack of which has done most to make farm life both difficult and distasteful—news, market information, amusements and instructive entertainment.
There are more than 32,000,000 people on farms, comprising nearly one-third the total population of the United States. Most of these are located where they are practically cut off from immediate contact with the outside world. The radio is the only means of getting to them quickly either the economic information necessary in the proper conduct of their business or the general news of the day.
The Department of Agriculture broadcasts weather, crop and market reports from six radio stations of the Post Office department. Daily market reports on the live stock, grain,



cotton, hay, feed, fruit and vegetable markets are broadcast over virtually the entire United States. Farmers located almost anywhere can receive them either direct or through the assistance of amateur operators. A number of state bureaus of markets and agricultural colleges are also broadcasting both local and national market and crop reports by radio telegraphy and radiophone.
The time element in dispatching weather, crop and market news is a big factor affecting the value of such reports. Prompt daily reports on the fruit and vegetable markets enables the farmer to determine when and where farm products are most needed and to arrange his shipments accordingly.

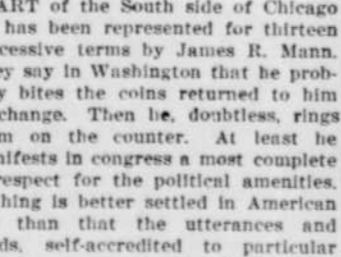
World's One Helium Plant Shut Down



Helium is one of the rarest of gases known to science. It is derived from two sources—one from volcanoes, the other from natural gas found in certain sections of Texas, Oklahoma and Ohio, with minor deposits in some parts of Europe. It is next to the lightest substance known, the lightest being hydrogen.
Although twice as heavy as hydrogen, helium has almost the same lifting power. Tests have shown that 1,000 cubic feet of hydrogen will lift 75.1 pounds; the same amount of helium will lift 69.59 pounds. But helium has the important advantage of being noninflammable. It cannot be ignited by any means, and therefore is the ideal gas for balloons.
As the natural gas piped from the Petrolia fields comes into the helium plant it is first run through lime, which removes the carbon dioxide; next it is subjected to very low temperature, which causes the gas to turn to liquid, leaving only nitrogen and helium. Still lower temperature is then applied and only the helium is left, which is then drawn off and compressed into long slim cylinders or bottles for shipment.

Helium plant a few miles from Fort Worth, Tex., built by the government at a cost of \$7,000,000 to extract helium from the natural gas piped down from the Petrolia fields has been shut down because funds for its operation have been exhausted. The plant is in charge of Lieutenant Commander Allan G. Olson and a guard of 20 men. It is the only plant of its kind in the world. This country controls the helium monopoly. The visible supply has been estimated at only 20 years' duration.
Hydrogen, the other form of gas for inflating balloons, has been proven highly dangerous and most useless for war purposes.

The Iconoclastic Mr. Mann of Illinois



PART of the South side of Chicago has been represented for thirteen successive terms by James R. Mann. They say in Washington that he probably bites the coins returned to him in change. Then he, doubtless, rings them on the counter. At least he manifests in congress a most complete disrespect for the political amenities. Nothing is better settled in American life than that the utterances and deeds, self-accredited to particular personages, are actually the products of their brains and brawn. It would be lese majeste to suggest that some obscure 800-a-month clerk in a government department actually did the work. But Representative Mann seems to have rubbed against surrounding officialdom so much that he has rubbed all the glitter off.
Congress was considering a bill for the exchange between the federal government and New York city of sites for a post office and a courthouse. A high-sounding amendment provided that the secretary of the treasury, the attorney general, the postmaster general, the secretary of commerce and the secretary of labor, be named as a "commission to confer and examine

and finally arrange for the exchange. "Not one of these cabinet members will ever look at these sites," glumly suggested Mr. Mann. "It will be a subordinate official who recommends the change. If I thought the five cabinet members were to serve I would be against the bill; they have something better to do."
Another representative pointed out that it was the postmaster general's own suggestion.
"Oh," continued the iconoclastic Mr. Mann, "the postmaster general has not been worth a five-cent piece. He does not know anything about the Post Office department; and for one I am mighty glad he is getting out of it."



JUST BE BETWEEN YOU and ME
This is your corner. Make use of it for your information on questions that are puzzling you. It will be my pleasure and privilege to answer carefully and promptly all questions submitted to me. If a more detailed answer than can be given in these columns is desired, send a stamped envelope and it will be given prompt attention. All communications will always be held in absolute confidence.

All letters should be addressed very plainly in pen and ink to Helen Brooks, Box 1545, Salt Lake City.

Dear Miss Brooks:
This dreadful affair is telling on my health and I feel I MUST do something to avert the situation—please help me, Miss Brooks.

George is so very attentive and thoughtful, and it is this quality I like so much. But gradually he has become to regard me more intimately until he asked me to marry him. He is forty years old while I am only 21, but in spite of this he is very romantic. Now, he will not take "no" for an answer—and oh, how I hate to disappoint him. He has said over and over again that I am the most glorious thing that had ever entered his life, that he would never care to go on alone without me and would have nothing more to live for. I have seen despair manifest itself in boys before, yet they were younger and I knew they would get over it nicely. Somehow the thought occurs to me so many times, that George might commit suicide. Rather would I do anything than to have caused such a tragic, despicable, sure-ly dreadful thing. Yet, I cannot feel I should marry him, as the disappointment would be greater than, when he learned I did not love him—then comes the fear that probably I could not keep such a vow a lifetime; when I became bored, a half hour seems a dreadful age—what of a LIFE-TIME? Yet, I DO like his loving me. Probably, I should have married him, had it not been for my family, who highly disapprove of him—and, well, I guess their argument IS only reasonable, i. e., he cannot, at this time, support a wife in any kind of moderate comfort.

I will try to put this from my conscience until your answer appears. Oh, please, may I hear from you as soon as possible?
Yours disconsolately,
AMBER, Dubois, Idaho.

You poor dear disconsolate, cheer up. I can't believe it can be half as bad as you seem to think. In the first place you infer that you do not love George. If so you should by all means tell him about it.
In the consideration of marriage, disparity of age should not be of nearly so great importance as that of whether you have a similar viewpoint on the essential things of your every day life. Age is largely a matter of thought. Many people are younger at forty than others are at twenty-one.

Beware of the man who says he cannot live without you. That is selfishness. In most instances they manage to get along quite nicely, and I wonder after all if it is worth the trouble to try to prevent them from committing such a "tragic, despicable, dreadful thing. How do you feel about it by this time. It isn't a bad idea to consider your family's viewpoint. They are quite trustworthy as a rule and are thinking only of your interests. Here is wishing you the best of luck and may happiness attend you whatever the outcome. Please do not let it hang on and permanently injure your health. Would like very much for you to write me as to just how you decide this question.

Dear Helen Brooks:
We are wondering whether you can help us get a recipe for making Spanish rice. A friend of ours who formerly lived in Mexico, made a dish they called Spanish rice, which was delicious. Have lost their address as well as recipe. Will appreciate your efforts in trying to locate this recipe for us.

MEXICO, Salt Lake.
Believe you will find the following recipe for Spanish rice very good, although it may not be just the particular one you have in mind:
Cover one cup of rice with cold water; heat to boiling point and boil 2 minutes. Drain in a strainer, rinse well with cold water and drain again. Cut four slices of bacon in shreds, crosswise and cook until crisp. Remove bacon, add to rice. Cut one-half of a green pepper in shreds and cook in bacon fat until soft, then add pepper and bacon fat to rice. Cover with three cups of well seasoned chicken broth, season well with salt, cover and let cook until rice has absorbed broth and is tender, then add one cup of thick tomato puree and two-thirds cup of grated cheese. Mix well with a fork and heat through over boiling water.

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"Judge, I paid my just filled my pipe and to the subway, and I h my hand, and having ne it, I put it in my mouth, time it has ever happen "All right, Murphy," at Doyle, "I will suspend se this time. But suppose umbrella in your hand? Murphy grinned, and l room.

Self-Supporti
An attorney of Los J used for a chauffeur. odd responded and wer tioned as to qualificati and whether married or turning to a negro chap, "How about you, New married?"
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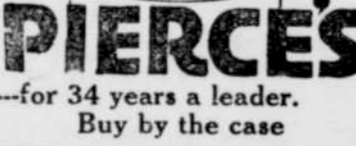
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