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DES MOINES, IOWA, FRIDAY, AUGUST 25, 1916.

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Mrs. Watkins entertained a dancing party in honor of Mr. Clyde Glass.

Mrs. Ella Coleman left this week for Minneapolis for a few weeks visit.

Mr. M. Askew has an over Sunday guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Johnson.

Dr. O. L. Bledsoe will arrive in the city from Marshall, Texas, as the guest of Miss Letta Carey.

Mrs. L. P. Berry of Jersey City will arrive next week as the house guest of Mrs. Mayne Gould.

Mr. Archie Alexander motored to Kansas City, Mo., Sunday morning to attend the Business Men's League.

Mrs. J. D. Davis entertained a family dinner last Sunday in honor of Miss Woods of Texas.

Mrs. S. S. Suggs of Hiawatha, Kansas, is here visiting her sister and family, Mrs. G. W. Brown, 1516 Illinois street.

Some of our state fair visitors are Messrs. Albert Miles, T. Jordan, Harve Bartlett and Noble Boyd, all of Omaha, Neb.

Mrs. Rhodie Frisette and her sister, Mrs. Rhue Clay of Kansas City, Mo., left Saturday for a week's visit with their brother in Omaha.

Miss Sallie M. Nixon of Kansas City is visiting Miss Carrie Watson and Mrs. Shelton. She will remain throughout the summer.

Mrs. Watkins entertained at a breakfast for her house guest, Miss Malina Wilson of Chicago, also Mr. Clyde Glass, Miss Letta Carey and Miss Nixon.

Mrs. R. N. Hyde and R. E. Patten entertained last week in honor of Miss Octavia Woods of Marshall, Texas. Mrs. Patten gave a one o'clock luncheon and Mrs. Hyde a six o'clock dinner.

Mr. R. N. Hyde delegate from Hawkeye lodge, left Friday to attend the Elks convention in Philadelphia. Mr. Hyde will visit in his old home, Virginia, and also in Washington.

Rev. S. L. Birt, pastor of St. Paul's A. M. E. church of this city, has been selected by Bishop L. J. Coppin to preach the annual sermon of the Chicago conference at Chicago on September 20th at the seat of conference.

Dr. Jno. Gregg of Jacksonville, Fla., president of Edward Waters' college, will give an illustrated lecture at the skating rink August 29th, showing the progress of the Negro in the south. This lecture will be known as the other side of the Birth of a Nation. Every Negro should see this.

The entertainment given by the Beautiful Light Household of Ruth under the leadership of Mrs. Gus Nichols at the Maple Street Baptist church was quite a success, \$73 being realized. The winners of the contest were: Mrs. Wm. Mining, first prize, a beautiful pin with a sheath of wheat; Mrs. Nichols, second prize, three links and a sheath of wheat.

Mrs. W. H. Birney entertained last Friday to about forty of her friends at cards in honor of Miss Letta Carey, Mr. Clyde Glass and Mrs. Jno. Young. Prizes awarded were: First ladies' prize, Miss Nixon of Kansas City; second ladies' prize, Mrs. Dr. Lowery; first gentlemen's prize, Mr. Osa Smith, and booby prize, Miss Margaret Roberts.

Mr. M. Askew, district deputy grand master of Odd Fellows, and Mr. Horace Green, delegate of Sioux City lodge, No. 4655, passed through our city Monday en route to the grand lodge of Odd Fellows at Colfax. While in our city they made the Bystander office a pleasant call.

Monday, August 28th, Mr. James Hill will begin to enroll pupils for his class in voice culture. Pupils entering now will be heard in the first series of recitals the latter part of November. A limited number of pupils will be taken for the first term. Mr. Hill is widely known as a teacher and soloist. For information regarding terms and appointments call Walnut 2106.

Bro. W. M. Lewis, the noted gospel singer of Texas, has had splendid success each night this week in a revival meeting at the Corinthian Baptist church. Meetings will continue on Wednesday evening, August 30th, which will be the farewell service. Sunday, August 27th, from 3 until 4 o'clock will be a "nail service." Everyone attended is requested to

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bring a nail. Come and see what this man will do with this nail. A model B. Y. P. U. will be conducted from 6 until 7 o'clock. Do not fail to see this model B. Y. P. U.

Rev. W. W. Ewing of Des Moines was ordained last Wednesday for the Bedford Baptist church by the following council at Maple Street Baptist church, Des Moines, Iowa: Rev. S. Bates as moderator, Rev. Woodard of Buxton, Rev. Burton of Keokuk, Rev. Boling of Enterprise, Rev. Childs, Rev. Greene and Rev. White of Des Moines, Deacons Henry and Warfield as escorts. After the ordination sermon Mrs. Ewing served the council to a three-course supper. Mrs. Ewing was assisted by Mrs. S. Bates.

Quite a unique social event was the reception given by the Misses McDowell and Dickey at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McDowell. The house was beautifully decorated with cut flowers and ferns, the university colors being suspended from the chandeliers of the library room. Quite a number of young people were present, the student body ranging from the freshmen to the dignified seniors. The music was furnished by those who were artists in this regard, and various kinds of games made up the amusements for the evening. Delicious refreshments were served, after which the guests departed, declaring they had spent an enjoyable evening.

ODD FELLOWS GRAND SESSION. The district grand lodge, No. 30, G. U. O. of F. of the state of Iowa met in Colfax this week and elected the following officers: District grand master, M. Askew of Sioux City. D. D. G. master, I. Hammitt of Des Moines. District treasurer, W. D. Miller of Enterprise. District secretary, S. A. Spencer of Colfax. District G. director, A. G. Rhoades of Buxton. District G. A., G. H. Woodson. Organizer, J. W. Holmes. Mr. M. Askew went to Chicago on business after attending the grand session in Colfax.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS AND KNIGHTS TEMPLAR HOLD ANNUAL SESSIONS. As a preface to the International Conferences being held in Chicago this week the grand chapter of Royal Arch Masons and the grand commandery of the Illinois-Iowa jurisdiction held their annual sessions in that city on Friday and Saturday of last week.

As the time for the sessions were quite limited little business was transacted other than the election of officers, which resulted as follows: For the grand chapter: Grand high priest, Rev. S. E. Walk-up, Moline. Deputy grand high priest, Frank Coleman, Chicago. Grand king, A. R. Lee, Champaign. Grand scribe, G. G. Fletcher, Galesburg. Grand treasurer, J. H. Washington, Galesburg. Grand secretary, John W. Smith, Chicago. Grand lecturer, Fred Harding, Chicago. Grand captain of the host, C. H. Stevenson, Bloomington. Grand principal sojourner, L. W. Dickerson, Chicago. Grand Royal Arch captain, S. Dapian, Chicago. Grand master first vail, J. A. Wilson, Des Moines, Iowa. Grand master second vail, R. T. Lane, Chicago. Grand master third vail, A. M. Greer, Chicago. Grand sentinel, C. T. Berry, Chicago.

For the grand commandery: Grand commander, Sir Harry Young, Chicago. Deputy grand commander, Sir L. W. Dickerson. Grand generalissimo, Sir E. T. Banks, Des Moines, Iowa. Grand captain general, Sir J. D. Reynolds, Chicago. Grand prelate, Sir J. B. Foster, Chicago. Grand senior warder, Sir C. T. Berry, Chicago. Grand junior warder, Sir J. A. Young, Springfield. Grand warder, Sir Samuel Caine, Rock Island. Grand sword bearer, Sir John Walker, Springfield. Grand standard bearer, Sir P. W. Walburg, Peoria. Grand captain of guard, Sir C. H. Brazzleton, Chicago.

After a spirited controversy between Galesburg, Ill., and Des Moines, Iowa, the grand chapter and grand commandery both decided to meet next year at Galesburg, Ill., the second Tuesday in August. King Solomon commandery, No. 6, of this city took a delegation of six sir knights and received the public commendation of the grand commander for the splendid showing they made.

What is Best For Indigestion. Mr. A. Robinson of Drumquinn, Ontario, has been troubled for years with indigestion, and recommends Chamberlain's Tablets as "the best medicine I ever used." If troubled with indigestion or constipation give them a trial. They are certain to prove beneficial. They are easy to take and pleasant in effect. Price, 25 cents. For sale by all dealers.

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NEGRO GRAND MASONS IN CONFERENCE.

The second session of the International Conference of Grand Masters and Grand Secretaries opened in the auditorium of the Wabash Avenue Branch Y. M. C. A. building, Thirty-eighth and Wabash, at 9 o'clock by Hon. John L. Thompson, P. G. M., of Iowa, president.

The call of the roll of states showed the following states represented: Alabama, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, District of Columbia, Virginia, Kentucky and Georgia.

The following were elected officers for the ensuing year: President, John L. Thompson, Des Moines, Iowa. First vice president, W. T. Woods, Mobile, Ala. Second vice president, E. A. Turpin, Camden, N. J. Secretary, W. H. Mayo, Frankfort, Ky. Assistant secretary, N. E. Weatherless, Washington, D. C. Treasurer, A. L. McCoo, Chicago. Sergeant-at-arms, E. J. Hawkins, Fort Scott, Kan. Chaplain, Rev. J. M. Mundy, Henderson, Ky. Executive board—A. W. Dungey, Lansing, Mich., Wm. O. Payne, New York, N. Y., J. F. Richards, Chatham, Ontario, T. A. Harris, Los Angeles, Cal., A. A. Martin, Cairo, Ill., Jos. P. Evans, Baltimore, Md., S. M. Strayhorn, Martin, Tenn., Cory Adams, Findley, Ohio, H. R. Butler, Atlanta, Ga.

Next meeting will be at Louisville, Ky., in August, 1917. Among the most distinguished past grand masters present were: Wm. T. Boyd, Cleveland, Ohio, for more than sixty-five years a member and present correspondent of Ohio; Wm. H. Miller of Philadelphia, for more than fifty-one years a member of the fraternity and present grand secretary of Pennsylvania; A. A. Bland of Keokuk, Iowa, for more than fifty years a member of the fraternity, all of whom were given seats of honor.

The largest number of grand masters present were from Iowa, which was represented by present Grand Master Brown, with the assistance of Past Grand Masters Bland, Banks and Thompson, the latter of whom is the presiding officer of the conference, whose annual address was the principal address of the morning session. Committee on uniformity reported, recommending the adoption of the official ritual of Ohio in cipher, which was unanimously adopted by the conference.

GOOD ROADS EXHIBIT.

The question of improved highways is a paramount one today in Iowa. It has been knocking at the door of public opinion for some years, of late so very insistently that it can no longer be elbowed to one side. The State Fair will offer excellent opportunities for pursuing investigations concerning this problem and will doubtless help many individuals to reach a logical conclusion. The Highway Commission's exhibit will present a number of completed sections of roadway, gravel, concrete, asphalt, brick, etc. Methods of construction will also be shown, together with all kinds of roadmaking implements and road building machinery.

MUSIC AT THE STATE FAIR.

There will be no lack of musical entertainment at the Iowa State Fair this year. The celebrated Liberati Concert Band and Grand Opera Singers have been secured to entertain visitors every day and evening of the Fair. This organization needs no introduction to Iowa music lovers, having visited the state a number of times in the past and established an enviable reputation. The T. Fred Henry Band of Des Moines, Fischer's Concert Band of Burlington, the Girls' Band of Knoxville are all under contract to furnish music for the occasion.

COW TEST EXHIBIT FOR STATE FAIR

Arrangements have been made to conduct a cow test exhibit at the Iowa State Fair. This will prove a novel feature and one quite as practical as novel, and an innovation in the world of fairs. It will be under the management of the Iowa State Dairy Association, working in conjunction with the officials of the Dairy Department of the Iowa College of Agriculture. This demonstration will hold a world of interest for the man engaged in dairying or the one who is contemplating embarking in the business. In this exhibit a group of ten cows will be used, cows that have taken part in a cow test experiment conducted the past year by a local association. The entire plan of procedure will be demonstrated; individual records will be presented showing just what each cow consumed during the year and what she returned in the way of milk and butter fat. It will all be presented in such a way that the lessons will be impressed. To the man contemplating the addition of dairying to his activities this demonstration will be well worth a trip across the state to see. It will be staged in a commodious tent with ample room and accommodations for visitors.

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AFRO-AMERICAN CULLINGS

Nashville, Tenn., affords an instance of race co-operation that is most encouraging. A section of the city inhabited by poor people of both the white and colored races was swept by fire last spring. Over 2,000 people were left homeless.

The negro board of trade was first to take vigorous measures for relief. It gave its support to Dr. George E. Haynes, who established headquarters in the stricken neighborhood, and with a band of volunteer workers from the colored population of the city began at once to organize temporary and permanent aid for the sufferers. White citizens opened similar headquarters across the street. The two agencies met daily in their ministrations and the white citizens were so impressed by the efficiency of the negro organization that they invited it to join forces with them and centralize the work. The invitation was accepted.

The immediate task being more effectively accomplished by this co-operation, the workers were encouraged to plan for larger things. A call was issued for the organization of a permanent league to deal with social problems. The response was most gratifying and the Public Welfare league came into existence on a basis that obliterates the color line.

As a matter of fact, there is more democracy among the colored people than among the whites. People of good character and intelligence who may be serving in some ordinary capacity are more generally received by their well-to-do colored brothers and sisters than among the whites. The highly educated colored person is not nearly so unhappy as you picture him, and he does not lack for desirable associates. In the best circles may be found people who are the intellectual equals of any other race. In these circles may be found retired capitalists, ministers, lawyers, doctors, business men, professors, editors, teachers, etc.—men and women who have had the best training America and Europe could give. There are so many of them that there are several "sets."

A number of new commercial enterprises have recently been undertaken in northeast Siberia. Many lodges works have been established in the neighborhood of Vladivostok, on the shore of the Japanese sea, the lodges being made from seaweed found there in abundance. An interesting distillery for ether has been opened, the bulk of the ingredients being violets and sea blossoms from the Ussuri country. A good deal of arbor is being collected from the beach along the coast of the Premorsk and many new salt workings have been opened in the government of Irkutsk and in the Lena hinterland in the vicinity of Vilusk.

The chestnut blight has already done damage estimated as close to \$50,000,000. The disease attacks both American and European species, but does little damage to those from Japan and China. Plant breeders by crossing Japanese chestnut and native chinquapin have produced resistant trees. Some of the Chinese chestnuts are said to grow 100 feet high in their home forests.

It is a mighty effective dun that collects the average man's thoughts. To the gossip the breath of scandal is as the breath of life.

In his presidential address at the last meeting of the South African Association for the Advancement of Science, R. T. A. Innes called attention to the large number of astronomical observations, some of them admirably equipped, which are doing little or no work, beyond, perhaps, maintaining a time service or meteorological service of local importance. He stated that "at least two of the observatories possessing exceptionally large refracting telescopes have not contributed one month's work from them in the last 20 years." At least 33 per cent of the observatories listed in the British nautical almanac publish nothing.

Take dissolved gum arabic and stir in enough plaster of paris to make a soft paste. This is almost colorless and acts excellently as cement for china. In repairing very delicate china or porcelain, tie the pieces carefully in place with tape. It is then put in a sauceman of milk and the latter is very gradually brought to boiling point. Remove the sauceman from the fire, but leave the china in it for about six minutes. Lift out carefully and place on a shelf to dry.

In a world where nations grow and decay, where forces change and populations become cramped, it is not possible or desirable to maintain the status quo forever. If peace is to be preserved, nations must learn to accept unfavorable alterations of the map without feeling that they must first be defeated in war, or that in yielding they incur a humiliation.—Bertrand Russell in Atlantic Monthly.

The country church is the only power that co-ordinates forces into a working whole.

W. J. Trench of Mentone, Cal., a year ago left his overalls hanging on a peg. In one pocket was a valuable key with a string attached to it. When Mr. Trench returned he found his overalls, but no key. He has just found the string and the key in a wren's nest.

To make cough syrup take a tablespoonful of molasses and stir it thick with ground ginger. Make only a small amount at a time, and it will always be fresh. Take a tablespoonful, or as directed.

The importation of natives from South Africa, in order to relieve the shortage of agricultural labor in England, is proposed by A. J. Fuller, of the South African senate, who is now in London.

His scheme is to choose carefully selected individuals, who would be accompanied by trusted leaders of their own, and he is confident that if men belonging to widely known families and holding responsible positions were chosen, the experiment would be successful. He also proposes that colonists who know the natives and can superintend them shall accompany them from South Africa.

Mr. Fuller speaks with knowledge of the South African natives, having represented a constituency with one of the largest black populations in the country.—London Globe.

If you are a farmer do you happen to know how many kinds of grasses there are? Five thousand! But out of this great number man uses only 19 varieties, as a rule, and only five of those are extensively cultivated. It is a curious fact that while practically every other farm crop has undergone great changes under cultivation, grasses are almost the same now as when man first began to use them as a wild plant.

Passions and excitements move the dusky soldier easily, it is true. To devotion to his office, nevertheless, he adds pride in the service, ready excellence in the drill and a perfect willingness to follow where he is led. To ridicule, as a reproach, he is most sensitive. To the power of example he is keenly susceptible. To none of his white comrades is the appeal so effective as to him to perform for the honor of his race.

The same childish simplicity which impels to the bursting into song leads to an overwhelming respect for the men in command. Discipline once instituted comes to stay in a negro regiment. Moreover, the rank and file carries so far its trust in its officers that the captain of a company is quite apt to be the banker for his men, saving them from losses in camp gambling games.

According to the Akademische Rundschau, no less than 84 per cent of the students of the University of Konigsberg have gone to the front. The percentages from certain other universities are: Heidelberg, 60; Munich, 56; Berlin, 54; Frankfurt, 11. The Technische Hochschule of Danzig has sent 90 per cent of its students to war. German professors and students killed up to the end of May numbered 1,911, of whom 266 were from the University of Leipzig.

Diplomacy would be more successful if it were more truthful and frank. The way some diplomats treat one another they don't get any nearer to real, helpful intercourse than the two celebrities did. Two celebrities, one a stutler and the other deaf, were introduced at a tea. After the tea the stutler's celebrity was asked how he and the deaf one had got on. "Oh, we got on fine," he answered. "I couldn't talk and he couldn't hear me."

Those who have had experience with him under arms testify that the American negro takes most readily and efficiently to soldiering.

The limit of the carrying power of thunder is about fifteen miles, while twice that number of miles is not considered any great distance for the sounds of battle to travel.

Happiness and the light heart are among the general characteristics of the black soldier. He goes about his business singing. It is related that during the Spanish war the colored cavalrymen had hardly dug their trenches at Santiago before their smuggled musical instruments were out and the camp was a medley place of tunefulness. And there was a white colonel of the Twenty-fifth who was wont to boast of the chorus singing which he had made almost a part of the regimental drill.

It is not true that the highly educated colored man has a contempt for the ordinary activities of his race any more than it is true of the white race.

There is no grosser form of materialism than when a country country prospers and then forgets Christ.

Seventy-six out of eighty-seven cases of typhoid fever which occurred in a recent outbreak have been traced by the United States public health service to infected milk. Had the first cases been reported to a trained health officer the outbreak could have been stamped out promptly. When will we learn that disease prevention is sure and cheap?—United States Public Health Bulletin.

When the world would bewilder thy mind, look up to the eternal heavens where the stars never stray.—Buckert.

Mechanical devices for repeating prayers are familiar in the East, but they are outdone, in saving of labor, by the "prayer flags" of Tibet. These as described by J. C. White, in the National Geographic Magazine, are suspended on long lines, sometimes reaching across a river. As long as they are moving in the breeze they are supposed to be recording prayers for the benefit of those who put them up.

The original dome of the capitol in Washington was made of wood, covered with copper.

CHILDREN INVEST IN BRITISH WAR LOAN



In nearly every school in England the children are being taught the value of saving money. The boys and girls are encouraged to invest in the government war loan. The photograph shows how the pennies are collected. In most cases the headmaster of the school makes the collection. The little ones line up, and first the girls and then the boys turn in their money.

NOBILITY HEROES ON HONOR ROLL

Aristocrats Who Have Died for Their Country in Strife of Battle.

IS AN INSPIRING CHAPTER

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London.—When the full story of the war is written it will have no more inspiring chapter than that which describes the magnificent part the sons of our noble houses have played in it—their devotion, their heroism, their splendid deaths for the land they love, says a writer in London Answers.

Already, although the war has barely reached its turning point, the list of these heirs to coronets they will never wear is appallingly long. Since the master of Burslem, eldest son of Lord Balfour of Burleigh, as gallant a soldier as ever bore the historic name of Bruce, perished in the first month of the war, nearly 50 peers have lost the sons who ought to have succeeded to their honors.

These heroes have come from all grades of our peerage. One of them was heir to a dukedom, who, if he had lived, would have been premier duke, marquis and earl of Ireland. Four were sons of marquises, five had heirs for their fathers, seven were heirs to viscounties and 29 were successors to baronies. Six of them were the last heirs to the family honors, and the peerages which should have been theirs are now extinct.

TAKES HUSBAND'S JOB



This woman is but one of the many thousands of Englishwomen who are today doing every kind of labor owing to the absence of their men folk who have joined the army and are fighting on foreign soil.

All the employees of a Peterborough blacksmith having joined the army and it being impossible to secure any local assistance, the lady of the house, the blacksmith's wife, aids her husband in his work and fits a shoe to a nifty. The photograph shows Mrs. Pogson, wife of the blacksmith, shoeing a horse.

WOULD END DEATH PENALTY

Argentinians Urge Change in Law After Executions of Two Murderers.

Buenos Aires.—The execution of two confessed murderers here, the first in sixteen years, has caused such a widespread and insistent demand for the abolition of the death penalty in Argentina that two bills have been introduced in congress providing for such abolition.

Deputy Bonifacio has presented a bill to the lower house abolishing the death penalty for any and all crimes, and Senator Iberuena has presented a similar measure in the senate, but extending the abolition to include military offenses.

MORGAN JR. HAS \$126,833,000

Doubles His Father's Wealth in British Munition Orders and War Loans.

New York.—J. P. Morgan, from figures learned by the appraisal of his father's estate, has made as much money during the last two years as the old head of the house made during his entire career.

The elder Morgan's estate was appraised last week at \$73,140,000, of which \$53,694,000 went to the present J. P. Morgan.

Nearly all the amount made by the present Morgan was earned through munition orders and commissions on loans, the Morgan firm having received a commission of 2 per cent on all munitions and supplies purchased by the British government.

BLOWN FAR BY BIG BLAST



Peter Raceta, captain of a Moran lighter, sitting up in bed in the Jersey City hospital.

Raceta was asleep in his cabin, the boat being one of the many vessels towed away from the burning piers of Black Tom Island, Jersey City. When about fifty feet from the Statue of Liberty in New York bay there came the big ammunition explosion.

OWNER OF BEES IS SUED

Neighbor of Indiana Man Says a Number of Them Stung and Killed Children.

Valparaiso, Ind.—E. S. Miller, a member of the National Association of Beekeepers and owner of several hundred stands of bees in this county, has been sued because, it is alleged, some of his bees flew to the home of Raymond Austin, a farmer nearby, and stung the live stock, poultry and children in addition to usurping a water tank.

It is asserted in the complaint that if the bees had been properly cared for they would not have done this. Austin asks a restraining order that will prevent Miller from keeping the bees so near to the farmer's farm. Damages of \$500 also are asked.

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Peaches for winter. There are few who can resist the spicy pickled peach which is so delicious served with the meat course.

Pickled Peaches.—There are any number of good recipes, but we must be careful about the vinegar.

It should be strong enough to preserve and give flavor, but too acid a vinegar will spoil the fruit. Usually, a little water added to the vinegar to dilute it, using the amount of liquid required, will improve it. Take two pounds of brown sugar, a pint of mild vinegar and a tablespoonful each of cinnamon and cloves, then in a muslin bag, cook 20 minutes, then drop in the peaches that have been rubbed with a coarse towel to remove the fuzz, a few at a time and cook until soft; drop into the crock and continue until all are cooked. Cover with the vinegar leaving the spice bag in the jar.

Peach Jam.—This is especially fine flavored, as the steam is not allowed to escape, carrying with it much of the fruit. Pare the peaches and mash them to a pulp, add two cupfuls of sugar to three of the pulp and mix well; pack into pint jars and screw down the top tightly; place in a steamer or any convenient for canning and cook until all the juice is absorbed by the fruit. Place in the sun for a day or two and then it will be ready to put away.

Peaches for canning should be firm but ripe, placed in the cans and covered with a hot sirup, then put into a boiler of boiling water and allowed to stand well covered overnight, the fruit will keep well and be of fine flavor and color. A fireless cooker is a good convenience to use for a small number of cans. The cans and covers should be thoroughly sterilized and the rubbers dipped into boiling water before being used.

Peach Jelly.—Save all the parings from the washed peaches, add a few apples and cook together, then drain and prepare as usual. The apples will supply the pectin which is lacking in the apple and the peaches will

When It Comes to Kicks. Bill—I see according to the scientists a bee, weight for weight, is at least 30 times as strong as a horse.

Bill—All the same, when it comes to being kicked we'll take the bee every time.

Always the Way. Mr. Flatbush—Has the new girl come yet?

Mrs. Flatbush—Certainly, she's come. Can't you smell something burning in the kitchen?

Those Panama Slides. Church—It is said the world's present potato crop is approximately large enough to fill two-thirds of the Panama canal.

Gotham—What's the matter? Aren't those "slides" doing it quick enough?

Quick! Quick! "Isn't it awful to be eaten alive by sharks?"

"Oh, not after you've been spending some time in camping in the woods without screens."

The KITCHEN CABINET

We can always stand a little more. Always do a little more. Always try a little more. Than we really think.

Effort out of weariness. Striving out of care. We can always do a little more. Than we really think our share. —F. McKinsey.

FOR A DAY'S OUTING. With a package of paper picnic dishes and paper napkins the dish problem is solved as well as the lessening of weight in the picnic basket.

The coffee may be mixed and put into cheesecloth sacks and an ordinary water pail with a wire handle will serve for a coffee pot so that need not be carried. Frankforts may be roasted in the coals under the coffee pail and potatoes and corn as well.

The salad may be carried in a mason jar for convenience and the lemon sirup for lemonade for the young folk may be all ready for the water. That, too, is in a sealed mason jar.

If other meats are desired beefsteak may be broiled or pan broiled on a heavy sheet of sheet iron, which is always a convenient picnic utensil, as it may be used as a stove top for frying potatoes, griddle cakes or, in fact, any number of useful purposes will be found for it.

As every pound counts on a long tramp, make the basket as light as possible, and carry no more than will be eaten by sharp appetites. Pepper and salt may be mixed to carry, and only such pickles and relishes taken as are indispensable.

Spoons, knives and forks for all, sandwiches and cake, if desired, with the other foods mentioned, will surely be a meal of variety and sufficiently satisfying even after a long walk.

A thermos bottle may be carried with an iced drink for those who cannot wait for the end of the journey, and it is a most comforting friend in need as often good drinking water is hard to get.

Newspapers should be carried in abundance to put on the ground for any of the party who might be rheumatic and light wraps which are easily carried are often useful. Pastebord boxes that may be burned are best to carry the lunch, and the silver may be rolled in a paper to carry and the camping grounds left free from any rubbish.

Thoughts of doubt and fear never accomplish anything and never can. They always lead to failure. Purpose, energy, power to do, and all strong thoughts cease, when doubt and fear creep in.—James Allen.

THE COSMOPOLITAN MINT. Mint is easily grown in the garden and will grow in window gardens even in crowded cities. It is refreshing used in lemonade, as sauce for meats, flavoring for candies and ices.

Before the frost comes to destroy the plants be sure to make some mint vinegar. Wash a bunch and place it in a pint of vinegar, letting it stand for two weeks, then strain and bottle for winter use.

This vinegar may be used to flavor fish sauce and various dishes.

Candied Mint Leaves.—Take fresh perfect mint leaves, wash and shake dry. Pick the leaves from the stalks and lay on a cloth to dry. Put a cupful of sugar and a half cupful of water on to boil, let it boil without stirring for four minutes from the time it boils. Let it cool slightly, then dip the leaves one by one and lay them on a waxed paper; after all have been dipped begin with the first ones and dip again, dust with granulated sugar, shaking off all that does not adhere; spread out to dry. Spread the sugar on a plate and draw the leaves gently through the sugar.

Mint Jelly.—This is jelly well liked to serve with meats. Prepare apples for jelly and drop in a bunch of mint while cooking. Then as each glass is filled, add a small sprig of mint to harden in the jelly.

Mint Sherbet.—A cupful of mint leaves dropped into a quart of water and a pint of sugar when boiling hot, let the sirup boil for five minutes, then remove the mint, add a cupful of lemon juice, two tablespoonfuls of softened gelatin, add to the mixture and when thoroughly dissolved, freeze. Serve in sherbet cups with a sprig of mint to garnish each.

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Power to think for oneself, power to understand those one does not agree with—these two things are absolutely essential to peace, harmony and co-operation in a self-educating and self-governing community.—Lyman Abbot.

COUPE, A POPULAR ICE. Coupes have been called nothing but inverted college ices. But this most popular frozen dish lends itself to any series of combinations so that one may by the exercise of taste have a variety.

To arrange a coupe, line a bowl-shaped sherbet cup with ice cream, then add a garnish of fruit and finish the structure with piped or plain whipped cream. For the ice any flavor may be chosen and the fruit is also a matter of taste, always choosing that suitable. The cream is either put through a pastry tube or dropped by a table-spoon.

Strawberry ice cream is especially good for a foundation; fill the glass three-quarters full of strawberry ice cream, on this place large fine berries, cut in halves and covered with sugar for an hour or more. Then top the coupe with sweetened and flavored cream. A few drops of lemon and almond makes a good flavor. Or a half a peach that has been soaked in vanilla sirup for a time may be placed on the strawberry ice and finished as before.

The flavor of peaches is especially good as it is so delicate and yet so suggestive that it pervades the whole dish.

Peaches and Bar-le-duc currants or marrons preserved in vanilla sirup make a fine combination.

Coffee ice cream is another well liked foundation for a coupe. Line the sherbet cup with coffee ice cream, then use strawberries or raspberries as the next step, let them stand in sugar for an hour and follow with the whipped cream garnished with a large fresh berry.

Chestnuts or marrons preserved in various sirups are always good with the coffee flavor or in combination with almost any fruit. A lemon sirup is good with them and they may be prepared at home and bottled for use.

The coupe which starts with peach ice cream may use peaches or pineapple as the fruit. Pears lightly flavored with a ginger sirup in which they may be lightly cooked are pleasantly used with peach ice cream.

Thoughts of doubt and fear never accomplish anything and never can. They always lead to failure. Purpose, energy, power to do, and all strong thoughts cease, when doubt and fear creep in.—James Allen.

THE COSMOPOLITAN MINT. Mint is easily grown in the garden and will grow in window gardens even in crowded cities. It is refreshing used in lemonade, as sauce for meats, flavoring for candies and ices.

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BUILDING ROAD TO "OPEN UP ALASKA"

Uncle Sam's Engineers Hard at Work on Big Job in the Far North.

WILL DEVELOP VAST RICHES

Steel Highway Will Provide Access to Mineral and Agricultural Lands Now Reached With Difficulty.

With no blare of trumpets but working quietly away on their task, Uncle Sam's engineers are busily engaged in the big job of building the railroad that is to "open up Alaska."

The government's Alaskan railroad will not, as has been sometimes supposed, take one "the farthest north by rail." In Alaska now, running from Nome to Shelton, there is a little narrow-gauge line, which penetrates a good deal farther north than Fairbanks; and from Fairbanks another narrow-gauge line goes 40 miles north into the Chatanika mining district.

The old Russian line from Petropgrad to Archangel runs farther north than the Nome-Shelton line, and the new Russian road from Petropgrad to Ekaterina beats the America's farthest-north-by-rail still more.

Nor, as an engineering proposition, will the Alaskan railroad set new records. Numerous pieces of railway construction in the United States, Canada and South America, will continue to rate as much more noteworthy.

Still it is "some job," with peculiar and interesting problems. Along Turnagain Arm, right at sea level, the shores are precipitous. For miles the roadbed has to be blasted out of solid rock. The northerly descent into Fairbanks will follow Nenana river, through a very narrow and precipitous canyon. Here amazing difficulties were encountered in the railway survey. Engineers and surveying parties were compelled to swim the icy waters of the glacial streams many times and hang by ropes over high precipices.

Will "Open Up Alaska." The really big thing is the fact that the railroad will "open up Alaska;" and there are no words to exaggerate the bigness of Alaska and its promise of wealth and sustenance for the people of the United States.

From Seward, which is to be the winter port and southern terminus of the line, the old Alaskan Northern railroad crosses the Kenai peninsula to Turnagain Arm of Cook Inlet. The Alaskan Northern has fallen into disuse and bad repair. It has been purchased by the government and is being put in first-class condition. This will result in a large development of gold quartz and copper mining in the Kenai mountains within a few miles of the coast.

At the upper end of Knik Arm, a branch will run up the Matanuska river 38 miles to the famous Matanuska coal fields. This branch, it is thought, will be open within a year. Here lies an apparently inexhaustible field of subbituminous coal, the equal of West Virginia steaming coal and will provide cheap fuel to the United States navy, to the industries of southern Alaska and the entire Pacific coast.

To the north, the road will open the Nenana coal fields to consumption in Fairbanks.

Farms to Follow Road. The lower Susitna, too, runs through an alluvial valley, rich in agricultural possibilities. Here the railroad eventually will pass a succession of farms which will supply grain, vegetables and meat staples for the mining industry.

In the region of the summit or divide between the watersheds of the Yukon river and the Gulf of Alaska, that is to say, in the mountain section—the railroad will make possible development of low-grade quartz gold lodes which are similar to lodes which have proved enormously productive and profitable in the United States. It is a question wholly of costs of transportation and smelting. With the opening of the railroad both to the gold and coal fields, smelting facilities are expected to be quickly provided. Large interests are already planning to locate smelters on Prince William sound, within convenient railroad-water access of ores and coal.

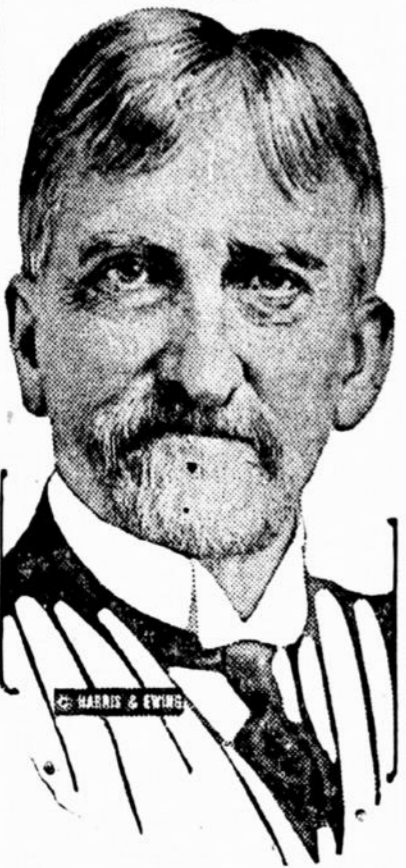
Fifty miles west of the Nenana, down which the railroad will pass, are the headwaters of the Kantishna mining district, which is now taking out only \$50,000 of gold a year, but in which recent explorations have indicated big possibilities of quartz mining.

Edes Guiding Genius. The guiding brain of the big organization that is building this railroad is William C. Edes, chairman of the Alaskan Engineering commission. His chief aids are Thomas Riggs, Jr., formerly an officer of the Coast and Geodetic survey, and later chief of the Alaskan boundary survey, and Lieut. Frederick Meers, U. S. A., a trusted aid of Colonel Goethals in the building of the Panama canal. Riggs is building from one end and Meers from the other. Three or four years hence, the two engineers will meet somewhere midway in Alaskan fastnesses which will cease to be fastnesses when the meeting takes place.

Chairman Edes has been associated with some of the greatest feats of railroad-building in the United States. Mr. Harriman chose him to locate the two lines across the Sierra and the Siakiyou mountains.

However, let any piece of railroad construction be as picturesque as may be, involving trestles at dizzy heights and mountain-climbing loops that are well-nigh spiral, and Edes says, "Umph! It'll take so many cubic yards of excavation and so many millions of dollars, and that's all there is to it." Edes has the complete philosophy of the active man whose retrospect includes many an achievement accomplished and whose enthusiasms,

BUILDING RAILROAD FOR UNCLE SAM IN FAR NORTH



William C. Edes.

therefore, are somewhat dampened. Edes doesn't bubble over at all with the poetry of the "Alaskan job;" he just works.

Forest Notes

(From U. S. Forest Service.)

There are 500 consumers of tannin in the United States who use annually, 625,000 cords of hemlock bark, 290,000 cords of oak bark, and 380,000 cords of chestnut wood.

Experts of the forest service estimate that the farm wood lots of the United States contain from 200 to 300 billion board feet of lumber and from one to one and a half billion cords of wood.

All of the 28 counties of Utah contain portions of national forests, and consequently all share in the 25 per cent of the national forest receipts which is paid over to the road and school funds. This is true of no other state.

One hundred thirty thousand maps of the national forests have been distributed to tourists this summer. These maps show the best camp sites, good hunting and fishing grounds, roads, trails and telephone lines, and give directions how to reach points of interest.

LAGS IN VITAL STATISTICS

United States Far Behind More Progressive Foreign Countries in System of Preserving Records.

The United States has lagged far behind the more progressive foreign countries in the matter of maintaining reliable records of births, deaths and sickness, says Uncle Sam. However, there has been in recent years a marked increase in the interest taken by state and municipal authorities in the recording of vital statistics. The greatest difficulty in obtaining anything like a uniform system has been the fact that under the constitution the registration of vital records must be left to the individual state governments.

"The difficulty in obtaining proper registration of vital statistics is not in most cases due so much to absolute lack of legislative provision for registration as to the inadequacy of the laws or the failure to enforce them," says a bulletin of the bureau of the census. "Much progress, however, has been made in recent years. In 1901 no two states employed uniform blanks for recording either deaths or births; but at present what is known as the standard death certificate has been adopted or approved by states representing nearly 93 per cent, and the standard birth certificate by states representing approximately 85 per cent, of the total population of the country."

"Those who view with apprehension the decline of the American birth rate may take comfort from the fact that the births in this country are still far in excess of the deaths. The excess is probably as great as 50 per cent, and may be even more, but its not possible yet to estimate it with any degree of precision. The population of the United States would, therefore, show a healthy increase from decade to decade, if the present birth and death rates were to remain substantially unchanged, even though immigration should cease entirely."

Marines Give Women Tip on How to Wash Clothes.

Because they use too much water and too little soap, women do not get the same dazzling whiteness in their washed clothes as do the United States marines, Sergt. Clarence D. Rhoades of the Marine corps told a party of society women visiting the battleship Utah.

"The eye-paining brilliance of our white clothes is due to the fact that we wash with our heads as well as our hands, and we let soap do its proper share of the work. Just enough water to thoroughly wet the wash is sufficient," the sergeant continued, "and the less water and more soap one uses the whiter the washing will turn out. The fair visitors seemed greatly impressed with the lesson."

HELPING THEIR WOUNDED PRISONER



An official photograph from the British on the western front showing a British Tommy giving a wounded German, made captive, a drink from his canteen.

TELLS OF DEEDS OF DARING ON FRONT AT YSER

American Motorcyclist Relates the Dangers of Carrying Dispatches.

RIDER WINS VICTORIA CROSS

Six Killed in One Instance Before Seventh Delivers Message—Trench Pools Made Up Before, Divided After Action.

London.—The Daily Express publishes the following:

William J. Robinson was born and lived the first six years of his life at sea. You will have realized that he is an American. He landed in England on September 10, 1914. He had been here before. He was still a young man.

A year after he landed he found himself without a job. A few days later he was a trooper in the Fifth Dragon Guards. He had done no soldiering before. He could not ride a horse. He spent a few days in a riding school at Aldershot, and by way of stopping chaff at his expense in barracks went up to a "big chap" (who, he found out afterward, had been heavyweight champion of the army) and began a fight by hitting him in the face. That made them friends.

On October 8 he landed at Ostend, and on the afternoon of the third day came under fire at Roulers. He had been in the army just over a month. He spent 14 months at the front as motorcar driver, motorcycle dispatch rider and motor machine gun driver, and has written the story of his adventures and escapes in a very readable volume, ("My Fourteen Months at the Front," by William J. Robinson.)

"Hellfire Corner." Soon after he reached the front, Private Robinson became temporary driver to Lieut. Gen. Sir Julian Byng, and he was in Ypres when the first shelling began. From that he was switched off to armored cars, and then to motor machine guns, with which he fought in ditches at "Hellfire Corner," on the Menin road. It was while he was on this job that he saw a motorcyclist win the Victoria Cross. He describes the incident thus:

"Volunteer dispatch riders for danger work" were called for. About eighteen of our chaps offered themselves, and, of course, all were accepted. A dispatch had to be carried about two miles along the road which follows the bank of the Yser canal. The road was constantly being swept by German machine gun and rifle fire. The dispatch was to be handed to a French commander who was waiting for it.

"The first man started and was soon out of sight. They waited in vain: a certain length of time for a signal that he had arrived and then called 'No. 2.' These signals are made by heliograph, but while they are good for this kind of work, the Germans can see the signal as well as we can. 'No. 2' started out, but we saw him go down before he had gone a hundred yards.

"Then 'No. 3' started. It was pitiful to watch those poor chaps. When a man knew it was his turn next, I could see the poor fellow nervously working on his machine. He'd prime the engine, then he'd open and close the throttle quickly several times—anything, in fact, to keep himself busy.

"Six of these fellows went down in less than half an hour. 'No. 7' was a

FERRETS MAKE HIS LIVING

Grimley Takes Them Around to Rid Farms in Oklahoma of Rats.

Kildare, Okla.—A Grimley of this city has several ferrets and he makes his living by taking these small animals to some farm and ridding the place of rats at five cents a head. His six ferrets killed 118 rats on one farm in 40 minutes a few days

ago and are trained to put the rats in a pile outside the building when they catch them.

Mr. Grimley has been following this occupation for several months now and is planning to make trips all over the United States with his animals.

Street to Be Named for Gallieni.

Paris.—The municipal council of Paris has charged one of its committees with the mission of choosing a street or square to be named after the late General Gallieni.

Cure Man With Broken Neck.

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PATHETIC SCENES AMONG WOUNDED

Procession of Mangled Men Through German Hospital on Verdun Front.

ON THEIR WAY TO FATHERLAND

Roar of Guns Punctuates the Groans of Pain-Wracked Soldiers—Mutilated Men Think Only of the Enemy.

Berlin.—A German correspondent with the army of the crown prince near Verdun sends a graphic description to his newspaper of scenes in a little French village where the wounded are brought in and taken care of.

"The songs of the German soldiers who are on leave in this village," he writes, "become softer as the gray hospital wagon appears in the dusty street. The men are severely wounded and are unable to sit up. They are lying on their narrow stretchers. Some are ill and others are only slightly wounded. The wounded now and then look sadly at the bindings of their wounds. They tell of their sufferings. One of them was wounded by shrapnel during an attack by the enemy. He was able to crawl to the rear, and while his wounds were being dressed a shell exploded nearby and he was wounded a second time. But now we are all moving to the rear—to Germany."

"It is getting quite dark. The croaking of frogs comes from a pond not far away. The roar of guns is no longer deafening. The hospital wagon slowly moves up the street and stops before the barracks. Those who are able at once alight. One, who received a rifle ball in his leg, jumps to the ground with his good leg and hobbles off. Another takes an ill soldier on his back and carries him to the barracks. The physician meets us, glances at our papers and asks us to sit on the nearest bench while the severely wounded are at once taken care of by other physicians. All around the room are beds occupied by wounded soldiers who are in no condition to be sent back to Germany for the present. In one bed lies a man whose head is all tied up; another has had his arm amputated, another his leg. All are asleep, and some are smiling, laughing and talking in their dreams—what sweet dreams they must be—golden dreams. The man with his head all bound up is talking softly. The physician says that he had the worst wounds that he has yet seen during the war. It was a question whether he could live, but the physicians brought him around all right, and today, when the wounded man asked for something to eat, they were so delighted they treated everyone with cigars."

"We are waiting for the automobile which is to take us to the nearest field hospital. No one says a word. The guns are again roaring. Looking out of the window we can see the clear starlight blue sky now and then vividly illuminated by the fierce glare from exploding shells. Here and there is seen the searchlight on the watch for hostile aviators. One of the wounded remarks:

"It would just be my luck to have some aviator drop a bomb on me now after all I have gone through."

Is Short of Time. "The door is opened suddenly, and a soldier stumbles in. He is holding his head with both hands and his blood is streaming down his face. He quietly tells the physician that he would like to have his wounds dressed. He adds that he was driving an ammunition wagon when he was wounded. As the attendant examines his wounds the soldier remarks that he has not much time to spare, as the ammunition wagon is awaiting outside and it is his duty to deliver the ammunition promptly. He tells the physician simply to wash his wounds and let him be off. The physician tells him quietly and firmly that that is impossible. He must remain; his wounds are more serious than he imagines.

"Everything is quiet again and nothing is heard except the deep breathing of the sleeping wounded. Near me one man awakens and sits up in his bed. He looks at me with two staring, feverish eyes:

"How is it with the French? he asks me. I notice that his wounds are in the chest.

"What a question to ask, I said to myself. Here is a man seriously wounded, and from a deep sleep he suddenly awakes and all he asks is about the enemy. Not a word about his mother or his home, not a word of complaint about his sufferings.

"The French are worse off than we are," I answered him.

"That seemed to satisfy him, and then he asked for a drink of water. Just then the automobile stops in front of the door and those of us not severely wounded are escorted outside and placed in the machine. Adieu! And the automobile starts on its journey to that beloved place where clean beds and loving hands await to nurse us."

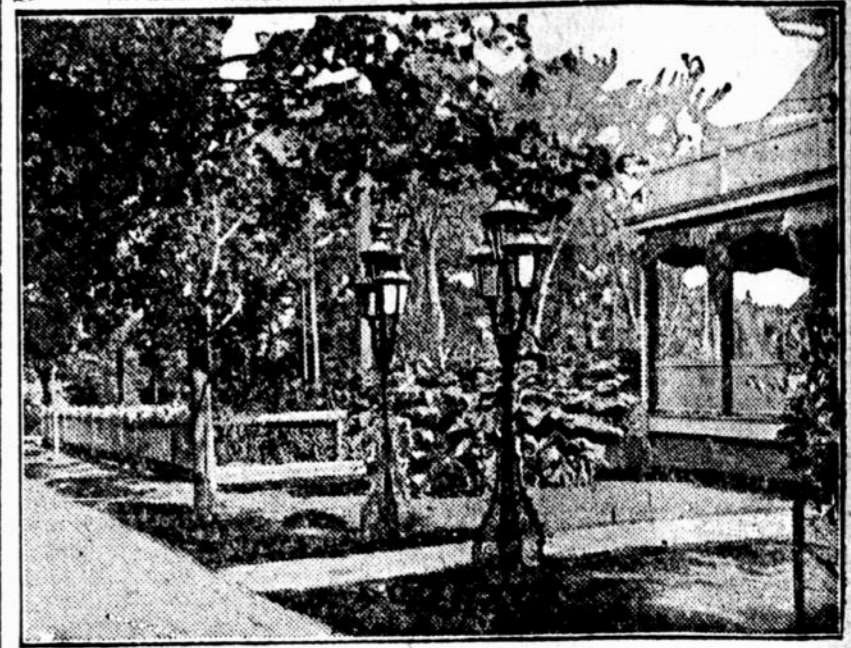
Will Make Sure About Their Eggs. New York.—After September 1 the people of New York may be reasonably certain as to the state of preservation of the eggs they buy. After that date the law requires the labeling of cold storage eggs on the shell in letters at least one-eighth of an inch high.

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The HOME BEAUTIFUL Flowers and Shrubbery Their Care and Cultivation



Keep Weeds Out of the Lawn.

KEEPING WEEDS OUT OF LAWN

If one gets a good set of grass in the beginning and keeps the ground fertilized by a coating of stable manure or commercial fertilizer every spring there will be little trouble with weeds if the lawn is kept properly mowed.

Some claim that there are weeds that cannot be clipped with the lawn mower. We have found this complaint true where the revolving mower was used, for it will bend and not cut wiry stems, as of crab grass and some other troublesome plants.

The only way of getting these is by clipping off with a mower that has a sickle similar to a hay mower. The guards of these machines raise up the stems and the sickle cuts them off without mashing down or pulling.

There is no need of using the hook so much if one is careful when getting a mower, to get one that cuts ahead of the wheels, and as wide as the extreme distance apart of the outside of the wheels.

This will not leave the strip along the borders that is mashed down by the wheels.

Moles do a great deal of damage, but may be run out by frequent rolling, or may be trapped.

These may be destroyed by pouring into the ant hills a tablespoonful of carbon bisulphid, stopping the hole so the fumes are confined.

ARTISTIC ARRANGEMENT OF FLOWERS IN HOME

By E. VAN BENTHUYSEN.

Dark corners of a room need lighting up, and light-colored, brilliant flowers never look so well when standing out against a half light. Yellow is an exquisite bit of color for such a corner.

Let all the flowers and foliage for home decoration be fresh, and however simple their form, they are lovely, not only as graceful objects but as suggestive of something more beautiful still.

Avoid fantastic colored or shaped vases. The simple beauty of the flowers is lost in such a holder. Clear glass and the soft greens of Bohemian make are most useful receptacles. Let the lines of the vase or bowls be simple and flowing and however cheap the substance of which the vase is made we shall not err.

Strive to produce the effect of the flower when growing, and the error of cutting off the lovely gray-green stalks of daffodils and cramming them into a flat dish, or putting a handful of violets in a tube specimen glass will be impossible.

There are many little contrivances nowadays that help wonderfully in the attractive arrangement of flowers. The little Japanese frogs with holes in their backs that sit flat in the bottom of a bowl and hold out primly and gracefully a few precious stalks of flowers are to be had for a few cents and are well worth all they cost.

With such an arrangement three or four daffodils with their golden glow can bring a bit of sunshine into a dreary room and add a beauty that an armful of exquisite roses crammed into an ugly vase could never give.

Color harmony in flower arrangement should be well thought out, not only with regard to the relative position of one flower with another, but

also with the room in which the vase is to have place.

Colors that blend out of doors, because of the gradations in shade caused by atmospheric effects and the relieving sprays of green, would produce discord when massed in a room, but inharmonious effects can be avoided by observing a few general rules.

Now that flowers can be secured the year round, the problem having been solved by the gardeners, after years of probing, some sort of bloom should have daily place in the house. The intimate association with such loveliness gladdens the heart and quickens the senses and inspires all that is best within us.

BIRD OF PARADISE

A unique specimen is the bird of paradise. It is also called streltzia, named after the wife of King George III, Charlotte Sophia of Mecklenburg-Strelitz, a patron of botany. Family



Bird of Paradise.

scitamineae, South African genus of four or five species of perennial herbs. Species reginae. The upper leaves of the flower are orange. The pencil-like middle portion is blue-purple, and the large lower portion light green. It has much the appearance of a tropical bird.

BITS OF THINGS

The bunches of cobwebs on the trees come before you know it. They are the work of the fall web worm and the torch is the remedy.

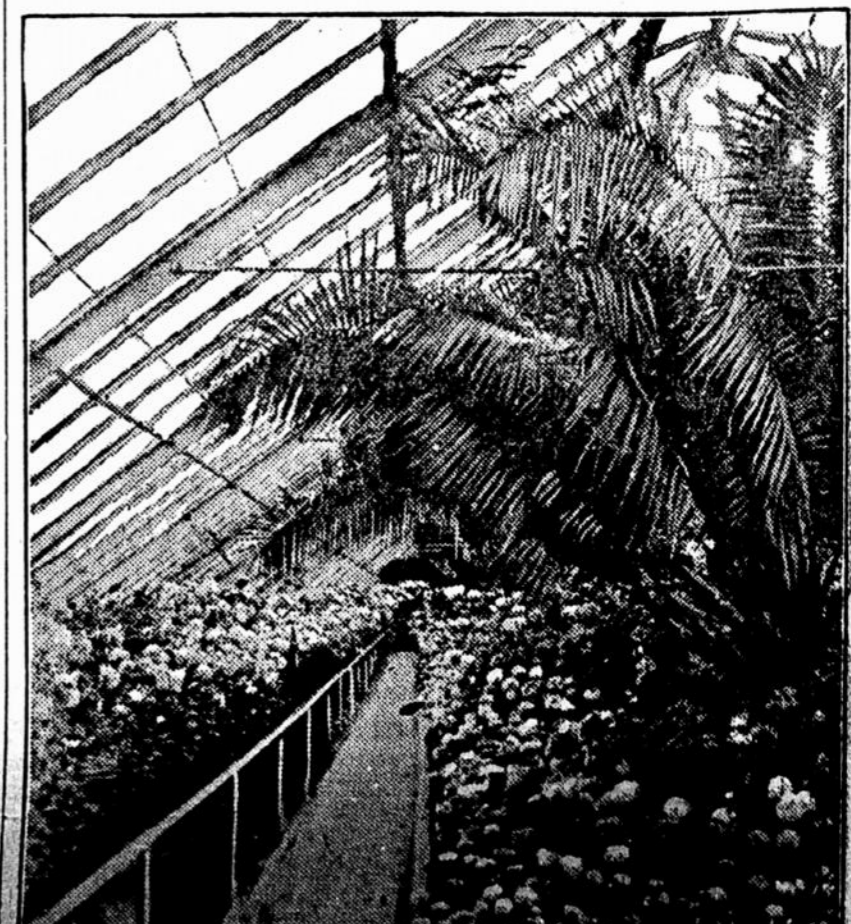
Mosquitoes bad? Take a look around to see if there is not a pool of stagnant water or a rain barrel near the house. The pests breed in such places.

Go over the vines and pinch off the weak and spindling fruit bunches, and then give the strong ones a chance to grow.

Weeds going to seed right along now. Get very busy with the scythe, the mower, the hoe and everything else that will put them out of that detestable weed burdock. It flowers once every two years, and if the plant is cut off below ground after the flowering stalk appears, it will trouble you no more.

Get rid of your old barbed-wire fences just as soon as possible. They are too dangerous.

During very dry weather, and when seedlings are first set out, water frequently.



Chrysanthemums and Pinks Bloom Profusely in a Garden.

COUNCIL BLUFFS, IOWA.

A free commemorative celebration was the attraction in Council Bluffs last Friday, August 4th. All the attractions were worthy. Rev. Jackson was asked to speak in the afternoon and backed down for some reason known to himself.

The Tabernacle Baptist church held a splendid business meeting Friday evening, setting forth some plans for building.

Mr. Eddy Turner departed this life Sunday night at 12 o'clock. He left mother, father and four brothers and three sisters-in-law to mourn his death and friends and relatives. His funeral was held at the Tabernacle Baptist church Wednesday evening at 2 p. m. Rev. J. P. Jackson preached a fine funeral sermon. Mr. Eddy Turner departed very young, only 29 years and 25 days old. He was born in Council Bluffs, Iowa, July 13, 1896. Deacon K. M. Nord is under the care of the eye specialist in Omaha, Neb.

Mrs. R. E. Moore of 1819 Eighth avenue is taking her vacation in Kansas City, Mo., for a few weeks.

We are having lots of colored people coming to Council Bluffs now and all can find work to do. We are glad to say this.

Mrs. C. H. Hall is up again from her illness.

The officers and pastor, Rev. J. P. Jackson, were appointed to meet the contractor next Thursday evening to come to an agreement. It seems that the Baptists will get in their new building if something new or unseen does not block the way.

Mr. Morton will give an entertainment, known as the Tom Thumb wedding, August 17th at the Tabernacle church, under the auspices of the Dorcas Sewing club. Mrs. D. H. Mixtin chairman of the committee.

The subject was of the text My set will be taken and tomorrow you will miss me. Sam 20th and 10th verses.

Mrs. Cage and husband are on the sick list.

Just the Thing for Diarrhoea. "About two years ago I had a severe attack of diarrhoea, which lasted over a week," writes W. C. Jones, Buford, N. D. "I became so weak that I could not stand upright. A druggist recommended Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. The first dose relieved me and within two days I was as well as ever." Many druggists recommend this remedy because they know that it is reliable. Obtainable everywhere.

BUXTON, IOWA.
(Special.)
Tabernacle Baptist Church Items.

The church is progressing along the line of attendance, spiritually and financially.

Mrs. Mary Edmond of Foster, Iowa, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. B. White, of Buxton, accompanied by her niece, Miss Viola Edmond, and also her daughter, Thelma.

Mr. W. M. Brooks, who has been absent from the city a few weeks, returned home Sunday and spent a few days with his family, who were glad to see him back.

We regret very much that Mr. James Grimes will soon take his departure to make his home elsewhere.

Rev. Woods of Detroit, Mich., gave a very interesting lecture Monday night, August 14th. Subject, "The Secret of Success to the B. T. Washington Literary."

The entertainment given Monday evening by the P. P. club proved to be quite a success.

Miss Louise Ward of Des Moines is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Virginia Wade.

Mr. Modest also gave an interesting lecture to the B. T. Washington Literary on Monday night. Subject, "The Duty of Boys."

Saturday, August 12th, being the annual birthday of the International Order of Twelve, a number of sir knights and daughters, maids and pages assembled in the park for the purpose of having a celebration, but the rain came in showers and the crowds were forced to leave the park and go to the home of Mrs. Mary Baker, where she opened wide her doors and made everyone welcome and the picnic plans were carried out.

The Sunday school union met with the Tabernacle Baptist church Sunday.

HEALTH HINTS.

A. J. Booker, M. D.
With the school sessions about to begin it is highly important that older people take as much interest as children. In most communities there are several children who are going ahead to prepare themselves for life with scant, or no encouragement from those who are older. These are matters of community interest, or should be.

In kindergarten there is not much of social distinction; as the years go on the matter of race and intimate social relations become more strained, so that in high school and college it is a matter of real courage and heroism for most of the young people to continue. Other people find it necessary to make life pleasant for their school children, to show them that they are interested, to make them know that there is a helpful sympathy for them, to aid them in their problems because later these same children are going to be the leaders and representatives of any race.

It is not the fault of the young people that there is not a closer bond between them and the older folks, the negligence and fault is just the other way round. It is the lack of interest which the community exhibits. When something is attempted it usually is along the line of some almost purely selfish ideas, with no thought of real helpful, recreative and amusing hours for the students. Children, for all students are that and are glad to be so considered, are likely to care less for lectures, especially by people who are apt to know less about the subject than they, than they do about some means of meeting and socializing under the proper conditions, to get their bearings in crowds and learn to know people not as they can appear on said occasions, but when they are free and easy. There is too much of posing by the grownups and too little of frankness. The young person has your number all the time and is disgusted with appearances and hypocrisy. They are less interested in what you pretend than they are in what you are and your striving.

It would take very little of the community purse and not much time to give the young folks a little send off party with good wishes and an assured interest, which latter can be proven by a mid-term dinner.

All the time the community is spending on students is safe time; it is money invested in futures; it is the certainty of these young people infusing new blood and a guarantee that they will help those who then will occupy the places they now do. Every moment spent with students will teach you something and is seed which will bring forth rich, wholesome fruit in the way of race loyalty and pride.

It is time that we awakened to these facts. We must know that young people do not stray from the fold, rather they are driven from us by our apparent austere, superior and unsympathetic attitude. If we foster them and cheer us we bind them by chains of love and interests.

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played to a full house. Sunday they motored to Okoboji lake, where they played baseball.

Sam Sellers has purchased his daughter a new piano.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Crawford and children were over Sunday guests at the S. Sellers home. They motored here from Spencer Saturday evening.

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I'd give a view of Jamestown,
The place theold ships land.
I would show those white planters,
Without regret or shame,
Enslaving the poor Negroes
For their greed of gold to gain.

I would show the white's mansion,
His great wealth in display,
Earned by those poor Negro slaves,
Who labored day by day.
Then comes the Negro's cabin,
Standing in the lane,
And mammy with her children,
There, you see, the white man's shame.

How comes the mulatto child,
A cruel white man's lust?
Tom Dixon and Griffith's fame,
A renegade—their Gus.
Our country called the whites to arms,
The black man's left on guard,
Gus did not rape his mistress,
There's no black child in her yard.

They called the Negro soldiers,
With bayonet and guns,
To the war they bravely marched,
Fought hard, their freedom won.
Then comes reconstruction days;
Those coward Ku-Klux-Klan,
I would expose their vengeance,
Wreaked on the poor Negro man.

Final, the twentieth century;
A beautiful scene to see,
Progress of the Negroes,
After fifty years free.
We would wave the stars and stripes;
In one stirring voice would sing,
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FORT DODGE, IOWA. (Special.)
Mr. Benjamin Walker of Fort Dodge, who is employed at the U. S. gypsum mills, was seriously hurt by a steam boiler, which exploded. He was badly burned in the face and on the arms, but is somewhat improved at this writing.

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