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Subscribers failing to get their paper on time, will confer a favor by reporting same to us.

Get wise and set out a few pecan trees this winter. By his dying request, a pecan tree marks the grave of the good and wise James Stephen Hogg.

Buy-it-at-home. Only six-pistols and booze should be bought away from home; and then only when you need one or the other mighty bad, and that is not very often.

Until the City of Chicago repudiates the foul slanders upon the South uttered by the Tribune last summer, that city should not be allowed to see a Southern dollar.

Bell County is in the middle of a hot prohibition campaign. There will be good picking for the professional orator in old Bell, and when the fight is over, these orators will carry away a lot of summer wages from that good old commonwealth.

While Mr. Bryan is at it, he ought to argue to disband the army and navy, so that we may take pot luck with china. If Mr. Bryan is correct, policemen should be made to discard their clubs and sheriffs their guns, so that they may not provoke a scrap.

Coleman County is the next to try for tick eradication. An election for that purpose will be held at an early date. Sterling tried it, and found that there was big money in raising cattle instead of ticks. With the ticks all dead, every cow in Coleman County would be worth more money; besides, her owner would not carry the risk of fever tick.

We are willing to bet that the Sterling City News-Record gets that mudhole filled in, if it has to do it with hot air.—Ozona Stockman.

Aw, shut up. That mudhole has long since been plastered over with good concrete. You must think we are slow up here, when there is nothing the matter with us, except that we are too busy to look after every little mudhole that shows up in the road.

The farmer who thinks as Bryan does about preparedness, ought to quit raising corn, wheat and cotton, but to say anything about horses, cattle, sheep, hogs and goats, for they use corn for food for the soldiers and horses; the stalks are used in building battleships. Wheat is also a food, while cotton is used for clothing and gunpowder; horses for cavalry, and the others for food and leather. Come to think about it, the farmer is the biggest munitions maker of us all.

The enemies of President Wilson argue that his scheme of national preparedness is backed only by the big munition concerns. When it comes to a test, it will be found that every producer in the United States contributes directly, or indirectly to the munitions of war; and, therefore, an interested party and backer of Mr. Wilson's policy. The man who opposes a reasonable preparation for defense in case a foreign enemy attacks us, takes people as they should be, and not what they are.

The Ozona High School causes The Stockmen editor the loss of at least an hour daily of his valuable time. He has to watch a half an hour in the morning and a half an hour in the afternoon in order to see the girls go by. It seems that the older he gets, the prettier the girls get, or that they are prettier than they used to be, anyhow. "Tis strange, 'tis passing strange."—Ozona Stockman.

Yes, "Tis passing strange." Bill, passing strange. As we grow old, our eyes fail us, our mental processes stop on us and our legs become wobbly, such things go to our heads. Time was when we could see beauty and loveliness in but few girls, but with age, we see beauty and sweetness in most anything that

OUR PUBLIC FORUM



R. C. Duff On Cotton As Contraband.

Hon. R. C. Duff, one of the highest authorities on International law in the nation and one of the most capable citizens in the United States, when asked to investigate the exporting of cotton and interpret the laws of nations on this subject for the American plowman, said in part:

"Article 23 of the Declaration of London reads as follows: 'The following may not be declared contraband of war: (1) raw cotton, wool, silk, etc.' Great Britain is not only a signatory of the Declaration of London, but in fact called the conference and insisted upon the inclusion of raw cotton on the list of absolute non-contraband. Under this declaration, which was subscribed to by all the maritime nations, we have a right absolutely to ship cotton, not only to neutral ports of Europe, but to Germany and Austria themselves. Humanity shudders at the thought of the death of the American who went down on the Lusitania, but humanity would have more cause for shuddering if it could have presented to it in some similarly striking and dramatic way the woe, sorrow and suffering that will be occasioned to multiplied thousands of men, women and children in the Southern states as a result of cotton being forced down to starvation prices.

The reason why cotton does not command 18 or 20 cents per pound is simply because Great Britain has a naval strangle hold on our shipments and, therefore, on the world supply. England sends her ships of war out into the open seas, captures American cotton, no matter to whom the same may be destined, carries it into British ports, sets up prize courts of her own nomination, which prize courts, of course, are operating in her favor and which, under such circumstances, after whatever delay they elect to impose, assess the damages of the American shipper at whatever price they see fit; and then, after having by such process 'bought' our cotton, she avails herself of the extraordinary high prices existing on the continent of Europe, produced in part by her diversion of our shipments, to resell it at a profit. The American shipper has no recourse except to the government. The acts of Great Britain referred to, according to the well-recognized principle of International law constitute war against the United States.

This grievance is now of many months standing and the South is about to bring to market another great crop of cotton. Under such circumstances one would expect that our government, without prompting, would know perfectly well how to deal with acts on the part of the British government, amounting to warfare against our trade and country.

It is not necessary for us to resort to war against Great Britain in retaliation. A simple, adequate and obvious remedy would be for the president to advise Great Britain that unless she respects the law of nations as regards our foreign commerce, he will call on Congress to adopt a resolution forbidding the exportation of arms and munitions of war to foreign countries.

wears a skirt. Age has its virtues and pleasures. It mellows our hearts toward the nursing babe, its proud mother, and the buxom lass; and we see them only to feel a thrill of joy at the sight. With age, boys get better, girls sweeter and women altogether lovely.

SHEPPARD ET FERGUSON

It will be remembered, that a little more than a year ago, when Governor Colquitt appealed to the U. S. Government for troops to protect the border against the plundering and marauding bands of Mexicans who were making life and property an uncertain proposition along the Rio Grande, Senator Sheppard opposed and belittled the Governor's efforts by saying that only Governor Colquitt and a few nervous individuals along the border were concerned about the Mexican. Later on, seeing that he could not depend upon the national government for protection, Mr. Colquitt ordered a force of Texas militia to Brownsville to protect the citizens of that region. Fearful international trouble, a force of U. S. troops was sent to take the place of the militia. It was then discovered that real trouble was brewing, which has since materialized to the sorrow of many good American citizens.

When Mr. Ferguson took charge of affairs, his first care was to look after the border protection. He increased the ranger force, gave support to the civil authorities, and cooperated with the War Department in meeting the ever increasing troubles of the border. The troops, the rangers, the governor and the sheriffs have all been busy in dealing with the bandits who, in spite of all that could be done, have murdered many people and destroyed much property.

During all this time, we have not heard much of Senator Sheppard, except that he was a guest at a pink tea given by the W. C. T. U., or had made a speech at some woman suffrage meeting; in fact, it seems that Mr. Sheppard was taking life easy and letting the border people take care of themselves.

A few days ago, Mr. Sheppard made a trip to Brownsville and vicinity. Then he saw the fruits of his work, when he, as a Texas senator, ignorantly represented to those in authority that Texas was safe and did not need troops, and that only Governor Colquitt and a few nervous individuals along the Rio Grande were scared. Mr. Sheppard's protests had the effect of leaving the border naked to its enemies, and the death and destruction that has been wrought down there may be laid at his door, for had he cooperated with Mr. Colquitt and Mr. Ferguson in the protection of his native state against its enemies, many good people would now be alive and call his name blessed.

Seeing the frightful havoc wrought by his mistake, Senator Sheppard threw hysterical fits and wired Governor Ferguson that he had just discovered a frightful state of affairs

at Brownsville, and that something ought to be done.

Remembering the taunts and opposition that Mr. Sheppard had given him and his predecessor in this matter, Governor Ferguson replied with hot sarcasm to the effect that Sheppard was playing a game of coarse politics.

It is passing strange that, with all the depredations that has been going on along the border, that Mr. Sheppard has just found it out.

B. Y. P. U. Program

(Sunday, November 14th)

Bible Study Meeting—Micah 4:1-8 (Company B.)

Captain in charge—Foster Conner.

Song.

Prayer.

Report of Chairman of Membership Committee, new members introduced and assigned to their respective groups.

Secretary's report on blackboard.

Song.

Leader in charge—Marvin Foster.

Scripture reading: Micah 4:1-8.—Allie Lyles.

Micah and His Book.—Harold Durham.

Micah 4:3, recited by Elsie Tweedle.

The Supremacy of Religion—Joe Emery.

Micah 4:4-5, recited by Faid Kennedy.

Arbitration Instead of War.—Nannie B. Davis.

Implements of Industry Instead of Implements of War.—Andy Pool.

Piety Instead of Poverty.—Canon Lyles.

Special song, by Elsie Tweedle and Allie Lyles.

The Helping Hand.—Mrs. Everitt.

Closing prayer.

Be on time promptly, at 2 o'clock, p. m.

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CARD OF THANKS

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Married

The friends of Earnest Sparkman will be interested to learn that he was married to Miss Daisy Robinson, of Ozona, at San Angelo last Sunday.

OUR PUBLIC FORUM



Ben B. Cain On Good Work of the Farmers' Union

For years the Farmers' Union has endeavored to bring about a cotton warehouse and marketing system. Their slogan has been co-operation and education. Those familiar with the work of that organization know that its members are in hearty accord with the movement to build warehouses. They have been building warehouses for years past. But they also know that it is going to take organization and persistent energetic effort to make the people to hold cotton in the warehouses. It can only become a reality by showing the benefits to be derived. The farmer must be convinced that the expense of housing and holding his cotton plus the interest he is compelled to pay for money borrowed to tide him over, is not in excess of the probable increase in the price of cotton during the same period. The farmer cannot afford to speculate. He must play the safe game. His big brother in business must manifest a true spirit of co-operation; that is, he must do as he expects of the farmer. He must make some sacrifice when it comes to cotton. He must assist in building warehouses without expecting to make money from their operation. Then, too, he must assist in getting the lowest possible interest rate on cotton as collateral, if stored in these warehouses.

It would seem that a receipt issued under this law furnishes all the safeguards necessary. The banks have approved it, hence there are no objections except such as may be raised by the grower, the ginners and the warehouseman. I shall not attempt in this article to answer the objections which have been raised. I do not believe the three samples which must not exceed 5 1/3 ounces each, or a total of one pound, would exceed the amount taken out of the bale under the present sampling method, without taking into consideration the benefit which comes to the grower and buyer from being able to get a fair correct sample and having the cotton completely covered. Indeed, the three samples taken are not lost to the buyer. One of them must be preserved by the ginners and eventually sold for the credit of the owner and the other two samples are given to the owner, one of which he must deposit with the cotton if stored and the other to be used by him as he sees fit.

It may be admitted that some extra expense over present methods is occasioned by the better wrapping and the sampling but this should not exceed fifty cents per bale. It is worth fifty cents per bale for the grower to have a bonded sample if he never uses it except for street sales; because under present methods his cotton is not only cut and distorted, causing some loss from bad order, but he is at the mercy of the man who takes the sample and declares the grade.

The State of Texas) County of Sterling) In The District Court, Sterling County, Texas.

Henry Davis vs. O. H. Graham, W. D. Graham, J. M. Graham and O. C. Lane.

WHEREAS, by virtue of an Execution issued out of the District Court of Sterling County, Texas, on a judgment rendered in said court, in cause No. 219, on the 5th day of October, A. D. 1915, in favor of Henry Davis, and against O. H. Graham, W. D. Graham, J. M. Graham and O. C. Lane, on the docket of said court, I did, on the 29th day of October, A. D. 1915, at 2 o'clock P. M., levy upon the following described tract or parcel of land, situated in Sterling County, Texas, as the property of said defendant, J. M. Graham, to-wit:

240 acres of land out of the N. W. corner of Section No. 25, in Block 14, Southern Pacific Ry. Co. Survey, fully described by metes and bounds, in a certain deed, made by W. D. Graham and his wife, Ellen Graham, to J. M. Graham, dated July 21, 1915, recorded in Book 23, Page 296, Deed records of Sterling County, Texas, to which said deed and said record reference is here made for better description of said land;

And on the 7th day of December, A. D. 1915, same being the first Tuesday of said month, between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M., and 4 o'clock P. M., on said date, at the Court House Door of Sterling County, in Sterling City, Texas, I will offer for sale, and sell, at Public Outcry, to the highest bidder, for cash, all of the right, title interest and estate of the said J. M. Graham in and to said above described property. Dated this 9th day of November, A. D. 1915.

Dee Davis, Sheriff, Sterling County, Texas.

My wife to Divide It.

Three men are each claiming the reward of \$250 offered by the city of New Orleans for the capture, dead or alive, of the negro, Robert Charles, whose murder of a policeman precipitated the recent race conflict in the Crescent City. Arbitrators will be asked to decide which one is entitled to receive it.

"Relic" Factories Big Output.

It may be information to a good many that Indian "relics" are now being turned out in regular factories, one of which is located in a county in Wisconsin. The relic-makers have a secret process by which an ancient appearance is imparted to bones, pots, arrowheads, etc.

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SYSTEM in the BUSINESS OFFICE of the NAVY



In the bureau of supplies and accounts of the United States navy at Washington some surprising changes have been made in the past year in methods of doing business. The bureau is the business office of the navy. Also it is the butcher, the baker, the banker, the tailor and the grocer of the navy. It pays out some \$145,000,000 a year. It saves Jack's money for him and the savings bank it operates has deposits aggregating \$253,000. It operates two great clothing factories, one at Brooklyn and the other at Charleston, S. C. In another aspect it is one of the biggest purchasing agencies in the country.

So remarkable have been its achievements in the twelvemonth that many requests have come to it recently from business establishments, public and private, for information as to its new methods. The spirit behind the change is that of a boyish-looking, wide-eyed, ever-smiling officer, who, just forty-five years old—and he does not look it—holds the rank and draws the pay of a rear admiral, he being paymaster general of the navy and chief of the bureau. Rear Admiral Samuel McGowan is his name. Mr. McGowan is the form of address he insists upon within the bureau. But in the navy generally, by all ranks and all grades, he is dubbed, behind his back of course, Sammy McGowan.

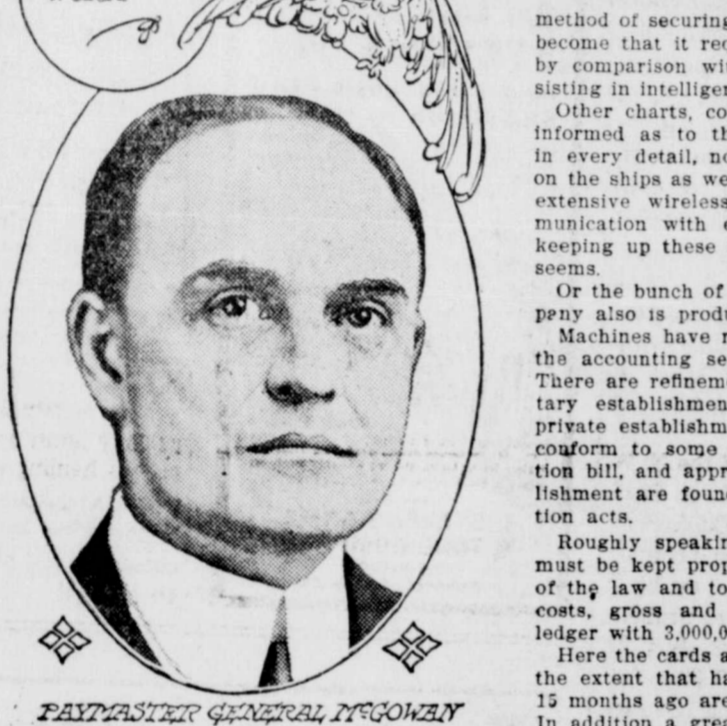
In the 14 months he has been paymaster general he has made over his bureau. What is more, he has secured the hearty and enthusiastic support of the entire force. That, to anyone who knows how any government organization is wedded to precedent, is amazing. Somewhat given to the making of epigrams in his instructions, oral and written, Admiral McGowan has uttered two that give a hint of the predominant ideas behind his reforms. "Make it bureau with a small b and navy with a big N," is one, and "Remember that the stores exist for the fleet, not the fleet for the stores."

The paymaster general and his bureau of supplies and accounts have their offices in the great pile known as the state, war and navy building on Pennsylvania avenue, flanking the White House on the west. When the building was erected some forty years ago it was the largest office building in the world. Each corridor in it has the appearance of a battalion of barrooms, for each of the many corridor doors has its middle two-thirds masked by a shutter door. The rooms are all intercommunicating.

The paymaster general's office is the end one in a suite of five rooms. Across the hall are seven more rooms. In the navy annex building, in a street far by, are some more offices of the bureau. When Paymaster General McGowan took over the job he inaugurated at once a clean-up campaign. Down from the walls came the dusty old pictures. Bookcases and file cases went out. Current and absolutely necessary bureau files went into one room in a set of steel vertical containers, for general purposes, and in the purchasing end, across the hall, they likewise were reduced. Private libraries also went out. Upstairs the navy department maintains a splendid naval library, and this is available for all purposes. "Abolish roll-top desks," was the word. Where flat-top desks were not available the department carpenters took off the roll tops. Since then standard office furniture has been adopted for the entire bureau.

All intercommunicating doors in the suites were taken off the hinges. Walls were painted in light colors. Then the chief of each room or division chief was required to put his desk in the middle of the room with his force grouped about him. Now the paymaster general can stand in his room and look down the line and see exactly what is going on. But that isn't exactly the point. The object is not to keep an eye on the people so much as it is to convey the idea of unity. The division chief who, sequestered in his own little nest, might be tempted to write a letter to the chief next door, doesn't do it under these conditions. He says, "Say, Bill, how about so and so?" or goes over and discusses it at close range. Stationery in use was reduced to the fewest possible simple kinds. On a shelf handy to the paymaster general's hands is a book some 14 inches long by 18 inches wide. In it is all the information that once occupied a big room. This information pertains to the present duty and availability for sea or shore duty, as the case may be, of all of the 230 officers making up the pay corps. The pages of the book are faced with transparent celluloid. When a pay officer is sent on a cruise his name and the essential date are inscribed on a typewritten slip and inserted at the bottom of the section devoted to pay officers on sea duty. Place by place the slip moves up automatically, and in this way one may observe at a glance who is due for shore duty and who for sea duty as, under the law, for every two years of shore duty a pay officer must take three years of sea duty. And thus with all records. No effort has been spared to reduce them all to the simplest and most graphic form. The messenger force was reorganized and a squad told off to act as express messengers. This insures speed in the movement of papers from desk to desk and to the secretary's office. No paper remains more than 15 minutes awaiting transmission.

STATE, WAR AND NAVY BUILDING



PAYMASTER GENERAL MCGOWAN

McGowan did was to put a stop to promiscuous letter writing. The true bureaucrat dearly loves to write letters. He thinks he is at his best when he is writing letters for the chief to sign, division heads dictating many of the letters which take the bureau chief's signature. It gratifies the soul of the bureaucrat to grow arrogant and sarcastic in such dictation.

Nothing of that sort is tolerated by Admiral McGowan. He insisted that letter writing be reduced to a minimum and that nothing unkind or contentious be put into a letter, especially to another co-ordinate bureau. After his first general remarks on the subject he followed it up with an "intrabureau order." Intrabureau orders being one of his methods of reaching the personnel of his organization.

But the striking changes in the service have been worked in the detail of the machinery first of accounting and then of supplying. Aboard each one of Uncle Sam's fighting craft is a pay officer, the ship's business manager. Each ship has a base or home station at some navy yard. At each navy yard is a storehouse, presided over by a pay officer. It is the business of this storehouse to provide for the ships attached to it. Then there are fuel stations—coal and oil—also "under jurisdiction of the pay corps, for the pay corps buys everything, save arms and ammunition, needed by the ships and their personnel."

At present there are in the custody of the storekeepers general supplies worth \$22,000,000, exclusive of fuel; \$4,000,000 worth of clothing, and \$3,000,000 worth of provisions. The problem is not alone to supply immediate needs, but to be ready to supply emergency needs. Just as an army moves on its belly, so is a navy department on its supplies. When a portion of the fleet was dispatched the other day to Santo Domingo it required a lot of things not ordinarily carried. It got away promptly because those particular things were forthcoming without delay.

Always the bureau is in the market buying in huge quantities on bids and under rigid specifications, for delivery at the most advantageous points. Two simple record books contain all the data on current bids which have been opened, and these are always open to public inspection. But the characteristic of the purchasing system is the simple and graphic methods used in keeping information up to date on existing stocks of fuel and supplies and on current prices. Much of this information is reduced to charts on sectional paper. Thus a simple chart tells in figures and lines up to within 12 hours the exact quantity of coal and fuel on hand at any supply station, and another gives the same information as to the amount on board any ship of the navy.

SECRETARY DANIELS AT WORK

The selection of the time for restocking thus is almost automatically suggested. A small card-filing case contains a remarkable exhibition of prices current. Charted on cards are the market price movements for seven years, week by week, of important staples. For example, the butter card shows a well-defined curve for each of the seven years, indicating the weeks when butter is high and when low. As these curves closely parallel, a glance at it shows when is the most advantageous time for buying butter in quantity and storing it.

Systematized has the method of securing and charting this information become that it requires little labor and its cost, by comparison with the results achieved in assisting in intelligent buying, is remarkably low. There are refinements of cost keeping in a military establishment that are not known in a private establishment, for all expenditures must conform to some specific item of an appropriation bill, and appropriations for the naval establishment are found in three different appropriation acts.

Roughly speaking, 3,000,000 separate accounts must be kept properly to meet the requirements of the law and to furnish the information as to costs, gross and detailed, needed. Imagine a ledger with 3,000,000 accounts!

Here the cards and mechanism have come in to the extent that half the number of men needed, 15 months ago are now required to do the work. In addition a great deal of new work has been taken on.

The use of new card punching machines is responsible for the larger economies. The machine is so arranged that it sorts the punched cards, arranges them in proper groups, ascertains the totals of the figures indicated by the punched holes and prints on a sheet the results. It is accounting reduced to mechanism.

Of course the usual machines, such as adding machines and the like, are part of the equipment. In fact the whole trend of the reforms in this section has been to reduce everything to a mechanical basis.

The result is great economies in operation, increased efficiency, increased accuracy and increased speed. To the casual observer the striking thing is the disappearance of books. Few indeed are the books in sight, remarkably slim the files. In other words, the accountancy system has been reduced to the simplest dimensions.

Ask any man, officer or civilian, in the establishment how the whole organization has been made over in such a time, and he instantly will tell you that Sammy McGowan did it. And then he will grow confidential and tell you what he esteems is the secret of the whole accomplishment, the spirit that McGowan has put into his entire force. "We don't tolerate grouches," your informant will say. "We all belong to the Don't Worry club and McGowan is its president."

Another thing this paymaster general has done is to establish in Washington, with the approval of the secretary of the navy, a school for navy pay officers. These officers are appointed from civil life on a competitive examination. They go into the service equipped with a good academic education, but with no knowledge of the navy and its needs. Hence the new service school, which has in this year's class 15 young officers who are being trained in their new profession.

Admiral McGowan himself is a product of civilian training. When he secured his appointment in the pay corps in 1894 he was a South Carolina newspaper man who had worked his way through college and law school by ransacking a brick yard and serving as a ticket agent at a railway station. Maybe there he got the training which has made him a great business executive. The fact that he has spent most of his naval career at sea accounts for his insistence that the fleet and not the bureau is the thing ever to be kept in mind.

When he left the Atlantic fleet to go ashore as paymaster general his commanding officer, Admiral Badger, said of him, "He has made the pay department of the fleet a smoothly working military machine."

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For lame back and soreness, sprains and strains, sore throat and stiff neck, you must rub on and rub in thoroughly Hafford's Balsam of Myrrh. Remember that one good application at first is better than several light ones. Adv.

Serbia's King Arthur.
The picture, "King Marko Returns to Head His People," on the Serbian flag day posters is based on one of the most popular of Serbian legends, the Pall Mall Gazette says. Marko, who ranks as the Serbian King Arthur, was the son of King Vukashin, whom he denounced for usurping the throne, which rightly belonged to Urosh, son of Dushan. Vukashin cursed him, and prayed that he might have neither tomb nor posterity, and be doomed to serve "the tsar of the Turks," but Urosh blessed him, and prayed that he might know no equal in wisdom or prowess, and be remembered as long as the earth endured.

"Thus they spake, and thus it came to pass," says an old Serbian ballad. Marko fought for the sultan, but "the sultan feared him, for his wrath was terrible," and, though he knew no sepulture, he lived, says the legends, for 300 years. He still lives in the hearts of patriotic Serbians, many of whom believe that one day he will awake and come forth to restore the glories of the former empire.

Some Class.
"Where did you get all the second-hand furniture, old man?"
"Those things are not second-hand. They're genuine antiques."

YOU MAKE A MOVE TOWARD HEALTH, STRENGTH AND RENEWED VIGOR
When you decide to help Nature overcome that stomach weakness and bowel irregularity with the aid of **HOSTETTER'S Stomach Bitters**

Out of Sorts

THAT IS, something is wrong with baby, but we can't tell just what it is. All mothers recognize the term by the lassitude, weakness, loss of appetite, inclination to sleep, heavy breathing, and lack of interest shown by baby. These are the symptoms of sickness. It may be fever, congestion, worms, croup, diphtheria, or scarlatina. Do not lose a minute. Give the child Castoria. It will start the digestive organs into operation, open the pores of the skin, carry off the foetid matter, and drive away the threatened sickness.

Genuine Castoria always bears the signature of *Dr. H. H. Fletcher*

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Family's Sense of Gratitude Fully Justified.

Whim of Predatory Individual Brought Fortune to Members of Household Which He Had Visited With Intent to Rob.

"A house in the country that I had got into by a convenient cellar window, and that I came out of by the front door," said the retired burglar, "had proved to be very disappointing. I had imagined from the nicely kept lawn and the general appearance of things outside that it must be the home of people of means, but in the whole of upstairs I had not found, of things that I could carry away, enough to pay me for my night's work."

"Then, as I came down from the second story into the front hall I cast my light around there, to see if there was anything there worth while. There wasn't, but on a little tray on a table in the hall I saw three letters addressed and stamped ready for mailing, and I thought I would take these letters and mail them."

"That was just a foolish whim; but then I did a downright foolish thing; something that I had never done before and that I never did again—I wrote a note and left it on the little tray from which I took the letters."

"I have taken the letters. I am going right past the post office and I can mail them just as well as not."

"Well, I did mail those letters, and then I never thought of them again till about a year and a half afterward when I saw this advertisement in a newspaper:

"Jimmy: Thanks for mailing those letters. We want to communicate with you. Write to us where you found us."

"Now that was something of a jolt, wasn't it? Of course that foolish note that I left was a clue and now they were following me up, and what should I do about it? Should I communicate?"

"All I could do was to trust my hunch, and I trusted it. I wrote, giving a fictitious name, and giving my address as the post office. Of course it would have been the easiest thing in the world for them to have a man watching the office here for me when I called for the letter, but I liked the house and I thought I should like the people that lived in it, and I took a chance."

"In two days I got the letter, and when I opened it there dropped out of it a thousand-dollar bill. Do you fully grasp that? A thousand-dollar bill; and this is what they wrote me:—
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lived in a town not a hundred miles from ours. I don't know whether you noticed the address on the letter or not. A nice old man he was, not an eccentric nor a hermit, but just an old back, who lived by himself and went his own ways. He did not seek friends, and so far as we knew we were his only living relatives; but though he lived so near we had not seen him nor heard from him in a dozen years.

"Then one day, the day before the night that you called, it struck us that we would write Uncle William; and just out of a feeling of friendliness and good cheer we sat down that day and wrote him that letter; the letter that you mailed."

"And what difference did it make, I hear you saying, who mailed the letter? Well, I will tell you. "In the ordinary course of things that letter would not have been mailed by us until some of us went down to the center in the afternoon; and mailed; then it would never have reached him; for on the afternoon of that very day our uncle moved from the old town in which he had lived so long, and left no address behind him. But mailed when it was, by you, it did reach him. He never answered it himself, but a year later we received a letter from a lawyer in the town to which he had moved saying that our uncle had died in that town and had left us \$200,000."

"He had accumulated \$205,000. He had made a will giving \$200,000 of this to a hospital that had caught his fancy and \$5,000 to us, his relatives, "if still living." But later, clearly after receiving our letter, which he would never have got but for you, he had changed his will, giving \$5,000 to the hospital and \$200,000 to us; and now, after some six months of legal formalities we have got the money."

"So you see your mailing that letter made all the difference in the world to us; it brought us a fortune."

"We still live in the same house, but now we have more things than when you were here. In fact, we have some things now that usually we do not keep in the house, but in a box in the bank at the center; but if you will come over and see us again and will let us know when you are coming, we will leave around the house enough to make this visit profitable; we feel that we are still much in debt to you."

"But I never went back. Whatever they got out of it I felt as if, just for carrying the letter to the post office, a thousand dollars was all that was really coming to me."

The average man isn't looking for information. He is looking for an argument.

Curative Value In Food?

"Recalling that 90% of disease results from errors in diet, then foods properly prescribed by the physician can justly be said to have curative value."
—Dr. Henry B. Hollen, in *The Medical Standard*.

One of the errors in the diet of many people is the use of foods robbed of the vital mineral salts (phosphate of potash, etc.) which are absolutely necessary for proper balance of body, brain and nerves. The result is a long list of ills, including nervous prostration, kidney trouble, constipation, rickets in children, and so on.

Twenty years ago a whole wheat and barley food, containing all the nutriment of the grain, including the priceless mineral elements, was devised especially to correct errors in diet. That food is

Grape-Nuts

It fulfills its mission admirably.

Another physician says: "Nearly half the year my breakfast consists of a dish of Grape-Nuts, one or two eggs, or fruit. I RECOMMEND IT TO MY PATIENTS CONSTANTLY, and invariably with good results."

This wholesome food not only builds sturdy health and strength, but fortifies the system against disease. Ready-to-eat, nourishing, economical, delicious—

"There's a Reason" for Grape-Nuts

COMMENTS
Usually we do not know; but we might find out otherwise than we do. When a man is henpecked, one of his first duties is to tell everywhere that he isn't, and that he wouldn't be a bachelor again for anything in the world.
Suspicion is a vicious thing; but sometimes it is justified.
The Sober Second Thought is usually so slow that much mischief is done before it acts.
Every time a man puts on War Paint,

POSTSCRIPTS
German railroads have found that the maintenance of electric locomotives is more economical than operating cars fitted with individual motors.
Easily attached to or detached from a window sash, a wire screen has been patented that is rolled or unrolled as a window is closed or opened.
One Charm of Wealth.
Make a noise that rings like wealth and any number of visiting cards will be pushed under your front door.
A Colorado inventor's electric flat iron is propelled by a motor-driven roller, an operator having only to control the current and guide it.
Wireless apparatus for spherical balloons that a German has invented uses loops of wire that encircle the gas bags vertically for antennae.
Experts have estimated the available water power of the streams of the United States all the way from 31,404,000 to 50,140,000 horse power.
Electric fans have been designed to

Just how much can be accomplished in overcoming natural tendencies, I do not pretend to say; but I have noticed that with the whip properly laid on, a lazy horse does very well.
Men who are reasonably fair with neighbors, develop a roguish instinct as soon as they deal with the public. The public never watches as closely as do the neighbors.
I walk around some men as I walk around a mad hound.
The average man's conscience is more elastic than his suspenders.

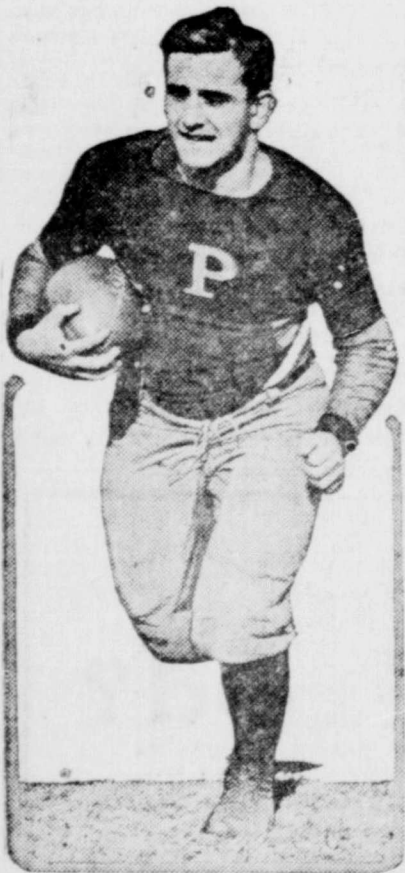
FOOTBALL HAS UNDERGONE MANY CHANGES



Roger Bresnahan Arranging His Shin Guards.

"Padded warriors," and "mole-skin artists," as football terms have become obsolete. So have a great many other epithets which have applied to football as it was played ten years ago.

The tendency among football players and coaches of the present day is to eliminate all the unnecessary equipment on a player that is possible, and



Captain Glick of Princeton Leads Tigers in Offensive Tactics.

as a consequence, the football uniform of today will not weigh nearly so much as an average man's everyday clothes, contrary to the general belief that football players are made up of some bone and muscle and the rest pads.

The reason for this is that the coaches demanded more speed from their men and it is certain that speed cannot be obtained where a player is loaded down with pads.

The football clothes which were worn when the game was first introduced, would, like old baseball uniforms, seem like jokes to players now.

GRIDDRERS AS SOLDIERS

Footballers and Cyclists Prove Heroes in European War.

Many French Stars Have Been Killed on Battlefield—Others Promoted for Deeds of Valor—Encourage Sports in France.

Nearly all the football stars of France are either on the "gridiron" of Flanders or rushing German lines along the Aisne, and they are making themselves heard from. Augustin Joue, a football star of Perigean, in the Nineteenth dragons, was promoted lieutenant on the battlefield for having rescued a fallen comrade and carried him out of the zone under severe fire.

Cyclists also have done great work, both in the French and Belgian armies.

Auguste Troussellier, the youngest of the Troussellier brothers, well-known professional riders, was killed during the battle of the Aisne while charging the German trenches.

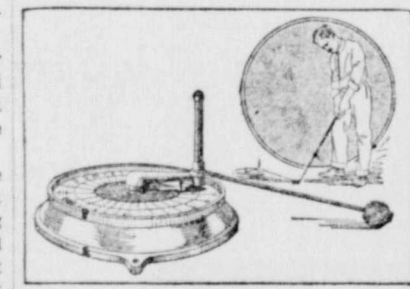
Contrary to England, in France everything is being done to encourage the continuation of all sports, as in times of peace. It has already been announced that there will be no athletics of any kind at Cambridge university this year.

The best arranged kitchens are those with plenty of cupboard space to shut from the dust all utensils that are not washed twice or three times a day.

GOLF FOR HOME AMUSEMENT

Machine Made for Indoor Use Which Shows on Dial Distance Ball Would Be Carried by Stroke.

Designed for use on the lawn, in the home gymnasium, or on the decks of a steamer, a small golf machine has been constructed which registers the length of a drive and indicates how the ball would have flown, whether it would have gone high, clearing a bunker, or low, had it been free.



Indoor Golf Machine.

of the drive in terms of yards. By the position of the dial when the ball is struck, the force of the stroke is indicated, as well as the angle and the distance the ball would have risen from the tee, and also shown approximately.

NEW STADIUM IS BEAUTIFUL

Besides Gridiron It Has Running Track and Seating Capacity for Some 9,000 Spectators.

Cornell university formally dedicated its new stadium when the Ithaca football team met the William College eleven. Schoelkopf field contains in addition to the gridiron an excellent quarter-mile running track with a straightaway and seating accommodations for some 9,000 spectators.

Martin Stars at Annapolis. Martin, the right end of the Navy team, covered himself with glory in the game against Pitt. In which, though his team was badly defeated, he made a 95-yard run for a touchdown after intercepting a forward pass.

Big Meeting at Montreal. On all sides it is predicted that the Montreal meeting next season will be one of the best in the country. There is talk of two other meetings on that side of the border.

The KITCHEN CABINET

Economy is usually confined to the management of money, but it may be shown on many other occasions. Economy may be exercised in taking care of whatever belongs to us—Maria Edgeworth.

THE KITCHEN.

The ideal situation for the kitchen is considered by popular opinion to be with north and east exposure. Nowadays we want a kitchen, if it is not to be used as a dining room, to be small, so that time and strength may be saved in the preparation of meals.

Windows should be plentiful and so placed that plenty of light and ventilation could be obtained. Artificial light should be planned to fall where it is most needed, over sink and stove and table.

If swing doors are placed between the kitchen and dining room the kitchen need never be in view when sitting at the dining table.

The floor should be covered with linoleum or finished in such a way that scrubbing is unnecessary.

Tables and sink as well as stove and ironing board should be of the height to suit the person to use them.

Over the sink a shelf with hooks beneath to hold all the much-used things like a soap shaker, measuring cups, dipper, dish mop, and potato masher, may be easily placed. On top of this shelf have your scales, a small clock, pretty receptacles for pepper and salt and the much used condiments.

The best quality of tea leaves must have been used. The best of the Tarrar horseman, curie like the development of a mighty bullock, unfold like a mist rising out of a ravine, gleam like a lake under a zephyr, and be wet and soft like fine earth newly swept by rain.

TEA MAKING AN ART.

Every woman longs for the dainty appointments of a pretty tea table, but do not wait to realize these longings, but serve tea to your friends with the equipment at hand.

The small cakes, croamer and sugar bowl, teaspoons and cups and saucers. Cups may be had that are artistic and shapely from ten cents to as many dollars, but the tea tastes as well from the ten-cent one and if one is broken, your heart is not. Tea is served at four o'clock so that it does not interfere with the six o'clock dinner and is not a meal in any sense.

The correct way of preparing tea is to take the freshly drawn water at the first boil, scald the teapot, then add tea a teaspoonful for each person and one for the pot; cover with the water, then let stand five minutes, add enough water to serve, allow it to stand a minute then pour.

If you desire to make the tea with a tea ball it may then be served of required strength to suit the individual taste. A pretty pitcher of hot water is another requisite, as well as a bowl to empty the tea for a fresh cup. Tea served in a moderate quantity, not too strong, is a fatigue remover as well as a nerve soother.

Remedy for a Cold. When you feel a cold coming on, take a half teaspoonful of ginger, one teaspoonful of white sugar, mix thoroughly with about three tablespoonfuls of cold water and drink.

Not Cause for Satisfaction. If you feel that it is better to lay in wait for a whole lot of people, they take their checkbooks in hand and natchely pester him to name his own price for temptations.

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I Recommend Peruna To All Sufferers Of Catarrh

Do Not Think I Ever Felt Much Better. I have taken four bottles of Peruna and I can say that it has done me a great deal of good for catarrh of the head and throat. I recommend Peruna to all sufferers with catarrh. I do not think I ever felt much better. I am really surprised at the work I can do. I do not think too much praise can be said for Peruna. Our booklet, telling you how to keep well, free to all. Those who object to liquid medicines can now procure Peruna Tablets.

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HORSE SALE DISTEMPER

You know what you sell or buy through the sale has about one chance in fifty to escape SALB'S STABLE DISTEMPER. SALB'S STABLE DISTEMPER is your true protection, your sure insurance, your sure as you treat all your horses with it. It is the best of the disease. It acts as a sure preventive to distemper, and it cures all distemper, horse and human. It is sold in 50 cent and \$1.00 bottles, at all drug stores, horse goods stores, or delivered by the mail.

OFFICER REALLY TO BLAME. Law Officer Looked So Much Like Husband That Woman Simply Could Not Stop Scolding.

A woman from the pineland belt, who had seen a railroad only once, and who had ridden it to Atlanta's Decatur street on her husband's wagon, was arrested for talking back to an officer of the law.

"She jabbered steadily for a half hour, when I told her she must not stand so long, squarely in the middle of the street," explained the officer who had made the arrest. "I couldn't get a word in edgewise. It was the most awful gab I ever heard."

PROMPT RELIEF. An English town council, after a protracted sitting, was desirous of adjourning for lunch.

The proposition was opposed by the mayor, who thought that if his fellow officeholders felt the stimulus of hunger the dispatch of business would be much facilitated. At last a rather illiterate member got up and exclaimed: "I am astonished, I am surprised, I am amazed, Mr. Mayor, that you will not let us go to lunch."

AVOID A DOCTOR'S BILL. On the first of the month by taking now a bottle of Mansfield Cough Balsam for that hacking, hollow cough. Price 25c and 50c.—Adv.

Final Duty. The Umpire—Your men are all out of action; you've been shot over and over again.

Necessary. "They're putting on my new play at the Piffle theater next week." "You don't say so! Have you arranged for an audience?"

In Moderation. Nan—Did Clarence make a hit with you? Fan—Well, I'd rather call it a bout.

Well Named. "What did that blustering fellow want?" "That was Gale. He just blew in to raise the wind."

His Feast. "That stage manager in increasing the pay of the chorus is doing something of an agricultural nature." "In what way?" "Isn't he raising chickens?"

Made since 1846—Hanford's Balsam. Adv. It is well enough to give credit where credit is done, but it is better to be paid in cash.

Even a wise man goes lame when he gets into a religious or political argument. When a fool man has nothing else to worry him he gets married.

Handicap of Ignorance. Ignorance has no light, but error follows a false one. The consequence is that error, which she retraces her steps, has farther to go before she can arrive at truth than ignorance.—Colton.

Happy Solution. What a happy solution of the equal suffrage problem it would be if all women who are fit for the ballot could vote in place of the men who are not!

Look Over Obstacles. Anyone who rides a bicycle or runs a motor car knows that the way to avoid straight and avoid obstacles is to look past them down the road. By looking at the obstacles, one steers right into them in spite of oneself. So in life, when obstacles are ahead, one should look past them, keep the eyes on the right road, and so win past and forward.

Optimistic Thought. Hatred in the heart is a great burden to the carrier.

WDS' STOMA. It is a to strength in ability an restore hee entire dige. BACK LEG. WNT (HI) FOR I. PATEN. Cer. Guests of bell-Banner nationality golf champ Fry's. Campbell er man plor's in afrm attention. JUST ON. will Relie ache, Soue and Tongu Don't tak far better cause. Y druggists. Peggie-bird? Polly— and hilgee owl, likes and kolla acting th jay.—Jud. "How "A h American Any w unt, b usanah. "TR Omp' and Rye, mail Fr. Amom be in e. Y TUR IGAD.

WANT. I can't find a job. I want to get married. I want to travel. I want to see the world. I want to be rich. I want to be famous. I want to be happy. I want to be healthy. I want to be beautiful. I want to be successful. I want to be loved. I want to be respected. I want to be admired. I want to be feared. I want to be worshipped. I want to be obeyed. I want to be served. I want to be worshipped. I want to be obeyed. I want to be served. I want to be worshipped. I want to be obeyed. I want to be served.

GALOMEL MAKES YOU SICK, UGH! IT'S MERCURY AND SALIVATES

Straighten Up! Don't Lose a Day's Work! Clean Your Sluggish Liver and Bowels With "Dodson's Liver Tone."

Ugh! Galomel makes you sick. Take a dose of the vile, dangerous drug to-night and tomorrow you may lose a day's work.
Galomel is mercury or quicksilver which causes necrosis of the bones. Galomel, when it comes into contact with your bile crashes into it, breaking it up. This is when you feel that awful nausea and cramping. If you feel sluggish and "all knocked out," if your liver is torpid and bowels constipated or you have headache, dizziness, coated tongue, if breath is bad or stomach sour, just try a spoonful of harmless Dodson's Liver Tone.
Here's my guarantee—Go to any drug store or dealer and get a 50-cent bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone. Take a spoonful tonight and if it doesn't

What Really Happened.
Then out spoke Spurius Lartius—
"Stand on my right hand?" peevishly repeated Horatius. "Not if I know it! I already have an elephant on my hands in the person of a shuckless brother-in-law who invited himself to dinner eight years ago and has been at my house ever since!"

Spartan Women Suffered Untold Tortures but who wants to be a Spartan? Take "Femina" for all female disorders. Price 50c and \$1.00.—Adv.

No Enthusiast.
"I persuaded my husband to attend a symphony concert yesterday."
"Did he enjoy it?"
"Not very much. He said the applause disturbed his slumbers."

A Possible Meaning.
"What is the meaning of this phrase, 'the higher, the fewer?'"
"It may allude to the oysters in a stew."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Ignorance is Bliss.
"What's the matter?"
"My wife says I don't know how to handle the baby."
"I wouldn't get mixed over that son," said the older man. "Take my advice and don't learn."

THIS IS THE AGE OF YOUTH.
You will look ten years younger if you darken your ugly, grizzly, gray hairs by using "La Croix" Hair Dressing.—Adv.

Her Vindication.
He (annoyed)—It's eight o'clock and you said you would be here at six.
She—Did I say six? I thought I said seven.

Recognition.
Mollie—How do you recognize a gentleman in a crowded car?
Dollie—By his general get up.

One Installment.
"Oh, about an octave of it."—Boston Transcript.

Phenomenal.
For sprained wrist rub on and rub in Hanford's Balm thoroughly. Adv.

There is always room at the top for aeroplanes—and room at the bottom for submarines.

Stop That Backache!
There's nothing more discouraging than a constant backache. You are lame when you awake. Pains pierce you when you bend or lift. It's hard to rest and next day it's the same old story. Pain in the back is nature's warning of kidney ills. Neglect may pave the way to dropsy, gravel, or other serious kidney ailments. Don't delay—begin using Doan's Kidney Pills—the remedy that has been curing backache and kidney trouble for over fifty years.

A Texas Case
Mrs. Haroid "Dovey" Warrington, 1201 Dallas, Texas, says: "I had a dull, nagging ache across the small of my back and felt tired and run down. For a month I doctored but kept getting worse and almost gave up hope. Fortunately, Doan's Kidney Pills were recommended to me. They restored me to health and strength."

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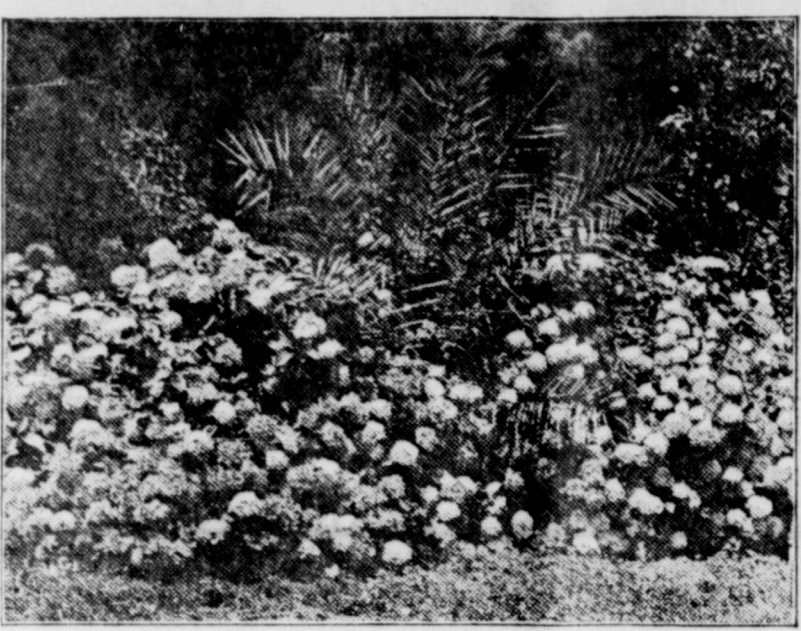
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you will find more satisfactory than any wooden washer.
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LADIES!
—Take CAPUDINE—
For Aches, Pains and Nervousness. IT IS NOT A NARCOTIC OR DOPE—Gives quick relief—Try it.—Adv.
Many a man gets his back up like a camel and roars like a lion.
Even if a man fights but one duel he has a second.
Even if you ride a hobby you are not the only jockey in the race.
Don't try to understand a woman and you may succeed.

The HOME BEAUTIFUL

Flowers and Shrubbery
Their Care and Cultivation



Showing the Beauty of Massing Hydrangeas.

PERENNIALS AND HERBACEOUS PLANTS

By E. VAN BENTHUYSEN.

There is no class of flowering plants more desirable than the hardy perennials and herbaceous plants like the hydrangeas, the peonies, the hollyhocks, golden glow, spirea and iris.

These plants require but little attention, and for those who have not much time to devote to the garden, there is no class more desirable.

Most of them will do well in ordinary soils and flourish under conditions unfavorable to the satisfactory development of annuals.

The annuals should be left to those who are here this season and away next. For the permanent residents it is well to consider the merits of this class of plants.

The cultivation of a collection of hardy plants is urged in preference to annuals because the latter class will not prove satisfactory unless a good deal of time and labor are expended on them.

One of the prime arguments in favor of the perennials is—that once established your plants are good for an indefinite period. Your garden does not have to be made every season.

About all this class of plants will ask of you is that in the spring the plants will need to be worked about and freed from the grass which will encroach upon their territory, if allowed to do so, the soil will require fertilizing, and once in three or four years the old plants will be bettered by a division of their roots.

A great many of these can be attended to in a day, and the work is much easier than that of making beds and pulling weeds.

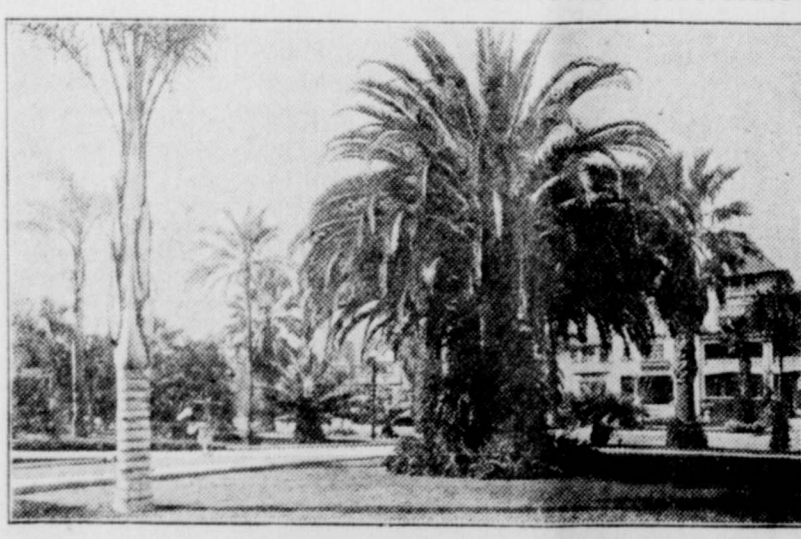
One of the best perennials is the hydrangea. The coloring is beautiful and it lends itself to massing and is lovely in all its stages from the first tender green, through the pink and rose stage on to its russet coloring in the fall.

The hollyhock is another favorite. It comes in a wide range of colors—white, rose, crimson, maroon, and soft yellow—it is a profuse bloomer and does well in almost any kind of soil.

Double hollyhocks are mostly in favor these days, but the single ones are well worth the cultivation. Cut off the old flower-stalks, as soon as the buds on them have developed, and quite frequently new stalks will be sent up late in the season.

In this way one may have hollyhocks until late in the season.
Seeds planted in May, June or July will give one dozen of plants from which flowers may be expected the following season.

Great clumps of golden glow or rudbeckia make an exceedingly rich sod of color. For weeks it is a solid mass of golden blooms, and for cutting we have few better flowers.
The spirea should be more extensively grown. It would be difficult to find a more exquisitely lovely flower, with its great plumelike panicles of airy, pink bloom.
The iris should always be given a



A Wonderful Planting of Palms in a California Garden.

HOME GROUNDS BEAUTIFUL.

While in the North, East and middle West it is impossible to achieve the beautiful effects possible in the South, there is much that can be done to improve the appearance of the grounds around our homes.

The huge palms that grow so wonderfully in southern California and lend beauty and charm to the southern home are not for us in their exotic prodigality of growth. But a lesson can be learned from the planting of these huge palms. The accompanying photograph of the grounds around a home in Los Angeles gives one a fine idea of the beauty of planting, be it trees or palms. Plenty of space and a chance for the tree to shine in the picture. It is a mistake to plant trees too closely together. Some of our yards look as if they were planted for timber instead of for shade and the

THE FRONT YARD

By L. M. BENNINGTON.

The neatest yard now has a smooth grass sod kept closely mown, while the flowers and shrubbery are restricted to the sides and rear. This not only renders the lawn more easily kept than when there were flower beds to mow around and trim, and trees or shrubs to dodge, but it is really more restful in appearance.

Hardy perennials are good, readily obtainable and easily grown. Unless you desire immediate effects all the kinds here mentioned will bloom the second season from seedling plants.

Now is the time to think of your garden for next year and if you have been restoring to annual planting try making permanent beauty spots.

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Yet the Compliment Was One Which the Recipient Had to Take Time to Appreciate.

"John," said Mrs. Harkins, "I heard a nice compliment for you today."
Mr. Harkins put his paper down, twisted up the ends of his mustache, looked pleased, and said:
"Well, that's nothing so remarkable. I receive compliments nearly every day."

Mrs. Harkins went on sipping her tea, and her husband waited for her to resume. Finally, he said:
"Well, who don't you tell me what it was? Who was it that complimented me?"
"Oh, you couldn't guess in a week."
"Mrs. Deering?" he ventured.
"No."
"Not Bessie Fallington?" he rather eagerly suggested.
"No."
"Oh, well, of course if there's any secret about it, I don't care to hear what it was or who said it."
"There isn't any secret about it," Mrs. Harkins sweetly replied. "Mr. Hannaford told me that every time he and I met, he became more thoroughly convinced that you were a man of excellent taste."

John Harkins then shoved his hands down in his pockets and walked outside to think it over.

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She kept the shutters closed at nightfall and the curtains pulled down, so that not a speck of light would escape from her apartments. But one night, when reading the newspaper, she said that she had reached the limit.

The newspapers said that if the Zeppelins came all persons must go into the cellars. She told her friends she would not go down into the cellar.
"I do not care a fig for the Zeppelins," she said. "It is no use asking me, I will not go down into the cellar."
"But why?" asked her friend. "Because," she replied, "I am afraid of spiders."

Happily Not.
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Planning.
"Can you tell me where I can buy a small flock of moths?"
"Moths? What in the world do you want with a flock of moths?"
"Well, you see, I need a new overcoat, and unless I sick some moths on my old one and make it look perfectly disgraceful my wife will make me wear it another winter."

No Worse.
"Say, old man, lend me ten dollars, will you?"
"Why should I? You'd only buy whisky with it."
"What if I do? You subscribed to the war loan, didn't you?"
"I don't see what that's got to do with it."
"Do you think it's any worse to lend me money to buy whisky with than to lend money to the allies to spend on guns and ammunition?"—New York World.

The Delusion.
"Miss Prettyface has such a straight back."
"Yes, and such a false front."

Paradoxical Satisfaction.
"Don't you think the future has a dark outlook?"
"Not since I got my winter coal in."

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