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Agrostologists to Meet at Aberystwyth, Wales

TORONTO.—Delegates from Canada and the United States will meet other eminent agrostologists from all the principal countries of the world at the fourth International Grassland Congress, which will be held at Aberystwyth, Wales, in July, 1937. The congress will consider different aspects of the grassland problem, including ecology, pasture and range management, seed mixtures, plant breeding, genetics and seed production, manures and fertilizers, nutritive value of pastures, fodder conservation and grassland economics.

Cow Has Quadruplets

BETHUNE, Sask. — George Seigneth's purebred shorthorn cow has done tis best to help him through a bad year on his southern Saskatchewan farm. She gave birth to quadruplets last week. Two of the calves survived and are doing well.

To Aid Flying

OTTAWA.—A radio and meteorological reporting station will be constructed at Port Harrison on the east coast of Hudson Bay, Hon. C. D. Howe, Minister of Transport, announced this week.

"The inception of the trans-atlantic and trans-Canadian services has made it necessary that reliable weather reports covering conditions over wide areas should be available at all times," the Minister said. "Meteorologists are of the opinion that a station at this point will help greatly in making these reports more complete. Port Harrison is roughly half way between Churchill, Man., and the Labrador coast, and will provide a quick means of communication with the outside world for this part of Canada.

"This station will be of value as an aid to navigation in Hudson Bay, and of service to the Department of Mines and Resources; also to the Mounted Police in connection with the administration of their services. It will be equipped with long and short wave transmitters of the latest design, providing for transmission both by radiophone and international Morse code.

Poultry Protection

HAMILTON.—James Waldron, of Hamilton, was acquitted of cruelty to animals, Magistrate H. A. Burbidge holding that accused was justified in protecting his poultry against the attack of a wire-haired terrier which Waldron admitted killing with a rake handle.

Waldron said he struck two blows to ward off the animal, and one broke its neck. Controller Donald McFarlane was special prosecutor for the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. Waldron produced an injured rooster to show the result of the dog's visit, and said another bird was so seriously injured he had to destroy it.

Use of Air Mail Strongly Urged

OTTAWA.—The Department of Trade and Commerce strongly advises Canadian exporters in the case of urgent correspondence, particularly with outlying parts of the world, to take advantage of the air mail facilities which are now available from Canada. As illustrating the saving of time that can be affected by this means in comparison with non-air routing a table has been prepared showing that from Toronto or Montreal to Bombay, India, there is a saving of eight days by air mail. From Toronto or Montreal to Capetown, South Africa, an air mail letter will go in 17 days, compared with 25 days by steamer. To Crystobal, Panama, there is a saving of six days by air mail; to Rio de Janeiro, a saving of eight days, and to Buenos Aires, a saving of twelve days.

B. C. Reduces Relief By 27 Per Cent.

VICTORIA—The British Columbia relief department announced last week relief rolls in May of this year were 27 per cent. less than in the same month of 1936. Month by month statistics issued by the department showed 65,223 persons dependent on unemployment relief during May, 1936, compared with 48,300 in May a year ago. In April this year 73,825 persons were receiving assistance.

Homework For Teachers

TORONTO. — More than 6,000 teachers in Ontario will give up a month of their summer vacation to take refresher courses or to improve their professional and academic status. The number this year is nearly twice as many as in 1935, and many

Fine closes on $200,000 Doukhobor Mortgage

VANCOUVER.—Mr. Justice D. A. McDonald in Supreme Court Chambers has appointed D. D. Munro, Vancouver Manager of the Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada, receiver for a large portion of the holdings of the Christian Community of Universal Brotherhood, Ltd., in British Columbia.

About 15,000 acres of the Doukhobor property in the vicinity of Brilliant and Grand Forks, in Southeastern British Columbia, is mortgaged to the Sun Life to secure $200,000.

A foreclosure action has been instituted against the Doukhobor organization by the mortgagee to recover its principal together with $10,000 interest and $30,000 in taxes. The receiver was named at the request of the Sun Life.

The defendant has not yet appeared to contest the foreclosure suit.

French-Canadian's Cow Wins Breeders' Awards

OTTAWA. — Joseph P. Beauchemin, Vercheres, Que., is the first French-Canadian owner of an Ayrshire cow that has won the double award of a Canadian Ayrshire Breeders' Association meritorious production gold seal certificate and membership in the American Ayrshire Breeders' Association hundred-thousand-pound club.

A 14-year-old cow, St. Blain Printaniere, owned by Beauchemin, is the 19th Canadian Ayrshire to win the awards. The cow produced 100,198 pounds of milk, 4,515 pounds of butterfat, 4.46 per cent., in 2,580 milking days.

Says Cancer Still Balks Medical Research

OTTAWA.—A noted French radiologist told the Canadian and Ontario Medical Associations science can trace step by step the organic changes that result in cancer, but continues to be balked by the mysterious transformation that turns a benign growth into a malignant one.

The associations heard Dr. Antoine Lacassagne, radiologist at the Curie Institute in Paris, describe experiments on mice, in which it was possible to promote growth of tumors which eventually become cancers through injection of oestrone, the female sex hormone.

King Formally Opens New Sculpture Hall

LONDON. — The King formally opened the new Duveen Sculpture Halls at the Tate Art Gallery th's week. "These sculpture galleries are the finest in the world," the King said in a brief dedication speech. The new galleries are a gift to the nation from Lorne Duveen, and cost $493,000.

Moscow Flight Planned By Jimmy Mattern

WASHINGTON.—Jimmy Mattern, the flier, is seeking White House aid to carry out his projected refueling flight from Oakland, Calif., to Moscow in August.

Mattern and Senator Sheppard (D., Tex.) conferred with Secretary Marvin H. McIntyre. Sheppard said the Commerce Department's Aviation Bureau discourages all "pioneer flights" of that character as too hazardous.

McIntyre informed them where to go for further conference, presumably the Commerce Department.

THE MARKETS

POULTRY & EGGS

Buying prices:

Toronto dealers are quoting producers for ungraded eggs, delivered, cases returned:

Eggs—

Grade A large	22	to 00
Grade A medium	20	to 00
Grade B	18	to 00
Grade C	16	to 00

Dealers are quoted on graded eggs cases free

Grade A large	24	to 00
Grade A medium	22	to 23
Grade B	19	to 20
Grade C	18	to 19

POULTRY

Prices paid to country shipmen:

	Dressed. Sel. A.	Sel. B.	Milk Fed A.
Spring Broilers—			
1 to 1½ lbs.	16	14	18
1½ to 3 lbs.	18	16	20
3 to 4 lbs.	19	17	21
4 lbs. and over	20	18	22
	Dressed. Sel. A.	Sel. B.	
Fatted Hens—			
Over 5 lbs.	15	13	
4 to 5 lbs.	14	12	
3½ to 4 lbs.	12	11	
3 to 3½ lbs.	11	10	
Old Roosters—			
Over 5 lbs.	12	10	

(Red and black feathered birds 2c per lb. less than above prices.)

Other Fowl—		
Guinea Fowl, per pair	75	00

Note: C grade poultry 3c below B grade.

Faint Radio Signals Spurs Hunt for Earhart

U. S. Destroyers and Aircraft Carrier Race to Scene — Exact Location Hard to Determine, But Cutter Switches Course — Down Since Friday

HONOLULU — Six United States warships raced over the Pacific Sunday night in the greatest sea hunt ever mobilized as faint radio signals, crackling out of the desolate ocean stretches along the Equator, gave almost certain proof that Amelia Earhart and her flying companion, Capt. Fred Noonan, were alive, either adrift or on a reef south of Howland Island.

The signals, first contact made with the $80,000 "Flying Laboratory" since it was forced down Friday on a flight from Lae, New Guinea, were received by three powerful radio stations here in response to a broadcast by Station KGMB at Honolulu.

Pan American Airways' direction finder picked up the calls at Mokapu Point, and estimated the origin was south of tiny Howland Island. The station said it could not place the location exactly, due to the weakness of the signals.

MESSAGES REPORTED

Meanwhile from other points came reports, all apparently coinciding, of messages received by voice radio from the missing plane.

Naval Operations Headquarters at Washington, D.C., ordered the aircraft carrier Lexington, with between 80 and 90 planes aboard, to proceed from San Diego, Cal., under forced draught directly to the Howland Island area to aid in the search.

Four destroyers —the Cushing, Perkins, Lampson and Drayton— raced over the Pacific with the Lexington to join the battleship Colorado, already plowing towards Howland from Honolulu.

The Coast Guard cutter Itasca, cruising northwest of Howland in search of the plane, changed its course after receiving reports of the signals picked up by Pan American, and headed across the Equator toward a point about 200 miles below Howland.

A huge naval patrol plane was ready to take off from Pearl Harbor if weather reports indicated it could make the 1,900-mile flight to Howland. A navy plane was forced to turn back Sunday.

The signals picked up by Pan America's direction finder were described as "carrier wave" signals on Miss Earhart's sending band. The Coast Guard and Wailupe naval radio stations both picked up similar signals quite strongly, they reported. The Wailupe station said it got a man's voice.

Station KGMB broadcast about 7 a.m., P.S.T. (11 a.m., E.D.T.), to the last plane: "If you hear this signal answer by dashes."

At 7.15 a.m. the Mokapu station reported it got a response, but it was so weak the Pan American direction finders were not able to locate its exact position.

However, the station estimated it was "southeast of Howland," which is the first time, placed the plane in a location south of the island instead of northwest.

A Brisk Trade In Farm Implements

Reflects an Improvement in Farm Conditions

BRIGDEN. — With crop prospects in the district, farmers are seizing the opportunity to repair worn implements and in many cases to replace them with new machinery and as a result local implement dealers report that the busiest seasons have experienced in many years. The situation seems to indicate that not only are crops prospects good but that the farmers have sufficient money to make the changes and are willing to spend it because of the likelihood of good returns from this season's operations.

With the haying season well under way the majority of the sales so far have been of machinery for this operation and have included everything from new mowing equipment to rope for the loading machinery. New tractors have also been included in the sales and although it will be late next month before the harvest will be begun, already several farmers have considered the purchase of new binders and other equipment for that operation. One local dealer has four new binders on hand and ready for delivery within a short time.

About as bright as the clerk who, asked "What have you in the shape of cucumbers?" answered, "We have some very nice bananas?" — Owen Sound Sun-Times.

Joked About Howland Island

Several months ago, when Amelia Earhart disclosed plans for her round-the-world flight, a reporter asked her how big Howland Island would look on the map compared with the other places she would visit, and she smilingly held up her hand as shown. Now missing, she apparently missed the tiny island in her flight from New Guinea. Below, George Palmer Putnam, her husband, and Mrs. Frederick J. Noonan, whose husband is navigator for the noted aviatrix, shown watching telegram machines in Oakland, Cal., as they anxiously awaited word of the two fliers.

NEWS PARADE

Commentary on the HIGHLIGHTS OF THE WEEKS NEWS...

By Peter Randal

Karl Radek, noted Soviet political commentator sentenced, to ten years at hard labor for alleged Trotskyist activities, last January, was released last week and is living in a small village near Moscow. Radek is said to have been granted his freedom by the Political Bureau of the Communist Party for exposure of military espionage activities.

Since that sensational trial, eight generals have heard the famous "seventy-three-hour sentence" passed upon them by their comrades of the highest military command and there was no appeal.

Many political commentators have tried to weight the significance of these trials. Do they mean the growth of an organized opposition to the personal leadership of Stalin? Do they represent the activities of a foreign power? Are they actually connected with that famous and most unwanted man in the world, Trotsky? No one seems to know the answer but there is a great deal of guessing being done.

Walter Duranty, for many years special correspondent for the New York Times in Russia, thinks the recent trials may be one indication of an increasing desire on the part of the Russian masses for a bourgeois democracy. Quite conceivably Trotsky may have had something to do with the turn of events. It is well known that he is eating his heart out in exile. But whether or not he was the inspiring, Trotsky forms the focal point for all forms of opposition to the existing regime. Many regard the wholesale trials on all charges as a government exhibition which serves the double purpose of ridding it of uncomfortable opponents while impressing the masses with its power. Radek's part may well have been that of a great actor playing, as he thought, for the good of his country.

A Torpedo Started It

Diplomats have long ears when it suits their purpose. Last week, the officer of the German cruiser Leipzig thought they heard the passage of a torpedo near the ship. The German Government promptly assumed that the ship had been attacked by Loyalist forces, withdrew from the Non-Intervention patrol, though still remaining a member of the committee and announced that nothing short of a rebel victory would be satisfactory. Now all this action seems rather drastic to be occasioned by some body passing swiftly through the water in the neighborhood of a warship. Chancellor Hitler made it clear why Germany was taking such action. It was at a gathering of 80,000 Bavarian Nazis. The real reason was not the Leipzig incident, but German cupidity for the iron ores of Bilbao. The mines in this region are little damaged and Franco is said to be putting them into operation again as swiftly as possible. That Franco may now hold a trump card in his hands is indicated by Britain's need of the same Bilbao ore as the essential raw material for most of her tremendous rearmament project.

18 Years After

And as Europe struggled vainly on the verge of a second world war and as a British Prime Minister addressed an appeal to the dictators of Europe for "cool heads and calm judgment," there were those who recalled the signing of a treaty whose eighteenth anniversary was celebrated last week. There isn't much left of that famous treaty signed at Versailles. Germany has regained her national independence in every respect. There only remains a matter of 1,803,579 miles of territory in Europe, Asia, Africa, and the Pacific Islands and about 17,000000 people who should be Germans but for the signing of the troublesome treaty. Both of these Chancellor Hitler swears he will regain. Just how long it will be before he has sufficient strength to make his bluff a reality, no one rightly knows.

Anglo-American Friendship

And while the dogs of Europe strain to reach imaginary throats across international boundaries, the great English speaking countries of the world tried to reach some form of common economic ground. The Anglo-American Treaty seen as a possible outgrowth of the Imperial Conference is said to be progressing to a point where definite action may be expected before the end of the year. Canada, while affected through possible concessions on lumber and fruits is hoping for a new deal on American-Canadian reciprocity. New Zealand and Australia think of the political angle with eyes asiatat Japan and the necessity of a good friend in time of need. South Africa is favorable to a nation which is her best gold customer. And so the bargaining goes on between nations as between you and me.

Mystic Power

The United States is said to be richest nation in the world today is the only country which could velop swiftly by encouraging digging of precious metals from ground in the days of the last tury only to reserve the policy putting the metal back into ground in the recovery days of When brokers talk of gold citation and sterilization, they refer that quaint habit of the miser—filling a hole in the ground Fort Knox with gold bars. By '49 the digging of gold set the on its feet; will the opposite succeed today? Roosevelt and Secretary of State, Cordell Hull hopingor so.

Only a rich nation could afford national debt such as that posed by the United States. Pre figures stand at $36,000,000,000 trifling matter of $1,300,000,000 above the Presidential estimate January.

Employment Index

And here is a big Canadian that is going to please a people. Canadian employment for June are higher than they been at any time since 1929. employers report payrolls aggregating 1,087,735 or an increase per cent over the same period year. The stock market may be there may be international but there are a good many cheques going home on Saturday night and that means something the man on the street.

Market Inquiry Start Is M

Canadian Officials Scanning Of Increasing Farm To Britain — May Produce.

LONDON. — Dean Shaw the new Markets Branch of adian Department of Agriculture several high officials of the ment have started an investigations and means of increasing of Canadian farm products to ish market. Members of the spent considerable time in House discussing plans for vestigation and obtaining conversations removed standings of the purpose opinion has been that Shaw proposed initiating paign in Britain to enlarge et of Canadian exports by 80,000 Bavarian Nazis. The real reason was not the Leipzig incident, but German cupidity for the iron ores of Bilbao. The mines in this region are little damaged and Franco is said to be putting them into operation again as swiftly as possible. That Franco may now hold a trump card in his hands is indicated by Britain's need of the same Bilbao ore as the essential raw material for most of her tremendous rearmament project.

Weaker Sex Not So

Survey Shows Men Time on Account o

LONDON, Eng. — Th women have a smaller Inexpacity caused by men, according to investi by the British National Employers' Approval Sc was disclosed by the pres Lesser, during an addr nual meeting in Londo

He said that a recent showed that during the w there was a little over ness per woman in ou pared with 11 days for

Maybe it's due but Herr Hitler could $150 United States dollars And some one ought to a well-dressed dictator a waistcoat in public.

SLICED VERY THIN

By Sixbits

"No Matter How Thin You Slice It — It's Still Baloney"

Why those corporations and individuals keep on bringing suit against the Ontario Government is more than we can fathom, unless the lawyers are doing it for exercise. For the way Mr. Hepburn's Govt. acts reminds us very much of a boy who used to live in the village of our nativity.

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By the way we have just heard that the citizens of that village have put up a tablet on the house in which we were born. It reads "Main Street."

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Anyway, like they was a lot bigger—and huskier—than the rest of us kids, and bossed us around no little. And when playing baseball—or what we fondly thought was baseball—he dearly loved to bat, and hated to field.

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So the way he ensured a permanent turn at bat was like this. Whenever he was struck out, or caught out, or put out in any other way, he would promptly stop the game and change the rules—making the change retroactive. And if any of the rest of us would protest he would threaten us with a swell bust in the snoot.

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If we remember he got away with these tactics for some considerable time—in fact, till a new kid moved to town who turned out to be even tougher than he was.

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After the fight which ensued, our batting-loving friend played the game strictly according to the old rules—and took his turn in the field just like the rest of us.

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After almost a hundred years they have changed the rules of the famous Diamond Sculls so that "artizans" as they phrase it are now allowed to mingle with and compete against 'gentlemen." Formerly only those who had never soiled their hands with vulgar toil were allowed to take part in this sculling classic.

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Which reminds us of the time when Lou Scholes went over to Henley to compete in this event—which he was good enough to win. But when he got there the question arose as to his status—whether, as the son of a hotel-proprietor—we suppose they said, ovah theah, 'tap-keeper', he was fit to match oars against the Oxford and Cambridge graduates who regularly won this event.

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Scrubby told old John L. Scholes—Lou's paternal parent—about this trouble, saying that the English authorities were in doubt as to whether Lou was a workman or not.

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Said John L. "They can set their minds at ease, because I'm willing to take my oath he never did a stroke of work in all his life."

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Just what one good and colorful performer can do to boost any sport—and especially the sport of wrestling—is shown by the way business has perked up since the appearance of this new Masked Marvel, or whatever they call him.

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That Masked stuff is very ancient—in fact it was tried and tested around here till the public no longer took any interest. But this most mysterious stranger seems to have what it takes—in other words he can put on a show even without the aid of his disguise, with the result that once more the folks are flocking to the shows.

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Wrestling, modernly, in Toronto started with such performers as Dyzakon—real wrestlers if ever there were any—Renato Gardini and several others whose names for the moment escape us.

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But it wasn't till Ivan Mickailoff brought here that master showman—the unforgottable and unforgotten Stasiak—that the crowds started to bulge out the sides of the auditoriums.

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Gus Sonneberg kept up theg ood work, and while probably neither Gus or Stasiak—from a standpoint of real skill—belonged in the first rank, they had the color that makes the cash register jingle.

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And when Gus the Goat lost his title, and Stasiak died, wrestling shouts started to slip. It is true that Danno O'Mahoney drew big crowds for a while, but it got so that even some of his compatriots began to notice that Danno's opponents weren't playing for keeps with him.

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The funny thing about it is that Danno is a far better wrestler than he was when he was flailing all and sundry with his "Irish fling"—but that's the way it goes.

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Anyway, we are glad to see wrestling on the up-grade, because we have had plenty of fun at wrestling bouts, although we must confess that we got far more pleasure sitting in the dressing room talking to the performers than we ever did at the ringside watching them grunt and listening to them grunt.

Canadian Nurses

Miami. — The Board of Health has joined the State Health Commission in an appeal to Washington, to determine what action may be taken against Canadian nurses coming into Minnesota without registration disclosed 100 Canadian nurses in the

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"NIA", "AUSONIA"
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Girl Presses Fight For Chieftainship

Claim Now Before Courts Over Year Includes Mass of Evidence — Call for Clear Title.

EDINBURGH — A weighty mass of evidence under examination by the court of session may decide whether Miss Catriona Louise MacLean of Ardgour, 17, is to succeed in her claim to be declared chieftainess of the MacLeans of Ardgour.

Her claim, before the courts for more than a year is contested by the Lieut-Commander, H. B. MacLean of Windhover, Burnham, Bucks.

In the case the Lord Lyon King of Arms, Sir Francis Grant, held that he had jurisdiction to try Miss MacLean's petition to be recognized as chieftainess of the branch of MacLean of Ardgour. Commander MacLean's appeal to the court of session is against this decision. Judgement was reserved.

The pleading was amended during the hearing by altering the phrase, "house, branch or family of MacLean of Ardgour" and by altering the word "chieftainess" to "chief."

T. Innes, counsel for Miss MacLean said she wanted more than the arms, she wanted a record of the character in which the Lyon awarded them. It might be held against a son or a grandson that the petitioner had only a limited and that when she died the arms passed in another direction.

Lord Mackay said if everyone was granted arms was recognized as a chief of his descendants there would be possibly some 5,000 chiefs in Scotland now.

Commander MacLean contended the chieftainship passes to the male heir in preference to the heiress of the line. The former chieftain of Ardgour was Miss MacLean's father, who died in 1930.

When Charles I. Rooney's automobile killed a mother cat, at Olean, N.Y., a neighbor told him it was his "duty" to take care of the four surviving kittens. Mr. Rooney ordered an extra bottle of milk left on his doorstep daily.

Birth Rates

Whatever causes underlie the figures, much of this fall in birth rates can be easily accounted for. The prevalence of unemployment and the general insecurity of life in recent years has not only delayed marriages, but has reduced the size of families. This may be a temporary phenomenon, destined to disappear as economic conditions improve.

In some countries the rapid decline in birth rates is causing alarm, but in Canada it is assumed that the sag is temporary and that there will be an increase as the effects of economic recovery make themselves felt.

There has been a long-term downward trend in birth rates for the past thirty or forty years, but this has been more than offset by a decline in death rates. Since 1930, however, there is a further sag below the trend line, and this undoubtedly is associated in some degree with the economic conditions.—The Winnipeg Tribune.

U.S. Gunboats Will Visit Exhibition

Two United States gunboats will visit the Canadian National Exhibition this year and from their anchorage off the seawall will fire a salute in connection with the Warrior's Day Parade. The latter this years takes on added international aspect because of the attendance of numerous posts of the American Legion with their bands and drum corps from various points in the north-central area of the U. S.

The naval secretary of the Department of National Defence had informed Exhibition authorities that the gun-boats will be the U.S.S. Wilmington, Capt. Anthony Nicklett, U.S.N. R., and the U.S.S. Dubuque, Lt.-Commander Richard T. Broadhead, U.S. N.R.

President

HON. G. HOWARD FERGUSON

Who has been elected President of the Crown Life Insurance Company, in succession to the late Sir Robert Borden.—Photo by Aylett.

Alleged WIT

Unless he has the ambition to fit himself for a better job, he has not the ability to acceptably fill the one he now has.

I WILL SUCCEED

If you keep your faith in me,
Though life be like a stormy sea,
And difficult my task may be —
I will succeed!

If you will look with smiling eyes,
Let days be dark with lowering skies
And nights be fraught with weary sighs,
I will succeed!

If you speak a word of cheer,
Though harassed oft by doubt and fear,
An ugly failure hover near —
I will succeed!

Grenville Kleiser.

Nothing is really work unless you would rather be doing something else.

"Let foy be unconfined," even if there are slip-ups here and there.

Mandy had been given leave to attend her sister's wedding, and on her return entertained her employer with a full account of the proceedings. After listening to a glowing description of the gowns, the wedding breakfast and the guests, Mandy's employer said:

Young Doctor — "Say ah-h-h.
Sweet Young Thing — "Ah right, I will say it, but remember, I don't mean it."

From an exchange we clip: "It is suggested that movies be flashed on the ceiling in the work shop of dentists, and the minds of the patients may be distracted. The patients will furnish the sound effects, it is assumed."

Indignant Caller — "What do you mean by saying in the paper that I looked quite nutty as I stood on the speaker's platform?"

Reporter — "Nutty? My dear sir, I am very sorry. I wrote 'natty.'"

Mary — "Well, leap year passed and we're still single.
Martha — "Yes, but leap year is always with us."

The following letter was received by a firm that manufactures corn syrup, saying: "Dear Sirs: Though I have used six cans of your corn syrup, my feet are no better than they were before."

Farmer — "Yes, we've got all the new-fangled machinery there is. Our latest buy was two milking machines.
City Miss — "How interesting. But tellll me, do they really give as good milk as the cows?"

Cooper (at summer resort) — "And when did you discover that you loved me?"
Agnes — "When I found out that you were the only unmarried man here."

Postman's Wife — "Why Pa, you look all tuckered out!"
Postman — "I sure am. I have been all over town looking for a guy named 'Fragile'."

Read It or Not!

That lightning does not strike even twice in the same place is erroneous. It is of record that it struck five times within thirty minutes.

Salesman — "I understand that you and your husband have both lost several pounds since you bought one of our reducing machines."
Customer — "Yes, we've had to starve ourselves to keep up the payments on it."

Employer — "You haven't told me anything about the bridegroom, Mary. What is he like?
Mandy — "Why, ma'am, dat man never did show up.

Redistribute Reich Farm Lands

BERLIN — Millions of German farms will change hands, it was estimated last week, through a nation-wide redistribution program designed to increase the country's food producing efficiency.

The program was outlined in a 20-page decree published in newspapers but not effective until next Jan. 1.

The vast project also includes reclamation and land levy—somewhat sillmar to capital levy—provisions by which hundreds of thousands of Germans now without land will get farms.

The basic idea is the pooling of all land into districts of convenient sizes after which the districts will be redivided into individual farms with deductions for creation of new farms and financing of improvement for district collectives.

Approximately 4,000,000 farmers and settlers are involved, with an aggregate of 50,000,000 acres of agricultural lands technically subject to modification or change of ownership. Inasmuch as church-owned farm lands aggregating 2,470,000 acres, mostly rented to small farmers are not specifically exempted in the decree, it was assumed they will be treated the same as other farms in the redistribution program.

"Splintered" Holdings

It was explained semi-officially that redistribution is made imperative by the existence of some 15,000,000 acres of "splintered" holdings which constitutes a serious barrier to efficient food production, especially in Western and Southern Germany.

The peasant now holding four or five small "splinters" which are difficult to work because they are isolated one from another amid "crazy quilt" boundaries of the farming community, will gain through the redistribution scheme a single, compact piece of land which he can work efficiently. Redistribution will be effected through the creation of redistribution collectives, each of which may include one or more farming communities.

Farm Land Must Be Properly Fertilized

Ottawa Production Reduced; Health of Humans and Livestock Endangered

VANCOUVER — The farmer who doesn't "feed" his land to make its minerals available to growing crops, is reducing the food value of his produce, and harming national health, Dr. Howell Harris, of the University of British Columbia told 20th annual convention sessions of the Canadian Chemical Association.

He blamed some cases of rickets, goitre, anaemia, joint ills, and sterility from malnutrition to inclusion in diets of foodstuffs from mineral-lacking soils.

He said experiments showed that until soils are "judiciously fertilized" to build up mineral content, especially phosphates, produce grown on them will be deficient in minerals and consequently—not for best quality for human consumption.

Similarly, "serious impairment" in health of livestock has often been traced to widespread mineral deficiency in herbage—a deficient diet almost invariably to incorrect farming practice.

Extent of variations in mineral content under various soil conditions sometimes reaches as much as 450 per cent. he said, quoting analyses of carrot which indicated iron content was 9.0 milligrams per 100 grams in some and only 0.20 in others.

Sugar beets grown on one unfertilized field yielded 13.2 per cent sugar; but after adequate fertilization increased to 17.3 per cent, he said.

Dr. Harris declared chemical analysis of any individual soil quickly shows what must be added to get the best results from the standpoint of nutrient content.

He said deficiency diseases in plants can usually be detected by foliage symptoms.

"If growers learn to recognize these symptoms and pay attention to them we will have gone a long way in insuring our population of a full nutrient-containing, healthful product," he said.

Canada Divorce Laws Too Easy

In Canada divorce law is too easy; not because of a multiplicity of grounds, but because of evasion of the law. Since the establishment of divorce courts the number of divorces has increased amazingly; and one who follows divorce court proceedings closely cannot but notice the number of suits which go undefended. The proceedings are purely formal; and, no matter how strongly collusion may be suspected, hardly ever is an effort made to prove it exists. And, quite often, the ink on the final decree is hardly dry before the divorced persons are married again. If a time limit were set within which divorced persons might not marry it might cut down the number of divorces.

It would do no harm, either, to make the marriage laws stricter. A little publicity—publication of names and addresses of applicants for marriage licenses—would cut off a lot of hasty, ill-considered marriages which are practically do-ned from the start to end in the divorce court. Prevention by making marriage not so easy would be better than "cure" by the divorce court.—The Owen Sound Sun-Times.

Tells Way To Avoid Fatigue in Summer

Rules To Avoid Drowning And Sunstrokes Issued

TORONTO. — Accidents "after the whistle blows" may be as much the concern of industry as mishaps which involve workmen's compensation, says R. B. Morley, general manager of the Industrial Accident Prevention Associations.

Sunstroke and drowning take a huge toll in Canada each summer which would be drastically reduced with care, foresight and a few simple precautions.

Some practical suggestions, recommended by medical authorities, are cited to ward off sunstroke and heat exhaustion:

1. Keep your skin clean.
2. Wear light, loose clothing.
3. Eat less meat and more vegetables.
4. Eat fruits in moderation. Don't overheat at any time.
5. Avoid strong alcoholic drinks.
6. Avoid loss of sleep, over-fatigue and worry.
7. Cool water and table salt (¼ teaspoon to a glass) will assist in preventing heat exhaustion. Sodium chloride tablets for this purpose may be obtained at drug stores.

Many of the thousand Canadian lives lost every year by drowning might be saved through organized training in artificial respiration and first aid, claims Mr. Morley.

Told No Secrets

When Field Marshal von Blomberg of Germany visited England he and his staff were shown three new bombing planes which were regarded as the finest in Britain. The visitors were allowed to enter the machines, examine all the gadgets and inspect everything. Then there was criticism. One writer said if he had described in print what the German visitors were allowed to see he would be brought to court under the Official Secrets Act. Officials smiled broadly and assured the public that no closely-guarded secrets were revealed to the visitors.

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