

Hindu Festivals
The outstanding Hindu festivals which have a national appeal are the Durga, the Lakshmi and Kali "pujas" in northeast India and their equivalent, and the "Dewali." In the rest of India. The pujas and Dewali take place in October and are celebrated with pomp for several days. Government trade is all but suspended. Business at the bazaars during the few days preceding the puja is very active.

Sow "Adopted" Skunk
A Duroc sow became the mother of ten fine little porkers on the Coffeyville (Kan.) farm of C. F. Emerick. Some three or four days later a baby skunk wandered into the pen, apparently about lunch time for the pigs. The baby skunk accepted the invitation to stay to lunch, and made its home in the pen for a month, when it was accidentally killed by its foster mother.

Gigantic Cofferdam
The largest cofferdam ever constructed is now in use in connection with the development of St. John harbor, New Brunswick. It is 4,300 feet long by about 300 feet wide and incloses one of the two new piers projected.

Thorough
"After my daughter finishes chemistry we propose to give her a course in electrical engineering."
"That will be nice."
"Yes, we want her to be a good cook."

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Shells Still Plowed Up
Although the World war ended more than ten years ago, farmers are still plowing up shells in the rural districts of Rheims, France. In many cases the shells have exploded and caused injury or death.

Heavenly
Cora—Why did Muriel insist on being married in an airplane?
Dora—Well, she's so concealed that she thought no man on earth was good enough for her.—Tit-Bits.

For Verification
"The chief has insulted me. He said I was more stupid than the police allowed. What do you make of that?"
"I don't know. I should inquire of the police."

Easy
"But, honey, we must get a little money together. How will we furnish our house?"
"With wedding presents."

More Fun
"My mother is terribly old-fashioned. Grace."
"Mine, too, Mabel. So I always go out with grandmother."

That's the Ticket
"Did you manage to give the cop the slip."
"No, he gave me one."

One Point of View
Love is most sincere when it loves according to needs, and not according to merit.

Gave Him Credit for One
Mr. Bore—I know a thing or two. Miss Yawn—Really? What's the other one?

Practical
"Why the filmy outfit?"
"I'm taking a screen test this morning."

How foolish a man feels when he hears of a baby being named after him!

A girl is never seriously ill until she loses all interest in romantic novels.

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Cold Storage at 37 Degrees Best

Temperature Should Not Run Too Close to Freezing for Potatoes.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Cold storage of seed potatoes should not run too close to the freezing point, and 37 degrees Fahrenheit is probably a desirable temperature, potato specialists in the United States Department of Agriculture have concluded after storage experiments with seed potatoes in several seasons.

Results of Studies.
The results of the studies appear in Technical Bulletin 117-T, "Comparative Influence of Different Storage Temperatures on Weight Losses and Vitality of Seed Potatoes," just published by the department. When potatoes are stored at a temperature of 32 degrees considerable decay results. At temperatures of 36 or 40 degrees the potatoes remain approximately dormant for the usual storage season, and may even be stored for an additional year without excessive deterioration in appearance but not in quality.

The authors, William Stuart, P. M. Lombard, and Walter M. Peacock, all of the bureau of plant industry, experimented with storage of seed potatoes, not only at the department's Arlington farm, but also at the Virginia truck experiment station near Norfolk, Va., at the Marble laboratories, Canton, Pa., and at the Aroostock farm of the Maine agricultural experiment station. Different variations in storage conditions showed slight differences in response to variations in storage conditions. Variations in storage temperatures did not reveal important differences in yields from the stored seed stock of the Irish Cobbler variety. Results indicated the desirability of holding potatoes for several days at a 70-degree temperature after removal from cold storage and before planting.

Results Summarized.
The authors summarize the results of previous investigations of the results of cold storage on the vitality of potato seed stock, and report in detail the methods and conclusions arrived at in the studies by the Department of Agriculture. Technical Bulletin 117-T may be obtained free, while the limited supply lasts, by applying to the United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

Good Implements Give Protection From Bees

Many farmers who could use the honey from one to two swarms of bees on their table during the year and at practically no cost for the food will not keep bees because they are afraid they will get stung.

With a bee smoker, a bee veil, and bee gloves, all of which cost but little, bees can be handled with as little fear as chickens. Blow a little smoke into the entrance of the hive first, then raise the cover of the hive a little and blow a little smoke in on top. Wait a moment and you have a docile swarm of bees. There will be some workers in the field and they will come back while you are working with them. To protect yourself against these have a veil and for fear you would pinch one a little and cause it to sting, wear gloves. Then you are absolutely safe. But after all, a bee sting hurts but little more than a savage peck from an old setting hen.

Cellar Is Convenient for Vegetable Storage

The house cellar is a convenient place for vegetable storage. A dirt floor is preferable. The furnace cellar should be separated from the storage cellar by a concrete wall or a double wood partition. A window is needed for ventilation. An outside pit, made by burying a barrel horizontally in the side of a bank, makes an ideal place for storing cabbage and root crops, and the unused hotbed pit frequently can be used successfully for storing celery.

Agricultural Squibs

Most fungous or bacterial parasites thrive best where moisture is plentiful.

Generally millets can be sufficiently cured in the swath and windrow and this is the quickest method.

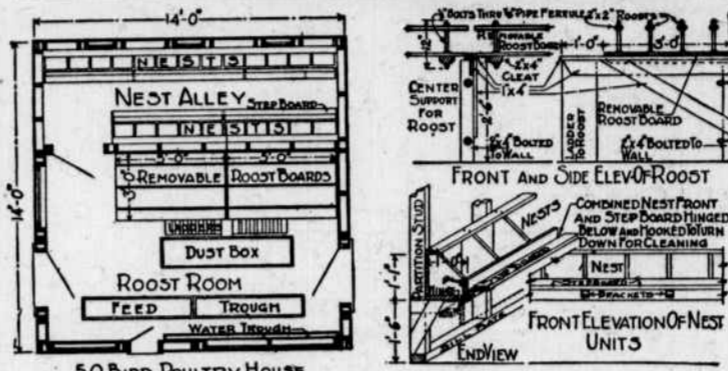
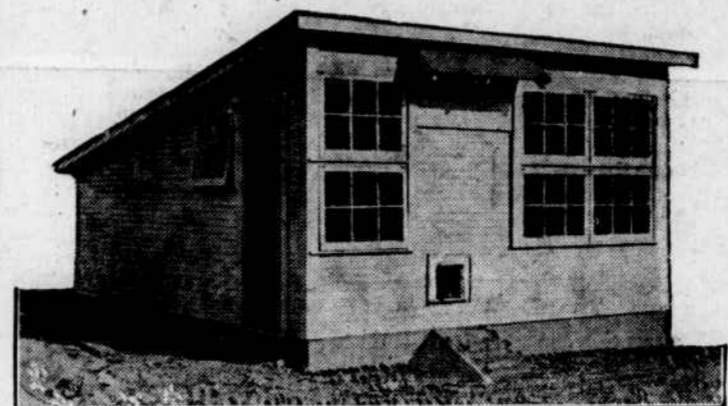
There is practically no difference between the flavor of the body of whey butter and that of the regular product.

Aphis or plant lice show signs of being particularly plentiful this year. They are sucking insects and must be controlled with a contact spray.

Millet is not a difficult hay crop to cure. Usually the cut crop is allowed to cure in the swath for at least one day after which it is raked into windrows.

To plant soy beans from the same lot of seed in the same field during the same summer with the same amount of fertilizer and make one plot yield three times the weight of cured hay as another plot is an accomplishment worthy of mention.

Poultry Pays Good Profits if Properly Housed and Cared For



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As a plain matter of fact, poultry keeping is not so popular on the farm as it should be. The average farmer is fascinated and mesmerized by the big returns to be obtained from the raising of hogs and cattle, and forgets the much heavier expense and the greater length of time it takes to get returns from an investment in cattle or hogs than it does in poultry. He forgets that the labor and time involved in raising poultry are much lighter than in cattle, and that he can turn his money over on poultry, whereas he is satisfied with a percentage profit on other live stock.

In the majority of cases, poultry raising on the farm is left to the women and children, who are often expected to pay part of the grocery bills and buy clothing out of the proceeds from this source of revenue. The fact that the housewife has to pay out all the money she takes in on them generally lessens her interest in the flock.

The average farmer has never had any eggs in the winter time from his hens. Hence, he usually neglects them when they need his attention most, and when he has most time to tend to them, so that when spring comes the chickens are poor, infested with lice and mites, low in vitality, and they are late in starting to lay, and soon want to set after they do start laying. He allows them to lay on the ground or under the barn, or anywhere else the hen decides. Thus, many eggs are never gathered at all and soon rot under some vine or in some fence corner.

Bathroom Fashions Set for World by U. S.

Bathroom fashions are being set for the entire world by the United States, according to a survey appearing in Woman's Home Companion.

"It is quite possible," says Hazel Rawson Cades, author of the article, "that down the centuries we shall be known as the people who glorified bathrooms. There have been other periods, notably the Roman, when bathing was popular and elaborate, but our immediate ancestors regarded it mostly as a private, necessary and uncomfortable performance. That anybody should entertain the suggestion that a bathroom be photographed and shown in a public print would have been considered as indecorous as airing the bed clothes out of Queen Victoria's windows.

"The plumber, once absorbed by problems of drainage, now turns his grave attention to becoming colors in bathtubs. Mural painters are recruited to decorate the walls with ships and fishes and animals. Architects specialize in bathroom plans. The bathroom, from the standpoint of looks and use, rivals any room in the house. And bathing threatens to encroach upon all other diversions.

"Running salt water and fresh. Dissolving bath crystals in splendid rotation of jasmine, lavender, pine needles and rose-geranium. Leaping backward and forward on nonslip mats. Adjusting back cushions that fasten on with suction cups. Reading "Water Babies" in a nonspashable cover, propped up on a rack that also is held to the tub by suction cups. Submerging sponge elephants and sailing celluloid boats. I can, seriously, imagine being so enthralled by the entertainments of the modern bathroom as to forget all social obligations and simply bathe away my days.

"I'd hate to think there still exists anybody who can be stony-hearted about the soaps and salts, oils and powders that lend such sweet temporal pleasure to the bath."

Fireplace Must Have Color to Be Real Joy

Has the fireplace been the joy you expected it to be? Or has it proved to be an alien feature which you cannot bring into relation with your furnishings?

If the fireplace is built of rough, variegated red brick it is apt to seem unrelated to the more delicate fixtures of your furnishings. Often these brick fireplaces have small, inadequate light-colored tile hearths.

Such a hearth does not give sufficient color or size to act as a base for the fireplace. The brick front seems to hang upon the wall without having any relation to the floor below. The brickwork should have an adequate base upon which to stand.

If you possess such a fireplace you may change its appearance a great deal by the use of a small rug. To correlate the color and texture of the bricks with the decorative scheme of the rooms you must introduce that rough texture and color in some other furnishing.

A small rug of various shades of red, woven with a long nap, will prove the desired connection, and placed in front of the hearth it will give weight to the area before the fireplace and thus the appearance of a more substantial base.

The color of the bricks will not end at the base of the wall, but will spread out onto the rug upon the floor. There are many small oriental rugs with the desired color and texture. The pleasure and feeling of "rightness" derived from such a rug will compensate for its cost.

Color of Woodwork

In any decorative scheme don't forget to consider the color of the woodwork.

When the wood used for window-and-door trim is oak, cypress, maple or birch, or any wood with a beautiful grain, a waterproof varnish will give luster and bring out the grain.

Point of Comparison

Hard on the Russians

Ronald McPherson, the rich Pittsburgh promoter, said on his return from Russia:

"The Russian government's moral sense is about equal to old Gobsa Goid's sense of etiquette.

"Old Gobsa Goid, the profiteer, was eating dinner in his tapestry-hung dining room when the bishop called—for a subscription, you know.

"The bishop came in timidly. The butler and the four footmen in the dining room awed him.

"Don't let me disturb you, Mr. Goid," he said. "I can call another time."

"No, no," said Gobsa. "Take a chair, do."

"And then he added with a polite society smile:

"You'll excuse me not eatin' this here rich puddin' with my knife, bish—it's so darn thin and sloppy."

Wonderful

The Princess Joachim Albrecht about to sail from New York on the Leviathan, said to a reporter:

"I think America is wonderful. You pay the highest wages, yet you produce the best and cheapest goods. I think it is a miracle."

The princess smiled and added: "It is like the German clerk's landlady. The German clerk said, you know:

"My landlady is a wonder. We had a 12-pound Westphalian ham for supper last night, and she carved it in such thin slices that after we were all served the ham weighed 14 1/2 pounds."

Shrivelling

Little Betty was left in her bath while mother answered the phone. The telephone conversation became long and caused no end of worrying to the tiny bath, for Betty had never had experience with a prolonged stay in water and its effect on the fingers.

Mother was startled by a cry from the bathroom.

"Muvver," Betty called excitedly, "come quick before I shrivel up into a grandmother!"

Historic Chapel

Although the present building of St. Bartholomew's hospital in London is comparatively modern, the hospital patients still use the beautiful old Norman chapel, the only part of the ancient hospital that remains. It is one of the earliest Norman churches in existence, the work of Bishop Gundulf, bishop of Rochester from 1077 to 1108.

Just the Implement

"Could you write a woeful ballad to a lady's eyebrow?"
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An elephant seems to know that it isn't for him to look pretty.—Circus note.

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