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Italian earthquakes are caused by Mussolini pounding his fist on the desk.

How to become famous: change your name so it will fit nicely into headlines.

Paying tax reminds one of tithing, except that the ten per cent is what we get to keep.

If there's anything in words the public, as well as labor and capital, is always bound to be hit by a strike.

The after-dinner impromptu speaker who says he is "too full for words" ought to be investigated by the Federal agents.

One difficulty about traveling in Mexico is that you never know whether the gangs that hold you up are bandits or Federal troops.

The path of least resistance is the road to most arrests.

A stable government is one where everybody stays in the harness.

If the "United States of Europe" ever comes, like as not Italy will want to be Florida.

They can stretch the price of rubber but it will come back.

The next great political party will be the Nonpartisan Party.

Many of the advertisements we read are interesting if not true.

The coal industry does not need nationalizing: it needs rationalizing.

If the coal people starve will it be a case of women and children first?

How a Texas Editor 'Got There'

A Texas newspaper publisher who recently retired with \$50,000 in the bank was asked how he did it, and replied as follows: "I attribute my ability to retire with a \$50,000 bank account, after thirty years in the country newspaper field, to close application to duty, always heaving to the mark and letting the chips fall where they may, the most rigorous rule of economy. Never spending a cent foolishly, everlastingly keeping at my job with a whole heart—and the death of an uncle who left me \$40,000.50."—Ex.

The Value of Mission Study

Our Lord's last command to his disciples while here upon earth was, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." If then we are working on a world program, we must know the world. How? through Mission study. "The field is the world", says our Master. Then how do we need to study that field!

A constant study of missions, taking up the various countries from various angles, will surely broaden our vision and increase our knowledge, bringing before our hearts and minds the people of the world in their needs, in their sorrow, in their darkness and despair, until we shall more and more desire to fulfill that last command; and knowing these conditions, we shall be more ready to answer God's call to service, but if we go on ignorant of the world and its need of a Savior, then our lives are wasted and precious souls are lost.

"Pray ye therefore the Lord of

Poultry Production Proper Culling



UNLESS a poultryman is culling his flock every year, there is something wrong with the methods he is using, says the Larrowe Institute of Animal Economics. It may be a case of poor layers, poor housing or just plain poor food.

SPITLESS TOWN

"Not a very elegant title," you say. No, indeed, and not a very elegant habit, you will agree. Not a very elegant thing to do, this spitting. In fact a very disgusting species of license.

You do not indulge in it? So much the better then, but do you allow your friends, your father, your brother, your husband, or your son to do it? SO-O-O-O? You do not spread disease yourself you are not guilty of an offense against decency and yet you permit your associates to do and be so without voicing a protest. Then YOU too might be considered responsible in a small measure for epidemics, for suffering and for death.

I knew a little boy once—a lad of about nine years. He was bedridden, had been so for over a year when I first saw him. Faithful little chap—Alex! Had tuberculosis of the bones and the knee joint was larger than a football, by a good deal. The particles of bone were coming through the flesh which was also diseased. The odor was so offensive that no one but the doctor and the good nurses, the father, and the mother would visit his hospital room. One day, with his face quivering, he turned his appealing eyes to mine and said, "I wish the other children would come in and play with me. Not even the little Jesus would come to see me, I guess."

You think I should not tell you such a story? How else am I going to make you see how terrible a thing it may be to expectorate in public places, or for that matter in any place except into a handkerchief or its equivalent, which can be balled or buried. How can you care unless you know of some of these awful consequences, to children especially, which follow carelessness.

I know the old excuse. You and they "have not the germs of tuberculosis in your nose and throat." How do you know? Pneumonia, influenza, diphtheria, scarlet fever, and most of the other infections—how are they spread if not in this way and by coughing and sneezing improperly?

Little children are the ones who are most frequently endangered because of their great susceptibility. Doctors and nurses are all the time seeing just such suffering as Alex went through. It is not rare. It is not necessary.

Use your scouring powders and your soaps, by all means, but in the name of pity and decency, wipe out the prevalent habit of spitting. Make yours a "spitless town" in the full meaning of the term.

the harvest that he will send forth laborers into his harvest." We cannot pray intelligently for the world and the work of Christ in the world if we do not know the world. We cannot live intelligently for the cause of Christ in the world if we do not know the needs of the world and we will not want to give unless we know why we give. In this day of strenuous living and ceaseless activity, when all the world is going at such a rapid pace, how we do need to take time to pray, how we do need to know how to give, how we do need to study, to show ourselves "approved unto God." We cannot turn back the wheels of time and go to school again, for we are women with cares and responsibilities that call us to other walks in life, but thanks to our W. M. U. we can follow their plan of study thereby preventing ourselves from lagging behind in life's race.

It is hoped that all our Missionary Societies in the Western North Carolina division will complete at least one of the Mission Study courses suggested in the year book, for which awards will be given. Order leaflet, "Mission Study Courses," from W. M. U. headquarters, 215 Recorder Building Raleigh, N. C. Books required in Mission Study courses may be had from the same address.

Our mission study report at the conference next summer will be the result of the work we are doing now

I trust that you will find this a joyous task and if I can assist you in any way, please feel free to call on me. Sincerely, MRS. JAMES PENLAND, Mission Study Leader, Hayesville, N. C.

HOW THE DANES CO-OPERATE FOR PRODUCTION

The other lesson which I think we might learn from Europe, to our great good, is cooperation in production. For many years we have been hearing of the success of European farmers in cooperative marketing. Particularly have we heard much of the cooperative marketing done by Danish farmers. European farmers have done little in the cooperative marketing of farm products, taken as a whole. There are communities that have made a large success on a small scale, but I fail to find anything in Europe in the cooperative marketing of farm products that approaches in its scope efficiency or organization with our cotton, tobacco, fruit and other commodity cooperatives of this country.

For instance, in Denmark, the heralded classic land of cooperative marketing, while 90 per cent of the butter is made cooperatively, prior to 1914 not over 15 per cent of it had been marketed cooperatively and since then probably not over 20 per cent or one fifth has been marketed cooperatively.

The density of population and the nearness of markets, and their demands, made cooperative marketing less essential. Economical or efficient production was their problem, as it is rapidly becoming our imperative problem, and they have devoted their attention to it and through education and cooperation have come nearer solving it than any other farm people with which I am acquainted. Let me give you an example of what I mean when I speak of cooperative production.

England is the greatest food market in the world, considering its size. There is a demand for pork in England, not particularly Danish pork, but for pork of uniformly high quality and England, as all the rest of the world, will pay a good price for uniform and high quality.

Denmark set out deliberately to supply that demand for bacon, not bacon in its restricted sense, as we understand it, but for pork of a uniform, mild cure and high quality. The so-called Danish bacon which is exported, is in fact the Wiltshire side, one-half the hog cured in one piece and shipped in that form.

There were cooperative schools and other educational means employed for the education of the farmers, but I can only give you briefly a few facts regarding how this bacon of uniform and high quality is produced cooperatively.

First, there are cooperative breeding farms for the improvement of the breeds by breeding.

Second, a type of hog is chosen developed and maintained by cooperation that will produce a high quality of pork. Two white breeds and only two, are used.

Third, there is not only enforcement of these breed requirements but there is also supervision by cooperation in the feeding.

Fourth, no hog weighing less than 145 pounds can be delivered to the packing plant by a cooperative

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member and if he delivers one weighing more than 200 pounds he is forced by his fellow members of the cooperative to take a reduction in price. Fifth, The packing plant is a genuine cooperative. The members did not put up a dollar to build the plant, but each pledged his credit to the full limit of the total amount.

With the endorsements of all the members the money was borrowed at a low rate of interest, with payments amortized over 20 years. With 20 equal payments, the cooperative knows just how much to deduct pro rata from the receipts of each member, to meet payments. American farmers will be forced to observe laws, which are inexorable

to increase their yields per acre and to cooperate more in production. If they will learn these lessons from Europe then we will owe much to European agriculture even though we are the most efficient farmers in the world in earnings per man.—Tait Butler, in The Progressive Farmer.

Ford Built to Give Service
The Ford Tudor is built through-out to the highest Sedan standards. The graceful body is of all-steel construction. Windows and doors are carefully fitted and weather-stripped to insure protection from any weather. The upholstery is a high grade, durable fabric of attractive color and pattern. Of course, the performance is everything you have come to expect in a Ford car. The nearest Authorized Ford Dealer will gladly show you this good-looking car and explain the easy terms on which it may be purchased. Ford Motor Company, Detroit, Michigan. TUDOR SEDAN \$580. Runabout \$260 Coupe \$520 Touring Car \$290 Fordor Sedan \$660. Closed cars in color. Dismountable rims and starter extra on open cars. All prices f.o.b. Detroit.

Five Fruit Trees with a yearly subscription to The Cherokee Scout and the Southern Ruralist for 1 year \$2.00. Through special arrangement with a leading Southern Nursery we are able to offer our subscribers a year's subscription to The Cherokee Scout and the Southern Ruralist, together with the splendid fruit trees described below at a remarkable saving for a limited time only. This special combination consists of the following trees: One Japanese Plum, one Apricot, one Early Elberta Peach, one Elberta Peach, and one J. H. Hale Peach, each shipment delivered prepaid to your mailbox in waterproof package and both papers for only \$2.00. THIS IS THE BEST OFFER WE CAN POSSIBLY MAKE—SEND YOUR ORDER BEFORE OFFER IS WITHDRAWN. Description of Trees: 1. THE JAPANESE PLUM is a strong growing ornamental tree with light green foliage and attractive bloom wonderfully productive and usually begins bearing the second or third year after planting. Fruit is large fine quality, with firm, meaty flesh. 2. THE APRICOT ripens between Cherries and Peaches. As hardy as the Peach, should be planted on a northern or western exposure to prevent early blooming; giving the same treatment for curculio as the plum. Set trees 16 to 18 feet apart. 3. EARLY ELBERTA. Freestone; mid-season, yellow. The Early Elberta is truly named. It is of the Elberta type, large, golden yellow. The flesh is yellow like the Elberta but far better quality, sweeter and finer grained. The tree is a strong grower and adapted to all peach growing regions. 4. ELBERTA. The greatest commercial peach on the market today, because it is well known all over the country and there are more of these grown than any other kind. The tree is very hardy, productive and uniform cropper. The fruit is large, yellow with red cheek. It is juicy, large, golden yellow. The flesh is yellow, freestone, and highly flavored. 5. J. H. HALE. Huge, beautiful, golden, freestone, solid, delicious, round as a ball, a great shipper, a splendid keeper, brings top prices and big profits, vigorous, sturdy trees. Sensation of the twentieth century, and is being planted by thousands of growers. In size it is about one-third larger than Elberta and is more highly colored. The pit separates easily from the flesh. It is exceptionally valuable as a commercial peach owing to its unusual keeping qualities. Will ship nearly as well as an apple. Your collection is incomplete without this variety. NOTE: Every tree absolutely genuine, propagated from bearing orchards of the very best. Many nurserymen cannot furnish the early Elberta and the J. H. Hale. They are specials and very desirable. This is the best offer you will receive this season. THE CHEROKEE SCOUT, Murphy, N. C. I am enclosing \$2.00 for special fruit tree offer of five trees and a year's subscription to The Cherokee Scout and The Southern Ruralist. Name, Route, Town, State.