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STILL FOUND UNDER A CABBAGE BED IN STANLY

Officer Dry Thought the Patch Was Laid in an Unusual Place, and Made Investigation.

FAMILY COW GOT INTOXICATED

The blockaders and blind tigers of Stanly county have become so wise in the developing and conducting of their traffic that if King Solomon were living he would be a back number, and in their cunningness in devising ways, means and schemes to cover up their devilment they have put the ancient Egyptian queen Cleopatra to shame, says the Stanly News-Herald. They used to establish their still in the midst of dense forests along some babbling brook, but the time of that practice has long ago passed away. In the development of the industry the next step was to put their plant on the tops of the highest hills in the community and haul the water necessary for the manufacture of their "bug juice."

As time passed, the officers got on to this trick, and then, as necessity is the mother of invention, they next made bold to put their stills almost under the very roof of the most prominent churches in the community. This practice has now become almost obsolete, as the officers are making progress as well as the blind tigers and blockaders. Now they have at this time reached the point where they put their stills in the open fields, almost under their own doorsteps, and they "mix it" in the basements of their homes.

An evidence of the highly developed state of the "white lightning" industry is the manner of the utilization of the by-products. We heard of a blockader having used wheat straw in the manufacture of whiskey, and after all of the ingredients possible had been extracted for this favorite beverage, the straw was used to intoxicate a neighbor's cow. The cow in that case became so hilarious that they ran home, and the owner, noticing that they were in a strange state of excitement, sent for a veterinarian, who upon careful examination diagnosed the case as being just an old-fashioned drunk. The owner of the cow immediately started out to locate the source of the trouble, and found the remains of the wheat straw and located the still.

Another evidence of the modern practice of economy in the manufacture of whiskey was learned Saturday night when Prohibition Officer S. P. Dry, of this place, dug out of the ground a fifty-gallon copper still with all the appurtenances there-to belonging except the cap, about two hundred yards from and in front of the home of a man named Thompson in Western Stanly. Mr. Dry and those with him made further investigation of the premises and about one hundred yards in front of the man's house in an open field, with nothing to obstruct the view from Thompson's door they found a thriving cabbage plant bed. Mr. Dry, being on to some of the wise methods of the blockaders and thinking this to be somewhat out of the ordinary place for a cabbage bed, decided to investigate. He found that underneath the said cabbage plant bed was buried a large quantity of still-slop, fire coals and ashes, and that the grate of this product was the pit where a still furnace had been operated. The owner had made his run and poured the slop in the pit where the furnace was located, and raked the ashes in also. He then threw fresh dirt over the remains, piled a lot of cedar brush over the grave and burned them, and then he sowed his cabbage seed.

To those who do not believe in progress and improved methods of doing things, we refer this as a good lesson, not only in economy, but as a good conclusive that one's business should grow and develop, and that we never reach the stage in any thing where we cannot make improvements in our methods.

BALE OF COTTON COSTS LESS THAN TON FERTILIZER

And Yet, Says Zeb Green, Some Farmers Are Plowing Under Staple That Cost Them Thirty Cents.

(From the Marshville Home.)

"I have long contended that, given a decent return for their investment and their labor, there would be no need of community centers and other more or less artificial methods to keep farmers contented and induce them to follow their calling with pleasure," writes Jacob Biggle in the March issue of the Farm Journal.

"If fifty years ago, some one had prophesied that within half a century societies of very learned persons would be engaged in the task of showing country people how to enjoy themselves, the prophet would have been laughed to scorn. Yet a very thing has happened, and it is marvelous in our eyes. The most melancholy thing about this uplift work is the deadly earnestness of the uplifters who are barking up the wrong tree. The whole trouble is that country people have become tired of working and boarding themselves for nothing. This is the sum and substance of the farmer's complaint. Running water in the house, and steam heat, and a bath tub cannot reconcile the man whose back aches with the load the profiteers have placed upon him."

Under normal conditions the load which farmers carry is burdensome enough, but under reactionary conditions, such as exist now, the burden becomes so excessive as to be unbearable without financial disaster. And when bankruptcy comes to the business of farming the business interests of all small towns suffer in like proportion. And as long as predatory corporations own your political leaders in both state and nation the business of farming and of country towns must continue to cringe along under the load of taxes and excess profits of the big

corporations and money kings in America.

Senator Tom Watson is authority for the statement that "eighteen hundred palatial, luxurious private cars are on the side track at Palm Beach and the superb yachts of the millionaires pass up and down the coast, or rest at ease in the harbors; the latest thing in limousines is parked by the thousands, from Tampa to Miami, and such a golden stream of money never before deluged the pleasure houses and grounds of Florida. Yet the senate of the United States heard a Florida member complain, on the floor of that august assembly, that the natives of his state were threatened with ruin because of what he called the railroad problem? And what is the railroad problem? It is the same as the lumber problem, the housing problem, the wheat problem, the wage problem, the cotton problem, the unemployment problem and every other industrial problem. Those who control the actual cash, rule the government, dictate legislation, determine prices, desolate markets, disband the wage earners, bankrupt railroads, demoralize industry and drive the country toward the fatalities which have always resulted from the concentration of wealth."

You farmers who are selling your cotton for one-third what it cost to produce, and you local merchants who have lost half the value of your stock of goods under "deflation" should cheer up and quit being despondent. Just remember that you are a good Democrat and have always voted her straight; or that you are a loyal Republican and dearly love your grand old party, and then go out some where and make a joyful noise—shout if you can. It may help you to wear off the blues. The money kings who have twenty-seven million dollars' worth of private Pullman cars standing on the sidetracks in Florida are both Republicans and Democrats. And why shouldn't they support their own servants?

The other day a farmer sold a bale of slightly tinned cotton for eight dollars above cost of picking. The same day it was stated that in another section farmers had begun to buy the low-priced tinned cotton and will keep it for their 1921 crop and plant their lands in crops that are less expensive to cultivate. When a bale of cotton can be bought for less than the price of a ton of fertilizer doesn't it look more like business sanity to buy the cotton already in the bale rather than the fertilizers to make more cotton? And yet farmers in some sections are plowing under cotton that isn't worth the cost of picking, and which cost them thirty cents a pound to produce, to raise more cotton on the same land. When it comes to variety, we have probably more grades and classes and degrees of business talent on the farm that can be found in any other enterprise in the entire world.

News of Hogville.

Hogville, March 10.—The Hogville Fiddling Band would like in some way to get some of their music put on phonograph records. They never expect the band to be able to make much of a reputation so long as all the music they make is permitted to evaporate as soon as it is made, as has been the case in the past.

Gabe Allsup has invented what he believes is a very successful fly trap and is very anxious for fly time to come in order that he may try it on them.

Four lone highwaymen hold up and robbed Alexander Moseley last night. They took eighty cents, which belonged to the Bear Ford church, of which Mr. Moseley is treasurer. In order that he might be able to account to the church for the disbursement of funds, Alexander made them give him a receipt for the money.

Miss Petunia Belcher is now more eager than ever to sing solos since she has had some gold put in one of her front teeth.

Dag Smith says he cannot see where much has been gained by civilization; that when he was a boy there were as many or more fleas than we have now and nobody seemed to notice them.

Some kind of a strange nest has been built in the postoffice. At first it was pronounced by our best authority, Zero Peck, to be an owl's nest, but since owls do not build their nests in public places this must be some other kind of bird's nest.

Sile Sims' wife has left him and he has taken in a stray dog for a companion.

Gape Allsup says he will bet the Old Miser had a lot of money to rust during the recent spell of damp weather.

If other people thought as much of Zero Peck's whistling as he does he would be considered a very fine whistler.

The blind man of the Bear Ford neighborhood has been swindled again by some one selling him a bag of wormy hickorynuts.

The Old Miser of Petunia Ridge, who buries a great deal of money, has been offered inducements by the Hogville Improvement Society to bury some of it here.

The Tin Pedler's horse got scared and ran away one day this week and scattered his tinware and crippled him quite a bit. Several of the women of this place have new dishpans.

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