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IGNORANCE IN WASHINGTON

Ignorance is not confined altogether to the backwoods sections, as the following letter written by Congressman Emanuel Herrick of Oklahoma to a friend "back home," shows:

"I have a fine room at \$20 per month and am boarding at what is considered here as a swell private boarding house at \$20 per month Breakfast and Supper Lunch at a Cafe. well I must tell you what fun I had with The Lan Lady and then quit for tonight for it is 12.15. She brought out a Dish of Black Eyed peas with my Supper. I pushed it away from my plate and she said Dont You Like Them. I said we Call Them Cow peas in Oklahoma she said Dont the people eat them I said The Extraneous poor do she held her hands to her breast and said. O. what a knock what a knock. Now my friend if you get this letter in Time Read it to the commercial club supper Tuesday night."

MARKETING HOGS PROFITABLY

Last fall when the "slump" occurred this paper, with the assistance of Mr. T. J. W. Broom, the county farm demonstrator, sought to impress upon the farmers of this section the fact that there are many ways of making money on the farm besides the cultivation of cotton. The raising of hogs was especially urged, but people were skeptical of this venture, claiming that the local butchers were always over-supplied with meat, and would offer but little more, if as much, as the big packers were paying. They lost sight of the fact that there are ways of preparing produce for the market that considerably enhance their value, resulting in many passing up the opportunity for revenue thus afforded. But others were not so easily discouraged. A Virginia woman was one of those who were more far-sighted, and she gives the results of her experiment in marketing in the following letter published in the Chicago Tribune:

"When the bottom dropped out of the hog market just as we had a small bunch to sell raised upon high-priced feeds it was 'some discouragin'."

they would not be worth over 10c a pound live weight and the shipping charges and commission would be deducted from that. Dressed they might bring as high as 14c, but the shipping charges would be even greater than as live weight. When I suggested selling them on the local market everyone said it could not be done. We are in the country, with only country towns nearby where every one raises their own fresh meat—still we had to sell 'em.

"A woman alone on a farm with three little folks to care for can't afford to lose, so I had one killed, cut it myself into neat cuts such as the Northern butchers use, saving all the scraps for lard and sausage, making as much as possible into sausage which I packed neatly into one pound prints using butter paper to wrap them.

"Then I packed the cuts of meat and sausage into a clean box, armed myself with a generous sample of sausage and went to one of the meat markets in a town near us. Taking my sample in I asked the butcher to have it cooked and try it—the sausage I knew was good, being made just as it would be for our table. The neat packages and the quantity of the sausage together with the careful trimming of the meat sold my first lot in spite of the fact that the town was flooded with both sausage and meat of inferior quality or pack.

"Every week since then brings another and larger order, and each of those 10c pigs has brought home from 22c to 25c a pound. I have received more than the packers price per pound, though I was told I could not compete with the big companies."

Gasoline Tax Now Effective.

(From the Statesville Landmark.) The tax of a half cent the gallon on gasoline, imposed by the last Legislature for road purposes, is now effective. The autolst should not object to the half cent additional for road purposes, seeing how necessary good roads are for the automobile. But he will probably allege and believe that the gas dealers will use the tax as an excuse to boost the price. The auto-owner will also pay a little more license tax this year, which isn't cause for complaint, seeing that it is used for his benefit. In this connection every auto-owner who believes in the square deal should constitute himself a committee of one to report every auto-owner who drives with an out-of-date license tag; also those who try to get by with dealers' tags. It is bad enough to evade tax laws on general principles, but an owner who tries to dodge the road tax has something coming to him and she should get it.

NOTICE—On May 1, we intend to move from our present location, under Hinson's shoe shop, to the old Nance Battery and Service Station, Gloucester hotel corner, where we will be better prepared to serve our patrons. We will be glad for our friends and customers to come to see us—Laney's Dry Cleanser & Presser, O. C. Laney, proprietor. Phone No. 458.

Mr. McCauley's Answer to Problem.

To the Editor of The Journal—My attention has been invited to a mathematical problem published in your issue of the 22nd instant, entitled "A hard nut to crack," and was requested to write a solution of it for publication. The solving of the problem is not a very difficult matter, but it properly requires the employment of the rudiments of elementary algebra, and having been informed that you haven't proper type for setting up an algebraic demonstration, I am loath to undertake the task of complying with the request. I shall, however, endeavor to write an intelligible solution without using the algebraic symbols.

If \$22.50 is the annual premium paid on three-fourths of the value of both buildings, then in the same proportion, \$30.00 would be the premium paid on their full value.

Then 25 times the value of the house plus 100 times two-sevenths thereof, equals 300,000 (converting decimals into whole numbers).

Then clearing the fraction two-sevenths, and dividing both sides of the equation by 25, we have 15 times the value of the house equals \$84,000 and one-fiftieth of \$84,000 is \$1,680 the full value of the house.

Two-sevenths of \$5,600 is \$1,600 the full value of the stable.

Three-fourths of 5600 is 4200, and 4200 multiplied by 25 cents per hundred, equals \$1,050 the premium paid on the house.

Three-fourths of \$1,600 is \$1,200, and \$1,200 multiplied by one dollar per hundred equals \$12.00 the premium paid the stable. Then for an answer we have:

Value of house, \$5,600.00; Value of stable, \$1,600.00; Premium on house, \$1,050.00; Premium on stable, \$12.00.

To properly understand this demonstration, one should have the problem as it is printed, before him, and figure out the details as he reads.—Wm. McCauley.

Tragedy Topics.

Paying \$5 a pint for "cold tea"—and getting it.

On a trolley at midnight with a \$20 bill the smallest you have.

The best restaurant in town with the only girl in the world and your money in your other pants.

No stopper in the wash basin and somebody stopping the water when the soap is sputtering your eyes.

Believing your clock is half an hour fast in the morning and discovering it is twenty minutes slow.

The 14th of the month when payday is the 15th.

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