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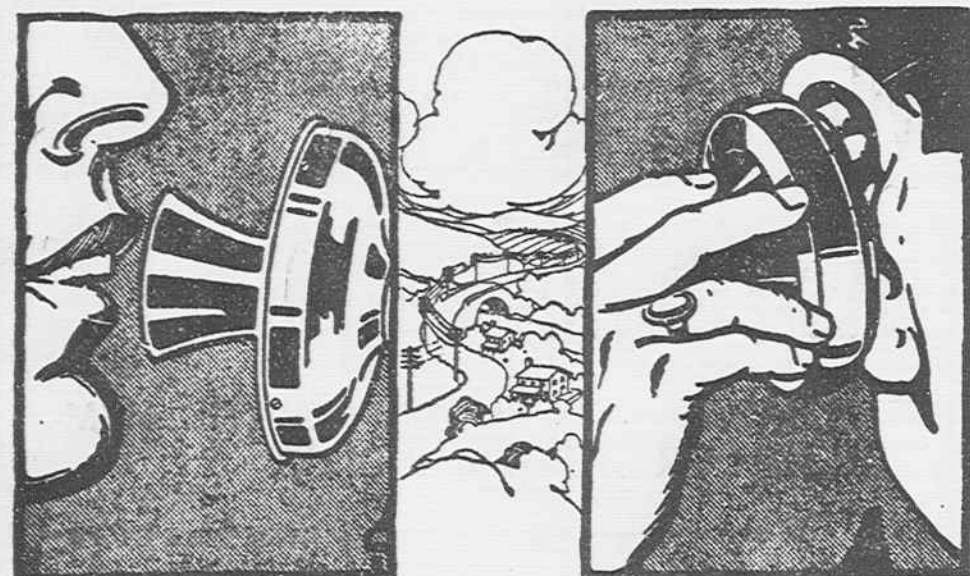
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MAKING MEAT SAFE

Sixty Per Cent Killed Under Federal Inspection.

Hundred Million Meat Animals Slaughtered Each Year in United States—Tuberculosis Is Chief Cause of Condemnation.

Washington.—More than 58,000,000 meat animals were slaughtered in establishments under federal inspection during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1915. Since approximately from 58 to 60 per cent of the animals killed in the country are slaughtered in establishments where federal inspection is maintained, it appears that about 100,000,000 meat animals are now being killed each year in the United States.

Of the animals subjected to federal inspection, 299,958 were condemned as unfit for human use, and 644,688 were condemned in part. Thus a little more than 1 1/2 per cent of all the animals inspected were condemned either in whole or in part. These figures include only cattle, calves, sheep, goats and swine.

Tuberculosis was the chief cause of the condemnations. More than 32,644 carcasses of cattle and 66,000 carcasses of swine were entirely rejected on account of this disease, and in addition, parts of 48,000 cattle and 40,000 swine. Hog cholera was responsible for the next largest loss, nearly 102,000 swine being condemned entirely on this account.

The annual appropriation for the federal meat inspection service is now about \$3,375,000, so that the cost to the people would be between 5 and 6 cents per animal and carcasses. In addition, however, great quantities of the meat and products are re-inspected. In this item there was a very considerable increase during the last fiscal year, the re-inspection resulting in the condemnation of a total of nearly 19,000,000 pounds of products of one kind or another. Furthermore 245,000,000 pounds of imported meat or meat products were inspected, and more than 2,000,000 pounds condemned or refused entry.

In the course of its work, the bureau of animal industry, which is in charge of the meat inspection service, has discovered a new method of destroying trichinae in pork, which is an additional safeguard to human health. Refrigeration at a temperature of 5 degrees, F., or lower, for a period of 20 days, will destroy these parasites which occasionally give rise in human beings to the serious disease known as trichinosis. Hitherto the only known safeguard against this disease has been thorough cooking of all pork and pork products, and those persons who neglect this precaution have always been more or less exposed to the danger. Unless pork is known to have been subjected to refrigeration as above indicated, it should be thoroughly cooked. The microscopic examination of pork for the detection of trichinae has been abandoned as the usual methods have proved inefficient.

In this connection it is interesting to note that more swine were slaughtered in the past year in establishments under federal inspection than ever before. A total of 36,247,953 were inspected at the time of slaughter, and approximately 35,900,000 passed for food.

EXPERT IN COOKERY



Mrs. Jesse Hardy MacKaye of the Congressional Union for Woman Suffrage, has been responsible for the thousands of articles explaining "the cause," sent out by the organization in the past two or three years. But she is not only known as a specialist in publicity. In suffrage circles she is famed as a cook. She explains: "I am my own cook, not only because I enjoy it, but because I believe that, as in the nation, conservation in the home is the corner stone of preparedness."

It's a Hummer.

Pine Grove, Ark.—Katherine Lucy boasts of being the possessor of the only bird, the Bosco tomat in these parts. A few days ago today brought in a black snake 30 inches long.

PRETTY PERUVIAN GIRL



Miss Teresa Granday Pezet is an interesting addition from the diplomatic circle to the list of debutantes in Washington society this winter. Miss Granday is spending the winter at the Peruvian legation with her uncle and aunt, the minister from Peru and Mme. Pezet.

CAN'T PROVE HE IS DEAD

Will of a Man Who Has Been Missing Twenty-One Years, Offered for Probate.

Denver.—For the first time in the history of the Denver county court the will of a man of whose death there is no record has been lodged with the clerk of the court. It may become necessary to have the maker, George T. Sheets, declared legally dead before the instrument is offered for probate.

Sheets, a contractor, made the will in 1893. He was then seventy-two years old. A year later he disappeared. The family did not know of the existence of the will until a few days ago, when Attorney Edwin Parke discovered the document in his safe. Parke turned it over to the clerk of the court.

MORE JOBS THAN CHEMISTS

Scarcity of Engineers Shown at Columbia University Since Outbreak of War.

New York.—Since the outbreak of the war and the resulting increase in chemical projects in this country the demand for chemical engineers has grown so rapidly that the companies are finding it difficult to fill the many places that are now open.

Indication of this was given at Columbia university when Dean Frederick A. Goetze of the graduate engineering school reported that he had received a call from a mining company for several chemical engineers familiar with the iron and steel industry, but that he has been unable to find any of the recent graduates who were not already well placed.

IS LONELIEST OF PUPILS

Missouri Youth Has School and Teacher All to Himself—Sports Are Eschewed.

Chillicothe, Mo.—Livingstone county has the smallest possible school in the world—it has just one pupil. But, despite the small enrollment, it keeps grinding steadily away, confining its activities principally to the text books and eschewing football and other forms of athletics.

The school in question is in district No. 2 in Medicine township and Miss Mary Phillips is the teacher. The list of matriculants has not been published. When the term began five weeks ago, it was anticipated that a number of children would enroll, but only this one boy came, so the teacher started in with the course.

CHILD SMOTHERS IN COTTON

Little Oklahoma Girl Digs Hole in Pile and Then Accidentally Tumbles In.

Guthrie, Okla.—The nine-year-old daughter of Paul Richey, a farmer living near Prague, thirty miles east of here, was "drowned" in a pile of cotton in her father's field.

When the little girl was missed, her parents started out to search for her. Her father finally saw her shoes on top of the huge mound of cotton, and closer examination disclosed her body buried, head first, in the fluffy mass. She evidently had dug a hole in the pile and then accidentally fallen into it, the loose cotton packing about her and smothering her.

Anti-Girl Club Formed.

Kendallville, Ind.—Thirty-five young bachelors of this city have organized the "Anti-Girl" club. To be caught taking a young woman to a theater, dance or other social function, or home from church, or even to make a social call, will cost the member \$5. The "high cost of entertainment" is given as the cause for organizing.

THE NEWS OF UNION ACADEMY

Many People Moving and Getting Settled—Autos Warned of Road—Swamp Needs Work.

Special to The Herald and News.
Prosperity, Dec. 15.—We are having more fine weather since the sleet and rain of last Saturday.

The past fall was an ideal one, and we don't remember there being a finer time to gauge a crop and sow grain. A fairly good acreage of grain has been sown.

A portion of the roads through this section have been worked recently, while others still need attention.

The swamp between Messrs. T. J. Wilson's and R. N. Taylor's has two places which need to be filled in at once with rock. Supervisor Sample has promised to have this work done in the near future.

It is the worst place on the road between Pomaria and Newberry. It wouldn't be advisable for an auto to tackle it now.

Such fine weather to butcher. We don't generally have a better time for it and farmers are making good use of it by slaying their porkers.

No trouble to save pork this kind of weather.

Mr. James H. Willingham and family have moved from the Thos. Gallman place to the Perkins place, near Johnstone academy.

Mr. James Walenziene and family have moved into the house vacated by Mr. Willingham and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Wilson moved recently from the Mrs. Jimmie Epps place to the Wm. Bobb place, on Ridge road.

Mr. E. S. Franklin of near Leesville visited at the home of his son, Mr. W. B. Franklin, a portion of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. B. Baker of near Whitmire spent the week-end at the home of Mrs. Baker's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Epps.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Halfacre spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Thos. J. Wilson and family.

Mr. R. N. Taylor has been added as a subscriber to the phone line through this section, his number being 2203. Mr. Strauss having purchased the phone and interest on the line from Mrs. J. K. Epps of Columbia.

Mr. Editor, you and your help deserve praise on getting out your fiftieth anniversary edition. It comes nearer representing every branch of work in the entire county than any one issue we've seen. This 7 in 1 copy of The Herald and News contains quite a "bunch of news."

Christmas is almost with us again and we wish a pleasant time to everybody. If we don't possess quite so much as some friend of ours, let's not make ourselves miserable and probably others also by putting in our unnecessary complaints.

Let's try and celebrate this Christmas in as pleasant and thankful a manner as possible, with "peace and good will towards all men" as our motto.

This will bring us more real happiness than silver and gold.

SOME IDEA OF WEATHER CONDITIONS IN SERBIA

Contenting Armies of Europe Are Now Battling in a Region of Intense Cold.

"Serbian winters are severe, and cheerless, with dull skies, and sharp, damp winds scouring the valley, while intense cold settles upon the exposed uplands," says a bulletin issued by the National Geographic society. "In the lowlands adjacent to the Danube, winter weather is milder, but the ground through many days is spongy with dampness. In the mountainous districts, however, the cold is as bitter as that which deadens the Russian plains during January and February, and most of Serbia is included in the mountainous area. The north central section, in the Danube valley, the northwest section, in the Save valley, and a belt, northwest, through the heart of the country, the Morava valley, together, constitute the sum total of the important lowland areas of Serbia. In the northern lowlands, the winters are like those of central Germany, while in the Morava valley the cold is greater.

"Upland Serbia has only two clearly defined seasons—winter and summer. There are scarcely any transition periods between the cold and the heat. Summer lasts between May and October, which latter month is wet and chilly. The chill wetness lasts sometimes well into November. Mists hover over the valleys until toward noon, and congeal on the mountain sides. Going is accomplished through a characterless damp, which is not snow, or slush, or mud, but an indeterminate combination of all three, supported over the ground in a porous coating by a ribwork of frozen dew. The snowfall is considerable, and generally covers the hills throughout

the winter.

"Fluctuations in temperature are great. A humid heat of 100 to 105 degrees Fahrenheit, sometimes oppresses the valleys for days at a time, where winter temperatures are experienced frequently of from 13 to 20 degrees below zero. In the mountainous districts, on the other hand, summer is cool and pleasant among the high groves of fir and pine. Travelers who have spent winters in search of sport in the Serbian mountains have brought back arctic stories about buying their cream in chunks and carrying it one their wanderings wrapped in a piece of paper, and of handling fresh eggs without the shells as successfully as though these had been hard boiled. Winters in the highlands of Serbia are as strenuous as those of Russia.

"The lines of the contending armies are now drawn up through the areas visited by the coldest winter, which are found in the southern central parts of the kingdom. Here in the southern and central mountains, despite the fact that Serbia's climate is generally described as being mild, winter reigns with a stern arctic sway. Among the hardest peasants in the Balkans, people inured to exposure, labor and all manner of difficulties, are bred in these cold uplands, and it is their homes which are now coming within the battle zones."

THE COTTON GINNED IN SOUTH CAROLINA

Newberry County Produced More Than Last Year While State at Large Less.

Sam L. Rogers, director of the census department of commerce, announces the preliminary report of cotton ginned by counties in South Carolina, for the crops of 1915 and 1914. The report was made public for the state at 10 a. m., on Wednesday, December 8.

Quantities are in running bales, counting round bales as half bales. Linters are not included.

| County— | 1915. | 1914 |
|--------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Abbeville | 26,597 | 28,555 |
| Aiken | 33,715 | 42,571 |
| Anderson | 51,964 | 49,050 |
| Bamberg | 14,267 | 24,807 |
| Barnwell | 33,688 | 54,677 |
| Beaufort | 3,417 | 6,918 |
| Berkeley | 8,511 | 13,721 |
| Calhoun | 17,360 | 26,511 |
| Charleston | 7,189 | 11,720 |
| Cherokee | 12,592 | 14,264 |
| Chester | 27,348 | 29,377 |
| Chesterfield | 25,301 | 28,620 |
| Clarendon | 24,290 | 41,897 |
| Colleton | 12,780 | 19,576 |
| Darlington | 29,618 | 37,089 |
| Dillon | 27,403 | 32,361 |
| Dorchester | 10,238 | 15,542 |
| Dorchester | 27,403 | 32,361 |
| Edgefield | 25,304 | 28,489 |
| Fairfield | 20,407 | 20,277 |
| Florence | 27,391 | 38,440 |
| Georgetown | 2,143 | 4,206 |
| Greenville | 37,637 | 38,269 |
| Greenwood | 25,141 | 27,054 |
| Hampton | 11,336 | 19,223 |
| Horry | 7,011 | 8,407 |
| Jasper | 2,865 | 5,762 |
| Kershaw | 22,175 | 25,448 |
| Lancaster | 18,937 | 20,033 |
| Laurens | 34,675 | 33,337 |
| Lee | 28,869 | 36,256 |
| Lexington | 20,939 | 21,845 |
| Marion | 12,474 | 12,317 |
| Marlboro | 45,641 | 53,245 |
| Newberry | 31,715 | 28,276 |
| Oconee | 15,235 | 16,038 |
| Orangeburg | 55,473 | 71,709 |
| Pickens | 14,423 | 17,384 |
| Richland | 18,126 | 23,385 |
| Saluda | 22,538 | 20,811 |
| Spartanburg | 59,347 | 60,583 |
| Sumter | 27,905 | 45,142 |
| Union | 15,770 | 16,026 |
| Williamsburg | 20,117 | 29,164 |
| York | 31,997 | 33,041 |
| Total | 1,022,424 | 1,230,163 |

A Good Sermon.

A fine sermon was delivered by the Rev. W. R. Bauknicht at Ebenezer Methodist church on Sunday, December 19, on the elder son who remained at home. I have often heard the prodigal son preached on, but the first time in my life to hear the elder son preached on. Must say it was the most Christlike sermon I ever heard and one of the great and needs of the churches of this beautiful world. Mr. Bauknicht will preach on the same subject next Sunday at Trinity at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. I beg all who can to come and hear it.

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