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LUXURY OF BARBERING.

There is reason in this barbering habit, although it is one of luxury. Many may ask why go to the shop and perhaps waste ten or twenty minutes for one's turn and then pay ten or fifteen cents, and perhaps a tip, for a something one may have at home at comparatively no expense of money or time? The explanation is easy, says the Cincinnati Enquirer. At the shop men wait in the habit of years, for a particular chair, and while waiting discuss the latest news or gossip. There is restfulness in the waiting. Then come the luxury of the chair at a selected angle, the kindly glance and nod from the favorite barber, the soothing admixture of comment upon the weather and events with the lather and the dextrous application of the keen edge to the end of a "close shave," then the hot towel and possibly the massage. Yes, this is a habit of luxury, but one justified by the ages, from as far back as the days of the prophet Ezekiel down through the centuries in which "The Arabian Nights" celebrated the function to the times of Edward IV. of England, who in 1461 incorporated the Company of Barber-Surgeons; to the days when another, poet and musical composer recognized the humorous features of the trade that once was a profession in that it united with it that of the chirurgeon. The habit of the barber chair is as old as some of the hills.

The statistics relating to typhoid vaccination, in the army, are both interesting and encouraging. About one-sixth of the United States army was vaccinated with the typhoid vaccine, and the returns show that only one person in 4,000 had the disease and none of them died, while in the unvaccinated part of the army, one out of 250 had the disease and there were many deaths. These figures are certainly very significant, and indicate that typhoid fever is going the way of small-pox, not again to become a real scourge to the country, says the Ohio State Journal. There will be, however, some serious speculation about this, as so much inoculation and vaccination as the various maladies will require, that men will undergo considerable change in their general makeup. If a man incorporates into his vital processes the various prophylactics intended to ward off disease, he will become a compound of resisting mediums and occupy so unusual an attitude as to invite other troubles, for there seems to be plenty of them waiting to avail themselves of every opportunity.

A legislator in Missouri who was a friend both of Hoaxey and Johnstone has introduced a bill, inspired by the tragedy of their deaths, making it an offense under the head of "attempts to murder" for an aviator to ascend higher than 1,000 feet, and requiring a bond of \$10,000 for birdmen, as a guarantee that they will not violate the law. A penalty of five years in prison is provided. But it is little likely such a bill can pass, however much lovers of the sanctity of human life may desire it, says the Baltimore American. Experiment is always accompanied with recklessness, and while aviation is in its experimental stage, no amount of threatened punishment will deter experimenters from using their own lives as they see fit in its service.

Once more the "didn't know it was loaded" joke has had a deadly result. A young man in New York city picked up a revolver which he says he thought was empty and playfully snapped the weapon at his friend and roommate, and the latter was killed instantly. The frenzied youth ran out of the house and surrendered to a policeman, and is now locked up on a charge of homicide, says the Troy Times. Probably no one believes him guilty of any intentional crime. But even though acquitted of such a purpose, what a lifetime of self-reproach lies before him in consequence of that hasty and ill-advised bit of humor!

The better class of Chinese in New York are trying to eliminate queues and "joss" worship from their up-to-date life. Evidently, the most hidebound of the ancient nations is surrendering to modern civilization with emphasis.

Precious stones are being imported into this country in large quantities this year, not counting the ones that have been missed by the customs inspectors. It is likely to be a great year for fairs.

"The college man," avers Professor Small, "is the ideal man in an organization to better conditions." History has proved, also, that the college man is the ideal football coach.

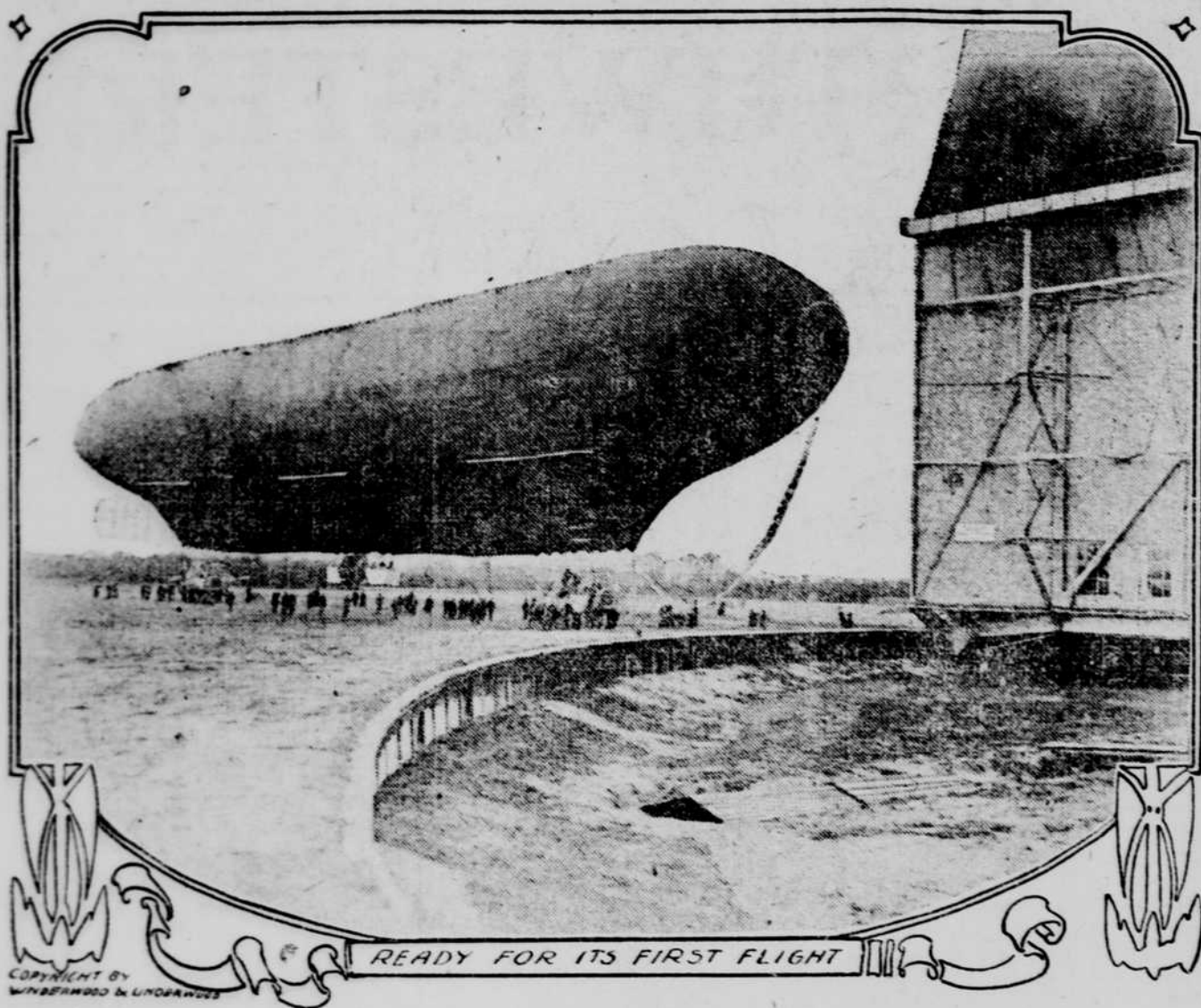
Strange that the family dispenser of the kitchen door handout has never been called upon to give expert testimony as to whether or not the down-and-outer can come back.

Pajamas for women doing household work is the latest. Possibly we shall soon have kimonos for everyday wear in blacksmith shops.

In one of the Washington clubs 47 different kinds of cocktails are served. It seems as if human ingenuity might be put to a better use.

An overranging contemporary says "the hobble skirt is passing." In this locality it seems to be clinging.

SIEMENS - SCHMUCKERT DIRIGIBLE BALLOON



READY FOR ITS FIRST FLIGHT

THE most powerful dirigible balloon built up to date is the Siemens-Schmuckert, which made its trial trip successfully not long ago at Berlin. It is 1,000 meters long and has four motors and three gondolas for carrying crew and passengers. One of its first trips it carried twelve men.

CHICAGO IS LOVABLE

Bishop of Salisbury Says City Is Unchristian.

Still Smacks of Frontier and Has Not Acquired Enough Civilization to Make People Calculating in Kindness.

Chicago.—Chicago is not Christian—it is Athenian, although dollar-worship is less evident here than in New York or Washington. It has not yet gathered sufficient civility to make it calculating in its kindness. It still smacks of the frontier, although its opera is crowded, its art gallery has more interested observers than ever were seen in London, and it has one of the most wonderful of universities.

And one comes to Chicago to learn the mightiness of man.

So concluded the bishop of Salisbury, from observations taken in this city covering a period of several weeks. At least Chicagoans who have been reading the keen and, on the whole, sympathetic criticisms of Chicago and American life that are appearing in the London Church Times, and are the frankest discussion of America from a distinguished foreigner's viewpoint since Charles Dickens wrote his American Notes, believe the anonymous critic to be the English bishop. If it is not the bishop, it is some one who came at the same time, and did many of the same things the bishop did, clergy at the Episcopal cathedral said.

The writer of these criticisms lived at a Michigan avenue hotel, visited the University of Chicago and described the services at an unnamed fashionable church which many are certain they recognize as Grace church, where the bishop delivered his lectures in December. The fact is known, it was added, that the bishop wrote extensive comments on his visit here.

"I found the greatest surprises of my American visit in Chicago and Pittsburg," says the writer. "The Chicago of Mr. Stead's dreams is not the true Chicago. I had expected a hideous city; I found a city of promise. I had expected sordidness of aim; I found expected earnestness and readiness to appreciate literature and art, generous-mindedness in criticism and a desire for the sweeter things of life. Chicago gives one the impression of frontierism. Not yet is it settled down. Some day they will tear down the hideous 'loop' elevated and make a center for commerce worthy of the vast enterprise. Then Chicago will begin to show the world what a city can be.

"Her university is most wonderful of all. Boys and girls crowd the lecture-rooms; experiments in psychophysics are treated as intimately important affairs, and are not relegated to back rooms for isolated research students. Economics draws them in hundreds, and at close quarters the respect which an Englishman has for Chicago's work in sociology is vastly increased.

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Such boundless giving in the very streets! Such a passionate desire to give the poor children a Santa Claus on Christmas morning. There are verses and pictures in the papers, all pleading the same good cause. It is cold by Lake Michigan today. There are pillars of ice within a few yards of my hotel. There is a heavy fall of snow. But Chicago hearts are winsomely warm. Not yet have they gathered sufficient of the veneer of civilization to make them deliberate in their love of their fellows, or to keep them calculating in their kindness.

"I could wish it were a Christian Chicago also. It is so Athenian, so welcoming Athenian, so anxious not to overlook any deity whatever. But that is not sufficient. Chicago needs, more even than New York, the rigor of discipline. Here is a fashionable church. It is well attended. It is ablaze with organization. It has accomplished so much that the temptation to defy humanity must come very near to it. There is no God in its theology."

DUKE GREAT COTTON RAISER

South African Experiments in Culture Give Good Returns—Satisfactory in Yield and Quality.

London.—The duke of Westminster, who recently returned to this country after a visit to his estate in

Keeping Boys on the Farm

Future of Agricultural Industry Depends on Better Methods in Rural Schools.

Chicago.—The future of the farming industry in the United States depends on renovation, improvement and better methods in the rural schools of the country, according to Prof. O. H. Benson, former county superintendent of schools in Iowa, and recently appointed head of the bureau of plant industry of the department of agriculture.

Professor Benson in a strong address showing the vital relationship of the rural school to the question of agriculture, home economics and the keeping of the boy "on the farm," sustained the interest of 200 grain men present at the opening session of the Council of North America Grain Exchanges, held here the other day.

Questions about the grain situation, the betterment of crops and the scientific elements of farming were taken up by the association. In speaking of the relation of school to farming, Professor Benson said:

"Unless the rural schools are improved and new methods touching farm life taught, instead of cube root methods, the growing boy will be discontented with his life. He will look upon the farmer as a type of peasant. The method of education will measure the amount of cereal progress in this country.

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northwest Rhodesia, has taken an important step in the development of the resources of South Africa—he has become a grower of cotton.

Last year the low lying country on his estate was utilized for the experimental growing of cotton. The results were such that the area of land under cultivation has been increased from 50 acres to 200 acres, which is expected to yield 60 tons of cotton.

In yield and quality the first crop—ten tons—was more than satisfactory, and when placed on the market at Liverpool the first consignment to this country was sold at from 20 to 25 cents a pound.

The duke of Westminster's estate in South Africa comprises 10,000 acres of land in northwest Rhodesia, in the vicinity of the Kafur river. The value of the land when the Dutch bought it was four cents an acre; its value since then, with the added value which the success of the experiment in cotton growing has given to it, has been increased to 62 cents an acre.

Carborundum Used in Building.

Paris.—A flight of stairs has been erected in this city over which 14,000,000 persons have shuffled without so much as scratching the surface. These steps are almost as imperishable as if they had been built of huge diamonds, for in the concrete of which they are constructed a generous portion of carborundum has been introduced, and since carborundum is almost as hard as the diamond it has given the concrete a wearing quality which no marble or granite could possibly approach.

CARE FOR FARROWING SOWS

To produce strong, healthy pigs, they must be looked after before they are born. The sow must be cared for and fed properly if she is to give birth to a good litter of pigs. As a rule, the sow is neglected during this period, the owner seeming to think that the application of care and feed after she has farrowed is all that is required. We should know that a poorly nourished mother means a weak, sickly litter of pigs.

The question of shelter is an important one, whether in the northern or southern states, although in the south—the far south especially—very little shelter except at farrowing time is needed. At farrowing time the mother should always be supplied with a building that will afford shelter from the rain and the wind for both the mother and the pigs until the pigs become

dry. If the wind strikes the young pigs when they are first born they will often chill to death. Each farmer can make his own shelter, to be in keeping with his surroundings, but probably the best and most economical building that can be made is a portable hoghouse.

Separate the Pullet.

Separate the pullets from the cockerels, as you would the heifers from the steers, and feed a less fattening ration, but one that will give vigor and constitution.

Hatching Turkeys.

Turkey hens produce such a limited number of eggs that it is scarcely necessary for their hatching, as the hens themselves can take care of all they lay.

Green Feeding Worth While.

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Conditions for Live Stock.

If you are in doubt as to the conditions you should give your live stock in the barn-yard, imagine yourself in the animals' place.

SHORTHORNS POSSESS MANY EXCELLENT DAIRY QUALITIES

English Breeder Developed Milk Producing Strain and His Cows Were Well Known All Over England for Their Superiority.

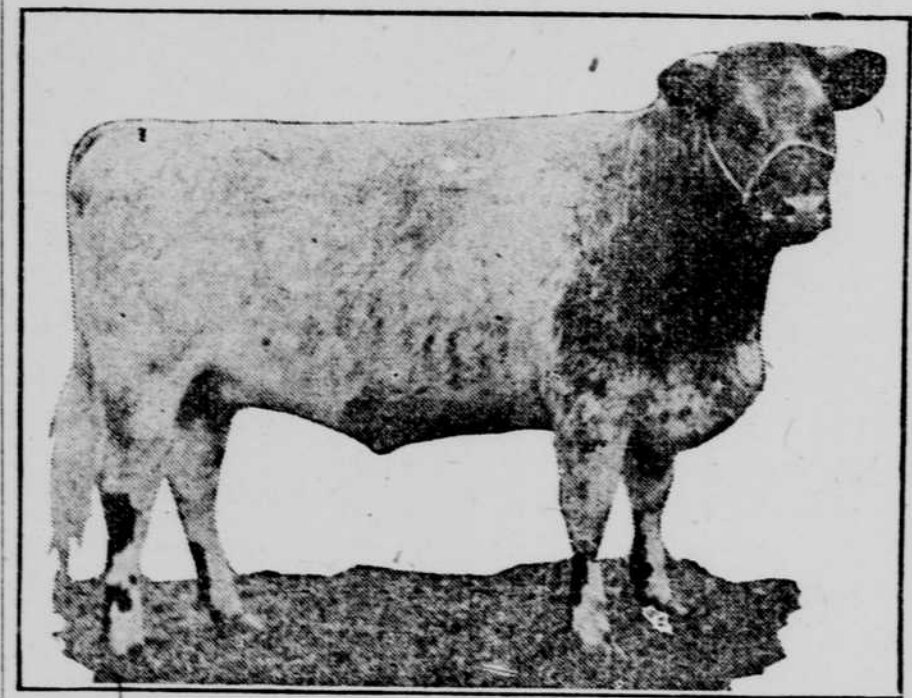
From the very origin of the breed Shortorns have had two qualities to commend them to favorable consideration, and it is this dual capacity of beef and milk production that has made them so popular with farmers and stockmen. As beef producers Shortorns are "known of all men;" but their dairy qualities, though excellent when properly developed, are not so generally understood. The early history of the breed furnishes many instances of cows that were great milk producers, says the Northwestern Agriculturist.

One of the earliest breeders to develop milk production in his herd was Jonas Whittaker, and as a result, his cows were known all over England for their excellent dairy

descendants proved excellent milkers many generations after Mr. Bates' herd was dispersed. Hence the prevailing opinion that Shortorn cows of exceptional dairy qualities should be sought among those carrying an infusion of Bates blood has a foundation in fact; yet there are exceptions and some notable ones.

Amos Cruickshank, who drew the attention of the beef producing world to the excellence of the Scotch Shortorns, by the wonderful fleshing qualities he had bred into his herd, was not unmindful of the dairy qualities of his cows, and in that marvelous herd of beef cattle were many matrons quite good at the pail.

The large dairies that supply milk for London are composed quite large



A Prize Winning Youngster.

qualities. Even in the herds of the Booths, where beef form and fleshing quality was the first consideration, cows of heavy milk production were developed. Sir Charles Knightley had a tribe known as the Fawcley Fillpills that did much to establish the fame of Shortorn cows as excellent at the pail. The herd of Thomas Bates was established about the year 1800 and soon became the most noted in England.

This herd was carefully bred for beef form and soon became the fountain head from which other breeders drew their herd bulls; yet Mr. Bates was careful to cultivate the milking qualities of his herd, and in consequence, had cows that give from 24 to 34 quarts of milk per day. So persistently did he impress this in this herd of cows that many of their

ly, and in some cases exclusively, of Shortorn cows. This is also true in part of dairies in New York and New England.

Cost of Brick Silo.

A good brick silo, 14x33 feet in size, holding about 120 tons, can be built for about \$250, where one does not count the hauling and the labor of excavating.

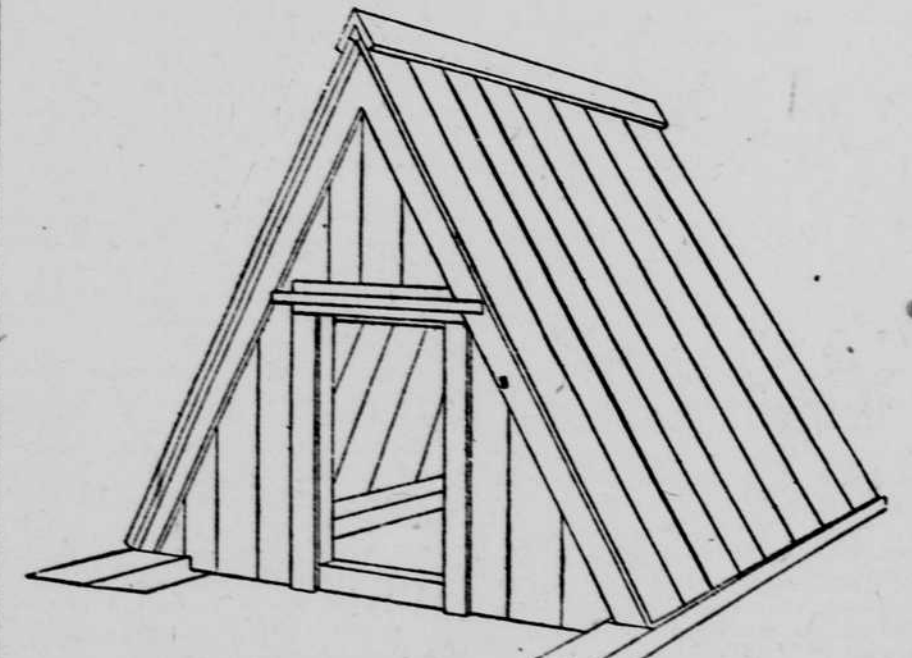
Salt for Stock.

A lump of rock salt should be placed in the paddock at different spots, sheltered so as to prevent its frittering away. The stock will find it, and be all the better for the find.

Care of Hens.

Better a dozen hens well cared for than a hundred neglected.

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