

WAGON LOADS OF TYPHUS VICTIMS IN SERBIA



Typhus is making horrible ravages in the ranks of the Serbian and Austrian armies, and among the civilians as well. The death rate is frightful, and ox carts laden with the coffins of the victims pass in continual procession to the burial places.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR AERONAUTICS



Secretary of War Garrison formally opened the first meeting of the National advisory committee for aeronautics, a committee appointed by the president and provided for in recent legislation to study and advance the science of aeronautics in this country. Gen. George Scriven was chosen the committee's first chairman. The meeting was held in the war department. Back row, left to right: Naval Constructor H. C. Richardson; Prof. John P. Hayford, Northwestern university; Capt. Mark Bristol, chief of the navy department's aeronautical bureau, and Col. Samuel Reber, U. S. A. signal corps. Front row, left to right: Prof. W. F. Durand, Leland Stanford university; Dr. S. W. Stratton, chief of United States bureau of standards; Gen. George P. Scriven, chief signal officer, U. S. A.; Prof. C. F. Marvin, chief of United States weather bureau, and Prof. M. I. Pupin of Columbia university.

TWIN MARINES FOOL THEIR OFFICERS



Two marines have lately had the entire marine corps stationed at League Island, near Philadelphia, shaking with silent laughter by the trouble they are causing. After eight months in the service their company officers and their fellow marines cannot tell them apart. They are Leslie and Hallie Woodcock, twins, twenty years old, and hail from South Carolina, where they enlisted on the condition that they would never be put into separate companies. Many efforts have been made by their officers to do this, but they have a written guaranty from the recruiting station that it is their privilege to serve their country together.

GEN. ALVARO OBREGON



Alvaro Obregon is Carranza's first commander and is recognized as the ablest general in Mexico. Though a military genius, he hates war and declares he is fighting for a revolutionary ideal—for land and labor reforms. Most of the men in his ranks are regularly organized trade unionists. Obregon has been administering some severe defeats to Villa.

GERMANS SHELLING THE RUSSIANS



This photograph of a German battery shelling a force of Russians was taken not far from Lodz, Russian Poland.

EQUAL TO THE OCCASION

Bishop Crozier Neatly Extricated Himself From Hole Which Seemed a Pretty Deep One.

As an illustration of the great tact possessed by the church, Mr. J. C. Percy quotes in his book, "Bulls and Blunders," the following story once told by the primate of all Ireland (Doctor Crozier):

A Bishop took the chair at a parochial "at home" where an impromptu

concert was part of the program. The right reverend chairman called upon a certain lady to sing. She demurred, saying she could not sing. The bishop insisted. At last the lady consented. She had not gone very far when it was evident that the lady was right, and that she knew her own vocal powers best.

After a few minutes of awful suspense, the audience wondered what the good man would say for himself for insisting upon such an infliction, and how he would escape from the

dilemma. The bishop, however, was equal to the occasion. When the song was over, the worthy chairman got up, reached the lady by hand to lead her down from the platform saying as he did so: "Next time you tell us you can't sing we'll know whether to believe you or not."

There's a lot of useless trouble caused by folks who would rather make a big failure than a small success.—Birmingham Press.

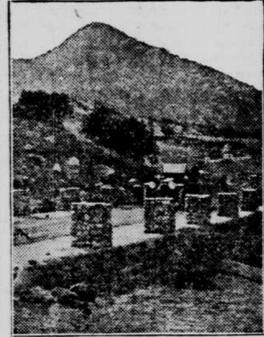
ROAD BUILDING

IMPETUS TO ROAD BUILDING

Secret of Maintaining Country Highway Lies in Keeping It Well Rounded Up and Drained.

Over a good road, we can haul products to market at any season of the year and get full benefit of the highest prices. It is a simple matter to build a good country road, as it is not absolutely necessary that it should be built of gravel or crushed stone. The secret of the maintaining of the country road lies in keeping it well rounded up and sufficiently drained, by arranging it so that the road is about a foot higher in the middle than it is at the edges.

A good dirt road well maintained is not an expensive proposition, writes Eugene J. Hall of Oak Park, Ill., in Farmers' Review. Shortly after every heavy rainfall it should be dragged with a split-log drag. This will fill all of the ruts and depressions and produce a smooth surface well rounded up in the middle of the highway. After being rounded up with a split-log drag, the roads are made firm



Convict-Built Bridge in Colorado—Stones Were Taken From Nearby Hillside and Result is Ornamental as Well as Economical.

and solid by means of a heavy roller or system of rollers. This will leave a firm, solid roadbed which will not be seriously injured by heavy traffic.

This system of road building is being followed in many parts of the West with splendid success. When ruts and holes are formed in a road, the jolt and jar of the wheel makes them deeper and forms a pocket for holding water from the first rainfall. This softens the roadbed and deep mud holes are soon formed, while if there had been no ruts or depressions there and the road had been well rounded up, the water would have run off into the ditches on either side, and the surface of the road would be firm and in perfect condition.

Another good thing worthy of careful consideration in the building of our good country roads is that of the construction of permanent and lasting culverts. Culverts built of stone or concrete cost more than wooden bridges, but they will last a hundred years, and they will not rust or need repainting every year, as iron truss bridges do. In the end, they are the most economical kind of viaducts.

The advent of the automobile and its employment by the more prosperous class of farmers has given a great impetus to road building, too; and the time is coming when we will have more and more good roads in the middle West.

ADVANTAGES OF GOOD ROADS

No Factor Contributes More to Prosperity and Happiness of the Rural Communities.

The convention of the Virginia Road Builders' association draws attention to a subject of prime importance to the people of this state. Scarcely any single factor contributes more to the prosperity and happiness of rural communities than good roads, says the Richmond Dispatch. Good roads mean easy and quick communication, economy in transporting farm products to railway or market, convenient access to the outside world, and a higher average of citizenship, wherever they are found. Virginia has done much of recent years to make its highways measurably equal to those of most other southern states, but much remains to be done. The people as a whole must be educated to a proper understanding of the economic and sociological benefits that good roads confer.

Interest in Dragging Roads. The neighborhood where every farmer takes an interest in dragging the roads will soon find itself pulling out of the mire.

Alfalfa More Popular. Everywhere alfalfa is used it is becoming more and more popular. The better it is known the more it is grown.

Self-Feeder Not Good. The self-feeder is not good for young pigs, as under five months of age they will eat too much.

System to Avoid. Local control has failed to give us a good road system. Let us not go back to it.

Seed Bed for Clover. A seed bed for sweet clover is prepared in much the same way that a seed bed for alfalfa is prepared, and both are excellent crops.

Help Grow Better Crops. Every hog on the farm will help you to grow better crops if you save every bit of manure.

Cheap Egg Feed. If you wish eggs, wheat at a dollar a bushel is cheaper feed than corn at 50 cents.

Backache Is a Warning

Thousands suffer kidney ills unawares—not knowing that the backache, headache and dull, nervous, dizzy, all tired condition are often due to kidney weakness alone. Anybody who suffers constantly from backache should suspect the kidneys. Some irregularity of the secretions may give just the needed proof. Doan's Kidney Pills have been curing backache and sick kidneys for over fifty years.

A Nebraska Case

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Enough. It was at a point-to-point meeting. A man with an eye to business put up a marquee and was ready to garage cars—for a consideration. A big touring car came up. "How much for putting up the car?" asked the owner. "Five dollars for the day," was the reply, and the car went on. Other expensive cars were brought up, and the same sum demanded. At last up came a small car of a make about which it is the fashion to make good-humored jokes. "How much?" inquired the motorist. "Five dollars." "It's yours," replied the car owner, dismounting.

Dramatic Criticism. The final curtain had fallen and the audience was fluttering and filing out of the playhouse. In the lobby was a picture of the author of the piece, a personage with an abundant beard and a pair of flashing eyes under beetling brows—in short, the well-known Mephistophelian mask of George Bernard Shaw. "He has a clever face," said one fluttering lady to another fluttering lady as they went out into the night.

Off the Shelf. "What a beautiful complexion Mrs. Mixer has!" "She ought to. Her husband owns a drug store."

BETTER LAUGH THAN SCOLD

Wise Writer Gives Some Advice That All Women Would Do Well to Remember.

If he is suspicious don't take him too seriously. And why? Because, if you do, there is always a great probability that he will imagine that there is a good foundation for his foolish want of trust. A lover is inclined, perhaps naturally, to be a trifle jealous of the beloved one; but even this usually harmless characteristic should not be encouraged overmuch. As for suspicion, it should never raise its ugly head in the paradise of love; if it does, it will spoil everything and cast a gloom over what should be undiluted happiness. A wise girl will therefore always try gently to laugh her sweetheart out of such unpleasant fancies; of course, she will be careful not to give him reason to begin them, but if they do unluckily crop up, then she will do her utmost to banish them. Kindly laughter will often do more to make a man see that he has been foolish and wrong than any amount of the best-intentioned scolding or reproaches.

The latter are apt to leave a soreness and resentment behind them, whereas a good-natured laugh leaves no sting of any sort. The very fact of smiling over a matter together makes a bond of union and harmony.—Pittsburgh Dispatch.

Without Hurry. Hurry is a great thief of time. It prevents the full and efficient use of the present moment. It steals from the present, for the sake of the future, because of some failure in the past. A great man is quoted as saying that he was too busy ever to be in a hurry. One who lives for some months in the home of a widely known Christian leader and prolific worker said that she had never known him to hurry except when someone else had caused the delay. And even in those cases there was no "hurried feeling." The efficient life in Christ may be lived without the strain of the wrong sort of haste. Our Lord himself often urged an eager and immediate "haste." But there was no sense of hurry in his life. Let us live in the present, though not for the present, using to the full, in hurry-free spirit, "the eternal now."

Kindred Feeling. The pale-faced passenger looked out of the car windows with exceeding interest. Finally he turned to his seat-mate: "You likely think I never rode in the cars before," he said, "but the fact is, pardner, I just got out of the pen this mornin', an' it does me good to look around. It is goin' to be mighty tough, though, facin' my old-time friends. I s'pose, though, you ain't got much idee how a man feels in a case like that?" "Perhaps I have a better idea of your feelings than you think," said the other gentleman with a sad smile. I am just getting home from congress."

Some Shy. Patience—Was she shy on her birthday? Patrice—Oh, yes; she was shy about ten candles on her birthday cake. **In Both Ways.** "Mrs. Gaddy is a very authoritative person in her gossip." "Yes, and what she says, goes." When a man tells a woman the truth she says he is insolent. The best protection for a woman is the fact that she is a good woman.

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BLACK LEG
Lived Long in One County. An old woman of eighty-seven, who died recently in her home in Muskegon, had not been outside the county since she came there 65 years ago. When she located at Muskegon there were only six white residents, the other inhabitants being Indians. A thrilling incident in her life followed the birth of her child 64 years ago. The baby weighed about two pounds, and its diminutive size was so much of a curiosity to the Indians that they stole the midget and took it to their colony for exhibition. In about three days the redskins returned the babe to the frantic parents, the infant being none the worse for its experience.

The Only Alternative. The young woman sat before her glass and gazed long and earnestly at the reflection there. She screwed up her face in many ways. She fluffed up her hair and then smoothed it down again; she raised her eyes and lowered them; she showed her teeth and she pressed her lips tightly together. At last she got up, with a weary sigh, and said: "It's no use. I'll be some kind of reformer." Perhaps pin money is so called because most wives stick their husbands for it. Most men are willing to serve their country—in an official capacity.



Are You Doing the Thinking?

In office, store or factory, the man who has the clear brain for quick, accurate thinking generally draws the big salary. Nowadays, with competition keen, any man or woman headed for success must avoid the handicap of heavy, indigestible food, and select the nourishing, easily digestible kind which makes for body vigor and clear thinking.

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