Agricultural News of Special Interest to Nebraska and Iowa Farmers

Lice Damaging Alfalfa Crop in Some Sections

Outbreaks of Several Kinds of Insects Reported in Nebraska—Army Cutworms Also Busy.

Lice are doing some damage to alfalfa in Richardson, Pawnee and Gage counties, according to reports coming to Prof. M. H. Swenk, state entomologist, with headquarters at the college of agriculture. Earlier in the year an insect known as the pea aphis did considerable damage to alfalfa in southeastern Kansas, in some instances destroying whole fields. It is the same insect that is working in Nebraska.

The last monthly report of the state entomologist to the bureau of entomology, United States department of agriculture, shows small outbreaks of several kinds of pests in the state. The injury, however, has not been extensive. The report on insect conditions in Nebraska from April 15 to May 15 follows:

"The most important insect outbreak during the month covered in this report has been one of the western army cutworm. These cutworms were more or less active during early April, but reports of injury to crops were not received until April 20. Wheat and alfalfa were the crops injured and the reports of injury were from widely separated localities—Scotts Bluff county in extreme western Nebraska, Phelps county in south-central Nebraska, and Madison county in northeastern Nebraska.

Wheat Field Destroyed.

In Phelps county the injury was principally in the winter wheat, one field of wheat had 25 acres completely eaten off by April 22. In Madison county the injury was chiefly in the alfalfa fields and for two weeks the young alfalfa leaves were eaten as fast as they came out in some fields. Poisoned bran mash bait was used effectively in all the outbreaks. The worms matured and entered the ground for pupation by May 1.

"The outbreak of the western wheat stem maggot reported the last of the month, as brought to our attention on April 9, proved to be very local, involving only a small area in Morrill county between Bridgeport and Alliance. The maggots continued boring in the stems of the wheat in the infested fields until about April 20. On May 6 flies began emerging from puparia in our rearing cages and continued coming out for several days, these puparia having developed from maggots collected April 11. Whether these flies will start another brood of maggots on the present wheat crop is yet to be determined.

"In Clay county a species of wireworm has been injuriously numerous in small grain fields. Oat fields planted about March 15 were in some cases killed out and had to be resowed by April 20. In the same locality wheat fields had the extreme bases of the stems badly gnawed by these wireworms early in May, to the obvious detriment of some of the fields.

Worms Attack Roots.

"Alfalfa roots were found bored by warms in a field in Madison county that was suffering from crown rot and in which the roots were tending to decay.

"The rather unusual number of the tarnished plant bug and of the clover leafhopper, reported from the wheat fields in April, were more in evidence in the alfalfa fields in early May, but no obvious injury was being done by them except in a few cases.

"The black peach alphis was found in excessive abundance in a peach orchard in Nuckolls county early in May, where it was killing the trees. This is the first instance of abundance and serious injury by this aphis that we have noted in this state.

"Another new pest, found for the first time in the state this spring, is the strawberry crown miner, which during April and early May, did much injury to strawberry beds in Saline county by boring into and hollowing out the crowns of the plants. Some patches were completely killed and had to be dug out.

"The early strawberry slug began serious injury in southern Nebraska on May 14. The imported currant worm began injuries about May 10. Both slugs promise to be quite injurious this spring.

"The number of egg masses of the white-marked tussock moth is somewhat larger than normal this spring in many of the towns and villages of eastern Nebraska. Some hatching of the egg clusters began in latter April.

"The usual complaints of injury from the poplar borer from all over the state, as well as injury by the cottonwood scale, are being received at this time."

Ford to Give Cash Bonus In Semi-Monthly Pay Checks

Detroit, May 21.—Instead of getting a single bonus at the end of the year, Ford workmen on the pay roll May 1 get an increase in wages, paid on the regular semi-monthly paydays, which during the course of a year, gives them money equivalent to that received in the yearly bonus which has been abolished.

When figuring the new rates, the object in mind was to determine the increase that, if spread over a year, would be approximately the same as the 1920 bonus.

Nebraska Cow Gives Weight In Milk Every Eleven Days

John Stockwalter, a farmer living near Pawnee City, Neb., has a Jersey cow that he declares produces her weight in milk every 11 days. The cow is 18 months old and weighs only 350 pounds. Mr. Stockwalter says he has kept an accurate account of her production and her daily average is 35 pounds. The milk tests 5 3-4 per cent butter fat.

Tecumseh School Play

Tecumseh, Neb., May 21.—(Special.)—A packed house greeted the juniors of the Tecumseh High school in their play, "Midsummer Night's Dream." As many were unable to secure seats, the play was given a second time.

Annual Flowers Best for Amateurs

By FRANK RIDGWAY.

Annual flowers occupy the center of the floral stage around May 1, the celebrated moving day, with members of that great army of transients who break camp to pitch their tents on new grounds. The annual fits into the schedule of the tenant, who contracts with the rental agency on the yearly basis just as well as it does with the man who owns a cottage in the sburb, because the plants bloom the same year the seeds are sown.

Every family, tribe, club, or clan can grow annuals. You do not need to know the scientific language of the flower to be successful. Beautiful assortments of these flowers may be grown in pots and boxes on the porch and in beds on the lawn or in the garden. Annuals may be attractively blended with the green plants in the vegetable gardens and the shrubbery and perennials on the lawn. Driveways, walks, and lawns may be effectively bordered with these flowers.

Formal space between a drive and groups of trees may be filled with annuals. There is a place for the annual in or around the house of practically every city home from the congested apartment district, where it is often necessary to use small containers in windows and on porch ledges, to the sparsely populated suburb, where there is room for extensive planting.

Simple Designs for Beginner.

The annual is becoming so generally appreciated that it is a strong competitor of the rose, and the carnation, and other cut flowers with reputations established years ago. Some of the most showy flowers are found among the annuals and they are the easiest and cheapest to grow. Many of them are dwarfs while others grow tall, and by taking advantage of the difference in the size of the plants the seed may be planted so that effective gradations may be made. To do this it is necessary to know about how high the plants normally grow.

The size, shape, and color of blossoms are all factors that must be taken into consideration in the selection and arrangement of the differnet kinds of plants if the handsomest effects are to be produced. The beginner will avoid disappointments by adhering to simple designs regardless of the amount of space that may be available. Avoid complex designs at least for the first year. Study the flowers you grow each year, add a few new varieties from time to time, and where space will permit try out new ways of arranging the plants, taking advantage of the different colors, using the tallest plants to form the background.

Dark Background Best.

Work out combinations that will give contrast. The blossoms always show up best where they are given a dark background. This fact can be often taken advantage of at planting time by using the shrubbery on the lawn with its dark green foliage as a background to make the blossoms stand out like bright spots of light. The ragged edges of a driveway can be tinted with bright colored annuals. This plan is especially effective where the shrubs do not crowd too close to the border.

In back yards and even on the front lawn there are unsightly objects that may be covered up with some of the twining and climbing varieties. Dingy fences may be covered with vines. There is color, form, and foliage to meet every need and desire in both the summer and autumn annuals.

The grower does not need to be familiar with the botanist's technical phrases and clauses of the anthers, pistils, and stamens to be successful in the growing of annual flowers. The best way is to start by using a carefully assorted variety of common annuals that has been thoroughly tested. The old-fashioned varieties that have been grown in the community for years give satisfaction to the beginner and encourage him to dig up the flower bed and plant new seed every year.

ASTER—Tomorrow is the day to plant asters. Sow seed or set out aster plants now and you will have rich blossoms of white or shades of red and purple in August and September after the midsummer blooms are gone.

Recent Rain Big Benefit To Farmers of Holt County

A general rain of great benefit to small grain, hay and pastures fell in Holt county early last week, the fall being the lightest around O'Neill, the county seat. The comparatively dry spring in that section has enabled the farmers and ranchers in the southern part of the county to do much plowing that ordinarily cannot be done until late in the month. The recent rain is said to have put the ground in excellent condition for corn planting.

Highways of Nebraska Reported in Good Shape

The last general bulletin on road construction indicates that despite unfavorable weather and considerable rain last week, the general condition of main traveled roads in Nebraska is excellent. Much dragging and other work has been done.

Both the O. L. D. and Lincoln Highway are reported in good shape, and with very few exceptions this is a general condition in practically every part of the state.

Great Men of France Are All Teetotalers

Paris, May 21.—The greatest men in France are teetotalers, according to G. Petit, for 30 years barman in the French senate.

"Clemenceau drinks mineral water and eats health cakes," Petit said when he retired in April. "Poincare drinks syrup and water and eats an occasional sandwich. Briand prefers a refreshing milk drink of my own invention. Most of the other senators, including Vivana, drink vichy water."

Man Takes Gun, Knife and Poison to See His Ex-Wife

Paris, May 21.—"I regretted my divorce more bitterly than I regretted my marriage," Pierre Peguy told the police after his arrest for attempting to break into his former wife's home in the Rue Labat, Paris, where she was living with her second husband.

Peguy carried two revolvers, a dagger and a bottle of poison in his pockets.

Use Bee Want Ads for Results.

Nebraska Farm Notes

Plans are being made in Lancaster county to call together all retired farmers of Lincoln and suburbs, with the idea of forming a club that will meet at least once a month and discuss some of the big subjects related to agriculture.

The manager of the Hamilton county shipping association has just announced that he expects to be prepared to handle cream on or before June first, as soon as he can get into his new office and have machinery installed. Poultry will also be handled next month. Last week 38 cases of eggs were shipped out, as well as six cars of live stock.

A simple poultry culling demonstration conducted in Platte county by the farm bureau, resulted in one farm making more profit from the poultry yard than the cornfield. The total receipts from this flock were $502 and the total expense was $89. This left a profit of $413. As a result of this one demonstration, 28 per cent of the township, or 20 people, have started feeding laying rations to their hens. It is thought that the one demonstration will mean more than $5,000 to the county this year.

At a meeting of Kanred wheat growers of Webster county recently, P. H. Stewart, agronomy specialist, explained the method of inspection and certification for this year and stated that Webster county ranked first in the production of Kenred wheat. Over 8,000 acres have been planted this year and practically all has been seeded with certified seed. The field crops committee appointed in the county consists of Robert Reiher, Red Cloud; Frank Sutton, Inavale; and L. B. Kral, Bladen.

C. H. Gustafson, president of the United States Grain Growers', Inc., visited Lincoln last week end following a trip into Kansas where he addressed farmers meetings at Emporia, Newton, Wichita, Hutchinson, Larned, Manhattan, and Clay Center. The meetings were held under the auspices of the Kansas Farm Bureau.

In reply to a question raised by the legal service department of the state Farm Bureau federation, the state tax commissioner has told the county boards he feels that the personal property return should be published in local newspapers. Where such a statement has been published, assessors report that it has forced upon the assessment books, personal property which would not otherwise have been returned.

Protests from sugar beet growers in western Nebraska, Wyoming and Colorado have been raised, objecting to a limitation of immigration that does not provide for Mexican agricultural labor to work temporarily upon the farms.

Steps have been taken in Hamilton county, to pool the 1921 clip of wool. All of the last year's pool has been sold with the exception of the three-eieghts and three-fourths blood. The prices secured were as follows: Fine and medium clothing, 27 1-2 cents; 1-2 blood clothing, 27 cents; tags, 5 1-2 cents; dead wool, 15 cents; fine seedy, 17 cents to 18 cents; medium black, 10 1-2 cents to 17 1-2 cents; 1-2 blood staple, 29 cents.

After carefully considering the national grain marketing plan, as embodied in the articles of incorporation and by-laws of the United States Grain Growers, Inc., the members of the board of directors of the Farmers' Union of Nebraska, have voiced their approval of the plan and have urged all union members to give it their support. The Farmers' Union in Nebraska had 40,000 members and many of its state officers are assisting in promoting this new grain marketing plan.

Berlin Has Special Police To Prevent Servant Thefts

Berlin, May 21.—Stealing by male and female thieves working in the guise of house servants has reached such tremendous proportions in Germany, and especially in Berlin, that a special department has been organized in police headquarters with a special staff of detectives to combat that form of crime.

Farm Bureau Starts Paper.

The Polk county farm bureau has started publication of a monthly paper, of which the second number has just been issued. It is a three-column, four-page paper, filled with matter relative to the farm bureau work in the county and state. W. F. Crozier is the editor and C. B. Barber manager.

Appeal Liquor Case

Beatrice, Neb., May 22.—(Special Telegram.)—Wesley Day, Pickrell farmer, was fined $100 for having liquor in his possession, and Clarence Knox of this city $50 and costs for being intoxicated. Both cases were appealed to the district court.

Lack of Employment In Large Cities is Driving Men to Farms

Lack of work in the large cities is driving the army of idle men back to the farms, according to an investigation recently conducted in several of the large industrial centers of the country. The farmer who found it difficult to obtain help a year ago, when he offered the record wages of from 75 to 80 cents an hour, can select his hired help this year from a large number of applicants whom the employment offices promise from 30 to 50 cents an hour, and in many cases, even less than these figures.

One large employment bureau in Chicago reports more than 2,500 applicants for farm work last month. From half a dozen middle western states in the wheat belt calls for about 1,800 farm hands were received, and nearly 1,400 men were placed by the bureau before the vacancies were filled through other agencies.

Wheat Men Pool 40,000,000 Bushels

Approximately 40,000,000 bushels of wheat in four northwestern states—Montana, Idaho, Washington and Oregon—have been pooled, to be sold by the United States Grain Growers, Inc., this year, according to a statement by U. L. Burdick, president of the North Dakota Farm Bureau federation, and a director in the new corporation. Mr. Burdick recently returned from a trip through the four states mentioned, in company with J. R. Howard, president of the American Farm Bureau federation.

Members of the Northwest Wheat Growers association recently decided to join the United States Grain Growers.

Masons Elect Officerles

Red Cloud, Neb., May 22.—(Special Telegram.)—Charity Lodge A. F. & A. M. elected officers as follows: Master, Howard S. Foe; senior warden, W. D. Edson; junior warden, Floyd G. Turnure; treasurer, E. L. Grimes; secretary, B. F. Perry.

Doane College.

Commencement at Doane this year will be earlier than usual. The president's reception to the seniors will be June 4. Preceding this will be a piano recital at the conservatory of music by Misses Helen Reed of Redwood City, Cal.; Marian E. Sheldon, Beatrice, and Mildred Cass, Ravenna.

June 5, the baccalaureate address will be given by President Bennett at the First Congregational church. June 6 the first part of the commencement exercises will be given in a class day program, the honor "D" dinner, the junior class play, and the commencement concert when a large chorus of 100 voices will present "Elijah," under the leadership of Professor G. H. Alier.

June 7 will be the usual breakfasts of the women's societies and the alumni chapel, business meeting and picnic dinner. In the afternoon stunts by freshmen and sophomore classes, the oratorical contest and the annual meetings of the men's societies and the general reception to guests and citizens of Crete. June 8, the second part of the commencement exercises will be given with the granting of degrees, honors and prizes. The program will end with the alumni dinner.

The college has just received two beautiful pictures, one an oil painting, the other in pastels, from Miss Caroline Hansell of Hartford, Conn.

A. E. Brown and M. M. Holcomb entertained the members of Delta Kappa Pi at a banquet Wednesday evening.

The men's societies held their annual spring informal parties up the Blue river Friday and Saturday evenings.

Tuesday afternoon the college enjoyed its annual May picnic up the river. The day was superb, and canoeing and water sports were indulged in, followed by base ball and a track meet for all.

Miss Helen Sherrerd of Wood River was presented in a junior voice recital Wednesday night by Professor G. H. Aller.

The class in radio has been given the usual tests and will be recommended for the operator's license.

The active members as well as several alumni members of Omega Psi Theta spent the week-end camping up the Blue.

Chadron Normal.

A large and enthusiastic audience greeted the students in the Chadron-Wayne declamatory contest here last Friday evening, when four winners in the preliminaries held at each normal appeared to represent their schools. The winning oration was "The Call of Today," by Miss Mae Morey of Chadron. First place also was won by Chadron in the declamation by Miss Blanche Blair. Verden Drummond very ably took the affirmative in the debate.

The classes in the sewing department gave a combined display of their semester's work Friday.

The cookery classes of the home economics department are serving luncheons and dinners as the culmination of the semester's work.

Baccalaureate service was held Sunday, Rev. E. N. Tompkins of the Trinity M. E. church of Lincoln delivered the sermon.

Commencement exercises will be held Friday. C. F. Reavis, congressman, First Nebraska district, will deliver the commencement address.

Kearney Teachers' College.

The senior college dinner was held in the gymnasium Saturday. President and Mrs. Martin and Dean Lula E. Wirt were the guests of honor.

The Y. W. C. A. has purchased a $900 piano for the girls' rest room. It is in harmony with the other furnishings of the room.

Six state records were broken in the annual high school track meet on the college athletic field last Saturday. North Platte won the highest awards.

The Catholic club held a picnic breakfast last Sunday morning, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Patterson.

In the extemporaneous speaking contest last Friday night the first place was won by Miss Laura Bancroft of Grand Island, the second place by Claude Weirner of Kearney, and the third by Marvin Shaffer of Cotner university. The judges were Professor Ralph T. Bishop, Colorado State Teachers college, and Dr. Frederick B. Knight of the University of Iowa.

Union Formed by Makers of Shoes In East and West

Alliance of New England and St. Louis Manufacturers Indicates Return of Prosperity.

By HOLLAN.

William Claflin, having learned the trade of shoemaker and having mastered as an apprentice the operation of the first shoe manufacturing machinery which was installed in Massachusetts, was persuaded that if he went to St. Louis and there established a shoe manufacturing industry, the first of that kind in that city, his success would be assured. Claflin's father was a shoemaker and tanner in the Boston district. He was a man of progress and was courageous enough to abandon his tanning vats and put in place of them machinery for the manufacturing of shoes. His son labored from early morning until darkness came in the shoe factory.

He made choice of St. Louis, as he long afterwards said, because of its situation on the Mississippi river and because of the certainty that it would become the chief center of trade carried on with the rapidly developing southwest. He was successful in this venture. It caused him to be recognized as a leader who had courage. His business increased so that at last the sales aggregated $2,000,000 a year.

Returns to Massachusetts.

He returned to Massachusetts, leaving competent associates for the management of the St. Louis industry. He again became a shoe manufacturer in New England and gained wealth and recognition for his ability as a public servant. Massachusetts elected him governor and afterwards he represented one of the Massachusetts districts in congress.

St. Louis, following the example set by William Claflin, became conspicuous for the manufacturing and marketing of shoes throughout the west. New England gained command of the markets in the east and these two sections dominated not only the domestic markets, but also entered foreign markets, for American-made shoes gained popularity in other parts of the world.

East and West.

Following he example set by Claflin in St. Louis a very large shoe manufacturing corporation was established there, whose output today is 70,000 pairs of shoes each day. In the east another corporation, the largest of its kind east of the Alleghanies, is manufacturing 40,000 pairs of shoes a day. A day or two ago announcement was publicly made of the union of the St. Louis corporation with the New Engand corporation. By this union the combined sales each year reach $130,000,000. Seventy-five years have passed since William Claflin gave the initiative to the shoe manufacturing industry in the west. Today the largest representative of the St. Louis industry and the largest representative of the New England industry have been brought together and there is some sentimental suggestion associated with this action because of the relation of William Claflin to it.

Great Object Lesson.

As this combination has been perfected with resorting to the customary method of seeking public aid in financing it and as nobody will be asked to buy any stock, it is possible to give consideration to this combination from the point of view of its relation to national industry. First of all it is made at a time when some of the industries are lagging, complaining of depression. Yet it would not have been made at this time were there not confidence in the return of prosperity. It is the largest merger or combination in industry that has taken place in a long time.

This combined industry is not to be a retailer of shoes. It is to confine its work entirely to manufacturing. The jobbers, of whom there are many, some of them called very skillful in trade, will pass the shoes along to the retailers. The policy which this combination will adopt is based, first upon the view that the greater of the number of shoes that are made the greater the reduction in cost for each pair of shoes and of this the consumers will take advantage.

Quantity Production.

This new combination believes that the greater number of shoes manufactured, the greater the reduction in cost to the consumer. That is only another way describing efficient production. The corporation also believes that there should be no relaxing of the purpose to make shoes better and better while at the same time there is no increase in cost but instead reduction.

The combination has $40,000,000 of assets and is therefore independent of any financing. The policy which it will adopt will serve as an object lesson for other industries. It is the policy of the United States Steel corporation and in fact has been adopted by nearly all the modern industries that are successful. It involves the greatest possible production, the constant reduction of the cost of production, and the payment of reasonable wages, for in that way the output of American industry can, in spite of foreign competition, command the domestic markets as well as maintain and increase the markets in other parts of the world.

Military Moves of Leading Nations of World Attacked

Philadelphia, May 21.—An attack upon the military aspirations of the leading nations of the world and a strong demand for reduction of armaments were made today and tonight by one democratic United States senator and three republican representatives who spoke before the 25th annual meeting of the American academy of political and social science. They differed only in the methods they advocated to bring about disarmament.

Continuous Light Service Is Assured for Liberty

Liberty, Neb., May 22.—(Special.)—Twenty-four-hour light service here has been assured by the action of a mass meeting at which $5,000 of bonds was purchased from the Beatrice Power company, with current to be supplied from the Barnston dam. Citizens are to build their own transmission line which will cost approximately $6,000.

Agricultural Ad Man Accepts New Position

W. F. THERKILDSON

W. F. Therkildsen has resigned from N. W. Ayer & Son, Philadelphia, to accept the vice presidency of the Critchfield Advertising Agency, Chicago. He is generally accepted as one of the most experienced and competent agricultural advertising men in the country. For a number of years he had charge of the agricultural division of the Ayer agency and before that was general manager of the Burpee seed house of Philadelphia.

Hastings Graduates Present Class Play

Hastings, Neb., May 22.—(Special.)—The graduating class of the immaculate conception normal here presented the four-act historical drama, "From Darkness to Light."

The cast of characters included:
Josephine, queen of France..Thelma Talty
Terese, daughter of King Louis.....Olive Elbert
Celine, daughter of King Louis.....Frances Hess
Adele, daughter of Eugene.....Katherine Delaney
Jeannette, royal princess.....Violet Deere
Annette, royal princess.Carolyn Ladenburg
Marguerite, royal princess.Hazel Chambers
Camille, companion to the queen.....Josephine Foxen
Benedicta, abbess at Amiens.....Frances Foxen
Sister Pauline, nun at Amiens.Alice Straub
Sister Tdeodore, nun at Amiens.....Lauretta Melvin
Madeline, lady of nobility....Regina Siren
Rosamonde (afterwards Lucille), Madeline's daughter.....Rosella Gibbons
Katherine, pagan woman....Rith Finnerty
Isabelle, pagan woman....Lucille Peterson
Irene, pagan woman.....Marie Wynn
Carolyn, pagan woman....Martha Emery
Maria, pagan woman...Bernice McCartney
Lucia, pagan woman.....Vera Ryan
Loraine, pagan woman.....Helen Clancy
Ethel, pagan girl.....Myrle La Brie
Louise, pagan girl.....Winifred Quinn
Elva, pagan girl.....Leda Choquette
Emma, pagan girl.....Bessie Eckhout
Suzanne, pagan girl.....Nora Shanahan
Helen, pagan girl.....Mary Bohrer
Hoody-Hoody, witch.....Calista Fletcher
Beth, queen of the Fairies...Alice Enright
Fairies — Kathleen Trant, Winifred Quinn, Frances Hess, Myrle La Brie, Rosella Gibbons.
Nymphs—Helen Curry, Ruth Pierce, Rosalia Huston, Aloysius Kroutwick, Carrie Becker.

Summer Session for McPhail Music School Opens June 20

The summer session of the McPhail School of Music at Minneapolis will open June 20 and will continue until July 30. Free scholarships will be awarded at this time to courses under the direction of Glenn Dillard Gunn and Harrison Wall Johnson, piano; Frederick Southwick and Herbert Linscott vocalists; Leon Sametini, violinist; Hamlin Hunt, organist; John Seaman Garns, teacher of expression and dramatic art.

Contestants may sing or play from memory at their option and will be judged entirely on their ability. Examinations will be held June 18.

Midland College.

The high standard of dramatics that Midland has always maintained was further exemplified on last Friday and Tuesday evening in Hooper and West Point. The Wynn Literary society very successfully presented the play, "Passing of the Third Floor Back," for the second and third time during the season. Due to the splendid moral of the play, it was exceptionally well received by the two audiences. The character work done by the entire cast deserves notable credit and Midland may well be proud of her capability in dramatics.

The expression department under the direction of Prof. Ernest R. Misner gave a recital on Thursday. Much talent and skill was shown in each number of the program.

Prof. C. A. Nicholas presented Miss Lena Ellenberger in a voice recital Wednesday. Miss Ellenberger appeares for her first time and has a beautiful, rich contralto voice. She rendered three groups of songs. Miss Edna Hopkins, violin soloist, and Miss Vivian Unthank, a soprano, assisted Miss Ellenberger in the recital. Misses Lillian Hansen, Mary Rangeler and Elizabeth Klotsche acted as accompanists.

A group of four Midlanders will make a tour of the state during the next week. The party consisting of Prof. E. R. Misner, head of expression department; Miss Edna Hopkins, head of violin department; Miss Florence Mixon, cornetist and pianist, and Miss Esther Aue, vocalist, will appear at the high schools at Hooper, Oakland, Lyons, West Point, Wisner, Emerson, Allen and Dakota City.

President and Mrs. Stauffer of Midland entertained the faculties of Midland and Fremont high school, Fremont graduates now at Midland and the graduating class of Fremont high school. The party was for the purpose of the guests becoming acquainted and the plans were well fulfilled.

China Called Land of Opportunity to Youths

Portland, Ore., May 14.—"Go to China, young man!"

This, in effect, is the advice of Robert A. Ritchie, representative of the Canadian Steel corporation, who has returned from a three years' business tour in the Orient.

"China offers more opportunities for a live young man than any other country I know of," he said. "There are countless numbers of commodities now scarcely known in the Far East that will in time offer themselves as the basis of profitable trade. The possibilities of China have not been scratched and I predict that not in our lifetime will we see the country developed to even a small fraction of its producing capabilities."

Ritchie told of the horror of the famine among the natives of the interior and stated it was far worse than anyone who had not seen it could imagine.

Heir to British Title Doesn't Care Snap for It

Detroit, May 21.—A seat in the House of Lords and a fortune estimated at $1,250,000 await Francis B. Courtney, head of the foundry planning department of the Cadillac Motor Car company, when he arrives in England. Courtney, who has booked passage to England by way of Montreal, says he doesn't care a snap for the title of baron and intends to return to the United States just as soon as the estate can be settled.

Death of an uncle whose two sons were killed in the world war made Courtney the heir to the estate and position.

A local trust company found him here.

Courtney could assume the title of baron and control the lands of Chiselhurst. He said just before leaving, however, that he would never adopt the title.

"I was contented before this great fortune came to me," he said, "and I am coming back to my country for my heart is here."

Fountain of Youth Really Ice, Says French Doctor

Paris, May 21.—Dr. Voronoff, of monkey gland fame, will have to find something new if he wants to put one over on Professor Gaston Dauville, a well-known French biologist, who also has found a way of prolonging life, but without operating on patients.

Whereas Dr. Voronoff claims he can rejuvenate old men, Professor Dauville claims he can prevent persons of both sexes from becoming old. He merely advises everybody to allow themselves to be packed in ice for a given period and says that this process tends to prevent the tissues of the body from degenerating and states that as long as the tissues remain vigorous life is possible.

Catholic Party Leader Attacks German Cabinet

Mathias Erzberger Says Simons Organization Most Expensive in World—Danger Of Losing Upper Silesia

By GEORGE SELDES.

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Berlin, May 22.—Mathias Erzberger, leader of the catholic party and former minister of finance, who is touring Baden in the interest of securing disarmament, in an interview given the Tribune correspondent, violently attacked the Simon's cabinet, saying it was the most expensive one in the world. He also alleged that France aims to separate upper Silesia from Germany as the surest means of breaking up the German confederation.

"Our 10 month's luxury," said Dr. Erzberger, "cost the nation $12,500,000,000 or 700,000,000,000 in paper marks. Not only financially, but politically, it is the most expensive cabinet we have ever had. The cabinet's attitude on Poland resulted in the Knox peace resolution delay. The United States is now in the ranks of the entente with both feet.

"The upper Silesian uprising was timed to coincide with the French occupation of the Ruhr basin. Occupation of the Ruhr was prevented; the French couldn't and wouldn't halt the Polish insurrection because they wanted to show Germany how many irons they had in the fire. Despite a satisfactory majority in the plebiscite, we are in danger of losing upper Silesia. The loss of Silesia would certainly be the beginning of the dismemberment of Germany. Bavaria already is in open rebellion against the national government."

Free-for-All Campus Fight At Harvard Goes Under Ban

Cambridge, Mass., May 21.—Harvard heads have put the ban on the annual free-for-all fight between the seniors and freshmen on the steps of Widener Library, and on the equally celebrated senior picnic down the harbor.

This action was taken because a year ago blood-curdling motion pictures of the fray were obtained and came to the notice of some of the university dons.

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