

### Nebraska Leads In Numbers of Pure Bred Stock

#### State Jumps to Top in Campaign for Better Live Stock Conducted by Department of Agriculture.

Nebraska now ranks first in the number of live stock enrolled in the purebred sires campaign being conducted jointly by the department of agriculture and the state agriculture extension service. Nebraska has a total of 32,118 head of animals and 64,461 head of poultry enrolled. Virginia, which until recently led all states, has an enrollment of 31,765 head of stock and 64,013 head of poultry. Virginia still leads in the number of persons enrolled, but Nebraska farmers own more stock per individual than the easterners.

In commenting on the progress of the campaign in Nebraska, the department of agriculture sent the following letter to the agricultural extension service:

"We recently received from you 75 Webster county applications for the better-sires campaign. In this connection you may be interested in the following statement which was prepared a few days ago and which does not include the blanks just received. We desire to congratulate you and your extension workers and county extension agents on the excellent showing which Nebraska has made during the last few months."

"During the first two weeks of May, Nebraska nosed Virginia from first place, which it has held for more than a year in the federal-state campaign for live stock improvement. But with 74 additional persons recently pledging themselves to use only purebred sires for all classes of live stock, Nebraska swelled its total of animals enrolled to 32,118. This figure, which is 350 more than the total for Virginia, represents purebred sires and also females that are being bred to purebred sires."

"Virginia, however, continues to lead all states in the number of persons pledged to use only purebred sires. The number of such persons in Virginia is 1,130 as compared with 554 in Nebraska, but more animals per farm are kept in Nebraska, this accounting for the larger enrollment of live stock."

### Farm Crops Below Pre-War Average

#### Prices of Six Leading Articles of Produce Show Big Slump on May 1.

The prices of six of the important crops on May 1 of this year are below the pre-war average prices for that date, according to figures collected by the Bureau of Crop Estimates, United States Department of Agriculture.

These crops are corn, oats, barley, flax, potatoes, and cotton. The report showed that the prices of the three grains—wheat, rye and buckwheat—were above the pre-war average prices. During April the average price of wheat declined from \$1.50 to \$1.23 per bushel.

The report shows that in general the industrial crops, such as flax, cotton and broom corn, are the most depressed in price, and that food crops, such as wheat, rye, potatoes, and apples, show relatively less decline.

### Value of Soy Bean Crop Tested in Gage County

Demonstrations of the value of soy beans are being conducted by County Agent Boyd Rist on eight Gage county farms this year. The plan is to plant the beans with the corn and when both crops mature, turn hogs into them, the process being commonly known as "hogging down." In this way the corn is harvested without expense, and the hogs receive a well-balanced ration at a minimum cost.

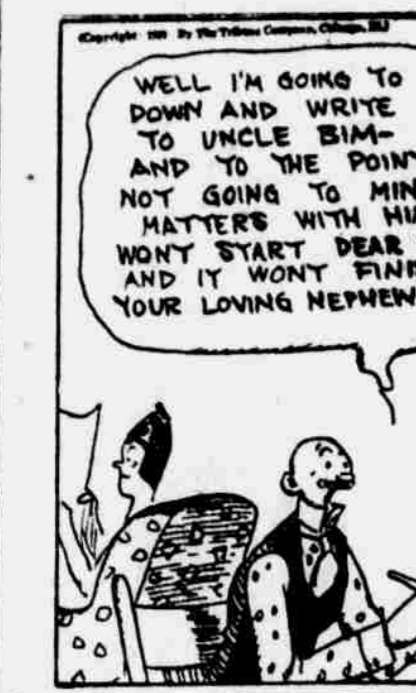
### Do You Know the Bible?

(Cover up the answers, read the questions and see if you can answer them. Then look at the answers to see if you are right.)

Follow These Questions and Answers As Arranged by J. WILLSON ROY.

- 1. By what act did Pilate signify his refusal to condemn Jesus? To what religious sect did Paul belong before his conversion? 3. At what place did Paul upbraid Peter for his conduct? 4. Where in the Bible is Abraham referred to as the friend of God? 5. How old was Joseph when he died? 6. What was Joseph's dying command to the children of Israel? Answers: 1. He took water and washed his hands before the multitude. See Matthew, xxvii, 24. 2. He was a Pharisee. See Philippians iii, 5. 3. At Antioch. See Galatians ii, 11-21. 4. II Chronicles, xx, 7; Isaiah, xli, 8. 5. One hundred and ten years. See Genesis, i, 26. 6. That his bones be carried away from Egypt. Copyright, 1921, Wheeler Syndicate, Inc.

### THE GUMPS---



### OLD INDEPENDENCE AGAIN

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### Common Sense

By J. J. MUNDT. Home and Sleep. Whether they say so or not, some women resent the fact that their husbands fall asleep so easily once they are home. They gain the impression that the men do not enjoy their homes, that all the interest they have in the home is a place to sleep and eat. Quite the reverse is true. Business conditions are such today that all the thought and all the strength and all the energy of a man is required to keep his head above water in the world where a living is earned. Consequently the man comes home exhausted, and the fact that he can peacefully sleep is appreciated by him more than anything else for the time being. And if he cannot rest and sleep in his own home, where shall he? Better be glad that your husband comes home to sleep, for it shows home has an element of rest for him. But all this is quite different from the man who gets out to have a good time just as soon as he does get rested. Copyright, 1921, International Feature Service, Inc.

### Nebraska College Tops Market With Hereford Steers

#### Thirty Head, on Feed 200 Days, Bring Fancy Price At the Omaha Yards.

The state college of agriculture recently topped the Omaha market with 30 head of high-grade Hereford steers which had been fed 200 days in an experiment to determine the effect of age on the rate and economy of gain. The experiment was supposed to have closed six weeks ago, but upon request of a number of farmers attending the annual spring meeting of stock feeders, the animals were continued on feed until May 24.

The experiment contained three lots of 10 head each of 2-year-olds, yearlings and calves. The results at the time of the feeders' meeting, after the animals had been fed 160 days, showed the calves to be the most economical gainers. Feeding 40 days longer made no material change in the results, although the calves did not gain as well as had been expected and the older cattle gained better than was expected during the added period.

While the calves did not add as much total weight as the older steers, they consumed but little more than three-fourths as much feed and lost the state but 59 cents a head, while the yearlings lost \$5.07 a head and the 2-year-olds, \$15.36 a head. The calves gained as much from 77.5 pounds of feed as did the yearlings from 86 pounds and the 2-year-olds from 100 pounds.

The calves were also the most consistent gainers for the 200 days, averaging 2 pounds a day, 205 pounds for the first 100 days and 95 pounds for the latter 100 days. The yearlings, on the other hand, gained only 9 per cent as much during the second half of the feeding period as they did the first half, while the 2-year-olds only added 67 per cent as much.

When marketed the 2-year-olds weighed an average of 1,187 pounds, the yearlings 967 pounds and the calves 774 pounds. The 2-year-olds brought \$8.60 per hundred, the yearlings \$8.85 and the calves \$8.60. To have not lost money the prices should have been \$9.90 for the 2-year-olds, \$9.35 for the yearlings and \$8.68 for the calves. The steers cost the state \$9 a hundred when they were put in the feed lots last fall.

### Sales of Horses Increase in East

#### Stronger Demand Noted in Boston and New York City.

Reports from Boston and New York to the Horse Association of America, with headquarters in Chicago, show that the sales of horses in the 11 northeastern states—Pennsylvania, Maryland and states east and north—are outstanding exceptions to the general trend of sales in other lines.

J. C. Keith of Boston reports his sales of horses for January through April to be over 5,000 head, as against approximately 4,000 head in 1920 for the same months. This represents a gain of 25 per cent. He says that dealers throughout New England have a brisk demand for good work horses and that sales are considerably increased. F. S. Doer and Carroll of New York report: "Our records show that for the first five months of this year we sold 14,239 horses, as against 11,605 in the same period of last year. Business is gaining. From comments of buyers we are confident of a steadily increasing demand for good wagon horses and those suitable for general delivery work. Demand for drafters will increase as soon as business conditions pick up. At present cartage men are not using their full equipment."

These figures show a gain of over 22 per cent. Dealers at other eastern points report greater sales than last year and many men who have not bought horses for six or eight years are buying now.

### Where It Started

Ship's Time. "Two bells," "three bells," "four bells," etc., originated as the method of telling time aboard ship, on account of the 24 hours being divided into six watches of four hours each, thus having someone awake all the time. The passage of time was of no importance except to the watch on deck; so the bell was struck to show how many half-hours had passed. Thus "seven bells" would mean that seven half-hours had elapsed; thus might mean 3:30, 1:30 or 7:30. Copyright, 1921, Wheeler Syndicate, Inc.

### More Truth Than Poetry

By JAMES J. MONTAGUE



### THE SOLACE OF OLD AGE

A pickpocket of 87, recently arrested in New York, was said to be as skillful as the youngest man in the business. Though picking pockets is a trade, the animal folk discountenance. Though very seldom it is made. The theme of popular romance. And though it yields but little gold, it has a few good points at that. For instance, when a man grows old, it doesn't ever leave him flat. The base ball player's arm goes bad. When he is, well, say 32; The skill and cunning that he had. Departs abruptly and he's through. The tenor, when his voice has gone. Must needs let all the world forget him; For though he'd like to carry on. His heartless audience won't let him. The lawyer in his dotage finds. That he toward penury must trudge; For clients all want younger minds. To frame their stories to the judge. And even poets must abate. From writing in their autumn-time, For though the aged worn out brain. There sings no tune, there rings no rhyme. More lucky is the hoary "dip." For, though he's spent with years, poor soul! His fingers still can lightly slip. Around some total stranger's roll. I've never practiced this career. I've thought it low, and rather bad. But when I reach my sixtieth year. I sort of think I'll wish I had!



### IN THE INTERESTS OF ECONOMY.

It would save all the fuss and expense of a war between England and France over the Silesian tangle to send Lloyd George and Briand into the ring as one of the prelims of the Dempsey-Carpentier fight.

NATURALLY. To us there seems nothing surprising in the theft of an airplane from Mitchell field. The first thing an intelligent thief thinks of is flight. CHANGE IN CUSTOM. Under the new ruling by Secretary Mellon, doctors as well as lawyers will be admitted to the bar. Copyright, 1921, by The Bell Syndicate, Inc.

### Overseas Nurses Start Co-Operative Farming in Alberta

Four young women from Montreal, all overseas nurses during the war, have gone to Spirit river in the Grand Prairie region of northern Alberta to farm co-operatively. They were spurred to the adventurous enterprise by the success which thousands of former soldiers have made upon the land. Efforts were made to discourage them from pioneering into the new north country, but their answer was that after three years' war experience, pioneering has no terrors for them. Two Misses McLean, Miss Ellis and Miss MacNish comprise the quartet. What they plan to do is file on a homestead of 160 acres each, making a total section, to which will be added another section of free grant land by reason of their overseas service. They will live together and farm their land co-operatively. They propose to do their farm work with their own hands and bring to England, and the name of the venture leaving Edmonton equipped themselves with riding breeches, overalls, boots and other masculine paraphernalia.

### WHY—

Are Men's Sleeping Garments Called "Pajamas"? The law of compensation may or may not have anything to do with it but the fact remains that conquered nations have frequently left the impress of their language upon the tongue spoken by the conquerors; for the troops always pick up native idioms and transplant them phonetically into their own speech. Gradually these terms become second nature, and, upon the return of the regiments to their homes, the words are brought along and gradually seep into everyday use—at first as slang and later as accepted parts of the language. "Pajamas" belongs to this class, for, when the British troops first occupied India, the soldiers noted that the Hindustani were wearing a peculiarly comfortable variety of loose clothing, called in the native tongue "poejama" or "leg covering." The English officers took to wearing these garments during the hours when they were off duty, and it wasn't long before someone discovered that they made an excellent substitute for night-shirts. Before many years had passed, the custom spread to England, and the name of the garments was slightly altered to "pajama," in which form it persists to this day—though American usage has sanctioned the spelling "pajama." Copyright, 1921, Wheeler Syndicate, Inc.

### Dog Hill Paragrafs

By George Bingham

The Deputy Sheriff is expecting to make several arrests as soon as he gets through making his race for reelection. The serial story that has been running in the Tickless Tidings for past two or three years, came to an end this week by the couple marrying. Frisby Hancock is fitting up a covered wagon and is organizing a party for an expedition to the end of the rainbow after the pot of gold that has been there for several years. Copyright, 1921, George Matthew Adams.

### Romance in Origin Of Superstitions

Over the Left. Among children it is common after making a false statement to say "over the left." This is frequently uttered so low a tone that the person addressed can not hear it; but in the child's mind the "over the left" takes away, or neutralizes, the sin of the lie. If the words are uttered so as to be heard the hearer at once knows that the statement just made is not to be taken as a true one. Among adults, too, the words "over the left" are not infrequently added to a statement to convey the idea that it is to be taken in just an opposite sense, for instance they change a laudatory statement into a sarcastic comment. The idea of the power of magical inversion in "over the left" comes entirely from the primitive superstition with regard to right hand and left hand—an idea applied by extension to the right and left of the entire body—which has already been dealt with in this series. The idea, in brief is that as the right hand is the "right" hand to do things with, the left hand consequently the wrong one following it that good resides on the right and evil on left. In former times the words "over the left" were considered much more seriously by adults than they are now and believed capable of changing a blessing into a very potent curse. In 1705, one Bevell Waters, having lost a suit in the court at Hartford, Conn., said to the bench as he left the room: "God bless you all—over the left shoulder." The court took expert testimony upon the remark from the two ministers of the two Hartford churches who declared that Waters had uttered "The words of a curse the most contemptible that can ordinarily be used." Whereupon the culprit was heavily fined. Copyright, 1921, by The McClure Newspaper Syndicate.

### Jewel, Flower, Color Symbols for Today

By MILDRED MARSHALL. Today belongs to youth and romance. Consequently its talismanic gem, the pearl, is a fitting symbol. It is the symbol of purity and amiability, and its wearer is promised many admirers. It is said that those who wear a pearl are the daughters of the gods and will always know happiness. The topaz is the natal gem of those born on an anniversary of this day. It also brings happiness, if worn on the left arm in a setting of gold. The ancients believed that neither financial difficulties nor domestic troubles would distress the wearer of this yellow stone. Today's color is yellow, which is indicative of generosity and broad-mindedness. It is said to bring good luck to those who seek favor or promotion. The mignonette is today's flower.



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Convertible at the holder's option on any interest date prior to June 15, 1931, into common stock of the Company at \$110 a share, which stock, under the present laws, will be exempt from taxation in the State of Massachusetts. Further information in regard to this issue is given in a letter of Mr. L. K. Liggett, president of the United Drug Company, from which we summarize as follows and which we shall be glad to send on request.

BUSINESS: The business was originated in 1902 by forty (40) retail druggists, to manufacture and distribute, under control of trade-marks, medicinal preparations and other articles usually sold in drug stores. They named their stores "The Rexall Stores." The present Corporation, incorporated in 1916, now has approximately eight thousand (8,000) stockholder agents (Rexall Stores) in the United States, and it owns, through subsidiaries, 227 Liggett Drug Stores. The combined sales of the Company and its subsidiaries for the year 1920 were \$68,428,179.42.

PURPOSE OF ISSUE: The Company has now outstanding and maturing on June 15, 1926, \$7,091,000 of Notes which are convertible into 5 1/2-Year, 8% Notes maturing June 15, 1926. The proceeds of the present issue, together with available cash and the liquidation of the inventory, which has already taken place, will enable the Company to provide for the payment of such of the Notes due June 15th as are not converted, and for the payment of the present outstanding bank loans and other notes as they mature. The total authorized issue is \$15,000,000, but will be proportionately reduced by any 5 1/2-year notes taken by the present holders of the notes maturing June 15th.

EARNINGS: Since the Company's incorporation in 1916, the net earnings of itself and its subsidiaries after payment of all taxes, interest due by subsidiaries, dividends on outstanding preferred stocks of subsidiaries, and after deducting all charge-offs, have exceeded the amount of this bond issue. For the past three years the net earnings have averaged, before taxes, \$4,800,125, or more than four times amount of interest requirements of this issue, and after taxes, \$3,894,630, or more than three and one-quarter times.

SINKING FUND: The Company shall annually pay to The Chase National Bank of the City of New York, as Trustee under the Indenture securing the convertible bonds, an amount equal to 5% of the largest amount of the convertible bonds of this issue at any time issued. The Trustee shall apply the money so paid to it for the purchase in the open market of the convertible bonds at or below 115 and interest. Any money not so used shall be invested in securities legal for Savings Banks in Massachusetts or New York until such time as the bonds can be purchased at or below 115.

SECURITY: The bonds will be a direct obligation of the United Drug Company, and together with the 5 1/2-Year Notes herebefore referred to will constitute the sole funded debt of the Company and its subsidiaries, with the exception of certain real estate mortgages aggregating \$1,022,840. The indenture under which the bonds will be issued will provide that—

FIRST: So long as any bonds in this issue are outstanding none of the assets of the United Drug Company or of its subsidiaries (other than the real estate now mortgaged as above stated) shall be mortgaged or pledged, unless the present issue of bonds are equally secured, with the other obligations covered by such mortgage or pledge; provided that the Company and its subsidiaries shall have the right to purchase additional property subject to existing mortgages or may mortgage or pledge any property hereafter acquired other than its quick assets.

SECOND: The Company agrees that the ratio of quick assets to quick liabilities as described in the indenture (and including the present issue of bonds and the 5 1/2-Year Notes) of the Company and its subsidiaries above named, shall be maintained at least 125%. In case such ratio is not maintained no dividend shall be paid on the Common Stock of the Company until it is restored.

EQUITY: The present value of the preferred and common stocks of the United Drug Company outstanding indicates an equity of approximately \$45,000,000 for these convertible bonds. Application will be made to list these bonds on the New York and Boston Stock Exchanges.

We Recommend These Bonds for Investment. Price 100 and accrued interest, yielding 8%. All legal matters will be passed upon by Messrs. Gaston, Snow, Saltonstall & Hunt, of Boston. It is expected that Interim Receipts, exchangeable for Definitive Bonds when prepared, will be ready for delivery on or about June 15, 1921.

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