

QUESTION — A Leighton reader would like to know the market price for goose and duck eggs.

QUESTION — Fay Leslie, 46 Witt Rd., Woodstown, N.J., would like to know if anyone is interested in exchanging old-fashioned seeds and cuttings from their gardens. She loves to save seed for next year's gardens.

QUESTION — Louise Graybeal, Renick, W.V., wants to know where to purchase flaked hominy. She writes that a company called Pleezing used to sell it. She has inquired about this product for years and hasn't been able to find out if it was removed from the market, and, if so, why?

QUESTION — Marian Mosemann, Summit Hill, is looking for a wire jig that can be used for making patterns in any shape and size by bending the wire.

QUESTION — Marian Mosemann, Summit Hill, would like paper puzzles that were sometimes given away by the John Deere tractor franchises. The puzzles were made either out of thin cardboard or thick paper. The puzzle pieces were packaged inside a letter-sized envelope with instructions to solve the puzzle printed on the outside of the envelope.

QUESTION — Marian Mosemann, Summit Hill, would like to know where to purchase gift boxes for jellies and breads. Candy boxes are too small.

QUESTION — Blanche Hertzler, Mt. Wolf, would like to purchase some old readers used in public school in the 1930s. She wants the third through sixth reader of the Baldwin and Bender series, copyrighted 1911 by American Book Company. She has the second reader. One of the readers has the poem "Taming the Colt," which she wants.

QUESTION — Don Woodward, Honey Grove, would like to know where a corn cracker can be repaired and where he can purchase a small one.

QUESTION — Cindy Eshleman, Jonestown, would like to know where to locate a Cub Cadet tractor hat.

QUESTION — John T. Los, 2350 Croll School Rd., York, PA 17403, would like to talk with someone about the lithographs with the following information on them: Artist signature — Fred S. Cozzens 1893. Armstrong & Co. Lith. Boston. Copyright 1893 American Publishing Co. — Hartford, Conn.

QUESTION — Edgar Jackson, Ligonier, would like to know how to puff wheat, rice, and corn for making cereal.

ANSWER — For J. Martin, Lititz, who wanted a baler to make miniature bales, L. Brubaker writes that he will make a baler to make the size bales that you want. Write to him at 1646 Ligalaw Rd., East Earl, PA 17519 or call (717) 445-4786.

ANSWER — Shelby Hawkes, Monrovia, Md., wanted the complete poem, "You know you are getting older when..." for an upcoming 40th class reunion. Thanks to Betty Hunt, Swedesboro, N.J.; Rhoda Martin, Myerstown; and others for sending the following poems. Rhoda Martin has some more poems in her files. If you want copies, write to her at 845 E. Kercher Ave., Myerstown, PA 17067.

How To Know You Are Growing Old

Everything hurts, and what doesn't hurt doesn't work.
The gleam in your eye is from the sun hitting your bifocals.
You feel like the morning after and you haven't been anywhere.
Your little black book contains only names ending in M.D.
You get winded playing cards.
You join a health club and don't go.
You know all the answers, but nobody asks you the questions.
You look forward to a dull evening.
You need glasses to find your glasses.
You turn out the lights for economic reasons rather than romantic ones.
You sit in a rocking chair and can't get it going.
Your knees buckle but your belt won't.
Your back goes out more than you do.
You have too much room in the house and not enough in the medicine chest.
You sink your teeth in a steak and they stay there.
YOU WONDER WHY MORE PEOPLE DON'T USE THIS SIZE PRINT.

MY GET UP AND GO

How do I know my youth is all spent?
Well, my get-up-and-go just got up and went,
But in spite of it all, I'm able to grin,
When I think of where my get-up has been.

Old age is golden, so I've heard it said,
But sometimes I wonder as I get into bed,
With my ears in a drawer, my teeth in a cup,
My eyes on the table until I wake up.

Ere sleep dims my eyes — I say to myself,
"Is there anything else should have laid on the shelf?"
But I am happy to say as I close my door,
My friends are the same, perhaps even more.

When I was young, my slippers were red,
And I could kick my heels right over my head;
When I grew older, my slippers were blue,
And I could dance the whole night through.

Now, I am old, my slippers are black;
I walk to the corner and then I walk back.
The reason I know my youth is all spent,
Is my get-up-and-go just got up and went.

But I really don't mind when I think with a grin
Of all the places my get-up has been.
Since I've retired from life's competition, I busy myself with
complete repetition.

I get up each morning, dust off my wits,
Pick up the paper and read the obits,
If my name is missing, I know I'm not dead,
So I eat a good breakfast and go back to bed.
Mrs. Helen Mary Beavers

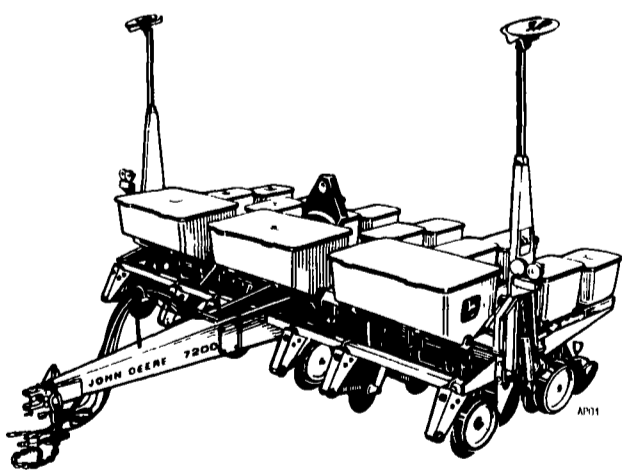
ANSWER — Vernon Bryant wanted a formula for old-fashioned whitewash or a new one that will last and look really good. Thanks to M.V. Runklers III, Parkton, Md., who writes that he has log and stone outbuildings that he whitewashes on a regular basis. He uses autoclaved lime (the lime that plasterers use for the the white coat) as it has less stones and other impurities in it. He mixes it with milk instead of water. He puts it on with a 4 or 5 inch horsehair brush and finds that two thin coats lasts longer than one thick coat.

Thanks also to Carol Pretz, Middleburg, who found this whitewash in a very old book, which stated that it makes very good whitewash that is permanent: 1/2 bushel lime soaked with boiling skim milk, 3 quarts salt.

For inside walls, dissolve one pound white glue in water.



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