

Democratic Watchman

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WHAT ARE WE HERE FOR?

What are we here for, you and I,
As the long and wonderful days go by?
Each one stretching to us a hand,
Filled with privilege high and grand;
Born of a meaning our lives must be,
God has His purpose in you and me.
We are here to sing of hope and cheer,
When the skies are dark and the way
seems drear;
We are here to be faithful and strong and true
To the work that lies to our hands to do;
To make for all that is noble and good,
And be true to the bonds of our brother-
hood.
This are we here for, you and I,
As the long and wonderful days go by;
Welcome then gladly for each one brings
The duty and beauty of common things;
And, as they unfold, shall unfolded be
God's own purpose in you and me.
—L. M. Montgomery.

NEW PURE SEED LAW.

Pennsylvania now has on its statute books what Secretary of Agriculture Fred Rasmussen has characterized as the finest pure seed law of any State in the union. The law was drawn and presented to the Legislature by the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture, was passed by the law-makers and approved by Governor William C. Sproul on April 26th. Under its provisions the farmers of Pennsylvania are absolutely protected in the purchase of seed, while unscrupulous seed houses that for years have been dumping refuse labeled "pure seed" in this State will be forced to find markets elsewhere.

All seed sold in this State after July 1st will have to be labeled, showing the exact contents, while no seed may be sold containing noxious weed seed. Briefly, the provisions of the new pure seed law, which is the first of its kind ever enacted in this State, follows:

"The law does not try to establish grades for seed, but aims to have the seed labeled so that the essential information about it will be clearly shown and the buyer can then use his judgment.

"It requires information to be supplied on the following points: Common name, per cent. of pure seed, per cent. of weed seed, the name and number per ounce of noxious weeds, the percentage of germination, and the seller's name and address.

"Varying requirements on these points are made for agricultural seeds, including vegetable seeds and mixtures of these.

"The intent of the labeling requirement is to see that the buyer always has an opportunity to know just what he is getting, and the label may be attached to the package, bag, box or other container in which it is sold, or fixed on the container for which it is sold.

"Seeds containing dodder and Canada thistle down to even a very small per cent. are prohibited from sale, and the sale of any seed with more than 3 per cent. of weed seeds is also prohibited.

"Provision is made for test of seeds for germination and weed seed content for the public at a small charge (25c. per sample).

"Exceptions to the labeling clauses relate to small amounts of seed, or seed that is to be re-cleaned before being sold for seed purposes.

"The Secretary of Agriculture is empowered to take samples of seed anywhere, to test these for germination and weed seed content and to publish the results of such tests.

"The act also provides for the injunction against the sale of seeds that are a menace to the public on account of excessive weed seed content or of the presence of too large a percentage of noxious weed seeds. A penalty is provided for violation of the act."

Asks All to Wear Poppy.

Support of patriotic organizations throughout the State is being sought by representatives of the American and French Children's League and women's clubs of the State for the movement to wear a poppy on Memorial day, May 30th, in memory of the Americans who lost their lives in the poppy fields of France during the world war.

The American Legion has chosen the poppy as the memorial flower and an American committee of the Children's League, with Major General Leonard Wood as honorary president, is supporting the plan. American Legion posts in various places are supporting the project and other organizations have adopted resolutions favoring the recognition of the poppy as memorial flower. Among these bodies are the G. A. R., the Service Star Legion, Sons of Veterans, and others.

The legion requested that the emblem be not commercialized and the plan of the American and French Children's League embraces the sale of flowers made only by women and children in France. The funds realized are to be used for the relief of children in devastated regions of France.

Keep Two Hens for Each Member of the Family.

The average novice can reasonably expect to get an average of at least 10 dozen eggs per hen per year from his small flock in the back yard. On the basis of two hens to each member of the family this will give twenty dozen eggs a year to each person, which amount is about half way between the average of farm and city consumption. No back-yard poultry keeper should be satisfied with less than this, say poultry specialists of the United States Department of Agriculture. Every back-yard poultry keeper should try to get as much more as possible. To provide an egg a day for each person, two hens would have to lay 183 eggs each a year.

—Last year a typical mile of road in Illinois cost more than \$40,000 to build; this year the average low bid was \$37,500.

FARM NOTES.

—The use of brains on the farm accomplishes more than much muscle idly directed.

—Good seed is just as essential for good crops as a good sire for the production of better animals.

—Some of the enemies to plums are fall webworms, curculio, San Jose scale, blight, etc. The trees should be watched and any appearance of insect pests or disease should be combated.

Nobody has ever been able to stand a vitamin up by itself or a group of them by themselves, so that we could look at them, but it is known that they are present just the same because of the action they have on the human body.

Too much cannot be said in favor of a larger proportion of vegetables in the diet of the American people. The English are considered a nation of meat eaters, but it has been shown that Americans can eat more meat per capita than do the English. A certain amount of meat in the diet is highly desirable, but this should always be balanced by a sufficient quantity of vegetables.

One of the reasons that many people have to a great extent cut vegetables from their diet is that they have been unable to get fresh vegetables and did not relish stale ones. The individual home gardener planted either in the back yard, or a convenient piece of land, not only solves the problem of supplying the family with vegetables at low cost and in abundance, but guarantees their freshness.

—The farmer who keeps what he is pleased to call "average cows" is a little better off than the man who has nothing but poor old scrubs, for the average cow often times pays for her keep, even though she does not make a profit. But why have average cows? The average cow, if properly fed, eats nearly as much as the high producer. It requires care and attention and takes up space in the barn that might just as well be occupied by a better animal. Farm and ranch figure that if the average cow was given the same attention a good producing pure bred should have, it will pay her owner about five cents per hour for his labor. Five cents per hour is rather small wages even for a farmer.

—Some people believe split fence posts last longer than do round ones. Probably as large a number hold the opposite view. The Forest Products Laboratory of the United States Department of Agriculture says that one will last about as long as the other if the percentage of heartwood and sapwood are the same in both. If the percentage of sapwood is increased by splitting, the split post will be less durable, while if the percentage of heartwood is increased it will be more durable than the round one. Exceptions to this should be made if the posts are of spruce, hemlock, or any of the true firs, whose heartwood and sapwood are about equally durable.

If the posts are to be treated with creosote or some other preservative, the round post is preferable to the split, because of the comparative ease with which the sapwood can be treated. Experiments of the laboratory demonstrate that the heartwood faces on split posts do not, as a rule, absorb the preservative as well as does the sapwood.

—Apple growers, finding that a certain standard type of bushel boxes in which they have been shipping their fruit broke in many instances before it reached the market, recently asked the Forest Products Laboratory of the United States Department of Agriculture to investigate the cause of the breakage.

Several of these standard apple boxes packed with fruit as for shipment were tested in the revolving-box drum at the laboratory. Before they had gone a "journey" of average length in the machine most of the boxes had broken open and the drum was dripping cider. On investigation it was found that usually the parts of the box to loosen and give way first were where the four nails were holding an edge. Two more nails were therefore driven into each nailing edge of the remaining boxes. With this simple change the boxes stood just twice as much rough handling.

Inadequate nailing is the chief fault of almost all the boxes examined by the laboratory. A few more nails would save shippers millions of dollars of fruit losses annually.

—The old adage, "an apple a day keeps the doctor away," might quite as well have been a carrot or an onion a day, and probably the result would be about the same as regards reducing the doctor's bill. Vegetables of all kinds are necessary in the diet, but particularly valuable are those available in the spring and summer, say specialists of the United States Department of Agriculture.

Without going into definite figures it may be stated that the food value of vegetables such as beans, peas, potatoes, sweet corn, beets and carrots is very high. When considered from the standpoint of the food value of the crop that may be produced on a given area of land, beans, beets and carrots are ahead of almost any other garden crop. One-tenth acre planted entirely to carrots will yield about a ton, and in energy this would be equal to about 370 pounds of average beef. One-tenth acre of beets would also yield about a ton and be equal to about 350 pounds of average beef. One-tenth acre of Lima beans would yield about 120 pounds of dry beans, equal to about 220 pounds of beef.

As sources of mineral matters and proteins needed by the body, vegetables are much more valuable than many people realize. Also they supply roughage, which is believed to keep the body in good working order. In the course of nature, human beings as well as some animals seem to have so developed that they need a certain amount of roughage which is best supplied by the coarser vegetable foods. During recent years there has been a growing tendency to reduce the roughage in cereals and some other foods, and in order to offset this, an extra effort should be made to supply plenty of vegetables and fruits. In addition, fresh vegetables are among the best sources of what, for lack of a better name, have been called vitamins.

The Soul of Honor.

A Senator asked by a Kansas City reporter why he opposed a certain public utility bill which involved millions of dollars, answered:

"I oppose this thing because I have no confidence in the gang that is behind it.

"Yoy see," he continued, "these fellows don't inspire me with the same trust that a certain witness inspired in

the county court judge, before whom she appeared.
"Your name, madam?" the judge asked this witness.
"Matilda Hawkins, sir; age, forty-six," came the prompt reply.
"Well, really!" exclaimed the judge, and addressing the jury, he added:
"Gentlemen, please take note of that answer, and because of it I will ask you to kindly believe everything Mrs. Hawkins has to say."—Washington Star.

GLYCERINE MIXTURE FOR GAS ON STOMACH

Simple glycerine, buckthorn bark, etc., as mixed in Adler-i-ka relieves ANY CASE gas on stomach or sour stomach. It acts on both upper and lower bowel and removes all foul matter which poisoned stomach. Often CURES constipation. Prevents appendicitis. The INSTANT pleasant action of Adler-i-ka surprises both doctors and patients. One man who suffered

five years from indigestion and constipation was helped by ONE dose Runkle's Drug Store. 66-22

—Orders have been issued that no more American soldiers are to be discharged at Coblenz except for immediate re-enlistment. This was due to the fact that many former American soldiers are now stranded in Europe, where they present an embarrassment to the American officials.

Every Dollar you Spend in Bellefonte will "COME HOME TO BOOST"

The Watchman's Buy-at-Home Campaign

Read these articles with care. They may present something you hadn't thought of before. Patronize the people whose ads appear here. They are your neighbors and will treat you right. The money you spend with them stays in circulation in Bellefonte.

If You Buy Out of Town and I Buy Out of Town, What will Become of Our Town?

Everything in Furniture.

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CITY CASH GROCERY Allegheny St.

The Latest

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The Headquarters for Athletic Goods in Bellefonte. Smoker Supplies. Barber Shop in Connection.

RUHL'S

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Our Grocery

Line is always complete and we invite your patronage.

BROUSE'S

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Willard

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WITMER'S

Studebaker

Expert Repairing on All Makes of Cars.

BEEZER'S GARAGE.

The House

of Service when it Comes to Hardware

THE POTTER-HOY CO.

Our Meats

are always fresh and wholesome Phone Your Order.

ECKEL'S MARKET

We Do Not Recommend

Ford parts that are not genuine. Make our garage your headquarters, Ford owners.

BEATTY MOTOR CO.

This Week

A Special on Belle Meade Sweets, Milliard's and Lonis Sherry Candies.

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Gross Bros.

Good Broom..... 68c
5 pounds Coffee..... 28c
5 Soap..... 23c
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1 Large can Peaches..... 28c

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YOUR HOME OPTOMETRIST

Fitting glasses for 15 years. Satisfaction guaranteed.

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Registered Optometrist.

The First National Bank

invites your patronage.

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OF BELLEFONTE.

When You Want

Hardware of any description call and see us. We invite your patronage.

BELLEFONTE HARDWARE CO.

FALSE ECONOMY HAS NO VALUE

Buying Cheap Goods Just Because They Are Cheap Does Not Pay.

QUALITY OFTEN OVERLOOKED

Instance Seen in Case of Mail Order Houses Which Make Their Appeal Solely on Basis of Price.

(Copyright, 1917, Western Newspaper Union.) Economy is one of the greatest of virtues but false economy is no more a virtue than anything else that is false. To be able to economize wisely is one of the greatest blessings that one can have, for it is the prerequisite to thrift and well-being. Too many persons, however, who think they have found the secret of true economy are practicing a false economy which is worse than wilful waste.

For instance, the man who buys a stove from a mail order house for \$9 because he thinks he would have to pay \$10 for one if he purchased it from his home merchant, is practicing a false economy, for the chances are that he would save more than \$1 in the end if he purchased the \$10 stove from the local hardware leader.

There are several reasons why this is false economy. The first one is that dollar for dollar, the greater part of the merchandise sold by the mail order houses is of less value than that sold by the retail merchants of the smaller communities. The mail order business, as a whole is built upon cheapness. In order to attract customers the catalogue houses must sell goods cheaply and in order to do that they must sell cheap goods. Their business is built up on price and not on quality. The retail hardware dealer, like retail dealers in other lines, probably can match the prices of the mail order houses. He probably has a \$9 stove which he can sell for \$9. The trouble is that the man who buys from the mail order house does not distinguish between price and quality.

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that the stove will meet his needs. He thinks he is saving a dollar or two by buying this stove instead of paying \$10 or \$11 to the home merchant for one that he has seen and knows will give him satisfaction. The chances are that when the stove arrives and he has used it for a short time he will realize that he has practiced false economy—that it would have been more economical in the end for him to pay a dollar or two more to his home merchant and get an article that was guaranteed by the dealer.

The patron of the mail order house, also, often fails to take the matter of transportation charges into consideration when making his purchase. He sees only the price of the article as listed in the mail order catalogue and does not think of the express or freight charges, which with the cost of a money order and postage often make the total cost of the article greater than the price at which the same thing could have been purchased at the local store. Another case of false economy.

Buying merchandise of poor quality because the price is low is often false economy when the purchase is made at the home stores but it is doubly so when the merchandise is bought from a mail order house. When buying at home one can be reasonably sure that the article purchased at a low price, while there is no such assurance when it is bought by mail on the "sight unseen" plan.

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