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Critic Upholds Today's Singers.

Modern singers are not inferior to those of the past, according to at least one New York music critic, who differs therein from some of his older conferees. This critic is Leonard Lieblich of the New York American, who relates, "I was dragged to the opera when I was a child, but as I come of a musical family and had my musical training early, I found definite impressions of what I heard in those now remote years."

Mr. Lieblich thus continues his comparison of singers past and present: "Mr. Oldfoggy will tell you that Patti never has been equalled. The truth is that Patti was a poor actress, and also that she attempted only the lightest kind of roles. Melba, who came long after, had a better trill than Patti, more vocal volume and a richer quality of tone. She, too, was considered an unsatisfactory actress. Tetravini had greater facility and brilliancy in rapid passages than either Patti or Melba. All these ranked immeasurably below Frieda Hempel as a musician."

"The reproach of coldness was the common criticism hurled at Emma Eames. Calve was scolded for taking unmusical liberties with the composer's measures. She survives in memory strictly as a one-part artist, that of Carmen. Plancon was superficial, winning fame only as Mephistopheles in 'Faust' and through his delivery of 'The Palms' and 'The Grenadiers' at the Sunday night Metropolitan Opera House concerts. Campanini was the most limited kind of an opera tenor, even though he made a try at 'Lohengrin.' Jean De Reszke was a baritone converted into a tenor. He was, however, also a man of high intelligence and true artistic understanding, Tamagno, known chiefly for his Othello, was as celebrated for his shouting."

"Of the Wagner interpreters, Lilli Lehmann frequently sang flat, (the recent Melanie Kurt was as authoritative and affecting a Brünnhilde and Isolde as one could wish for, Van Rooy had a wooden delivery, and Alvary's tenor tones were throaty, although he looked especially romantic as Siegfried."

"My inference is that the old fogys were more impressionable than they are now and were less familiar with the operas themselves. And do not let anyone tell you that the opera singers did not sing at the top of their voices in those days. I heard many a star feat of the loudest kind of musical yelling."

Feats of Endurance by Beasts of Burden.

A well-bred Shetland pony is no more than 40 inches in height, yet is capable of carrying on its back a full-grown man. Which is a proof that it is not only size which counts in the matter of strength.

Two animals that are much stronger than is usually supposed are the pig and the sheep. Boars have often been broken to harness and have been used for plowing, and on a certain Bedfordshire estate a large hog has been trained as a saddle animal. At the same place sheep have been used for riding and were found quite equal to bearing the weight of a full grown man, says London Tit-Bits.

It is not many years since oxen were used for plowing in this country. The present writer saw one of the last yokes of oxen at work in an Oxfordshire field within the last 20 years. Again, the little Indian ox, the zebu, is a capital draft animal and can trot at a merry pace.

Horses are plentiful on the eastern plains of South America, but do not do well in the Andes, where their place as beasts of burden is taken by mules and by the llama, a large sheep-like creature with a very long coat. Llamas will carry 60 to 80 pounds apiece over the most appalling mountain passes on very little food.

There is, however, one point to be remembered about them. They are dreadfully nervous creatures and they will not stand being beaten or ill-treated. In the Andes they will work for their owners and for nobody else.

The Lapps still use the reindeer as a draft animal and a good reindeer will pull a sleigh 50 miles a day. The elk has been similarly used and was found able to do a journey of 80 miles in one day. This compares well with the horse, for which the one-day record is a little over a hundred miles.

College Men Earn More.

The two thousand graduates of the engineering school at the Pennsylvania State College are worth \$2,000,000 a year to the state because of their ability to give greater service to society than they would if they had not had advantages of an engineering college education. This is a conservative estimate, according to R. L. Sackett, dean of the engineering school at Penn State, who has completed a survey of engineering graduates.

Dean Sackett found that the average salary of the Penn State engineer out of college seven years was \$4520 a year, or \$2000 a year more than the average technical worker out of high school for eleven years. The time allowance of four years is made to represent the length of the average college engineering course. On this basis Dean Sackett is of the opinion that a technical education brings a return to society of above \$70,000 per graduate on an assumed productive life of 35 years.

"Midnight."

The janitor's little boy, very black, was nicknamed "Midnight," by his white neighbors. He didn't mind their calling him that, but one day when one of his own race exclaimed, "Hello, Midnight!" he retorted indignantly, "Shet up. You'se jes' about quarter to twelve yose'f."

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FARM CALENDAR

Timely Reminders from The Pennsylvania State College School of Agriculture.

Test Seed Corn.—It will be only a few months until corn planting will be with us again. There is a great deal of poor seed in the country. If seed corn ever needed the ear test it is this year. It is better to be safe than sorry.

Pyratol Has "Kick".—If farmers want something with a "kick" for land clearing, they should get pyratol, the new war salvaged explosive material. It is being distributed from Lancaster for the use of Keystone farmers.

Get Manure for Garden.—Many home gardeners, especially those located in or near towns or cities, have difficulty in securing manure in sufficient quantity. This can be avoided by ordering manure now and having it delivered during the winter and placed on a pile or spread over the garden. Waiting until it is time to begin outdoor operations before ordering the manure often delays garden operations or the gardener may be entirely disappointed. Have manure ordered and delivered before the spring rush.

Keep Calves Growing.—Keep calves and young stock growing and in a thrifty condition. Their future usefulness depends largely upon care given now.

Motor Repairs.—With the increased use of automobiles, trucks, tractors, and gasoline engines on the farm, Pennsylvania farmers who want to learn to do their own repairing and "trouble hunting" will do well to consider taking one of the two automotive courses offered by the Engineering Extension Department of the Pennsylvania State College. They are offered at cost and can be studied by mail. One gives an insight into minor repair work and the other is an advanced course telling how to make major repairs.

Lights on Breeders.—Many poultrymen find it profitable to use lights on breeders. In this way the bird's body weight can be maintained and early production assured. It is highly important that the birds not be forced and that a careful system of feeding and management be followed so that good health is assured, say Pennsylvania State College poultry specialists. As a general rule, the healthiest breeders produce the largest number of strong chicks.

Improve the Stable.—Light and ventilation are essential for dairy cattle. These can be provided in any stable. Now is the time to figure out how it is to be done and to take steps to supply these essentials. It pays.

Raise a Ton Litter.—A large number of farmers picked their largest litters for the Keystone Ton Litter Club last year. Fifty-eight of them made the required weight. Will your name be among the 1925 winners?

Order Plants Early.—Green-house men who grow some plants for sale are sowing early cabbage seed now. Whether large or small quantities of plants are to be bought it is advisable to put in your order now if you do not grow your own plants. Early orders help the grower regulate the quantity of seed sown and save you from a possible shortage of plants. This pertains to early cabbage, lettuce, tomatoes, peppers and eggplants.

Get Fertilizers.—Orchardists who intend to fertilize their orchards should not delay ordering fertilizers until it is time to apply them. Unless applied at the right time many fertilizers lose their "kick" as far as the response of the trees is concerned. This is especially true of nitrate.

PENNSYLVANIA BOASTS 10,000 LADY FARMERS.

Pennsylvania boasts ten thousand lady farmers, according to data analyzed by the Blue Valley Creamery Institute. Of this number over eight thousand operate farms, 7,500 their own, 40 as managers and not quite 500 as tenants, the data disclosed.

Dairying, poultry and hog raising are some of the branches of agriculture in which the women farmers of the State specialize, the analysis revealed. The land under cultivation by the feminine agriculturists is close to 600,000 acres, of which 375,000 acres are improved. The value of these farms is 45 million dollars. The figures further revealed that women cultivate 4.1 per cent. of all farms in the State and 3.3 per cent. of the total acreage, the value being 3.6 per cent. of the whole. The average value of the land and buildings on farms operated by women was found to be in excess of \$5,000.

Commenting on the large percentage of women who go in for dairying and poultry raising, the Institute sees a peculiar adaptation of these occupations to the feminine nature. From early times, it says, the average farm woman has had to care for the milk and act as dairymaid, too. And milking cows and selling butterfat with its requirements of close attention to details seems to be a type of work that women naturally take to. The same appears to hold true for poultry raising. For pin money for the thousand and one items needed in the home, the sale of eggs and poultry and cream has ever been known as a sure means. Many a woman in need of money has almost instinctively turned to milking cows and keeping hens.

The Florence Nightingale Pledge.

I solemnly pledge myself before God and in the presence of this assembly to pass my life in purity and to practice my profession faithfully.

I will abstain from whatever is deleterious and mischievous, and will not take or knowingly administer any harmful drug.

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