

A HIKING TRIP TO GOLDEN BUDDHA MOUNTAIN.

Chungking China, Sept. 25. Dear Home Folks:

To anyone who has taken a "hike" there is no need of pointing out the advantages of this sort of vacation—or its disadvantages. But a hike in China is a bit different from what one experiences in the West.

There were five of us—two Canadians and three Americans; or, to make another classification, two doctors, two school men, and a Y. M. C. A. secretary. The school men were lightweights. The rest heavyweights.

Yes, there were five of "us," but besides there were four load carriers, six "hwagan" carriers, and a generally useful servant. A hwagan? All right, just a word explanation. The word means "slippery poles," and the object is a seat slung between two bamboo poles.

If such an array of men and baggage seems a bit bewildering to you, try to imagine yourselves crossing Pennsylvania's mountains or the Adirondacks with food, clothing and bedding for a ten-day trip with no railroads, no highways, no waterways to make travel easy.

Our start was not promising. The night before we started it rained steadily. In the morning it was still at it. We—that is, Dr. Gentry and I, went down the hill toward our meeting place with some misgivings as to the rest of the crowd.

We went on from here in good spirits, climbing slowly up the ridge out of the valley. We passed rushing streams leaping from one rice terrace to the next lower, joining other streamlets, and at last flowing into a good-sized brook that roared away into a hole in the ground, and went off in some subterranean watercourse.

After topping the ridge we began a hasty descent to the foot of the slope in the next valley, leaving behind us a little hamlet perched in the pass, called the "Chwen Shan Ya," or Spring Mountain Pass.

Passing along through fields upon fields of rice, giving promise of an abundant harvest a few weeks hence, and through occasional patches of corn and sweet potatoes, we arrived next at the village of Lu Go Chang (Deer's Horn Market), perched on the top of a low hill in the midst of a broad valley.

About half past one we left Jiai Sih and followed along the road to the left, beside a small river. When we asked the name of the river we were told, as is generally the case, that it was the "Hsiao Ho" (Small River).

Pen Chia Chang (The Pen Family Market) we reached about four in the afternoon. The carriers became unruly, and wanted to go no further, although they had agreed on 100 li a day (33 miles), and we had gone only some 50 or more li.

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tavern) a mile or two beyond, where we put up for the night. Some of the caravan did not arrive until long after dark. After a good supper—almost any kind of supper is good on the first day out—we prepared for bed. Those who had cots unfolded them, and hung the absolutely necessary mosquito net. Those without cots found beds on the dining tables.

Chinese inns seem built for rest—of a sort—but not for sleep. Of course, if one sleeps in the inn rooms, one has a degree of quiet, but most of us prefer to sleep in the court, or what roughly corresponds to the lobby or main room of a hotel at home, where there are fewer vermin, and more fresh air.

In this first inn, things were fairly quiet, as compared with our later experiences. The person who made most noise was the young woman, who didn't seem satisfied with the way the carriers paid her, and aired her grievances so that all might hear.

Penn State Livestock Sets New Precedent.

This was a Penn State year at the International Livestock Exposition in Chicago, November 27 to December 4. Stockmen and spectators alike talked of the supremacy of this eastern college's exhibits.

It was in sheep that the Nittany institution ranked head and shoulders above its friendly rivals from other States and, in doing so, established a reputation that no exhibitor or college ever had before. Both the reserve grand championship and the grand championship on wether came to Penn State.

Other winnings in the sheep classes included first and third on Shropshire yearling ewe, champion Shropshire ewe, first on pen of three American-bred Shropshire yearling ewes, first on grade and crossbred yearling wether, champion yearling wether, first on purebred Southdown wether lamb, and champion Southdown wether.

"Jack" Coyne, college shepherd, won the shepherds' first prize for the best fitted pen of three American-bred Shropshires and a gold medal for fitting the grand champion wether.

In the swine classes, the College captured first and second on 250-300 pound individual barrows and first on pen of three barrows of the same weight; third, fifth, and seventh on individual barrows weighing 350 to 450 pounds and first on pen of three barrows of the same weight; championship on pen of Berkshire barrows and reserve grand championship on pen of three barrows.

Beef awards, while not as spectacular, were nevertheless high enough to make a well-rounded college exhibit. They included second on group of three steers, fourth on senior steer calf, fourth and seventh on junior steer calf, and seventh on get of sire, three steers sired by the same bull.

Four championships, two reserve grand championships, and one grand championship are enough to make the smile of a jovial stockman like "Pete" MacKenzie broader even than usual.

Institutional Week at State College Plans Made Public.

Programs of the first Institutional Farmers' Week ever held in the State, which is slated for January 10 to 14 at the Pennsylvania State College, have been distributed from the office of Vice-Dean R. G. Bressler, School of Agriculture, State College.

This is the first time that a week of this kind has been attempted, although the College long has had Farmers' Winter Short Courses, and Poultry Courses, Horticulture Weeks, and Sawmill Weeks.

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ELECTRIC "FISH LADDERS" SAVE SALMON FISHERIES

Transportation for fish is now an established fact. By means of "fish railroads" and the longest "fish ladders" in the world, millions of salmon have been enabled to climb upstream past a 265-foot dam to reach their spawning grounds in the spring, says the Pennsylvania Public Service Information Committee.

These same fish, together with millions of young salmon, later leap safely down that same dam on their way to the sea. The electric power companies in the American Northwest have made this possible. The Northwest needed the electric power produced by the falling water, so the dams were necessary.

The plan was worked out successfully on the Baker River, one of the two main salmon rivers in the state of Washington, where engineers constructed a series of flumes and fish ladders with low jumps and resting pools, each with a gate to prevent the fish turning back from their trip upstream.

Nobody knew certainly that the new system would work until this year's run of salmon began, but it soon proved successful. When the downward run of young salmon started, five and six-inch fish went over the dam at the rate of about 10,000 an hour, dropping with the falling water into the deep pools below and swimming off in good condition.

HOW TO SOLVE A CROSS-WORD PUZZLE
When the correct letters are placed in the white spaces this puzzle will spell words both vertically and horizontally. The first letter in each word is indicated by a number, which refers to the definition listed below the puzzle.

CROSS-WORD PUZZLE No. 2. A grid of 60 numbered squares for a crossword puzzle.

- Horizontal: 1-Strange, 2-Ferish, 7-Form of verb "to be", 8-Writing fluid, 9-Nodule of earth, 10-To grow old, 11-Segment of a circle, 14-Form of verb "to be", 16-Behold, 17-A toy, 22-Part of a bill of a sword, 24-A disorderly crowd, 25-To rise high in the air, 26-A giant of fairy tales, 27-Wasted away, 28-Small, flat-bottomed boat, 30-Sick, 32-Regret, 35-To make lace with a hand shuttle, 36-Suffix, 38-For each, 40-Required, 43-Evade, 46-Norse chief of the gods (myth.), 50-Ancient, 52-Bustle, 53-A supply, 54-A vegetable, 55-A preposition, 57-A preposition, 58-Secure, 59-Large New Zealand bird now extinct, 60-Clear, 62-Request, 63-Cunning, 64-Born

UTILITIES FOLLOW MASS PRODUCTION.

The public utility industry indorses and follows the views of President Coolidge on America's industrial supremacy, according to P. H. Gadsden, vice-president of the United Gas Improvement Company, of Philadelphia.



PHILIP H. GADSDEN Vice-president of the United Gas Improvement Company and president Phila. Chamber of Commerce

"We in the public utility business," said Mr. Gadsden, "are industriously following out the theory of mass production. We follow it even in our advertising. Throughout the country, in thirty-seven states, we have public utility information bureaus, specifically designed to carry through to its most scientific degree the business of advertising the great industry of public service, and, as the President has said, creating development through advertising."

Solution to Last Week's Puzzle.

A crossword puzzle grid with words filled in: BASIN ORGAN, DEN R S O T A R, RE BAPTISM PA, U E NOISE J I, MUTE ELM RODS, S E R E Y O U E, ORGAN HOARD, I NOT A URN A, DRAT TNT SEAR, I L BONES Y O, OF RETINUE AS, TAT S E R O R E, ROAST HEART

War Over but Red Cross Nurses Are Always on Duty.

Has the romantic picture of the Red Cross Nurse faded with the war days? It has been more than 12 years since that first contingent of brave women to go to the war zone called from America to make an undying record of service behind every battle front.

For an answer to their whereabouts today, it is only necessary to refer to any large disaster of recent years in which the Red Cross rendered relief. Wherever there was injury and suffering the Red Cross nurse will be found to have been on active duty.

These nurses are enrolled under the American Red Cross as a reserve of the Army, Navy and U. S. Public Health Service, at all times ready to serve in war or peace. This reserve of Red Cross nurses aggregates 43,503 women who have met the highest standard in the nursing profession.

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