

The Finding of Old Glory.

When the day came that our revolutionary fathers needed to design a flag for the new nation of their heroic founding they had but to lift their eyes to the heavens to find the banner of their faith and pride.

In the glowing west, in the burning clouds of the sunset sky—streaming across the wide horizon in alternate bands of flame and mist—they saw the symbol of their own fair dreams, mystic, mighty and battling.

And as they looked there came a sudden rending of the fleecy mass by a wind of liberty's own sending, and through the monster rift thus made they beheld a patch of azure sky set thick with silver stars.

The stars—the stripes—the blue—Old Glory, blazoned in beauty across the wonder of God's heaven, for all the world to see. It is our flag—God make us worthy of it.—Anne Rankin in Southern Woman's Magazine.

False Economy.

Some people begrudge the expenditure of money to beautify the home or to bring the comforting message of friendship in time of trouble. To them flowers are of no use, pictures and music a waste of money. But a life restricted to things that go into the pot or are worn on the back results in starving the spirit. "If I had two loaves of bread I would sell one of them to buy white hyacinths to feed my soul." That was the terse and poetic sentiment of a truth oft neglected.

Even the poor need other things more than they need money. The money will be gone next month, but the memory of a great bunch of wild flowers remains. "Flower missions" furnish a beautiful ministry that almost any Sunday school class can exercise. Send your posies to the hospitals or to the children of the slums.—Christian Herald.

Ministers' Sons.

An investigator finds that one-twelfth of all the men whose names appear in "Who's Who" are sons of preachers. Four presidents were sons of ministers—Buchanan, Arthur, Cleveland and Wilson. Three of the great Boston group of writers—Emerson, Lowell and Holmes—were of ministerial parentage, so were Parkman and Bancroft, also the remarkable Field brothers—Cyrus W., David Dudley and Stephen J. The influence of the eminent Jonathan Edwards appears to have extended far down in the line of his descendants, for the list include one vice president, three senators, thirty judges, sixty authors, twelve college presidents, and not one of the 1,394 who were traced was ever convicted of a crime. The list of clergymen's distinguished sons could be greatly extended, for they are to be found in every line of activity.—Indianapolis Star.

How Houses Explode.

The most remarkable phenomenon connected with tornadoes is the explosion of houses, which literally burst, scattering their fragments in all directions. Sometimes substantial dwellings are carried high into the air and then explode.

It is now understood that this is due to the fact that the "funnel cloud" (revolving at a rate of at least 500 miles an hour) has a vacuum inside. Thus it sucks up everything in its path, even emptying wells. It sucks all the air from around a house over which it passes, and the house (a vacuum being thus created outside of it) promptly explodes, owing to the pressure of the air, at thirty pounds to the square inch, from within.

The house, in a word, is transformed into a bomb.—Philadelphia Press.

About Temperature.

The best authorities on the science of meteorology tell us that without the various changes in the temperature there would be a perfect calm at all times in all parts of the globe. A uniform and unvarying barometric pressure would everywhere prevail, and there would be no change of seasons, no evaporation or condensation, no clouds and no rain. In short, without changes of temperature, which we sometimes think so uncomfortable, the atmosphere would soon become poisonous, stagnant and incapable of sustaining human life.

Awkwardly Put.

"I grovel here before you in the dust!" observed the impassioned youth as he sank on to the drawing room floor.

"I don't know what you mean by dust," replied she coldly. "I look after this room most carefully myself every morning."—London Tit-Bits.

Top and Bottom.

"My friend" said the long haired passenger to the young man in the seat opposite, "to what end has your life work been directed?"

"To both ends," was the reply. "I have the only first class hat and shoe store in the village."

To Clarify Fat.

Fat is easily clarified if a few pieces of raw potato are added to it and then it is heated slowly in the oven or on top of the stove. When it ceases to bubble, strain through cheesecloth and let it stand till firm. Keep in a cool place.

Good Reason.

"Why don't you ever laugh at any of my jokes?"

"Because I was brought up to respect old age and feebleness."—Baltimore American.

No man gets rich whose pocket is a flag station instead of a terminal.—Youth's Companion.

STUDY YOUR BUSINESS.

Learn a Lesson Out of One Big Man's Book of Success.

Perhaps the most wonderful memory in the United States is owned by James A. Farrell, president of the United States Steel corporation, whose methods and successes are described in an article by B. C. Forbes in the American Magazine.

"Mr. Farrell could rattle off the exact location of every sizable iron plant, not only in America, but in England, Germany, Belgium, France, Austria, Russia, China, India—in short, all over the world. He knew the charges made by the railroads for carrying iron and steel from all these works to seaboard and the ocean freight rates from any one point to any other point on the map.

"Distances, too, he had at his finger tips and could always explain exactly the cheapest way to ship material from anywhere to everywhere. Straight off the bat he told the exact percentage, even to the decimal point, of how much of America's total production was exported in every recent year. One lawyer wanted light on how many wheels were made in the United States, and Mr. Farrell obligingly informed him that the annual total was 2,260,000.

"I could conceive no more humiliating experience," he replied, "than to be asked some question concerning our operations and to be obliged to send for a subordinate to answer it. I would not consider myself fit for the job unless I knew the ins and outs of the business and how each detail of it is conducted."

VALUE OF THE PORPOISE.

Oil From Its Jaw Keeps Clocks and Watches Running Smoothly.

In this hastening age of ours, when even seconds count in business life, it may sound paradoxical to say that we owe our punctuality and time saving to the playful porpoise. And yet such, indeed, is the fact, for watches, clocks and the still more dignified chronometer would not run month in and month out with regularity but for the lubricant obtained from its jaws. This oil has the unique property of being able to retain its fluidity summer and winter, and there is an authentic record of the lubricant doing its work at a temperature of quite 100 degrees below the freezing point.

A variety of other oils have been tried for the same service, but all of them have proved far less reliable. In a watch or chronometer the oil must stay where put—it must not "creep" over the mechanism and thus steal away from its proper post of duty. Therefore, it ought not to run away in the presence of considerable heat. Neither should the oil oxidize, evaporate or grow rancid. These exacting requirements are met in their entirety only by porpoise jaw oil, and it is no wonder that the stuff when refined sells wholesale in the neighborhood of \$25 a gallon. There are many other mechanisms that are best cared for by using porpoise jaw oil, such, for instance, as talking machines, delicate recording apparatus, etc.—Scientific American.

Record Fishing.

A correspondent asks for the record tuna taken on light tackle in Santa Catalina island waters. He requests further enlightenment on what light tackle means.

Light tackle of the Tuna club consists of a wood rod, butt and tip, not shorter than six feet over all. Butt to be not over fourteen inches in length, tip not less than five feet in length and not to weigh more than six ounces. Line not to exceed standard nine tined.

On this tackle R. Rochester, Jr., of Los Angeles, in the waters of San Clemente on Aug. 28, 1913, fought a seventy-seven and three-fourths pound tuna for seven hours before subduing the fish.—New York Sun.

Preserve the Wild Flowers.

An earnest appeal has been made by the Kansas City Star for the preservation of one of the most beautiful of wild flowers, the columbine, particularly along tourist routes. This appeal will find sympathetic support everywhere throughout the states in which the columbine is a natural annual, but it should be broadened to include all wild flowering plants that are needlessly and often wantonly pulled up by the roots. The conservation of wild flowers is a patriotic duty.—Christian Science Monthly.

Have an Old Fashioned Garden.

If you wish to grow flowers in quantities for house decoration or other purposes grow them in a border three or four feet wide along a back fence. This is the place for larkspurs, hollyhocks, dahlias, columbines, phlox, shasta daisies, gladioli, etc. Call this an old fashioned garden if you will, all the same everybody likes it.

Pomegranates.

The pomegranate was early cultivated in Egypt; hence the complaint of the Israelites in the wilderness of Zin (Numbers xx, 5), this "is no place of figs, or of vines, or of pomegranates."

Geometrical.

"Don't know her? Why, she lives in the same square with you."

"Yes, but she's not in the same circle."—Cleveland Leader.

Natural History.

A naturalist asserts that bees have advance guards. Possibly. But the rear guard is more feared.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Take a good book slowly. You see much finer country in a mover's wagon than you do from a car window.

GET BACK TO NATURE.

Live the Simple Life and Win Health and Happiness.

The movement to return to nature and simple life is the solution offered to the high cost of living problem, but health experts and enthusiasts have found it to be the only way of right living or healthful living known today. They have adopted it as a safe road to health. They say that a return to nature means good digestion, sound sleep, a clear head, a placid mind, contentment and joy to be alive.

But first, they say, it means getting close to nature—living out of doors as much as possible by working, playing and resting in the open air and, above all, by sleeping in the open air. "Outdoor sleeping is the best life preserver known." It means also going to the garden and orchard for your bill of fare—tomatoes, lettuce, celery, spinach, turnips, beans, corn, peas, melons, berries, apples, peaches, plums and all other fruits and green stuffs untouched by fire.

The real value of adopting the simple life, according to the health experts, lies in the pleasure we find in living it. To do it grudgingly or without knowing and appreciating its benefits we botch it and fail, but to love health more than appetite and seek it is to have health, comfort, efficiency and a long life. "Start the simple life—begin it today," is the motto of this health movement.—North Carolina State Board of Health Bulletin.

COLORS IN SURNAMES.

Why the English Word "Red" Is Not to Be Found Among Them.

Black, White and Brown are common surnames in English, but there is no English family called Red. The former names were given originally because of the complexion of the persons who received them. It seems strange that in a people among whom red heads were common none should have acquired the name "Red," especially as this is frequently bestowed as a nickname. A dictionary explains this as follows:

"Red, like lead (red), with which it is phonetically parallel, had in Middle English a long vowel, which has become shortened. The long vowel remains, however, in the surnames Read, Reade, Reed, Reid, which represent old forms of the adjective and the existence of which as surnames explains the almost total absence of the expected surname Red, parallel to Black, Brown, White, etc."

The equivalent of "red" in foreign languages is just as common a surname as are the equivalents of "black," "white" and "brown," for the reason that in them there has been no modification of the original word.—New York World.

Old Time London Ruffians.

At the beginning of the eighteenth century a number of ruffianly young men of the higher classes—called by Swift "a race of rakes that play the devil about the town every night"—known as "Molochs," infested London, sallying out drunk into the streets, carrying short clubs and with lead at both ends and perpetrating shameful cruelties upon poorable passersby, wantonly wounding and disfiguring the men and subjecting all alike to atrocious insults. Lecky says that matrons inclosed in "barrels" were pulled down the steep and stony Snow Hill. Watchmen were unmercifully beaten, and their noses were slit. Coaches and chairs were overturned on rubbish heaps, and country gentlemen visiting the theaters had to be accompanied by their armed retainers as if in time of war.—Pearson's Weekly.

Milk, Sweet and Sour.

Every ounce of skimmed or whole milk contains valuable nourishment. Use every drop of milk to drink or to add nourishment to cereals, soups, sauces and other foods. Remember, too, that sour milk, buttermilk and sour cream are valuable in cooking, so do not waste any. Sour milk and buttermilk can be used with soda in making hot breads, or sour milk can be turned easily into cottage cheese, cream cheese or clabber. Sour cream is a good shortening in making cakes and cookies and useful for salad dressings and gravies for meat.

Antiquity of Tennis.

Tennis is as old as the hills, basically speaking, though it has undergone many changes for the better. It was played by the Greeks and Romans under the names of "sphairistikos" and "pila." As "paume" it is mentioned in the Arthurian romances and in the earlier records of the dark ages. In the fifteenth century it enjoyed great favor in France and in England from the sixteenth century to the present time.

He Was Desperate.

Mrs. Hubb—Oh, John, you say that if you lost me you would take to drink, and neglect your personal appearance and go to the bad in every way. Hubb (firmly)—Yes, my dear; you can bet I'd fix it so I'd never be an inducement to a woman again.—New Haven Register.

Little Russia.

The people of Little Russia occupy that part of the vast country which constitutes the steppes of its southern portion, the southwestern slopes of its central plateau and those of the Carpathian and Lublin mountains and the Carpathian plateau.

Japanned Ware.

Japanned tea trays should not be washed in hot water. If greasy, a little flour rubbed on them will give them a new look. If they are scratched rub with a little olive oil.

YOUNG MEN LINED UP BY THOUSANDS

Opposition to Registration Not More Than Expected

CELEBRATIONS EVERYWHERE

Severe Penalties Promised For Slackers, Who Will Have to Face Bullets Later in Front Ranks.

The youth of the nation responded enthusiastically to the call to the colors.

Reports from all sections of the nation told of young men going to the registration places and enrolling themselves for military duty in the struggle of democracy against autocracy.

As was anticipated, there were cases of disorders. In many communities there were eligibles who refused to register and some attempts to prevent others. But there were no reports of serious organized resistance to the order of the president.

The holiday spirit prevailed everywhere. In some states the governors had decreed statewide holidays. In others the chief executives had instructed the people to celebrate. Flag raisings, gun salutes, parades and patriotic meetings were the order in all parts.

Immediately after the last man had registered Tuesday the work of checking up was started. The rounding up of slackers will come later. This part of the work will be carried out with less publicity than the arresting of those who oppose registration.

The government will take drastic steps against any who deliberately refused to register. If the number is large there will be internment camps for them. After serving a year these slackers will be forced into the army and will be placed in the front ranks of the first military units to see active service at the front in France.

Last night patriotic rallies brought to a close the campaign on the part of patriotic organizations to bring home the necessity of registration to every young man. Thousands of these meetings were held throughout the nation.

Class exemptions in large numbers will imperil the success of the conscription law, Judge Advocate General Crowder says.

He said that in the first draft some 625,000 men will be needed to ensure the "first 500,000," and this in addition to the men that will be needed to bring the regular army and the national guard up to war strength.

The conscription bill authorizes exemption of agricultural and munition workers. General Crowder said he did not know what the president will do in constraining this feature of the law, but emphasized that if carried to an extreme it may prove a handicap to the war department.

Crowder said that possibly 1,500,000 names might be drawn in all to secure the men necessary to bring the national guard and regular army to authorized strength and still insure plenty for the 500,000 for the national army.

It may be days before the roll of states is complete. No incomplete returns will be transmitted, either from precincts or county officials to the state authorities, or by the latter to the provost marshal general. Instructions have gone out to all officials to make public only figures for units which are complete precincts, counties or states, as the case may be.

Officials believe it would not only confuse the situation for fragmentary returns to be handled, but that misconceptions of the results, wrong deductions and improper conclusions might be reached from premature publication. They have urged the press of the country to make no comparisons of the results, as between town and town or state and state, unless the full report from each locality is available.

Pittsburghers Enrolling.

At all the voting places in Pittsburgh and Allegheny county there were scores of young men who enrolled on Tuesday for military service under Uncle Sam.

Saloons and clubs were closed by request of Mayor Armstrong. There were parades and flag raisings. At night students of the Carnegie Tech institute presented a war pageant symbolizing the cause of the allies in the present war. The pageant will be offered to the government for presentation in other parts of the country.

United States Attorney E. Lowry Humes announced that charges of treason would be lodged against the four men who were arrested Monday in the Oakland district for distributing anti-conscription literature, the penalty for which, he said, was death. They will also be charged with conspiracy, he said.

In discussing the case, Mr. Humes said this is the first time since the Civil war where arrests have been made on charges of treason.

Root Commission Safe.

The American mission to Russia, headed by Elihu Root, arrived at a Russian port. Announcement of the safe passage of the commission was made by Secretary of the Navy Daniels. He had received a dispatch from the commander of the vessel on which the journey was made.



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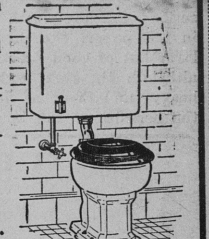
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Garden Soil.

Test your garden soil for acidity. Procure a dime's worth of blue litmus paper at a drug store. Make a slit or incision in the damp soil, put in paper two-thirds its length and leave it for a half hour. If the change of color is to red or deep pink your soil needs heavy liming. If there is no change of color liming will be of little value.

If garden soil is heavy, or "hungry"—that is, harsh and lacking in humus—give it plenty of well rotted stable manure. Nothing could be better. If the soil is in excellent physical condition bone meal with the addition of a little potash will supply the plant food necessary for any ordinary crop of plants or mere annual growth.

Something In Your Eye.

Foreign bodies in the eye, if they have not penetrated any part of the eyeball, are best removed by pulling the lid away from the eyeball with the fingers, so that the tears will flow and wash the particle away. Never rub the eye. When the eyeball is penetrated you cannot see an oculist too quickly.

Raising Geese.

The raising of geese was a profitable occupation of farming in England years ago, and some farmers had flocks of 8,000 or 10,000. Each goose produced a shilling's worth of feathers every year and quills to the value of three pence. The quills were used for pens.

Easy.

Bill—He always said he'd never marry until the right girl came along.

Jill—Well, how does he know that the one he is about to marry is the right one?

"Oh, she told him she was."—Yonkers Statesman.

Neighbors.

"What sort of neighbors have you?"

"The usual sort. Cost us just a little more than I earn to keep up with 'em."—Detroit Free Press.

What a happy world this would be if every man spoke as well of his live neighbors as he does of his dead ones!

Coming In Out of the Wet.

There is an amusing story by Athenaeus which suggests the possible origin of the phrase "He does not know enough to come in out of the wet." According to the entertaining grammarian referred to, a town in Greece under stress of evil circumstances borrowed money from a rich man, who took as security for the loan a mortgage on the handsome portico which surrounded the market place. He was not an ungenerous creditor, for when it rained he caused the town clerks to announce that the citizens had permission to take refuge under the colonnade. Strangers visiting the town who failed to have the matter properly explained to them were so impressed by the extraordinary circumstances that they spread abroad the report that the people were so stupid that they had to be told when to come in out of the wet.

Early Insurance.

William Gibbons of London is said to have been the first man to have his life insured. On June 18, 1853, he signed a contract with eight men by the terms of which he was to have his life insured for £283 for one year for 8 per cent of this amount. In 1859 a resident of a Connecticut city was traveling in England and became interested in the workings of accident insurance for travelers. So he came home and promoted the first accident insurance company in this country. His first client was a resident of Hartford, whom he insured for \$5,000 against injury in his stroll from the postoffice to his home. Marine insurance goes back to the early part of the fourteenth century and comes from Belgium.

Curious Death Custom In Fiji.

The Fijians believe that in case a marriageable youth or maiden dies without having gone through with the elaborate nuptial knot tying ceremony of the islands his or her soul is doomed to wander about forever in an intermediate region between heaven and hell.

When any one dies—man, woman or child—a whale's tooth is placed in the hand of the corpse, the missile to be thrown at the tree which stands as a guidepost to point out the road that leads to heaven and the one that leads to hell.—London Mail.