

OUR FEATURE SECTION

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SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT THE JOB AND THE MAN

By F. A. WALKER.

CHARITY

FOR some five or six years we have had a riot of charity appeals. There have been drives for this and campaigns for that—tag days and all the kinds of days. Rightly the people have responded with promptness and generosity to all appeals, touching the bottoms of their pockets occasionally when the appeals came very close together and always giving something, however little they were interested in the cause. The war was responsible for the most of the appeals. But the war is, technically, at least, over, and it would seem as if there ought to be a let-up and a good breathing spell so that pocketbooks may recover and charities get down to a normal basis.

Charity ought to mean something to the giver as well as to the receiver. Real charity means giving real help. Money is frequently a long way from being the best thing that you can give to a poor and suffering individual. If you saw a man in a pit and all his efforts to get out were unsuccessful, you would scarcely be doing him any very great service by flinging a dollar down into the pit with him. Nor would it be the best thing to do to throw a dollar down into the pit with him.

It was not the amount of money that the Good Samaritan spent that made a name a synonym for generous charity. It was the fact that when he saw a man who had been down to Jericho lying by the roadside "he went to him and bound up his wounds and set him on his own beast and brought him to Inn and took care of him."

There are too many of us who are generous with our dollars and misers with our smiles. We spend a dollar here a hearty good cheer, a message of encouragement, a little thoughtfulness would do a good deal more to help those to whom we intend to extend aid.

THE WOODS

By DOUGLAS MALLOCH

CHILDREN OF THE SPRING.

WHAT means the Spring to you? The tree, the bloom, the grass; the fields to wander through; a primrose path to pass; light sun, and skies of blue;

the songs of singing streamlets; The rippling riverside; akening from dreams; Fair-browed and azure-eyed— this the Springtime seems.

not for such as you she comes with song and voice, not for such as you she makes the heart rejoice, she comes with skies of blue.

ring's children are the ill— tis these she comes to cheer; on the window-sill, Within the chamber drear, she sings her song to trill.

narrow cots they lie Within the quiet room, air sky a square of sky cut from the inner gloom, on dreary walls and high.

ing means so much to these, the prisoners abed!— perfume of the breeze, the birdsong overhead, the echoed melodies.

e window open wide— behold, the Spring is here! more the countryside a dim and dark and drear; no stronger runs the tide.

e pale and patient wife, her babe upon her breast, gets the night, the knife, and sleeps the sleep of rest, akening to life.

o old, the very old, behold in budding Spring other year unfold— and life, a thistle thing, turned again to gold.

d o'en the empty cot, Whose Spring has come too late, the one who now is not, the one who could not wait, the Spring has not forgot.

see! the Springtime stands, our drooping eyes to raise fair and shining strands; the Springtime comes and lays in his hands.

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Mother's Cook Book

I will look sometimes about me for the things that merit praise: I will search for hidden beauties that elude the grumbler's gaze; I will try to find contentment in the paths that I must tread; I will cease to have resentment when another moves ahead.

—British Weekly.

MEALS FOR A DAY.

FOR a choice dish sometime on a special occasion you may like to try: **Chicken Fillets With Almond Sauce.** Sprinkle two chicken fillets with salt, a little pepper and a few grains of cayenne. Dip in olive oil and cook in a hot frying pan until delicately brown. Add to the pan one cupful of equal parts of white sauce and cream. When hot thicken further with two tablespoons of flour rubbed to a paste with an equal quantity of olive oil or cream. Stir until the sauce boils, then add one-half cupful of thinly sliced almonds.

Almond Sponge Cake.

Blanch and pound in a mortar one ounce of sweet and one ounce of bitter almonds. Pound them two at a time, adding a few drops of water or white of egg to prevent the nuts from boiling. When a smooth paste, add the yolks of five eggs alternately with one cupful of powdered sugar. Then add one cupful of flour sifted with two teaspoonsful of baking powder. Lastly, fold in the stiffly beaten whites and bake as for angel food.

Banana Pie.

Take one cupful of sifted banana pulp, one-half cupful of sugar, one cracker, powdered fine, one-half cupful of milk, grated rind and juice of half a lemon, one-half teaspoonful of salt, one-third teaspoonful of cinnamon, one egg and one-third of a cupful of cream. Mix all together and bake in a pastry-lined pie plate.

Nellie Maxwell
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THE CHEERFUL CHERUB

These questionings of
Destiny
Do naught excepting
weary us.
I don't care why
things are at all—
It's nice to feel
mysterious.



SCHOOL DAYS



THE GIRL ON THE JOB

How to Succeed—How to Get Ahead—How to Make Good

By JESSIE ROBERTS

DOMESTIC SERVICE

DOMESTIC service is getting to be so well paid that women who a short time ago would have scorned to look toward it with a growing affection. Domestic science is being taught in most communities, and the graduates increase every year. Most of these girls, after their training, go into institutional and hotel work, into teaching, into hospital service, set up tea and lunch shops, and follow allied lines. But positions like these are not always immediately available. Put domestic cooking in the same class,

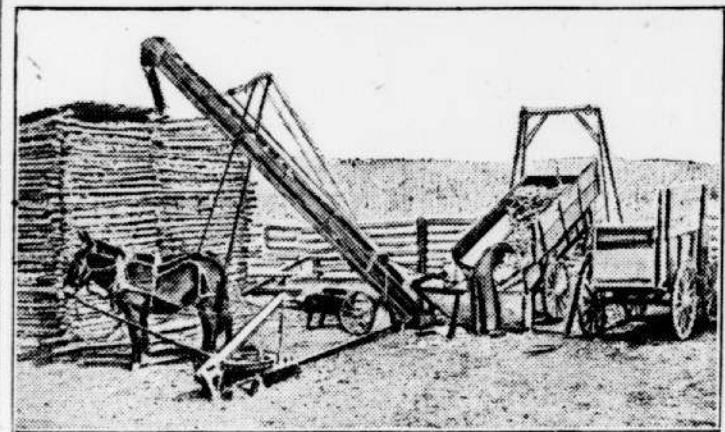
and many a girl could earn a good salary and live comfortably until she found some more advanced work.

One way in which this will be brought about is in the growing use of cooks and house workers generally by the hour instead of the month. Such workers get more salary, but no lodging, and only the meal or meals they serve. But such workers are paving the way for the proper recognition of domestic work as a dignified and important profession, one for which adequate training is essential, and which has the right to claim respect and consideration.

There is a big future in domestic work. With the tremendous advance in electrical machinery for the home the actual work is growing to be both easy and agreeable. It is high time that the social stigma should disappear, and the advance in salaries is going to help largely to accomplish this result.

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SETTLING IN TERMS OF PRODUCT IS SOUND BASIS FOR FARM RENT



The Crop Yield Should Bear a Close Relation to the Rent Per Acre.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)
Thomas Kashrent greeted his landlord, John Acreeowner, in the Kashrent kitchen. The visitor took the chair proffered and filled his pipe.
"Thomas," said he, when their pipes were well alight, "I want to get you thinking over an idea that I picked up the other day from a bulletin sent out to me by the United States Department of Agriculture. It's made up by the office of farm management and its subject matter is of interest to us both. The title is, 'The Farm Lease Contract.'"

"Now," he continued, "I'd be a pretty poor judge of human nature if I didn't know that you're feeling a little blue over that cash-rent contract you signed with me last fall. You realize that there are changed conditions, since we made out that lease, that will make it hard for you to pay cash—and you're one of those men whose word is as good as his bond. Neither of us knew when we signed that paper that grain and other farm produce were going to take the tumble they have taken, but it doesn't alter the fact that our contract, as it stands, is hard on you."

Farmer Hard Hit.
"Prices certainly dropped," agreed Kashrent, with a regretful sigh. "They slumped before I had a chance to haul what I intended to sell. All things considered, I'd have been better off if we'd taken the farm on shares instead of on a cash basis."

The landlord nodded understandingly.
"I'm not here to tell you that I'll reduce your rent materially, nor am I going to offer to change the present contract for a contract on the share basis, but I'm going to propose something that is the next thing to it. I'm going to try to show you that I appreciate a good, honest tenant. In case grain is up again by fall you may be able to pay the agreed cash and still make a fair profit. Besides, my own expenditures are more or less fixed and I must have cash to meet them with, but I'm going to see if I can't help you to help me by meeting you half-way."

"What do you think of adding a clause to the contract whereby you will be given the option of paying me in terms of bushels of corn, oats, or wheat? This Farmers' Bulletin 1202, issued by the United States Department of Agriculture to remind farmers to do the right thing at the right time and to tell them where to secure information on agricultural subjects. The almanac, which appears as Farmers' Bulletin 1202, is published, the department says, in response to a large demand from farmers for a calendar of work showing the timely use of new farm facts. Seasonal advice and suggestions are given on such topics as the weather, farm operations, marketing, wild life, and woods work. References to other publications of the department tell where detailed information on each subject can be had.

A section on "Farm Helps" discusses farm laws and gives tables and directions for such things as mixing stock feed, fertilizers and spray solutions; weights of seed and grain and other information needed by farmers and their families. A limited number of copies is available for distribution by the United States Department of Agriculture and may be had upon application.

CURE DEFECTS IN TOMATOES

Black Spots May Be Prevented by Treating Seed in Solution of Corrosive Sublimate.

It is claimed that black spots in tomatoes may be prevented to a considerable extent by treating the seeds with a corrosive sublimate solution. One-twentieth of an ounce of corrosive sublimate is dissolved in a gallon of water. The tomato seed is placed in a little bag and soaked in this solution for five minutes and then washed in running water for ten minutes, and then the seed is spread out to dry. In using corrosive sublimate be sure to put the solution in a wooden or earthenware container; corrosive sublimate attacks metal.

Good Feeding Also Counts.
Good breeding is essential to the economical production of beef and dairy products, but it is by no means all that is necessary. It must be accompanied by good feeding.

Order Seeds Early.
Order seeds as soon as possible. When they are received it is a good plan to put them in a covered tin or other receptacle so that mice do not get at them.

Give Egg-Making Food.
The hen that lays eggs in winter must have egg-making food, which means meat, milk, clover, bran and vegetables, along with corn.

Liming Helps Alfalfa.
In Wisconsin it is found that alfalfa must be limed for maximum yield and that liming nearly doubles the tonnage.

Test Every Ear of Seed.
Much seed corn is not germinated as it should. Better follow the good old rule of testing every ear every year.

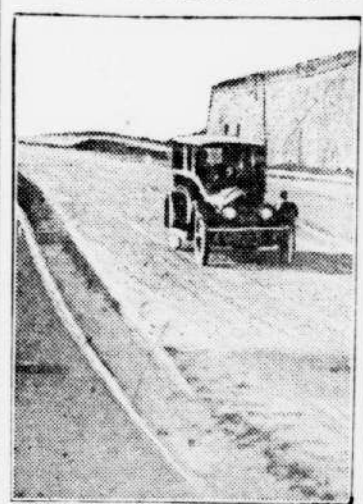
BETTER ROADS

GIVE CONCRETE ROADS CARE

All Contraction Joints Should Be Cleaned and Filled With Hot Tar Twice a Year.

With the increase and use of concrete roads and pavement the problem of proper maintenance becomes one of prime importance. All contraction joints should be given attention at least once a year, and where the traffic is very heavy, this should be done at least twice every year. The months of April and October will usually be found to be suitable for this work. All joints should be carefully cleaned and filled with hot

tar, whose melting point, as determined by the "cube in water" method is about 105 degrees Fahrenheit. It is important that tests be made to determine the melting point of the material to be used. If the melting point is found to be too high, it may be reduced by the addition of creosote; if too low, it may be brought to the desired consistency by the addition of tar of a melting point higher than 105 degrees.



Splendid Type of Concrete Road.

Highway Authority Condemns Present Type of Construction—Not Sufficiently Wide.

The present type of highways is equipped with death traps on each side, says George C. Diehl, chairman of the good roads board of the American Automobile association, in an article in Motor. He condemns the present ditch system of drainage and advocates a system of underground drain pipes, making ditchless roads of our highways.

"The highways of the future," says Mr. Diehl, "must have roadways of sufficient width not merely for safety, but for the comfortable confidence of the driver. A car owner may come through alive at the end of a day's run on a popular thoroughfare, but the condition of his nerves after he has balanced himself 50 times an hour between a yawning ditch at his right and whizzing cars at his left, is something that need not be described to the average driver, because he has been there."

"Fear of an open ditch breeds over-caution that drives men to the other extreme and brings about collisions. On fairly wide roadways with deep ditches drivers are reluctant to use only one-half of the roadway, since a momentary slip means disaster. Allowance for a two or three-foot margin of safety by drivers between their cars and the ditch reduces the effective width four or five feet. Safety and comfort demand the discontinuance of deep ditches."

"On a pleasant Sunday afternoon in the touring season, probably most of these people are on the road. Every effort should be made to care for their safety. The roads ought to be made as safe as human ingenuity can make them, instead of being fitted with death traps on each side," he concludes.

FARM-TO-MARKET HIGHWAYS

Definite Plan Inaugurated by Illinois Agricultural Association for Better Roads.

The roads and legislative committees of the Illinois Agricultural association have started on a definite program to get more and better market roads for Illinois. The association favors the adoption of the patrol system of maintaining roads on a large scale. Farmers want good roads to their markets and they want them now. A trip to Wisconsin, studying their patrol system of maintaining roads, reveals the fact that they surpass Illinois and Iowa on good roads and at less expense than we are building a few miles of concrete roads.

Detriment to Rural Progress.
We need more good roads. There is no one factor which retards agricultural development more, or which more detrimentally affects a rural spirit of progress, than the present almost intolerable roads.

Dollar Per Foot.
Pennsylvania is spending \$5,000 a mile—almost a dollar a running foot—for maintenance, and \$62,500 per mile, or about \$12 per running foot, for the construction of state highways.

Preparing for Improvements.
Nearly every state in the Union is making preparations for extensive highway improvements, and in many states new bond issues aggregating many millions of dollars have been authorized.

Revive Road Improvement.
The good roads movement is seeing a big revival now that business is becoming normal. It is time to say that the war and its needs taught us the value of good roads.

Feel All Worn Out?

Has a cold, grip, or other infectious disease sapped your strength? Do you suffer backache, lack ambition, feel dull and depressed? Look to your kidneys. Physicians agree that kidney trouble often results from infectious disease. Too often the kidneys are neglected because the sufferer doesn't realize they have broken down under the strain of filtering disease-created poisons from the blood. If your back is bad, your kidneys act irregularly, and you feel all run down, use Doan's Kidney Pills. Doan's have helped thousands. Ask your neighbor!

A Louisiana Case
H. O. LACOUR, prop. grocery, 1309 Gould Ave., Alexandria, La., says: "Some years ago my back was so bad, I had to give up work for days at a time. When I bent over to do anything, I could hardly straighten and sharp pains would catch me in the small of my back. Reading of Doan's Kidney Pills, I began taking them. When I had taken about four boxes, I was in good shape."

Get Doan's at Any Store, 60c a Box
DOAN'S KIDNEY PILLS
FOSTER-MILBURN CO., BUFFALO, N.Y.

HOW DOCTORS TREAT COLDS AND THE FLU

First Step in Treatment Is a Brisk Purgative With Calomel, the Purified and Refined Calomel Tablets that are Nausealess, Safe and Sure.

Doctors have found by experience that no medicine for colds and influenza can be depended upon for full effectiveness until the liver is made thoroughly active. That is why the first step in the treatment is the new, nameless, less colomel tablets called Calomel, which are free from the sickening and weakening effects of the old style calomel. Doctors also point out the fact that an active liver may go a long way towards preventing influenza and is one of the most important factors in enabling the patient to successfully withstand an attack and ward off pneumonia.

One Calomel on the tongue at bed time with a swallow of water—that's all. No salts, no nausea, no the slightest interference with your eating, pleasure or work. Next morning your cold has vanished, your liver is active, your system is purified, and you are feeling fine, with a hearty appetite for breakfast. Druggists sell Calomels only in original sealed packages, price thirty-five cents. Your money will be cheerfully refunded if you do not find them delightful.—(Adv.)

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She Sounded Interesting.
Mrs. Jazippe—I'm rather hard to please. Have you had much experience as a maid?

The Applicant—I worked for the duke and duchess of St. Stephen's for six months before they were separated.

Mrs. Gazippe—I'll engage you. Now tell me all about it.—London Opinion.

LUCKY STRIKE
"IT'S TOASTED"

CIGARETTE

No cigarette has the same delicious flavor as Lucky Strike. Because Lucky Strike is the toasted cigarette.

Poets Who Have Sung of Cats.
Poets of all nations have sung of Puss. Of these Baudelaire came nearest to appreciating her. He wrote three great poems to cats. No other poet, unless possibly Theophile Gautier, has created works to rival them. Taine, the celebrated French historian and critic, wrote 12 sonnets to three cats. They may be placed high in the anthology of cat verse—on a level below Baudelaire, of course.—Exchange.

MURINE
Night and Morning
Have Strong, Healthy
Eyes. If they Tingle, Itch,
Smart or Burn, if Sore,
Irritated, Inflamed or
Granulated, use Murine
often. Soothes, Refreshes. Safe for
Infant or Adult. At all Druggists. Write for
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