

## King of Silos

# Playford Cement Stave Silo

Others imitate or infringe but none equal.

Only Cement Stave Silo that has been erected for 10 years.

Once up always up. Hoops never get loose or burst. First expense only expense. Requires no painting, repairing, or attention. No fire insurance. Could not burn it if you wanted to. Cannot be injured by any windstorm of less power than a cyclone or tornado. No anchors nor barnyard full of cables.

Guaranteed to keep silage as good as any silo on the market. The poorest silo is better than no silo, but the best is the cheapest always.

Investigate a Playford Silo yourself, and do not take any knocker's word for it.

The Playford Cement Stave Silo has no cracks like the wooden silo, that fills with dirt in dry weather that prevents them closing up in wet weather. The Playford Cement Stave Silo is the cheapest permanent silo on the market.

Write Judge Fred Lamb of Salisbury, Mo., who has a Playford Silo, also G. I. Taylor, Sumner, Mo.

We Court Investigation

## D. J. HOLMAN, Agent

Keytesville, Mo. Phone No. 141

### Weather Favors Ergotism

That the rainy days of late May and early June have varying results in the world of bug-dom and the fungous families is evident from a warning the Missouri State Board of Agriculture waves (a la red flag) on authority of State Veterinarian Dr. D. F. Luckey. Doctor Luckey, now recognized nationally as an expert on the diseases of live stock, (cattle in particular), is always on the alert to protect our stockmen, and on finding the conditions favorable to trouble he pleads for extreme caution in these words:

"The indications are that ergotism may be more or less prevalent among Missouri cattle in the near future. Those who are pasturing grasses of any kind that have headed out must look out for this trouble. It is most likely to occur on blue grass pastures, especially those where the grass is rank and is forming seed.

"During wet weather, like we have been having, the seed of the grass is apt to become diseased and develop a fungous growth in the place of the healthy seed. The grains of ergot, when they appear, can be found scattered through the heads of the grass and appear as slender, black bodies—considerably larger than the bluegrass seed. Their discovery in a pasture requires a very close examination.

A sufficient quantity of ergot taken in with the food causes contraction of the small arteries and tends to shut off the blood supply to the extremities. Lameness is noticed first. In the advanced stages, an angry-looking sore appears circling the fetlock. In extreme cases, a toe, or even the whole foot may break off.

"Those who are pasturing bluegrass, red-top, or other grasses which have headed out, should frequently examine the heads of the grass to ascertain whether the ergot is developing. Watch cattle and other animals closely for symptoms of lameness. On the first appearance of

any lameness change the animals to another pasture.

"Run a mower over the pasture and keep stock off of it until a new growth of grass comes out where the cattle can get it without eating the heads that have been cut down. If the rainy weather continues, this trouble is almost sure to occur in a large number of pastures and it will pay well to run a mower over the grass, cutting off the heads, before the ergot is formed. This will be almost necessary where only one pasture is available.

"If ergotism appears in a herd promptly move the stock and give each animal a full dose of purgative. For cattle, use epsom salts, giving mature animals one and one-half to two pounds, and to yearlings three-fourths of a pound. Dissolve the salts in a liberal quantity of water."

### Soliciting For Orphans

Mrs. Crane, representing the Home Association of American, located at 619 Chrysler street, Independence, Mo. was here Friday soliciting for the cause. She was selling copies of a paper issued in the interest of the home. Mrs. Crane said that while in Salisbury she was told that there was no use of stopping at Keytesville as she would meet with little success. She states that she met its greater success here than at Salisbury. The institution is non-sectarian and takes children from any state.

### IF YOUR CHILD IS CROSS, FEVERISH, CONSTIPATED

Look Mother! If tongue is coated, cleanse little bowels with "California Syrup of Figs."

Mothers can rest easy after giving "California Syrup of Figs," because in a few hours all the clogged-up waste, sour bile and fermenting food gently moves out of the bowels, and you have a well, playful child again.

Sick children needn't be coaxed to take this harmless "fruit laxative." Millions of mothers keep it handy because they know its action on the stomach, liver and bowels is prompt and sure.

Ask your druggist for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which contains directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups.

### Charitonite Writes

2136 Eunice St.,  
Berkeley, California,  
June 8, 1915.

Editors Courier,  
Keytesville, Missouri.

Dear Sirs:—Perhaps a letter from the "wild and woolly west" will be of interest to you and your readers. I know it will fill space should you be short on thunder.

California has lost much of its wild and woolly aspect as was heralded in the days of '49. The fame of her gold made this the meeting place of nearly every nation of the world, so we naturally find a very diversified population. But the majority of the people are natural born "boosters" and do every thing possible to make all things appear as bright as the famous sunshine and as inspiring as the balmy climate. This has put the state far ahead of many older states in the way of modern conveniences. The state is a network of good public roads built of rock on the mountain side. The automobile can traverse the state from North to South by several different routes at any season of the year. These good roads are maintained by a state and county tax. The automobile tax alone brings in over one million of dollars annually.

The people of the towns have a great civic pride. They macadam and asphalt the streets and build miles of cement sidewalks. I have not seen a board walk since I have been in the state.

The mild climate is conducive to the growth of many kinds of vegetation and flowers in abundance. Many flowers grow throughout the year in the open if irrigated. It is not uncommon to see roses or geraniums climbing to the second story of the houses.

The schools of the state are second to none in the United States. The educational standard for teachers is very high. A distinction is made between a grammar and a high school teacher. A four year normal school graduate can teach in the rural and grammar schools, while the high school certificate is only granted to university and college graduates. It is interesting to look through the High School Directory of the state and note following the names of teachers such degrees as B. S., M. S., A. B., Dr., Ph. D., etc. These degrees do not in all cases meet the requirements for certificates as one year of post graduate work in a university must be added.

The University of California is the second largest university in the United States in number of students enrolled. On the campus at Berkeley there are over 5000 students, while in departments at San Francisco, Los Angeles, Davis, etc., there are over 2000 more.

I noticed in the last issue of the Courier that the University of Missouri had 375 graduates and the University of Kansas had 344. The University of California conferred 986 degrees on her graduating class this year.

I was one of those fortunate ones in the College of Agriculture to receive the B. S. degree. At our commencement we had present some distinguished men, John C. Bronner, David Star Jordan, and Franklin J. Lane, who received honorary degrees for useful services rendered in their life's work.

California is good to her teachers that can live through the ordeal to complete the requirements for certificates. Experienced high school teachers seldom receive less than \$1200 a year salary, heads of departments \$1500, while principals of small high schools from one to ten teachers receive from \$150 to \$200 a month for twelve months in the year; superannuated teachers received pensions. I have been elected principal of one of the County Agricultural Union High



## Neuralgia

There is no need to suffer the annoying, excruciating pain of neuralgia; Sloan's Liniment laid on gently will soothe the aching head like magic. Don't delay. Try it at once.

### Hear What Others Say

"I have been a sufferer with Neuralgia for several years and have tried different Liniments, but Sloan's Liniment is the best Liniment for Neuralgia on earth. I have tried it successfully; it has never failed."—F. H. Williams, Augusta, Ark.

Mrs. Ruth C. Clippard, Independence, Mo., writes: "A friend of mine told us about your Liniment. We have been using it for 12 years and think there is nothing like it. We use it on everything, sores, cuts, burns, bruises, sore throat, headaches and on everything else. We can't get along without it. We think it is the best Liniment made."

## SLOAN'S LINIMENT

is the best remedy for rheumatism, backache, sore throat and sprains.

At all dealers, 25c.

Send four cents in stamps for a TRIAL BOTTLE

Dr. Earl S. Sloan, inc.  
Dept. B. Philadelphia, Pa.

Schools with five full time teachers. Even with the high qualifications competition for positions is close: there were 58 candidates competing for the same position, but this was a little out of the ordinary as it was a rather choice plum.

Balmy air, warm sunshine, good roads, and fine schools are not the only assets California has. Her agricultural resources are being developed. Many farms in the valleys are irrigated with the water from the mountains. The mountain streams furnish abundance of electric power, which is utilized by many farmers.

San Francisco has on the worlds greatest Exposition. It is certainly worth seeing. While many exhibits are similar to the St. Louis Fair, the architecture and aesthetic aspect far surpasses it. The St. Louis Fair was much of an industrial and commercial display. The San Francisco Exposition combines these things with works of nature and art in such a way that it brings forth praise from the most critical. Being situated in front of the Golden Gate, the view of the ocean, bay and mountains is magnificent.

All the streams in the state are not lined with gold nor flow with milk and honey. There are bad features along with the good. The balmy climate makes this the Mecca for tramps and hoboes while the insect pests are numerous in many places. The season of six months with out rain dries up the vegetation and coats it with dust. Mt. Lassen in the north keeps belching forth steam, cinders, and hot mud. Earth quake tremors are felt occasionally. Yesterday there was quite a little shock. The house shook, the windows rattled and the table and piano did a regular turkey trot on the floor, but no damage was done. The papers do not report these things, they are all great boosters and this does not sound well as it suggests the great San Francisco fire. Still this is a great state, no other like it, an ideal place for the man of means to live but a bad place for a poor man.

Yours Very Truly,  
E. J. Welch.

## Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

So long as Mexicans support the policy of unpreparedness for peace, this country will continue its watchful waiting—maybe.

### Binder Trouble Avoided

The self binder probably receives more abuse and greater neglect than any other machine on the farm, according to M. A. R. Kelley, of the Department of Agricultural Engineering of the University of Missouri. While its life is measured in years, its usefulness is counted in days. The average life of a binder is five years. During this period it is used a total of approximately 70 to 100 days. By providing adequate shelter for it and giving it proper care its life can be increased and the repair bills reduced.

One of the first things to do in getting the binder ready for the season's work is to see that the guards are in line. Sickle sections and ledger plates which are badly nicked should be replaced with ones. Adjust the clips so that the sickle is held firmly and gives a true shearing cut. The lost motion in the pitmae and connections should be taken up and the sickle made to register. If it is necessary to take the binder attachment apart, much trouble and time can be saved by marking the parts with a cold chisel, showing how they are put together, if they have not been previously marked. If the knife is occasionally sharpened and kept in good condition it will relieve the strain and wear on the knotters parts.

Oil should be used a little at a time but at frequent intervals. Different parts of a binder require different amounts of lubrication. It is not necessary to give the binder frame a bath of oil and let the bearings oil themselves by process of absorption. This only aids in accumulation of dust and grit which soon works into the bearings.

### Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy.

This is a remedy that every family should be provided with, and especially during the summer months. Think of the pain and suffering that must be endured when medicine must be sent for or before relief can be obtained. This remedy is thoroughly reliable. Ask anyone who has used it. Obtainable everywhere.

### Bilious Attack

When you have a bilious attack your liver fails to perform its functions. You become constipated. The food you eat ferments in your stomach and causes nausea, vomiting and a terrible headache. Take Chamberlain's Tablets. They will tone up your liver, clean out your stomach and you will soon be as well as ever. They only cost a quarter. Obtainable everywhere.

### Wallace-Flower

Cards have been issued for the marriage of Miss Idress Wallace of Claremore, Okla., and W. H. Flower of St. Louis. The wedding is to take place here but no date has been set for it. Miss Wallace is the daughter of Capt. and Mrs. J. C. Wallace of this city.

One cartoonist sees Italy beckoning the U. S. to hurry up.

Through Ancient America to California's 1915 Expositions

That's the Santa Fe way—the only line to both Expositions. Pueblo Indians, petrified forests, painted deserts for you to see en route. And the Grand Canyon of Arizona, earth's scenic marvel.

Reduced fares during Exposition period. Ask for illustrated folders about California, the Expositions and what to see on the way.

Santa Fe

Sanbuck Art. 5 Main St. Kansas City, Mo.

## The Big Twice-a-Week Republic

From now to December 31, 1915

Only **25** Cents

To New Subscribers Only. No Renewals at This Rate

### The Greatest Semi-Weekly Newspaper in America

It prints more news than any other newspaper of the same class in the country.

It prints more news, item for item, than nine out of ten big dailies. It gives you the big news of the world comprehensively and doesn't ignore the lesser news.

It gives you the best fiction money can buy, written by world-famed authors.

It prints the best and most authoritative woman's department obtainable.

It carries a great staff of feature writers.

It gives you the latest sporting news, snappy and accurate.

It has the squarest and fairest editorial page in the land.

It is a national authority on poultry news.

It gives you the best checker column in the United States.

Subscribe now and get the most newspaper value a 25c piece ever bought

Address

The Twice-a-Week Republic  
Republic Building—St. Louis, Mo.

## Brunswick Brick & Tile Co.

Manufacturers of and Dealers in

Drain Tile, Pressed Brick, Dry Mud Brick  
and Hollow Building Tile

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

BRUNSWICK,

MISSOURI