

UPLIFTING THE PIG

Baltimore News: The Baltimore and Ohio railroad has established a new rule: hogs must be showered, it declares. If it had been in force far enough back, Moses, the lawgiver, might not have given the hog a black eye which it has taken thousands of years to rectify.

Two South Carolina boys have had much to do with obtaining for the hog a belated square deal. Also they have dealt a blow at the high cost of living and the high cost of hogs—ham, bacon, pork chops, lard and sausage. "Jerry" Moore raised 256% bushels of corn from one acre of land, "Terry" Dill a 16-year-old Greenville county boy, at a cost of 3.3 cents a pound, raised a 308-pound pig. "Terry" says he keeps the pig absolutely clean and that the animal "keenly relishes the daily attention" given him.

"Terry's" pig was not the heaviest pig raised, but the boy, on the basis

of cost, won out over his nearest rival, whose pig was heavier, but was raised at a cost of 5.5 cents a pound. Terry weaned the pig himself, built the pen, sheltered it from the north wind and got all the sunlight that was possible. He "manicured" the pig daily and kept a daily record of everything that happened. The pig liked the manicuring immensely and demonstrated the theory of the Harvard professor that every pig would be a gentleman if he had a chance. The pig caught cold and became hoarse, and "Terry" swabbed out his throat with kerosene and grease; the pig registered a 91-pound gain in one month.

The Baltimore and Ohio railroad and the Harvard professor have done much to give the pig a square deal, but it remained for a 16-year-old boy to demonstrate that the pig is worthy of the "uplift."

Herald want ads bring results.

HAPPENINGS IN THE FATHERLAND

News of Interest Gathered in Germany and Austria.

STUDENTS TURN TO ATHLETICS

Kaiser Opens Field to Be Available for Fourteen Thousand Undergraduates.

The growing interest in athletic sports in Germany finds a fresh illustration in the opening by the emperor of an extensive field for sports, to be used solely by the 14,000 students of Berlin university, the Charlottenburg Technical university and the other educational institutions of Berlin. The emperor and the empress attended the dedication and the Prussian minister of education and public worship delivered the principal address. He described the rapid growth of interest in athletics among German students, which he attributed to the impulse given by the emperor

for saying "Pew!" as strike-breakers were passing. Police lieutenant fined for saying to a young man in the station house, "Keep still, green youth." Socialist fined for sending Socialist campaign literature to a Prussian policeman. Landrat (a local official of great power in Prussia) fined for insulting a young magistrate by declaring that he would not give his testimony "to such a youth."

TRAFFICKING IN TITLES.

Karl Liebknecht, the Socialist leader and member of the reichstag, whose revelations last year resulted in the conviction of a number of Krupp officials and army officers of bribery, again has unearthed affairs that are engaging the attention of the prosecuting attorney and seem likely to result in criminal prosecutions. Liebknecht charges—and supports his charges with strong evidence—that trafficking in titles on a commission basis is carried on in Prussia and that certain titles are, or were up to two years ago, granted for money considerations. The minister of education has made a public denial of the latter part of the accusations, declaring that titles, or at least that of professor, are not to be had for money. He has, however, directed an investigation of the other charges, and it is under way.

BIG CANAL ABOUT READY.

It is announced that the five years' task of deepening and widening the Baltic-North sea canal so as to accommodate the largest battleships will be practically completed by "Kiel week," the latter part of this month. The locks at the two ends, which do not raise the water level but simply serve to prevent tidal currents, have been greatly enlarged and now exceed the dimensions of the Panama locks. The new width of the canal is 333 feet and its depth thirty-six feet. At four points the width will be such that the largest warships can easily turn around in it and reverse their course, thus enabling them to obey any sudden change of orders.

BIBLICAL FILMS BARRED.

There must be no biblical films in Prussia, according to a ruling of the highest administrative court of the kingdom. The Berlin police president had prohibited the production of a film which gave some scenes from the life and sufferings of Christ. The court sustained the action of the police on the ground that the Christian religion, is a part of the public order which the police are bound to uphold. The court also held that such a film grossly wounds the sensibilities of religious people, particularly in view of the fact that it is given along with light and humorous productions.

CATHOLICS INCREASING.

That Prussia will have a Catholic majority in two or three generations is the conclusion of two writers who have been studying statistics. In 1875, out of every 1,000 children born, 603 had Protestant parents, but by 1911 this number had sunk to 519. On the other hand, the number of children of pure Catholic parentage rose in the same years from 339 to 408. If the movement of the past thirty-six years continues unchanged for another period of equal length the purely Catholic births will be 478, as compared to only 435 Protestant. These figures leave out of account the children of mixed marriages and those of Jewish parentage.

MATCH INDUSTRY DEPRESSED.

The match is losing ground. A few years ago the German factories were supplying an average of 2,200 matches for each person each day. The use of electricity and the invention of automatic igniting devices have so reduced the consumption of matches, the manufacturers say, that the rate of use is now only 1,250 matches per person each day. The manufacturers, also depressed by the heavy taxes which have been levied upon their industry, are urging the government to take over their factories and establish a state monopoly in matches. The purchase would require some \$10,000,000.

RIDICULED THE ARMY.

Rosa Luxemburg, who is at liberty pending the hearing of her appeal against a sentence of a year's imprisonment for attacking the army, now is charged with a repetition of the "crime." At a meeting which overflowed the vast Germania hall at Berlin she poured ridicule on the recent utterance of the Prussian war minister, who declared that only by continuing implicit trust in her soldiers could Germany maintain her national culture.

AVIATOR SHAVES IN AIR.

Pilot Kenschel, an Austrian aviator, bet he could shave himself while flying around the race course at Aspern. The wager was accepted at 500 crowns. While flying in loops and figure eights Kenschel lathered his face and with a safety razor shaved himself before a small mirror, steering the aeroplane with his knees. After twenty minutes he landed, winning the bet.

VON JAGOW WEDS COUNTESS.

Gottlieb von Jagow, German foreign minister, and Countess Luigarde Ernestine Zu Solm-Laubach were married at Frankfurt-on-the-Main a few days ago.



EMPEROR AND EMPRESS OF GERMANY.

himself. A great change, he said, had come over the students. Sports and games, walking and rowing, had become universal. The grounds, he added, had been given by the Prussian state, which also bore the expense of clearing them and erecting the necessary houses. The grounds are in the Grunewald, the large forest lying half an hour's ride to the west of Berlin.

AUSTRIAN TAXES HIGH.

The Austro-Hungarian taxpayer has become gravely alarmed over the fact that the military estimates for the coming year are nearly double the army and navy expenditure of seven years ago. From government sources there have come frequent assertions that relations with other countries are most peaceful and amicable. If this be true, the people are wondering why the government comes forward with a military budget which could not be much greater if the empire was on the verge of war. The sum asked by the minister of war is \$186,000,000. The army wants \$115,000,000, while the navy will get along with \$36,000,000. The remaining \$35,000,000 will be spent on the militia and reserve forces. Seven years ago the total budget for the three branches of service amounted to only \$96,000,000, a sum considerably less than is now demanded for the army alone. The popular protest is that the advance is utterly out of proportion to the normal increase in the nation's financial and commercial wealth, but the most disquieting feature is that the present budget contains no extraordinary items, so there is no reason to expect that next year's estimate will bring any relief.

MOST POPULAR CRIME.

Insult, or beleidigung, as it is termed in Germany, is easily the most popular crime in the Fatherland. This is shown by statistics of such cases for 1913, just issued. The report shows a total of more than 4,000 cases for the year. The cases included the following: Man fined because, when a policeman in citizen's clothing declared himself to be an officer the culprit replied, "You look like it." Woman, wife of a striker, imprisoned because, as a group of strikebreakers was passing, she "spat contemptuously." Striker

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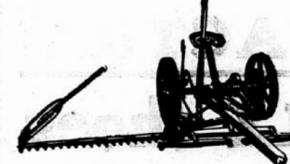
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