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Mismanaged Mails

On Christmas day, in Washington it was announced that the post office was up to date with its mail and that there would be prompt delivery of Christmas packages. On the same day that this announcement was published with the apparent authority of some postal official, postal clerks declared that there were 50 carloads of mail on the sidetracks in Washington. What the real condition was is indicated by the fact that on December 28 it was announced that a car carrying a million dollars worth of securities from Savannah to New York City got lost and was found after a nine day delay, in the railroad yards in Washington.

There is a very strong suspicion that this condition was not by any means limited to the national capital, and that not only at Christmas time but at other times there is great delay in mail transmission, due to the inefficient management of those higher up in control. There is no suspicion that the clerks themselves are falling down in their part of the task. As a means of learning the exact truth it has been suggested that in every city in the country chambers of commerce or boards of trade appoint committees to send test letters both locally and for long distance transmission, making records of the dates of mailing and receipt, so that the real situation can be determined. It is suggested that these committees be bi-partisan so that it will be a purely business matter, with no suspicion of partisan politics.

Town And Farm

When you offer a farm for sale here now, the first questions asked are, "How far is it from town?" and "How big is the town?"

Few people fully realize the value of the home town. Among other things, a good town will about double the price of all the farm land near it.

A prosperous home town means more to the farmers around it than it does to the town people themselves. Compare the size of your farm with the small amount of land owned by anyone in town. When town property increases a few dollars a lot, farm value increases several dollars an acre, and it totals up big.

The old idea of "a town is one thing and the country is another," is out of date. A town is merely a trading point for a certain radius and is limited only by the boundary of the territory served.

Get acquainted with the people living in town—trade with men you know.

Help build up your home town, because a good home town means dollars in your pocket every day and every year you own property near it.

How Boys Grow Prize Pigs

As a means of helping to increase the pork supply, the United States Department of Agriculture has just released to the motion picture theaters, through one of the large motion picture companies, a film showing the work of the boys' pig clubs which the department is organizing in all parts of the country in cooperation with the extension divisions of the state agricultural colleges.

The film shows methods of instructing farm boys, and in some instances girls, who have joined

the agricultural clubs, how to raise better pigs and the methods used by club members in carrying out instructions. The first lesson taught in the film story is that it costs no more to feed and care for the pig of carefully selected stock than the scrub, while the results in meat produced is greatly in favor of the well-bred animal. The picture shows further how to feed and care for the pigs, how to protect them from disease, and how to shelter them from the inclemency of winter and the heat of summer. The results of wise selection and intelligent care are shown in the well groomed, fat, healthy porkers wearing the prize ribbons they have won at county and state fairs.

The first pig club was organized in Louisiana in 1910. Now approximately 45,000 members are enrolled in the pig clubs throughout the country.

Beware of the War Liar

From Capper's Weekly.

The U. S. Marshal is looking for persons in Kansas who innocently or otherwise are passing on the pro-German story of the woman who found the sweater she made for her soldier son on another man and proved it by cutting open a place in it in which she had concealed a \$10 bill. This yarn is aimed at damaging the Red Cross. The way to deal with the war liar, whose aim is to stir up neighborhood gossip, to the injury of the United States, is to deny any tale that reflects on the United State in this war. Make the person who stoops to circulate it furnish the proof.

Offer Of Great Newspaper

Do not fail to note the real "money-saving proposition" made by that sterling newspaper, the St. Louis Globe-Democrat, elsewhere in this issue. In spite of the enormously increased cost of production the Daily Globe-Democrat, except Sunday, is offered to rural free delivery and star route patrons (yearly subscriptions only) at the remarkably low rate of \$3 per year, or in complete clubs of three or more at the net rate of only \$2.50 for each yearly subscription. The Daily Globe-Democrat, including Sunday, is offered \$5.50 per year or in clubs of three or more at the rate of \$4.75 for each yearly subscription. This offer is also open to subscribers who receive their mail at post offices where the Daily Globe-Democrat is not handled by local newsdealers. The regular price of the Daily Globe-Democrat including Sunday is \$7.50 per year; daily without Sunday, \$5 per year; Sunday, only, \$2.50 per year; issued twice a week, 50 cents a year. Again we urge you to read the "money saving-proposition" and send in your order at once. Address, the Globe Printing Company, Publishers, St. Louis, Mo.

Notice to Hunters

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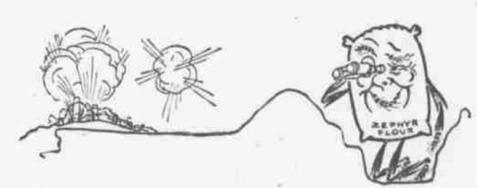
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