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Have you acquired the "slinker slouch" yet?

As if it were not sufficient already, Ireland is said to be considering a plan to take on four legislatures.

The name of the Turkish nationalist army leader in the battle with the Greeks is Mustafa, and his military laurels are decidedly musty.

"Harding Receives Princess Fatima," says a newspaper headline. Which will convince some people that our president is a slave of My Lady Nicotine in the form of a certain brand of coffin tacks.

The old St. Johnsbury and Lake Champlain railroad, scooped at by some travelers and made the butts of "drummers" jokes, has a valuation of \$2,924,120, according to the federal appraisal. Something besides a streak of rust, as far as material valuation is concerned.

War is suddenly transferred to Vermont soil when dry enforcement agents and rum runners exchange shots at Alburg. But they might as well have been doughnuts (the missiles) as far as results are concerned—no hits. But it does seem like carrying things a little too far to engage in battle over a few bottles of rum.

Our idea of the essence of foolishness is for the Columbia university varsity football candidates to begin practice on July 27, with the mercury hovering about the 95-mark. Added belief in the foolishness is furnished by the knowledge that the opening of college is still two months away. Some one ought to intervene to prevent the display of such inanity.

When they want to get clean cattle for building up a dairy they come up to Barre, Vt., as witness the recent purchase of twenty head of Holsteins from tested herds hereabouts by a Londale, R. L. company. The reputation which Barre is getting for tuberculin-free herds is being valued in dollars and cents as well as in high standing in public health circles.

Proposals for removing the danger of the grade crossing with the Central Vermont railroad track just north of Montpelier Junction are given the most cordial approval by the general public, chiefly, perhaps, by the motoring public. Those who have approached this crossing with trepidation, not knowing what they would meet when they surmounted the summit of the crossing, appreciate the dangers of the situation fully; it is absolutely impossible to see vehicles approaching from the other side of the railroad track and no one knows whether or not he is going to meet a speed maniac, head-on, at the summit and on a narrow boarded way, too. All this in addition to the danger of being struck by a train, although the latter hazard is comparatively small as the raised track permits good visibility. It's the road traffic that constitutes the real danger.

It looks as if the United States government were getting onto business principles when several of the prominent departments using vast supplies lump their purchases under a single directing head and then permit interchange of supplies as the need may arise. It is high time that the various departments of government should get over the idea that they are separate entities, working each along its own line of action and not inter-related to other departments of government. There is apt to be too much of the go-it-alone spirit among the departments, each setting itself up as sufficient unto itself. The get-together movement in the purchase of supplies is an important step in bringing the departments to a realization that they are closely related and inter-dependent to a marked degree. If Director Dawes of the budget bureau is responsible for this change in system he is to be commended very much.

ICEING MILK IS AGAINST PUBLIC HEALTH.

The practice of some Vermont farmers in placing ice in their shipments of milk for cooling purposes comes in for severe condemnation by the state department of agriculture because of the quantity of water added to the milk, such being a violation of the law. That is a strong reason why the practice should not be continued; but far more important, it seems to us, is the danger to public health which arises from the putting of ice into the milk cans. The ice may come from sources which are contaminated, in

which event filth, disease carriers and just plain dirt are conveyed into the milk to be retained there until the milk passes into the hands of the consumers and eventually into the stomachs of the people. All the ice used by farmers may not be contaminated but some of it undoubtedly is because of carelessness in the choice of sources of supply. Many farmers, as is well known, get up their own supplies of ice and from sources which have never passed rigid inspection by sanitary experts. If this ice is dumped into milk cans there is a strong chance that disease may be carried to human beings despite the theory held in some quarters that a freezing temperature effectually disposes of the life of disease germs. It's an unsanitary practice, just the same as it is unsanitary to deposit chips of ice into glasses of drinks dispensed at soda fountains. The latter practice is no longer indulged in by those dealers in drinks who have consideration for their customers. No more should the farmers dump large or small cakes of ice into their milk cans. It's against the law to water the milk; it's against the laws of health to put ice into the milk. An inspector of the department of agriculture ought to be sent out to carry on detective work if the complaints concerning the practice continue to be received at the department office in Montpelier.

MORETOWN

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Baird visited Earl Baird at Heaton hospital, Montpelier, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Atkins and daughter, Yvonne, visited in Barre on Sunday.

Miss Evelyn Griffith is spending the week with Mrs. I. L. Henson at Woodbury lake.

Miss Lillian Pappino is visiting in Montpelier.

Mrs. Mabel Henson of Bennington visited at S. E. Atkins' Tuesday and Wednesday.

Miss Nellie McCann of Lake Placid, N. Y., recently visited her sister, Mrs. P. E. Griffith.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Wilcox and Mrs. W. E. Johnson returned Wednesday from a motor trip to Bernardston, Mass.

The Moretown baseball nine played an 11-inning game at Randolph Saturday, resulting in a score of 2 to 1 in favor of Randolph.

Mrs. B. F. Griffith and daughter, Mildred, returned Sunday from a week's stay in camp at Woodbury lake.

Miss Beatrice Sellars and Miss Lillian Cromey of Lynn, Mass., are guests of the former's brother, Rev. Fred Sellars.

G. H. Sleeper, while working in the woods last week, fell, hurting his chest, which has disabled him for over a week.

The Shepard family held their annual family reunion and picnic at the home of William Shepard Sunday, 29 being present.

Rev. Fred Sellars, Miss Beatrice Sellars, Mrs. W. A. Kingsbury and daughter, Ruth, passed Tuesday at the lake shore in Burlington.

Miss Edith Mortimer is taking a two weeks' vacation from her duties at Ward's store.

Mr. and Mrs. Merlin Ward returned last week from their wedding tour through the Adirondacks.

JAPAN QUITE DEFINITE.

In Acceptance of Invitation to Disarmament Conference. Washington, D. C., July 28 (By the Associated Press)—Japan's definite acceptance of a place in the disarmament conference, which reached the state department yesterday, gives consent to a discussion of far eastern questions in connection with the conference, but suggests that problems which concern only particular powers, or which can be regarded as closed incidents, be omitted from the scope of the meeting.

There was every evidence of satisfaction over the reply in official circles here and it was indicated that the way now was regarded as entirely clear for the preliminary negotiations, which will fix the time and place of meeting and details of procedure.

A comprehensive consideration of the conference program before the delegations actually assembled also was suggested in the Japanese note and now is regarded as assured. The attitude of officials here has been that such a discussion would be entirely in place once all the invited powers had definitely accepted invitations.

A portion of the Japanese reply which attracted particular attention here was a paragraph declaring it the sense of the Japanese government that during the conference "problems such as are of sole concern to certain particular powers or such matters that may be regarded as accomplished facts should be scrupulously avoided."

It was made plain, however, that officials here regarded this statement not as a forecast of acceptance by Japan but as a forecast of the attitude she will take when the negotiations over the peace program begin.

It is pointed out here that Japan at the outset of her note agrees to a discussion of such subjects as may be regarded as bearing directly on disarmament and says in specific terms that she is willing to talk about Pacific and far eastern questions. It is suggested that some questions which might otherwise affect only two or three powers will readily find a place in the category which the Tokio government has thus accepted.

SPANISH MOROCCO TRANQUIL.

After Fighting There for Several Days.

Madrid, July 28—Affairs in Spanish Morocco, where native tribesmen and Spanish soldiers have been fighting for several days, are fast becoming tranquil, says an official communication received from the troubled area last night. The communication adds that General Cavalcanti has been appointed military commander of the area around Melilla, succeeding General Vester, who perished in a Moorish attack in this territory Saturday.

Unconfirmed advices from native sources intimate that the column of General Navarro, regarding the fate of which there has been uncertainty, is at Butelet-Tiatuin, where it is reported to be conducting a vigorous resistance to the tribesmen.

The council of ministers met last night to discuss the campaign and official cognizance was taken of the sudden lull in native operations, which has created a tremendous impression throughout Spain.

El Diario Universal says that while the natives are incapacitated so far as continuing their advance is concerned, they are still attempting surprise attacks on Spanish auxiliary trains. In a few days, however, the Spanish offensive will begin to recoup most of the territorial losses in the Melilla area, the newspaper concludes.



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Twenty-seven fellows came to the United States for training in public health work, from the following countries: Czechoslovakia, 13; Brazil, 5; Canada, 3; France, 2; Colombia, 1; Costa Rica, 1; Salvador, 1; Mexico, 1; Porto Rico, 1.

In carrying out its plans in China, President George E. Vincent says the foundation aided 31 strategically located hospitals, mostly under missionary auspices, to improve buildings and equipment and increase the number of their doctors and nurses. The Peking Union Medical College is now being built by the foundation. Aid has been given the medical school at Tsingtau and appropriations have been made to a number of Chinese colleges for pre-medical courses.

WILLIAMSTOWN

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TOLD OF ERADICATION.

Dr. De Fossett Addressed Vermont Veterinarians.

Burlington, July 28.—The annual midsummer meeting of the Vermont Veterinary association was held yesterday afternoon at the New Sherwood hotel with about 25 members of the profession from various parts of the state in attendance. The meeting was opened at one o'clock by Dr. W. L. Adams, president of the association. Dr. George Stevens, secretary, called the roll and read the minutes of the last meeting.

Addresses were given by Dr. Robert Weirs of Rutland, who spoke on his 30 years' experience in practice. Dr. Thomas as used as his subject "The Treatment of Umbilical Hernia in Foals and Calves." Dr. F. A. Rich, "The Modern Conception of Heredity" and Dr. A. J. DeFossett, state federal inspector, talked on "The Combined Tuberculin Tests for Cattle."

Dr. DeFossett told the different test methods employed in the Vermont bovine tuberculosis eradication, and gave a thorough discussion of the various combination methods which he endorsed very strongly in the eradication program. The necessity for the combined methods for the success of the campaign was first brought to the attention of the live stock officials by Dr. DeFossett. The first combination tuberculin test ever made in New England states was made by Dr. DeFossett in 1918, since which time about 20,000 cattle have been subjected to these test methods, with remarkably accurate results. The work as outlined by Dr. DeFossett has been taken up by practically all other states of the Union (after demonstrations were given in the various sections of the United States). He presented charts at the meeting showing the result of tests and also called attention to the necessity of all veterinarians familiarizing themselves with this new method. Dr. DeFossett has under his supervision 16 official state and federal veterinarians who give their entire time to tuberculosis eradication, and four more federal veterinarians will be added to the staff in August. They are Dr. Dennis Shannon, L. H. Trip and Fetter of Boston and Solomon Eisendorf of Jersey City, N. J. These young men will be stationed temporarily in Montpelier until they are thoroughly trained for this particular work.

E. S. Brigham, commissioner of agriculture, spoke at some length on the new live stock laws that became effective June 1.

Four new candidates, C. S. Parks of Grand Isle, Carl W. Dwyer of East Berkshire, A. A. Mortimer of Barre and George Thomas of Wells River, became members of the association at yesterday's meeting. They were recently graduated and will begin practice of their profession in this state.

BETHEL

Mrs. I. Allen Rogers of South Randolph, with her friend, Mrs. William Wells of Springfield, and her two daughters, called on friends here yesterday.

Mrs. M. A. Porter is attending the summer school for teachers at the University of Vermont.

Miss Edna Davis of Manchester, N. H., and Miss Elsie Buswell of Salisbury, Mass., who had been visiting here, went yesterday to visit friends in Stowe. They are teachers in the Medford, Mass., public schools.

Mrs. Della Toland and her daughter, Laura, of Burke, N. Y., who had been visiting relatives in Lowell, Mass., came Tuesday to their former home at F. A. Northrop's and returned to Burke today.

F. S. Blossom had well-filled ears of sweet corn from his garden for dinner Tuesday. He says the seed was not planted unusually early.

Miss Julia Holmes of Bellows Falls is visiting at John Keisher's.

Harold Gambell and family of Haverhill, Mass., are guests at Arthur V. Leavitt's.

Mrs. Marcia Woodward of South Tunbridge is with relatives here for a few days.

John and William Kerr of Bellows Falls have been visiting their grandfather, P. L. Martin.

WEBSTERVILLE

Mrs. Adelard Gravel and daughter, Marie Claire, returned to Montpelier Monday, after visiting two weeks with her sister, Mrs. Joseph Boucher.

Fate.

All through the spring a bathing dress for her delight she'll plan, Then strike some seaside wilderness Where there is not a man. —Boston Transcript.

Vermont Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Montpelier, Vt. NINETY-FOURTH YEAR. Premium Notes in Force... \$12,282,751.00. Cash Assets... \$300,000.00. Insurance in Force... \$123,121,771.00. Policies written under Mutual or Paid-Up Plan at actual cost—no profit. Consider this fact when placing your Automobile Fire Insurance. If you are seeking Insurance, see our Local Agent McAllister & Kent Agents for Barre, Berlin and Orange.



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