

Gasoline, ether and benzine could not be kept on shelves in a cabinet in the house, the national board of fire underwriters says in a recent article. It is exceedingly dangerous, as either gasoline or benzine gives off at ordinary temperature inflammable vapor. Through these vapors, a light at a distance may ignite the liquid. If there is a small leak in the container, sufficient vapor may form to cause a violent explosion. With ether the danger is even greater than with gasoline or benzine.

Lace Tree.

The lace-bark tree provides the women of Jamaica with ready-made lace, from which caps, bonnets, and nets are made. The inner bark of the tree is soaked in water and divided into separate layers. Each layer is stretched and spread in the sunshine. The application of water bleaches the lace. A tree that flourishes in the South Sea islands produces fruit which, as a food, resembles very closely a newly baked loaf. On account of this it is known as the bread tree.

Soap Mentioned in Bible.

The word soap is to be found in the Bible, in Jeremiah, Chap. II, verse 22, which reads: "For though thou wash thee with nitre, and take thee much soap, yet thine iniquity is marked before me, saith the Lord God." The word will be found in one other passage, namely, in Malachi, Chap. III, verse 2: "But who may abide the day of his coming? and who shall stand when he appeareth? for he is like a refiner's fire, and like fuller's soap."

To Remove Grit From Eye.

Small foreign bodies which are not imbedded in the eyeball may often be removed by going into a dark room, looking up toward the lighting fixture, then turning the light on quickly, writes a correspondent. If the light is strong enough, it will cause a violent reaction which will cause the particle to be washed to the corner of the eye. It is then easily removed by means of a clean handkerchief.

The United States Wearing Away.

An average of 35 tons of soil, pebbles, and rock is carried by the rivers into the ocean every year from every square mile of the United States, according to the United States geological survey, department of the interior. The immensity of this contribution may be better comprehended when it is realized that the surface of the United States covers 3,088,500 square miles.

At Long Range.

A gossip is never willing to repent unkind remarks to your face. We recently heard one when accused of this try to justify herself by saying: "Gossip, madam, is a social attack conducted on the approved principles of modern warfare—you are not supposed to see the person at whom you are shooting."—Boston Transcript.

Forest Exhaustion a Danger.

The Department of Agriculture says that the crux of timber depletion is the exhaustion, or partial exhaustion, of the forests that are most available to the bulk of the population of the country. One-half of the lumber remaining in continental United States is in three states, bordering on the Pacific ocean.

Bible Statistics.

In the Bible mention is made of nineteen different precious stones, six metals, one hundred and four trees and plants, thirty-five animals, thirty-nine birds, six fishes, eleven reptiles, twenty insects and other small creatures.

Cats and Dogs at Peace.

There is one place near Philadelphia where cats and dogs dwell together in peace. It is a cemetery devoted to deceased pets. It is at Francaville and contains many handsome tombstones.

Cold Causes Stale Bread.

Prof. J. K. Katz of Amsterdam, has found that low temperature makes bread stale. At 140 degrees F., it was fresh after 48 hours, but when the temperature was reduced to 122 degrees the bread began to grow stale.

Injuries by Falls.

The greatest number of deaths charged to any one accidental cause is 114 or 145 per 10,000 is shown for falls. The rate for this cause varies but slightly from year to year.

Indian and African Elephants.

The most distinguishing point of difference between the Indian elephant and the African elephant is the size and shape of the ear. The ear of the African elephant is much the larger.

Discreet at All Times.

A caddy, we are informed, should be perfectly dumb while a golfer is preparing to hit the ball. And perfectly deaf when he misses it, we suppose.

No Need to Be Too Modest.

It is generally pretty safe to tell people you know all about everything. Most of them will not know any better than to believe it.

Early Writing Fluid.

For several centuries an infusion of galls with sulphate of iron composed the only known writing fluid.

Hats Off to Lightning.

In Quite every one uncovers to a flash of lightning.

MAJ. LEONARD WOOD MAKES APPEAL FOR NEAR EAST RELIEF

Says Two and a Half Million Starving Armenians Need Help at Once.

Fl. Sheridan, Ill.—Major General Leonard Wood, commanding the Sixth Corps Area, has issued a Lenten sacrifice appeal for funds to save the Armenians from annihilation by starvation and disease. "I feel that however many and however worthy the other appeals which are being made to the great heart of America these days may be," he says, "this cry from the little children cannot remain unanswered."

The Near East Relief, 1 Madison avenue, New York City, which has been charged by Congress with the American relief work in the whole Near East, has formed a special "Lenten Sacrifice Appeal Committee," of which Major General Wood is chairman, Charles V. Vickery secretary and Cleveland H. Dodge treasurer, to put before the American people the desperate need of the Christian populations of the Near East, who have suffered and are still suffering the horrors of war.



MAJ. GEN. LEONARD WOOD

Among the prominent members of General Wood's Committee are Secretary of the Treasury Andrew W. Mellon, Mrs. Corinne Roosevelt Robinson, sister of the late President Roosevelt; ex-President W. H. Taft, Mary Garden, President John Grier Hibben of Princeton University, Bishop-Elect William T. Manning of New York, Dr. Henry van Dyke, David Belasco, Samuel Gompers, Frank A. Munsey, Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, Mrs. Henry Morgenthau, John G. Milburn of the American Bar Association, Miss Elizabeth Marbury and Mrs. Medill McCormick of Chicago.

As Chairman of a Special Committee of representative men and women of the country, charged with placing before the American people the desperate need of two and a half million Armenians, the remnant of the oldest Christian nation, whose sufferings through sixteen centuries seem to have brought them no nearer peace, liberty or security, I beg your personal co-operation and influence to forward an appeal for a Lenten Sacrifice Offering to enable the Near East Relief to go on with its work of mercy.

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PRESIDENT ENDORSES THE NEAR EAST RELIEF APPEAL

Washington.—President Harding has given his hearty endorsement to the appeal being made by Maj. Gen. Leonard Wood on behalf of the Near East Relief, 1 Madison Avenue, New York City, for a nation-wide Lenten Sacrifice Offering to save the starving Christians of the Near East.

The President's letter reads: "There ought to be no cessation or relaxation of our sympathetic American efforts to be of service to these stricken people. One can well believe that they will not survive if we withdraw the relief which has heretofore been so generous from the private American purse. It has seemed to me that all we have done has borne dividends tenfold in the consciousness that we have done an humane thing for a people well deserving our generous sympathy. I wish you the very greatest success in furthering the great relief movement to which you are now giving your attention."

"WARREN G. HARDING"
Vote for Alf McCall for mayor.

STATE CAPITAL

The house approved a bill enabling the lieutenant governor to draw the same salary as the governor when he is acting as governor.

Two bills opposed by union labor have been reported out by the sifters. One prohibits picketing, the other provides for an industrial court.

Senator Hitchcock will be one of the speakers at the legislative banquet. A. J. Weaver is also on the list. The banquet will be held April 4th.

All but ten of the child welfare bills have been killed at one time or another and it is doubtful about all of the ten being approved. There were 53 of them to start with.

The Epperson bill reducing the number of judicial districts in the state from eighteen to nine and allowing additional judges in each district was approved by the house.

The bread bill finally passed the senate and went to the governor for his approval. Hereafter bakers must make standard weight loaves of bread instead of any size they wish.

It is still talked that the session will adjourn at the end of next week. If the supply of oratory keeps us no large amount of work will be accomplished in the time that is left.

The house voted in favor of establishing a bureau of criminal identification in the public welfare department where finger prints and Bertillon measurements may be kept.

Fifty-seven bills suffered death in house committees under the rule that all such bills must be reported out by a certain date. A smaller number met death under a similar rule in the senate.

The house also voted in favor of selling small tracts of school lands, those under 40 acres, and town lots but an attempt to amend the bills so it would include tracts of 160 acres or 640 acres failed.

Senator Hongland's bill to do away with all fees in the university was killed. University authorities say they would not object to the bill if they are given enough more money to cover expenses.

The bill providing for county aid for poultry association was killed in the house. Representative Reed and other bachelor members might have been for it more strongly if it had provided for chicken inspectors.

The senate also approved the bill fixing salaries for county judges but with some amendments that made a conference necessary with the house. The senate is inclined to be more liberal in the matter of salaries than the house and in providing for assistants.

The senate passed the hail insurance bill with an amendment providing that only 10 per cent of the money collected is to be turned in to the state. The balance is to be held by the county clerk in each county.

It is said that the women who sat in the galleries and worked in the lobbies can claim the credit for the passage of the censorship bill in the house. Now that women are voters who can blame the men for catering to their wishes?

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Two members made tentative arrangements the other day for a fictitious encounter but, up to the present time, it has not been pulled off. One enthusiastic fan proposed that the house make an appropriation to buy gloves for the contestants.

It is understood that the sifting committee will report out three newspaper bills but it is doubtful about the tax roll bill getting out. It will have some strong support in the house if it comes out but it is likely to strike rough landing in the senate.

Eye doctors had all kinds of bad luck in the house with their bill tightening up the requirements for those who would engage in the business of fitting glasses. One member said the object of the bill was to make it possible to charge \$20 for a \$2 pair of glasses.

University authorities are seriously concerned over the reduction in the amount they asked for to pay the expenses of that institution during the

last two years. As the appropriations now stands it gives them about \$100,000 less than they had the last two years. They hope that the senate finance committee will add to the appropriation.

The new blue sky bill passed the house with only three votes against it. This bill does away with licensing stock salesmen. This proved to be one of the most objectionable features of the present law. Many thought that when the state issued a license it thereby placed its approval on the stock and salesmen were not slow in playing up this feature.

The senate refused to pass a bill providing for a state medical inspector to be appointed by the state superintendent of school and work from his office. One reason was because such an official would duplicate work now being done by the state health department. Another reason is that the senators think we are getting too much in the way of inspection.

So far an unusually small number of bills have passed both houses and secured the approval of both houses and been signed by the governor and most of them are of minor importance. If the present intention of adjourning early in April is carried out the legislature is not likely to have a very big grist of new laws to show for its efforts unless considerable speeding up is done.

The movie people express their determination to have the censorship bill submitted to a referendum if it becomes a law. If they secure 40,000 signers to their petitions the law will be suspended until after the next general election. If they only secure 20,000 the referendum will be held but the law will not be suspended in the meantime. With their facilities for securing signers it seems certain that they will get the 40,000 and this

HORSES AND MULES TO COME BACK AGAIN

Every grain producer and grain dealer will be interested in the announcement that the Chicago Board of Trade has just appropriated Twenty-Five Hundred Dollars (\$2500.00) to further the work of the Horse Association of America. This brief announcement is of far reaching significance. It means that the greatest grain market in the world has recognized the menace to grain sales resulting from the displacement of horses and mules by motors. It means that the methods of the Horse Association, in giving reliable information on the use of horses, are approved by the greatest Board of Trade. It proclaims the position of the grain men in no uncertain terms.

If the extended displacement of horses and mules by motors resulted in economic gain to the nation as a whole, the campaign of the Horse Association of America to increase the production and use of horses and mules, would not be warranted. The Association states that ample evidence has already been secured to prove that in many instances, such displacement is economically unsound, resulting in less reliable, less efficient service, at greater cost. Consumers, grain dealers and grain producers alike suffer from such substitution, which, according to a leading traffic manager in New York City, is due chiefly to ignorance on the part of business men regarding the actual cost of operating horse drawn and motorized equipment. As detailed costs are brought to their attention, through the exhaustive, thorough work of the Horse Association of America, horses and mules will again come into more general use in all zones of city hauling and farm work, where they render efficient and more economical service.

TUBERCULOSIS IN POULTRY

Because the older birds furnish the greatest number of tuberculosis cases, the flock may well be kept free of those two years old or older, says extension bulletin 63 of the College of Agriculture, "Tuberculosis in Poultry." The elimination of the older birds is always a good practice and will undoubtedly help to retard the spread of tuberculosis. Sanitation is also an important consideration in the prevention of this disease. Cleanliness of pens, houses, eating and drinking utensils, well-lighted and ventilated houses, have an excellent influence on the general health of the flock as well as on the resistance of the birds to infection. Overcrowding should be especially avoided, because should an infected bird be present the intimate contact with many birds in close quarters is the best possible factor for the rapid spread of the disease.

Citizen Ticket Fills Vacancies

Mary Peterson, Mayor. Ancil Crabill, for Councilman in 2nd Ward. Wm. Delaney, for Councilman in 1st Ward.

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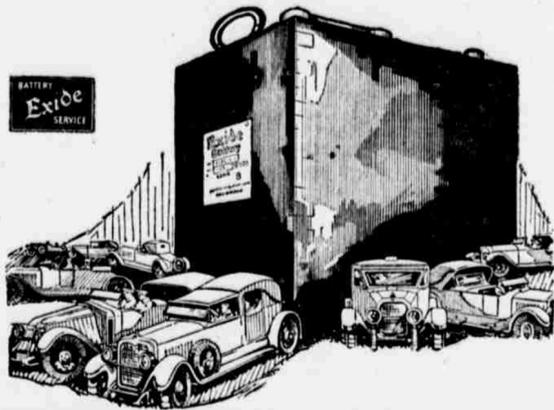
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The Webster County Shorthorn Breeders Consignment Sale will be held in the Auditorium Stock Barn Tuesday, April 5 commencing at 1 p. m. The offering consists of 20 Bulls, 2 Cows and Heifers Scotch and Scotch Tipped Shorthorn cattle. The bulls are sired by Village Avon, Grand Victor 4th, Red Shamrock, Golden King, Royal Star, Rosewood Sultan, Rose-dale Archer and others.

Had Warning Enough.
A West-Norwood man who described himself as a poet told the magistrate that he had twice been knocked down by a motorcycle. Our opinion is that he should have given up poetry when he was knocked down the first time. —London Punch.

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"Many girls exhaust their energy chewing gum," remarks a writer. The more pepsin, the less pep, so to speak. —Boston Transcript.

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