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"We have almost forgotten that just a few years ago the only uses found for gasoline were those of cleaning and cooking," said E. B. Doran, assistant professor of agronomy, Louisiana State University. "To be sure, grease spots are still 'taken out' with gasoline and possibly some corn bread is still baked in an oven on a gasoline range, but, in the meantime, our ideas as to the usefulness of gasoline have completely changed. We connect the word gasoline now almost wholly with the word power. When we speak of gasoline we think of power.

"And it is only still more recently that gasoline stands for power in the home. The farmer's wife is coming into her own and gasoline is the magic word.

"We must not neglect to explain, however, that the magic is brought about by close association with electricity. The gasoline is the source of power for the small engine; the small engine is connected to the generator, and the operation of the generator causes electricity to be stored in batteries. From this point we branch out into several lines. First, we have electric lights, then electric current for numerous small cooking appliances, comfort from electric fans, and, by an ingenious type of pump and tank the only completely satisfactory system of country water works.

"It begins with gasoline. The home comforts of modern farm life are possible only because of the readiness and completeness with which this clear, volatile fluid can be utilized."

MAKE THE WASTE LAND PRODUCE FOOD

Ample Time To Drain Waste Places Before the Opening of the Spring Work.

On nearly every Louisiana farm there is some land that is either not used at all or is used in such a way as to produce very little. On many farms there are patches of low ground which cannot be tilled because they are too wet. Usually when drained these wet areas are the richest on the farm.

Just at present, when the cry of the world is for food and more food, the product of these idle acres is needed. This is an excellent time to put them into use. Small patches of wet land can often be drained at little expense. Between now and the opening up of spring work there will be ample time to do the work. Every farmer, part of whose farm is unproductive because it needs drainage, should take advantage of the present opportunity to add to his cropping area by supplying the necessary drainage. These lands will produce more than average farm lands. Every product will help feed the hungry.—L. S. U. Press Bulletin.

CONFINING HENS TO THE BACK YARD

A yard surrounded by a five-foot fence will, under most conditions, keep chickens at home. If the hens show a tendency to fly over such a fence, the flight feathers of one wing should be clipped. A fence made of woven wire is preferable to a fence made of board or other material. A board should not be used at the top of a wire fence, as this gives the hens a visible place to alight and tends to teach them to fly over. The larger the yard which can be provided the more contented the hens will be. It not only gives them greater opportunity to exercise, but often makes it possible to maintain a sod on the yard, which is advisable.—L. S. U. Press Bulletin.

WORKERS BUSY ON PLANS FOR VICTORY LOAN NEXT SPRING

"Let's Finish the Job," Will be Appeal to Subscribers and Volunteers in Last Bond Campaign.

Atlanta.—Forces are being lined up throughout the country to put over America's fifth war loan—the last the public will be called upon to absorb—the early part of April.

The decision of the Treasury Department to designate the new bond issue as the "Victory Liberty Loan," seems to be meeting with general favor. The name carries the thought of the victory of America and her allies on the battlefields of France for the cause of freedom and democracy.

The amount of the loan will be determined by the needs of the Treasury Department when the issue is authorized. It is believed, however, it will be about six Billion Dollars—the same as the Fourth Liberty Loan. The interest rate of the securities has not been decided but assurances have been given that it will be attractive from the investor's point of view.

"Let's finish the job" is the appeal made by officials of the War Loan organization to purchasers of bonds of the previous issues and to workers. The county organizations are being reassembled for the last great effort.

In a statement just made public, Governor Joseph A. McComb, of the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, chairman of the Sixth District War Loan Organization, emphasizes the need of another loan.

"It was not alone the achievement of our soldiers in breaking the Hindenburg line that made Germany beg for an armistice though I would not rob the fighters of any of the glory, he said. It was the gigantic scale of preparation in America, behind the army; our huge production of arms, ammunition and ships; our greater army in training behind the firing line, that convinced Germany it was useless to fight any longer."

"By going into it as we did, a vast sum was spent, but it brought a saving in the lives of thousands of our young men. Critics have charged the Government with 'extravagance' in handling war contracts. It was this determination to 'win at any cost' that brought the Hun to his knees. It was economy, not only in lives but in money we would have been compelled to spend had the war lasted another year or two years longer."

The obligations now outstanding for this enormous production of material must be met. That is the reason it is necessary to raise more money through bonds even though the armistice has been signed. American soldiers still are in Europe and until they have been brought back and the bills paid, the public's duty to the Government will not be fulfilled—the job will not be finished.

DEMAND FOR GOOD RAMS GREATER THAN SUPPLY

"The demand for Shropshire and Hampshire rams the past season has been much greater than the supply," says G. P. Williams, sheep and goat specialist, Extension Division, Louisiana State University. The Livestock Extension office receives many inquiries for rams of this type, but not often can we put a finger down and say: "There is the ram for you to buy." The minimum weight for standard Shropshire and Hampshire rams is 175 pounds, and the weight of the ewes should not be less than 140 pounds. Ram lambs offered for breeding purposes should weigh not less than 100 pounds when from five to six months old. The man who is looking for breeding stock of either of these breeds has a right to ask the breeder to produce the goods if he wants the price. Don't pay good money for a black-face animal unless he carries the weight and the broad chest and rump that the standard calls for; don't buy a Shropshire or a Hampshire pelt for the bones it holds, for if the breeder can't produce a standard animal, the beginner's chances of doing so are small. If breeders want a big price let the buyer demand a big sheep."

Sisters Schools Re-opened

—The schools of the Convent of Mercy were re opened Monday after having been closed for two weeks on account of influenza among the boarders. We are pleased to say they are all well and there are no more cases at the Convent.

Bought Town Property.

Mr. C. J. Gauthier has bought from Mr. Dan. W. Voorhies, the property near the railroad which Mr. Gauthier and family will soon occupy. Mr. Gauthier bought the property in anticipation of the gravel roads which will make it easy for him to come home every day.

Back From France

Mr. Zerben Bienvenu who has done active service in France returned home last Saturday. Shortly after joining the army Mr. Bienvenu crossed the sea and was immediately sent to the front, and was on the Mense sector, where he was slightly wounded in the knee and had to be sent to the hospital. He participated in the last fights and was on the firing line at the time the armistice was signed.

DIED.

Mr. John Marshall, private secretary of Governor Pleasant died in New Orleans last week, of pneumonia, following influenza.

—Mr. Achille Patin received a message Monday that his oldest brother, J. A. (Fils) Patin, had died at his home in Lockport, La., of heart troubles, at the age of 70 years.

The death of Mr. Jerome Mouton at Lafayette last week was received here by his many friends with much sorrow. Jerome who was a brother of Mrs. A. G. Goulas of this town, spent his boyhood days here and was considered as one of ours.

Tuesday evening at 1:40 o'clock, Miss Philomene Cecile Hebert died at the age of 15 years and 7 months. Miss Hebert was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hebert and died of influenza followed by pneumonia. She was buried at three o'clock Wednesday evening.

Charter Amendment.

Extract from the Stockholders meeting of Bank of St. Martinville held Jan. 14, 1919.

The following amendment to the Charter of the Bank of St. Martinville was adopted, viz: Be it enacted that Article 5th of the Charter of this Bank be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows, viz:

ARTICLE 5th

The affairs of this corporation shall be managed by a board of nine directors, three members shall be a quorum, who shall be elected at the annual meeting of the stockholders held for that purpose.

Each share shall be entitled to one vote; said board of directors shall appoint all the officers and employees of this corporation, fix their salaries and bonds, and make and ordain all necessary by-laws for the management of the affairs of this corporation.

ALBERT BIENVENU, Cashier. St. Martinville, La., Jan. 15, 1919.

Children's Rights.

In the home life never forget that the children have social rights and the chief among these is the right to laugh when they are happy, to cry when they are unhappy, and to make a noise. A healthy child is always active, it must jump and scream fall down, cry when it gets hurt and jump up only to repeat the same thing. But to keep it still means unhappiness and nearly, if not quiet death. Let them be gay. This is their element. We always class children, birds and flowers together. And why? Because they should be equally beautiful, innocent and happy. We should never rob childhood of its ideal loveliness. Let them play and be happy, but teach them self control. God's estimate of self control is this: He that is show to anger is better than the mighty and he that ruleth his own spirit, than he who taketh a city." Condemn your children only when they are really wrong, and then as gently as possible, but be sure to commend when they do right. A little praise with a child goes a long way. A child may be very provoking but not wilfully bad. Attributing bad motives to a thoughtless child has ruined many a little life. Just blame less and praise more and we shall have better children. Especially as most

of their faults are copied from their parents we should exercise the strictest charity for verily "Charity doth cover a multitude of sins."—The Enterprise.

Railroad Track Bad.

—The continuous rains have so thoroughly soaked the railroad bed, that the track on this branch gives out almost every day, causing much delay in the running of the train. It is necessary to run slow and notwithstanding this the track sinks, and the ground is so wet that it is almost impossible to make repairs.

Mr. J. G. Broussard who is now in the oil business in Crowley was here several days this week visiting relatives. He says the muddy condition of the streets in Crowley are worse than they are here.

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