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LIME AS A FERTILIZER

For the past six years Illinois farmers, under the direction of their Agricultural College have been applying the remarkable results obtained from lime tests made by the Maryland Experiment Station, the results of which were published in 1906. Experiments covering twelve years showed that the difference in yield between land unlimed and land treated with lime carbonate or ground shells was in an average of four corn crops, five barrels per acre. The least difference shown between unlimed land and any other form of lime used was three barrels, in four crops of corn or an average increase of from three-fourths to one and a quarter barrels of corn per acre a year. So far an investment of two to three dollars an acre the return per year was $4 to $6 and for four crops for the same investment in lime, $16 to $24. These results are obtained on most unlimed soils of Southern Maryland and would mean an increase in income to the average farm of $200 to $400 a year as the case might be. If only one-fourth of the cultivated lands of Maryland showed a similar response to the use of lime it would make possible an annual increase in the net returns from the farms of over five millions of dollars. Such results would certainly justify the investment of $25,000 in soil investigations as proposed by the Governor in his message to the Legislature.

The above is clipped from a page of the Carroll Record not devoted to editorial or local matter, and was probably, therefore, copied into the Record from some other paper or from data sent out from the Agricultural College. Its publication reminded the editor of the Sentinel of an observation of his own when he was a youth of 15 or 16 years old, up in the red land that runs through Frederick and Carroll counties. It is a story of his own experience. At the time spoken of he hauled three hundred and fifty bushels of lime from kilns near Mechanicstown and piled it up in a corner of a field of 7 1|2 acres, belonging to his bachelor uncle, just outside of the village of Creagerstown. The land was a perfect sample of the red rock variety and well nigh non-productive. The lime lay on the pile until it slaked and was then spread over the field. In removing it no soil was taken up with it and it was estimated that at least as much as would have required 500 bushels to the acre remained on the spot where it had been piled. People of the neighborhood twitted the writer with having effectually killed that spot. Corn was planted in the field and showed the beneficial effect of the liming, but the corner that it was thought was killed showed the most surprising result. There the corn grew luxuriantly, and yielded three times as much as any other spot of equal size in the field. The beneficial effect of the liberal liming was apparent for years. In fact the writer was told, when visiting the place forty years afterwards, that the spot had never lost its fertility. There is no doubt that lime is a valuable fertilizer on soils in which it is naturally deficient or where it has been exhausted by cultivation. Probably an analysis of the red land referred to, unlimed, would demonstrate its entire absence from the soil which, therefore, can be greatly improved by its liberal application.

Twenty-five millions of dollars was once, in this country, thought to be a great sum, and so it is; but it will amount to very little if applied to road building all over the United States, as is proposed in a bill passed by the House of Rrepresentatives by an overwhelming majority. It is being severely criticised by Southern newspapers, chiefly because it is regarded as a violation of State's rights. In that respect, however, it is only in line with the tendency of the times. It is a pitiable sum for the purpose designed, it being estimated that it will give only $15 to $60 per mile for road improvement. At the present high cost of State road building the largest sum mentioned would not be much more than a drop in a bucket in work of that character. It would be of some benefit if applied to the up-keep of earth roads only and, if the bill shall become a law, it should provide for just that use.

TOO MUCH PLEASURE SEEKING

Rev. Dr. John G. Murray, Bishop of the Episcopal Church of this Diocese, in a public letter to the laity of the church, earnestly decries the growing disregard of the lenten season by the votaries of social pleasures. His letter is a strong appeal to the people under his spiritual leadership to avoid the dance and the card party during Lent. Rev. Dr. Kinsolving, pastor of Old St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Baltimore, in his sermon, on Sunday morning, also made a strong plea for abstention from worldly pleasures during this season. He struck at the root of the matter, however, by deploring the growth of general pleasure seeking. Some things he said may well be read and pondered by those who are giving up their lives to frivolity and seem to take no thought of their relations to the Creator. And among these are many church members, as well as worldlings, especially young people. It constitutes a menace to the future welfare, if not to the perpetuity of this nation. Among other things Dr Kinsolving said:

"Our life is becoming a mad, unwholesome rush and whirl. People are being consumed by its pace and its passion for external, sense satisfactions. The furious chariot of the young Roman has given place to the furious automobile of the young American or European, and it is a symbol of the people's life. Moving-picture shows providing the most mind-dissipating scenes and subjects keep the brains of our young people in a state of tense and perpetual excitation—another symbol of our life.

"Today nearly everything is overdone, done to excess.

"Dancing is overdone and when 'society,' not content with dancing day and night for six days, lays its hands on the sacred Lord's day itself to press it into service, what shall we say? It seems like offering a direct insult to the Almighty.

"You men ought to stop in your business to turn to thoughts of God. You need the interruption of Lent. The spiritual life is so much harder to live than your business life that you ought to accept Lent's challenge to try to live it.

"According to our Lord, the kind of enemies of which we have been speaking are expelled by prayer and fasting.

"If you have been caught by one of those waves of prayerlessness which sweep over human lives, now is a good time to learn real prayer."

The Sentinel has received a copy of a speech delivered in the House of Representatives by Congressman Lewis, of this State, in favor of the proposed acquisition of the telephone lines of this country by the Postoffice Department. It is to be hoped a long time will elapse before this postalization of the telephone. There are insuperable objections to governmental ownership of the telephone system. Under private proprietorship the system is also under National and State control. The Interstate Commerce Commission and State Public Utilities Commissions have power to regulate its service and charges. It is notorious that government salaries are largely in excess of those paid in private enterprises for services of the same character or their equivalents. Logically it would cost the government much more to run the business efficiently than it does the private companies, and it is reasonably certain that the Postoffice Department would either conduct it at a loss, or find it necessary to increase tolls. The Sentinel has heretofore alluded to this subject and now returns to it simply to emphasize its opposition to the plan. To what has been already said it may be added that it would be a national calamity to increase the officeholding force of the United States by a hundred thousand, as would have to be done if the telephone were postalized. For some very interesting telephone facts the attention of the Sentinel's readers is called to a recent address of Second Vice-President Buehler, of the Bell system, which will be found in other columns of this issue.

Can any good reason be assigned why President Wilson is exempted from the payment of income tax on his official salary of $75,000 per annum, while the law provides that the tax must be paid by his successors? The exemption may be all right and just, but, if so, it should apply to future Presidents as well. There is, however, some question about its equity. Other officials who, like Mr. Bryan, find it necessary to eke out their incomes by engaging in private enterprises, are not spared, and this, too, while much of the expense of running the executive mansion is provided for by congressional appropriations, outside the annual salary. It is no secret that Presidents have been saving money out of the ample compensation provided for them by law. But at any rate they should receive uniform treatment under the law, and if President Wilson is not taxed neither should his successors.

The authorities are now proposing to interfere with the diversions of New York life by electrocuting next April four of the leading gunmen.

King George and 30,000 Britishers saw the two American teams play ball at London a few days ago. Thus civilization spreads, even in darkest England.

It is about time for Gen. Carranza to show up whether he is the head of the Mexican Constitutionalist movement, or only Pancho Villa's errand boy.

An amendment to the Army Appropriation bill, pending in the House of Representatives at Washington, provides that retired army officers acting as agents of manufacturers or dealers selling supplies to the government shall forfeit their retired pay while thus employed. This is a just and equitable provision. In fact it would hardly be out of place to prohibit retired army officers, while engaged in such an occupation, from including the government as a customer. Their knowledge, derived from long service to the government, to say nothing of the natural influence attaching to their rank, makes it improper for them to act as agents for dealers in cases in which they are still in governmental pay.

It is said that about three hundred thousand men are walking the streets of New York City, vainly seeking employment. And these men probably represent an additional five hundred thousand people whom it is their duty as well as their desire to support. At the same time it is estimated that the government will receive at least fifteen millions of dollars in New York from the income tax, imposed that tariff duties might be reduced, to the advantage of foreign producers, and, logically to the detriment of his American brothers and employers. It is said that 75,000 men are out of employment in Philadelphia, 25,000 in Newark, N. J., probably 100,000 in Chicago and thousands more in other cities. Think of it.

It is said that dealers in clothing are looking forward to large sales during the coming spring and summer seasons. One dealer in explaining the reason for this expectation said that buyers had been wearing their old duds, in anticipation of a decline in prices, because of free wool and reduced tariff on manufactured garments. There seems to be little prospect that this hope will be realized. The truth is that so little is gained on the amount of material required in a suit of clothing, that, after all, the cost of production varies little from that previous to the enactment of the tariff law, and the cut in prices of finished garments must be very little, if anything. The sheep raiser suffers without materially helping the manufacturers.

A FIDDLER'S CONVENTION

News from Atlanta, Georgia, telling of the Old-Time Fiddlers' Association, suggests one of those picturesque old types of personality that are fast becoming extinct.

Nowadays there are no fiddlers. They are all violinists. You can see the youngsters Saturday morning, piking along the streets with their instrument case and roll of music, wending their way to the music teacher's for a lesson. As this instruction is a matter of parental decree enforced on children wha secretly long to be out playing games, too few real musicians are ground out.

Every country neighborhood formerly had its fiddler. He had rarely taken anything that could be called professional instruction. Often he bought his cherihed fiddle at an auction, and picked up his version of technique from some old-timer who had preceded him.

Music was to him the chief joy of living. He usually had some ostensible calling at which he earned a bare living wage. But as he was toeing corn or cobbling shoes his heart was in the breakdown to come off that night at the cross roads.

He had little conceit as to his own powers. Usually you had to use many arts of persuasion to induce him to bring along his fiddle to a public function. The writer was acquainted with a typical old-time fiddler, who used sometimes to start out with his instrument, but to repent and conceal his fiddle behind a wall or in some barn, before reaching his destination.

Once started, it was as difficult to quench the liquid melody as to induce him to begin. "Irish Washerwoman," "Money Musk," etc., rolled out of his singing bow by the league. His was a kindly soul, who brought merriment wherever he went. His place is not wholly supplied by the technically better playing of today which so often lacks the old-time enthusiasm.

WON'T PAY FOR REFUGEES' KEEP

New York, March 1.—The Tribune publishes the following story from Mexico City:

"Mexico recently received a note from Washington demanding payment of about $100,000 in gold for the expenses of maintaining the Federal refugees at El Paso, Texas, and elsewhere. Mexico now sends a note declining payment, according to a statement made today to the Tribune correspondent by Jose Lopez Portilloy Rojas, Minister for Foreign Affairs.

"Mexico's response says if Washington insists upon detaining the Federals it is not Mexico's fault, and Mexico is not obliged to assume any obligation. The Foreign Minister said that according to international law it was customary, when two factions were fighting, if any neutral had claims to present them afterward.

"It also is a rule of international law that a neutral nation," he added, "recognize the belligerency of both factions, which the Americans do not do now. In the present case America chooses to seize the Federals who sought a sanctuary in the United States and detain them, treating them virtually as criminals. This being so, involves the operation of American local laws, with which Mexico has nothing to do, therefore Mexico will not accept the claim."

It is perfectly safe to disobey all the laws you want to down in Mexico, but very dangerous to disobey Gen Villa.

A CURIOUS ANOMALY OF DIPLOMACY

Bills are expected to pass in Congress, providing for the raising of the United States legation in Argentina to the rank of an embassy.

An ambassador is traditionally supposed to be a personal representative of his sovereign. He is supposed to be entitled to the same direct personal access to the ruler to whom he is accredited, as his own sovereign would be if present.

There is a touch of absurdity, when the governments of two republics use these pretentious tags and labels. They are supposed to have thrown overboard the ornamental baggage of kings and emperors. Yet no doubt it is good business in this case. Argentina is a great country, inhabited by proud and sensitive people. No doubt it has hurt their self-esteem that they must do business with a mere "minister," when our government was sending abroad "ambassadors" to other governments.

The objection has often been made to raising legations to ambassadorial grade, that the diplomat bearing the bigger title must launch out on more elaborate entertaining. It used to be said that Ambassador Reid spent $250,000 a year maintaining his dignity in the artificial life of London diplomacy.

Students of diplomatic problems seem pretty well agreed that something must be done to give our ambassadors and ministers more uniform quarters. When a millionaire gets the appointment, he may lease some gaudy house and play the game to the limit. If he lacks good taste, he creates a false impression.

The next appointee, if a poor man, must go into a shabby side street, and hire quarters next to Switzerland or Costa Rica. The United States looks pretty small during that regime. What is needed are permanent quarters, under which rich and poor representatives could live along in turn, in an ample but simple dignity, without such startling contrasts.

TE PLACE OF POETS IN MODERN LIFE

Poets are always considered fair games for newspaper humorists. There is no closed season on them, for the spring poet bobs up indefinitely, regardless of temperatures and seasons. And persons who live so much in a world of imagination apart usually have some eccentricities at which the jokesmiths naturally aim pleasant jests.

A real poet has still a large place in modern life. The fact is emphasized by the invitation just extended to Alfred Noyes, the brilliant and rhythmical English poet, to lecture four months each year at Princeton university.

There is always a demand for good poetry, though the pecuniary returns are usually small. The space given by the newspapers to printing verses is still large. Much of it is doggerel alleged to be humorous. But a good deal of it is at least an effort to express joy and sorrow in an elevated and imaginative way.

The troubles of the poetry editor of magazines and newspapers come from the fact that nine-tenths of the people who try to write verse have no conception of what the essential elements of poetry are. The popular idea is that it is a string of verses tacked together which end in words that rhyme. Rhyme, however, is only one of the smaller elements in real poetry, and may not be found at all.

The essence of real poetry is a gift for expressing human sentiments in an imaginative way, having some peculiar beauty of expression. A very rhythmical wording, along which the mind dances in a metrical way, is much more important than rhyme. It is this singing and dancing gift of verse that has been one of the principal factors in giving Mr. Noyes his large success here and in England.

Lacking some suggestion of these gifts, the poetry scribblers may well be cautious how they spend too many postage stamps in efforts to market their "stuff." Their effusions may be pleasing to the participants in golden weddings and old folks' reunions, but the newspapers usually want advertising rates for printing it.

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Signed,
GEO. N. HUNTER,
D. JOSHUA HUNTER.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

This is to give notice that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Carroll county, Md., letters testamentary on the estate of JULIANN CAPITO,

late of Carroll county, deceased. All persons having claims against the deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof legally authenticated, to the subscriber on or before the 25th day of September, 1914, they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate.

Given under my hand this 20th day of February, 1914.

CHARLES E. C. SMITH,
Executor.

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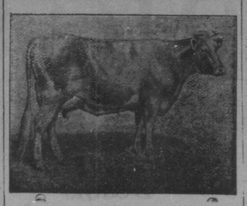

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late of Carroll county, deceased. All persons having claims against the deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof legally authenticated, to the subscriber on or before the 2nd day of October, 1914, they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate.

Given under my hand this 27th day of February, 1914.

JOHN W. SPAHR,
Executor.

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It is believed there would be a better attendance in Congress if the ball scores could be announced by innings.

EXECUTOR'S SALE OF

Valuable Real Estate

The undersigned, Executor of the Last Will and Testament of George Stair, late of Carroll county, deceased, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Will and of an order of the Orphans' Court of Carroll county, will sell at public sale on the premises, in the village of Silver Run, Carroll county, on

TUESDAY, MARCH 17th, 1914,

at one o'clock P. M., all that tract or parcel of land, containing

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more or less, which was conveyed unto the said George Stair by William Flickinger, Trustee, by deed dated April 2, 1903, and recorded among the Land Records of Carroll county, in Liber J. H. B., No. 97, folio 396 etc.

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LEVI J. MOTTER, Executor.
William E. Warner, Auct.
Theo. F. Brown, Attorney.

At the same time and place the undersigned, as Administrator of Mandilla Stair, deceased, will sell the household goods of the said Mandilla Stair.

LEVI J. MOTTER,
Administrator.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

This is to give notice that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Carroll county, Md., letters of administration on the estate of

MANDILLA STAIR,

late of Carroll county deceased. All persons having claims against the deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof legally authenticated to the subscriber, on or before the 18th day of September, 1914, they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate.

Given under my hand this 13th day of February, 1914.

LEVI J. MOTTER,
Administrator.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

This is to give notice that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Carroll county, Md., letters of administration on the estate of

ROSA E. GOSNELL,

late of Carroll county deceased. All persons having claims against the deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof legally authenticated to the subscriber, on or before the 18th day of September, 1914, they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate.

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JESSE LEATHERWOOD,
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