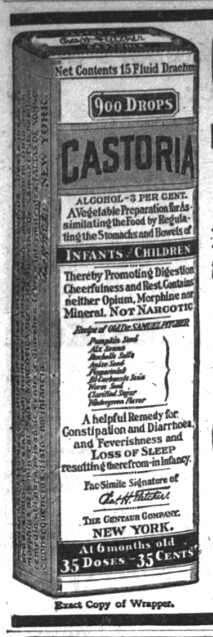

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At the Fireside.

Blizzard comin' nigher—chimney's rumblin' sound; but thank the Lord for fire, and room to stand around! Troubles seem to leave us—from the light they race; Joy is all the sweeter 'round the old-time fireplace. That's where winter's sunny, though lost to skies o' blue. (Here's your chair, my honey, and here's your knitting, too!—Frank L. Stanton in the Atlanta Constitution.

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A Roundabout Slur.

"I thought your wife's name was Elizabeth?"

"So it is."

"Then why do you call her Peggy?"

"Short for Pegasus."

"What has that to do with it?"

"Why, Pegasus is an immortal steed."

"What of that?"

"Sh! Not so loud! She's in the next room. You see, an immortal steed is an everlasting nag, so there you are!"

Dangerous Remedy.

Policeman (holding down a tramp on the sidewalk)—No danger, ma'am, he's merely having a fit.

Kind Lady—Gracious! Shall I get some water to throw in his face?

Policeman—Do you want to kill him?

Could Be.

Willie Monk—Ain't you a stork?

Mr. Stork—What did you think I was—a bill collector?

Cause and Effect.

"How did you get such a snap?"

"Oh, I just rubbered around a little."

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WINTER HOLDS MUCH FOR MICH. FARMERS

Big Series of Schools, Congresses and Conventions Opens in January.

TRACTOR "CAMP" PLANNED

College to Conduct Two Weeks' Course in March for Training of Tractor Engineers.

From Office of Publications, Michigan Agricultural College.

East Lansing.—If there is a farmer in Michigan who is not familiar in 1918 with all the whats, whys and wherefores of production, it will be a safe wager that he is one of four things—deaf, dumb, blind or a paralytic, for Michigan has outlined a 'plan of action' for training her citizens for the fray in the furrows just about as thorough in its way as is Uncle Sam's course for making his men ready for the fight at the front. The winter season, beginning in January and continuing until the middle of March, will be one of schools, congresses and conventions for the farmer, and all of them will be conducted in East Lansing, the seat of the Michigan Agricultural college.

This winter program for agriculturists will start off smack with the new year. The short courses at the college will come first, beginning on January 7. With these much of the rural population of the state is familiar. They were provided originally for the purpose of giving farmers and others the direct benefits of the educational opportunities the college presents. It was readily seen, however, that the country man, whose time during the spring, summer and fall is monopolized by the rush of farm operations, couldn't attend at such times of the year. The eight weeks' winter courses accordingly were designed to accommodate him at a time when he was most likely to be at liberty. An effort is made by means of them to teach the most essential agricultural principles and practices.

The courses are divided into a number of a specialized character. One deals with dairying only; another takes up horticulture and fruit-growing; still a third has to do with soil management and crops, and a fourth is for poultrymen. These run for eight weeks, commencing on January 7, and concluding on March 2. As a state enterprise they are, naturally, open to any citizen of Michigan who chooses to enroll.

Normally the short courses deal almost wholly with agricultural practices and problems of peace times, but the present crisis, with its flood of new problems to be dealt with and solved has made some elaborations necessary. The student in the short courses this winter will accordingly grapple with agricultural problems as they are now and will be for some time to come.

Grain Growers Convene January 15-16.

While the short courses will run eight weeks, there will be a number of other "between acts" features. The first of these "asides" will come on January 15 and 16, when grain growers will come to the college to attend the annual sessions of the Michigan Crop Improvement association. This is the organization through which the college has been doing most of its work with purebred and pedigreed grains. A part of the meeting will be taken up with a discussion of the routine business affairs of the association, but most important will be consideration of plans for bringing about the planting in 1918 of improved varieties of wheat, rye, corn, oats and barley, for it has been shown that use of high-yielding grains offers at once a simple and an economical means of increasing food production. At least two men of note will make addresses to the grain growers in the two days' conferences. One of these will be Dean Alfred Vivian of the Ohio State College of Agriculture, and the other will be Prof. C. P. Bull, professor of agronomy at the University of Minnesota and founder of the Minnesota experiment station. Dean Vivian's topic will be "Agriculture and the War." Professor Bull will speak of "Corn Improvement."

An exhibit of pedigreed grains will be conducted in conjunction with the convention.

Short Course Men to Meet.

At the same time the 3,000 or so men in the state who have attended or graduated from the short courses of the college will muster on the campus for a reunion—their first, by the way. The short course "grads" will take in the conferences of the grain growers, and in addition give an hour or two now and then to reunions and goodfellowship.

The live stock men of the state will meet on January 17 and 18. This will be the annual convention of the Live Stock Breeders and Feeders' association, the body with which practically all Michigan live stock organizations are affiliated. Among those will be the Michigan Horse Breeders' association, the Michigan Shorthorn Cattle Breeders' association, the Michigan Holstein-Friesian association, the Michigan Jersey Cattle club, the Michigan Guernsey Cattle club, the Michigan Hereford Breeders' association, the Michigan Aberdeen Angus association, the Michigan Red Polled Cattle Breeders' association, the Michigan Sheep Breeders and Feeders' association, the Michigan Shropshire Sheep Breeders' association, the Michigan Hampshire Breeders' association, the Michigan Oxford Sheep Breeders' association, the Michigan Merino Sheep Breeders' association, the Michigan Swine Breeders' association, the Michigan O. I. C. and Chester White Swine association, the Michigan Poland China Swine Breeders' association; the Michigan Berkshire Swine Breeders' association, the Michigan Duroc Jersey Swine Breeders' association, the Michigan Hampshire Swine Breeders' association and the Michigan Stock Exhibitors' association.

This convention, which will bring together more representative live stock men than any other assembly of the year, will go to the heart of the meat production question in Michigan and will conclude with a sale of cattle in the college's stock judging pavilion.

Meetings of the convention, many of which will be addressed by men of note in the live-stock world, will be open to the public, and will constitute one of the most important of the winter's activities at M. A. C.

Train Tractor Engineers March 4.

No sessions of note are likely to take place between January 18 and March 4. On the latter date, however, a double-header will be put on. One of these will be a course for the training of tractor engineers, which will run for two weeks, and the other will be the annual farmers' week program, which will be offered on March 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9.

The tractor school, as might be expected, will open to agriculturists an easy way of learning to operate the big power machines which as a result of the dearth of farm labor are coming more and more into use, and in 1918 will play as highly an important a part in Michigan's farming scheme as do Byng's tanks on the western front.

Individuals taking the two weeks' work will be required to pay only their living expenses at the college. There will be no tuition or other fees of any description.

The instruction in farm tractor operation will be in charge of Prof. H. H. Musselman of the department of farm mechanics of M. A. C. and Ashley M. Berridge, director of the short courses at the college. The work will include both the theoretical and the practical study of tractors. When the theory has been mastered, the men taking the course will be given a chance to climb aboard tractors and pilot them over the college farm. A full battery of machines of a number of different makes will be employed.

The only thing about the tractor school giving concern to the college authorities is the probability that it will draw more candidates for tractor knowledge than can be accommodated. Because of this prospect it has been suggested that persons who wish to be sure of admittance get in touch at once with the director of the short courses in East Lansing.

Farmers' Week in March.

But while the conventions, short courses and schools will give Michigan agriculturists inspiration to keep plugging progressively, the event before all others in the winter repertoire will be the farmers' week session at M. A. C. the week of March 4. At this time the entire college will be placed at the disposal of citizens of the state—and rural citizens in particular—for a full six days. During these sessions special instruction will be offered in practically every field of agricultural enterprise, and this will be supplemented further by daily addresses from a number of the nation's ablest agricultural leaders and representatives of the food administration in Washington.

The farmers' week program will furnish a sort of grand windup to the winter's work of tuning up the state's food producers for the massive job confronting them in 1918. Every pressing agricultural problem will be treated and plans presented for the solution of them. There will be blended with the instructional program also, one of entertainment, though the features of this have not yet been given out.

His Privilege.

They were plainly man and wife. They were doing the conventional at a social function.

She was thin and no one cared to dance with her.

He was fat, and couldn't dance, anyway, so they tried a one-step together.

"Good gracious!" she exclaimed. "Can't you keep off my feet? Do you want to ruin my shoes?"

"Why not?" he puffed. "Didn't I pay for 'em?"

Thinning Improves Woodlots.

The forestry department of the Michigan agricultural college has just completed a careful study of the rate of growth of the trees in the college woodlots. It was found that as a result of proper thinning and management during the last few years the woodlots are now increasing very rapidly in volume. Before the thinnings were made they were growing only at a rate of about 3 per cent, producing in other words about one cord of wood per acre per year. They are now increasing at a rate of 7½ per cent and producing 1.8 cords of wood per acre per year. The cords referred to are standard cords, 4 feet high, 8 feet long and 4 feet wide. In most woodlots the annual growth of wood may safely be cut each year. Michigan has a total area in farm woodlots of over 2,000,000 acres. The amount of cord wood that could be cut from them each year in their present condition if only the annual growth were cut, would probably be about 1,000,000 cords. By proper care these woodlots should produce a total of about 3,000,000 cords of wood per year.

Little Wife's Economy.

The important subject of economy was being discussed at a dinner party when Senator Thomas J. Walsh of Montana recalled the experience of a man named Jones.

One day Jones was talking to a friend when reference was made to domestic affairs.

"By the way, Jones," said the friend "I understand your wife has started to practice economy. She was saying something to the missus about it last night."

"Yes, she is practicing economy, all right," answered Jones, with a sigh, "and if your wife is thinking of taking a turn in the same direction you had better head her off before it is too late."

"I don't understand you, old man," returned the friend, with a perplexed expression. "I should regard economy as something to commend."

"Yes," said Jones, with yet another sigh, "but not when your wife is buying you shirts at two for a dollar so that she can get herself a twenty-dollar hat."

ATTENTION! Sick Women

To do your duty during these trying times your health should be your first consideration. These two women tell how they found health.

Hellam, Pa.—"I took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound for female troubles and a displacement. I felt all run down and was very weak. I had been treated by a physician without results, so decided to give Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound a trial, and felt better right away. I am keeping house since last April and doing all my housework, where before I was unable to do any work. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is certainly the best medicine a woman can take when in this condition. I give you permission to publish this letter."—Mrs. E. R. Crumling, R. No. 1, Hellam, Pa.

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Probably all the youngsters, particularly the boys, believe that while there's life there's soap. The millennial dream of their childhood years would come could they but escape the daily inquisition of soap and water.

Apparently there will never be a water shortage. But, according to advices from Washington, indicating possible failure of the soap supply unless everyone conserves carefully, there is a faint hope for the youngsters of relief from a part of the daily sanitary ordeal. Oh, joy!

If all the fathers of this country will carelessly leave the soap in their bath water enough times, and all the mothers will carefully wrap their wet washrags around the cakes, and all the kids will blow a sufficient number of soap bubbles, observes a writer in the Milwaukee Journal, there will not be any more of the hateful stuff that the Germans first introduced for cleansing purposes and to the discomfort of billions of happy boys and girls. Folks did not use soap in biblical days. They had only ashes and grease to scrub with. The early Greeks and Romans got along without it. Why should it be a necessity today?

The old folks may look forward with fear to a soap famine. They may deprecate the lessened production of fats and the inability to transport vegetable oils from over the seas. They may call those who waste soap citizen slackers, nonpatriots and all that. But the youngsters have their own opinion on the soap. Let it all go bathed up quickly. Then a long, long rest from the daily soap annoyance.

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Before retiring bathe the face and neck with hot water, then dry for three minutes rub Usit into the skin gently with the finger tips. This is a wonderful skin food made from pure nut oil, guaranteed to contain nothing that will cause hair growth.

Usit is a formula secured in Egypt and is said to have been used by Cleopatra and other famous Egyptian beauties, and handed down through the ages until today it is offered to the women of this country. Usit is positively guaranteed to drive away wrinkles and restore any complexion to its youthful beauty and freshness.

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Dream of Future Belgium.

Belgium is a desert, and of all its cities where has accumulated so much that is historical and beautiful there remain intact only four—Antwerp, Brussels, Ghent and Bruges. But it is possible that a change is at hand, that Bruges may once more become—not the Venice of the North for that time is past—but an important town in a regenerated Belgium, for already its citizens have begun to dream of deliverance and a new existence, with some portion of their former prosperity.

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To itching, burning skins. It not only soothes but heals. Bathe with Cuticura Soap and hot water, dry gently and apply Cuticura Ointment. For free samples address, "Cuticura, Dept. X, Boston." At druggists and by mail. Soap 25, Ointment 25 and 50.—Adv.

Question of Shape.

Brazen Co-ed—What shape is a kiss?

Unsophisticated Fresh—Why—uh—I never noticed.

B. C.—Well, give me one and we'll call it square.

Not Qualified.

"Is he an anarchist?"

"No; he has far too much money for that."

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Not the Same.

A fledgling author at the Century club in New York drew forth a manuscript and volunteered to read it to Robert W. Chambers.

"You know how Poe," the young man said, "read his stories to an old colored mammy, don't you? He believed that what pleased the old mammy would please the public, and he killed the scenes the old girl didn't like, and built up those she did. Well, Bob, I want—ha, ha, ha!—I want to use you in the same way. Have a drink and a cigar, and then—"

"Excuse me, my boy," said Mr. Chambers, and he rose and took his hat and stick.

"You don't happen to be Poe, and therefore I don't feel called on to be your old colored mammy."

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The Proper Place.

The other morning Willie's mother came in the room to find Willie sitting on a high stool beside the bed, with his feet on the pillow tenderly covered with his bedclothes.

"Willie," said mamma, "are you crazy?"

"Oh, no," replied Willie; "my feet have gone to sleep."

His Intention.

"Rustus," inquired the colonel, "aren't you ready to die for your country?"

"No, sah. Ah ain't studyin' to die for nuh country. Ah's studyin' to make some German die for his country."

Dipping in a strong solution of alum will give new life to old hair brushes.

Anyway, some thrifty men lay up a store of canned righteousness.

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The Prune Club.

"Good morning! Why, this morning is a Liberty bond like a Boston bulldog?" said the thin boarder breezing in to the breakfast table.

"Because it costs money to buy one," came from the blonde typewriter.

"Use your brains, Blondey," answered the thin boarder. "Try again."

"They're a great protection," ventured the bank clerk with the red necktie.

"Nix."

"Because they're worth their face value," suggested the pug-nosed girl.

"No, no. Listen! Because only the owners get any interest out of them."

Back to Civilization.

Bobby and his folks had just moved into Chicago. Through some misunderstanding the carpets and most of the furniture were delayed nearly a week. During that time Bobby and his little new-made friends had a glorious time racing through the almost empty house. Late one afternoon the furniture arrived and things were soon set in order. Bobby was heartbroken. The next morning he greeted his friends with: "Oh, pshaw, kids! You can't come in any more. We've come back to civilization."

Mad Enough to Fight.

A Massachusetts man who happened to be on two different transports when they were torpedoed has finally become so mad at Germany that he has enlisted and says he is ready to fight. Well, that's something more gained, even if the angry man doesn't succeed in breaking through anywhere.—Springfield (O.) News.

Proving It.

"Jaggs boasts he is a man who always goes to the bottom of things."

"I noticed that when he was at the punch bowl last night."

Canton (O.) workhouse inmates are knitting for soldiers.

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