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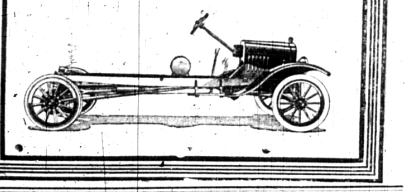

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ORDER FOR PUBLICATION General. State of Michigan, in the Probate Court for the County of Oakland. At a session of said Court, held at the Probate office in the City of Pontiac, in said county, on the 30th day of December, A. D. 1918. Present, Hon. Ross Stockwell, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the Estate of

ANNA D. HAGERMAN, Deceased.

Edward R. Smith, executor of the will of deceased, having filed in said Court a petition for the allowance of his final account, determination of the heirs of said deceased, assignment of the assets of said estate and the discharge of said executor.

It is ordered that the 27th day of January, A. D. 1919, at 9:00 o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition. It is further ordered that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Birmingham Eccentric, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

ROSS STOCKWELL,
A true copy. Judge of Probate.
GEORGE A. BROWN, Probate Register.
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ORDER FOR PUBLICATION.—Probate of Will.

State of Michigan, the Probate Court for the County of Oakland. At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Pontiac, in said county, on the 12th day of December, A. D. 1918. Present, Hon. Ross Stockwell, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the Estate of

ELLA A. TOOLEY, Deceased.

Bertha E. Penwarder, daughter of deceased, having filed in said Court a petition praying that an instrument filed in said Court be admitted to probate as the last will and testament of said deceased, and that the administration of said estate be granted to Maude E. Schneider and Bertha E. Penwarder, or some other suitable person.

It is ordered that the 13th day of January, A. D. 1919 at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition. It is further ordered that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing in the Birmingham Eccentric, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

ROSS STOCKWELL,
(A true copy.) Judge of Probate.
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Forests of the Caucasus.

The forests of the Caucasus in Russia are estimated at 12,000,000 acres, chiefly in the Black Sea territory which is at the rate of nearly 20 acres to each inhabitant. The forests of western Siberia have been scarcely explored, but they are stated to be 200,000,000 acres in extent, more than half being in an absolute state of nature.

TROY

F. D. Cutting suffered another partial stroke recently.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Phillips entertained relatives New Years day.

Mrs. Harry Brisbor's auction was a wonder, everything sold well.

The G. S. Elliott family entertained Gaston and Elliott relatives Christmas day.

Mrs. Rose Schoch will entertain the Ladies Aid in January. Dinner will be served.

Mr. Bale's mother and, niece from Goshen, Ind, are here for the rest of the winter.

The Red Cross Workers will meet on Fridays in January, at the home of Mrs. F. M. Churchill.

School commenced again Mondy after being closed Christms week, with another holiday New Years day.

Four workers made five paper-lined vests for the Red Cross one Friday afternoon, and left the work-room by 5:15.

Mrs Cross and daughter Hildreth, of Highland Park, were guests at the Aid meeting held at Mrs. Ira Carpenter's.

Southfieldburg

Henry Russell is very sick, with influenza.

The Bert Church family are suffering with influenza.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Heth entertained the Gibbons family Xmas.

The Dan Hughes family are on the gain, after a long siege of influenza

A good crowd was in attendance at the U. P. Church Christmas entertainment.

Mr. and Mrs. Sinclair Chissus have moved into the house formerly owned by Lloyd White.

Mrs. Jennie Ferguson, of Birmingham, is spending the holidays with her son, John Ferguson.

Mr. and Mrs. Visgar Spicer and family spent Christmas with Will Spicer and family of Franklin.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Chissus are spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Rundel, of Saline.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Brooks entertained the following at Xmas: Mrs. J. R. Brooks, Miss S. J. Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. L. Coleman and Mr. and Mrs. R. Chissus.

Catarrhal Deafness Cannot Be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure catarrhal deafness and that is by a constitutional remedy. Catarrhal Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, Deafness is the result. Unless the inflammation can be reduced and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever. Many cases of deafness are caused by catarrh, which is an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Medicine acts thru the blood on the mucous surfaces of the system.

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Woman's Birthday.

A woman likes to forget her birthday, but she makes an awful fuss if her husband fails to remember it.

Very Much Out of Place.

Among the guests at a reception was a distinguished man of letters. One of the ladies present suggested to the hostess that he seemed to be out of place at such a party. "Yes," replied the hostess, with a bright smile, "you see, he can't talk anything but sense."

RED CROSS RELIEF IN THE FAR EAST

Bring Food and Supplies to Czecho-Slovaks in Siberia.

THE American Red Cross has become very active in that part of Russia surrounding Vladivostok, and the prompt medical assistance rendered that distressed country has resulted in saving thousands of lives. The rescue work done by the Red Cross for the Czecho-Slovak refugees has assumed prodigious proportions and is daily becoming greater in scope.

Cabled advices received from Vladivostok report that more than 20,000 Czecho-Slovak refugees, 4,000 of them children, are now being cared for by the American Red Cross at that city. In addition to this relief work the cables state that the Red Cross Medical organization is attending hundreds of wounded Czecho-Slovak soldiers who have reached Vladivostok after weeks of the most desperate fighting against the pro-German forces.

The condition of the refugees, who were found living in tents and freight cars along the Chinese Eastern Railway west of Harbin, was pitiable. A majority of them are farmers though there are many coal miners and railway employees in the number; people who were driven from their homes by the Bolsheviki, and some German and Austrian war prisoners.

The work of administering to the wounded Czecho-Slovak fighters, who steadfastly refused to recognize the Bolsheviki German peace, and relieving the distress of the homeless civilians was started the moment their plight was brought to the attention of the American Red Cross. The relief work was directed by Charles K. Moser, American consul and head of the Red Cross chapter at Harbin. American Red Cross chapters at Tokyo and Shanghai also gave valuable aid. While waiting for instructions from America, they went ahead and raised funds in Vladivostok which provided temporary relief for both soldiers and civilians.

On authorization of the American Red Cross, Dr. R. B. Teusler, head of

Entrance to American Red Cross Hospital at Kiev.

St. Luke's Hospital at Tokyo, hurried to Vladivostok with necessary hospital supplies and perfected a medical organization to care for the incoming wounded soldiers.

This organization, which was complete from a medical and sanitary standpoint, consisted of a base hospital with a bed capacity for 200, one rolling canteen, two sanitary trains, one field first aid unit and a disinfecting train.

Dr. Teusler added that there were in active service with his unit forty-two American and seven Japanese doctors and fifteen American and seventeen Japanese nurses. All the American doctors are volunteering their services. Dr. Teusler said he hoped to enlist thirty additional American doctors and fifty American nurses in the district.

MOBILE HOSPITALS AT FRONT.

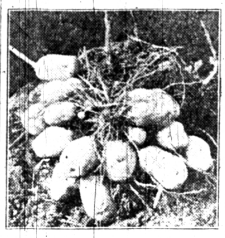
It is the task of a mobile hospital to advance to the front lines with the troops to give first aid treatment to the wounded. The mobile hospital unit from base hospital No. 20, University of Pennsylvania, were commended by General Pershing for the courage they displayed under shell fire. Two Red Cross nurses were included in this special distinction for their bravery and devotion to duty.

THE KIND OF POTATOES YOU LIKE TO GROW

Did you ever do any figuring on the ease of getting a big crop of potatoes?

If not, let's do it. But before we begin just make a guess as to how much you must get in each hill to make a really worth-while yield.

A potato of the size of your fist weighs about half a pound. If you average only two of these to a hill, or four tubers just half as large, you have a pound to a hill. Yet nobody who claims to be a potato grower will ever admit that he is satisfied with



A Hill of Potatoes Grown With Fertilizer in 1917 at Hayward, Wisconsin.

only two fist big potatoes to a hill.

The average yield of the United States, however, is slightly less than one such potato to a hill.

Now for the figuring. There are about 14,000 hills to the acre. At least there should be, with normal planting. When there are not approximately this number it means that the seed was poor, or the man or the planter went to sleep, or the soil was in poor condition, or that the usually worst plant food enough to grow a good crop.

Not every hill can be like the illustration. That would represent a 400-bushel crop. Many soils can't furnish plant food enough unless helped out by fertilizer. Yet it costs just as much to plow and plant for an average 100-bushel crop as for one that goes 400. It costs just as much for seed and it costs just as much for land rent. The big difference is on the income side. The bank account for a 400-bushel crop is what makes it so attractive.

FERTILIZER INDUSTRY APPEALS FOR EARLY ORDERS

Shortage of Labor Reflects on Country's Food Production.

By the irony of fate, two of the industries upon which the production of food depends have been most seriously crippled by the call of war. These are farming and the manufacture of fertilizers. Both have been hard hit by the shortage of labor, and the fertilizer business particularly has suffered by having its most important raw materials taken over by the government for the manufacture of munitions.

By working hard and utilizing labor-saving machinery and methods to the fullest degree, both have managed to produce their usual quota of goods so far, but it is hard to say how long this will last.

The fertilizer industry is even now sending out an appeal to its customers to order and accept for shipment in November and December, goods which would normally go out in February and March. This it seems will materially lessen the pressure in the spring, which has always been the "peak of production" period. By spreading the manufacturing and shipping season over a longer period more goods can be made, even with fewer men.

This request ought to meet with a hearty response from the farmers. Not only will it insure more fertilizer, which is badly needed, but it will help the farmers by spreading their labor over the time when they have the least to do. Hauling fertilizer to the farm takes time and labor, and if it can be done in winter, when there is least to do, and removed from the spring season when there is most to do, it ought to react to favor both producer and consumer.

POTATO PEELINGS.

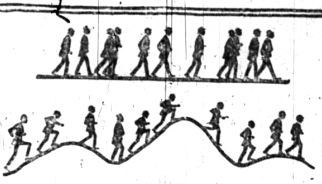
Discard the seed potatoes which show "small, black dirt specks that won't wash off." These are usually about the size of a pin head, and instead of being dirt are caused by a certain disease the rhizoctonia disease of potatoes. This causes a heavy production of potatoes too small to market.

Available ammonia (or nitrogen) in potato fertilizers is needed so that a crop may start almost immediately after planting. At this time potato is a poor forager. The bulk of its plant food must be in available form.

When potatoes fail to bottom out well, even when growth has been good, it is an indication of a poorly balanced plant food ration—usually of scarcity of potash in the fertilizer.

THE RAILWAY ADMINSTRATION ASKS FOR EARLY DISTRIBUTION OF FERTILIZERS.

Washington, D. C. — The United States administration has asked that farmers, agents and dealers all over the country cooperate in getting spring fertilizer moved at the earliest possible moment. Winter's congestion may this year, as last year, reduce movement of fertilizer. Fertilizer shipped now insures at least a part getting to consumers in time for use, and at the same time helps in freeing the railways for what may be more important service later in the season.



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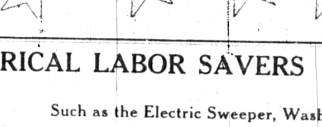

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