

ADDITIONAL LOCALS

What do you say about this big double attraction for the Curtiss next Thursday—Billy Burke in Sadie Love and 4 Acts of Select Vaudeville. Show starts at 7:30. Those coming at 8:45 will see Vaudeville and pictures. adv.

The Ladies' Aid of St. Paul's Evangelical church, Grove St., will hold their annual bazaar next Wednesday afternoon and evening, December 3, in the basement of the church.

Mrs. John Johnson of Green Bay, Wis., was present at the marriage of her daughter, Hazel, Sunday and spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Plumley before returning to her home.

A demonstration will be given by Miss Ruth Hagerty at the School of Domestic Arts and Science, 6 North Michigan avenue, on Tuesday, December 2, at 10:30 a. m. Subject: Salads and Salad Dressings.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Phelps of Chicago, spent the week end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank McCollum, who also entertained as Sunday guests, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hawkins and Mr. and Mrs. Ray McCollum.

Mid-Season reduction price on Winter Coats, Leather Coats, Suits and George-toe Dresses. Mrs. E. Emrich, 75 N. Forest avenue. Adv.

The annual bazaar and bakery sale of the Congregational Ladies Aid Society, will be held in the basement of the church, Thursday, December 4th, opening at 1 o'clock p. m. A general utility booth will be an attraction.

The Philathea Class of the Congregational church will hold their monthly business meeting and social hour at the home of Mrs. S. L. Fenton, 103 Elm street, Friday evening, December 5th. Mrs. Earnest Easley assisting. All are urged to be present.

If you are about to propose, or if you expect to receive a proposal,—wait. Discourage it, until you see "Choosing a Wife" at the Dicke Theatre. Adv.

Miss Nellie Snyder, one of the most gifted speakers employed by the Woman's Home Missionary Society, will speak at the M. E. church next Sunday evening, the occasion being the Annual Thank Offering of that Society. Miss Snyder is known from coast to coast and always draws a crowd. She will speak at 7:30 p. m. the hour of public worship.

Do you remember your first kiss? Well, there is a Sunshine 2 reel Comedy at the Curtiss Saturday that explains it. If laughing is good for you, you'll feel fine after seeing Her First Kiss. adv.

Company H shooting team represented by the men who have been practicing regularly for the last several weeks spent a social evening with their wives and lady friends last Saturday evening. Bunco was the amusement which took up the greater part of the evening, refreshments being served for the midnight lunch. Mrs. Geo. MacDougall and Mr. John Bryan each carried off first prizes. Two booby prizes created considerable merriment on being presented to the winners of them. The home of Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Balczynski was selected as the place of meeting.

Suggestions for dainty Christmas gifts. What could be more acceptable to your wife, sweetheart, sister or mother or friend than a box of selected cosmetics of the finest compounding. Say creams, face powders, toilet water, etc. Come let me help you with suggestions for a very handsome box. Selected to order—Mrs. Youde. adv.

The M. E. Philathea Class will hold their regular business meeting and social hour, Monday evening, December 1st, in the church parlors. The Annual election of officers for the coming year, will follow the business meeting and all members are urged to show their loyalty and interest in the best good of the class, by being present at that meeting. An item of great interest to many will be the silver offering to be received that evening with which it is hoped to replenish the kitchen of the church with many useful and badly needed utensils.

For Christmas Gifts, Georgette waists or furs would make very acceptable presents. Mrs. Emrich, 75 N. Forest ave., can offer you a fine selection to choose from at the lowest prices. Call and see for yourself. Beautiful winter coats in many styles and materials. Separate skirts kept in stock. Order your silk hosiery now for Christmas. Buy your winter underwear from the best made. adv.

FREQUENCY OF FEED FOR CHICKEN FLOCK

Fowls in Confinement Must Be Given Good Attention.

Idle Birds Often Contract Pernicious Habits, Such as Feather Pulling and Egg Eating—Get Out of Condition.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Some poultrymen feed their flocks twice a day, while others feed them three times a day. The best plan is to feed fowls in confinement three times a day and those having free range in summer twice a day. When there is a very long interval between feeds it is difficult to keep fowls busy which are kept in confinement. Idle fowls often contract bad habits, such as feather pulling and egg eating, besides going out of condition from lack of exercise.

In case it is not convenient to feed three times a day, the moistened mash may be fed in the morning, and at the same time the noon feed of grain may be scattered in the litter, which will keep the fowls busy a great part of the day.

For those who cannot conveniently feed their fowls early in the morning



Best Plan to Keep Confined Fowls Busy Scratching for Their Food.

A good plan is to scatter grain plentifully in the litter after the birds have gone to roost. This grain will furnish feed for the early morning.

Some poultry feeders can look after their fowls only once a day. If this is in the morning, moistened mash may be fed, followed by throwing grain in the litter to furnish feed for the remainder of the day. If it is in the evening, before dark, a moistened mash may be given, and either after the fowls go to roost or in the morning, before daylight, grain may be scattered in the litter for eating during the day.

PROPER PRUNING OF GRAPES

Best to Cut Away Old Fruiting Canes at or Near Where New Cane Has Started.

In pruning grapes one should keep in mind that the old wood that has borne fruit once never bears again, that the wood that is formed one season produces the next season, and that all the new wood is left on the vines it will bear more clusters of fruit than can properly develop. With regard to the system of training followed, it has been found best to cut away the old fruiting canes at or near the point where the new cane started and cut away the laterals of the new cane.

BUILD SHED FOR MACHINERY

Implements Are Going Up Rapidly in Price and Are Worthy of Ample Protection.

Farm machinery costs from 50 to 100 per cent more than it did two years ago, and is still going up. How much of yours is standing out in the weather with only an apple tree for protection? Get it under shelter at once and watch out for our suggestions for overhauling and repairing it. Half a dozen posts, a few poles, 2 days' work for two men and a team and a few loads of the straw you are burning or allowing to rot, will build as fine a machinery shed as anyone could ask.

CLEAN UP SOIL IN ORCHARDS

Hoe Away All Weeds and Rubbish Under Trees and Mound About Trunks—Scatter Poison.

In late fall hoe away all weeds and rubbish under trees. Leave the soil clean and well firmed from the trunk to slightly beyond the spread of the branches. Mound about the trunk slightly. Scatter poisoned baits in mouse runways, near entrances to burrows, mole runways, and in trash piles apt to harbor mice.

KEEP INSECT PESTS REDUCED

Fertilization, Thorough Cultivation and Attention to Pruning Are Important.

The great desirability of keeping insects reduced by modern orchard practice, or fertilization, thorough cultivation and attention to pruning and other operations, cannot be emphasized too strongly and is well appreciated by most progressive and successful growers.

PURE SORGHUM SEED BY ROGUEING PLATS

Go Over Field and Carefully Remove Off-Type Plants.

Work Can Be Done Easily by Man on Foot With Dwarf Varieties, While With Taller Sorts It is Practical to Use Horse.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

In order to obtain pure sorghum seed it is usually necessary to go over the field carefully after it has headed out and remove the rogues or off-type plants. Every plant which does not conform to the type which is desired should be cut down, or, better, pulled up so that there will be no danger of the production of seed from tillers produced by the rogue.

In dwarf varieties the rogueing can be done easily by a man on foot, but in the taller growing sorts it is most practical to ride through the field on horseback so that the workers can see



Superior Sorghum Field.

over the top of the field and thus more readily determine the position of the rogues which must be removed. The horse can be securely muzzled to prevent injury other than that occasioned by the tramping down of plants.

It is not profitable to rogue fields which are intended for the production of grain or forage, but in the producing of seed, either for home planting or the market, careful rogueing gives returns both in dollars and cents and in the satisfaction of growing pure seed. Sorghums being open-pollinated are subject to almost endless hybridization if stray plants of other varieties are allowed to mature in the field. This intermixing of varieties results in lack of uniformity in ripening as well as in the size of the plants, thus causing difficulty in harvesting and marketing the crop. The use of pure seed varieties which are known to be adapted to the farmers' climatic conditions will be rewarded in bigger and better crops.

EXAMINE LAND FOR ALFALFA

Frequent Borings Should Be Made With Auger to Determine Character of the Soil.

In examining a tract of land for alfalfa frequent borings should be made with a soil auger to determine the character of the soil and subsoil as well as the drainage conditions. This instrument usually will be of greater value in determining the adaptability of a particular tract to alfalfa than a chemical analysis of the soil. A common 1 1/4-inch auger with the shank lengthened and a suitable crossbar for a handle is practical for this use.

FULL-CROP YIELD OBTAINED

Sufficient Fertilization, Pure Seed and Careful Cultivation Are of Importance.

There are three agents that are sometimes neglected, but through which the full-crop yield can be obtained. They are, sufficient fertilization, pure seed and careful cultivation. The proper use of fertilizer will make the stalks and stems stronger and thus more impervious to the attacks of vegetable parasites or the spiteful of insects. It will give weight color and size to the fruit and materially hasten maturity.

GOOD STRAWBERRY TILLAGE

Always Run Cultivator or Rake Through Patch Same Way to Permit Runners to Set.

Let the strawberry runners set at will within the row. In tilling strawberry patches, always run the cultivator or rake through the same way each time. This allows runners to set which would be uprooted by a reverse tillage. But when a row is matted over two feet deep, stretch a line and chop off and hoe up all outsiders.

BURN DEAD WOOD IN ORCHARD

When Allowed to Lie in Heap It Furnishes Breeding Place for Insects and Rodents.

All dead wood should be burned at once, preferably in a heap. If it is allowed to lie in a heap, it furnishes not only a breeding place for vegetable and insect pests, but a home for rabbits, mice and other animals.

OUTSTANDING FEATURES OF DETROIT "Y" CONVENTION

The Fortieth International Convention of the Young Men's Christian Associations held at Detroit from November 19 to 23d inclusive brought together 4489 delegates, speakers and special guests from all parts of the United States and Canada as well as the nations on the other side of the globe. There were 46 delegates from foreign countries and the international significance of the Convention reached its climax when cablegrams were read amid long applause from Australia, Russia, Italy, France and from Lloyd George of England.

Our own Federal Government expressed in an appreciation of the Y. M. C. A. by sending Secretary of the Navy Daniels to address the Convention on Saturday evening, who paid high tribute to the Overseas Service of the Association in France as well as in Russia, Italy, Mesopotamia, Egypt and with the Navy thru-out the world. At the same session Major General Sommerall of the 1st Division told of his impressions of the "Y" service in transforming the morale of the men about St. Mihiel when the "home" atmosphere of the huts and the Women Workers came to the Army.

That the eyes of all the world are upon "U. S." was the testimony of all the chief speakers in dealing with our responsibilities as Christian Americans; and that we now must bend every effort to take Christ to the sorrowing and restless nations of the world. Significant is the fact that there are now over 100 Secretaries still in Russia and Italy healing the broken hearted, and taking to their message of hope.

The Industrial Relations in our own country was a most important topic; and the addresses by Warren S. Stone Grand Chief of the Railroad Engineers Brotherhood, by H. L. Ferguson, President of the United States Chamber of Commerce and President of the Newport News Ship Building Co., representing capital and the Rt. Rev. C. D. Williams, Bishop of Michigan representing the Christian Church were tremendously challenging for a unity and cooperation among Christian forces to bring the spirit through individuals into the social fabric.

At the War Workers Dinner representatives of the Armies of Italy, Greece, France, England and the United States awarded nine decorations

to "Y" workers for bravery and distinguished service. High tribute was paid to the ten Secretaries killed in action, he 175 wounded and he 65 who received other decorations.

There is no question but what the men of the brotherhood go back to their posts of duty with a new vision and a new courage for the world's tasks before them.

THE REVEREND HENRY DAYTON UP-TO-DATE

The dramatic entertainment to be given by the Epworth League of the M. E. church Friday evening, December 5th, promises to be one of the best of its kind. The following is the cast of characters:

- The Rev. Dayton—He's Up-to-date
Alwyn Fleming
Ezekiel Hardnut—Deacon of the Church
Lyman Stough
Obediah Hartley—The Village Squire
Ben Morgan
Annie Mathilda Squalls—Pres. of the Ladies' Aid
Lucile Schultz
Members Ladies' Aid Society
Aunt Hester Hartley
Lilian Washburn
Leido Ledfoot
Bernice Littleford
Nancy Knowsit
Vivian Wood
Ileana Thinn
Bess Irwin
Elvira Snodgrass—Who believes in

Love Powder Donohy MacDougall
Gabberdene Gabber—Who knows it all
Florence White
Melody Mumps—The Choir Leader
Myrtle Nielson
Betty Knowles—The Visiting Nurse
Ruth Rowland
Jolly Lapse—"Whistling Joe"
Lawrence Rehm
Chorus of Ladies' Aid, and Members of the Church.
Tickets on sale at Puffer's Drug Store and by members of Epworth League.

New Shoe Machine. For shoe manufacturers a machine has been invented to lace the sides of the tops of shoes together so that they can be drawn tightly over the lasts.

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