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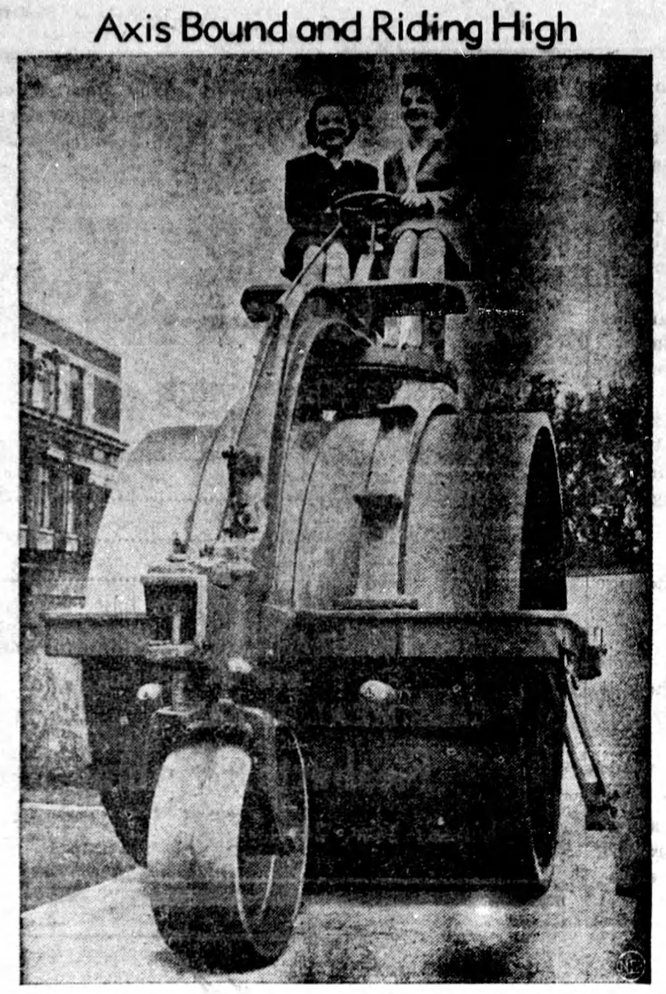

It's a heap of old scrap the Aurora, Ill., roller factory is donating. Each roller of the horse-drawn museum piece, vintage '88, scales 10,000 pounds. No, the girls are not standard equipment.

HOW CAN I?

Q. How can I avoid watery eyes when peeling onions?

A. Dip the onion for a moment into boiling water and then begin at the root and peel upwards. It will be found that this method does not affect the eyes.

Q. How can I make use of bacon rinds?

A. Save the rinds for flavoring soups and dried peas and lima beans. Spread over the top of Boston beans wihle baking, they take the place of the usual piece of salt pork, imparting flavor and protecting the top layer of beans from burning.

Q. How can I make an old ivory finish for woodwork or furniture?

A. An old ivory tint can be obtained by tinting light ivory paint with raw sienna and burnt umber. After this, apply a glaze coat of raw sienna mixed with burnt umber and then wipe lightly.

Q. How can I make cretonne draperies hang more evenly?

A. If cretonne draperies are lined with a soft material of a harmonizing color it will bring out the pattern of the material, and the draperies will hang more evenly.

Q. How can I keep parsley fresh for a long time?

A. Parsley, put in an airtight glass jar and then placed in the refrigerator, will stay green and fresh for a long time. This is a much better way than trying to keep it in water, where it usually turns yellow within a day or two.

Canada Halts Liquor Output

Distilleries Diverted For Manufacture of Synthetic Rubber and Chemicals

Production of beverages by Canadian distilleries will be halted Nov. 1 and the entire output diverted to war purposes, the Munitions and Supply Department announced last week.

The order issued by Chemicals Controller E. C. Sterne, has no direct effect on sales of beverages already manufactured and does not apply to the manufacture of beer and wine. There was no immediate indication of how long existing stocks of distilleries will supply present demands. Distilled liquors are stored for at least two years for maturing.

Mr. Sterne said the entire output of Canadian distilleries was required for the manufacture of synthetic rubber and chemical and explosive needs of the United Nations.

Similar action was taken in the United States. The United States war production board in Washington ordered the entire output of America's distilleries diverted into industrial alcohol for wartime purposes after Oct. 8.

Precautions In Drying Laundry

Increasing the serviceable life of textiles is all important these days to cut down consumption of raw materials, and decrease the man-hours of labor, and machine-hours used in manufacturing them.

Here are two precautions in laundering. First, don't hang laundered clothes out all day in the sunshine. Bring them in soon after they're dry. It has recently been shown that sunlight damage to fabrics is quite appreciable.

Modern Etiquette

1. What advances should be made by the two families of a man and a woman when a wedding engagement has become known?

2. Should the plates of the dinner service be of a certain dimension?

3. What is the symbolism of violets?

4. When introducing two persons, is it all right to say, "Mrs. Davis, this is Mr. Norton; Mr. Norton, Mrs. Davis"?

5. What color should be chosen for the baby's christening clothes?

6. Should one use a fork to place butter on a piece of bread or biscuit?

Answers

1. The mother and sisters of the man should call immediately on the girl and her family. Then, within a few days the girl and her family return the call. 2. No; the precise dimensions of the plates cannot be given, as they vary somewhat with the make of china. 3. Blue violets are symbolical of faithfulness, white violets of modesty. 4. No. It is altogether unnecessary to mention the names twice. 5. At the christening everything the baby wears should be white. 6. No; the knife is always used for this purpose.

When Automobiles Annoyed Farmers

The following item came from the Hanover Post files of twenty years ago. It had been reproduced then from a fifteen-year-old paper, and had appeared originally in one of the Walkerton weekly newspapers under the headline, "The Automobile Nuisance."

"In Kincardine one day last week, an automobile frightened a horse, the horse ran away, the driver was thrown out of the rig and had his leg broken. It is becoming very apparent from incidents like this that something will have to be done about these automobiles. For several years past the farmers in the vicinity of Toronto have been agitating for a law to restrain automobiles from using the public highways but so far have not been able to accomplish anything. But gradually the nuisance is becoming more general.

"Nearly every town in the province has its automobile now and some of them have more than one. The machines go scooting through the country in all directions and no road is sacred to them. Horses that are easily enough controlled in the presence of a railway train will go crazy at the sight of an automobile and accidents such as the above are happening all over the country. It will not be long before the automobile will drive the farmers off the public highways altogether unless something is done to restrain them.

"The farmers built these highways in the first place and are taxing themselves every year to keep them in repair and it must be more than a little annoying to them to be thus dispossessed by this new machine. What they ought to do is pledge every candidate for Parliament to use his vote and influence in favor of a law prohibiting automobiles from using the public highways altogether, or at least under conditions that will not interfere with traffic."

Have You Heard?

Three jovial travellers were dining together at a hotel one day, when it was agreed between them that whichever of them possessed the oldest name should be exempt from paying the cost of the dinner each one was enjoying.

The first traveller man said: "My name is Richard Eve, and that is rather old, you must admit."

The next man replied: "My name is Adam Brown; I go further than you."

The third traveller, with a merry twinkle in his eye, took his business card from his pocket and showed it to the other two, who read on it these words: "Mr. B. Ginning."

"How did you learn to use both hands equally well, Pat?"

'Sure, now, and me father, he always said to me: 'Pat, learn to cut your fingernails with yure left hand, for some day ye might be afther losing yer right hand.'"

"That new man Charlie we've got on the pumps is certainly a live wire," said the manager of the gas station.

"Really?"

"Yes. A motorist drove up just now and shouted: 'Dionne Quintuplets'!"

"That was a puzzler, wasn't it?"

"Not to Charlie. He simply said, 'Yes, sir,' and gave him five gals.!"

Garage Mechanic — What's the trouble, lady?

Mrs. Newdriver — They say that I have a short circuit. Can you lengthen it while I wait, please?

A candidate for parliament declaimed: "The people of this country must grow more wheat."

"How about hay?" yelled a heckler.

"I'm talking about food for mankind," retorted the candidate, "but I'll get around to your case in a minute."

Host—Ay, mon, it's a terrible nicht. Ye mon hae a strong whusky-and-lemon — when ye get hame.

Alaska Highway Soon To Be Used

1,600 Mile Route Being Completed Ahead of Schedule

The Alaska Highway will be ready for use about Dec. 1, War Secretary Henry Stimson announced and traffic is expected to move steadily over its 1,600 miles until spring thaws make it impassable in April and May.

Not only is the highway being completed months ahead of schedule, Stimson said, but instead of the contemplated rough "pioneer" road, the "highway as it is now being constructed by the corps of engineers is a well-graded, well-drained truck road for practically its entire length and will afford two-way traffic over many long stretches."

Stimson said that muskeg, the bog moss that was expected to give the highway an unsteady base over long stretches and provide some of the worst problems of the undertaking, had proved to be a minor consideration.

Connects With Railways

The highway, beginning at Dawson Creek, B.C., runs northwest to Whitehorse, Yukon Territory, and then crossed the Alaskan boundary, terminating at Fairbanks. It connects with the rail and highway systems of Southern Canada and the United States at Dawson Creek, and not only provides a motor highway to Alaska, but serves also as a feeder route for various military airfields which previously had to depend on air transport alone for all supplies.

Army arrangements for winter maintenance of the road include rest camps for the operators of truck convoys, barracks for engineer maintenance troops, and weather observation and telephone installations the length of the highway.

Construction began in March. After aerial surveys and ground reconnaissance on foot, bulldozers, tractors and other heavy equipment were put to work on the actual road building.

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WHAT SCIENCE IS DOING

RUBBER LATEX

So you'd give your shirt to help win the war? Of course you would.

Well, Baby's beaten you to it, Science Service points out, for he's already given his pants. In the United States they're wrapped around the army's telephone lines.

How rubber latex that used to be used in making necessary articles of infant's wear now goes into insulation for light-weight communication lines was related before the Eighth Annual Chemurgic Conference at Chicago, by Dr. M. C. Teague, research chemist of the United States Rubber Company. The latex-insulated telephone wire is produced by a multiple dip process using a special latex compound. It weighs only 30 pounds per mile, as compared with 168 pounds per mile of the older-type wire. The government has already ordered more than 100,000 miles of the new wire, enough to go four times around the earth.

The list of latex articles used in war is a long one. It includes bullet-proof fuel tanks for airplanes, life rafts, pilot balloons, gas masks, aviators' helmets, blackout paint, sponge cushioning for use in tanks, submarines, gunsight eyepieces and a thousand other things.

All of this has meant, of course, that civilians have had to get along without the two-way-stretch fabrics that have come to be standard parts of bathing suits, foundation garments, shoe tops and "elastic" generally.

Again the rubber industry has come to the rescue. Dr. Teague told about a new "synthetic" latex made from reclaimed rubber.

FOR FREEDOM

Norwegian machinist helps rescue his country from Nazi oppression by working in Canadian shipyard.

$15,000 To Train U. S. Navy Aviator

Texas athletic coaches who attended a U.S. Navy physical fitness school get a dollar-and-cents valuation of proper training.

It costs the U.S. Government $15,000 to train a Navy aviator, Lt. Wesley Brown explained. If a flier is forced down from immediate rescue, his physical fitness probably will determine whether he returns to fight again.

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He said cannibals, soldiers, sailors and marines all were working together in construction of a strategic airfield in the South Pacific.

"Needing labor," said Captain Teem, "we sent a sergeant to an adjoining island to get labor recruits.

"When he got to the village the cannibals were just finishing a feast. The main dish was 10 women stolen from a neighboring tribe. It seems the rival tribe stole the wife of the chief and this tribe retaliated by stealing the other chief's 10 wives. So the sergeant says.

"It was known these were cannibals, but friendly to the whites. They only eat each other.

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