LOOKING DOWN IN THE MOUTH

When George Blackman, attendant at San Francisco's Fleishhacker Zoo, lost a bucket, he immediately checked up on two-ton Pebbles, the hippopotamus. Above, Pebbles says "A-a-ah" to prove he didn't swallow the bucket.

OTTAWA REPORTS

That Canadian Farmers Have Achieved a Remarkable Record of Food Production During Five Years of War.

The farmers of Canada, says the Canadian Federation of Agriculture, finished the season of 1944, after five years of war, conscious that they had accomplished in those five years the most remarkable job of food production on record. Production figures presented to the annual Dominion-provincial production conference held in Ottawa in December told the story of this achievement.

In meats the 1944 production was the greatest on record, more than 2½ billion lbs. Compared with 1939, farmers produced 10% more total milk in 1944; 19% more butter, 60% more cheese and 70% more evaporated milk. Egg and poultry figures were the highest on record.

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The Federation, as the national voice of organized agriculture in Canada, had a prominent role in the conference. The president, H. H. Hannam, who with seven members of the executive, sat at the Dominion-provincial conference table, pointed out the importance of this type of planning in production from year to year to bring farmers into partnership in planning the direction of necessary production adjustments in a constructive way. The working out of a system of floor prices was the next step, Mr. Hannam said. He added that organized marketing would need to be carried into the international field.

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Of Canadian co-operative enterprises telephone services are the most numerous with a total of 2,887, according to the latest data compiled by the "Economic Annalist", published by the Dominion Department of Agriculture. This is for 1942-43. Credit unions are next, numbering 1,780; dairy industry co-operatives number 446; food products, 518; petroleum and auto accessories, 500; feed, fertilizer, etc., 625; farmers' mutual insurance co-operatives, 400; coal, wood and building material, 418; clothing and home furnishings, 229; livestock, 225; fruits and vegetables, 161; grains and seed, 105; poultry, 194; machinery, 125; fishermen, 67; hospital care, 60; miscellaneous merchandising, 535; miscellaneous marketing, 14; honey, 6.

Payment of war service gratuities to discharged personnel will be commenced soon after the first of the New Year. The re-establishment credit, it is intimated, cannot be paid until the discharged person has applied for his war service gratuity and received a statement of the amount for which he is eligible.

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A blinded war veteran, Major E. A. Dunlop of Toronto, has been appointed chief of the disability training and placement branch of the Dominion Government's Department of Veterans Affairs, the minister, Hon. Ian Mackenzie, has announced. Major Dunlop lost his sight in a training accident in England when he heroically picked up a live bomb dropped by a soldier in an effort to remove the danger.

Have You Heard?

A young wife, wishing to announce the birth of her first child to a friend in a distant city, telegraphed,

"Isaiah 9: 6," Which passage begins: "For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given."

Her friend, unfamiliar with the Scriptures, said to her husband. "Margaret evidently has a boy who weights nine pounds and six ounces, but why on earth did they name him Isaiah."

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Patron—"May I have some stationery?"

Hotel Clerk—"Are you a guest of this hotel?"

Patron—"Heck, no. I'm paying $5 a day."

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Pate: Lend me a shovel to get my friend out of the bog.

Farmer: How far has he sunk down?

Pat: Up to his ankles.

Farmer: Can't he get out himself?

Pat: Ah, but he fell in head first.

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Uncle: "So this is the young hopeful, eh? Why, I looked just like him at that age. What's he crying about?"

Little Niece: "He must have heard what you said."

To Learn Farming The Hard Way

When training of soldiers who wish to farm, is begun in Canada, one feature that should not be neglected is the care and management of farm animals, says the Hon. Duncan Marshall. If the man to undergo such training has no farm experience the only way to give such a training is on a farm where livestock is a chief feature, and the time should be taken to do this. The idea that a man unacquainted with livestock can learn by lectures is too foolish to be considered.

FOUGHT SIDE BY SIDE

War brides who arrived in Montreal included an English girl who has become as famous for her personal bravery as for her good looks. She is Mrs. Sonia D'Artois, shown above with her husband, Capt. Guy D'Artois. Both parachuted into France to help organize Maquis resistance to the German armies of occupation. Previously they had been married after meeting at a paratroop training centre in England. Shown with them is Capt. D'Artois' little neice, Claudette Courchesne.

THEIR FREEDOMS

Someone has listed the Four Freedoms which man should assure to his animal friends. They are: Freedom from Hunger, Freedom from Thirst, Freedom from Neglect, and Freedom from Exposure.

—Halifax Herald.

From Winter White To Summer Brown

Contrary to popular belief, the weasel and some other fur-bearing animals do not change their coat colors from summer brown to winter white and back because of seasonal temperature variations. The change is determined by the length of daylight to which the animals are exposed. With this knowledge, biologists and animal breeders can make an animal produce a summer or winter coat color at any time of the year, said Dr. L. B. Clark of Schenectady (Union College) in a General Electric Science Forum.

Underwater cooking is accomplished in submarines through use of peanut oil.

How You Can Get Quick Relief From Sore, Painful Piles

Most people seem to think the only way to get relief from their sore, painful piles is by local treatment. Local treatment may give temporary relief from the itching but you can easily see why such treatment wil not correct the cause of your piles.

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Modern Etiquette

By Roberta Lee

1. If a guest makes a blunder at the table, is it necessary that the hostess do the same thing in order to put the guest at ease?

2. If a formal wedding is to take place at noon or during the afternoon, what should a man wear while attending it

3. Is it necessary that the full name be engraved on a visiting card?

4. Should a girl write notes of thanks for bridal shower gifts that are sent to her, or is this only necessary for wedding gifts?

5. When eating cherries or grapes at the table, what is the correct way to remove the stones from the mouth?

6. Does it show good manners to send social invitations by telegraph?

Answers

1. No; the hostess should ignore the blunder and pretend that she doesn't see it. 2. A cutaway coat, with striped trousers. 3. Yes; avoid using initials. 4. Yes, she must thank the donor of any gift. If she didn't it would show lack of appreciation. 5. Remove the stone with the points of the fingers and place it on the plate. 6. Yes.

Something Missing: Big Ben's Chimes

When dawn came one morning last week Londoners "within range" of the Capital's famed clock, Big Ben, missed something. He was not chiming. His hands stopped for the second time during five long years of war. They were stuck at 10:47.

They remained there for more than 12 hours while men in the clock room tried to find out what was wrong. The Ministry of Works explained that Big Ben had stopped owing to a mechanical defect.

Big Ben has stopped only a few times in his 86 years. Snow and ice on the hands, a painter's ladder, a rat's nest, and a piece of Nazi shrapnel in the 1941 blitz, a workman's hammer, have been among the reasons.

Nazis Acting Like Plague Of Locusts

The G[illegible] "acting like a plague of [illegible]s they fall back in Czechoslovakia, stripping the country of all food and movable equipment and leaving its cities piles of ruins, the head of the Czechoslovak Government Delegation for Liberated Territory charged Dec. 14.

There's 'Moon-Glow' Over South Coast

For the first time since the start of the war, blackout restrictions were relaxed last week at Dover, Folkestone, Hythe, New Romney, Lydd and other coastal towns and adjoining rural areas.

The modification was similar to the half-light, or "moonglow," now general in London.

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