

Fact and Comment

The Wisconsin Department of Markets estimates that every person in the United States will have to eat 46 pounds more of potatoes this year than usual to consume the present crop.

To match anything new under the sun search China, even for an aristocracy of brains. In China there are three distinct classes—labor, capital and brains.

The present owner of Monticello, the former home of Thomas Jefferson of United States fame, has given to the Thomas Jefferson Memorial Association an option on the property contingent on a first payment of \$50,000.00 within a few weeks.

Many of the popular fabrics known as "camel's hair" have little or no real camel's hair in them. Most of the fine camel's hair comes from the colder parts of China, since the hair obtained from camels in warmer climates is neither fine nor abundant.

In a mine disaster it frequently happens that the same agency that causes the disaster puts the telephone system out of order. That is why mining engineers are experimenting with the wireless system.

In spite of the exposures published in a leading New York newspaper people have not been inclined to take the Ku Klux Klan seriously. There is so much that is childish and absurd in its apparatus of secrecy and uniform that a good many citizens have taken the order merely as a huge joke.

Roman Catholics and Protestants have fixed Easter by the Gregorian calendar, but the Greek Church and its communicants have held to the Julian. Of late years their inconvenience of an Easter that can fall on any one of thirty-five dates has led people to propose either to make it a fixed festival or greatly to restrict the range of its possible incidence.

When the British Labor party chose Mr. J. Ramsay MacDonald to be its leader in Parliament it gave evidence that the "left", or radical wing of the party was in control. It had been expected that Mr. Clynes, a more moderate man and the chief of the party in the last Parliament, would be chosen, but Mr. MacDonald got five more votes than Mr. Clynes.

Naturally enough, Herr Cuno, the man whom President Ebert of Germany asked to form a cabinet when the Wirth ministry died of an

and nervous prostration, had a hard time to build a really substantial structure of government. Herr Cuno, himself not a politician but a business man, set about making up a ministry on business principles—with the usual obstruction from the politicians.

When the authorities of the Free State at Dublin executed Erskine Childers as a rebel captured in arms they took De Valera at his word. The leader of the Irish extremists has said again and again that there can be no quarter; that the republic for which he fights must triumph or he and his followers must accept extermination.

Pippin is an Anglicized form of the mediaeval French word "pepin" which means seed or seedling. When an apple lover of the dark ages produced a new variety he called it such-and-such a "pepin."

We need standard road signs. If a motorist sees a red triangle or a green circle or a yellow square, he should know automatically what it means. Most of those who use the roads obey cheerfully instructions that are clear.

Seven kinds of paving appear in a new two-mile-and-a-half stretch of road near Springfield, Illinois. State and national engineers have been making numerous daily observations to measure the effect of heat, cold, moisture and traffic on the surface of the road and the subgrade.

The continued incapacity of the Emperor of Japan has led to the appointment of Prince Hirohito as regent. The young prince has just returned from a visit to Europe, the first of his time for unnumbered centuries to leave the soil of Japan.

A French man of science says that it is beyond the power of chemistry to reproduce sea water. Although the chemist may know the sixty odd components of sea water, there is something in it that defies imitation.

—sixteen dollars for each inhabitant of the United Kingdom, but less than two dollars for every subject of the King. The United States army costs \$343,000,000, or \$3.22 per capita; the Italian, \$245,000,000, or \$6.70 per capita; the Japanese \$189,000,000, or \$3.38 per capita.

In at least one Eastern State there is a campaign to shift the rural pedestrian from his traditional right side of the road to the left side, where he can see all the motor traffic that meets him and be on the safe side as regards all that passes him.

A setting of twenty eggs from a champion White Leghorn hen in the State of Washington brought five hundred dollars, but that is a little thing beside the little strawberry plant, grown in Iowa, that sold recently in Michigan for \$50,000.

Those who have fixed in their minds Mark Twain's picture of the man chopping wood on a raft in the middle of the Mississippi, the sound of whose stroke reached Tom Sawyer on shore just as the man held the axe poised again for another stroke, never quite comprehend the speed of radio waves.

Two years ago when the navy balloonists, starting from a place near New York, came down in a few hours at Moose Factory on James' Bay, many people turned to their geographies to discover how near the "frozen north" really is.

According to the decision of the Supreme Court in the Pennsylvania coal-tax case there is nothing to prevent any State from levying a tax on the products of its fields, factories or mines before those products enter interstate commerce.

Magistrate Hamilton of Listowel and C. E. Parsons of London had a close call from injury last week when they escaped being struck by a Grand Trunk train near Listowel by only a few inches.

A new recruit at Sing Sing said he wanted to work as a poet. Strange to say, he was not taken to the death cells.—Buffalo Express.

Problems of the Farm

Contributed by Grey County Department of Agriculture

Swine Judging Course.

Last month, December 18, 19 and 20, six Grey County boys attended a course in judging live hogs and finished carcasses at the Harris, Swift and Davies Abattoirs.

Among the winners was Mr. Otto Foy, Rocklyn, who won 8th place in judging carcasses. His prize was \$4.00. Mr. Wilfrid Goldsmith, Chatsworth, was given 12th place in judging live hogs.

The course was intended to show the difference in slaughtered and before slaughter. There was also demonstrated the work of grading and the necessity for it.

Lice on Cattle.

Quite a number of farmers in the County have been complaining of lice on cattle. We have been asked so frequently for a good louse killer that we decided to give the following.

Take 1 pound of Pyrethrum or Insect Powder, 1 pound of Hellebore and 3 to 5 pounds of sulphur. Mix these and shake on with can having holes punched in the bottom.

The larger amount of sulphur is recommended as it makes the percentage of Hellebore less.

Short Courses.

During the next two months we will be at Clarksburg and Holstein on Short Course work. The office will be open and all correspondence will receive consideration as soon as possible after it comes to hand.

ISN'T IT FUNNY?

Isn't it funny? That a man who thinks He is a business man Will get up in the morning From an advertised mattress, Shave with an advertised razor, And put on advertised underwear, Advertiseth hose, shirt, collar, tie and shoes.

Canadian Mother Goose. Sing a song of sixpence Bottle full of rye; Four and twenty Yankees Sitting parched and dry. When the rye was opened, The Yanks began to sing: We won't go back to the U.S.A., "God Save the King."

DESERTS UNITED FARMERS, JOINS LIBERAL PARTY

The King Government, according to a dispatch from Ottawa, will have a majority over the combined Opposition, without counting the Speaker when the next House opens.

W. J. Russell, also elected as a Progressive for Muskoka announced on December 2 that he would cross the floor to the Liberal benches when the next session opened.

With the crossing of Mr. Binette the standing of the various parties will be: Liberals, 118; combined Opposition 116, divided as follows: Progressives 64, Conservatives 50, and Labor 2, giving the Government a majority of 2 should there be a solid Opposition vote against it in a full House.

In a letter issued to the electors of his riding to-day Mr. Binette indicates that his decision to cross the floor of the House follows the resignation of the Hon. T. A. Crerar as Progressive leader in the Commons, the resignation of President Burnaby of the United Farmers of Ontario and that the dissensions between Premier Drury and the rest of the party "are indications that the latter party is built on sand."

"Under the direction of my leader I was true and loyal to him," Mr. Binette states, "but when we see the leaders deserting the army there is something wrong and it is time to do something and report to you."

Joseph Binette was a Liberal until 1919, when he joined the Progressives. Last year he became the candidate of that group in Prescott and was elected by a large majority over E. Proulx, Independent Liberal, and Sabourin, straight Liberal.

Mr. Binette was, of course, one of the nine Opposition members who saved the Government from defeat by voting for the main budget motion last session. Like Mr. Hammel, who recently decided to cross the floor, he took little part in the debates of the session. He made no speeches except when the House was

YOUNG MOTHER NOW STRONG

Her Mother's Faith in Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Led Her To Try It

Kenosha, Wisconsin.—"I cannot say enough in praise of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. My mother had great faith in it as she had taken so much of it and when I had trouble after my baby was born she gave it to me. It helped me so much more than anything else had done that I advise all women with female trouble to give it a fair trial and I am sure they will feel as I do about it.—Mrs. FRED. P. HANSEN, 668 Symonds St., Kenosha, Wisconsin.

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in committee, though he had several questions on matters affecting his constituency.

He served 19 years in the County Council, including 15 years as the Reeve of East Hawkesbury.

OWEN SOUND OFFICER IS BABY CITY'S NEW POSTMASTER

Capt. Eddie McDonald, acting postmaster at Owen Sound since the death of the late George A. Ross, has received word of his appointment to the position of postmaster. He enlisted with the 147th Battalion in 1915 and served with distinction in France with the 4th C. M. R. He was awarded the military medal and also won his commission on the field. He was wounded on November 4, 1918.

Capt. McDonald is a nephew of the late Hon. A. G. MacKay and has been in the employ of the post office at Owen Sound since 1911. He is 28 years of age; adjutant of the local regiment, and is captain of the Owen Sound soccer team which won the W. F. A. intermediate championship the last two years.

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Men's home-knit Woollen Mitts, per pair... .69
Men's all-wool heavy Underwear... \$1.69
Men's wool Gloves, per pr... .79
Men's Flannelette Night-shirts... \$1.79
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