India's Yield Of Wheat Greater Than Canada's

India Agriculturists Visit Canada to Study Irrigation

Two agricultural experts from India have arrived in Canada and will travel from Quebec to the Prairies chiefly for the purpose of studying hydro-electric power in relation to agricultural uses, and the systems of irrigating arid areas. They will also inspect the big dam projects in the United States.

More Land Under Cultivation

Western farmers need have no apprehension about India becoming a competitor. It may surprise Canadians, however, to be informed that in a good year India grows more wheat than the Dominion. We have come to regard ourselves as the world's granary, yet last year India produced 402,000,000 bushels of wheat, or about 55,000,000 more than Canada. The year before, the Indian yield exceeded Canada's by 123,000,000 bushels. India has about 13,000,000 more acres under cultivation than this country.

India Needs Her Grain For Own Peoples

Canada, with a population of 11,500,000 must have export markets, whereas India, with a population of 350,000,000 needs all her grain for her own people. Occasionally, India has entered the export market when prices were high and good profits could be made, but present and future prospects are that there will be no encouragement in that direction.

The reason why hydro-electric and irrigation systems are being examined is because India is subject to droughts and there is sometimes severe suffering among the natives. All that India wants is to be self-sufficient and to feed her own people.

Police Get Queer Request!

Mrs. Frank Thissen, Ellendale farm mother, wrote Police Chief Frank Forestal:—

"I have six small children. It's almost impossible to call them on a big farm. The official basketball whistle hasn't enough carrying power. Could I get a discarded, but far-reaching, police whistle?"

The chief sent her three whistles and said, "take your pick."

New Rules On Wheat Marketing

Provide Penalties For Breach Of Regulations

Regulations governing the marketing of wheat through the Canadian Wheat Board for the crop year 1939, especially the 5,000-bushel limitation of deliveries, have been issued from the head offices of the board.

Under the Wheat Board Act each farmer or a group of farmers operating as a unit, may deliver 5,000 bushels of wheat to the board. The initial price will be 70 cents a bushel, basis No. 1 Northern, Fort William.

Sons, Operating Land for Parents May Participate

Under the regulations, employees and dependents of farmers are not grower-producers and are barred from delivering wheat to the board, but sons of farmers, operating land for their parents, may participate under a lease-agreement system.

The farmers will be required to obtain permits for marketing their grain and penalties are provided for breach of the regulations, a fine not exceeding $100 or imprisonment for a period not exceeding one month.

In addition to buying from the grower, the board may buy from landlords, vendors, mortgagees or others "entitled by contract or operation of law to wheat grown by someone else."

Dusk On The Lake

This is the hour when night slips quietly
Along the flaming edges of the sun;
Here, on the lake, an opal ecstasy
Repeats the heavens' word that day is done.
A silver moment as a fish leaps high,
Or deer's hoof breaks a twig upon the shore;
Then sudden cool, a night-bird's startled cry;
The creak of oarlock, and the dip of oar.

'The young people of this nation are year by year becoming less willing to listen to the preachers of pessimism, distrust and lack of confidence."—Sir Edward Beatty.

"Royal Tour" Pictures Enjoyed by Canadian Girls

Memories of the recent royal tour of Canada were recalled by the party of 30 Canadian school girls who are at present visiting England, when they visited the exhibition of royal tour pictures at St. James' Palace.

What Science is Doing

CHEAPER PLASTIC

A plastic compound made from the lignin and cellulose of sugar cane bagasse, one of the country's important agricultural waste products, has been manufactured by chemists of the United States Department of Agriculture at the Agricultural By-Products Laboratory, Ames, Iowa. The chemists estimate that this new compound can be manufactured for less than half the cost of the cheapest synthetic plastic compounds now on the market.

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VITAMINS AND OLD AGE

Evidence that senility and other symptoms of old age are accompanied by typical signs of vitamin deficiency was presented recently by Professor L. A. Cherkes, director of the Odessa Institute of Nutrition, U.S.S.R. Experiments on animals and numerous observations on patients showed, he reported, that the processes taking place on teeth and bones in old age do not differ in anything from those resulting from a deficiency of vitamins in the organism. The observations have led Professor Cherkes to conclude that the digestive tract not only absorbs vitamins from food but also transforms a number of inactive food components into active vitamins. As the body grows older this capacity of the digestive tract grows weaker. Many symptoms of senility, hitherto regarded as manifestations of an inevitable physiological pocess, he believes, are but a result of the body not keeping up with its requirements in vitamins, which must be supplied in greater amounts with the advance of the years.

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NEW METALLIC COMPOUND

Discovery of a new metallic compound capable of cutting and smoothing the toughest metals and harder than the hardest steel used to manufacture tools was reported to the American Chemical Society by Philip M. McKenna of the McKenna Metals Company, Latrobe, Pa. The material is obtained by heating tungsten, titanium and carbon in crucibles of pure graphite, the mixture being heated in a bath of molten nickel to a temperature of 2,000 degrees for a prolonged period. The new compound is only 0.2 softer than a diamond, the hardest substance known; and is expected, because of its ability to retain a sharp cutting edge at high temperatures, to increase the speed with which stainless steels can be machined, thus resulting in considerable economies in manufacture.

To the farmer and prospective settler, the Animal Husbandry Division of the Experimental Farms Service, Dominion Department of Agriculture, offers the results of many years experience, accruing from the maintenance of approximately 8,000 head of livestock on the Dominion Experimental Farms and Stations in different parts of every province of Canada.

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Have You Heard?

The Wrong Note

A new governor was paying his first visit to a Gold Coast town.

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On another occasion, when the King and Queen, then Duke and Duchess of York, visited Mauritius, they expressed regret that they couldn't stay more than three days in the island. A local paper printed "stay" as "stand".

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Cool

According to a writer a girl who is clever with her needle can make a charming summer frock for next to nothing. And in a heat wave that's probably how she'll wear it.

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Dear Daddy dear!

Little Mary: "Let's be pals, Daddy, dear."

Daddy: "Certainly, my dear."

Little Mary: "Well, how about dumping out the cod liver oil, palsy walsy?"

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Definition

Economy means keeping away from the neighbours instead of keeping up with them.

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The latest U.S. church device for "raising the wind" is what a religious paper describes as "some collection box." The inventor hails from Oklahoma. If a member of the congregation drops in a twenty-five-cent piece or a coin of a larger value, there is silencee. If it is a ten-cent piece a bell rings, a five-cent piece sounds a whistle, and a cent fires back a blank cartridge. If any one pretends to be asleep when the box passes, it awakens him with a watchman's rattle, and a camera takes his portrait.

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Really

"It's nice to see you again, old man; I thought you were dead."

"Oh! Why?"

"Well, I've heard several people speak well of you lately."

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Mapped Out

Little Donald, aged six: "Mother, I'm going to work hard at this school and get a scholarship to Jack's school. And then I'm going to get a scholarship to the Grammar School. Then I shall get a scholarship to Oxford; and after I have finished at Oxford, I am going to drive a motor bus."

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Modern Etiquette

BY ROBERTA LEE

1.—Isn't an envious person unpopular?

2.—Should a girl ever send a gift to a man whom she likes?

3.—Who is usually the last one to make a speech at a public dinner?

4.—How many attendants should a widow have at her second marriage?

5.—When playing golf and there is a foursome just ahead of you, how long should you wait before driving?

6.—When serving tea to guests where tables are not provided, shouldn't one avoid serving anything that requires the use of a fork?

Answers

1.—Yes, always. An old Latin proverb says, "He who envies another admits his own inferiority." And, of course, it is difficult for an inferior person to become popular. 2.—Not unless she is engaged to be married to this man, and then the only gifts necessary are at Christmas and on his birthday. 3.—The guest of honor, or the most prominent person present, who is seated at the toastmaster's right, is usually asked to speak last. 4.—Never more than one attendant and more often none. 5.—Wait until all four of the players ahead of you are too far away for your drive to interfere. 6.—Yes; it is better to avoid the fork.

How Can I?

BY ANNE ASHLEY

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

A.—Cut a circular piece out of a pumpkin or gourd, large enough to insert the hand. Clean out the interior thoroughly, place ripe grapes inside, and replace the cover securely. Keep in a cool place, and the grapes will keep fresh for a long time.

Q.—How can I mend broken marble?

A.—To mend broken marble, stick the pieces together after applying Portland cement and water which have been mixed into a very stiff paste.

Q.—How can I treat tired nerves?

A.—Heat some milk to the scalding point, add a little salt, and drink it as hot as possiblee. This is also a sleep producer.

Q.—How can I clean a soiled photograph?

A.—Sponge it very lightly with a cloth wrung from warm water containing a little ammonia. Another method is to moisten some absorbent cotton with alcohol and rub very gently until the photograph is clean. Let it dry naturally.

Q.—How can I prevent silk from cracking or becoming hard?

A.—Always press it under a piece of damp muslin, using a moderately hot iron, until the muslin is quite dry.

Prevention Rather Than Cure

Some accidents in the home can be prevented easily—thus saving the harassment of a domestic accident and the pain of the cure. One such accident which is fairly frequent among women is the painful hammering of a thumb when trying to hammer in a nail! Here is a scheme to prevent such a crushing possibility! Next time you are ready to do odd jobs about the house which involve hammering in of nails try sticking the nail through a piece of stout cardboard and holding it with this—"mis-hits" are then harmless, and your thumb remains whole!

The Right Idea

An Austrian baron of royal blood, just arrived in Canada and planning to be a farmer, announces that though he fought on the German side in the last war, "I will fight for the English people this war, if it comes. It will fight for Great Britain because I know I will be fighting on the side which stands for the rights of people; I shall be on the right side."

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