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Hun Brutality Told By Witness

Chatham, Ont., April 7.—A harrowing tale of brutality and oppression was unfolded today by Mrs. Victor Venlaen, Belgian refugee, who with two small children, joined her husband here today. The woman arrived by way of Detroit, and through an interpreter told of the treatment by German soldiers, of women and children and old men in her home city, Termonde. After the Germans occupied the city, families were taken into the fields and shot down like rabbits. German soldiers marching through the streets, drove the bayonet through children and carried them along impaled on the blade. Parents were locked in their houses and at command of the German officers, their children fired the houses. If they refused they were shot down.

Had it not been for the relief given by Canada and the United States, millions would have starved. All provisions are exorbitant in price. Meat is 50 cents a

pound, rice 72 cents, coal oil 50 cents a quart, butter 70 cents a pound, bread 25 cents a half pound.

British Success In East Africa

London, April 8.—The British success against the Germans in the campaign in East Africa reported yesterday, included the capture of more than 400 men with machine guns and large supplies of ammunition. The number of prisoners is expected to be added to.

Villa Bandits Again Defeated

Mexico City, April 10.—The followers of the bandit Francisco Villa have suffered another defeat at the town of San Antonio Debatonoyoa, State of Chihuahua, according to advices received by the War Department.

WEARIN' O' THE GREEN

Origin of Shamrock Wearing in Honor St. Patrick

Few who put a sprig of shamrock in their buttonhole on the seventeenth of March realize that these little green leaves more than once kept the Irish from death in dire famine times. In 1596 the poet Spenser declares that the war has brought the miserable inhabitants of Munster to a point where they "flock to a plot of water-cresses or shamrocks as to a feast." In his "View of Ireland" he describes this as the depth of ruin to which a land formerly having abundant corn and cattle had been plunged. The troublous times continued and the shamrock is mentioned as an article of food again and again. Fynes Morrison in 1598 writes that the herb is still being "snatched out of the ditches for food."

Not until later was the shamrock used as the national emblem of Erin. Nathaniel Colgan, member of the Royal Irish Academy says the earliest record of the wearing "o' the green" is contained in the diary of Thomas Dinohy, who wrote in 1687: "17th day of March yearly is St. Patrick, an immovable feast, when the Irish of all stations and conditions wear roses in their hats, some of pins, some of green ribbon, and the vulgar superstitiously wear shamrocks, three-leaved grass which they likewise eat (they say to cause a sweet breath)."

Housing Poultry Machine

There is no doubt that poultry houses built of concrete would be excellent winter quarters, but we should prefer having the inside of the house either lathed and plastered or double walled. Houses built entirely of lumber and double walled, with heavy lining paper between the walls, can be made just as comfortable, and are better liked by the majority of poultrymen, than houses built of any other material.

Actor Loves Criminology

It is curious what hobbies some actors have. That of Mr. H. B. Irving, for instance, is criminology, and one finds him at every notable criminal prosecution. He was regular in attendance at Bow Street when the case against George Joseph Smith was being heard.

The King gave 2,000 pheasants to military during three months.

Modern Definitions

Benedict—A married man.
Benedictine—A married fellow.
Benediction—Their children.

Hens will get broody from one to three times during the season. Occasionally hens will become broody four times, but seldom over twice.

When hens lay extra large eggs it is, as a rule, due to this hen being too fat. Such eggs should not be eaten, as they are a cause for alarm than for rejoicing. Salvino, the great Italian actor, died at 140,000 in eighteen years.

SELL APPLES AT HOME

Neighbors Make Best Profitable Buyers of Orchard Products

In many parts of the country the small home orchard has disappeared, or never existed, and farmer neighbors must buy fruit for the family of the professional fruit grower. Those who have home orchards should use the telephone or postcards to tell the neighbors where good fruit may be obtained. Even in localities where considerable fruit is grown in a commercial way a great deal of it may be sold to farmers and town folk who will come to the orchard and haul it away. This orchard trade is the most profitable of all. The grower needs no package, has no grading and very little sorting to do, no packing, hauling, storage, or freight expenses to meet.

This latter sort of trade can well afford to pay as much for orchard run, soft rots out, as the buyer can for the first two grades. The packer must maintain grading machinery, tables, packages, the expenses of picking, packing, hauling, freight, storage and handling. He cannot afford to pay much for orchards where he can only pack from one to a few cars. Growers of fruit in a small or home way should get the habit of selling as much as possible to their neighbors.

Your Nose Defied

A prominent member of the face family, usually a Greek or Roman, who owns the shortest bridge in the world. He is often stuck up in company, but frequently blows himself when he has his gripper. Principal occupations: sniffing, sniveling, sneezing, snorting and scenting, intruding in the neighbors' affairs, stuffing himself without permission and bleeding for others.

Stand on all Fours

"If men acted more like monkeys they would be better off." This is the latest dictum of osteopathic science as enunciated by Dr. Walton Drew of the Smithsonian Institution. Dr. Drew declared that children up to ten years of age should spend half of their time on all fours. Adults according to this same authority should make it a daily practice to stand on all fours.

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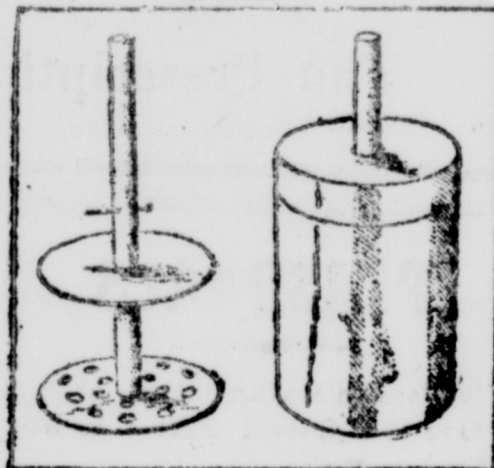
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HOME-MADE EGG BEATER SAVES EGGS COSTS NOTHING

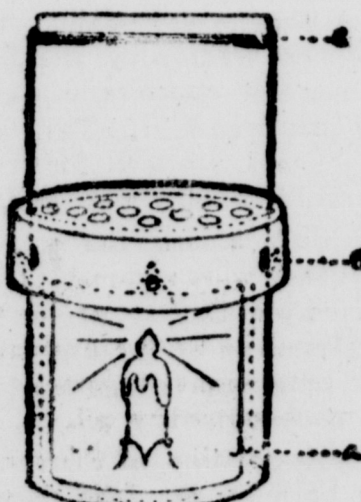


Here's a "high-cost-of-living" egg beater! Take an old yeast powder can, punch a hole in the top to admit a small rod of wood. On one end of the rod fasten a tin disk with a lot of holes cut in it. Slip another disk over the rod. About half way up the rod drive a nail so that the sliding disk cannot work but half way up. Then put your eggs in the can, put in your rod and cover the can. The beating is done by working the rod up and down in the can. And it will beat eggs quickly and efficiently without spattering the eggs all over the place.

USE FOR KITCHEN SCRAP

No Expense Attached to the Making of This Utensil

A candle lantern is a good thing to have on hand for use in the cellar. A discarded corn can furnishes the base of the lantern. Cut a square piece from one side, where the sliding glass or mica sheet can be inserted. This can be fastened on the outside by a strip



of wire twisted all around the can at the top and bottom. Or a heavier piece of wire can be shaped to fit the inside and hold the mica in place. The handle from the washtub is used as the handle for the lantern and the bottom of an old tomato can, which is larger and will fit over the corn can, serves as the top. To hold the candle in place you can either cut a couple of cross slots in the bottom of the lantern and bend the points thus made upward, or drive a nail through the bottom and stick the candle on this.

War News

London, April 7.—The situation in Holland apparently, is becoming less tense. Reuter's Amsterdam correspondent says an indication of the change is that officers of the military transportation staff of the state railways will again be granted leave.

Amsterdam, April 7.—(By M. Holbert, proprietor of the Amsterdam Telegraaf, in Toronto Globe).—Nine tenths of the Dutch favor the Allies. The Dutch people are essentially calm, but they were excited for a day or two after the sinking of the Tubantia.

The German concentration on the Belgian frontier has not worried the Dutch nation, but any movement of German troops on the Eastern frontier would be taken seriously. Britain would be unable to land troops in Holland without saying Choose between us and Germany.

An increase of duties for the army has been considered, but Germany has intimated that such action would be taken as unfriendly. Holland has avoided a neutral alliance, but perhaps she will join the United States in a protest against Germany's submarine campaign. She has been unable to take any action in the cases of the Tubantia and Palantang, until proof has been received that the ships were torpedoed by the Germans.

I think the war will last for eighteen months longer.

NEW YORK, April 7.—The London correspondent of the New York Tribune cables as follows:

The speech delivered in the Reichstag on Wednesday by Dr. Baumbach-Hilweg, Imperial Chancellor, is considered good evidence that Germany is anxious for early peace. Following closely Dr. von Hefferich's admission of the seriousness of Germany's financial situation, the Chancellor's statement that "the Allies will be to blame if the massacre goes on," is interpreted here as a very strong sign that the German government is weakening and fears to face the people. With a pulled offensive only a matter of a short time in the future, the German chancellor is evidently trying to give the people for big losses, losses which the country is finding it harder and harder to bear.

For a long time British statesmen and political observers have been anticipating a speech of this kind, knowing that eventually Germany would charge Great Britain with prolonging the war. England will not refuse the charge.

"The reference to the blockade as a 'German warfare' aiming at reducing us by hunger," is exceedingly satisfactory to those who wish to keep imports into Germany. In stead of lessening this pressure, every effort is being made to tighten it, and in this connection Great Britain is perfectly satisfied to have neutrals compare her war record with Germany's."

See Collapse Of German Empire

ROME, April 10.—German bankers, according to reports received in financial circles here, are transferring their reserves to neutral countries without heeding the losses incurred by the unfavorable exchange, as long as they succeed in getting their money safely out of Germany. These steps are ascribed to reports that the last war loss was a failure and that coercive measures are feared.

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