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SWEET PEAS
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SQUASH
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GOLDEN BANTAM 18c.
BANTAM EVERGREEN 21c.
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GRASS SEED
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TIMOTHY NO. 1 13c.
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OLD TIMER RECALLS DAYS OF SOFT SOAP AND WASHTUB BATHS

(By Tom Williams in Toledo Blade)
"If a fellow was to set up an ash leach these days he'd be likely to be arrested and charged with operating a still. People nowadays know so little about what folks used to do to help themselves in the days when soft things weren't so handy and pioneerin' work wasn't confined to the movies."
And the Old Timer whittled away at a wooden paddle in the making of which he seemed exercising infinite care. He had the edge down to almost the thinness of a knife while at the back it was heavy and strong and running into a handle.
"It's a transplanting paddle," he explained as he put the finishing touches on the handle. He grasped it occasionally and wielded it about, testing the "feel" of it.
"You can buy them in the seed stores, but—and for that matter you can buy your flowers in the stores, too. But what joy is there in boughten things that you can make yourself."
He placed the finished product on the narrow shelf in the railroad crossing shanty where a number of others of various sizes and shapes were.
"Well 'll be dinged! You don't know what an ash leach is? And you wonder what part of a moon-shiner's kit it might be. If you lived in the old days you'd be considered so terribly ignorant that folks would feel sort o' sorry for you. Surely you'd be told to keep out o' th' back pasture or the cows might eat you up.

Describes Ash Leach.
"An ash leach is a home-made affair. You put the hardwood ashes into it and then poured water on the ashes. That made lye. This was later made into soft soap by boiling and adding any kind of animal fat. It took a lot of boiling and when you used the soap which was about the color of molasses with sulphur in it, you had to be careful for it was liable to take off the skin along with the dirt.
"The leach was a frame set up on four legs fastened to a log trough. The legs at one end were a little shorter than at the other so as to give a fall to the brackish liquid that resulted from the water passing through the ashes. At the lower end an old crock was put to catch the drippings. Above the trough was the frame, narrow at the bottom and fitting into the trough.
"It was 'V' shaped, wide at the top. The sides and ends were boarded roughly and from day to day the ashes were emptied in. When it got nearly full the water was added. New ashes was added as needed, and the liquid kept until you was ready to begin soap-boiling, which was usually in the fall. That liquid wouldn't spoil. And how you do have to boil, and boil, and boil it."
"If you ever had to attend to a soap kettle when you wanted to go out hickory nuttin' or huntin' you surely would cuss the inventor of soft soap and you'd see his image as a demon in the curling smoke that's forever getting into your eyes."

Helps Nature.
The Old Timer reached for a shallow pan containing a little water in which he had some seeds soaking and stirred them with his long, bony fingers, declaring that in backward seasons Nature needs some helping along. And yet, he informed, there was risk in it, as the seeds so treated were likely to rot in the ground if it came on a rainy period.
"In the days I'm speakin' of," he went on, "when a man got to splitting hairs you could bet on it that his wife had to split the wood. There was Jonnathan Jones who got some scripture passages tangled up in his brain cells and he couldn't get them out. He was forever wanting to argue with everyone over the meaning of them. If you agreed with him you'd never get rid of him and if you didn't he'd argue all day.
"He had a mortgage on his farm and it was growing every year, 'cause Jones wasn't taking near as much interest in the here-and-now as he was in th' hereafter. His wife was sensible but desperate. Finally she hit upon a plan. She went to the deacon of the church who held the mortgage and got him to get the preacher at Whittle Point church to preach a sermon—and 'twas one of them powerful ones—on man's duty to the present and the sin of splitting hairs over God's word. Jones recovered. Leave it to a woman.
"And you could bet that a man was getting ready to fall victim to some patent right territory shark when he began putterin' round instead of plantin' his potatoes. About everything has changed in my day but human nature. That's the most bullheaded thing I knows of. Cantankerous folks are those who got their minds on back-

ward and are dead sure it ain't so. That's why they are incurable, I reckon.
Parents Were Prepared.
"Folks weren't so plentiful them days out in the backwoods. So of course a birth was an event—yet they did splendid, based on population. Everyone generally knew what the name of a baby was going to be long before it was born. They always picked two, so as to have one fit whether it was a girl or a boy. The only thing that disturbed the rule was when occasionally twins was born and then things was kind o' upset.
"You know names was kind o' scarce because there wasn't any novel-readin' on the part of the women and of course there wasn't movie actresses.
"In the days when Kansas and Iowa was the outlet for people who didn't think it was well for them to stay where they was any longer, and Indiana was 'away out West,' they couldn't do much for a woman who was born plain. But if she married she raised the biggest family of the best looking children. If she didn't she became a sort of neighborhood mother, called by everyone when they had sickness or trouble. And what would we a-done without them?
"We didn't have such thing as pin money. The family cash was ours' not 'mine.' And you ask why did they call them quiting bees. I suppose it was 'cause there was so much buzzin'. There wasn't any houses with bathrooms, but every kitchen was convertible to a bath-house on Saturday night and the old washtub was th' swimmin' hole.
"And there wasn't any silos on the farms and th' unfortunate stock had to eat its feed without it bein' pre-digested."

CHINESE WARRIORS HAVE RUN SHORT OF SUPPLIES; OPIUM IS A BIG FACTOR IN THE WAR

Peking, China, May 17—In their retreat through Nankow pass the Kuominchun troops reversed Chinese history. It was through these steep, narrow defiles that the barbaric Mongol hordes descended upon somnolent China in the thirteenth century, setting up a Mongol dynasty and energizing the Chinese. The Kuominchun army was the most orderly, best educated and best trained army that China has known. It left behind the rich plains of Chihli and the wealth of Peking and headed into the wastes of the northwest, where Feng Yuxiang is said to have planned the co-ony of soldier-farmers and to wait for the time when he could again attack.
Only the first Kuominchun or national army persists. This has been the nucleus of all the Kuominchun forces. It was built up around the Whampoa military academy cadets and still has 140,000 men, but it is short of food, funds and ammunition. The second army has been virtually wiped out. The third army once had 300,000 men in its ranks, but now does not have more than 30,000 men and it has been merged with the first. The fourth army deserted to the enemy and is now with Wu Pei-fu. The fifth army does not number more than 3,000.

Aim to Seize Honan.
Of the opposition to Wu Pei-fu approximately 60,000 men are from Honan and from the north. Chang Tso-lin's Manchurian forces number 150,000. Chang Tsung-chang and Li Ching-lin command that portion of the allied forces left in the Chihli and Shan-tung provinces. After the campaign in the autumn of 1925 their combined forces numbered approximately 75,000. To this combination may be added the army of Sun Chuan-fang at the mouth of the Yangtze. Sun Chuan-fang has been inactive, but he is believed to be sympathetic toward Chang Tso-lin, and Wu Pei-fu has about 60,000 men. Finally, in the south of Kwangtung men number 60,000 effectives who are allies of the Kuominchun from Hunan. They are aiming to seize Honan and Hupeh provinces. Altogether the Kuominchun is greatly outnumbered.
Opium is a factor in this war, inasmuch as Sun Chuan-fang in the Yangtze territory is trying to ho'd Shanghai and Nanking and capture the big receipts from the opium traffic, estimated at \$2,000,000 to \$20,000,000 a year.
Three arsenals in China are making arms. The first arsenal, at Hanyang near Hankow, is controlled by Wu Pei-fu. The second is in Mukden and is supervised by Chang Tso-lin. The third, in Canton, is now developing on

CIRCULATION OF THE BIBLE IS INCREASING

The British and Foreign Bible Society has issued a statement for its 122nd annual meeting which shows that the total issues of the Society in complete Bibles, New Testaments and smaller portions (at least one complete book of scripture) reached last year the wonderful output of 10,452,733—more than double those announced 25 years ago and an increase of 412,158 for the year. In no previous period in the Society's history were so many English Bibles sold as last year.
The summary of the report stated that, "our steadfast friends in the Dominions have not only sent considerable sums in aid of the Society's work abroad; they have organized the distribution of the scriptures within their own borders. In Canada, over 404,600 volumes were circulated, an increase of 4,000. In Western Canada the colporteurs sold versions in no fewer than thirty-three languages."
After paying for work in Canada and Newfoundland these Dominion auxiliaries sent the handsome amount of £12,792 to the Society's headquarters in London.
DIMINISHING SIZE OF PARIS
Paris, May 17—The population of Paris continues steadily to diminish. Whereas most of the great capitals in the world climb year by year, Paris has suffered since 1921 a slight annual decrease in population. Preliminary figures just issued by the census bureau give the estimated population of Paris on March 7, 1926 as 2,383,416. This is about 25,017 fewer than the census record in March, 1921.

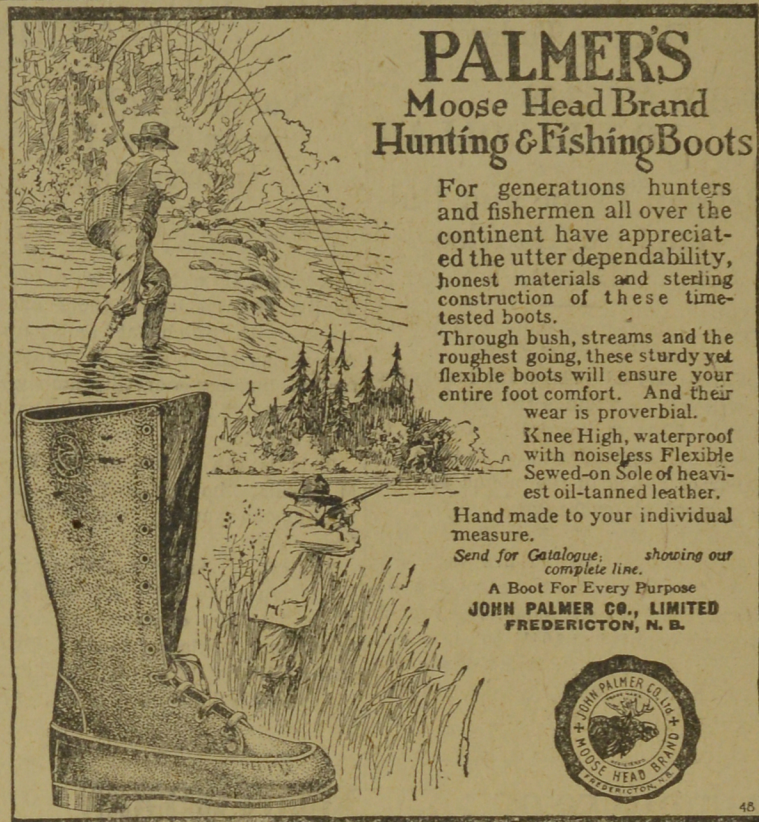
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