

SATURDAY, MAY 11, 1929

"Do you mind if I eat while you smoke?"

Applican—There's lots of push and go in me. I'd like to show you.

Agent—How do you like your electric washer?

When Congressmen talk about the consumer they mean, of course, the hot air consumer.

Patron—Here's a piece of rubber tire in my hash.

Hannah—Marriage is a matter of give and take.

"This lunch room is under new management."

Which are the most reasonable clothes? Pepper and salt.

24,000 FARMERS IN SURVEY DECLARE FERTILIZER PRICES ONLY "AVERAGE"

Their Answers to Questions Show That Most Farmers Think Price Not High.

"As compared to other things, do you consider fertilizer low, average or high in price?"

This question was answered last summer by over 48,000 farmers in 35 states.

It was one of 50 asked by representatives of the National Fertilizer Association in an attempt to find out just what the farmer himself thinks about fertilizer, how he uses it to make money, and how the fertilizer companies may further improve their chemical plant food and their service so the farmer may make more money.

While it is only human nature for farmers or buyers of any product to feel that prices are high, nevertheless over 24,000 of the 48,000 farmers who answered this question said they think the price of fertilizer is only "average."

Seven per cent, or an average of 7 out of each 100 farmers who were interviewed, said the price is "low"; nearly 35 per cent, or 35 out of 100, said it is "high." The remaining 7 out of 100 did not express an opinion on this question.

Fertilizer Prices Low. The Association points out that, according to the U. S. Department of Agriculture, fertilizer actually is the cheapest important supply the farmer buys, with the exception of feeds, which are 1 per cent lower.

Prices of complete fertilizer are gathered from all over the country by the Association. An average of these shows that fertilizer is only slightly higher now than before the war. The Association finds that the price has been kept reasonable despite the phenomenal jump in wages of factory employees, which have doubled since pre-war, and an increase of 80 per cent in incoming and outgoing freight, which makes up about one-fourth of the price of fertilizer. Notwithstanding these important increases in the manufacturer's cost, fertilizer prices at the factory average only 9 per cent above their pre-war level.

Though the prices of farm products have been low, the price of fertilizer is relatively still lower. For instance, according to the latest available figures of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, cotton and cottonseed are 49 per cent above pre-war; fruits



The names of 48,000 farmers and their answers to 2,400,000 questions are contained in this pile of questionnaire books, each of which contains replies of 50 farmers.

and vegetables are 11 per cent above; dairy products are 44 per cent above; poultry products are 58 per cent above; meat animals are 50 per cent above; grains are 23 per cent above, and the average price of all farm products is 36 per cent above. In contrast, fertilizer prices at the factory average only 9 per cent above pre-war.

Reports of the U. S. Department of Agriculture also show that the farmer pays an average of 56 per cent more than before the war for all the commodities he buys. This is further proof that commercial fertilizer, being only 9 per cent above, is relatively inexpensive as compared to the cost of other things the farmer buys.

Helps Whole Community. When it is remembered that fertilizer returns to the farmer an average of about \$3 for each dollar invested, and that high yields are necessary if the cost of production per pound of cotton or tobacco is to be reduced, then it seems logical that the farmer should use more and better fertilizer so he can make more money on his crops this year.

In addition, it is emphasized that the more fertilizer used in this community, the greater will be the return to the farmers, which gives more business to the local merchant, to the banker and to all who do business with the farmer, thus increasing the general prosperity of the community.

Clear Waste

The rows of perforations cut between postage stamps yield four tons of tiny plained disks of paper a month, which appear to be entirely useless.

Wall Street Friendships

An outsider trying to beat the stock market is like a meathall trying to live in companionate marriage with a shark.—American Magazine.

"RAISED" MONEY CIRCULATED

Two "raised" twenty-dollar bills were detected in Centreville by Henry T. Deaver, teller at the Centreville National Bank. Their presence there would indicate that business houses and individuals, generally, should be on the alert in handling notes of this denomination.

Both originally had been five-dollar bills and were cleverly raised to the twenty-dollar denominations. Their detection was due to the fact that the counterfeiters, in making the change, had been unable to remove the photograph of Lincoln which appears on five-dollar federal reserve notes. The photograph of Cleveland appears on the genuine 20-dollar reserve note.

In order to assist in preventing the passing of other spurious notes, Teller Deaver this week prepared a description of the various legal notes. The list follows:

- Federal reserve notes — \$1, Washington; \$5, Lincoln; \$10, Jackson; \$20, Cleveland.
- Gold Notes — \$10, Hillegas; \$20, Washington.
- National Bank Notes — \$5, Harrison; \$10, McKinley; \$20, McCulloch.
- Legal Tender — \$2, Jefferson; \$5, Jackson; \$10, Lewis and Clark.

One Consolation

First Horse—"It's tough having these motor cars taking our places." Second Horse—"Well, it gives the men something else to swear at besides us."

"Well, if you don't like the way that I say good night—wait and see what happens afterward."

Rufus—Why on earth do you take all those magazines and papers? You certainly can't read them.

Goofus—No, I don't bother with the reading matter—but the advertisements are so interesting.

Sportsman—Is the hunting good here?

Native—Excellent! But the findin's awful poor.

First Doctor—Before an operation I always take every possible precaution.

Second Doctor—So do I. I get paid in advance.

So long as mother spends \$7.50 at the beauty shop while dad shaves himself, you can expect a condition of unrest in the home.

JUST HUMANS

By Gene Carr



THE SPIDER AND THE FLY

What Does Your Child Want to Know?

Answered by BARBARA BOURJAILY



WHY DO WE HAVE NAMES? How could I call you in to eat if you had not a name? You could not go to school or store, or play a single game. (Copyright)

Thou and You

A reader asks "when and by whom was the plain language, thee and thou, changed to you when speaking to a single person?" We can only say that the change was brought about by public usage. If one were to adhere strictly to the laws of grammar, then one should still address a single person as thou instead of you, and some people do this yet, but the ordinary custom has become to drop the second person singular, even when only one person is addressed, and to use the second person plural. There is no law of any kind requiring this, it is simply the custom.—Exchange.

Rites of Baptism

Immersion is unquestionably the most ancient form of Christian baptism. The word "baptism" is derived from the Greek "bapto" or "baptizo," literally meaning to immerse, bathe, or wash. Baptism in the Latin or Roman Catholic church was originally by immersion. That method prevailed until about the twelfth century. In some places, individual Catholic churches continued to baptize by immersion until only a few hundred years ago. According to the ritual now authorized by the Catholic church, baptism is performed by laying the candidate's head.—Exchange.

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Ask For Coupons When Making Purchase

The Chestertown Mercantile Section Of The Kent County Chamber Of Commerce

STAGES THE GREATEST EVENT OF THE YEAR POPULARITY CONTEST

THIS GREAT EVENT WILL START Saturday May 11, and will end on Tuesday, July 2

Seven Big Weeks

There will be other Valuable Prizes in addition to the Automobile which will be Determined by the Success of the Popularity Contest

Buy It At Chestertown

Everybody Is Invited To Patronize The Personality Contest. Stores Listed Here

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COME ON, GIRLS, BE THE ONE TO GET THE AUTOMOBILE

If you are between the age of 14 and 35 inclusive, married or single, and live in Chestertown, Kent county, or Queen Annes County, you should grasp this opportunity and make application at the office of The Enterprise immediately. All applications should be made before Saturday, May 11th. ALL READY! GET SET! LET'S GO!

This beautiful Chevrolet Sport Cabriolet will be Given to the Most Popular Girl

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