

SAY IT WITH CHEESE

Suppose that a young woman told her parents that she was engaged to a certain young man, and that when he called at the house the parents offered him an old cheese. What would he do? In the Zermatt Valley, Switzerland, that means consent. When they approve of the match, the parents offer the suitor a taste of their old cheese.

Verzaca, Switzerland, words not being necessary. The lover places a log of wood before the door of a maiden. If she takes it in she accepts him. He is rejected if she leaves the log outside. In certain parishes of Valais, wedding garments for brides and grooms are kept in carved chests in the parish house. They are loaned to couples too poor to buy them.—Kansas City Star.

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NEW FACOTRY IS NOW MAKING OIL WELL TOOLS

Standard Tool & Supply Co. Now Producing Tube Elevator

A firm believer in the adage, "Mighty oaks from little acorns grow," President John Bergsten of the Standard Tool & Supply Company, Inc., the latest addition to the manufacturers of Torrance, has so arranged his new factory on Border avenue near the Llewellyn Iron Works that it can be added to both in buildings and equipment as the necessity arises.

Equipped with the very latest machinery for the making of tools and supplies for the oil industry, the company recently purchased nearly three acres of land and if the demand for their goods at the present time is indicative of its future the concern will need every foot of the land for other buildings.

The principal output of the factory now is a so-called tubing elevator, used in the lifting of oil tubing at the derrick. Heretofore this process was not only attended with injury to the tubing but actual danger to the oil worker. In both of these respects the local company's tool, that is automatic in its work, eliminates the dread of bending the tubing or injuring the employee.

This invention relates to elevators for raising and lowering rods, tubing, well casing and the like. An object of the present invention is the provision of a positive lock to hold the elevator in closed position when a tool or other article is being raised or lowered.

A further object of the invention is the provision of means for retaining the elevator in open position to permit ready insertion of a tool or other article.

The locking mechanism is provided with operating means normally retained in locked position by means of a spring and adapted to be retained in open position when the elevator is opened against the tension of the spring.

Mr. Bergsten, the president and general manager of the company, is also the patentee of five other equally desirable and valuable devices for the oil well.

The company is capitalized for 35,000 shares of stock at a par value of \$1 and has sold to date about 15,000 shares, every dollar of which, according to the officials, has been devoted to the purchase of land, erection of buildings and the equipment of the plant.

The selling end of the concern is to be handled for the Mid-Continent field, including Wyoming and Montana by the Akelson Company, while the California field will be supplied by the largest supply house on the coast.

The officials of the concern are: J. Bergsten, president and general manager; Frank Sammons, vice-president; G. N. Larson, secretary; E. C. Heath, cashier of the Farmers & Merchants bank at Redondo, cashier, and Charles White, one of the directors of the new concern.

NEBRASKA PICNIC

All who ever lived in Nebraska are called to meet under the auspices of the Nebraska Association of Southern California for the great picnic reunion, all day, Saturday, March 24, 1923, in Sycamore Grove Park, Los Angeles. You can see the tourists and visitors from the old home. Bring your basket well filled. Coffee will be served free to all who buy the souvenir badges.

There is one time when every man is musical and that's when he's blowing his own horn.

THIS HELPER NEEDS HELP

Southern California is unique in the number of institutions for the relief of human ills, especially among the poor, founded on practical sense and service.

Among these no one is more worthy of public recognition and support than the Orthopaedic Hospital-School for Crippled Children. It has been and is doing a noble and successful work for a class of child sufferers, who, without its help, scientific ministrations and training, would be compelled to face lives of helplessness and hopeless pain, suffering, poverty and misery.

Its high mission is to bring real life and happiness to thousands of deformed little children. The cures it has effected, resulting in changes from conditions rendering self-support apparently impossible to a state of bodily health, are amazing in number. To the boon of restored or newly created health and strength of body, the Hospital-School adds the advantage of practical training in things which will help the little patient, after being discharged as cured, in his or her earning capacity.

Now enrolled in the Orthopaedic Hospital-School clinic there are 300 children. For four years past there has been an annual average of 3000 patients treated, and it is estimated that the number treated this year will aggregate 4000.

The staff of the institution is drawn from the leading members of the surgical and medical profession. Its technical standing is indorsed by the principal child welfare organizations, by the state, county and municipal welfare boards, by the Los Angeles Board of Education and by the Los Angeles County Medical Association.

The Hospital-School enjoys all this public backing and the help, service and contributions of many mercifully minded leaders, both men and women, in the business and social life of the community.

But it takes money to maintain and conduct such a charity, and this one is in serious need of funds to "carry on." The growth of population continually increases the pressure upon its capacity and means to care for deserving cases. This, during the past year, has been a heavy drain upon its resources, and "the grass is getting short."

But the officers, workers and friends of the Orthopaedic Hospital-School of Southern California are not worried on that account. They are confident that they only have to lay their situation before the warm-hearted and charitable public to obtain immediate relief.

Subscriptions, small or otherwise, should be handed or sent to Mr. Austin O. Martin, treasurer, Los Angeles Orthopaedic Foundation, at the First National Bank, Los Angeles.

"Quincy Adams Sawyer" Unusual

Based on a widely read novel of rural life which in certain parts of the country, particularly New England, is considered almost a classic, interpreted by an unusual cast which combines quaint rural character studies, comedy, heart interest and melodramatic thrills, and possessed of numerous exploitation angles, the Metro production, "Quincy Adams Sawyer," should prove an unusually big attraction.

It is doubtful if there has ever been such a noteworthy cast ever assembled before for one picture. At least nine of the players have been starred and the remainder only is the dramatic, but the comedy field represented as well, and though obviously many are cast in minor roles each has been given the opportunity for effective work which adds to the enjoyment of the picture as a whole.

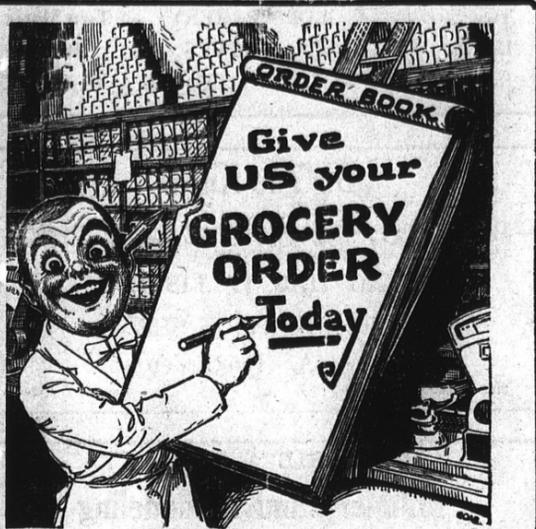
"Quincy Adams Sawyer," will be shown at the Torrance theatre on Tuesday and Wednesday, March 20 and 21.

PRICE BOOST IS HINTED

Conditions in the automobile industry at the present time show vast improvement over those a year ago, despite the fact that 1922 was a record year as far as the number of cars sold is concerned. So great is the present demand that predictions are made in some quarters that sales this year may exceed the total for 1922. Due to the higher cost of production resulting from recent increases in wages, higher costs of steel, copper, leather, rubber and many other products use in motor car manufacture, it is believed there will be an upward revision in prices.

A St. Louis woman shot her husband because he wouldn't work. You men had better not show this to your wives.

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Have Kidneys Examined By Your Doctor

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Flush your kidneys by drinking a quart of water each day; also take salts occasionally, says a noted authority, who tells us that too much rich food forms acids which almost paralyze the kidneys in their efforts to expel it from the blood. They become sluggish and weaken; then you may suffer with a dull misery in the kidney region, sharp pains in the back or sick headache, dizziness, your stomach sours, tongue is coated, and when the weather is bad you have rheumatic twinges. The urine gets cloudy, full of sediment, the channels often get sore and irritated, obliging you to seek relief two or three times during the night.

To help neutralize these irritating acids, to help cleanse the kidneys and flush off the body's urinous waste, get four ounces of Jad Salts from any pharmacy here; take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days, and your kidneys may then act fine. This famous salts is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for years to help flush and stimulate sluggish kidneys; also to neutralize the acids in the system so they no longer irritate, thus often relieving bladder weakness.

Jad Salts is inexpensive; can not injure and makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water drink. By all means have your physician examine your kidneys at least twice a year.

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